



MEN AND EQUIPMENT battle blaze at Alder Creek box factory. Here dozer pulls logs from cold deck while firemen pour water onto blazing logs. Lack of nearby water supply hampered fire fighters as tank trucks ran dry.

OVERALL VIEW OF FIRE in cold deck at Alder Creek mill shows flames and smoke shooting upward into nearby trees. About 70,000 ft. of logs were burned, and loss here was estimated at \$20,000. Fire was contained late in the evening of April 4. (Post Photo)

## County Budget May Exceed Million Hike

Prospects of Clackamas county residents voting on a county operational budget far in excess of the 6 per cent limitation for next fiscal year loomed today, as officials began wrestling with budget requests from the various departments that totaled up to approximately \$1 million more than the anticipated revenues from fixed sources.

County commissioners were preparing a request to the district attorney to prepare a ballot title for a special election to submit the proposal of spending more than the income possible under the 6 per cent limitation.

If the election, planned in connection with the primary election May 24, is held it will be the first time in history the county has called for spending beyond the 6 per cent limitation under state law.

The complete totals of the requests from the various departments have not been compiled and the amount of them above the 6 per cent limitation were not available this morning.

However, the indicated total is so high, Stan Ely, chairman of the board of county commissioners, said "that the board of commissioners does not desire to sit with members of the budget committee and arbitrarily make large reductions, that would be necessary according to all prospects, without an expression of the people as to whether they want

the added and expanded services and are willing to pay for them."

The money is just not available without exceeding the 6 per cent limitation or slashing the requests of the department down to within the revenues from existing sources, including the 6 per cent increase, he said.

Sharp pay increases recommended by the civil service commission, a marked step up in the sheriff's budget, including the addition of 42 persons, increased expenditures in the mental health department as recommended by the Child Guidance Council Inc., and construction of a second district courtroom were reported as examples that added together make the special election necessary or an arbitrary slashing of the budget estimates.

## Lady Bowlers Elect Officers

Cleo Gagner has been elected chairman of the Mt. Hood Women's Bowling Club, and June Redfern is secretary - treasurer.

The group met at the home of Mrs. L. S. Hartman Monday evening, to elect new officers, and discuss methods of raising funds to send another team to the 1967 Women's National Bowling tournament in Rochester, N. Y.

The women bowlers plan a year - long fund raising campaign, using about the same methods as last year, plus some new ideas. The city of Sandy, will be represented at the New Orleans, La., national tournament by a five - member team, plus one. Included in this group are Mrs. Betty Hartman, Mrs. Jo Lewis, Mrs. Fern Hunter, Mrs. John Metzger, Mrs. Jim Duff, and Mrs. Foster Longstreet, who will bowl in the doubles event.

## Picnic Area to Be Restored

Clear Creek Picnic ground, which was partially destroyed during the flood of 1964, will be bigger and better than before. Prior to the flood, additional acreage had been obtained through a land exchange proceeding. This new National Forest land, combined with the old Clear Creek Picnic Ground, will be developed this spring with accommodations for group picnics, and with both single and two-family units.

Forest Service construction crews have just completed the picnic area's 14-car parking lot adjacent to Truman Road, one mile north of the Zig Zag Ranger Station.

A contract has been awarded for well drilling, and water will be piped throughout the picnic ground. Toilet facilities will also be installed this spring. It is planned to have this new Clear Creek Picnic Ground open to the public early this summer.

Forest Service studies have pointed out the need for more picnic facilities in the Zig Zag Government Camp area. These are especially vital since the Tollgate picnic area was destroyed. Due to the area's proximity to Portland, many Forest visitors do not stay overnight, but instead need a place to eat their picnic lunch.

In future recreation area developments, campgrounds intended primarily for the overnight visitor will also include separate areas for picnicking. Such development is planned at Green Canyon Campground (along Salmon River) and at Trillium Lake.

## Permits on Sale For Park Use

Federal Recreation Area Entrance Permits are now available from the Regional Office, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, Room 407, U. S. Court House, Seattle, according to Fred J. Overly, Regional Director, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation. The new wallet - sized gold card, which costs \$7, replaces last year's Recreation/Conservation Sticker. It is valid for entry to some 7,000 Federal Recreation areas for one year, beginning April 1, 1966.

## Jaycees Seek Beauty Entries

Just a short time remains to enter the Miss Clackamas County Pageant The Milwaukie Jaycees, sponsors of this years pageant, are accepting applications until April 16.

This is an official preliminary to the Miss Oregon and Miss America Pageants. Applicants must be single, at least 18 and not over 28 years of age, and a resident of or student in Clackamas county. Judging for this years pageant will be on the basis of poise, personality, charm and beauty of face and figure, and a three minute talent presentation. Talent may be in the field of dancing, singing, playing a musical instrument, readings, dress designing, speaking, painting, etc.

Young ladies interested are asked to send their name and phone number to Milwaukie Jaycees, P. O. Box 22054 or phone the pageant chairman, Dave Strauss at 654-8536.

The pageant will be held in the Milwaukie high school May 21.



## Dale Phelps Is Boy of March

A baseball, football and basketball star was chosen for Versatility as March's Boy of the Month, Dale Phelps enjoys sports like golfing, hunting, fishing, swimming, pool, tennis, playing pin ball machines, comic book reading, and just about every other sport there is (and he excels in them all).

During his four years at Sandy Dale has actively participated in Crimson 'S', AFS, FTA, Speech Club, Mandrillmasks, and student council. He has played in a baseball, football and basketball all four years and was chosen "Most Athletic" from the senior class.

After asking a simple little question like, "What is your favorite food?" the blue-eyed, brown haired athlete came back with "blackberry pie, steak, doughnuts, popcorn balls, pop, watermelon, Joe Brown's Caramel Corn, snowcones" and after a long list of American, Italian, and Chinese dishes, he added, "I got a lot more favorite foods than that!"

Dale has one brother, Dean, an eighth grader plus about 200 aunts, uncles, and cousins all who seem to live on Mt. Hood. If you haven't noticed yet, almost everyone that lives on Mt. Hood is related to one another and Dale is a member of that big, happy family.

The thing Dale, remembers most from his childhood is "swinging on vine maple trees and building forts." When asked what he thought of draft dodgers he replied, "I figure they must have a yellow streak in 'em somewhere."

Dales most embarrassing moment was "that time two years ago at the Canby basketball games when my pants ripped out!"

Dale is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Phelps, Brightwood.

## Vote Due On City Budget

The city council has set Monday, April 11, as the public hearing on the proposed city budget, and Tuesday, April 12 as election day for residents to vote on that budget for the next fiscal year.

At its regular April session,

## Bids Asked On Swim Pool

A contract to construct a swimming pool adjacent to the existing upper grade school in Sandy has been offered for bids by the board of directors of Clackamas County School District No. 46. The bids will be due at 8 p.m. April 21 in the office of the school superintendent, 207 W. Pleasant, Sandy.

The pool structure will be a free-standing building with colored concrete block walls, glued laminated beams, wood trusses, wood decking and built-up roof. Wood sash is specified.

The swimming pool will be an L-shaped, 25-yard long and 25-meter wide pool with an adjacent wading pool. The pool and deck will be of concrete, with a ceramic tile edge.

Plans call for boys' and girls' dressing rooms and a central basket - issuing area. This area will have galzed block partitions, concrete floor and exposed wood ceiling.

Other work items will include a standard filtering system, one meter and three meter diving boards, and a lifeguard stand. A boiler will be installed and there will be an oil - fired heating system.

Plans and specifications were prepared by Edmundson, Kochendoerfer, Kennedy & Travers, architects and engineers, and copies may be obtained from their office at 444 Pittcock Block, Portland, upon deposit of \$50 per set.

## Employment Service To Close Sandy Claim Office

With employment of workers picking up, the department of employment will discontinue its itinerant claims service in Sandy after April 8, according to Neil C. Puckett, manager of the Oregon City office, department of employment.

The unemployed in the Sandy area are asked to report to the Oregon City office at 506 High street, beginning April 15.

the council reviewed engineering plans and drawings for the city water extension system, to be constructed this summer. City Engineer Martin Boatwright told the council that he is ready to advertise for bids on construction of the water system, after calling for bids on the materials to be used in the construction. Councilmen agreed to the engineers proposals, and set the last week in April as date for advertising of bids.

In other business, council members:

Read a letter from the state highway department concerning posting of new speed regulations in the city of Sandy; Noted that Portland General Electric Company had paid a total of \$3,482.82 as franchise fees to the city;

Okayed a request by the city recorder to provide a supply of uniform traffic tickets from the League of Oregon Municipalities;

Agreed to meet with the planning commission to review new zoning ordinances;

And were formally introduced to the new city patrolman, Roger Nicodemus, and agreed to pay him for duty from March 26.

## Scouts Complete First Aid Course

Seven members of Helen Swail's Cadet Troop, and 18 members of Gary Sandblast's Boy Scout Troop recently completed a 10 session Red Cross first-aid course given at the Sandy grade school cafeteria under the instruction of Red Cross volunteer Betty Shelton.

Cadets completing the course were: Lenna Swails, Laurel Swails, Elizabeth Reckman, Ruth Reckman, Linda McDermid, Mary Jo Madison and Patsy McCulloch.

Boy Scouts earning their merit badges for the course are: Jim Callaghan, Steve Redman, Craig Cousins, Dennis Weisen, Leslie Decker, John Johnson, Robert Bignall, David Lindsey, Steve Lindsey, Danny Dahrens, Douglas Gelvin, Douglas Harding, Charles Larson, Michael Sherman, Kevin O'Harrow, David Medders, Mark Salisbury and Ned Lamke.

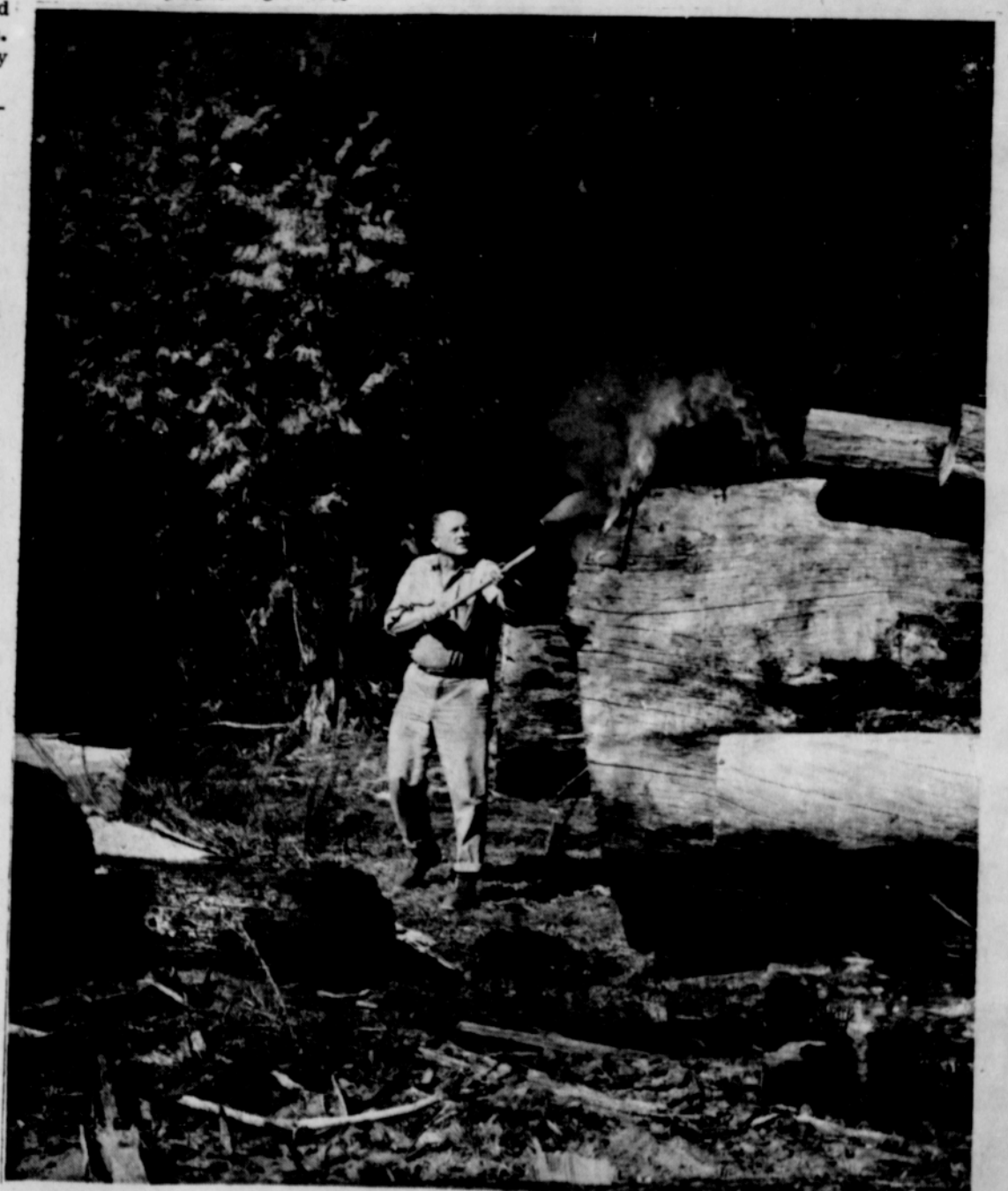
In addition to their scouting merit badge, each of the students will receive a Red Cross First Aid certificate.

## Martin Talks On Steelhead

Roger Martin, Republican candidate for State Representative from Clackamas County, today urged legislation to make the Steelhead a game fish in the State of Oregon. Speaking to the Sandy Chamber of Commerce, Martin stated that the Oregon Legislature should move quickly to protect this fish which is so important to both our local sportsmen, and to the tourist industry. He pointed out that enlargement of commercial gill nets by as little as one and a half inches in mesh size would effectively allow escapement of most steelhead.

Martin said that several enemies face future steelhead runs. They include Pollution, fishing by the Indians, rise in water temperature, and the worst problem Commercial fishing. He pointed out that Columbia river salmon and steelhead represent less than 10% of the total commercial pack and practically all of that goes to Eastern markets.

Martin stated that the Columbia river remains the only stream on the Pacific Coast of North America where commercial fishing is still allowed. He predicted that eventually the Columbia would also be closed, but urged immediate action by the Legislature on the Steelhead question.



BATTLING FIRE JUST STARTING on huge log is Milt Fox, a volunteer helper. Milt doused fire with shovel and dirt, succeeded in controlling another blaze in cold deck. (Post Photo)



FIRE AT ALDER CREEK BOX FACTORY destroyed approximately 70,000 ft. of fir stacked in cold decks around the mill Monday afternoon, April 4. The blaze started about 11 a.m., presumably from sparks from the burner, then whipped by strong east winds, raced through the yard. Fire fighters from the Sandy RFPD,

Mt. Hood Volunteer Fire Department, National Forest personnel and fire equipment, Estacada, Boring, and the Clackamas - Marion Forest Fire Protective Assn. Mill owner, Clarence Freeman estimated loss of timber at about \$20,000.

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