

\$100,000 for Courthouse Fix-Up Left In

Advisory Group To Be Appointed By County Court

By CHARLES IRELAND Valley Editor, The Statesman DALLAS — An \$833,799 Polk County budget for 1956 - 57 was approved without hearing Friday following a 45-minute hearing at which opinions were exchanged on the advisability of remodeling the courthouse.

The budget includes a \$100,000 item for renovating the courthouse, an item that may not be spent unless an architect concurs that it is feasible to give the venerable building an overhauling.

Plans to renovate the present courthouse grew out of an earlier hearing, held to air a plan to construct a courthouse annex.

The budget hearing Friday saw a motion passed calling for the County Court to appoint an advisory committee which will work with the county judge and commissioners concerning the proposed courthouse change.

County Judge Cal Barnhart, who said he had intended to appoint such a committee anyway, said it would be a "large" committee of perhaps 10 or 12 members.

Barnhart said there might be no decision as to what architect should be employed. Salem architect John Green prepared preliminary sketches of the proposed annex, he added.

Should the architect find it impractical to remodel the courthouse, another public hearing would probably be called, the judge said.

Biggest objection to the proposal was voiced by Joe Card, Dallas service station operator.

Card suggested that the courthouse be modernized "a little bit at a time" without employing an architect.

"If there's any money left, put it back in the general fund and reduce taxes," Card suggested.

Judge Barnhart said that the county court was not authorized to spend more than \$1,500 at one time without calling for bids. He said he doubted that it would be possible to secure bids without having an architect prepare plans.

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Coastwide Sokel Slet Starts Today at Seio

Fresno Team Out to Win Third Title

SCIO — The Pacific Coast Sokel Slet — Czechoslovakian gymnastic and folk-dance festival — will open here Saturday morning and continue through Sunday.

The Fresno, Calif., Sokel (society) will be out to garner a third straight victory and permanent possession of the huge trophy it has won for victories in Pacific Coast Sokel Slets the past two years.

Public Welcome While the public is welcome both days, the best show is in prospect at 1:30 p.m. Sunday when many exhibitions will be held at the athletic field.

There will be special drills by each unit from Los Angeles, San Francisco and Fresno, as well as the Seio unit.

Prospects Friday were that as many as 250 competitors may show up.

Groups from Seattle and Malin, Ore. are expected to participate, also.

National Dance The two-day event will include group calisthenics, volleyball, competition on apparatus, special drills and performances of the Czech national dance.

Events are scheduled to get underway at 8 a.m. Saturday and continue through the day in both the CZB-Sokol Hall in downtown Seio and at the athletic field. Volleyball will be played in mid-afternoon in the high school gym.

Dancing at Night Saturday night will be prizes awarded and dancing to Czech music by the Seio Sokel orchestra in the hall.

The Slet may be the biggest held on the Pacific Coast since a huge one was held in 1939 at the San Francisco World's Fair, according to John Tammich, president of the Seio Sokel.

Citizens of the community have voted to raise \$150,000 in connection with the establishment of McMinville of a 45,000 square foot trailer coach factory by Mid-States Corporation. So far \$80,000 in stock pledges have been received.

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'Shut-In' Gets School Post At Woodburn

Statesman News Service WOODBURN — Dean Augustus, 1400 Tomlin Ave., accountant, was chosen this week by the Woodburn School Board to succeed Frank F. Proctor as clerk of the board. Proctor retires at the end of the month, having served the district for 23 years.

Augustus, who is confined to a wheel chair, is the father of three children, and came from Woodburn with his family from Klamath Falls a little over a year ago. Augustus is considered well qualified, having had two years of study under the state program for the handicapped in preparation for his work as an accountant. He was injured in a logging accident eight years ago.

Harold Livesay, elected recently to the board of directors of Woodburn School district, was sworn in as director at this week's meeting. He succeeded V. L. Reinecke who was not a candidate for re-election.

Second Fire In Week Hits Dallas Farm

Statesman News Service DALLAS — Adolph Hildebrand, Dallas farmer, was plagued with his second fire within a week Friday when his farm gas pump ignited.

The blaze occurred at 10:30 a.m. when Hildebrand started to draw gasoline from the pump, which was damaged in the first fire Saturday.

A passing state trooper produced an extinguisher and the fire was quenched before rural fire trucks arrived on the scene, three miles east of Dallas. There was no fire damage.

Electrical wires, shorted in the previous fire, were believed the cause of Friday's flare-up. Hildebrand lost a garage, 1955 Mercury car, tractor and other equipment in the first fire which resulted in a loss of an estimated \$6,500.

Picnic Notes Wedding Date

WILLAMINA — A family picnic Sunday honored the 55th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Yoder. It was held at the McMinville park.

Mr. and Mrs. Yoder were married in Albany, and are native Oregonians. They have lived in Elmira, Albany and Forest Grove. They have four daughters and two sons living, including Mrs. Joe Freitas of Newport; Mrs. Berchie Watts of Portland; Mrs. Richard Adams of Cornelius; Mrs. Ed Dahl of Toledo; Paul Yoder of Willamina and Richard Yoder of Eugene; nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Most Polk Taxes Paid

DALLAS — Polk County taxpayers have already paid all but \$175,435 of the 1955-56 tax roll, Sheriff Tony Neufeld reported Friday.

With fourth-quarter payments still to be made by some property owners, Neufeld said that \$1,835,368 had been collected on the 1955-56 total tax roll.

County taxpayers got rebates totaling \$45,736, the sheriff said, in cases where taxes were paid before Nov. 15.

Valley Briefs

Albany — The Albany High School class of 1951 will hold a reunion and picnic at 4 p.m. Sunday at Bryant Park. Mrs. Robert Buchanan, chairman, reported in class members have been sent to all classes members except 15 whose address is unknown.

Lincoln — The 29th annual reunion of the William and Mary Simpson clan will be held Sunday at Dallas City Park, a change from the customary Peninsula Park at Portland. Elna Simpson, Corvallis, is president of the family group.

Pratum — Members of the Pratum Methodist Sunday School and church will hold a picnic following services Sunday at Taylor's Grove near Mehama.

Jefferson — Mervin McGill, an elderly but on the bright side, is flying baseball bat several weeks ago up and around the yard, but unable to do any work on his ranch on Greens Bridge Road.

Fruitland — Miss Evelyn deVries has just returned from attending a conference in Greenacres, Ind., for new and lurching missionaries of the Methodist Church. There were 457 missionaries in attendance from 26 countries. Miss deVries left early to fly to Salt Lake City where she spoke to the Wesleyan Society and to the Women's Society of Christian Service Jurisdiction Summer School.

Jefferson — Glen Galb Jr. has returned from Glen General Hospital where he had been for several weeks. He is getting along fine and will continue to be in a cast for six weeks.

Formosa Needs Water

TALPELLO Formosa — The worst drought in eight years has brought an acute water shortage to the Chinese Nationalist Pescadore Islands west of Formosa. Troops have to go without showers. Fresh water is restricted to cooking purposes.

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Stock Market Prices Vary

NEW YORK — The stock market had another uncertain session Friday but aluminum and aircrafts were higher amid an otherwise mixed price pattern.

Volume slipped to 1,780,000 shares from 1,900,000 Thursday.

The Associated Press average of 60 stocks declined 30 cents to \$102.80, with the industrials down 30 cents, the rails down 60 cents and the utilities up 10 cents.

Of the 121 issues traded, declines outnumbered advances by 434 to 421. There were 32 new lows for the year and 23 new highs.

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LEWISTON, Idaho — The Federal Power Commission Friday afternoon is taking testimony from witnesses opposed to private power plans for two dams on the Snake River south of here.

"Our union firmly believes that private power companies are unwilling and incapable of producing enough power at low rates to attract industry," said R. W. Hanson of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers.

Herb Howe, executive secretary of the Oregon-Idaho-Washington Hells Canyon Assn., said: "Pacific Northwest Power Co. might be in a position to dictate the industrial development of this region if they are allowed to take over the few remaining great dam sites."

Million Kilowatts The FPC heard Thursday from proponents of the plan by Pacific Northwest Power, a combine of four private utility companies, to build dams at Mountain Sheep and Pleasant Valley on the Snake. They would cost about 215 million dollars and produce a million kilowatts of power.

Opposition witnesses had their hearing Thursday and they said a federal high dam at Nez Perce on the Snake would be the best answer to comprehensive development.

Howe said Nez Perce would generate 1,800,000 kilowatts and store 4,500,000 acre feet of water.

William McCormick of Spokane, member of the executive board of the Washington CIO Council, said Nez Perce would "guarantee a much greater abundance of low cost power" than the two private dams.

Oppose Development Hanson, Mullan, Idaho, and Elvin Schulz of Kellogg, Idaho, both said the Mine-Mill union opposes private development of the two sites.

"The basic philosophy (of private utilities) is one of scarcity and high cost, not of abundance and low cost that would come with full development," Hanson said. Full development would free us of the present form of domestic colonialism and curb encroachment of power monopolies that will surely diminish our lives should they permanently fix their tentacles on our Northwest power development."

Angus MacDonald of Washington, D.C., assistant legislative secretary for the National Farmers Union, testified for more than an hour against authorizing private development.

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