

AVC Plans State Council

Plans for the formation of an Oregon state council of American Veterans Committee chapters will be discussed at a meeting of the Eugene AVC Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Room 105 Commerce Hall on the University campus.

Local AVC groups are now operating in Portland, Salem, Eugene, and Ashland. Chapters are also being formed in Medford, Klamath Falls and Oregon City.

Tentative dates for the meeting to organize the council have been set for August 9 and 10 in Eugene. The possibility of having a ranking AVC official attend the session will be taken up.

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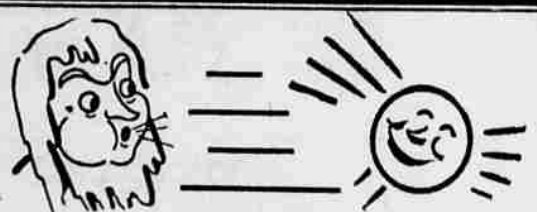
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RECORDER'S OFFICE TO BE CLOSED

SPRINGFIELD—The Recorder's Office in the City Hall will be closed Friday and Saturday. Recorder K. R. Gile and family plan to spend the weekend at Yachats. They will be accompanied by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Gile of Medford, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hanson of Thurston, parents of Mrs. Gile.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS NOTES

The jury trial of O. H. Golding, charged with disorderly or indecent conduct, will be held Thursday in the City Hall.

The person who picked up a ball glove in front of Wright's Hardware Tuesday night during or after the fire has been requested to return it to the City Hall. The glove belongs to Norman Hall who left it there while fighting the blaze.

Missing Man Former Resident of Eugene

Keith Gordon of Klamath Falls, missing since Sunday and believed drowned in Upper Klamath Lake, formerly lived in Eugene, friends here reported Wednesday. Gordon was incorrectly listed as Keith Jordan in an Associated Press story Tuesday.

Gordon worked at a local riding academy in Eugene, but moved with his family to Klamath Falls about five years ago. An air search of the lake revealed a capsized boat, but Gordon and his partner, Jack Henry of Klamath Falls, had not been found Tuesday night.

Gordon's family includes his wife, Velma and three children, Fay, Barbara Jean and Courtney.

Two Firemen Hurt in Blaze

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man, received first degree burns on the forearms as a result of the intense heat. He was not hospitalized. Also slightly singed was Walter Gossler, volunteer, who required only first-aid.

Prompt action by the Springfield fire department was credited by Harry Wright, part owner of the hardware store, with saving the heart of this city's business district from serious damage. Had the linseed oil exploded, he said, the intense heat and mounting flames would have spread throughout the block. Wright said damage to the warehouse and contents could not be estimated until an inventory had been made.

In addition to hardware supplies there were fixtures which had been stored in the building during remodeling of the hardware store, directly across the street. Heat was so intense during the flames that one of the store's plate glass windows was cracked.

Fortunately, Fire Chief Harry Meison reported, nine volunteers and firemen were at the station Tuesday night following the weekly fire drill. Firemen had just returned from a "field problem" when the real blaze was reported at 9:45 p.m.

The Eugene fire department arrived about 10 p.m., but since the flames were under control, merely stood by.

More Information Needed on Materials Holding Up Housing

Numerous home builders are submitting lists of needed materials to the Eugene-Springfield housing committee as requested by the committee several weeks ago, but more detailed information is needed, according to Charles Bayles, local housing expediter and ex-official members of the committee.

It is the desire of the committee to help those persons whose houses are 75 per cent or more complete, and those who are held up for lack of specific materials.

Home builders are asked to submit detailed lists of needed materials to the mayor's emergency housing committee at the city hall. When lists are received the committee will try to channel the materials into the hands of the builders in an effort to help complete the 600 homes now under construction in this area.

Roosters' Cacophony Draws Complaint

Since roosters invariably crow at sunrise, a chicken dinner probably is in store for some residents who live near Fourteenth and Jefferson Sts. in Eugene.

A complaint at the police department said Wednesday that: "The residents own two roosters who split the early morning hours with a cacophony of sound."

Bids to Be Opened For Playground Work

Bids for grading, filling and other necessary grounds work on the playground area bounded by Washington, Lawrence, Ninth and Twentieth Aves. will be opened by the city at the City Hall at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 25, according to the city manager's office.

The city streets committee will open bids for asphalt resurfacing of several downtown streets at 2 p.m. Friday, July 26, and bids for the first unit of the Amazon intercepter sewer line will be opened at 2 p.m. Monday, July 29.

RENT MEASURE PASSED

SACRAMENTO—(AP)—The California state Senate Wednesday unanimously passed a stop rent control bill freezing rents in California at 15 per cent above OPA rates.



ALL THAT REMAINS of the warehouse used by Wright's Hardware after a hot 10-minute fire Tuesday in Springfield's business district. The warehouse blaze also destroyed the roof of the adjoining W. N. Long building. The fireman is soaking down some of the last embers. (Wiltshire photo and engraving.)

Neuner Gives Tax Opinion

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Dr. Calvin Crumbaker, voted to recommend passage of the ordinance, which leaves the matter up to the council. If the ordinance is adopted, the question of specifically eliminating its application to university activities may be up for discussion first.

Neuner did not definitely rule that the ordinance would be invalid if applied to the university. He said he was somewhat reluctant to pass on its legality because his opinion would not be controlling. In the final analysis the question is one for the courts to determine. He did express serious doubts, however.

Theater owners, who would be affected, met with the finance committee Tuesday night. They have taken the position that under the ordinance their business would be singled out for taxation, leaving others untouched. Members of the finance committee, however, point out that they have no desire to tax the amusement business as such but that they believe a tax on theater and other amusement receipts is justified on the ground that it would be a luxury tax and in reality would be paid by theater patrons.

Truman Signs Project Bills

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The two bills which "must be answered satisfactorily" before construction is initiated.

"I do not intend to approve any request for appropriations or allocation of funds for the construction of these projects until all the important questions concerning them have been satisfactorily resolved, and until all of the federal agencies directly concerned are substantially agreed upon the technical features involved."

"Annual Re-Examination Needed" He said it was obvious careful consideration must be given as to which projects are undertaken first and that the program "must be re-examined annually."

For some years, he said, "the majority of these authorized projects must be deferred," adding that government expenditures "will be reduced and deferrable construction on public works projects will be studied with a view to saving strategic materials and to diminishing inflationary pressures."

It Was a Joke—For a Little While

PORTLAND—(AP)—"Ha-Ha-Ha" laughed Alexander Hay, 25, telephoning the police throughout the day to taunt them over his escape from jail.

"Ha-Ha," laughed Detective Dud Nelson, tracing one of the calls and nabbing Hay again.

"Ha," said Hay, soberly returning to the brig.

Bank Loses \$16,000 From Postoffice Box

PORTLAND—(AP)—Postal authorities Wednesday investigated theft of an envelope with \$16,493 in non-negotiable checks from the postoffice mailbox of the Clackamas County Bank in Sandy.

Inspector R. L. Kerr reported the envelope disappeared from the postoffice box over the week-end. He said the box had a defective lock and was easily opened.

Field Supervisors Named for Certification of Willamette Vetch

Appointment of field supervisors to tag Willamette vetch which has been entered for seed certification was announced Wednesday by County Agent O. S. Fletcher.

Farmers who have had their fields inspected for seed certification should contact the supervisor for their area, Fletcher said, and notify him when they intend to thresh. The seed must be tagged while it is still in the field, he added.

Field supervisors and the areas they will serve are: R. F. Thom, Junction City; Leland Ross, Irving; Robert Bower, area west of

Eugene north to and including the Elmira road; James Gale, Pleasant Hill; Ira Calef, Willamette and north Springfield; and Harold Ries, Coburg. Farmers in other areas throughout the county will have their vetch tagged by the county agent's office, Fletcher said.

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The M. N. Pengra Dairy, Garden Way, has taken over Eugene routes east of Willamette St., but so far the Cloverleaf has found no successor for west side routes.

V. H. Davis, owner of Cloverleaf Dairy, which was destroyed by fire Friday, reported wholesale deliveries probably will have to be abandoned as well because most dairies now are running to capacity and cannot take the additional load.

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