

Well Area Changes Rapidly Engineers Ready Dam Work

Appearance of the Willamette River community of has changed rapidly from when the presence of the dam was apparent. A cleared space north of the highway and in a government shed. The engineers, or men for their contractors, are all over the place. A cleared space has acquired a 100 by 50 foot warehouse and office. The old shed is relegated to ignominious storage of some kind.

Off on the hillside north of here are the housing units moved from other government projects. Tom Waring, the resident engineer, said the housing area contains 54 family apartments and a 52-room dormitory for single men.

Bright Yellow

Strangely the housing units are not the usual drab GI color. They're bright yellow, trimmed in white.

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"There is no strike" say union representatives! Yet, they have insinuated to the members of the union that they would be dealt with under the terms of their constitution if they work at present rates and conditions while this case is being settled.

The employers have not been privileged to negotiate any of the items, INCLUDING the WELFARE FUND. These items will eventually be paid by you, the public, if agreed to by your electrical contractor.

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PREPARING FOR AN INFLUX of engineers and dam builders next summer, two workers are putting the finishing touches on the concrete form for a sewer manhole at Lowell. The sewers and other utilities are being installed for the Corps of Engineers housing area by Werner and Jeske of Eugene on a \$118,000 contract. (Staff photo, Wiltshire engraving.)

Water Board to View Bids on Generator

Directors of the Eugene Water Board will view bids submitted on turbo-generator and surface condenser portions of the municipal utility's proposed third steam power unit at a meeting Monday at 7:30 p. m. in the water board office.

Recommendations of the water board engineering staff will be presented at this meeting. The engineers spent last week analyzing the bids of five competing companies. A number of variables have resulted in a range of almost \$70,000 in bids on providing a 15,000 horsepower turbine. Other turbine sizes were bid also. Delivery dates promised in the various bids range from 14 to 39 months.

Armed Robbery Count Brings 7-Year Terms

Leslie Clayton Ray and Richard Johnson, addresses unknown, both 27, have each been given seven-year terms in the state penitentiary on charges of armed robbery.

Sentence was passed by Circuit Judge Dal M. King. Both men pleaded guilty to the charge, which asserted that they took \$100 from Valley Grocery.

Schools Vote Consolidation

School voters in both the Irving and Clear Lake school districts voted to consolidate their schools, according to Mrs. Lucille Klinge, county school superintendent. The two districts will meet soon and decide when they want the county board to officially consolidate them, she said.

The consolidated district will have a total assessed valuation of \$676,914 and will have a total school-child population of 225. Irving now has a valuation of \$420,576 and has 162 students. Clear Lake has an assessed valuation of \$256,338 and has 63 children on their census.

Votes in each district were: Clear Lake, 29-1; Irving, 29-2.

FBI Arrests Man Wanted in Eugene

Federal Bureau of Investigation operatives have arrested James Conrad Davis, Eugene, in Asotin, Wash., for the local sheriff's office. Sheriff C. A. Swarts said Saturday.

Davis is wanted on an assault with intent to commit mayhem warrant in Eugene, Swarts said, and is being brought to Eugene by a U. S. Marshal. Davis' former address in Eugene was 121 Grand St. He is wanted in connection with the beating of his wife Mary. The beating allegedly caused the loss of one of her eyes.

He was arrested by the F.B.I. on a charge of flight to prevent prosecution.

Two Drivers Injured In Collision in City

Both drivers involved in an accident at First Ave. and Washington St. Friday morning were taken to hospitals for emergency treatment. One of them, Delbert Merle Lawson, 1775 Park Ave., also was cited by police for failure to yield the right-of-way. C. Lawson collided with a car driven

by Elbridge Emmett Duffinger, Rt. 2, Eugene, causing his car to veer into a telephone pole. Both vehicles were moderately damaged. The drivers were released by hospital authorities after Duffinger was treated for a broken nose and Lawson for shock.

trip. They were in Washington, D. C., during a part of their vacation.

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