

Springfield Jaycees Planning To Boost November Registering

SPRINGFIELD — George Marx presented members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Thursday night with the working plan for registering all Springfield voters — a Jaycee community-service project.

The campaign begins Monday, and will continue until Oct. 2, the last day of registration for the November election.

In a survey, the Junior Chambermen will be looking for new, civic-minded individuals to participate in city affairs.

"Too Few"

Not criticizing any of the citizens who willingly devote their time to civic work, many of the group nevertheless feel that "too few are doing too much." New blood will mean new ideas, and allow for more efficient administration, they say.

Marx pointed out that a coordinated effort is needed between the schools, the park district, and the city, and he feels

Met Unions Call Special Meeting

NEW YORK — (AP) — A meeting of all unions concerned with the Metropolitan Opera was called Friday for next Monday to discuss the cancellation of the 1948-49 opera season.

Lawrence Tibbett, noted Metropolitan baritone and president of the AFL American Guild of Musical Artists (AGMA), called the meeting. The guild has more members among the opera personnel than any other union.

The Metropolitan directors announced the cancellation Thursday. They said there was a \$220,000 deficit last season and that they could not meet union demands for wage increases.

Tibbett did not say what action he expected the meeting to take.

Destitute Germans Have Share In Estate

BOSTON — (AP) — Destitute Germans will share in the \$31,000 estate of the late Miss Emma Harris, her will disclosed Friday.

She left one-eighth of the estate to the American Red Cross for use in feeding needy Germans. Mrs. Marion C. Milward, Santa Monica, Cal., received three-eighths of the estate. The remainder went to Boston friends.

Commission Orders Levy

SALEM, Ore. — (AP) — The Oregon Tax Commission Friday ordered the Union County assessor to place on the county assessment roll a \$16,854 tax levy to finance the Union County People's Utility District for the current fiscal year.

The commission's ruling upholds the PUD's board of directors and budget committee and overrules charges brought by 10 Union County taxpayers that the budget and levy were prepared contrary to legal requirements of the local budget law.

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that the planning commission should be the coordinating organization.

By getting experienced men on the various committees working with the planning commissions, and letting the committees actually function and handle the routine work and individual problems that now plague the commission, Marx told his fellow Jaycees that civic effort could be improved.

"It's our job to find these new men and women, and interest them in serving the community," he concluded.

Registration

In registering voters, the Jaycees will record between 10 and 15 of their members, located in all parts of the city, as official voting registrars.

The other members will be responsible for getting the people to the places of registration.

Anyone who has changed his name, precinct, party or address, or who has not voted since November, 1946, must re-register in order to be eligible to vote in the coming election.

Also, some 800 people in the Douglas Gardens area must be re-registered regardless, since the entire area has been put into a new precinct.

Members who will act as registrars include: Hal Martin, George Marx, Dick Richardson, Bruce Maxey, Al Buell, Dick Brewster, Darrell Engel, Bob McNulty, and Dick Charbonneau. Several others will be selected in the next few days, Chairman Marx announced.

Show Deficit

A report on the Jaycee sponsored air show records a deficit of \$445.48 at the present time. However, some money for tickets, advertising, and other income connected with the show has not been received, which will lower the deficit considerably.

Fred Stevens was selected to find out the particulars about conducting a safety campaign in Springfield. The sale of auto tags advertising Springfield was also discussed, and Clyde Shields was appointed to look into the matter.

Check Charge Results in Fall

A new job, a possible advance faced Benjamin D. Stockdale in Eugene Thursday. But at 11:50 p.m. city police seized him in his Hoffman Hotel room.

Early this summer he wrote to Jack Montgomery, sales manager of Thompson's Appliance Co. concerning a position. This letter came from Los Angeles and as politely acknowledged. Then he wrote from Kalamazoo, Mich.; still interested in the right position. Last week he arrived.

His obvious experience in the sales field impressed Montgomery. Then Stockdale asked for an advance on his salary, "For \$100."

A call to a former employer in Los Angeles, and a report to the LA police brought a wire to Eugene, and Stockdale was picked up Thursday night. Los Angeles authorities wanted him on a charge involving two NSF checks. He is expected to waive extradition proceedings.

WHY OF OUTRAGES

V. J. Poindexter, electrical superintendent of the Eugene Water Board, Friday said that the power were caused by Bonneville Power Administration workers, and not by employees of the local water board. The BPA men, said Poindexter, were testing relays at the new substation when the outages occurred.



SOUTHERN CANDIDATES — Gov. J. Strom Thurmond (left) of South Carolina is presidential candidate and Gov. Fielding L. Wright (right) of Mississippi is vice-presidential candidate of Southern Democrats opposing President Truman



Scouter Executives To Meet At Scott Lake

The executive board of the Oregon Trail Boy Scout Council will meet at Scott Lake Sunday, Aug. 8 at 1:30 p.m. according to J. R. Bruckart, council president. Families and friends will enjoy a picnic lunch preceding the 1:30 p.m. meeting.

At the conclusion of the board meeting Scouters will hike into Lake Melakwa, a distance of approximately one and half miles to inspect the proposed camp site.

Troops 53 of Waldport, 78 of Drain and 30 of Toledo will set up camp at Melakwa Sunday for a week's encampment, under the direction of Dave Putnam, council field executive.

Scouters have been invited to stay over night at Lucky Boy Saturday evening and leave Sunday morning for Melakwa. Dr. C. H. Michael and Ralph Kindler will head this party.

Wooer of Widows, Alfred Cline Dies Without Revealing Secrets

FOLSOM, Cal. — (AP) — Alfred Leonard Cline died in prison without ever revealing the secret of the mysterious deaths that befell a dozen elderly widows whom he married or befriended.

Cline died of a heart attack Wednesday in Folsom Prison where he was serving a 126-year term for forgery.

He was 59. Warden Clyde Plummer said he had been ill for several months.

Forgery Charges

He was sent to Folsom in 1946 on forgery charges growing out of the estate of Mrs. Delora Krebs Cline, who married him in Chicago in May, 1944. He was accused of forging her name to annuity checks for a year after her death.

The investigation that led to his arrest brought to light a highly-suspicious series of incidents. But Prosecutor Norman Elkington told the court at Cline's trial that it would be easier to prove Cline guilty of forgery than of murder.

Others Die

After serving a year in Colorado prison for forgery, Cline took a trip to Seattle in 1930 with Mrs. Laura Cummings, 75. She was taken to a hospital to be treated for poisoning. Her will, leaving \$80,000, was made out to Cline. However, Mrs. Cummings recovered, and relatives persuaded her

to return to Massachusetts and change her will.

In 1931, Mrs. Carry May Porter died, leaving Cline \$20,000. In 1932 and 1933, two men and another widow died, leaving Cline their estates. Then Cline gave Martin Frame, a Los Angeles businessman, a glass of buttermilk. Frame became sick, but recovered. Cline was sent to prison for nine years for drugging and robbing Frame.

A few months after his release, Cline began wooing widows in earnest.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hunt Lewis, Mrs. Alice W. Carpenter, Mrs. Delora Krebs Cline, and Mrs. Isabelle Van Natta all succumbed to his charms.

JOINT DEFENSE

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Joint Canadian-American plans to defend the North American continent against trans-polar air attacks are expected to be discussed at a forthcoming conference in Ottawa, it was learned Friday.

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