



'CATS' DON'T LIKE WATER—The "cat" shown above, sticking partially out of the Willamette River, really got wet last weekend as torrential rains sent rivers over their banks. This bulldozer was being used at the construction site of the new Willamette River Bridge near Santa Clara. The "dozer" and a power shovel were completely submerged as the river level surged upward, but were becoming visible again Monday as the waters dropped.

Neither Snow, Nor Rain, Nor Abe's Birthday...

Add Abraham Lincoln's birthday to the list of elements—snow, rain, heat, and gloom of night—that cannot stay postal couriers from the "swift" completion of their appointed rounds.

Add Lincoln's birthday, in spite of announcements to the contrary.

Sunday's Register-Guard carried a story including the post office in the list of agencies that would be closed Monday for the Lincoln's birthday holiday. That information was transmitted earlier by someone, perhaps a too hopeful employee, who had answered the post-office telephone.

The post office was open Monday, and local residents did receive their mail. As a result of the faulty announcement, the Eugene postmaster received 15 inquiring telephone calls Sunday, and the post office had received 58 of the same type calls by 10 a.m. Monday.

Ex-Eugenean, 65, Dies in California

A former Eugene resident, Lowell J. Withrow, 65, died Feb. 4 in Salinas, Calif.

Mr. Withrow, of King City, Calif., was born in Eugene in 1895. He lived here until 1918.

Survivors include three sisters, Mrs. Annette Bailor of Eugene, Mrs. Mabel Cook, Watsonville, Calif., and Helen Stewart, Long Beach, Calif.; and two brothers, Vern Withrow of Junction City and Marlin Withrow of Eugene.

Funeral services were held in King City, with interment in the King City Cemetery.

★ ★ Vital Statistics ★ ★

BIRTHS

MCKENZIE-WILLAMETTE HOSPITAL (Feb. 10, 1961)

STRAWN—Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Strawn, 1415 Mississippi St., Eugene, a daughter.

SACRED HEART HOSPITAL (Feb. 11, 1961)

ARNOLD—Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Arnold, 1330 Wallace St., Eugene, a son.

DITLEFSEN—Mr. and Mrs. James Ditlefson, 275 Crocker Lane, Eugene, a daughter.

HEGSTROM—Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hegstrom, 217 High St., Eugene, a daughter.

BOOTH—Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Booth, 1730 W. 2nd Ave., Eugene, a daughter.

PROPER—Mr. and Mrs. Peter Proper, Jr., 10615 Bauer Lane, Eugene, a daughter.

WARTEN—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Warten, Rt. 2 Box 40, Harrisburg, a daughter.

PICKETT—Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pickett, 305 Bailey Lane, Eugene, a daughter.

ADKINS—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adkins, 29 Federal Place, Eugene, twins, a son and a daughter.

WYGLE—Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wygle, 2586 Friendly St., Eugene, a son.

DEATHS

BATEE—Melvin E. Batee, 58, of 1654 Fairmount Blvd., Eugene, died Feb. 12. Recitation of the rosary will be at 7:30 tonight in St. Mary's Catholic Church. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the church. Interment will be in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, with Pooles-Larsen Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

DONOVAN—Eleanor E. Donovan, 70, of 2310 Minnesota St., Eugene, died Feb. 11. Funeral arrangements will be announced.

Councilmen to Consider Sewer Extension Plans

Members of the Springfield City Council Tuesday evening will consider a proposed agreement for preparation of final plans and specifications for extending and improving the municipal sewer system.

The agreement, if approved, will authorize the Corvallis firm of Cornell, Howland, Hayes & Merryfield to complete final work for installation of an interceptor line to provide sewer service in the annexation area and expansion of the city's sewage treatment plant.

The firm did the preliminary study for the city's recent \$1,960,000 sewer bond election.

In other actions, the council will:

- Give the second reading to an ordinance to regulate house trailers and trailer courts in Springfield.
- Consider the feasibility of raising present \$1 a month sewer user charges to \$2 a month, effective April 1.
- Consider the granting of a new garbage franchise, effective March 1.
- Discuss several miscellaneous zoning matters.

Student Oath Issue Raised

SALEM (Special) — Rep. Edward N. Fadeley, D-Eugene, Monday introduced a House Joint Memorial asking Congress to repeal the disclaimer affidavit required of college students who accept loans under provisions of the National Defense Education Act.

The Memorial will be voted on in the House, then forwarded to the Senate for consideration.

Fadeley said the Memorial made no objection to the loyalty oath provision of the NDEA, which requires only that a student pledge allegiance to the United States. It does oppose the affidavit, which requires the student to disclaim affiliation with any subversive organization.

Many college and university faculties, including the faculty of the University of Oregon, have opposed the affidavit.

Deadline March 1

The deadline for applications to attend the institute in the natural sciences scheduled at the University of Oregon next summer will be March 1, not Feb. 15, as previously announced.

Driver Arrested On Liquor Count

Clavie Stanley Bright, 59, of Chehalis, Wash., was arrested Sunday and charged with driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Eugene Police said Bright's car struck and knocked down a light pole at the intersection of Alder Street and Broadway, shortly before 7 p.m. The pole fell on a car being driven by Robert A. Renken, 21, of 901 Norkenzie Rd., Eugene.

Renken told police Bright drove to a service station at Franklin Boulevard and Villard Street after striking the pole, and it was there that police arrested Bright. He is scheduled to appear in Eugene Municipal Court Tuesday.

9 Motel Units Being Rebuilt

Nine units of a north Eugene motel which were extensively damaged by a Feb. 4 fire are being reconstructed.

Work on the units at the Blue Moon Motel, 595 Hwy. 99N., was started Monday and is expected to be completed in less than two months, according to the owners, Mr. and Mrs. James F. Lovewell.

Five of the units are being rebuilt and four remodeled. Estimated cost of the improvement is \$20,000 according to the owners.

Six of the motel's units located at the front of the business site were undamaged by the fire.

PEANUTS



By Charles M. Schulz



Shopping Mall Bill Presented To Legislature

Authority Requested By Planning Group

A bill requested by the Eugene Planning Commission that would enable cities to establish pedestrian shopping malls has been introduced in the Oregon House of Representatives by Rep. Edward Fadeley D-Eugene.

Fadeley said the bill is patterned after California legislation. It would allow retail shopping areas to be created with existing buildings but with several of the advantages such as exist at the Lloyd Center in Portland.

Under the bill, city councils could use bonds or general funds to provide landscaping, public assembly and child care facilities.

The bill establishes procedures for a declaration of intent to establish a pedestrian mall, and for a public hearing before the proposal is adopted.

The bill also makes provisions for the city to compensate anyone damaged by the pedestrian mall.

In Eugene, City Atty. Herman Hendershott said he asked Fadeley to introduce the bill on instructions from the city Planning Commission. Hendershott said such a law would be needed before Eugene could proceed with an often-discussed downtown permanent shopping mall.

He said the city needs authority to close a street to traffic and turn it into a shopping mall. Merely vacating a street wouldn't work, he said, because the land would then go back to the adjacent property owners.

The proposed bill would empower the city to purchase or acquire by eminent domain the adjacent property owners' rights to the street.

College Teaching Conference Due

Robert D. Clark and Hugh B. Wood of the University of Oregon will speak at Oregon's third statewide conference on improvement of college teaching.

The conference will be held at Oregon State College Feb. 17-18. The theme is "Experiment in College Teaching."

Clark is dean of the College of Liberal Arts at Oregon and Wood is professor of education.

OSC organized the first college teaching conference in 1959 as a special Centennial Year program. Wilbert J. McKeachie, University of Michigan professor of psychology, will lead the conference this year.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S Fellowship of Eugene First Christian Church will hold a luncheon meeting Tuesday, 11:30 a.m., in the church. Previously, the luncheon was scheduled for noon.

YOUTH TEMPERANCE Council, a branch of the W.C.T.U., will have a speaker and film program Tuesday, 7 p.m., for teen-aged youth and young adults. Meeting will be in the basement of First Evangelical United Brethren Church, 834 Monroe St., Eugene.

INSURANCE WOMEN of Eugene-Lane County will have a dinner meeting Thursday, 6:30 p.m., at Ford's Dinner House. Speaker will be Hank Cline, who will discuss Education Month, observed nationally by the organization.

SANTA CLARA Thimble Club will not meet Wednesday as scheduled. Next meeting will be in March.

LEADERS of 4-H foods clubs will meet Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. until noon with June Pehrson, extension agent in 4-H club work, in Room 160, Lane County Courthouse. Leaders of already established clubs as well as persons interested in organizing clubs are invited.

EUGENE DUPLICATE Bridge Club meets at 7:45 p.m. tonight, 1144 Charnelton St. Visitors are welcome.

EUGENE GARDEN Club will not meet Tuesday as previously scheduled. The meeting will be Feb. 21.

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District 19 School Committee

Report Contains No Surprises

By DON ROBINSON
Of the Register-Guard

The report of the Springfield School District citizens committee on the 1961-62 budget has turned out to be no jack-in-the-box.

There are no surprises or revolutionary recommendations in the document.

The report is being considered by the regular school district budget committee as it prepares a proposed budget for the next school year. The 50-member lay group submitted its report eight weeks after it was appointed. The group met four times in those eight weeks.

SIX SUGGESTIONS

Contained in the report are about six suggestions for specific and direct action. Most of these were on the list of plans previously drawn by school district administrators.

Actually, the report itself was not one but five individual reports submitted by the five subcommittees of the larger group. The subcommittees made their own recommendations separately, and none of these were voted upon by the whole citizens committee.

FORM OF ANSWERS

The subcommittee reports were in the form of answers to written questions distributed by the school district administration.

Citizens committee recommendations include:

1. Acquire a single, fire-proof building as a central warehouse for all supplies and equipment of the school district.
2. Give consideration to eventual creation of a supervisory position to administer transportation and maintenance. This would relieve assistant superintendents who now administer these functions as part of their overall jobs.
3. Raise the pay of custodians, maintenance men, and bus drivers. Increase the minimum hourly rate to \$1.80 and the maximum rate to \$2.40.
4. Add two new school buses, and replace a third. The two additional buses would relieve the necessity for some junior and senior high school students to leave home so early and return home so late.
5. Give teachers a raise in pay by providing across-the-board \$400 increase in 1961-62. The increase would apply to all steps on the salary schedule.
6. Participate, as a school district, in construction of the McKenzie Ditch.

FUTURE NEEDS

Of these recommendations, the first two are intended more for future consideration than for immediate action or inclusion in the 1961-62 budget.

The third was adopted by the district budget committee last Monday.

And the last three are contained in the tentative budget prepared by the district administration and given to the budget committee last Monday as a base from which to proceed in forming the actual 1961-62 budget.

School to Be Dedicated

Eugene's Meadow Lark Elementary School, named for the state bird of Oregon, will be dedicated Tuesday afternoon—the state's 102nd anniversary.

Principal Loren Downey said the dedication ceremony had been set to coincide with the state's anniversary. The public is invited to the ceremony, which will begin at Meadow Lark School, 100 Queens Way, at 1 p.m.

Lee P. Bishop, chairman of the Eugene School Board, will make the presentation and dedication of the building. Michael Rhodes, student body president, will give the response. Other students will participate in the program. Dr. Glen Purdy, PTA president, will also speak.

Among the guests will be Mrs. Dorothy deVaux, of Eugene, who designed a copper plaque that will be presented to the school by the PTA, and L. F. (Pop) Bonson, copper artist, who made the plaque.

Millard Z. Pond, superintendent of schools, members of the Eugene School Board, and school district officials will attend.

The Eugene architectural firm of Hamlin and Martin designed the school, and Eldon Shields, of Eugene, was building contractor. Cost was \$287,925.

County Parks Report Shows Gain in Use

1,266,500 Visits Recorded in 1960

An estimated 1,266,500 visits were made during 1960 to 27 Lane County parks and recreation areas, according to the annual report of the Lane County Parks and Recreation Dept.

The figure is a better than 100 per cent increase over 1959, when total attendance was estimated at not quite half a million.

The biggest favorite again was Harbor Vista Park near Florence, which overlooks the outlet of the Siuslaw River into the Pacific and is the entry point for vehicle traffic to the north jetty. The estimate for 1960 737,000 visitors, was based upon traffic counts and comparison with Honeyman State Park figures.

A total of 200,000 visits were estimated for the two county-operated recreation areas on Dexter Reservoir. Estimates were 135,000 for the north shore area near the town of Lowell and 65,000 at the area on the south shore next to Highway 58.

Third most popular spot, based on estimated visitors, was Heeeta Beach Recreation Area with 120,000. In fourth place was Baker Bay County Park on Dorena Reservoir with an estimated 95,000 visits.

Estimated visitors at other county areas included: Mercer Lake landing, 1,500; Baker Beach Recreation Area, 1,500; Clear Lake Dunes Park, 1,000; Triangle Lake Landing, 500; Tide County Wayside, 32,000; Camp Lane, 9,500; Linslaw County Park, 1,000; Brown's Landing, 3,000; Ferry Street Bridge Recreation Area, 3,500; Aubrey Recreation Area, 3,500; Sandy's Community Recreation Area, 2,000; Harms Recreation Area, 5,000; Bake Stewart Recreation Area, 2,500; Vaughn Recreation Area, 4,000; Blue Mountain Park, 6,500; Landax Landing, 11,500; Ivan Oakes County Park, 12,000; Bellinger Landing, 500; Whitewater County Park, 2,500; Clover Point Wayside, 3,000; Blue River Community Recreation Area, 6,500; Forest Glen landing, 1,000.

Y Member Drive To Open Tuesday

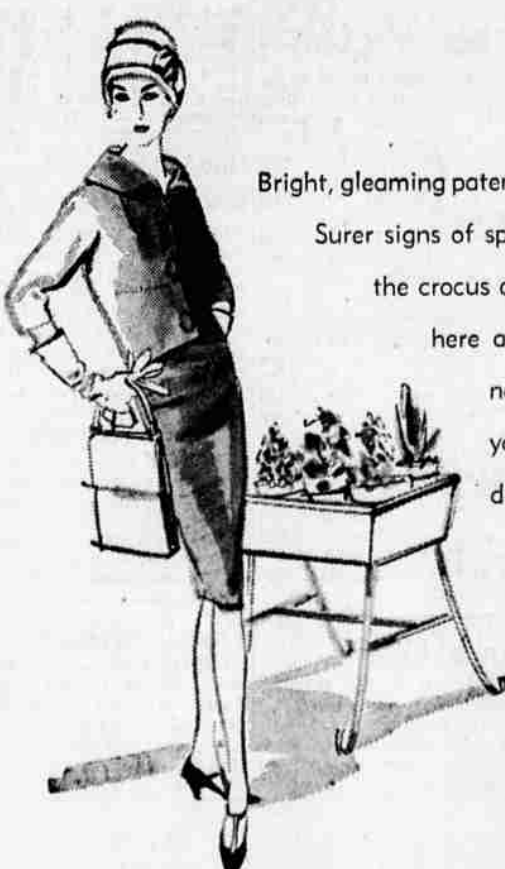
The YMCA annual membership drive will officially begin Tuesday with a dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Central Lane Y Building.

J. Roger Deas, representative of the corporate offices of the American Can Co., New York, will speak on the topic "The Spectacular Sixties."

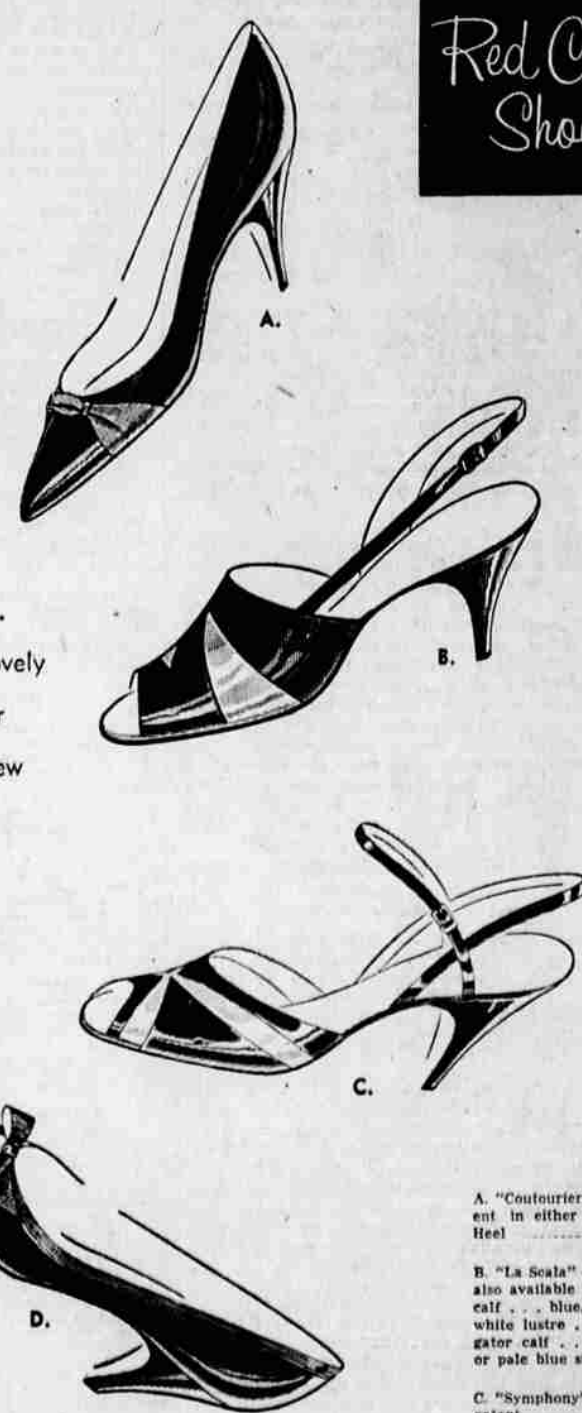
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