

Oakridge Citizens Told They Have-

# 'Dollars on Their Doorstep'

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**OAKRIDGE** — An area which offers great potential in developing this city's economy is located on its doorstep.

The area comprises the 242,000-acre Oakridge district of the Willamette National Forest, members of the city's newly-formed industrial development committee were told Wednesday night.

Plans for recreational development in this district were outlined by Don Culver, forester in charge of the district's recreation.

Future development in this district "can't go anywhere but up," he told the group which is seeking means of bolstering the area's economy.

Construction of the Waldo Lake Road will be a major factor in this development, Culver said.

This also will influence recreation growth in the Gold Lake area which is adjacent to the Waldo Lake route, he added.

Surveying of the Waldo Lake Road is under way and it is hoped that a contract for construction may be awarded during the summer of 1964, Culver explained.

He also noted that the north fork of the middle fork of the Willamette River has great potential as a recreation area. The North Fork Road, which takes off from Westfir and passes through Box Canyon to connect with the McKenzie Highway near Blue River, is being promoted as a scenic loop drive, Culver said.

As a result, the Forest Service is installing signs at various points of interest along the route and is scheduled to open a new 12-unit campground in the area this summer. The site, called Kiahnie Campground, can be expanded to include up to 72 units.

In answer to a question about the status of McCredie Springs Resort, Culver said a decision on whether to revoke or renew the operator's special use permit has not been made. The matter is being handled in Washington, D.C., Culver explained.

The resort has been closed for several years and plans for future development of the resort, either by the Forest Service or by a private operator, will have to wait until the status of the special use permit is acted on, Culver said.

In other matters, the forester said that operators of the Willamette Pass ski area have received a one-year postpone-

ment in the deadline set for construction of a new warming lodge. The lodge was to have been constructed by December of this year but a one-year delay was granted because of the poor ski season this winter, Culver said.

Additional improvements in facilities at the ski area will be made, it was explained, and other ski slopes can be opened in the future if necessary, Culver said.

In other business, the committee:

- Passed a motion calling

for the city to survey city-owned property located on both sides of the Salmon Creek reversion.

- Heard a report from committeeman Dale Ensminger who said he is attempting to determine ownership of some 45 acres of land located south of Highway 58 along the Willamette River.
- Learned that approximately 33 acres of land behind the Southern Pacific depot is available for industrial use through lease from the railroad company.

## More Strikes Plague France

PARIS (U) — Strike-plagued France Thursday limped through a rail walkout that snarled traffic throughout the nation. Some mailmen and steel workers also struck.

Most Paris suburban commuters were forced to use buses or private cars to get to work.

A strike among mailmen was spotty. In some places, part of the mail was delivered and the rest left in the postoffice.

Steel workers went on strike in eastern France and planned a number of mass meetings.

The 170,000 coal miners maintained a solid strike front as their walkout neared the end of the second week.

## Former Eugene Minister Dies March 11 in California

Word has been received in Eugene of the death of the Rev. Harry R. Neat of Lodi, Calif. Neat was minister of the Light-house Temple in Eugene from 1930 until 1934.

He died March 11 at 77. He was born in Springfield June 29, 1885. Funeral services were in Lodi March 14 and burial was at Cherokee Memorial Park there.

Neat also was pastor of Bible Standard Church at 5th and Pearl Street in the early 1920s. The building was razed recently to make way for construction of the Eugene City Hall.

Survivors include his wife, of Lodi, and four sisters, Mrs. Vivi-

## Furs Recovered

MILWAUKIE (U) — Nearly \$10,000 worth of stolen furs were found in a suitcase beside a road near Gladstone, south of Portland, Wednesday.

A fur coat, jacket, stole and scarf were in the suitcase.



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**TED M. HURD**  
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## Eugene Elks Elect Hurd Exalted Ruler

Ted Hurd of 225 E. 38th Ave., Eugene, Wednesday night was elected exalted ruler of Eugene Elks Lodge No. 357 for the next year.

Hurd, member of the Eugene lodge since 1949, has served in lodge offices for five years. He is plywood superintendent for Giustina Veneer Co., Eugene. He is married, and has two children.

He follows Adrian Clark of Eugene as exalted ruler.

New elective officers of the Eugene lodge, named at Wednesday night's meeting, are Leonard Hillis, leading knight; Les Gorham, loyal knight; John Reiley, lecturing knight; W. A. Van-Nuys, secretary; Robert Marchbank, treasurer and Henry Holt, tiler.

In addition, the lodge elected Arthur Schaefer to a five-year term on the board of directors and Jack Foster to a one-year term.

Appointive officers for the coming year are Glenn Boice, esquire; H. C. "Cal" Smartt and Bill Haviland, assistant esquires; Stanley Jensen, chaplain; Donald Barnum, inner guard, and Robert A. Coate, organist.

All the officers are Eugene residents, with the exception of Jensen, who lives in Coburg.

## Eugenean Enters Plea of Innocence

A plea of innocent was entered in Eugene Municipal Court Thursday by a Eugene man charged with driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Gerald C. Brown, 32, of 610 Spencer Ct., was arrested by police at about 12:30 a.m. Thursday at the intersection of 38th Place and Hilyard Street.

According to police Brown was the driver of a car which struck several trees and shrubs on private property in the 3600 block of Hilyard Street just prior to his arrest.

## Construction Begins Soon

Construction of the new Emerald National Bank in the Bethel-Danebo area northwest of Eugene is expected to be started either Friday or early next week by the Ordell Construction Co. of Eugene.

The newly formed bank's board of directors Wednesday night awarded the construction contract to Ordell, which submitted a low bid of \$98,790. The highest bid of five was \$114,200.

Completion of the stone, brick and glass building on the site of the Gilbert Shopping Center on Fairfield Street near Highway 99N is expected by late summer or early fall, according to Eugene architect James W. Keefe.

The facility will have a 4,000-square-foot main floor containing teller windows, a loan department and bookkeeping area. A 1,400-square-foot mezzanine will contain an employees' lounge and a conference room. There will be a night depository, a drive-in banking window and parking for 34 cars.

Miles S. Wilson, former Kennewick, Wash. banker, is president of the bank. Joseph A. Morgan, president of Lane Plywood, Inc., is president of the bank's seven-man board of directors.

## 2 Attending Conference On Nursing

The sixth annual Western Conference on Nursing Education, being held in San Francisco Thursday and Friday, is being attended by two nurses from Eugene.

Sister Catherine Theresa, assistant director, school of nursing, and Sister Mary Frederick, supervisor of nursing service, both at Sacred Heart Hospital, are among the more than 300 representatives attending the conference.

Members of nursing education, nursing service, general education, professional nursing organizations, hospital administration, and allied professions are attending the meeting.

The conference is co-sponsored by the Western Council on Higher Education for Nursing and the Western Regional Council of State Leagues for Nursing. This year's theme is "Utilization of Nursing Personnel."

## Accident Victim Remains Critical

A Salem man, Rupert V. Sorensen, 41, is reported still on the critical list at Sacred Heart Hospital, Eugene.

Sorensen was the driver of a car which went over an embankment at about 5 a.m. Tuesday morning on Highway 36 near Blachly. Sorensen received head injuries in the accident.

A passenger in the car, Chesley T. Peterson, 44, also of Salem, was reported in good condition by hospital authorities.

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