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CITY FINANCES IN GOOD SHAPE

Sinking Funds Established Previously Pay \$5,000 in Bonds This Year

At the last meeting of the city council of Gold Hill, it was voted to pay off \$1,000 of the water bonds owed by this city.

Elsewhere on this page is a table showing the bond issues and the total indebtedness incurred by this city which is \$50,000. The city's water system has been responsible for \$40,000 of these bonds which were issued at intervals from 1922 to 1925. Then, in 1927, \$10,000 in bonds, was voted to meet outstanding warrants. Since that time, instead of issuing more bonds to meet its indebtedness, the council has adopted the more business-like way of creating sinking funds, which will take care of these bonds as they come due.

In other words, instead of borrowing more money to pay off what they have already borrowed, the city of Gold Hill now has "savings accounts," which is paying its debts.

The \$1,000 in bonds which they voted to pay at the last meeting was paid from the fund that was created to meet that bond issue, and into which the council has made payments from time to time, as water bills and taxes were paid. These funds do not represent cash deposits only. They are investments made through a well-established company, interest on which takes care of the interest on the bonds, and the principal piles up steadily so that when a bond comes due, there has been enough invested so that the council can write an order on the principal and pay its debt.

Prompt payment of taxes and water bills, when at all possible enables the council to keep this plan working and they thank the citizens of Gold Hill for their cooperation in this matter.

This plan was established comparatively recently, and has taken considerable planning by members of the council and the city clerk.

By putting this plan to work the city's finances are now in a very healthy condition. The council is meeting its interest payments regularly, and has paid off the bonds as they come due, as in the case of this \$1,000 which they voted upon. This is of the issue of 1922, which was for \$2,000 for water, which matured in 10 years, or 1932.

Also, another \$3,000 was met this year. This was of the 1925 issue for \$15,000 which does not mature until 1945. This \$3,000 was paid, however, because a bank at Tillamook, Oregon, which held these bonds, was taken over by the state department. The offer was made to let the city take up those bonds, thus saving \$180 interest a year for the next 13 years, or \$2,340—almost as much as the amount of the bonds.

City officers are Mayor W. H. Ferguson; councilmen Albert Pankey, J. W. Bryan, W. R. Ross, Paul Thompson, O. U. Newell and Cleo Gilchrist, who replaced George Hammersly, who resigned last month. B. E. Adams is city recorder and Bertha Coy, city clerk.

Pickard Leaves; New Market a Possibility

Jack Pickard, for several years proprietor of the Gold Hill Meat market, closed his shop last Wednesday and left without indicating what his plans for the future were.

Already several inquiries have been made as to the possibilities of re-opening the market, and establishing a modern meat service.

Present Senior Class Play Tonight and Friday Night

The class play, "At the Sign of the Pewter Jug," will be presented tonight and tomorrow night at the high school auditorium by the seniors. Admission is 15c and 35c.

The eleven members of the class are included in the cast, which is being trained by Miss Edith Fenwick, head of the English department of the high school.

The class depends upon the funds raised by this play to meet many of the expenses of the graduation season, and are looking forward to good attendance both nights.

Gold Hill Trounces Central Point, 11 to 0

In a game played on the Gold Hill diamond Sunday, the local baseball artists swamped Central Point by a score of 11 to 0.

Central Point used four pitchers in an attempt to quiet the Gold Hill batters but with no success. C. Kell went the route on the mound for Gold Hill, striking out 11 Central Point batters. Gardner and Coy changed off on the receiving end. The four Central Point pitchers whiffed eight Gold Hill batters during the contest.

Gold Hill gathered 14 hits to Central Point's 11. There were several errors on both sides. Foley, Gold Hill player, stole three bases.

The Gold Hill lineup consisted of Kell 3b, Foley cf, Shoemaker 2b, Emory rf, Gardner c, Shaver 1b, Coy ss, Hittle lf and Kell p.

The Central Point lineup included Snooks, Capps, Yakel, Hall, Moran, Hart, Wilson, Snyder, Grebb, Robbins and Williams.

Coast Fish Peddler Arrested Here Saturday

C. J. Walker, entered a plea of guilty to illegal transportation of fish, before Justice of the Peace H. D. Reed at Gold Hill Saturday and was fined \$50 and costs. Walker was charged with hauling fish by truck from Crescent City and other California points and selling them in this vicinity. The state law requires that all fish so transported be tagged, at a cost of a nickel each. Walker failed to comply with this provision.

Brother of Gold Hill Man Passes in Klamath Falls

William Pankey, pioneer of the Rogue and Klamath countries, and a brother of Albert Pankey of Gold Hill, passed away in Klamath Falls last Thursday.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning in Klamath Falls and burial was in the family plot in the Central Point cemetery Sunday at 2 p. m.

Mr. Pankey came to the Rogue River valley with his father, Hampton Pankey, in 1877 and moved to the Klamath country in 1895. Besides Albert Pankey of this city, he is survived by his daughter, Agnes Pool of Sprague River, Klamath county; a brother, H. T. Pankey of Klamath Falls; and three sisters, Mrs. C. R. Moore, Lake Creek; Mrs. J. L. Hanna, Eugene and Mrs. Tom Gingsdale of Eagle Point.

Baseball Team to Play Glendale Sunday, May 22

The undefeated Gold Hill baseball club will journey to Glendale Sunday to cross bats with the Douglas county aggregation. Gold Hill has won three games, including one Glendale here two weeks ago.

Anyone planning to attend the contest that can carry a player, will please get in touch with Manager McCarter or team members, and it will be greatly appreciated.

CITY CLEAN-UP IS SUCCESSFUL

Committees on Highway Improvement Still Busy; No Movie Tickets Claimed

The city clean-up program scheduled for last Friday and Saturday brought splendid results, according to the city council and other in charge. All the preceding week, containers of rubbish were increasingly evident, as the individual families acted on the council's suggestion, and placed the winter's accumulation where the truck drivers could reach them and haul them to the city dumping ground.

Much long grass was cut, and many who were planning to paint or improve their places later in the year, cooperated at this time instead, and marked improvement over the entire city, is noticeable.

The two weeks intensive highway beautification program is also meeting with fine response. A committee of ladies distributed a large quantity of seeds and plants to homes between Rock Point bridge and Blackwell Hill last Saturday. All were donated for the purpose.

And others will be collected tomorrow and Saturday to be used in Gold Hill, along the Pacific highway. These will be placed this week-end, and high school boys and alumni, as well as others interested can help a great deal in the planting.

So far no reports have been made to Chairman Toney Ross or Mrs. R. E. Blankenburg to receive credit in the contests for which movie tickets are to be awarded. If the parents will help the pupils prepare the reports, there is still a chance for them to win the prizes. Reports must be written, and signed by one parent.

Those in charge of the clean-up projects, both for the city and the Pacific highway want to thank those who have cooperated. Collection boxes for seeds are still in the stores, and if you will have plants or roots for use in this work, write your name on a slip of paper and leave it in these boxes, and they will be called for.

Odd Fellows Nominate Officers for New Term

At the regular meeting of the I. O. O. F. lodge No. 129 Tuesday, May 17, the following brothers were nominated to fill the offices for the coming term:

Noble grand, Merritt Hittle; vice-grand, Norman Bailey, Seth Coy, Warren Kelsoe, Howard Dorman, Woodrow Shaver, Earl Moore. The nominee who has the secret work best next Tuesday will have a fine chance to get the office.

All Odd Fellows must be present May 24 to elect their officers. The entertainment committee for that night is John Mardon, Floyd Lance, George Mardon, R. L. Cook.

We take this opportunity to thank everyone that helped in the clean-up of the cemetery.

P-T A. Picnic and Health Unit Musicales Are Attended By Many

Community projects attempted the last few weeks have met with success very gratifying to those sponsoring them, two outstanding successes of the past week being the musicale last Friday evening, and the community picnic at the school house Wednesday of this week.

The musicale was sponsored by the Gold Hill health unit, with Mrs. Lola Reed as program chairman, and was presented in order to raise funds for the Judge Sparrow Memorial child health clinic to be established in the new Jackson county courthouse.

The program included readings by high school pupils; solo, duet and group singing by the grade pupils, and by Raynor Guy and Andy Slow of Medford; a tap dance by Bud Snider of this city, and educational films were shown through the courtesy of the California-Oregon-Power Company.

Attendance totaled more than 100 people, and the fund as reported Tuesday amounted to \$16.15, and contributions were still coming in.

The service organizations of the city cooperated in the sale of tickets, and the committee wishes to thank them, as well as those who appeared on the program, and the

many others who helped to make the affair a success.

The community picnic held Wednesday was sponsored by the Parent-Teachers' association, in connection with their last meeting of the school year.

The organization was formed in February and has aroused much interest in school affairs, as was evident by the attendance at the picnic. More than 300 people were served the fine dinner cafeteria style, the meal being preceded by vocal numbers by the grade pupils, led by Mrs. Minnie Guy.

In the afternoon the grade pupils divided into teams composed of town boys and out-of-town boys played a game of baseball, the score being 15 to 12 in favor of the town team.

The regular meeting of the P-T. A. convened following the dinner, and the present officers were re-elected for next year.

Notes of appreciation were read from Mrs. Minnie Sargent and Paul D. Angstead.

The organization looks forward to next year hopefully, and plans to increase its membership and its usefulness to the school and the community.

Shasta-Cascade Association Attracting Tourists North

Taking an aggressive step forward in the attempt to get travel into the Northern part of California and the Southern part of Oregon, two men were placed at work today at important points to inform tourists of the great scenic attractions in this section, by the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland association in conjunction with eight other organizations.

These offices will be located at Salt Lake City and Los Angeles where complete information will be available concerning all the attractions of this Wonderland area. Tourists will be given details of what they may see and do and details of roads and places to stop. Illustrated talks will be made by the representatives before public bodies, press releases and motor-logues will be arranged for the newspapers, and radio programs will be broadcast over important stations.

The Shasta-Cascade Wonderland consists of four Northern California and four Southern Oregon counties.

Girl Scouts Hike up Sardine Creek Saturday

Last Saturday the Girl Scouts of the Gold Hill Quail patrol went on an all day hike. They journeyed out Sardine Creek, where they practiced their trail signs, played games and had a picnic lunch. Those who went were Mildred Smith, Phyllis Miller, Sybil Walker, Laura Mae Ross, Vernice Martin, Marjorie Skelton, Jean Skelton, Sylvia Croft and Mrs. Pena, their leader.

Bring in your news items. We are always glad to get them.

VOTERS GO TO POLLS FRIDAY

Read Editorial Published Here; Then Vote as You Please, But VOTE

Tomorrow, May 20, Oregon voters go to the polls to select the men in the general election this fall.

Much campaign news has been printed in the various newspapers of the county, in circulars, and on posters. Just as in any campaign, political or otherwise, exaggerated statements have been made, as well as wholly untrue ones, and in the sheriff and judge campaigns there has developed considerable mud-slinging.

Many want a change of men in office because they blame these men for the high taxes, hard times, and all the other ills that have befallen Jackson county. They think that new men will mean a complete change, or at least they are willing to take such a chance. Some are advocating a house cleaning in every county office, as a panacea for everyone's ills.

There is little doubt in most of Jackson county voters' minds that county affairs can be run more economically and much more efficiently than in the past, but putting "just anybody" in, merely for the sake of a change, is just as foolish as believing that anything can miraculously change over night.

Each public office has its purpose, and unless the man elected knows something about the duties of such an office, he may retrench in the wrong direction and make mistakes more costly than if the former man stayed in office and did his best to meet the situations arising in such abnormal times.

It is true that those now in office have made mistakes, but it is also true that those coming into office will make mistakes.

Some have read only what their "favorite" candidate had to say, and have learned only one side. If you have heard more than one candidate, and read more than one newspaper—and also done some investigating of your own, then you have made the best decision you are capable of. If you have believed what one man has said, you have let him do your thinking for you.

For instance, one judge candidate, Earl H. Fehl makes the statement that he has always opposed those individuals of the "gang," and that he will always oppose them. He refers to the men now in office and any who support them. He further states that "if nominated and elected by your votes I will be better able to serve you and each of you INDEPENDENTLY—in other words, he and he only knows how to run Jackson county.

Judge C. B. Lamkin in his campaign slogan says he stands for retrenchment and strict attention to business." Also Judge Lamkin is a successful farmer and knows something of the needs of the taxpayers and citizens of the county.

John H. Fuller, democratic candidate says he will strive for "no sectionalism, no factionalism no partisanship in county affairs and full value for every dollar spent."

These are a few examples of how candidates can be compared.

Stripped of campaign promises concerning particular matters, and of statements made in the heat of the battle, many of which could not be carried out under any circumstances, the general policies set forward in their campaign slogans, to which they have supposedly given serious thought, make a pretty good yardstick by which to measure each candidate.

This paper has published the campaign statements, and when possible, some statements about the life and experience of the candidates themselves. In last week's issue the most active candidates presented their policies, and again this week most of them have statements of their policies. Careful consideration of these will help you to make your final decisions.

Fourteen G. H. Ladies Attend Co. Health Meet

Jackson County Health association held a most interesting and enjoyable meeting on Wednesday afternoon, May 18, at the home of Mrs. Corning Kenly near Jacksonville. Gold Hill, with fourteen ladies present, received a prize for attendance, and all other units were well represented, bring a large group together to discuss the health work of the county.

Gold Hill ladies present were Miss Nellie Jacobs, chairman, Mrs. Lola Reed, Miss Bertha Coy, Mesdames J. Madison Lively, P. D. Angstead, M. Merriman, Joe Blair, A. Meunier, Dora Hammersly, F. L. Pickett, N. Bloc, R. Palmer, C. W. Martin and Rose Gay.

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Table Showing Indebtedness of Gold Hill Since 1922

Year Issued	Time until Maturity	Rate	Purpose	Amount
1922	10 years	6%	Water	\$ 2,000
1923	15 years	6%	Water	1,000
1923	15 years	5½%	Water	9,000
1923	20 years	5½%	Water	10,000
1923	25 years	5½%	Water	3,000
1925	20 years	6%	Water	15,000
1927	10 years	6%	Warrants	10,000
Total indebtedness in 1927				\$50,000

Have You Been Getting Your Sample Copy?

A number of sample copies of the Gold Hill News have been distributed in the last two weeks, and the publishers hope that those of you who have received the paper in this way are finding it interesting.

With the first issue in May the size of the paper was increased from four to eight pages, with a corresponding increase in news matter of interest to our readers.

There is a fine serial of the Canadian Northwest fishing grounds; short news flashes gleaned from state, national and world papers, as well as news pictures of these current happenings; the full page of comics holds interest, and the Cheeris Chapters offer a different feature for the children each week.

In addition there are four pages packed with news of the Gold Hill community as well as Jackson county and Southern Oregon news. Also the advertisements are of timely interest.

To those of you who have been receiving the paper for the first time, may we call attention to the fact that the subscription price is only \$2.00 a year; \$1.25 for six months.

We would be glad to have you drop in to our office and become one of our regular readers.

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