Contractors To Get Much Work in 2 Years

Contractors will keep their eyes on Salem if the half dozen city financial measures are all approved when the people vote on them May 19.

If the measures are approved the city will spend better than $2,500,000 on municipal improvements during 1950 and 1951.

Out of that total it can be estimated roughly that at least $2,000,000 will be for the bidding of contractors. The amount may run higher.

The city itself does not have men and equipment to do its own work on projects as large as those planned. On some comparatively small jobs it is practical for the city crews to do the work. Included among these are the routine extension of sewer connections and street construction and maintenance work. It is estimated that out of the total to be spent for public work in the next 18 months the city will not do more than 25 per cent of it.

During the remainder of this year the city administration plans for sewers and sewage treatment the following projects:

Sewage treatment plant, $860,000 ($600,000 already authorized by the people); north trunk project, from interceptor east to Lana avenue and Portland road, $71,262; Lana avenue line from Portland road to Evergreen, $18,322; on Silverton road from Evergreen to new Washington school, $4920; south Salem extensions, $30,000; West Salem and Kingwood, Wallace road interceptor and low level main, $52,835.

For 1951 the sewer program is:

On Evergreen avenue from Silverton road to Market, $35,351; East Englewood and Eastmoreland areas, $22,483; Capitola area, $33,238; south Salem extensions, $15,050; West Salem and Kingwood high level main, $43,800; West Salem pumping stations and pressure line to Salem, $60,582; Salem pumping stations, $17,595; separation of combined sanitary and storm sewers, $15,000.

For drainage the program this year is: Northeast drainage project, $125,759; ditch and flumes on Cascade drive part of Glen Creek road, $40,402. And for next year it is: culverts and ditches, $23,800; south Salem drainage, $3000.

The bridge program for the two years follows: For 1950, North Church street, $12,000; South 23rd, $30,000; minor work, $5000. For 1951, Mission street bridge, $20,000; minor work $5000; Ford street, $20,000; South 25th street, $25,000.

In the water department projects outlined for this year are:

Turner Hill reservoir, $350,000; elevated tank installation, 100,000 gallons, $30,000; increasing West Salem storage, $10,000; 12-inch service for West Salem, $15,000; 24-inch east-west arterial, $103,000; distribution, $137,210; source of supply, $5000; land for west Salem storage, $10,000; lot for south Salem storage, $1700.

For 1951 the following are planned:

Distribution, $109,430; source of supply, $10,000.

At the airport it is proposed to spend city money, in addition to government money, the following amounts this year:

First unit of terminal building (already under construction), $20,000; runway extensions, $9240; obstruction removal, $1320; north-south taxiway improvement, $14,925; new connecting taxiways, $11,880; runway lights, $16,250, completion of 25th street, $14,330; landscaping, parking, lights, $4620; completion of drains, $4400.

For next year the airport program is: right of way easements, $22,500; second unit of terminal building, $13,200; landscaping, parking, lights, $4620; military taxiways and apron, $36,000.

The sixth measure on the ballot is for fire department equipment.

All measures are proposed bond issues except for the airport and the fire department, which are millage tax measures, the former 2.6 mills and the latter 1.7 mills.

Budget Meeting Monday

Sunnyside — A county - wide budget meeting is scheduled for the Sunnyside school house at 8 o'clock daylight time Monday. Following the vote on the budget will be a discussion of the future of Sunnyside district in regard to consolidation.

Morse Scores 'Smear' Tactics

Bend, May 13 (AP)—U. S. Senator Wayne Morse said here that his opponents in the republican primary were waging a "smear campaign" to defeat his bid for renomination.

The senator spoke at a party rally as he swung through central Oregon for the next to the last campaign appearance he plans before the May 19 election. He will speak in Eugene and then heads for the nation's capital.

Morse declared his opponents had twisted the record of his congressional voting. He also took note of attempts to picture him as a friend of CIO longshore chief Harry Bridges.

"The republican party in the state of Oregon has come to a sorry point," Morse asserted, "when it becomes evident that some members have found it necessary to resort to a smear campaign in an attempt to defeat one of its own standard bearers in the May 19 primary."

On the matter of his voting record in the senate, Morse presented a statement from the secretary of the senate—compiled, he said, from the senate roll call—showing his vote was with the republican majority 53 per cent of the number of roli call votes. He said his opponents claim he has voted against the GOP majority 71 per cent of the time.

Cherryland Ballet Talent—Tri-Y girls, aspirants for places in the Cherryland ballet, turn out for the first rehearsal. Regular rehearsals will start Monday and a cast of 53 will be selected. Shown in the group are: Marilyn Myers, Elaine Stanley, Mary Feike, Carol Fisher, Loyce Taylor, Norma Hamilton, Billie Miller, Patsy Walters, Phyllis Casey, Arlene Kuhn, Margie Calvin, Lois Chamberlain, Mary Polales, Betty Avriette, Carolyn Parker, Pat Filler, Ida Jo Henderson and Norma Wallace.

Dinner Dated For Two Staffs

Holding their annual dinner for 1950 the combined staffs of the Salem high school Clarion and Viking annual will meet May 16 at 6:30 in the Salem high school cafeteria.

Dr. Laurence Campbell of the University of Oregon school of journalism will speak on the subject "What Makes an All-American Newspaper and Annual." Another feature of the evening will be the presentation of next year's staffs for both publications.

Theme for the annual meeting will be "30" for 1950. Bob Hamblin, sports editor, will be master of ceremonies, introducing the speaker and others.

General chairman for the dinner are Seniors Marilyn Power and Pebble DeSart. Other committees include; menu, Judi Wood; programs, Joyce Armstrong; decorations, Carol McLeod. Entertainment will also be on the agenda.

Sinatra Hears Ava Falls for Bullfighter

Barcelona, Spain, May 13 (U.P.)—Frank Sinatra arrived Thursday and was promptly informed of local gossip that Ava Gardner had become enamored of a Spanish bullfighter.

The crooner had squired Miss Gardner around New York nightspots before she came here to make a movie. He told reporters today that he planned to visit "my good friend, Ava Gardner." He made a reservation at a beach resort only a few miles from the movie location.

Sinatra listened glumly to reports of a romance between Miss Gardner and Mario Cable, a toreador who is the leading man in the film now being made.

Bernard Shaw on College Education

Oxford, Eng., May 13 (AP)—George Bernard Shaw says the best thing about college is that it gives students manners equal to those of sailors.

In reply to the question, "Is Oxford worth it?" put by the editor of the university's undergraduate magazine, "Cherwell," Shaw wrote:

"Collegiate residence, common meals, and cap and gown give a priceless social training in good manners which is shared with sailors only. The incidental scholarship counts for nothing except its delusive qualification for certain professional jobs."

Sight Restored for Woman, 115, Blind for Past 30 Years

Washington, May 13 (U.P.)—The world was bright and pleasant today to Mrs. Mary Brooks. And food the most pleasant sight of all.

Mrs. Brooks is 115, and had been blind for perhaps 30 years. She isn't quite sure.

But the aged Negro woman's sight in her right eye has been restored by removal of a cataract at Gallinger hospital.

Vision has meant a big chance for Mrs. Brooks. The doctors say she has improved mentally, is very alert and brightens immensely when food is shown to her to identify.

"After she identifies the food," one Gallinger doctor said, "she always asks that she be served some. Most times she takes a double portion."

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Mrs. Brooks, who remembers her father as a slave in Prince Georges county, Md., was brought to the hospital two months ago by officials of the Little Sisters of the Poor home where she has lived since 1942.

Her legs were to be treated, but the sisters asked if anything could be done about her eyes. A cataract was removed from the right eye. A doctor explained it was a "routine operation, but unusual in view of her age."

The sisters list Mrs. Brooks' birth date as December 28, 1834. Mrs. Brooks remembers herself as a "grown woman" at the time of the Civil War. She says her "pappy was a carriage chauffeur—he had a master."

She's got glasses now and she thinks everything is "so bright, so bright." She's going back to the Little Sisters home soon.

Timber trees are grown close together to force height.

Cecil Posey Talks To Woodburn Rotary

Woodburn — Cecil W. Posey, executive secretary of the Oregon Educational association, was the guest speaker at the Woodburn Rotary club Thursday noon. He was introduced by Superintendent Frank P. Doerfler and spoke on the "Children's Bill."

Lyman Seely presided in the absence of the president, Dr. John M. Hanrahan.

Might This Have Been Your Home ? ?

Water Heater Blast Hurts 13 at Seattle

SEATTLE, April 26 (AP)—A hot water heater with a defective safety valve blew up with terrific force today, wrecking a 34-unit apartment building and injuring 13 persons.

Jagged pieces of the boiler rpiped through the plaster and wood inner walls like shrapnel. Violence of the blast peeled bricks from the outer walls of the center section of the building.

Five of the injured were in serious condition. Nine were hospitalized. Occupants of other apartments were jolted severely. Firemen said it was a miracle that no one was killed as the rear section of the first and second floors of the Linnea court apartment caved in on sleeping occupants.

Fire Chief William Fitzgerald said the 2:25 a.m. blast did $65,000 damage. The apartment house is on Capitol Hill, close to the downtown section of Seattle.

Most seriously injured were Mr. and Mrs. John P. Jones. Mrs. Jones was found unconscious from steam burns and a back injury. She was shielding their 2-year-old daughter, with whom she had been sitting in a rocker when the blast occurred. She is expecting another child.

An ordinary water heater operating at 50 lbs. water pressure, if ruptured when heated to 277 degrees F., releases an explosive force of 2,250,000 lbs. or the equivalent of 1 pound of nitroglycerin.

Be Wise! Keep your home a safe place in which to live!

- **Make sure your water heater is in safe operating condition!**
- **In choosing a new heater, select a brand which has been tested and aproved by the State Bureau of Labor.**
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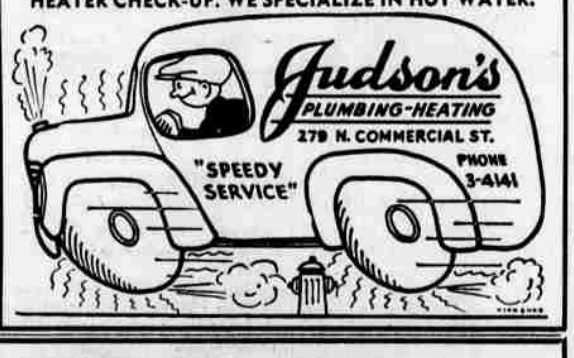

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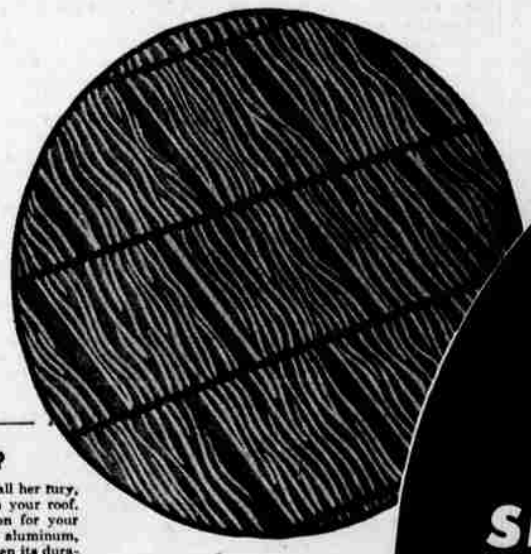

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