

To respond to suit Housing officials get 60-day extension

The U.S. District Court of Oregon granted a 60-day extension to HUD and the local housing authority to respond to a complaint filed by Marshall N. Dana Construction Inc. in mid-January. That gives attorneys and housing officials until the first week of April to prepare their defense.

Marshall N. Dana, was terminated as the general contractor for the 50-unit HUD project on September 27, 1978, more than three months after the project was scheduled to be completed.

Marshall N. Dana has sued the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Patricia Harris and members of the Warm Springs Housing Authority for breaches of contract. Dana seeks \$269,000 in damages allegedly suffered when the defendants failed to pay for work performed.

The \$1.9 million construction contract was scheduled to end

June 15, 1978 but Dana was given a 10-day extension by the housing authority due to weather conditions. On September 27, 1978 the contract with Dana was terminated, with the percentage of project completion a matter of dispute.

As the general contractor, the Tribes are attempting to ready eleven more units by February 28 with the completion of the total project by May 31. Thirty-seven units in the senior citizens and West Hills areas are currently occupied.

Local housing officials have been holding special meetings to clarify the financial picture in preparation for the upcoming pre-trial hearing. It is not known at this time whether the housing authority will seek its own damages in a countersuit. There is some question as to whether the suit against HUD and the housing authority can even be heard in federal court.

Loggers Have Mini-Season, Delivery Light

Log trucks weighing in at the scales in February? It may look unusual but it's hardly a break in tradition, according to WSFPI logging manager Hank Palmer.

Despite the surplus of logs brought in during the 1978 logging season, the mill found itself in need of ponderosa pine and Douglas fir by February. "So we decided it would help them and help us if we started up a few loggers," said Palmer.

On February 1 Johnny Guerin and Bob Couch were sent out after decked material left from last season and Cody tackled the tail end of his cable logging unit. But no sooner did the logs start rolling in but the frozen ground began to thaw and many roads became impassable. All loggers were cut off February 9.

"I don't know if it helped anybody or not," said Palmer. The mill is back to "Plan A" which was to utilize the abundant

supply of white fir in the sawmill, studmill and veneer plant, selling the rest. And loggers, after a mini-midwinter season, will probably have to park their equipment until the regular season begins in April.

About 702,000 board feet of pine and Douglas fir were delivered to the mill between February 1 and 9. "That much can be worked up in two days," noted Palmer. So it's back to the white fir. That species is in great supply due to the clean-up of winter blow-downs.

Cody may be sent in again if the roads firm up. He only has 3/4 million board feet left in a sale he has been working on for the past two years, and finishing up now would relieve traffic problems in the summer, said Palmer.

Palmer expects to send at least three loggers out by mid-April to start the regular season.

River Room Has New Hours

The RiverRoom at Kah-Nee-Ta Village started operating on a limited basis February 12 and will not resume regular hours until March 16, announced Food and Beverage Manager Robert

Stahl.

The dining room will be closed on weekdays and open on Saturday and Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Police Report Local Girl Loses Life on Icy Road

Seventeen year old Elizabeth Ann Nicodemus, Warm Springs, and Bonnie L. Miller, 47, of Portland, died following a two-car accident on Highway 26 near milepost 87, February 3, 1979, at about 8:30 p.m.

The accident occurred under icy conditions. Miller lost control of her eastbound 1975 Chevrolet pick-up and U-Haul trailer crossing over the center line and striking a 1971 Ford Pick-up driven by Wilson Wewa, Jr., 22, Warm Springs.

Robert Miller, a passenger in the Miller vehicle was transported to Mt. View Hospital in Madras for minor injuries. Passengers of the Wewa vehicle were Elizabeth Ann Nicodemus, who was dead on arrival at St. Charles Hospital in Bend, Lyle Rhoan, Jr., William Rhoan, and Matt Wewa, who were taken to the hospital and treated for minor cuts and abrasions.

Jeffery Sanders, Chief of

Police, said numerous accidents have occurred at this particular section during wintertime because the trees don't allow the sun to dry the road. Consequently, said Sanders, the road is icy for long periods of time.

BURGLARIES UNDER INVESTIGATION

Sometime during the weekend of February 10, burglars entered the Ursula Little home in West Hills by breaking out the lower panel of a bedroom window. They took a 12 inch black and white, color television set, a Lloyd's AM-FM 8-Track stereo with turntable and speakers. The Littles were attending the Lincoln's Birthday Powwow at the time.

On February 3, 1979, burglars broke out a rear window of the Community Center to gain entrance and broke an office sliding window to get into the office. Two Champion jackets for the Buckskin Gloves Boxing

Tournament were taken along with two calculators, and \$7.00 cash.

At 6:30 A.M., the janitor at Warm Springs Grade School put the American flag up at the school and at 7:30 A.M., one hour later, he discovered that it was missing. The flag hasn't been recovered yet and is still under investigation.

"Lately, it seems like a lot of burglaries have been taking place in West Hills," stated Chief Sanders. Stereo equipment, television sets, and rifles are disappearing most frequently.

The Police Department urges every resident of the reservation to list all valuables, including the make and model, and the serial number. A serial number or receipt is needed to claim stolen items recovered by the police.

"As long as people don't report these things the thefts will keep occurring," said Sanders.



Winners

The dental poster contest recently sponsored by the Public Health Center brought about these winners from top left, Jason Smith, Cherilyn Starr, Veronica Smith. From bottom left are June Smith, Albert Squally, LaLoni Armstrong, Jackie Minthorn, Joscelyn Moses and Ramona Smith. Their posters were judged on originality, message and relationship to the "Be good to your teeth" theme.

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Survey Will Determine Needs

IHS Dental Program Expanding

The Warm Springs Indian Health Center expects to serve more people more thoroughly with its expanded family dental program. Beginning February 1, everyone seeking dental services will receive appointments at the clinic or be referred to a dentist of their choice.

To date, the small staff has not been able to meet the dental demands of the community. Now

with expanded contract services no eligible person will be turned away.

A survey of dental needs will be conducted during the week of February 19-23 to determine whether additional resources should be made available to the Warm Springs Reservation.

A team of dentists will be performing five-minute examinations on individuals selected

from two population groups: children in the kindergarten through seventh grade and adults from age 20 to 34. The needs of young adults are least known so this age group is particularly sought.

The IHS clinic stresses the importance of the survey and requests the cooperation of all those selected for the short examinations.

People's Opinion

QUESTION: "Which would you support, the 55 or 65 mile per hours speed limit, and why?"

DORIS W. I would support the 65 seems I'm always in a hurry. seems I'm always in a hurry. Maybe it's because sometime I start out late."

MADELINE C. I prefer the 55 mile speed limit because the statistics on road accidents have gone down with the 55 mile speed limit. If it were 65 miles per hour there would be those going 70. ROGER S. I would support the 65

mile per hour speed limit. Sometimes people are in a rush and have to get places a little sooner. Of course I wouldn't go 65 for one reason and that's because it burns gas a lot faster. But I would support the 65 mile speed limit.

DEAN S. I think I'd prefer the 55 mile speed limit. It's a proven fact the death rate has declined. Also people get better gas mileage at 55.

JUNE S. I would stick to 55 because I drive slow anyway. I

usually stick to that speed, I think the only time I go over the speed limit is when I'm late for work. I would support the 55 mile limit, I've gotten used to it.

ART T. I support the 55 mile speed limit because people have a tendency to cheat. If you would set the limit to 100 they would travel 105. The other reason I support 55 is the statistics the death accidents have decreased. If we fail to stay at 55 the federal government would refuse further funds for new highways and the maintenance of the present

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