

Council Session Monday Talks Sewage Disposal Plant

The city council Monday evening, with Mayor Wood, Councilmen Gray, Burr, Purkey and Taylor present, discussed at considerable length, with City Attorney Berg who will prepare the necessary ordinances and regulations, the financing of the sewage disposal plant which Oregon law requires that each city have, to prevent river pollution. It is not planned to build the plant until after the war but a start now in financing for its construction will obviate the necessity for bonding the city at a later date.

The plan approved by the legislature is for either a tax not exceeding five mills, or an addition to water charges monthly, either of which can be done without a vote by the people. Feeling that there should not be an additional tax burden, the councilmen were agreed that a ten per cent of the amount of each meter charge, added to that charge, would be the least painful in paying, and would include everyone who will be benefited by the sewage plant. More information on the subject will be presented when Mr. Berg has the necessary papers ready for presentation to the council.

The city's budget committee is to meet next Monday evening and at 6:30 that evening the council will have a special session with Acting District Forester Youngblood in regard to the land in the Rink creek watershed which now belongs to the U. S. and which they are asking Congress to deed to the city.

His application for a restaurant license having been O. K'd by the fire chief, W. W. Baines was granted one for the Coquille Cafe on Front street.

The offer of Leo J. Cary of \$40 for the city-owned lot in the Dutch John bottom, near the end of Second street was accepted by the council. That is the amount the city has in the property and Mr. Cary owns the adjoining tract.

The offer of \$350 by the Church of the Nazarene at Ninth and Heath streets for a lot adjoining the church property was also accepted. This also covers the city's investment in the lot.

The offer of Wm. Foote of \$401 for Lots 11 and 12, Block 50, Elliott's Addition—at the east end of Fifth street—was turned down. The former owner of the property, George Andrew Johnson, has redeemed from the county and offered to pay the city \$25 a month to retire his street improvement and other assessment debt.

The council ordered that \$19.05 per lot be charged two property owners in the bottom northwest of Folsom's Grocery for connecting with the trunk line sewer there, and that \$25 be charged E. A. Wimer for connecting a house he owns on Sherwood Heights. At the time the sewer was laid he had a septic tank on the lot and asked to be excluded from the sewer assessment district.

Belle Knife Hospital

L. E. Tankersley, of Marshfield, was brought to the hospital last Wednesday evening, following a car wreck on the highway in which his neck and back were injured.

An eight-pound baby girl, not yet named, was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hall of this city last Thursday.

The same day Chauncey Fish, of the Arago star route, entered for an appendectomy.

Chas. Gallas, of the Coquille Bakery, underwent a major operation on Sunday, as did also Marguerite Starr, of Bandon.

Charley Waite, grandson of Rev. and Mrs. Chas. G. Brown, submitted to an appendectomy on Monday and Mrs. Esther Hatcher underwent a major operation on Tuesday.

Dismissals the past week were Mrs. Marian Sharpe on Saturday, Mrs. Maude MacDonald on Monday, Grant Harry on Tuesday and Mrs. Felix Miller on Wednesday.

Five Before Justice F. R. Bull The Past Week

Myrick Daniels, who was charged by the state police in Justice Bull's court last Saturday with having no operator's license and with hunting out of season, pleaded guilty and paid \$7 fine and costs on the first charge and \$25 on the second.

The same day DeWayne Lee Krantz was given a \$50 suspended sentence for killing a deer out of season and Harry Sylvester Krantz was given until May 15 to pay \$54 for being in possession of deer meat during the closed season.

On Monday this week Francis Lewis Haga paid \$7 to the justice for passing on a curve, and on Tuesday Albert Edward Lively was fined \$5, and costs \$4 for having an overloaded truck.

The B. P. W. Club Intall New Officers

The installation of new officers in the Business and Professional Women's Club was held last Monday night at the Parish Hall. Incoming officers are: Pres., Eva Stevens; 1st. Vice Pres., Florence Barton; 2nd V. P., Hattie Lee Hollimon; Sec., Inez Rover; Treas., Clara Stauff. The installation was in charge of the past presidents with Ruth Beyers as chairman. Mrs. Byers wrote an original plan for the ceremony, which she based on the club collect and illustrated in part with candles. Flowers were presented to both the outgoing and incoming presidents, Florence Hallock and Eva Stevens. The past presidents officiating were Ida Oerding, Georgia Richmond, Inez Chase, Viola Newton, Bertha Smith, Clara Bosserman and the outgoing president, Florence Hallock. All the installing officers wore formal. Ruth Beyers was the charter president of the club.

Viola Newton gave her War Activities report and discussed details of it. This consisted of a tabulation of the war efforts of individual club members and was a creditable piece of information showing the extent of outside interests and work accomplished by women with positions.

Five members will go to the state convention at Klamath Falls to be held May 5-6-7.

The announcement was repeated regarding the Mothers and Daughters banquet which is to be held May 15 in Pioneer Hall at seven o'clock. This is an annual event.

During the musical part of the program the hymns, "Song of Peace," and the "American Prayer," were sung, being led by Clara Stauff and accompanied by Inez Rover.

Twenty-six members were present.

Beulah Chapter Initiated Five Last Thursday

Last Thursday evening there were five initiated at the regular meeting of Beulah Chapter, No. 6, O. E. S. Mrs. Virginia Hillstrom of Marshfield, Grand Ruth, and a former member of Beulah Chapter, assisted with the initiation ceremonies. Rodney Creager, son of Mrs. Hillstrom, and Mrs. Creager were two of the initiates. Mr. Creager was presented by Mrs. Hillstrom with a life membership certificate in Chadwick Lodge and Mrs. Creager received Mrs. Hillstrom's O. E. S. pin.

After the meeting a social time was enjoyed, followed by refreshments. The chapter room, bill and dining room were resplendent with baskets of lovely flowers. The table was a picture with streamers of pink and blue centered with spring blooms.

Bachelor Girls Club

The Bachelor Girls Club enjoyed an interesting talk given by Rev. Robt. Greene last Friday at their luncheon meeting. He discussed the living conditions and problems which arise around such war industrial centers as Vanport.

Members who attended were Lunelle Chapin, Mary Lou Culver, Glenda Clinton, Rhea Walker, Alys June Fox, Dorothy Coffey, June Williams, Ruth Lockwood, Maxine Johnson, Norene McKeown, Margaret Belloni, Dorothea and Marybelle Yarbrough.

Guild Meets

The Guild met on Wednesday with Mrs. J. A. Moore hostess. The group worked on a quilt and next week plan to do the same. Any interested in helping with the work should plan to attend, bringing with them their thimbles and scissors.

Attending were Mesdames Annie Robinson, Wm. Mansell, Ida Owen, Luckey Bonney, C. L. Tuttle, J. A. Moore, Chas. Selbig, B. Folsom, Frank Shaw, L. H. Hazard, Hale Eubanks, Henry Lorenz, W. H. Caughell and Chas. Stauff.

Birthday Party

Kay Ellen Simmons, of 166 Sherwood St., celebrated her 10th birthday Saturday, April 22, by entertaining several of her young friends at her home. Games were played from the time of their arrival until late in the afternoon with refreshments were served. Kay Ellen's mother, Mrs. Harold Simmons, was assisted by Mrs. Olga Molthu. The guests included Elsie and Marceen Preissler, Mavis Newton, Linda and Nadine Molthu, Betty Clark, Dolores McCloud, Careen and Tommy Molthu and Kay Ellen's brother, Duane.

Coquille Grange

The Coquille Grange met last Friday for pot luck dinner. The Fairview grange members were guests, and Clarence Osika gave a very interesting talk touching on various problems to be faced when the peace is won.

Richard Inger, who has been in the armed forces for the past year, came in Wednesday evening on furlough to be spent with his wife and small daughter here.

Cattle Marketing To Be Considered

All farmers in Coos county who will have meat animals, including dairy cattle, for sale in the future are being urged to attend a special meeting of the Coos Marketing Association, Inc., which will be held in the city hall in Coquille at 1:30 p. m. on Monday, May 8, according to R. H. Christensen, president of the organization.

A report will be given at this meeting on the marketing activities of the association during the past year and on the results of investigations made to date on ways and means of developing a better market for Coos county livestock. Consideration will be given by the members present of a proposal to include Coos and Curry counties as the territory served by the organization; to changing the name to the Oregon Coast-Co-op Association and a Board of Directors to serve during the coming year will be elected, it is stated.

The Coos Marketing Association was organized early in 1943 and supervised the shipment of approximately 4,000 head of livestock on a cooperative basis. The temporary directors, who served during this period in addition to R. H. Christensen, include J. J. Geaney and E. L. Detlefsen of Coquille, L. W. Lund of Gaylord and R. E. Smith of Bandon. It is proposed now to increase the territory served to provide shipping facilities for operators in both counties on an organized basis and consideration will be given at the meeting to a more desirable outlet for feeder lambs. Some encouragement has been received to date on the possibility of increasing the return to growers by marketing dressed livestock, directors stated, and all producers who are interested in this subject are invited to be present at the meeting next Monday and participate in the discussion.

Sound Movie Film At Baptist Church Sunday Evening

A sound movie film, "The Man Who Forgot God," will be shown Sunday evening at the Baptist Church at 8:00 o'clock in the evening. This film portrays the life of a young couple consecrated to the mission field but who let business and fortune get in the way, till they were led to repent. This is a film put out by the Baptist company, which specializes in Christian films only. The evening is sponsored by the young people of the church and they will be in charge and have planned other special features. All those interested are especially invited.

Wheat For Feeding In Storage Here

To be used for feeding livestock and poultry a supply of wheat is maintained by the County AAA Committee in government bins at Coquille and is being distributed to feeders on Mondays of each week, according to J. D. Carl, chairman of the committee, who states further that the curtailment in time that the wheat will be distributed has been necessary in order to save on labor and avoid the necessity of increasing the price to producers.

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Carload shipment of the feed wheat can still be arranged for any point in the county by placing orders at the County Agent's office where assistance will be given in pooling orders where a saving can be made in transportation of the wheat to farms on the county, it is stated.

Dairymen and poultry men who mix their own feeds are being urged by the County committee to provide now for their requirements of soy bean meal or other protein concentrates through the coming winter, to protect against shortages later in the year which may be caused by a congestion in transportation facilities and a heavier demand at that time for these materials.

Most of the protein feeds available for feeding this year are handled by the feed trade but a small amount was reserved by the government for distribution in deficiency areas. Feeders who are unable to obtain dealers may list orders with the County Agent who is secretary to the County Committee for distribution from the amount reserved by the government. Every effort will be made by the committee to fill orders which are listed, Carl stated.

Card of Thanks

We desire to extend our sincere thanks for the kindness and sympathy shown us during our recent bereavement and for the flowers at the funeral services held for our mother, Mrs. Mary A. Newton.

The Newton Family

Electric Fence Units, \$14.75 and up. Will work on 110-volt line, or hot shot battery, or automobile battery. Also Hot-Shot Batteries for sale. Geo. F. Burr Motor. 161fs

Weekly Letter

By Congressman Ellsworth

Washington, D. C., April 22, 1944—

Army manpower and civilian manpower problems have had much discussion here this week both officially and unofficially. The military are going all out for the National Service Act (current legislative expression of this principle is the Austin-Wadsworth Bill) or some equivalent. The purpose is, of course, to be able to shift labor by order from non-shortage areas to where the labor supply is short. From a military point of view such a plan is simply simply issue an order. However, since a labor draft, and a draft of capital resources were not resorted to at the very beginning of the war, complications back of instituting a labor draft now are both numerous and serious.

Meanwhile the erratic backing and filling of the Selective Service officials have upset hundreds of thousands of civilians and their current plans. This bungling has possibly contributed more to manpower shortage in critical areas than anything else. It is not reasonable to expect a young man to quit a job and patriotically move to a war job when he is expecting to be drafted any minute. This applies to 4-Fs as well as all others.

Nor is the Army position in demanding inductees even at a sacrifice of agricultural and other production any too sound when everyone knows the Army has discharged hundreds of thousands of men for various reasons—reason not even stated on some of the discharges. This week the House Military Affairs Committee ordered filed with the House the Costello report on drafting 4-Fs for labor purposes. This report says, in part: "There has been a conspicuous absence of cooperation on the part of the War Department to make use of 4-Fs in the war effort."

Congressman Miller of Nebraska stirred up quite a bit of newspaper excitement here this week by releasing to the press some correspondence he had with General MacArthur. I don't know how extensively this was carried in the press wires to the West. But to sum up and at the same time to dispose of the incident, I quote from the news letter sent out this week by Congressman Richard P. Gale (Republican) of Minnesota: "Political Poison—By two friendly letters, unwittingly, guiltlessly and at no expense, Congressman Miller killed off MacArthur for President. All Congressman Miller wanted was contact with his hero and a small share in any publicity. All MacArthur wanted was to answer the fan mail."

These weekly letters of mine have carried so much discussion of the proposed alcohol-from-sawdust plant that I hesitate to dwell further on it. However, to bring the story up to date, the entire subject is now being studied personally by Mr. Donald Nelson, head of the War Production Board. The routine rejection by the Requirements Committee of WPB did not kill the project. That action merely delayed a final decision.

There has been a considerable discussion lately of the clash between civil and military authorities in the Territory of Hawaii. The civilian government of the Islands has no quarrel at all with military measures deemed necessary for security and for the proper conduct of the war in the Pacific. If martial law is necessary, people from Hawaii say, there is no objection to it. But they insist upon being treated as loyal and patriotic citizens of the United States. They point out that the people of Hawaii have met their War Bond quotas—and more, have contributed to the Red Cross, the USO and have otherwise been an integral part of the war effort. Thousands of their sons are in the service. All they now ask is that they be treated accordingly by the necessary military power—and they insist that they NOT be treated as if Hawaii is an occupied country to be run by a military government of occupation.

Several state primaries are being held next week so a light legislative schedule is in prospect. As a matter of fact, there is very little legislation ready for floor action now. Several major bills are being completed in committee and will be reported out soon, but there will be nothing of consequence on the calendar for the coming week.

Probate Court Items

Leola M. Hultin was last Friday appointed guardian for Janet Hultin, whose estate is estimated to be worth \$2300 in personal property. Mrs. Hultin was also appointed guardian for Tommy Hultin, whose estate is worth \$1725. The same day Mrs. Hultin was appointed guardian for her third child, Merrillie, five years old.

More Traffic Deaths This Year

Traffic accidents took a toll of 19 lives in Oregon during the month of March, an increase of 12 per cent over the toll of 17 for the same month last year, according to an announcement from the safety division of the secretary of state's office.

For the first quarter of 1944, traffic claimed 59 lives, an increase of 30 per cent over the toll for the same period of 1943.

The strong increase in traffic deaths this year is evidence of the need for greater care on the part of drivers and pedestrians, according to the safety division.

Accidents at grade crossings accounted for five of the 19 traffic deaths during March. With a strong increase in grade crossing deaths this year, the safety division urged drivers to observe stop signs at grade crossings and to allow approaching trains to pass before proceeding across the tracks. Most of the grade crossing accidents this year involve vehicles struck by the engine of the approaching train as the driver attempted to cross the tracks ahead of the coming train.

Of the 19 fatalities in March, eleven were in urban areas. There were three in Portland, two in Junction City, two in Grants Pass, one in Klamath Falls, one in Oregon City, one in Roseburg and one in Albany.

There have been more traffic fatalities every month of this year than in the same months of 1943. The totals follow: January of 1943, 19; January of 1944, 21. February of 1943, 10; February of 1944, 19. March of 1943, 17; March of 1944, 19.

Townsend Club No. 1

A good crowd was present at the meeting Tuesday evening of Townsend Club No. 1. The Lord's prayer and flag salute was the opening exercise. Interesting bulletins were read and the treasurer gave a good report.

Prayer was said for Mrs. E. Dunn. We are sorry to learn of her passing. We hope the sick members are improving.

Door prize was won by Mr. Deyoe. The program consisted of readings by Mesdames Westbrook, Von Pegert, Dean, Rugh, Clinton and Lucy Rolf. Piano music was by Mrs. Hatcher and violin selections by Bill Roth.

At the next meeting assorted salads will be served. The meeting closed with all singing "God Bless America."

Cascara Bark Brings High Price This Season

The price of dry cascara bark is opening at 20 cents per hundred according to Henry Callison, manager of I. P. Callison & Sons, crude drug dealers of Chehalis, Washington.

While expert peelers can make big money at this price, amateurs can do extremely well.

"Need for cascara bark is urgent this season," says Mr. Callison. "The armed services use large quantities in addition to normal supplies required in civilian hospitals and for lend-lease. Few people realize that the world's entire supply of cascara is harvested in the Northwest, and that the extract of cascara is the widest used of all laxatives because of its tonic nature and non-habit forming characteristics."

Colleges Planning Post War Military Training

If military training is made compulsory after this war, it should be combined with college study for students capable of doing good college work, in the opinion of the majority of 143 college presidents throughout the United States, who discussed this question in connection with a post-war planning survey conducted by the American College Publicity association.

Of those replying to the question, 83, including President A. L. Strand of Oregon State, believe that certain portions of that training should be available only in the colleges for those students able to do college work. Reserve officer training was available only at educational institutions prior to the war.

Motor Vehicle Registration Up Two Per Cent This Year

Motor vehicle registration in Oregon during the first quarter of 1944 totaled 382,883 vehicles, an increase of two per cent over the registration for the same period of 1943, Secretary of State Bob Farrell discloses.

Increases were reported in all classes of registrations, private passenger vehicles, busses, and trucks. Motor cycles, however, showed a slight reduction.

Registration fees for the first quarter totaled \$1,113,243.31 compared to \$1,107,635.55 a year ago.

To be trusted is a greater compliment than to be loved.—George MacDonald.

HOOPER'S 'MISTAKES'

An inspired piece from one of the New Deal propagandists says that "Hoover was a complete failure."

So he was. He failed in a lot of things. He failed to draw out his salary of \$75,000 a year while he was President. He failed to have his sons organize insurance companies to write insurance on Government enterprises. He built a Rapidan resort for fishing and recreation at his own expense, and gave it to the Government. None of his sons went racing through the divorce courts to the disillusionment of the public. He never bundled up a lot of Government documents to sell as a book to the faithful at a huge profit to himself, and he never sold himself into political slavery to a labor organization for a \$500,000 campaign fund. He gathered a marvelous collection of war stuff and built a museum for it, and failed to ask Congress to pay the bill—he paid it himself.

He did not preach and promote class hatred and he did not try to pack the Supreme court. He did not plow up every third row of cotton, and he did not promise the American people one thing while at the very same moment doing everything to accomplish the directly opposite result.

He did not go on fishing trips on Government warships accompanied by a fleet of destroyers. Neither did he kill off all the farmers' little pigs, nor encourage the importation of Argentine beef.

In fact, there were a lot of foolish things Hoover didn't do that some other people have done. There are a lot of constructive things that he could have done if he had not had the opposition of a Democratic Congress... but, anyway, he did not leave the American people \$200,000,000,000 in debt.

Mrs. Hoover never made speeches nor faced hither and yon on unimportant matters. She never wrote silly drivel on her everyday life and sold it to the newspaper, and she never sold soap over the radio. Her only appearance in public was as an honorary member of the Girl Scouts of America. She never invited Communist youth to the White House as her guests.—Wallace, Idaho, Miner.

Billions In Chinese Paper Money Flown "Over the Hump"

American pilots who risk their lives flying "the hump" are getting some graphic and very tragic illustrations of the evils of uncontrolled inflation every day.

The flight over "the hump" is a torturous, hazardous, 700-mile hop through the fabled Himalayas. Past jagged, snow-covered mountain peaks, the highest in the world, through narrow winding passes, some of them 20,000 feet high, over barren wastes on which white men have never set their foot and lived to tell it.

The men who fly this route have to buck the most powerful air currents and the most treacherous weather conditions known to exist any place. And all the way they are flying unarmed transport planes within range of Jap fighters, and for 200 miles over Jap-held territory that is peppered with anti-aircraft batteries waiting to blaze away at them.

For two years now this has been the only supply route over which vital materials can be shipped to China. The Air Force refuses to release the casualties suffered in pioneering and maintaining this air route.

But it is no exaggeration to say that every precious ton that has gone over "the hump" has been paid for with American and Chinese blood.

And do you know what some of the heaviest shipments are over this last link between India and China? Money. Yes, billions and billions of "dollars" worth of Chinese paper money.

China has always had her paper money printed in the United States and Britain. Now, as result of her uncontrolled inflation, her demand for paper bills is tremendous.

In an effort to avert complete economic chaos in distressed China, the top priority has been given to currency.

So, with Chennault and Chiang and Stilwell all desperate for guns, tanks, munitions, and medical supplies, precious hundreds of cubic feet of cargo space in the transports flying "the hump" are filled with piles of war-inflated Chinese paper currency.

Marriage Licenses

April 28—Chas. W. Clemens, of Melope, Ills., and Marjorie Miller, of Marshfield. They were married by Justice F. R. Bull at his office here last Saturday.

May 1—Geo. T. Russell and Melba Curen, both of Bandon.

May 2—Robt. E. Smith and Anita Bernhardt, both of Bandon. They were married at the Bandon M. E. church on Tuesday by Rev. G. H. Newland.

May 3—Wayne H. Waite, of Cushman, and Flora McPherson, of Astoria.