

City Manager Reports

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Work started Wednesday of this week on surfacing of Erickson Avenue. This will finish that street in a way that will make it a permanent job. At least that is our sincere hope. The cost of this work will be assessed against the property owners and will amount to a little over a dollar per front foot—probably a dollar. The work is being done by the Tigard Road and Driveway company in cooperation with the city of Beaverton crew. Work was also started this week on the completion of the City Library, located at the east end of the City Hall. Fred Smith of Aloha has been working on the walls which are being painted with water-proof paint both inside and out. The ceiling is to be finished with acoustic tile. A partition will be put in for a work room and for the present, the concrete floor will be painted. Some new book cabinets will be built and reading tables installed.

The auditors report received and reported in the Enterprise, shows our City finances in none too good shape. However, we were happy to know exactly where we do stand. The books are right up to date now and the audit is of July 31, 1948. The last year's operation shows the road fund to be in deficit, which means that this year's planned work will have to be curtailed somewhat. In general the city finances are sound but we have had to liquidate some investments for special purposes, such as installation of new water lines.

School Bells Ring Out on September 7

FIRST GRADERS BY LAW MUST BE SIX YEARS OLD NOV. 15

With the opening date of the 1948-49 school year set for September 7 plans are almost complete and the Beaverton grade school building is nearing readiness for the new school year.

Registration for the students will be held on Tuesday, September 7 with the boys and girls being dismissed when the registration is completed. School will be in session for a half day on September 8 with that day being devoted to distribution of books and materials and time being devoted to becoming acquainted.

The cafeteria will again be operated this year with Mrs. Beulah Boge and Mrs. Ethel Miller returning as cooks. The cafeteria will begin serving lunches during the second week of school and the price for a complete lunch will be lowered. This reduction of price is made possible by last year's efficient operation and by the use of the Oregon state school lunch subsidy program.

Melvin Wells of the high school music staff will again teach the band classes and Mrs. Ruth Ann McKenzie will teach a class in string instruments.

The blacktopping of the playground area around the playground equipment has been completed. The installation of the new sound and inter-communication system will be completed before the opening of school.

In answer to many inquiries, Mr. Hassell, superintendent of elementary schools, has stated that an entering first grader must have reached his sixth birthday on or before November 15. This date is established by law and no exceptions will be made. In case of doubt birth certificates will be requested.

VFW Dances for Bldg. Fund Boost At Huber Aug. 27

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Beaverton post and their friends will dance, August 27, for the benefit of their building fund, the committee in charge announces. Huber Hall will be the scene of festivities and Dick Kokich's band will provide the dancing incentive. The Beaverton Post has had a lot on Bertha-Levardon highway just beyond Lombard and at the edge of the city limits, donated for a building site with the stipulation that construction start within one year. Members, at their meetings, are going over plans and specifications in order to ready background details prior to actual construction schedules.

The public is cordially invited to attend the August 27 dance. Refreshments will be served.

SUNDAY DINNER

Mrs. L. Schipper and James C. Lyons of Vancouver, Wash. were Sunday dinner guests at the J. A. Pederson home on Farmington Road.

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Building For District 48 Is Underway

WEEK NEGOTIATION AND REVISED PLAN SETS UP CONTRACT

The board of directors of school district No. 48 has signed a contract with the Home Construction company for construction of the new Beaverton grade school building. The actual construction of the building has already begun.

Home Construction company was the low bidder on the original bid on which they submitted a figure of \$289,773.00. After a week's negotiations and further study and consultations with the architects, a revised set of specifications were drawn up and will be used in the new building.

Nothing of importance will be omitted from the building and it will be one of the best elementary school plants to be erected in the area. The total number of classrooms to be finished at the present time will be seven and the space for two additional classrooms will be roughed in but not finished.

The ground floor cafeteria and music room will not be completed at the present time, and the auditorium-playroom will not be entirely completed.

The building will be of a low one-story construction with the exterior finished in white stucco and with large window areas in each classroom. All of the window sash used in the building will be of aluminum. Large corridors and hallways and wide and frequently spaced entrance ways will insure safety in case of any fire and accident.

It is doubtful whether the building can be completed to be used for any part of the present school year but completion of the building is expected by spring of 1949.

Draft Registration---East End County in Beaverton

CONSCRIPTION LAW AFFECTS MEN 18 TO 26 WITH FIRST SIGN-UP STARTING AUGUST 30

Male residents between the ages of 18 and 26, under proclamation from the President, will begin registration on August 30 for the first peacetime conscription into the armed forces of the United States. According to Thurlow Weed, secretary of the draft board, men living from Reedville to the Multnomah county line will be expected in his office, second floor of the Manning Building opposite First Security Bank in Beaverton, on specified days between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., daylight saving time.

There will be no registration office in Tigard and conscripts from that part of the county will be included in registrations at Beaverton.

Every person subject to registration is required to familiarize himself with rules and regulations in regard to draft status and to comply therewith.

At Beaverton, Weed will serve as registrar with Marie Hamilton acting as his assistant. In Hillsboro, offices of the selective service board have been established in the Red Cross building.

By decree of the state director of selective service, Hillsboro headquarters will follow his practice of setting county offices in the county seat. Three rooms will be occupied. Mrs. Ruth V. Anderson, 354 S. Hall street, Beaverton, who served as clerk of a draft board during the recent war, will act as chief clerk of Hillsboro Service Board No. 4, at Hillsboro.

The board will start mailing questionnaires to single, non-father, non-veteran registrants in the sequence of their birth, not later than September 7. First call

Livestock Market Volume Knocks Quality for Price

RESISTANCE INFLUENCE UPS DEMAND FOR CUTTERS AND CANNERS, N. PORTLAND YARDS

Under influence of the Consumer's Crusade which started in Texas and has been picked up in Portland and many other points in the nation, livestock market volume at the North Portland yards enjoyed a good demand, but not on the basis of quality. Cutter and Canner grades of beef, which ordinarily go into processed meat and not to the retail market, made up the bulk of sales on Tuesday, August 24.

Hog and steer prices had a \$32.50 top price, and lambs brought a high of \$25.50. Compared to other national markets, Portland's high was not topped anywhere while the high price on steers was passed in Chicago (\$41.25), Kansas City (\$37.75), Omaha (\$39.00); and Spokane (\$33.25). Lamb top price was low across the nation.

A few cutters to common steers made \$19 to \$26. Common and medium cow were \$18.50 to \$22.50 while canners and cutters were \$15.50 to \$18.

According to the listing of top price range for August, as compiled by the Union Stockyards at North Portland, the steer quotations are: 1947, \$25-\$25.50; 1946, \$20 to \$21.50; 1945, \$16.25-\$17; 1944, \$15.25-\$16 and for 1938, \$8.85-\$9.25.

Since there are many beliefs as to the cause for the continually upward trend in meat prices, Palmer Torvend, Washington county agent, was interviewed on the background picture of meat production.

A serious shortage, Torvend declared, is noted not only in the livestock market but in other food supplies. There is definitely a shortage of beef. Lamb reserves are at their lowest since Civil War days. In the state of Oregon there is a 15 per cent shortage in the average of poultry. In milk,

production is at a 10 year low even though what cattle are kept produce at the highest peaks of efficiency. Butter and cheese reserves, too, are far behind what is considered normal.

For the production of choice and prime grade beef, the feeder practice requires 180 days of concentrated feeding to bring up the finish of the meat animal. It is the obstacles that have arisen before this practice that tells some of the story of the present meat shortage, Torvend says.

Last year's short corn crop changed an old axiom that "Meat is converted corn," but the general thesis is still unchanged, even though wheat has become the general grain substitute in feeder lots.

National figures on the amount of feed needed to produce a 1500 pound steer are set as: silage, 1800 pounds, at an average price of \$10; hay, 1300 pounds, an average of \$24; grain, 1506 pounds, at \$70 and milk, 2270 pounds at \$50. Total feed for the beef animal alone is about \$154. About 58 per cent of such animal's weight is marketable meat.

But added to this cost is the cow which must be raised and fed, to produce a calf. Then with each 30 to 40 cows, a bull of \$500 to \$1,000 value, minimum, is needed. After the steer is raised and ready for the market, the additional feeder lot expense of 180 days average.

In western Oregon, the expense of raising beef cattle is prohibitive because of the high price of land. In the eastern part of the state, beef cattle is more of a dominating industry.

Two types of feeder operators are in the business, Torvend points out. One raises and feeds his beef up to the market stage. The other type buys feeders from farmers, at an average of about \$300 each and conditions them for a high grade market value.

In the second type of operation, a herd of 100 beef cattle, which is typical, would represent an investment of \$30,000. Such a business is run on borrowed money and because of increasing buyer resistance, bankers are becoming more and more reluctant to back the credit on feeder operations.

Unless farmers get feeder support, Torvend predicts, there will be no high grade cattle. As it is, there is not enough difference in the price for better grade meat and as a result, feeder lots are closing up. In Washington county, there are not over 3 or 4 such operations.

Resident of Oregon for the past ten years, Dolores Selden Long, Route 1, Box 168, Aloha, passed away August 19, at Jones hospital, Hillsboro. Funeral rites were held at the Community Baptist church in Aloha, August 21, 10:30 a.m., with Reverend Graydon D. Loree and Reverend Francis T. Sturtevant officiating. Interment was at Crescent Grove cemetery. Mrs. Long was born December 1, 1921 in Bigelow, Kansas and had lived in Aloha for the last three years.

Cedar Street Intersection Light Loses

STALL TO INSTALL CONDUITS FOR USE WITH 4 LANE ROAD

Petition of over 60 residents in the area asking for traffic control lights at the Cedar Street intersection of Canyon Road, in order to assure safety for school children and to allow easier travel across the highway, ran into an uncompromising rebuff from the Oregon state highway commission, according to a letter received by the city manager from F. B. Crandall, traffic engineer.

It is the policy of the highway department, the letter reads, to require 50 per cent participation in the cost on the part of the cities in instances where signal installation is made on state highway routes within a municipality.

The letter reads: "As you are no doubt aware, the department is letting a contract for a four-lane widening project on the Tualatin Valley Highway, West Slope—Beaverton section. In working up this particular project, thought was given to the need of traffic control, both cancellation and signalization, in which connection it appeared that there was a need eventually at least, for a signal at Cedar Street. Anticipating such probable need, we have arranged in the plans for laying of underground conduit as would accommodate future signal installation in order that we would not have to tear up pavement and so forth at a later time in getting the conduit in."

Cost for a "proper" signal installation is set at \$3600, half of which the city of Beaverton will be expected to shoulder. Hillsboro according to the city manager, recently had three traffic control lights installed, of which they paid 50 per cent and the total cost of that job was announced as \$5200, or less than \$1800 a piece and Hillsboro's share, by that figure, was less than \$900 per light.

New and educational will be his display - demonstration at the Washington county fair, September 1, 2, 3, and 4, reports R. T. Lloyd, of the Little Beaver Recording Service, at Beaverton.

Latest type wire, tape and disc recording machines will be shown in the booth which Lloyd will set up in the new education building.

Free recordings will be made on the wire and tape units. Or, if desired to take home will be cut in a recording booth—at a reasonable cost, of course.

FOR DEEP SEA FISHING

The Howard Gregerson home was the meeting place for a reunion last week. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Thoren of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. N. Kreps of Reno, Nev., Mr. and Mrs. V. Gregerson of Balsam Lake, Wis., Mr. and Mrs. H. Halquist and daughter JoAnn of Amery, Wis.

Part of the guests went on a deep sea fishing trip over the week end.

Parish Abandons Summer Series Tigard Dancing

For a combination of reasons the parish building committee of St. Anthony's school, Tigard, has decided to abandon the series of dances it had started this month.

There was to have been a dancing evening at the school auditorium on Friday, August 27, but under the committee's decision there will be no tripping of the light fantastic until further notice.

FOR CHECK UP

Mrs. Sam Gerig on Huber Ave. is at the Providence Hospital in Portland for a check up. She has been ill for a couple of weeks.

Heavy Vote Registered As Citizens Smash Pollution

ELECTION PROVIDED FOR INSTALLATION OF COMPLETE SEWER TREATMENT FACILITIES

UNOFFICIAL RETURNS

Count on the Special Election, August 25, as released at 12:00 midnight, for three amendments to the Charter of Beaverton, Oregon:

Section 8-A 437, Yes; 119, No
Section 8-B 418, Yes; 137, No
Section 8-C 414, Yes; 140, No

In one of the heaviest votes of its kind in the history of the City of Beaverton, 560 eligible voters voted overwhelmingly in favor of construction and maintenance of a sewage collection and treatment system in a special election concluded Wednesday night at 9 p.m.

By their approval, voters passed three amendments to the City Charter which (1) authorizes the city to construct and maintain a sewer system, (2) provide for the issuance of not more than \$225,000 sewer bonds and (3) authorizes assessment of benefiting property for construction of sewer laterals.

By their action, voters have taken the first step in removing filth and pollution from their very back yards and placed Beaverton well within the ranks of progressive cities in Oregon.

High School Tells of New Instructors

FROSH REGISTER SEPT. 7TH; OTHERS CHECK IN SEPT. 9

Beaverton high school will start its year of study on Friday, September 10, after all students have registered, declares I. R. Metzler, superintendent, in listing the names of the teaching staff, including six new instructors.

Buses will start out at the usual hour on September 7, mainly to pick up members of the Freshman class who are requested to register on that date.

Upperclassmen will register only on September 9th and classes will begin in earnest on the following day.

Full list of the Beaverton union high school faculty for 1948 includes: Edward Bader, Miss Amarette Barnes, Mrs. Lillian Brockman, Miss Bernice Conoly, Mrs. Reva Covert, Eugene Duncan, Mrs. Eleanor Duncan, Mrs. Ann Elliott, Duane Faul Eugene Freese, Mrs. Theresa Gibson, Ted Harding, Glen Hollar, Mrs. Elizabeth McDowell, Mrs. Beth Metzler, Mrs. Jean Paterson, Miss Geraldine Sanford, William Schulz, George Smith, Mrs. Carol Talbert, Mrs. Kathryn Ward, Ernest Webb, Melvin Wells, Mrs. Marjorie Whitbeck and Mrs. Dorothy Wippel.

Benefit Dance And Style Show Planned Sept. 11

Under the auspices of the Washington county beauticians association and the Hillsboro ladies apparel shops, a benefit dance and style show will be staged on Saturday, September 11, 8:30 p.m., for the building of a children's recreational fund. The affair will be staged at Shute Park auditorium in Hillsboro.

Wes Lang's orchestra will provide the music and the public is invited to attend.

Key by Code No. Latest Service At Walker's Dept.

The very latest in key-making machinery is now available for patrons of Larry Chamberlin in Walker's Department Store, Beaverton, following arrival of a device that makes automobile and accessory keys entirely by code number.

Larry declares that a patron need only phone in the code number of a missing key and the key will be ready for you to pick up.

He admits the machine is an expensive item, of a hand-punch type, but is in line with his policy of doing the best by his customers.

An informal demonstration of the new equipment was made last Saturday, the day that it arrived.

WONDERFUL VACATION

A wonderful vacation was the comment of a party of vacationists who returned this week from one week at Rockaway Beach.

Mrs. A. B. Leis and children, Inez, Leonard and Charles, of S. W. Canyon Road, West Slope, and Mrs. Frank Kosmalaki, her daughters Beverly and Janice, son Joey and Tom Blossick, all of Progress, spent the time in thoroughly relaxing, with such facilities as were made available.

New York Editor Passes in Sleep Near Beaverton

Thurber Lewis, 44, New York newspaper man, passed away in his sleep some time Thursday morning, August 19 at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. D. Gillmore, 2026 N. E. Laurel Road, near Beaverton. Coroner F. J. Sewell, at Hillsboro, reports cause of death as a complete edema of the throat organs and the body is being held, pending further investigation.

Lewis was raised in Oregon and is survived by his sister, at Beaverton; his mother, Mrs. Jenny Lewis, Portland; his brother, Irving Lewis, of St. Paul, and a son, Thomas of New York, and in the Merchant Marine.

Mrs. Gillmore reports that her brother was financial editor of Tass, the Russian newspaper, and also served as correspondent for Associated Press and United Press with headquarters in New York City.

Lewis had been called to Oregon on account of the illness of his mother, in a Portland hospital. He arrived August 4 and started back to New York, having reached San Francisco August 15. A rush call brought him back to Beaverton, as his mother's case was worsening.

The death has baffled local medical men who have studied the case. The deceased neither drank nor smoked and seemed in excellent health. When his body was discovered late Thursday morning, rigor mortis had set in and he was presumed to have been dead about 12 hours.

Funeral arrangements have been delayed. The body will be returned to New York.

TWIN ROCKS MEETING

The Valley Community United Presbyterian Church, S. W. Multnomah Club Road, and Brentwood Avenue will be represented at the Twin Rocks Summer Conference of Oregon Presbytery, August 30—September 4, by a delegation of nine young people who will leave for Twin Rocks from the Manse, 7855 S. W. Brentwood Avenue, at 1:00 p.m. Monday.

Miss Hilma Swenson, the pastor's assistant and a member of the Conference Faculty, will accompany them, as will the pastor, who will deliver the opening message on the conference theme "That They All May Be One" at 7:30 Monday evening.