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City Budget Gets \$4249 Increase To Aid Employees

10% Increase In Pay Will Affect All Employees On City Payroll

City budget for the fiscal year of 1946 and 47 will be \$42,477.00 it was announced by members of the budget committee for the city of Ashland, Wednesday. The raise will help take care of the 10% increase in salaries of city employees which was also granted at the meeting.

Meeting with the City Council Tuesday evening the budget committee composed of Henry Enders, chairman, W. D. Whittle, Harry Morris, Clyde Caton, Fred Taylor, and Bob Ingle agreed upon and passed the proposed budget which is \$4,249 above last year's budget of \$38,228.

According to J. Q. Adams, city recorder, individual taxation should not be affected by the rise in the budget. The assessed valuation for this year will be higher than last year's \$2,701,205.63, and the raise in the budget will be met by this rise in valuation. The county assessor's office is presently working on valuations; no figures are presently available.

The increase in salary of 10 percent is to assist city employees in meeting the rise in living expenses. The council also voted to set up a retirement plan for city employees. This will be operated in conjunction with the state public employees retirement plan. The employee, the city, and the state will all contribute to the fund. This will be effective as of July 1. Employees will retire at the age of 65 except for fire and police personnel who will retire at 60.

1st & C Parking Lot Ready July 1

City Superintendent Elmer Beagle announced this week that the City of Ashland had arranged for a parking lot at the corner of first and C Street, which would be open approximately on July 4th.

The property is approximately 125 feet by 150 feet and will have space for seventy cars, parking will be free. At present, buildings which were on the lots are being removed. The buildings belonged to Mrs. Grant Davis.

Beagle also stated that the city was planning to carve a parking lot out of the area behind the Lithia Hotel and was only waiting for Mr. C. C. Cooley of Grants Pass, who is owner of the property, to complete signing of the necessary papers.

Mr. and Mrs. Neiman and Mrs. Ashton of Oakland, California arrived last Wednesday to spend until Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Herbert. Mr. Neiman is a nephew of Mrs. Herbert.

Mrs. Alice Kent has rented her home on Allison street and plans to leave soon for Klamath Falls. Ted Sommers fished at Diamond Lake over the weekend and returned with some fish running over three pounds.

Camping gifts for father include sleeping bags, Coleman lanterns, stoves and portable iceboxes at Marshall Wells on the Plaza.

Crosby Fan Calls Bing; Gets Police

One of Bing Crosby's fans landed in jail Wednesday morning at two o'clock, when he insisted on calling the Hollywood crooner from the Southern Pacific Depot in Ashland.

Charles D. Roberts was picked up by Ashland police at two o'clock Wednesday morning after telephone operator called police and reported that a man had been trying to call Bing Crosby and also talked incoherently on the telephone. On investigation Roberts was found to be A.W.O.L from a veterans hospital. He is being taken to Jackson County jail in Medford for mental observation.

Lions Hear Healy and Dr. Stevenson

Lions of Ashland, meeting Tuesday night at the Lithia hotel heard two speakers, Wm. Healy, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and Dr. Elmo Stevenson.

Healy spoke on "Ashland, Past, Present and Future." and Dr. Stevenson told of the plans for the enlargement of Southern Oregon college.

New officers for the club will be installed at Ladies Night which will be June 25.

Herb Huston, Bert Kimsey, and Al Snider who are delegates to the State Lions convention returned late Tuesday evening. They will present a comprehensive report on the convention next Tuesday evening.

C of C Recreational Committee Planned

Doctor W. W. Weller, president of Ashland Chamber of Commerce, said this week that a recreational committee would be appointed sometime within the next week.

Doctor Weller mentioned that one of the first activities of this committee would be to plan on a golf course and to work with the City on the organization of a municipal golf course or make the course available to private interests.

The committee will also work on plans for an entrance-way into the Lithia Park on the Plaza, which would advertise the park to tourists who are traveling through town.

Another activity of this committee is to coordinate youth activities.

Mrs. John Murphy is in Portland this week representing the local grand chapter of Eastern Star. Verone Wold is taking her place at the city light and water department.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morgan, 209 Oak Street, and Mrs. Elsie McMillan of the Cozy Apartments on North Main spent Tuesday morning in Medford.

James Mackie was in Medford Monday morning, on business.

Mrs. Lurline C. Nye, Ashland, received a degree of Bachelor of Science at the 20th annual commencement at Southern Oregon College.

Robert C. Kinne was arrested for speeding June 8, posted ten dollars bail, which was forfeited.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brubaker of Freeport, Illinois spent from Tuesday until Friday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Walter Herbert. Mr. Brubaker is a nephew of Mrs. Herbert.

C of C Sets Up Committee System

Announcing this week that much of the future business of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce would be handled through permanent committees, Dr. W. W. Weller, president of the Chamber of Commerce, made the following committee appointments public:

According to officials of the Chamber this system will mean that various committees will meet weekly with William Healy, secretary, and plan the particular activities which are that committee's responsibility. This method will not make it essential that the entire membership meet but it will permit wider individual participation in Chamber of Commerce affairs.

Members of the Retail Trade committee include: E. J. LaMarre, chairman, Dom Provost, Carryl Wines, Harry Travis, I. F. Anders, J. A. Langtry, H. R. McKeever, George Reed, and James Mackie; The Aviation committee includes Kenton Robbins, chairman, Lloyd Selby, Jack Enders, Jack Francis, and Doyle Seely. Publicity: Wendell Lawrence and Doyle Seely. Membership: Bill Snider, chairman, Clyde Caton, Eldon Scriptor, Toy L. Trammel, Herb Huston, and Walter McCoy; Industrial, Lloyd Selby, chairman, Don O'Blenness, Herb Fischborne and Roger Rath; real estate, Henry Galey, chairman, W. D. Jackson, George Reed and C. A. Pitts; Southern Oregon College, Dr. A. S. Taylor, chairman, Earl Newberry, and Dr. R. E. Poston; reception, Paul Fennell, chairman, F. S. Engle, Wilbur Bushnall and Dr. Blanche Rice.

Legislative, Earl T. Newberry, chairman, Frank J. Van Dyke, and Clarence Williams; transportation, roads and highways, Howard Oden, chairman, Ralph Koozer and O. E. Sabin; finance, Gerald Wenner, C. Sommers, Frank Culp and Ben Lombard; agriculture, Henry Enders, chairman, T. E. Fowler, P. R. Williamson and Ralph Koozer. Building and construction committee has been appointed with W. D. Jackson, chairman, Jake Weitzel, H. R. Morris, J. Q. Adams, and Clarence Homes.

Lorena McNair Is OES Grand Matron

Mrs. Lorena McNair, of Alpha Chapter No. 1, Ashland, was elected worthy Grand Matron of the Oregon Eastern Star Tuesday at sessions of the Grand Chapter which are being held this week in Portland. The 57th annual session is being held at the Masonic Temple in Portland.

Mrs. McNair succeeds Mrs. Hazel Graham of Tillamook. Installation will be Thursday night at which time Alpha Chapter will present a special drill in honor of Mrs. McNair.

Mrs. McNair is the widow of Hal McNair, former Ashland druggist, who died three years ago. She has now taken over his interest in the McNair Bros. drug store. She is a Past Matron in the local Eastern Star chapter, a past queen in Zulemia Temple, Daughters of the Nile.

Twenty members of Alpha Chapter No. 1 led by Mrs. Edna Daugherty, worthy matron, are attending the sessions in Portland.

3 Million Board Feet Timber Lost

Timber piles estimated at \$75,000 were destroyed Monday night by a fire at the Ashland Lumber Mills, formerly known as the Herrin mill. The fire was started when a transient, Harold LeRoy Jones, 35, Cottage Grove, started a small fire in the yard for warmth.

Jones said he banked the fire before going to sleep, but that it got away and he was awakened by the roar of the flames. The fire was fought by U. S. Forest Service equipment as it was beyond the city's jurisdiction.

The mill escaped destruction because of the direction of the wind. Mill operations were not stopped by the fire. John C. Cotton is the president of the firm.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, 637 B Street, are painting their house at 637 B. Street.

Ten Elks at Oregon State Convention

Ten Elks from the Ashland Lodge are leaving Friday morning at 4:00 for Baker where they will attend the Oregon State Elks convention. Transportation is being furnished by Howard Oden and Will Dodge.

The party will include Ken Robbins, Oden, Ralph McCullough, Roland Parks, Gordon Pickell, Dodge, I. R. Fridgeger, Herb Huston, Ivor Erwin, and W. D. Parker.

The convention will take place on the 14 and 15.

REEDS MOVING TO YANK GULCH FROM ALAMEDA

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Reed, presently of Alameda, California are expected to move to their new home on Yank gulch near Talent next week, according to J. F. Emmett, who is Mrs. Reed's father. The Reeds had originally planned to move this week but Mrs. Reed is recuperating from a major operation and it was deemed not advisable to undertake the trip.

Oden and Irwin To New York in July

Howard Oden, Exalted Ruler of the Elks in Ashland, and Ivor Erwin, past Exalted Ruler are planning on attending the National Elks convention in New York City in July.

The Ashland lodge usually sends one delegate to the National convention but this year they plan to send two, as Erwin, last year's ruler, did not attend because of war conditions.

City Looking at Site For Airport

The Balfour-Guthrie property located at the foot of Oak Street is presently under consideration by the City of Ashland as a site for an airport. Mayor T. S. Wiley has appointed Elmer Biegel, William Briggs and Lloyd Selby as a committee to negotiate an option on the land.

Approval has been granted by the Civil Aeronautics authority for use of this site as an airport. Sale price has been set at \$25,000.

Oak Street Gets Win From Hilt; In Lead

Oak Street wiped out the Hilt threat in the softball league Wednesday night when they shut the Hilt club out 7 to 0. This gives Oak street the lead in league standings with 3 wins and no losses.

Charles Warren, center fielder, is sparking the Oak Street outfit this year. Backing him up is Jim Jandreau, who returned Monday from Portland where he played ball with the Upstate All Stars. Charles Jandreau, also a member of the Oak Street club, is playing a bang-up game.

Tied for second place in league standings are the Nosedcats and Newby Orchards, each with one win and one loss. Steakhouse and Millers are trailing with two losses.

Howard Wiley, president of the league, said today that John Cottens's Lumberjacks were being withdrawn because of the additional work necessitated by the fire which wiped out a large part of the Herrin's mill this week. The American Legion club managed by Kenton Robbins, will replace Cottens outfit.

Jim Jandreau returned from Portland where he played all with the Upstate All Stars, Portland All Stars defeated the Upstate Stars 4 to 1.

Mrs. Howard Wiley and Mrs. Bert Wright are spending the week in Portland.

Up and Down The Street

NOLA SUE ROBBINS visiting J. Q. ADAMS. . . . HERB HUSTON counting heads at the Chamber of Commerce banquet. . . . ALICE GANDEE excited about Saturday shopping crowds. . . . MRS ELMER BIEGEL posting books. . . . PHIL STANBURY telling Medford Legionnaires about Bavarian china. . . . DR. HULL reminiscing about Santa Anita.

Soroptimist Chapter Received Charter

MERN PROVOST ONLY NAME ON DIST. 5 SCHOOL BALLOT

Mern Provost's name is the only one on the District 5 ballot for the school election Monday, June 17. The election will be at the City Hall from two o'clock P. M. until 7:00 P. M.

Mrs. Provost has served this last year filling out the term for R. I. Flaharty who resigned.

Swimming Class Closes Friday

The Red Cross Learn to Swim campaign which has been underway at Twin Plunges will close this Friday at 12:00. The program has been a pronounced success with 280 students from Ashland, Medford, Talent, Central Point, and Phoenix participating.

Awards will be given between 12:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. by Jack Knight, Oakland, California, who has been conducting the classes. Students who have completed the various phases of instruction will be given awards as Beginners, Polliwogs, Intermediate Swimmers, Advanced Swimmers, and Life Guards.

Mrs. E. E. Stearns of Ashland has been registrar for the classes

Jean Eberhart Buys Howard Oden Store

Jean F. Eberhart, who has been negotiating with Howard Oden for several weeks, announced today that he had purchased the Ashland Sporting Goods store from Mr. Oden. He will begin operations on July 1.

Eberhart has been head coach at Southern Oregon College for eight years. He was on military leave during the war at which time he served as a naval physical training officer.

Al Simpson, who has been signed by the college may replace Eberhart as head coach, however, Dr. Elmo Stevenson, president of the college, made no commitments this week.

Howard Oden plans to leave in July for the Elks National convention, and will make no arrangements for other business until his return.

Two Businesses Get OK on Names

Two business houses in Ashland received notification this week, from the county clerk of Jackson County, of the acceptance of the assumed business names.

D. D. Sheldon and G. S. Green will continue to operate the jewelry store at 272 East Main as "Sheldon Jewelry". Mr. Sheldon has been operating this store for the past few months under the above assumed name and Mr. Green has recently become a partner in the business.

"The Siskiyou Publishing Company", publishers of the Southern Oregon Miner, also received notification that the assumed business name had been accepted. Carryl H. and Marion Wines and Wendell D. and Camilla Lawrence are partners in the enterprise.

CRAM HANDLES INSURANCE AGENCY IN ASHLAND AREA

Roger Cram, former Southern Oregon college student, announced this week that he would represent the Northern Life insurance company in the Ashland area. Cram was formerly publisher and editor of the Jacksonville News.

On June 5, a talkative little instrument came into our home at Sky Lodge, atop the Siskiyou Mountain. "It's a telephone that is". We would enjoy having all our friends call us. Dial operator and ask for Siskiyou Summit No. 1. That's our telephone number that is. Mr. and Mrs. Owen Gragg. (Twin Plunges)

Camping gifts for father include sleeping bags, Coleman lanterns, stoves and portable iceboxes at Marshall Wells on the Plaza.

Women's Civic Club Hears Dr. Stevenson At Charter Night Ceremonies

Charter night was held Wednesday at the Civic Club House for the newly organized Ashland chapter of Soroptimist International association. Twenty-six charter members from the Ashland area, led by Mrs. Velna Weitzel, local president, took the vows of membership.

The program was opened by the singing of the International Anthem followed by the Flag Salute. Kathleen Thompson, president of the Klamath Falls club, opened the meeting. The Rev. E. P. Borden gave the invocation.

Mayor T. S. Wiley greeted the new group and wished them much success and a long life in community affairs. Ida Odell, also of Klamath Falls, made the response.

Officers were then installed by Rose Poole, Klamath Falls, Mrs. Weitzel was officially installed as president, Miss Margaret Ramsey, vice president; Phoebe Green, Recording secretary; Jeanette Smith, corresponding secretary and Blanche Huffman, as treasurer.

Directors are Norma Erwin, Nelle Burns and Amy Reed.

Presentation of the charter was made by Etta Cuningham, Baker, president of the northwest region. Mrs. Weitzel accepted the charter on behalf of the local club and the 26 charter members were then introduced by Mrs. Coral Sabo, Klamath Falls, extension director of this area.

Dr. Elmo Stevenson, in the main address of the evening, told the Soroptimists that any civic organization in Ashland could have three aims: Recreation for all children; Beautification of side streets and stronger support for local schools.

Guests were introduced, Klamath Falls chapter which sponsored the local group had 15 and Coos Bay had three.

Donn Huffman and Suzanne Lamarre each sang three songs. They were accompanied by Mrs. Catharine Huffman.

YMCA Campaign Starts Wednesday Morning

Beginning with a "Kick-Off Breakfast", at 7:30, Wednesday morning, June 19, at the Lithia Hotel the Ashland Y.M.C.A. Committee will begin its first membership drive to organize a strong "Y" program in Ashland.

The breakfast will feature George Cole, professional Y.M.C.A. campaigner, who is coming to Ashland in order to organize the membership campaign.

Members of the finance committee who will work directly with Mr. Cole include Allen McGee, Carryl Wines, Joe Fader and Roland Parks. At the breakfast two squads will appoint Generalissimo of the individual squads and prepare a contest wherein each squad will attempt to get the most membership.

According to local officials of the Y.M.C.A. the guidance and training of Ashland's youth will be the purpose of the Y program in Ashland. Roland Parks, head of the finance committee, stated this week the following named people have already asked that they be included in the teams which will work on the membership drive:

Legion Sponsors Softball Outfit

Meeting in regular session Tuesday night Ashland Post No. 14 of the American Legion decided to sponsor a softball team in the local softball league.

Kenton Robbins was elected chairman of the softball committee and will make preparations for the teams entry into league play.

Members of the Medford post of the Legion were guests, and were invited to attend the Legion swim party and raffle which is being held this Sunday at Jackson Hot springs. A set of fine Bavarian dinner china is being given away at the party to the holder of the lucky number.

JUNE 30

A BIG DATE FOR ARMY MEN!

If you have been discharged from the Army—if you held a grade and wish to retain it—if you have dependents—then act now. . . . June 30, 1946, is the last day on which you can enlist in the Regular Army and still take advantage of two important benefits. . . . retention of your old grade and family allowances.

Family allowances for your dependents will be continued throughout your enlistment only if you enter the Regular Army before July 1, 1946.

If you have been discharged from the Army and wish to reenlist at your old grade, you must enlist within 90 days after your discharge. And before July 1, 1946. Think it over. Act now.

ENLIST NOW AT YOUR NEAREST U. S. ARMY RECRUITING STATION
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MEDFORD, OREGON

