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City Council Has Roaring Session

A \$100 protective license fee for local electricians and plumbers and an allegation of a proposed city parking lot between the Shakespearean festival theatre and the diner on Pioneer street threw the city council into its hottest session in many weeks Tuesday night.

Councilmen engaged in a hot debate on the license fee issue after it was presented as a part of a five-point recommendation for a city building code.

The question of the parking lot arose when a letter from the Chamber of Commerce was read before the meeting, urging that the area beside the theatre not be used as a parking lot. It was denied that there were plans for a lot on the site.

Mayor Phil Stansbury called for minutes of previous meetings to clarify the issue, and it was revealed that in December, 1951, the council approved a parking lot in the area. On Feb. 5, the order was rescinded, and a suit to acquire quiet title to the land was ordered.

On Feb. 19, City Attorney Harry Skerry reported that he was unable to make progress in his investigation.

According to Mayor Stansbury, there had been no further plans made to establish the parking lot on the site.

Building Code Proposed

The question of a building code and the proposal of the protective fee arose when Dr. W. W. Weller, chairman of the realty committee, submitted a recommendation based upon city planning commission findings.

Councilman Fred Taylor, in favor of the proposal, said that

the fee would protect local plumbers and electricians from the competition of smaller operators in nearby communities.

Councilmen Arthur Kreisman and Mark Hamaker, who opposed the measure, declared that they were concerned with protection of the consumer who, in Kreisman's words, "should be free to purchase what he wants."

Taylor contended that local tradesmen, who contributed to the betterment of the city, should be entitled to protection from outsiders.

The matter was finally referred back to the realty committee for further study, and the matter ended amicably.

Conservation Experts Appear In Special Workshop at SOC

Conservation of natural resources and plans for teaching elementary pupils effective utilization of these resources was studied for the past two weeks in a special workshop course at Southern Oregon college. Dr. H. S. Fowler, assistant professor of science, organized the course and coordinated work of the 28 summer session students in attendance.

The group heard 18 authorities on conservation describe their specialties, illustrating their work by field trips, motion pictures and lectures. The class took seven field trips during the course.

Clement H. Ault, Medford work unit conservationist of the U. S. Soil Conservation service, directed a field trip to study soil types, various soil conservation practices and pointed out examples of erosion. Another trip to study the utilization of water by irrigation was led by Ralph Browncombe, engineering specialist of the U. S. Soil Conservation service.

An all-day trip was taken to the Tulelake Wildlife refuge and the class was the guest of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company at Klamath Falls. The timber company conducted a tour of selective cutting operations, tree farming, mill operation and provided the class with a courtesy loggers' menu meal.

Another trip was made to the Ashland watershed area where Harold Thomas, Ashland district ranger, and Ted Maul, district warden of the State Forestry department, described watershed practices. Cole Rivers, chief of the Rogue River Investigations committee of the Oregon Game commission, conducted a tour of the Butte Falls fish hatchery. The class inspected the Jenny creek interstate deer herd under the supervision of David Lumen, game biologist of the Oregon Game commission.

Lectures included discussion of the work of the Bureau of Reclamation by William Attridge, bureau engineer; snow surveys, W. T. "Jack" Frost of the U. S. Soil Conservation service; national park service in conservation education, Harry C. Parker, chief naturalist of Crater Lake National park; lumbering methods toward utilization of waste, Lewis L. Simpson, secretary-manager of the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association.

Discussion of work conducted by the U. S. Forest service, Jack Wood, Rogue River National

Seventy Students In Special Class

Seventy art students have been attending the Binney and Smith Art workshop at Southern Oregon college during the last two days, according to Marion Ady, associate professor of art. The special course being taught by Miss Cleo Heller, San Francisco, will end this evening.

The number in attendance is almost more than double the number originally provided for. Miss Ady said, and an additional 30 students had to be turned away because of lack of facilities. She commented that students have expressed appreciation for the novel art training.

The course has been free of charge except for those taking the work for college credit.

LUTE IS FOUND; ALSO LUTINIST

A lutinist lives in Brooklyn. On this fact hangs one of the most fabulous of the many unusual stories which have come out of 12 seasons of the Oregon Shakespearean festival in Ashland.

A few weeks ago, Hans Lampl, music director for the festival, issued an appeal through the southern Oregon newspapers for a lute. The lute was described as a rare, pear shaped instrument "alleged to be musical, strangled and with a long neck."

The sole answer to the plea came from Miami, Fla. The story had apparently been picked up by a wire service and was published in the Miami Herald. Mrs. Victor K. D. Ross of 3014 Douglas road, Coral Gables, Fla., saw the article and wrote to Mr. Lampl: "If you will get in touch with Mr. Ephraim Siegelman, who is a graduate student at the Brooklyn Polytechnic, N. Y., I am sure that he can not only secure a lute for you but can go to Ashland and play it for the festival."

"Mr. Siegelman is rapidly making a name for himself as one of the few professional lutinists in this country."

Klamath Editor Tells of Russia's Success In Asia

Russia's exploitation of a "divide and conquer" policy in countries selected for Communist expansion and skillful use of the "big lie" technique of propaganda has been the basis of Soviet success in dominating modern Asia, according to Frank Jenkins, publisher of the Klamath Falls Herald and News. The journalist challenged a teacher audience at Southern Oregon college last week to teach pupils how to differentiate between falsehoods and the truth.

Jenkins declared failure of the United States to combat propaganda with truth in the Asian boiling pot, stating that we have lost all chances of halting the Russian advance on that continent. He also criticized severely the federal administration for withholding news until political expedient times in a domestic propaganda threat.

Tracing the growth of Communism, Jenkins said Lenin took the radical turn left when he realized that it would be possible to concentrate power in the hands of a few. He pointed out that only five million Communists govern a population of two hundred million.

The speaker described the successful "divide and conquer" theory, explaining that key peo-

Fire Regulations Go Into Effect

Forest Fire regulations will go into effect July 1 throughout the Rogue River National Forest, fire control officer Verus Dahlin disclosed today.

The regulations are covered by Governor's proclamation and federal law and include all lands within the National Forest. Under the law, no smoking is permitted while traveling except on paved or surfaced highways; campfire permits are required except at posted camps; and axe, bucket, and shovel are required equipment for those who camp at other than posted camps.

Forest officials state the campfire permit requirement was discontinued on the Rogue River forest during 1950 and 1951 on an experimental basis. The results of the experiment showed an increase in fires caused by campers during this two-year period. While campfire permits will be required this year, every reasonable effort will be made to cause as little inconvenience to recreationists as possible, Dahlin said.

No campfire permits will be required at the regular camping spots on National Forest land. Signs to designate these areas will be posted soon.

Campfire permits are required for those wishing to camp away from regular camp areas, and may be obtained at the Forest Service headquarters, P. O. Building, Medford, or any of the Rangers headquarters throughout the forest.

ANOTHER FORGER IS CAUGHT IN ASHLAND

A transient who admitted having served time in the Wyoming state penitentiary, according to local police, is in the county jail awaiting sentence for allegedly passing \$254 in worthless checks here last week.

The man, Carl Joseph Williams, admitted the charge after State police picked him up outside the city at the request of city police, Chief Vern Smith said.

He was arrested Monday evening.

Williams, who obtained money and merchandise for the fictitious checks here also admitted passing more than \$400 worth in Seattle and Klamath Falls, police said. He wrote the checks over the name of Joseph Dean Williams.

Williams is marked for absorption are told that they will be given absolute power. As examples of the "big lie" technique, he referred to the familiar "Wall Street Dollar Chaser" characterization of Americans and the current germ warfare charge in Korea.

Jenkins said the United States lost any hope of exerting influence in Asia when the administration in Asia when the adminis-

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Hospital Will Seek Federal Aid Funds

The board of directors of the Valleyview hospital district will apply for federal Hill-Burton funds to aid in financing construction of the proposed southern Jackson county hospital.

The board voted unanimously to take this action at a meeting Tuesday evening.

Cost of the new hospital has

been estimated at between \$560,000 and \$770,000 based on an information poll of local doctors to determine the number of beds necessary in the new hospital. Estimates ranged from 40 to 55 beds, and U. S. Public Health Service figures a maximum of \$14,000 per bed in new hospital construction.

Application for federal aid must be received for review by the state hospital advisory board in Portland by July 9, but the group has not yet decided on the exact amount to be applied for.

Board members suggested that costs might be cut by using some equipment from the Ashland General hospital and by other means.

Dr. L. D. Inskeep, Medford, a member of the state board of health which will review the request for funds, advised against too many shortcuts, but said the costs could be cut. He said further that the southern Oregon area was one of the most critical in the state in shortage of hospital facilities, and that he would help with the request upstate.

Ashland Elks Win National Honor

The Ashland Elks Lodge has been selected from 34 lodges in Oregon to receive a national honor, Exalted Ruler Lyndal Newbury has disclosed.

An official Grand Lodge youth plaque will be presented to the local lodge in recognition of its outstanding program of work for young people.

Last year the lodge spent more than \$1,300 on college scholarships for high school graduates and helped sustain many youth groups. In addition, its facilities are being made available for Ashland activities for young people.

Festival Cast Works Through 4th; Plans for Tudor Fair Announced

While most of Ashland takes a holiday tomorrow, work will go on as scheduled at the Oregon Shakespearean festival theatre.

With the August 1 opening less than a month away, staff and cast members would give themselves no holiday other than the regular Sunday rest.

After the season begins with Sunday evening performances, the company will go on a 7-day week.

The rehearsals scheduled for tomorrow are "Much Ado About Nothing" in the afternoon and "Julius Caesar" in the evening. The comedy is directed by Angus Bowmer, festival producing director, and the famous tragedy by Allen Fletcher of Yale university.

The rehearsals this year, as always, are open to the public. Wet cold weather for the past week cut attendance at practice sessions, directors said, but with the coming of the sun Monday, the number spending their afternoons and evenings in the old Chautauqua shell above Lithia park increased markedly.

Ten May Be Killed In Oregon Traffic

Another big holiday weekend, the Fourth of July, begins Friday, and at least 10 people are expected to die in Oregon highway smash-ups while celebrating their independence, Captain Walter Lansing, head of the state traffic safety division, predicted Thursday.

Lansing said most holiday deaths stem from drivers who overestimate ability to control high speed. If drivers would plan shorter trips, concentrate on the job of driving, and allow plenty of time to reach destinations without speeding, the death toll would not be so high.

One cause of accidents in rural areas, where three out of four traffic deaths occur, is a driver who pokes along at 35 or 40 miles an hour, forcing others to pass him, and who "remains blissfully unaware that he is as much a traffic hazard as the guy who flies low at 70 or 80 miles an hour," Lansing said.

A check with highway department engineers early this week indicated there will be no road construction work in progress over the holiday weekend unless an emergency, such as a slide, develops. This does not mean, however, that extreme caution will not be needed in areas where construction has been underway, Lansing said.

Major road projects in the state are on the Columbia River highway near Cascade Locks and south of Reedsport on highway 101.

Box office sales, also "below normal" in the valley because of the bad weather, also showed signs of picking up, the box office staff announced. Reservations are still well ahead of those made by this time last year, according to box office reports, but an unusually large number of requests from outside southern Oregon are holding them up, it was reported.

FAIR PLANS TOLD

Plans for a rejuvenated "Tudor Fair" at the Oregon Shakespearean festival this year were told to the board of directors at a dinner meeting at the home of President Rodney Keating in Valleyview Tuesday evening.

The report was made by Mrs. B. A. Cope of Ashland and Bob Collins of Central Point, both members of the festival association auxiliary, Tudor Guild.

The fair, formerly called the Mop Fair, is sponsored by the Tudor guild this year. Plans call for a large souvenir booth, for refreshments served at small tables inside the shell, for Elizabethan country dances and music to entertain patrons before the plays, and for a Punch and Judy show.

The dances will be under the direction of Bill Ball, young festival actor who is also staging the dances for two of the festival plays. "The Tempest" and "Much Ado About Nothing." Joining Ball in this activity will be 8 members of the company.

Benefits from the fair will go into the Tudor guild treasury for actor's benefits. Among other services, the guild operates a no-interest small loan fund for members of the company.

Other business at the meeting included discussion of opening night ceremonies and local promotion. It was announced that the association would offer local merchants show window decorations or the season at cost. The decorations will be similar to those used in previous years, but parts may be retained and used again next year, it was announced.

The business meeting followed a buffet dinner served by Mr. and Mrs. Keating to members of the board and their wives.

JULY 4th PARADE AT 10 TOMORROW

A large number of floats will be entered in the Fourth of July parade, to be held here beginning at 10 a.m. tomorrow, Mrs. John Daugherty, chairman of the parade committee, has announced.

The parade will proceed a three-day rodeo beginning tomorrow at the rodeo grounds and other holiday events, including a Junior Chamber of Commerce street dance tomorrow evening.

A LOOK ABOUT US

By WIN KINNEY

We have an "echo canyon" in town, and no one has ever taken note of it to my knowledge. If you are one of the large, simple-minded majority, of which I am a charter member, who likes to hear your voice tossed back at you, drive up to the start of the Mt. Ashland road, right at the reservoir and aim your yodels down the canyon which cuts into Ashland Creek gorge at right angles (give or take 45 degrees).

A high pitched voice gets the most responses — I fancy I counted twelve separate beats — so take along any handy coloratura soprano, or at least a tenor, and have a good time.

I had driven up to this favorite lookout point of mine to enjoy a spot of evening "sight-without-sound," for this is one of the quietest viewpoints in the vicinity.

While parked and gazing over my favorite valley, a truck drove up and disgorged several youngsters who, within 2 1/4 seconds, promptly discovered the echo effect and practically wore it out on the spot. One of the children, an adolescent, achieved the most weird results. His voice was changing, and several times I thought for a moment that sir echo was confused. The overlapping returning whoops gave the impression of a man caught in a lady's powder room, and getting the worst of it.

Even if you are not an echo-addict, the little trip is still a highly pleasant one this time of year, if only for the wild "May flowers" responding to our late June showers. Especially gaudy and spicily scented are the wild sweet peas, which seem to have decided unanimously upon a brilliant cerise this season. Having more nature love than botanical knowledge, I cannot name the balance of the wild floral profusion for you. Go see it!

Here's the Dope

OH, BOY, I JUST MADE IT!

