

Water Rates at Ashland Upped by City Councilmen

Ashland, May 3—A revised water rate ordinance, which will increase payments to the city for water used by residential, farm and industrial users, passed by a vote of five to one at a city council meeting here last night.

The council authorized the mayor and recorder to sign notes whereby the city general fund may borrow \$5,000 from the electrical fund for continued maintenance of streets. The street department was out of money, and the loan will permit minimum maintenance work to continue. Street department men were placed under the supervision of the electrical department by council action.

Zone Not Favored

Planning committee members indicated they do not favor extension of a business zone on Palm street to permit construction of a self-service laundry, and the committee will hold a formal meeting soon to prepare their formal recommendation they said.

Offers to purchase the Third avenue building originally bought by the city for fire department use were reported, but it was decided to call bids at a later date.

The question of recalling Mayor Thomas Williams and Councilman Elmer Sheldon will be placed on the May 19 election ballot, Recorder John Austin reported, as a result of the filing of recall petitions. A proposed charter amendment to permit sale of Ashland canyon timber land will be voted on at the same session.



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PRESIDENT-ELECT—Dr. J. Gordon Epperson (above) of Oakland, Calif., president-elect of the California Osteopathic Association, will succeed Dr. Murray D. Weaver of Ontario, Calif., on June 1, 1950. The 46th annual convention of the association will be in session in Sacramento May 1 to 5 with more than 700 osteopathic physicians and surgeons in attendance.

HUSKIES STAR INJURED

Seattle, May 3—(U.P.)—Don Heinrich, star quarterback of the University of Washington football team, was sidelined today following a mishap during the Huskies' spring training session.

time, Austin said, although the city budget election will be held at a later date.

Young Farmers Plan Organization Meeting

A group of young Jackson county farmers met at the county agents' office in the courthouse last night to discuss the possibility of organizing a club for farm operators in the 20 to 35 year age group.

An organizational meeting is to be held at the courthouse Monday, May 15, for all farmers interested in forming a Young Farmers' club. The meetings are being held under the auspices of the county extension service.

Talent

Talent, May 3—Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dernberger are coming Sunday, May 7, from Los Angeles to spend a week with Dernberger's sister, Mrs. Ira Culver.

Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Settlemier and Mrs. Ira Culver, accompanied their four girls in the Wau-hi-yl Campfire group, who are working for their wood grant-er's rank, on a trip to Grants Pass. The group stopped along the highway and cooked breakfast, then went on to the Grants Pass city park where the girls played until time to start back. They stopped along the highway and cooked lunch and finished with a bonfire and wienie roast at the Settlemier home.

Girls taking the trip were Kay Ellen Suksdorf, Lianis Burnette, Carol Settlemier and Ethel May Culver.

Miss Ethel May Culver and Monty Lutz will accompany the Eve Prentice Accordion band when it leaves by bus Friday afternoon, May 5, for Olympia, Wash. They will return Sunday, May 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Culver have announced the opening of their self-service laundry Saturday, May 6. There will be two washers and one drier. The laundry will be open 24 hours a day to accommodate the public.

The laundry will be located at 207 West Wagner street in a pumice brick building. The public is invited to come and inspect it.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Christian went to Corvallis, Saturday, April 29, where their son, Glen, from Idaho State, participated in the track meet. He won the hundred yard dash.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Beeson left for Hawaii last week for a three-week vacation.

Civic organizations under the leadership of Mrs. Jason Ottinger met Monday, May 1, to start plans for the annual June Jam-boree to be held June 24. Present at the meeting were Mrs. Clarence Mathes, president of the Garden club; Mrs. Lloyd Bunnell from H.E.C.; Ira Culver, president of the Lions; Mrs. Chas. Lakey, president of Lady Lions; Mrs. Frank Christian also from Lady Lions; William Slack and Roy Coghill, representing the volunteer fire department; Mrs. Vic Mason, Community club; Lloyd Lacy, master, and Forrest Gilbreath, Talent Grange. Mrs. Ray Burnette, guardian, Crater Lake Camp Fire and Mrs. Lawrence Burnette, guardian Wa-tu-hi-yl Camp Fire; and Harold Strauss, mayor. Others present not representing any special organization were Lloyd Bunnell, Mrs. Ira Culver, Matthew J. Winkel and Mrs. Harold Strauss.

Committees appointed at the organization meeting were queen committee, Mrs. Beryl Settlemier, Mrs. Chas. Lakey and Mrs. Floyd Bunnell; prize committee, Mrs. Ray Burnette, Jack Burdell and Lloyd Bunnell; parade Lawrence Burnette, Ira Culver and Lloyd Lacy; program, Mr.

Pickin' Pears

News, Gossip, Comment From Camp White

By L. J. "Tick" Malarkey

"People are friendly in Medford. Just who made this remark about three weeks ago is not recalled, but each day its truth becomes more evident. Honestly, folks here put one at ease and do so without being artificial or laboring under a strain.

Remembering that there were a couple of dollars in another branch of the United States National, we made a trip to the Medford branch, and Barbara Crawford took over our problem. Actually this Medford born miss made "Private M." feel that his account was the most important one in the bank. She helped me open what no doubt is the smallest checking account in the town today.

In visiting with Barbara I mentioned that Eddie Sammons used to be on the Oregonian with me as a cub reporter.

"Why, he is head of all of our banks at the home office in Portland. We like him very much," she said.

That is Eddie Sammons for you. Just as common as an old shoe and never too busy that he hasn't time for a visit.

Most every day the wire dispatches have had a story on the sliding dwellings at Astoria. This writer knew most of the owners—in fact, when the insurance business was my living there from 1919 to 1939—policies had been written by our office covering a dozen of these dwellings. When W. W. I was over a lot of us built homes under the soldiers' bonus loan plan.

About a year ago a sharp earthquake struck at Astoria.

In this layman's opinion the quake might have caused the condition which wrecked these homes. A fault could have been opened up, and when the severe winter and more than usual spring rain fall had taken its toll the sliding ground, or rather hillside, could have been the result. Just a shot in the dark. And a strictly personal guess.

If one is physically able here he takes over a volunteer detail, not to exceed two hours. This writer had the good luck to draw the coffee bar where he is custodian of the mop, the broom, the dust rag and the other tools of a janitor's trade. So far inspection day, Friday, has not been too severe.

The best part of this coffee bar job is the people who work there with me. I try to start at 5 a. m. Can't sleep later, so it is a pleasure to "rise and shine." In about half an hour George Finley comes to make the coffee. And he can make it—logging camp style.

To visit with Greybeard George Finley is a real treat. Throughout Montana, Idaho and California friend Finley has cooked his way around. In some of the spots he has owned his own restaurants and bars. His stories of his early days are great to listen to, and since he came to Camp White his health has improved.

At quarter to seven comes Gady's Miller. Her job is to get everything started and laid out for the day ahead—pies, cakes, doughnuts, sandwich meats. The doors open at 7:15 and for 15 minutes there is a line-up of men wanting a cup before second chow. That is where Clarence Doane takes over. Clarence, before one of his arms quit working well, was a waiter in some of the country's fanciest and biggest restaurants. He can still do a good job.

When 8 a. m. strikes Vera Brooks takes her post.

Coffee is the big item, and it is estimated that in an average day 30 gallons is served. Broken down this would mean about 400 cups daily—and they are big mugs for a nickel.

My detail is OK.

As these lines are pecked out (Tuesday morning) clouds are lifting and an early sun is making its appearance.

and Mrs. Mathew Winkel; booths and stands, Roy Coghill, Bill Slack, Loren Casbler and Harold Strauss; lights, Harvey Petersen and Ray Burnette; dance, Lloyd Lacy and Forrest Gilbreath; prizes, Mrs. Harold Strauss; advertising, Mrs. H. H. Lowe and Mathew J. Winkel. All committees are to report Monday, May 15.

The Lions and their ladies will celebrate the second birthday of their organization in Talent, the evening of May 10, with a crab feed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Strauss.

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ing the evergreens glisten to the west of here. A fall of new snow is clinging to the trees, and reaches pretty nearly to the river. More than one member of Camp White has shed his shorts and gone back to the "long toms." Most of us out this way are not as young as we used to be and if winter underwear means comfort, then we'll wear 'em. Nothing like "long handles," especially on chilly mornings.

Chaplain John Cumisky will be away from his office for half of this week. He went down to the Coos Bay country to visit friends on part of his annual leave. When this reporter first visited Chaplain John he pretty nearly found himself in the good man's "dog house" by asking him if his parents came from Poland. "Ireland!" was the emphatic answer.

Got acquainted with Wayne Retty. This Medford boy sailed the seas for Uncle Samuel during World Wide Argument II in his navy, most of the tour of duty having been in the south Pacific. Wayne came home, married and now drives Fluhrer's bakery truck. He stops here each morning on his way to Eagle Point, Prescott and other points to the north of Medford. Most folks aren't up yet when Kid Retty takes the wheel.

Saturday Jack Garrett and first grader Son Skipper called. Jack is running the pear orchard that has been in the family for several generations. We took a ride through the valley. Jacksonville was the place that was a "must" on the tour and there we spent most of our time.

Jack's mother, Mrs. G. C. Garrett, who is now 80 years of age, makes her home in Medford. However, in Jacksonville we saw the house where she was born and the church where she was married.

Orchardist Garrett is not only

Wednesday, May 3, 1950

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—FIVE

a friend from nearly 38 years back but he is a Greybeard of the first big parade. Jack was in the ballroom and had the luck to get shot down while in France doing observation duty—and came out of it without a scratch. With wife "Vic," daughter "Sister" and son "Skipper," they are on the old home place, an orchard of 120 acres, all in pears.

TO EDIT BOOKS

Ashland, May 3—Ollie Depew, professor of English at the Southern Oregon college, has been chosen for employment on the editorial staff of the Globe Book company of New York, which edits classic books for young readers. Prof. Depew will first edit Mark Twain's "Huckleberry Finn."

CLEAN-UP CHALLENGE

Ashland, May 3—The Ashland Rotary club has challenged the Kiwanis club here to a clean-up contest on Siskiyou boulevard during the city-wide "Clean-Up week." The contest will involve grass-clipping and general cleanliness of the boulevard.

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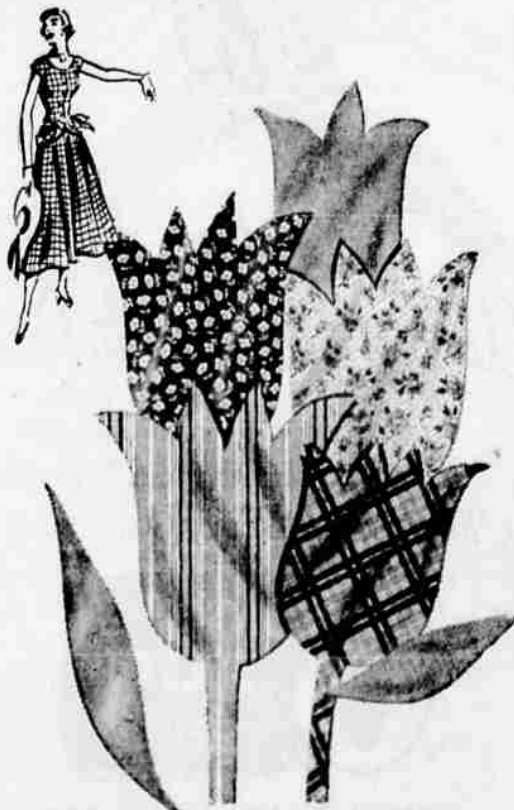
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