

Highway Group To Accept Bids On 2 County Jobs

Two Jackson county projects will be considered by the State Highway commission at a regular meeting to be in Portland May 26 and 27, it was announced today.

Bids for street widening and paving in Phoenix and Talent will be received on the 26th. In Phoenix, Rose street is to be improved from the north city limits south for 27 of a mile to First street, to provide a three-inch thick, 20-foot wide asphaltic concrete pavement on new rock base. In Talent, Pacific avenue will be paved with asphaltic concrete 40 feet wide between Main street and Wagner avenue and 20 feet the rest of its length starting at the junction with the Pacific highway. The projects will be paid for from state funds allocated to city street improvement.

Building at Lincoln

The following day, bids will be received for construction of a masonry block building, 32 by 79 feet, at Lincoln on the Greensprings highway about 21 miles east of Ashland. It will house maintenance equipment and supplies.

The meetings will begin at 9 a.m. standard time both days, and bids on a total of 39 separate projects, estimated to cost \$7,200,000, will be accepted. The total exceeds in number of projects and money involved any previous single letting of contracts in the history of the highway department, the announcement said.

FOR BETTER SPELLING

Hartford, Conn.—(U.P.)—Trinity college has a special course to teach students how to spell. Acting President Arthur B. Hughes reported that elementary schools aren't teaching spelling adequately because pupils learn to read words as a whole, instead of by syllables. He said, "It makes fast readers but horrible spellers."



YEP, IT'S REAL—Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, presented an Oak Leaf cluster signifying a third Distinguished Service Medal by President Truman, smiles as his wife, Penny, examines the award. The presentation was made at West Point, N. Y., at ceremonies marking the 150th anniversary of the U. S. Military Academy.

Rearing of 39 Youngsters Simple Task, Mother Says

Memphis, Tenn.—(U.P.)—Rearing 39 youngsters was a snap. What hurt, said the motherly-looking woman, was that once there were no children around for two weeks.

"It was so quiet, we almost went crazy," Mrs. J. L. Craig said.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig have helped raise 39 youngsters, 15 of them their own, during their 17 years of married life.

They've loved every minute of it.

The couple, who describe themselves as "just plain folks," got their start taking care of children from disrupted homes when Mrs. Craig's eldest son came home from service and got married.

"When he got married, it seemed like my children were leaving home for the first time," she said. "I just couldn't stand it."

Mrs. Craig asked Children's

Bureau, Inc., for a boy to replace her son.

"They came out and talked to my boy and gave me a child just like my son—a blond-headed little boy."

Mrs. Craig found out that the little boy had a brother. She didn't want to separate them, so she took both children. It was only a few days later that the bureau told her they had two sisters.

"They begged me to take the girls."

Mr. and Mrs. Craig have been taking care of children from the bureau for five years. The youngsters have ranged in age from five days to 17 years old.

It's only a temporary home for the youngsters though and they're returned to their parents when the homes are mended.

"We feel bad when they go, but we try to hide our feelings," Mrs. Craig said. "We're happy to know that they're being reunited with their own people."

Mrs. Craig said her husband got so attached to the first two boys and their sisters that "it hurt worse for him than it did for me" when they were returned to their parents.

Formula Simple

Her formula for raising children is simple.

"Give them plenty to eat and plenty of loving," she said.

Mrs. Craig said a child requires more than the ordinary amount of love when it comes from a broken home.

She cares for the youngsters just as though they were her own, correcting them when necessary, but never trying to take them away from the parents.

"We never try to steal their love," she said. "We try to teach them to love their parents."

The couple, who have six children with them now, said they're all fine youngsters.

"They're normal and healthy. They argue back and forth, give each other black eyes and are always ready to demand candy and cookies."

Religious-Science Film Due at Church

"Hidden Treasures," latest religious-science film of Moody Institute of Science, delving into the wonders of creation as seen through telescope and microscope, will be shown at the Church of the Nazarene Friday, May 23, at 8 p.m., according to the Rev. Vernon L. Wilcox, pastor.

Among many other scenes, the camera reveals minute flowers, a hundred times smaller than the smallest rose; microscopic denizens of the sea: glassed-house plants called diatoms; iridescent cave crystals; parameria, minute animals with oars; and the clownish amoebae, which look like animated ink blots forever changing shape.

Produced by Dr. Irwin A. Moon, director of Moody Institute of Science, "Hidden Treasures" represents 18 months of camera work.

Five Talent Students Win Press Awards

Eugene — Five students from Talent high school have received recognition from the Oregon Scholastic Press for outstanding work on their high school newspaper and yearbook.

Rolly Hartley and Maily Eagle, both seniors, have been awarded the Eric W. Allen certificate for newspaper service. Bob Carter and Claire Elrod, both juniors, received recognition for their work on the school newspaper.

The George S. Turnbull certificate for yearbook service was awarded to Willis Zumwalt, a senior.

This is the fourth year that the OSP has made these annual awards. This year 154 seniors and 117 juniors, who were recommended by their advisors, were honored by the press association.

DELIVERY ALL WET

Tupelo, Miss.—(U.P.)—Sheriff Mitchell Grissom pulled up alongside a suspicious car parked by the highway and a voice called out, "Where do you want it?" Grissom replied "In the back seat," and five minutes later arrested the man for transferring 11 cases of illegal liquor to his car.

Testimony Planned In Chase Hearing

Mount Vernon, Wash.—(U.P.)—The prosecution planned Thursday to present further testimony in the trial of Harold Chase, 23, former Darrington town marshal accused of slaying 50-year-old Leonard Lewis.

Snohomish county Sheriff Tom Warnock testified Wednesday that Chase admitted the murder Jan. 4 at the Snohomish county jail where Chase was being held an arson charge.

He said Chase told him "I'm going to make your hair curl even if you don't have any."

Noted Caller Due At Festival Dance

Phoenix — Allen Howard, a dance caller, has been retained to call for the square dance to be held in the Phoenix grade school on Saturday, May 24, the night of the May festival, it was announced today by the festival committee.

A festival spokesman said that Howard's presence "will assure a good attendance at the dance and an enjoyable evening." He added the committee feels fortunate in being able to bring Howard to the festival.

John Niedermeyer, Jacksonville, a well-known local caller, will assist and act as master of ceremonies.

Life Insurance Turned Into Pile of Ashes

Dayton, Ohio — (U.P.) — A handful of white ashes was all that remained Thursday of the \$43,550 Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. White worked 27 years to save.

A bent pin found among the ashes in a trash barrel confirmed their fears that their life savings was among trash which Mrs. White burned Tuesday night. It was the same pin she had used to attach to her slip a plain muslin bag in which they had kept their savings "for years." White, a 47-year-old machinist was a broken man.

"I'm lost; I'm a loser," he said.

"Everything's gone and I'm broke. I'm hurt too doggoned bad to talk about it."

More Than Score Of Organizations Gets VAVS Awards

More than a score of organizations of the Veterans Administration Voluntary Services, which present "regular" recurring programs throughout the year" at the Camp White domiciliary, were awarded certificates of recognition by Manager Paul A. Hatton and Chief of Special Services Marvin R. Kahn at a ceremony Wednesday evening in the Elks temple in Medford.

The program was part of a nationwide presentation arranged by the Veterans Administration, marking five years of operation of the volunteer services. Transcribed messages were heard from Gen. Carl R. Gray, administrator of veterans affairs, and Gen. F. R. Kerr, administrator for special services. Following a review of accomplishments by Kahn, chairman of the VAVS, a radio message from President Truman and a special movie "Within the Town" were presented.

Special local organizational awards were given to radio stations KMED and KYJC, the WMU of the Temple Baptist church, the Enchanted Grotto, the Eve Prentice studio and the Memory Lane studios.

Recognition Certificates

Certificates of recognition were given the following organizations:

American Gold Star Mothers, Inc., American National Red Cross, American Legion, American Legion auxiliary, Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, Blue Star Mothers of America, Daughters of Union Veterans, Disabled American Veterans auxiliary, Fraternal Order of Eagles and auxiliary, Knights of Columbus, Loyal Order of, and Women of the Moose, Military Order of Cooties, Military Order of Lady Buis, National Order of Trench Rats, Navy Mothers, Oregon Federation of Garden Clubs, United Samaritans, United Spanish War Veterans auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary, and Zonta International.



ALLEN HOWARD Festival Dance Caller

Elk Scholarships Go to Seven Valley School Seniors

Seven high school seniors from the Rogue valley have been awarded Elk Lumber company scholarships to Willamette University, Salem, for the coming school year, it was announced today.

The awards are based on Christian character and leadership, and on scholastic excellence.

Six of the scholarship winners are students at Medford high school. They are Marilyn Russell, Carla McKeen, Renae Segar, Carolyn Shangle, Margaret Huson and Evelyn Stafford. The seventh is Charles Russell Peter, a senior at Ashland high school.

To Be Freshmen

All will enter Willamette as freshmen in the fall. The university is a Methodist-related school.

The committee on selections includes Riley C. Cook, chairman and Dr. D. Kirkland West, pastor of the First Presbyterian church; the Rev. Meredith A. Groves, pastor of the First Methodist church, Frank J. Van Dyke, and Mrs. George Flanagan.

Scholarships to Lewis and Clark college, Portland, a Presbyterian-related institution, are also being considered by the same selection committee, and announcement of local young people winning them will be made later.

HST Would Seek Kefauver Votes

Washington — (U.P.)—President Truman said Thursday he would be happy to campaign for any of the announced Democratic presidential candidates, including Sen. Estes Kefauver.

The chief executive denied a report that he was "not very enthusiastic" about Kefauver, saying he would be happy to campaign for the Tennesseean as well as any other of the Democrats who have come out for the presidency.

Despite Mr. Truman's comment, the impression is widespread in Democratic circles that he would prefer some other candidate.

The President said in response to a question that he does not know whether Gov. Adlai Stevenson of Illinois can be persuaded to change his mind about accepting the Democratic nomination, as hoped for by many party leaders.

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