

Planners Recommend Adopting Ordinance For New Subdivisions

The Medford planning commission last night recommended to the city council that the proposed new subdivision ordinance be adopted.

The action came after a public hearing at which one man spoke in opposition to the proposed ordinance. Basis for his objection appeared largely to be the amount of authority placed upon the city engineer.

The ordinance provides that the engineer will examine final subdivision maps to determine whether or not the subdivision has conformed with regulations. The engineer must determine that all regulations are observed before the final map is returned for approval by the planning commission.

Change Recommended

Also recommended to the council was a change of zone from single family to limited commercial for property at the corner of Spring st. and Crater Lake ave. The property is owned and it has been reported that Associated Oil company desires to build a service station there.

A hearing will be held at the commission's next regular meeting, Monday, Aug. 12, on rezoning from single family to limited commercial other property owned by Wakefield on Crater Lake ave. from Stevens st. to Buckshot Hill rd.

Recommended to the council was a change of set-back for Alvin C. Lucas, 317 West Clark st., to permit him to build a garage on his property line.

Tentative Approval

A tentative plat of Broadlands subdivision submitted by Donald E. Herried was given approval by the commission. The property consists of 35 acres, of which five acres would be developed immediately. It is located at the southwest corner of Sunset drive and South Stage rd., facing Sunset drive.

The commission called an adjourned meeting for 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 22, to hold a public

hearing on a request for variance to permit construction of a building in which cement grave liners would be manufactured at Siskiyou Memorial park.

Attorney Manville Heisel appeared before the commission on behalf of the cemetery association. He requested that provision be made to permit the association to remodel, expand and construct whatever buildings are necessary for operation of the park without the association having to file individual applications. The commission indicated it would examine possibilities of establishing a special cemetery zone. However, no action on the zone issue was taken last night. Siskiyou Memorial park is in a single family zone.

Appointed Secretary

Mrs. Dorothy Snedden, who has been recording proceedings at planning commission meetings recently, was appointed permanent secretary of the group at last night's meeting.

The commission authorized the writing of a letter to Ascension Lutheran church in regard to a request from the church for extension of Black Oak drive from Barnett rd. to Walden place. Church representatives said they would dedicate their portion of Black Oak drive for the extension. The church will be advised to obtain dedication agreements from other property owners there and resubmit the request.

An application for vacation of an alley between Holly and Grape sts. near 13th st. was denied by the commission. It was pointed out that a similar request regarding that alley was denied by the commission about two years ago.

Accused Spy Claims Political Asylum Granted by France

Paris—George Zlatovskii, 47, former U.S. Army intelligence officer, said today the French government had granted him and his wife political asylum from American charges they had spied for Russia.

But a spokesman for the French Foreign Ministry said, "I know nothing about that." Zlatovskii and his wife, Jane Foster Zlatovskii, 45, were indicted in New York by a federal grand jury on espionage charges. They would have to be extradited to the U.S. for trial.

Zlatovskii spoke to reporters in his apartment at 32 Rue Mazarine, deep in the heart of the Left Bank Bohemian section in Paris.

Keeps Door Closed

He said he could make no statement about the espionage charges against him because he and his wife had been given political asylum in France and he did not want to say anything that would "embarrass" the French government.

He spoke to reporters for about a minute but he never opened his door more than a

American Bar Head Defends Supreme Court's Decisions

Washington—David Maxwell, president of the American Bar Association, has stoutly defended the Supreme Court despite recent decisions which have prompted bitter attacks against the high tribunal.

He said over the ABC television program, "Press Conference," Monday night that the court "represents the keystone of the government."

"And while, of course, that doesn't mean the decisions are sacrosanct and that we cannot criticize them, nevertheless I think that criticism ought to be tempered and constructive and not abusive or vituperative," Maxwell said.

Seen Fair Play

He called the court's decision in the Jencks case—which opens FBI files to defense attorneys in certain criminal cases—a ruling "in the spirit of fair play."

The lawyer added that he is "satisfied with the integrity of every member of the Supreme Court" now and said the tribunal may even have some great justices on it. He did not mention any names.

While he generally defended the court, Maxwell said he himself had trouble understanding one recent Supreme Court ruling—a decision freeing a group of Californians who had been convicted of conspiring to advocate the violent overthrow of the government. The court said there must be an act to incite someone to overthrow the government before such a conviction can stand.

"Frankly, I cannot understand the distinction between advocating and inciting to action," Maxwell said. "I don't think the man on the street would be able to appreciate the distinction on that and I certainly can't."

Jury Nearly Chosen In Segregation Trial Of 16 Tennesseans

Knoxville, Tenn.—Attorneys were expected to complete a jury today to try John Kasper and 15 other segregationists in a proceeding that could set a pattern for federal segregation cases.

The opening day of the trial Monday was painfully slow with only 11 prospective jurors from a panel of 66 questioned and only four seated.

Three Lines of Questioning

The prospective jurors faced three lines of questioning, from the government and the defense as well as a second line of defense. Kasper's lawyer, Benjamin Simmons,

While attorneys for the 15 Tennesseans facing trial with Kasper have shunned any direct connection with the Yankee segregationist, they were not hesitant to use his name to avoid seating a Negro prospective juror.

All 16 defendants are being tried jointly for criminal contempt of U.S. District Judge Robert Love Taylor's injunction not to interfere with integration of the Clinton, Tenn., High school.

At one point in Monday's proceedings, a Negro prospective juror was called after a bank cashier, a former peace justice,

Witnesses Called In Sprague Trial

Portland—The state called its witnesses today in an attempt to convict Portland Police Officer Robert W. Sprague of a charge of false swearing.

A jury of eight women and four men was sworn in Monday and opening statements of counsel and the first state witnesses were heard before Circuit Judge Martin Hawkins.

The state indicated it would try to prove that Sprague made payoffs to Patrolman Jack F. Olsen and then denied it before a grand jury on June 26, 1957. It was apparent from opening statements of the defense it would strike a comparison between the characters of Sprague and of his accuser, Olsen.

Defense Attorney Fred Jensen asserted that Sprague had a reputation for honesty and truthfulness in his 17 years on the police force. He claimed that Olsen, on the other hand, consorted with undesirable characters.

Salem Garbage Contract Calls for Rate Boost
Salem—Salem city council has awarded a new 10-year garbage collection contract to Sanitary Service company calling for higher rates and city fees.

Soviet Conspiracy
The 38-count espionage indictment charged that since 1940 the Zlatovskis had conspired with Soviet agents in the New York, Washington, Paris, and in Austria and Switzerland to obtain defense information for the Soviet Union.

The Zlatovskis, the government charged, worked individually and as a team in collecting and supplying the Soviet Union with American defense data. Much of this information, the indictment alleged, was channeled through Soble.

Kansas City, Mo.—A Kansas City barber won the 28th annual Missouri Invitational trap shoot title, hitting 96 of 100 targets on a wind-swept day. His name—Tom Shoots.

Bond Redemptions Outnumber Sales

Washington—The Treasury redeemed more U.S. savings bonds than it sold during the first half of 1957.

From Jan. 1 through June 30 it said, sales totaled \$2,314,000, a drop of 16 per cent from the same period of last year. Redemptions reached \$2,781,000,000, or 14 per cent more than the first six months of 1956.

Hurricane Audrey

Victims Now Total 480

Lake Charles, La.—The bodies of nine more victims of hurricane Audrey have been found, running the toll of dead and missing in the June 27 disaster to 480.

"I think I can keep up," Cloud said.

But when Dobbs rephrased his query about his feeling on Kasper, the Negro admitted he could not put the other "defendants in a sack and shake them up" with Kasper and come out with the same feeling for all.

"All right," said Judge Taylor, "I'll excuse you."

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Portland Police Capture Escapees

Portland—Three escapees from the King county jail in Seattle were captured here late Monday night in a bullet-punctuated chase which carried past the main police station.

Captured were Gerald Elkins, 21, Enumclaw; Robert B. Moxley, 46, Seattle, and Jack Fothergill, 18, Vancouver, Wash. They had escaped from the Seattle jail yesterday after hacksawing a window bar.

Policeman Mauris Greenstein and Robert Sivilar saw a car making an improper left turn at the intersection of Third and Burnside about 10:12 p.m. In their efforts to halt it they chased the car back and forth on downtown streets.

At least three times the pursuit went by the main police station and fellow officers came outside to join in the chase. One officer fired at the fleeing car. One bullet landed in the door and two in tires.

The car finally was halted as other cars blocked the street and the tires went flat. The three escapees, who were not armed, ran but police nabbed them.

Police said the three men were in the Seattle jail awaiting transfer to the state prison in Walla Walla.

Cape Cod Canal Blocked by Freighter

Buzzards Bay, Mass.—Army engineers were to make another attempt today to free the 8,300-ton freighter American Packer which ran aground in the Cape Cod Canal, blocking the waterway to all heavy shipping.

The 438-foot ship was pulled free from a shoal at the western entrance to the canal Monday night but went out of control and lurched onto another shoal a short distance away.

Coast Guard officials said the ship and its crew of 50 men were in no immediate danger. However, the canal bottleneck has forced officials to re-route all heavy shipping around the cape. About 50 ships pass through the canal daily.

Sailors Drown; Autopsies Slated

Monterey, Calif.—Autopsies were scheduled today on the bodies of two sailors who jumped to their deaths from the heavy cruiser USS St. Paul, apparently in an attempt to desert.

The Navy withheld the names of the sailors until their next of kin were notified. The incident took place Monday as the St. Paul sailed from Monterey at dawn for San Pedro.

Other sailors said the two men tossed a powder can full of civilian clothes into the water shortly after the St. Paul weighed anchor. Wearing life jackets and dunks, the two men then dived in after the can and headed for Point Pinos, about a mile and a half away.

The fishing boat, "Two Brothers," found the body of one sailor about a mile off Point Pinos lighthouse. A Coast Guard cutter found the second body about a half-hour later.

It was not immediately learned whether the sailors drowned or whether they died of exposure in the frigid water.

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