

Off-Street Parking Item Discussed at Hearing on Budget

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Ray DeMarrs, who operates Ray's Barber shop, 139 North Central ave., said he opposed the budget item because he believes there should be a specific plan for off-street parking, and the people should know what that plan is. DeMarrs was a member of the committee in opposition to off-street parking during last November's election campaign.

City Manager Robert Duff said there is no specific plan at this time, but during the past several years the city has collected data from various surveys which would be used in devising an off-street parking plan.

Need Money for Land
Councilman Jones pointed out that unless money is available, the city cannot purchase property or options on property.

Councilman Jimmy Dunlevy said the council has discussed what would be done with the off-street parking fund, and the plan to finance such a facility is not the same one defeated last November. The money is needed for advance planning, he said, to acquire lots and install the facility.

A. J. Curry, who operates the Parkview Nursing home, 906 West Main st., said he was not opposed to off-street parking as such, but did oppose it when it would be financed through levies against "someone who does not benefit." He was referring to a revised business license tax.

Curry said the city "plans now to up the tax and use some of the money. That's a back door approach," he added.

Reversion Planned
C. O. Lovejoy, who supported the November election proposal for bonds, said the revised business license schedule was planned on the basis of the larger businesses being taxed according to ability to pay, and no increase was sought for smaller businesses. He added that businessmen approached the city on a voluntary basis for a revision in the schedule.

William Doernbach, 143 Mace rd., said the taxpayers should be notified and told where off-street parking facilities will be. "Then," he said, "the council should call a vote." He said he did not favor council action on such a proposal when voters defeated an off-street parking proposal last November.

The question arose as to what citizen groups had proposed, including \$50,000 in an off-street parking fund. Ewaldson, who was active in supporting the bonding proposal in last November's election campaign, said it was "brought up in the council itself."

Recognized Problem
Mayor John Smider said "the council has always recognized the problem, and something should have been started on a municipal basis previously."

"The city has attempted to de-

vis some sort of plan," he said, and pointed out that the city cannot deal with people unless "we have some money to work with. There was no individual or group proposing the fund. It was more of a necessity for the city to establish it," he said.

Jerry Latham, representing the committee on governmental operations of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce pointed out the off-street parking fund is part of an over-all program to help solve the traffic and parking problem. He noted "there is nothing the people have to pay."

As traffic flow changes, Latham said, "so will parking needs."

Best To Offer
Jones said money derived from parking meters has been used to aid the traffic flow problem, which had a greater priority at the time. The off-street parking plan "now presented is the best we can offer now," he said.

Jones wondered what effect a municipal parking lot would have on private facilities, but Goodman said he did not know. Tony Manno, of Acme Hardware company asked Goodman what he would do if someone offered him "a quarter of a million dollars for his property to erect an office building."

"I have a right to do as I please," Goodman said. Manno noted that with municipal off-street parking, the lots would remain in that use until there would be no further use for them.

Business License
Latham said the chamber committee did not favor the city revising the business license schedule without some "kind of a program worked out first and presented to businessmen."

He noted the city's expanded administration, which he termed "one of the finest groups we could have," but criticized the city for having "too many specialists to do surveys," when some of the work could be done with present administrators.

Manno said the administration "should be complimented on raises for city employees. We can now keep and attract fine city employees," he added.

Wages Increased
City employee wages were increased in the budget an average of about 5 per cent, with most of them increasing one range step on the salary scale. The increase in the police department was two range steps, and was felt necessary to compete with other law enforcement agencies in other cities.

The council also adopted an ordinance adjusting the payroll for city employees to the budget, and one levying taxes for this fiscal year.

The tax levies are: general fund and library, \$304,848; general bond fund, \$55,753; water bond sinking fund, \$41,895; fire maintenance fund, \$93,759; park and swimming pool, \$23,440; ar-

Opening Night Near for Annual Festival Event

Ashland—With opening night less than three weeks away, the preparation pace is quickening at the Oregon Shakespearean Festival.

Directors Angus L. Bowmer, James Sandoe, and Robert B. Loper are calling their casts for complete run-throughs of the plays. Dress rehearsals will start July 24.

Box Office Sales
William W. Patton, the festival's general manager, reports that mail orders for tickets and direct box office sales are running well ahead of last year. Orders for tickets are up 24 per cent, while membership sales show an increase of 17 per cent.

Heaviest bookings are for the performance dates surrounding the two special showings of "Pericles" on Aug. 23 and 29. Good seats are still available for nearly all performances, it was reported. Reservations and other details are available by writing to the box office, "Shakespeare," Ashland, Ore.

Resumes Ready
In response to many audience requests, the Tudor Guild has published concise resumes of the four major plays. With text by Richard Graham, the booklets tell the story-line for each play in readily understandable language.

Plays covered are "As You Like It," "Othello," "The Two Gentlemen of Verona," and "Henry VIII." They are priced at 25 cents each, plus five cents each to cover handling and mailing costs if orders are by mail. Address is Tudor Guild Gifts, postoffice box 27, Ashland.

Estacada Firm Submits Low Bid for Road Job

Portland — Harbert Brothers, Estacada, Ore., Friday submitted an apparent low bid of \$253,898 for construction of 7.7 of a mile of relocated state highway No. 58 at Lookout Point reservoir on the Middle Fork Willamette river, according to the Portland district, the corps of engineers.

The work is on the Minnow slide area. The highway is being changed in order to relieve the overburden above the Southern Pacific railroad line. The work must be completed by Nov. 30.

terial street fund \$143,600; storm sewer fund, \$47,500; and sanitary sewer fund, \$19,000.

The budget must be presented to the county treasurer by Monday, July 15.

ROGUE RIVER Town To Have New Dentist

Rogue River—Dr. Richard J. Camden, recently of Everett, Wash., will open a dental office in Rogue River around July 22 in the Professional building on Depot street.

Dr. and Mrs. Camden and children, Bradford, aged 19 months, and Linda, aged 7 months, came to Rogue River last week to make their home. Mrs. Camden is the former Cecile Morris of Medford. The couple was married in 1952.

Word has been received of the death of Norman Lee Bean, 22, of the U.S. Navy, the son of Frank and Pearl Bean of Rogue River. Norman was born March 12, 1935, in Pineville, Mo. He died July 3, 1957, aboard the USS Lake Champlain, at Mar-seilles, France. He was a graduate of the Rogue River High school of the class of '54, and in September of that year enlisted in the U.S. Navy for four years.

Besides his parents, he is survived by a brother, Bill Bean, one sister, Mrs. Ava Hodde, a niece Sharon Hodde and a nephew Roger Hodde, all of Rogue River, and his grandmother, Mrs. Lillian Bean, of Lamar, Mo.

The funeral for Harry G. Hill was held at the Presbyterian church Wednesday, July 3. The Rev. D. F. Barnett officiated.

Post No. 4116, Veterans of Foreign Wars, conducted graveside services at the Woodville cemetery.

Harry Hill was born March 17, 1885, at Norton, Kan., and lived for some years in California before moving to Rogue River, where he ran a real estate office for many years.

He is survived by his widow, Ada Belle Hill, a daughter, Mrs. Irma Stanzinger, and a grandson Carey Stanzinger, all of Rogue River, and a brother Frank Hill, of Beloit, Kan.

The Rogue River Hobby club met June 27 at the country home of Mrs. Esther Shock. Only eight members were present. Luncheon was served at 1 p.m., then hobby gifts were opened. All spent the afternoon visiting and doing fancy work. The next meeting will be July 23 at the home of Mrs. Harold Dunham on Savage creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith and granddaughter, Zandra Brown, spent Sunday in Klamath Falls visiting the Smiths' son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Artie Smith and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Whipple of Bend, Ore., called at the

home of Elmer's uncle, James Whipple, Wednesday afternoon on their way to the coast for a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Brady and children, Patrick and Kathleen, of Moxee City, Wash., visited Mrs. Brady's mother, Mrs. Juanita Scott, and other relatives a few days last week en route home from Los Angeles, where they had visited Mr. Brady's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Wiley, of McLeod, were overnight guests with Clinton's mother, Mrs. Zorah Wiley, and sister, Mrs. Lora Carter, of Evans creek road.

Mrs. Hattie Harris and her girls, daughter, Miss Maxine Harris, of Lewiston, Ida., arrived June 23 and are guests of Mrs. Harris' sister, Mrs. James Whipple and husband. They also are visiting at the home of another sister, Mrs. Zorah Wiley, of Evans creek road.

Mr. and Mrs. James Rhoten and Dick Rhoten, of Monterey, Calif., spent the Fourth of July visiting James and Dick's parents at Wimer and Mrs. Rhoten's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Miller, of Rogue River.

Diane Dixon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dixon, of Rogue River, was married June 22 to Robert D. Lockridge of Grants Pass.

Born July 6 to Mr. and Mrs. James W. Martin, of Rogue River, was a daughter weighing nine pounds six ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Laws and daughter, Lana, of Eugene, recently spent a week's vacation visiting Mrs. Law's sister, Mrs. Orvis Reeter, and her husband.

Recent visitors at the home of Tom Wilson and his niece, Ambre Blyaden, were Mrs. Clyde Deal, of Susanville, Calif.; Mrs. Nola Grabs, of Southgate, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. John Foster, of Medford, Mr. and Mrs. George McDonald and children, Jimmy and Karen, Mrs. Margaret Powell and children, Marcia Gene and Dickie, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Shaw and son Randy, Mr. and Mrs. Norval Stoneburg and son Scottie, and Mrs. Bertha McDonald, all of Klamath Falls.

They gathered in the city park at Grants Pass for a picnic dinner.

Miss Nancy Thayer was married July 5 to Robert Pearce, Mrs. Pearce is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Thayer of Rogue River.

Increases in Wages Offered by Firm May Settle Strike

Gold Hill—The Ideal Cement company, operators of a chain of cement plants in the west, including one here, made offers of wage increases and other benefits to its employees Friday, which may serve as basis for settlement of a strike affecting some 16,000 cement workers in the nation.

News of the offer was received by J. Fred Lewis of Gold Hill, recording secretary of the United Cement, Lime and Gypsum Worker's International Union 136, from Felix Jones, union president.

Includes Increases
The offer includes wage increases from 10 to 18 cents per hour and time and one tenth for work performed on Sundays. An offer of vacation increase to four weeks for men with 30 years service after July 1, 1957 and four weeks for those men with 25 years service after July 1, 1958 was also made by the company, as well as other contract improvements. The wage increases would be retroactive to May 1, 1957, Lewis said.

Plants in the Ideal cement company chain, organized under the United Cement, Lime and Gypsum Workers international union, are located at Gold Hill, Superior, Nebr., Devil's Slide, Utah, Okay, Ark., Ada, Okla., San Juan Bautista, Calif., Ft. Collins, Colo., Houston Texas, Trident, Mont., and New Orleans, La.

Although no work stoppage has occurred in any Ideal Cement company plant during the nation-wide strike, the offer was made to avert the possibility of a shut down, and if it is ratified by employees of the company, may serve as a basis for settlement for plants affected by the strike, according to Lewis.

Sources Say Peron Has Made \$300,000 on Track

Caracas, Venezuela—Out-standing Argentine dictator Juan Peron has made nearly \$300,000 with his race horses here within the past year, according to sources close to Peron. Peron is believed to have purchased El Condor Stable here through an intermediary. The stable comprises 150 Argentine thoroughbreds and rates as high as that owned by Ali Khan in the same area, the sources said.

Amnesia Victim Told To Take Long Rest

Spokane — The Rev. Andrew P. Daughters of Pasco was given "a clean bill of health" by his doctor Friday but was advised to take a long vacation.

Daughters has been here undergoing physical examinations since recovering his memory on June 30 after an amnesia attack. He had been presumed drowned in Lake Coeur d'Alene last April 23, but turned up in San Francisco two months later.

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