

Out on a Limb

By BOB WALTERS

Journalistic History?

Something unusual happened yesterday. In fact, it may have made journalistic history.

All 13 members of one newspaper's editorial staff signed up as correspondents for the Mail Tribune.

The new correspondents represent the editor and 12 reporters on the staff of the War Whoop, monthly publication of Happy Camp High school.

Well, maybe it wasn't exactly a history-making event, but we'll be satisfied if our new reporters can help keep Mail Tribune subscribers in the Happy Camp area better-informed of what's going on in their community.

We spent most of the day in Happy Camp and discussed the plan with Principal William Freeman and Mrs. Ruby Grace Applegate, who teaches the journalism class and serves as advisor to the school paper's staff. They seemed enthusiastic, and so are we.

Another Happy Camp resident, Mrs. Deanna Dunn, a secretary at the elementary school, also volunteered yesterday to correspond for this paper.

With all those reporters on the loose, we should be able to give our Happy Camp readers thorough coverage of their local news. We know our small army of correspondents certainly will do their best.

And welcome to the fold.

The public offices of any small town have often been termed "thankless jobs."

An example of this was presented at the Gold Hill city council meeting Monday night. The council was read a letter, signed by seven persons, which stated that "certain elected officers of this city are selling supplies to said city and thereby obtaining considerable profits and benefits to themselves. We are advised that this practice is illegal and in violation of state law."

Five of the complainants appeared at the meeting but they declined to name the official or officials they had in mind. They also refused to be specific about the charge and forced the mayor and councilmen to play a guessing game, primarily among themselves.

The chairman of the complainants finally said they weren't charging "excessive" profits, just profits, period.

"Do you mean," asked a councilman at one point, "that by sitting on the council a man jeopardizes his position as a businessman?"

"Yes," came the reply. "Well," continued the councilman, "should we go to Medford to buy something just because the local businessman happens to be a member of the council?"

"Yes," answered the complainant. "It's illegal to do both."

The mayor and council, after asking and receiving approval from the five signers of the letter decided to refer the matter to the city attorney for investigation.

The complainants, who by this time appeared a trifle unsure of themselves, donned their respective headgear and went their way.

As for serving on the council, one member summed it up this way: "I think everyone should take a turn at it."

Public offices, it seems, are similar to carnival games where people line up to throw baseballs at a guy who volunteers to poke his head through a hole and serve as a target.

Everyone wants to throw, but few want to stick their necks out.

One thing we'll have to say for our church page editor: She takes her job to heart.

Saturday she came to work lugging a huge bag of popcorn. She offered some to everyone in the news room, then stepped out for a minute. When she returned, we were in the process of taking a second handful.

"Caught," we said. "Oh," came her benevolent reply, "help thyself."

Thank thee.

AWARDS PRESENTED

Lone Pine - Cub Scouts held their Blue and Gold banquet at Lone Pine school last Thursday. Clyde Dalton received a Wolf badge, Tim Underwood was presented a Bobcat pin and Paul Dalton was cited for his outstanding work with Cub and Boy Scouts in the community.

Gold Hill Council to Assist Summer Recreation Project

By MARY KELL

Mail Tribune Correspondent

Gold Hill—The Gold Hill city council favored participation in a proposed summer recreation program for youngsters of this community, which is in the introductory stages by a number of local organizations. Mayor Milton Steinmetz conducted the council session held Monday evening.

In conjunction with the proposed youth program, the council also discussed plans to improve the old swimming hole area beneath the bridge at the south end of town by removing brush and debris with city equipment from the beach and investigate the possibility of providing bath house and rest room facilities.

Councilmen approved the mayor's appointment of Fred Lester, president of the council, and Ralph Bell, member of the city planning commission, to represent the city of Gold Hill on the new community planning commission which will include all incorporated cities within Jackson county. Mayor Steinmetz said the first general session of the new planning commission will be held March 23 at 8 p.m. in Medford.

Bell and Lester will keep the council informed on all current problems that come before the new county planning commission. Steinmetz stated that Gold Hill is fortunate to have had the foresight to have a planning commission of its own at this time.

Employee Resigns
Willard Taylor, city employee, notified the city council by letter of his resignation effective March 16. He informed them he had bought a business in Medford. Mayor Steinmetz appointed a committee of three councilmen, Delos Walker, Fred Lester and Cecil Van Horn to interview applicants for the job being vacated by Taylor.

Following considerable discussion by the council it was agreed that Floyd Taylor, police chief and city superintendent, will be sent to the annual Water Works school in Corvallis March 21-23 to learn the up-to-date methods of water and sewer systems, providing a man has been hired to replace Willard Taylor.

Floyd Taylor said it would require about a week to train another man to operate the city water and sewer system.

A report that the city water supply had been satisfactory during the past year was received from Richard H. Wilcox, M.D., state health officer, Portland. In the letter to the council he said he hoped the good record would continue through this year. Local water tests are taken in accordance with specifications required by the state.

Regional Calendar
Gold Hill—The Adult Bible study group of the Gold Hill Christian church will meet at 7:30 tonight at the home of Mrs. Frank Lockwood.

Prospect—The Prospect Community store will open for business March 14 and will feature new merchandise. The store in the future will be open only about every three months instead of every month.

Eagle Point—The Eagle Point Home Extension unit will meet at 10:30 tomorrow morning at the home of Mrs. Johnny (Angela) Johnson on Stevens rd. The lesson, "Color in the Home," will be presented in the afternoon. Baby sitting will be at the home of Mrs. Don Pully on West Main st. Those attending are asked to bring grocery items for the helping hand box.

Gold Hill—The Golden Circle women's group of the Gold Hill Christian church will meet at the church at 11 a.m. Friday. A luncheon will follow at noon. During the afternoon, Mrs. Leonard Andrews will present the lesson on missionary work.

Eagle Point—The Eagle Point Junior Chamber of Commerce will meet at 8 p.m. tomorrow at the Scout house on South C st.

Sams Valley—Eighth grade students at Sams Valley Elementary school will sponsor sports events beginning at 7:30 tomorrow evening to raise funds for a class gift and field trip. Events, which will be held in the school gymnasium, will include a mother-daughter volleyball game, a cake walk and a father-son basketball game.

Central Point—The Central Point Junior High school Dramatics club, under the direction of Mrs. Lou Onstad, will stage a play for the PTA meeting tomorrow afternoon. The pep band also will perform. The meeting will begin at 3:30 in the school library. Officers will be elected during the business meeting.

It was reported that Police Chief Floyd Taylor said he would cooperate with the committee by investigating the possibility of having the state police assist him, if necessary, with the enforcement of traffic violations on the state highway which is the main street of Gold Hill.

Besides, the chairman, the police chief and Dufur, others working on the safety committee are Gilbert Mack, principal of Hanby and Patrick school; four school bus drivers, Henry Paulsen, Iver Sands, Sherman Kieger, and Joe Morgan; Mrs. Clayton Netzel, representative of the Patrick school parents; and Mrs. Ogden Kellogg, PTA president.

The council directed the city recorder to write a letter to a resident who apparently doesn't understand the ordinance governing sewer connections.

Petitions Needed
Mayor Steinmetz stressed that in the future he will request individuals to appear before the city council while it is in session with a petition in writing in cases where it is necessary for the city to extend the sewer line and laterals to accommodate residents where a main sewer line had not before existed. He said the city is not responsible for the actual hook up on private property. There is a charge of \$65 that must be paid by a property owner before a connection can legally be made, and the property owner's plumbing must be done according to the state code he said, in all cases. Anyone violating the ordinance is subject to a \$100 fine.

Floyd Taylor was instructed by the council to investigate all new connections. Councilmen reviewed other instances where someone had verbally requested the city to extend the main sewer line and then did not hook up to it after the city had spent a considerable amount of money to do the work.

Violations of city ordinance in regard to building permits which are required before a structure is built were brought to the attention of the council.

City councilman Delos Walker reported that the Ideal Cement company had taken action to control the dust situation at the local cement plant in accordance with state air pollution regulations.

Special Meeting
A tentative date of March 21 was set for a special council meeting for the purpose of preparing necessary work on the budget, so that it can be presented to the budget committee soon.

A representative from a manufacturing and building firm appeared before the council concerning property and building within the city. The street committee, consisting of councilmen Virgil Gribble, Cecil Van Horn, and Kendall Dufur, presented a written petition which they had prepared and signed, petitioning the council as a whole to vacate Ash, Birch, Cedar and Fir streets in Water Park addition to the city of Gold Hill.

The reason for the petition is that the committee finds these streets as they appear on the city plot, but which never have been opened, do not conform to practical development of the area for building sites. The council accepted the filing of the petition and directed the recorder to confer with City Attorney Bernard Kelly about providing the resolution calling for a hearing on the vacation of the streets mentioned.

The finance committee, Harry Foley, Cecil Van Horn, and Kendall Dufur, approved the bills.

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SOC Speech Center Chief to Visit Clinics in U.S., Europe

Ashland—Leon C. Mulling, director of the speech and hearing center at Southern Oregon college, will leave St. Patrick's day for a six-month sabbatical leave. Mulling will inspect college, hospital, and private speech clinics all over the United States and Europe.

His itinerary for United States visits will include Sacramento State college, University of Nevada, Colorado State college, Colorado State university, University of Colorado, and University of Denver.

In the midwest Mulling will visit the University of Nebraska, University of Iowa, University of Wisconsin, and Wayne university.

During his stays at these universities, Mulling will study the physical plants, equipment, and therapy facilities of the speech clinics. He has been invited to lecture at several of the schools.

His trip also will include visits of councilmen Virgil Gribble, Cecil Van Horn, and Kendall Dufur, presented a written petition which they had prepared and signed, petitioning the council as a whole to vacate Ash, Birch, Cedar and Fir streets in Water Park addition to the city of Gold Hill.

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LEON C. MULLING
Off to Europe

stops at Pennsylvania State college, University of Connecticut and Brooklyn college.

European Tour

On Easter Sunday, April 17, Mulling will fly Swissair jet from New York to Lisbon, beginning his European tour.

"I am especially interested in European therapy methods in speech clinics," Mulling said.

His itinerary will include Seville, Madrid, Nice, Mar-seilles, Geneva, Zurich, Munich, Vienna, Frankfurt, Paris, Brussels, Amsterdam, London, Hamburg, and Copenhagen.

During his stay in Seville, Mulling will visit the world famous spring field every year in April. All along the way, he said, he will have the opportunity to see friends and relatives in the states and in Europe.

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has been with Southern Oregon college since 1946.

He is president of the Southern Oregon chapter of the international council for exceptional children, is a member of the board of directors for the junior service league kindergarten in Medford, and a member of the Ashland men's garden club and the child guidance association.

Jacksonville Council Passes Bike Ordinance

Jacksonville—Licenses are required by April 1 for all bicycles operated within the city limits, according to an ordinance passed this week by the Jacksonville city council.

Bicycle owners must purchase licenses at the office of City Recorder Mrs. Gene Hewlett in the Jacksonville fire hall. The fee is 25 cents. Violation of the ordinance will result in a \$25 fine.

City recorder's office hours are from 2-6 p.m. Tuesday - Friday and from 8 a.m. until noon Saturday.

Ashlanders Buy 917 Dog Licenses

Ashland—Ashland residents bought 917 dog licenses this year, including 187 on Monday, the last day a license could be purchased without paying a fine.

City police, who handled license sales as a courtesy to the public, said 921 licenses were sold during the first two months of last year.

The fees were \$1.50 for males and spayed females and \$3 for unspayed females. Dog owners who did not buy licenses prior to Monday must now make the purchase at Jackson county courthouse. The fine for being late is \$2.

Happy Camp High School Sets Carnival, Class Play

Happy Camp—One of four candidates will be crowned Carnival Queen at the conclusion of the Happy Camp High school carnival next Thursday night.

Candidates are Lodene Perry, senior; Mary Jo Hockaday, junior; Sandi Sanderson, sophomore, and Dian Hadden, freshman. The winner will receive a three-piece set of luggage and pen sets will be awarded to the runners-up.

The carnival will begin at 7 p.m. with a variety show staged by James Tristan's music department. Other features of the St. Patrick's Day carnival include at least a dozen entertainment and refreshment booths operated by teachers and students.

Senior Play Set

Another major event at the school is the annual senior class play set for 8 o'clock Friday night in the school gymnasium.

The play, a three-act comedy dealing with the problems of a boy named Henry, is entitled "Deadly Earnest."

Loy Conrad will play Henry. Other cast members are Pat Millette, Shirley Hobbs, Lodene Perry, Lorna Laughlin, Bobbie Sasser, Linda Sellers, Blanch Goodwin, Patsy Poe, Larry McGinty, Jack Graves, Jack Sladko, Ron Lawton and Paul Dunn.

Direction is being handled by Mrs. Barbara Hamilton.

Hanson Re-elected Association Chief

Shady Cove-Trail—Oscar Hanson of Elk Creek was re-elected president of the Elk Creek Cattlemen's association at the group's annual meeting last Friday at the Upper Rogue Grange hall.

James Cloud of Prospect was elected vice president. Bert Conner was re-elected secretary-treasurer and James Cloud and Harold Porcher were re-elected directors.

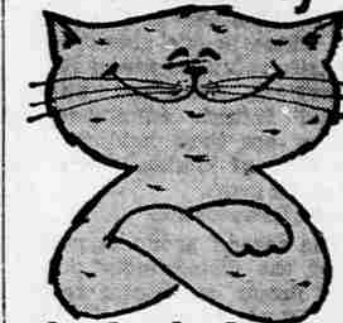
Attending the meeting were representatives from the Medford and Prospect offices of the Rogue River National Forest, the Umpqua National Forest, and the bureau of land management.

Girl Loses Tooth In Flip Over Bike

Tiller-Drew-Candace Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cook, knocked out a tooth, bruised her lip and scratched and bruised her face Sunday when she took a flying leap over the handle bars of her bicycle.

It was thought she may have broken an arm but a trip to the doctor proved the arm to be only bruised.

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