

State Officials May Visit County To Explain Plan

The director of field services, state public welfare commission, and supervisor of the surplus food plan for Oregon may visit the Jackson county public welfare commission to explain the program's operation, James L. Pullman, local welfare administrator, indicated Friday.

Pullman said the director is willing to visit Jackson county and may be able to bring a representative of the state department of finance and administration to answer questions on the program.

In his summary of the surplus food distribution plan, Pullman explained that the

state department of finance and administration has the responsibility for delivery, control of and accountability for commodities available through the U.S. department of agriculture. It has the responsibility for a adequate warehouse and cold storage facilities, repackaging and distribution.

Automatically Eligible
Pullman said public assistance recipients are automatically eligible for the surplus food. The welfare department here must certify others, depending on criteria set by the department of finance and administration.

Distribution of commodities must not result in reduction of grants, result in furthering political interests of a party or individual and there must be no discrimination because of color, creed, race, or political affiliation. Those receiving the surplus food will not have to pay for it.

The county court must make a brief survey, and plan for the food distribution. Then it must sign a formal agreement with the department of finance and administration. This includes a promise to pay 25 cents per unit to the state department to cover handling expenses. The county must also furnish and assume all costs for handling the food.

Willing To Help
"The Jackson county public welfare commission staff is willing to do anything reasonable to help initiate and carry out this program," Pullman said. "We are particularly interested in establishing the program if it will supplement an already inadequate diet of public assistance recipients and other low income families."

Explaining the program procedure, Pullman said the county must designate a representative who will be responsible for the proper management and control of all activities in distributing and using the commodities.

All methods of handling and distributing the commodities must be approved by the state board of health. The county must assume all handling, storage and personnel costs. It must pay for all foods damaged through lack of storage, care or handling and pay all transportation on commodities shipped by the state agency, Pullman explained.

Keep Accurate Records
The county must also keep accurate records on all transactions involving the surplus foods and keep those records for three years.

The county must investigate all complaints in distributing the surplus foods, but the state agency will receive the final appeal.

Either the county or the state may end the agreement by giving 30 days notice. The state department of finance and administration may cancel the agreement if any of its terms are violated by the county.

The county must send a formal letter of application to the state department of finance and administration before the application forms can be obtained, Pullman pointed out.

Tax Personnel Will Help Taxpayers

State tax commission personnel at 124 West Fourth st., Medford, will assist taxpayers in making out their income tax returns each Monday this month.

Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each Monday in March. Taxpayers wishing help are asked to bring earnings slips and other information needed to determine the correct tax, including, if possible, a copy of their federal return filed for 1960.

The state tax commission points out that in order to be eligible for a refund a taxpayer must file a return. Refunds are issued on a "first come, first served" basis.

If a joint return is filed, both spouses must sign it. Deadline is April 17 for filing since April 15 comes on Saturday.

Easter Seals Are Mailed to Jackson County Residents

The 1961 Easter Seals were mailed last week to Jackson county residents by members of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha international sorority, which is in charge of the county campaign.

The Easter Seal campaign is conducted by the Oregon Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Inc., to raise funds for continuing and expanding services.

Services offered include Camp Easter Seal in Coos county, the Crippled Children's hospital school in Eugene, the loan of orthopedic aids, and the Mobil Therapy clinic which serves eight counties in the state.

About 90 per cent of the funds raised in the annual sale, which extends from March 2 to April 2, finances services in Oregon. Two per cent is allocated for research and the remaining 8 per cent goes to help support the national program, Mrs. Robert Shangle, county chairman, said.

Serving on Committee
Serving on the committee with Mrs. Shangle are Mrs. Wylie Macpherson, county mailing chairman; Miss Demaris Glutche, Mrs. Dan Kidd, Mrs. Herbert Partridge, co-chairmen; Mrs. L. M. Smith, coordinator; Mrs. Leiland Carpenter, Lily day; and Mrs. C. C. Peterson and Mrs. Pat Brinson, publicity.

The annual Lily day sale will be held Saturday, March 25. The downtown sale will be by volunteer Camp Fire girls.

Residents not receiving Easter Seals in the mail, or wishing more information about the drive, may contact Mrs. Shangle at SPing 3-4400.

The Alpha Lambda chapter, Delta Omega chapter of Medford, and Alpha Kappa chapter of Ashland are working on the project.

MHS Graduate Named Freshman President

Deanna Hull, biological science major from Medford, was elected recently as freshman class president at Holy Names college in Spokane. Miss Hull is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hull, route 2, box 243, Central Point. She was graduated from Medford High school in 1960. The Medford student is a medical technology major. She was freshman representative to the central council last semester.

Rebuilding Business To Open in Medford

Franklin C. Burr, 1910 Table Rock rd., Medford, has assumed the business name Medford Transmission Rebuilders, according to records in the county recorder's office.

Burr said the business, which is expected to open later this month, will rebuild automatic transmissions and will employ at least one full-time employee.

Two Couples Get Easement Checks

Two couples, one from Selma, Ore., and the other from Medford, have received checks for easements granted to the bureau of land management, according to Ross Youngblood, district manager.

Youngblood presented a \$50 check to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Sigelkoff, Selma, and a \$45 check to Mr. and Mrs. Rulon E. Taylor, Medford, for easements. The first was for the proposed Cedar Creek rd. and the second for the proposed Anderson Butte rd.

Securing access to proposed timber sale areas is an important part of the BLM program, Youngblood pointed out. The extent to which the Sigelkoffs and Andersons have cooperated with BLM has helped foresters reduce the backlog of access road problems in the Medford district, he said.

Court To Consider Use of Ruch Station

The Jackson county court will consider allowing Applegate area farmers to use the county weigh station scales near Ruch, County Commissioner Chester Wendt said last week.

Martin Grier, Ruch area farmer, asked that farmers in his area be allowed to operate the scales when the station operator is absent. It is necessary that the farmers obtain the weight of their hay and livestock before they take them to market, Grier explained.

The weigh station is often locked during the winter, but this is a busy-hay hauling time for the Applegate farmers, Grier explained. He asked that he or some farmer near the weigh station 1 1/2 miles from Ruch be given a key to the scales. This would allow the farmers to weigh their loads as needed, he said.

Two Dallas Loggers Missing in River

Sweet Home - UPD - The search for the bodies of two Dallas loggers, missing and presumed drowned in the Santiam river about 10 miles northeast of here, failed Friday.

The men, W. H. Rowell, Jr., 38, and Glen Cooper, 26, were lost Thursday when their 12-foot boat capsized.

Construction Value Increases Here

The value of construction starts made in Medford last month was \$329,850, up slightly from the February, 1960, total, but down from the 1959 figure, according to the city building department's monthly report.

The largest single item on which construction started last month was the new Imperial "400" motel valued at \$117,000. Starts were also made on five new homes having a value of \$58,000 and on two duplexes valued at \$26,500.

Two new business buildings were started in March having a total value of \$55,000.

During March, 1960, new construction in the city totaled \$322,411. In March, 1959, it totaled \$359,050.

The building department issued 90 permits last month; made 928 inspections; and collected \$2,023 in building fees.

Brainerds Return From Portland Event

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Brainerd, of Brainerd's studio and camera shop, Medford, returned Thursday from the Professional Photographers of Oregon's 14th annual convention in Portland.

Lighting portraits by Gene Botsford, Rochester, N.Y., one of Eastman Kodak company's photographers, formed the outstanding part of the program.

The Brainerds also visited various audio visual outlets. On their return trip they visited the George Swartsley family in Salem. Swartsley is the brother of Mrs. Brainerd. Mary Pat Swartsley returned to Medford with the Brainerds to visit her grandmother, Mrs. R. W. Swartsley, 1122 East Main st. The Brainerds and Mr. and Mrs. Joyce Swartsley, and Steve and Jerry Swartsley, 1150 Janes rd., Medford, visited the B. C. Taylors in Eugene. They are former Medford residents.

Noted Organist To Appear in Medford

Frank Stitt, noted popular organist, will appear on KBES-TV at 7:15 p.m., Tuesday, March 7, at the Lusk Music company all day Wednesday, March 8, and in a special concert Wednesday evening.

A native of the West Coast, Stitt majored in organ at the University of Redlands, and began his professional career as a church organist and supper club entertainer in the Los Angeles area.

After World War II, Stitt became the first Baldwin staff organist, traveling the country giving concerts, TV performances and civic engagements of various kinds. His most recent recording was made on a Baldwin organ in the famous Organ Loft at Salt Lake City.

Stitt's tour in Medford is sponsored by Lusk Music company.

SIGN OF SPRING

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