

# Petitions Will Be Circulated To Form South Talent District

The Jackson county court took another step Friday afternoon toward helping residents of the south Talent area form a sanitary sewer district.

However, county court members seemed reluctant to take any action toward forming a county sanitary sewer district and thus set a precedent for the state.

Lewis Hunter, route 1, Talent, a resident of the south Talent area volunteered to circulate petitions to form a district. Previous petitions were to approve a preliminary survey and study of a possible sanitary district.

## 15 Per Cent Needed

After 15 per cent of the resident property owners have signed petitions favoring a district, the county court calls a public hearing. Then, if a majority of those attending the hearing are favorable an election is held within the district.

It would probably cost the people within the proposed district about \$50 in election costs, County Judge Earl Miller said.

Consulting Engineer James K. Hoey explained the proposed area had been enlarged to include the property from the present Highway 99 to Bear creek. All the area to the new freeway also may be included, he said.

Estimated Cost  
Overall estimated cost for serving three areas with a sewer system would be \$161,485 without the city of Talent.

He defined one area, Area A, as southwest of Highway 99 to the railroad tracks, another, Area B, the Old Highway 99 to the new Highway 99 plus a corner area, and the third Area C would extend from Highway 99 to Bear creek.

The overall area might be served with a lateral on both sides of the railroad tracks, another along the southwest side of Highway 99 to Wagner creek, and a third along Bear creek to a point east of the city of Talent to a sewage disposal plant.

The proposed sewage disposal plant size would be a lagoon type, a five-acre pond to serve 500 people.

The general district would be assessed for the main sewer trunk and the residents for laterals serving their homes, it was explained.

Separate District  
Area A or Areas A and B could form a separate district if the other people decided against a district. This is the most populous area, it was noted. The district could be enlarged later by adding the other areas.

The city of Talent has indicated it would cooperate with the proposed district, Judge Miller said. Bonded indebtedness limit would be approximately \$188,940, it was esti-

ated. This includes all existing indebtedness.  
District Sanitary Engineer Ted Gerow explained that it might be two to 10 years before the construction is started depending on the difficulties encountered.

**Petitions Presented**  
Elmer W. Luschen, 2325 Stewart ave., presented several petitions from residents of the area southwest of Med-

## Seely Halls Return To City To Live

Mr. and Mrs. Seely V. Hall recently arrived from Menlo Park, Calif., to make their home at 2445 East Main st., Medford. Former residents, they had lived elsewhere for 30 years.

In 1931, Hall was active in instituting the Medford airport, then located at the fair grounds on South Pacific highway. He was airport manager for the Pacific Air Transport company.

He recently retired as vice president in charge of operations and facilities with United Air Lines.

During World War II, Hall was in charge of the Pacific operations in the South Pacific and Alaska for United Air Lines in government service.

Since leaving Medford 30 years ago, the couple has lived in Chicago, Ill., Denver, Colo., Seattle, Wash., San Diego, Calif., Portland, and Menlo Park.

Hall was born in the Rogue valley and Mrs. Hall moved here as a young child. Both were graduated from Medford High school.

ford and requested the county to form a sanitation district. Judge Miller said the court would receive the petitions, but the boundaries of the proposed district should be defined before further action is taken.

After Luschen referred to state law authorizing such a district, Miller said the law was designed for the larger, more metropolitan Oregon counties such as Multnomah and Washington counties.

"I have never heard of a county forming a sanitary district," he said.

## Advised to Set Boundaries

Gerow advised Luschen to set the boundaries first. "Otherwise, you are asking the county to conduct a master sewer system development plan for the floor of the valley and this is another thing," Gerow explained.

Luschen insisted the county has the power to form a sanitation district although the law has been unused for four years.

Luschen referred to the area including Lozier lane which has been a headache to the Medford Irrigation district because of effluent from septic tanks emptying into irrigation ditches.

Former District Attorney Thomas J. Reeder threatened legal action against the offending property owners unless the public nuisance was corrected. Further action was delayed when residents of the area tried to annex to Medford.

The Medford sewage plant does not have the capacity to serve the southwest area and its new connections, too, Luschen said he learned.

# PP&L Official Ends 42 Years of Service



ELBERT L. LENOX Retires from Company

Elbert L. Lenox, 2330 East Main st., Medford, retired last week after nearly 42 years of service with California Oregon Power company, now part of Pacific Power and Light company, Portland.

At the time of his retirement, Lenox was assistant secretary for PP&L. Friday, his last day at the company, a staff party was held in the local office to honor him.

Earlier in the week, about 150 Copco employees and friends held a "graduation party" for Lenox at the Rogue Valley Country club. Those attending came from throughout the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Lenox now plan to spend three to four weeks vacationing - including a trip to the Seattle World's Fair and some fishing.

## Was With Railroad

Before joining Copco, Lenox worked with a Southern Pacific railroad construction crew in Roseburg. He was also a sub clerk in the Roseburg post office and an office clerk in the Douglas county clerk's office.

Between 1917 and 1920 he worked as a clerk and bookkeeper in the Coos county clerk's office in Coquille, served eight months in the U.S. Army and was deputy county clerk in Roseburg.

In August, 1920, he joined Copco as clerk and bookkeeper in the district office at Klamath Falls. In September, 1921, he was transferred to the Klamath engineering office as an accountant. Later that year he was again moved to the Copco No. 1 construction project in California and worked in the accounting office. Lenox was assigned to

Copco's general accounting office in Medford on March 1, 1923. Five years later, in 1928, he was appointed assistant secretary of the company in addition to his general accounting duties. In November, 1931, he was appointed secretary of the company.

## On Board of Directors

From 1939 to 1941 he also served on the board of directors. When Copco merged with PP&L last June, Lenox was appointed assistant secretary of the company.

During the past few years he has been affiliated with many clubs and organizations, particularly Masonic groups. He is a member of American Legion Post 13, Rogue Valley Country club, Rogue Valley Knife and Fork club, BPOE Medford Lodge 1168, Copco Quarter Century club (president, 1952), Medford Rose society (treasurer, 1961) and the Presbyterian church.

Lenox is a member of Masonic Lodge 103 AF and AM and served as master in 1931. He is affiliated with Crater Lake Chapter 32 RAM (high priest, 1932), Table Rock Council 15 K and SM (master, 1934), Malta Commandery 4 Knights Templar (com. master, 1936), Oregon Priority 16 KYCH, Medford Consistory (fourth through 32nd degree), Hillah Temple Shrine (potentate, 1934) and International Past Potentates association.

## Woman Sentenced for Forging Indian's Check

Portland - (UP) - Mrs. Rose Marie Herrera was sentenced to eight months in federal prison here Friday for her part in forging and passing a \$14,374 check taken from her uncle, a Klamath Indian.

# Shakespeare Workshop Planned

Ashland - A workshop in Shakespeare will be offered during the 1962 Southern Oregon college summer session July 30 to Aug. 10, Dr. Bill A. Sampson, director of summer sessions, has announced.

Dr. H. E. Childs, professor of English at Oregon State university will be the instructor.

The workshop will study the four plays presented by the Oregon Shakespearean Festival association: "Comedy of Errors," "As You Like It," "Coriolanus," and "Henry IV, Part II."

Students should plan to attend the plays during the earlier days of the workshop, preferably from July 30 to Aug. 2, or prior to those dates, beginning with the Festival opening July 21.

# Yreka Firm Buys Klamath Timber

Yreka - J. F. Sharp Lumber company of Yreka was the high bidder for 14,550,000 board feet of pine and fir timber in the Black Gulch unit of the Salmon River district, according to an announcement by Supervisor Joseph F. Thornton of the Klamath National forest.

Total advertised value was \$67,667.50. The value based on the highest bid was \$89,392.50.

Reynen - Cowning Lumber company of Yreka was the only other company that participated in the oral auction.

Students wishing to obtain tickets and attend the four plays on or before Aug. 2, may do so by making their own arrangements with the Shakespearean Festival association.

Those wishing Southern Oregon college to make arrangements must pre-register for the workshop on or before July 13, and make a deposit of \$7.20. Such reservations should be made with Dr. Sampson at the college.

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CLAIR SCHIFFMAN Named Manager

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Clair B. Schiffman, 27, has been named general manager of Memory Gardens Memorial Park, Inc.

He succeeds William S. Ferris, who has been manager of the park since 1954. Ferris has resigned to devote full time to his Museum Construction business.

Schiffman resides in Ashland with his wife, Julie, and children, Deborah, 3, and Michael, 1. He was educated in Klamath Falls schools, and attended the University of Washington and Brigham Young university. His major was marketing.

He joined Memory Gardens in February, 1961, as a memorial counselor, and was later made office manager.

He is a member of Medford Rotary club, Medford Chamber of Commerce, is chairman of the Businessmen's division of the Salvation Army building fund campaign, and is a Boy Scout commissioner.

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