

Porch of Home Damaged by Fire

The back porch at the William H. Manning home, 1010 Lozier lane, caught fire Thursday when a cardboard box containing baby chicks was ignited from a 60-watt light being used to keep the chicks warm.

Firemen, who were summoned at noon, said that Manning came home for lunch and found the porch burning. Fire was confined to the porch but some smoke damage occurred inside the house, firemen said.



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THE WEEK IN CALIFORNIA

Appointment Is Confirmed; Board Is Policy Making Arm

By United Press International
The state Senate and Attorney General Stanley Mosk at last hosed down the storm of dust that has swirled for months around the state board of education.

In the span of four short days, the Senate confirmed with little incident the appointment of Thomas W. Braden, Oceanside, as president of the board.

And Attorney General Mosk rendered an opinion concluding that the board—not Dr. Maxwell Rafferty, superintendent of public instruction—was the policy-making arm of California's educational system.

The only question left unanswered—a question that could rest with the State Supreme Court should the occasion arise—was what happens if Rafferty simply defies the board on a matter of its policy?

Declines To Answer
Mosk declined to answer this question on grounds there was nothing in state law to handle it. Neither the legislature nor the constitution have provided any means of "punishment" in this case except a recall election by the voters.

But Mosk noted that there were no indications Rafferty was defying the board in the current situation and "we deem it appropriate to defer a reply to this question."

The question of defiance was raised when Rafferty tangled with the board over the board's decision to oppose proposed multiple selection of textbooks. Mosk said Rafferty is free to express his own opinion when such a conflict arises.

On the Braden question, the Senate voted 33-7 to accept Gov. Edmund G. Brown's appointment of Braden, despite about 10,000 letters that flooded the capital opposing it.

Could Not Work Together
A hearing indicated most of them came from persons who felt Braden and Rafferty could not work together because Braden's newspaper opposed Rafferty's election and once called him a "Bircher" for which Braden apologized.

Many of them contained the statement that "Braden is personally obnoxious to me," the words of Braden's chief antagonist, Sen. Jack Schrade (R-Del Mar.).

Discrimination: Berkeley voters rejected by 2,397 votes a tough anti-housing discrimination ordinance that drew 43,043 voters to the polls in a record turnout. The ordinance, which would have allowed jail sentences for violators, had been approved by the city council, but was forced to a referendum by dissenting citizens.

The election drew national attention and statements from Gov. Edmund G. Brown and Assembly Speaker Jesse M. Unruh (D-Inglewood), both vocal advocates of anti-discrimination legislation. Unruh commented that the election apparently showed the need for more public education on civil rights.

But he added that the Democratic party must avoid getting too far out in front of the public will, and that the election would have a deepening effect on anti-discrimination legislation proposed in the legislature.

Meningitis: The Navy was confronted with the second outbreak of meningitis in as many months at the Naval Training Center in San Diego, but the past week's outbreak—which reportedly had no relation to the earlier one—was of smaller proportions.

One recruit died and two others, one in critical condition, were hospitalized and 80 quarantined. But there were no immediate plans to place the entire 12,000 man base on quarantine, which occurred March 10 when five cases of the infectious disease were diagnosed.

Crash—A light plane en route to Olney, Tex., from Woodland, Calif., crashed on the snow-covered Tejon Canyon of the Tehachapi Mountains. Robert C. McKinney, 20, Alexandria, La., a passenger, stepped from the wreckage, worked his way down the slopes for eight hours, and stumbled into the Tejon Ranch headquarters. Rescuers and McKinney

found McKinney's uncle, Robert D. McKinney, 39, Olney, Tex., near collapse six miles from the wreckage. But they were not in time to save Francine McKinney, 38, Olney, who died of exposure while awaiting rescue.

Reduce—Mrs. Mary Ferguson still had 98 pounds to go following a two-week fast in her efforts to reduce to 128 pounds from 244 pounds. Mrs. Ferguson, 32, lost 18 pounds during a fast in a Long Beach hotel room. She subsisted on a liquid diet of coffee, bouillon and vitamins. She said she was next going on a 1,000 calorie diet. "It may take a year, but I know I can do it," she said.

Festival King, Queen Selection Is Set for Saturday

King and queen for the 10th annual Pear Blossom Festival will be selected Saturday, April 13, at the American Legion hall, 404 Walnut st., the committee has announced.

The hall is behind Pulver motel on North Riverside ave. All participants must be at the hall at 12:30 p.m.

The program and selection ceremony will start at 1 p.m. The public is invited without charge. Colleen Hope studio dancers will participate, and John Lusk will provide parade music for the contestants.

Window Display
This year's king and queen will wear red velvet capes while riding on the official parade float. They were made by Mrs. Geneva Neil, of Singer Sewing Machine company, from material donated by John Nulch, Medford jeweler. Nulch has a window display of this year's trophies for the royal couple.

Drew's Manstore in the Medford Shopping Center has a window display. Sears and Newberry's have donated decorations to complete the display.

The new royal couple will appear April 16 on KMED television station, on the Focal Point program. They will appear at the Crater Lions Fun Fair at the National Guard Armory Saturday, April 20, after the Pear Blossom parade. They will be guests Sunday, April 21, at the Veterans' Administration Domiciliary Hobby Fair at White City as part of the festival week's activities.

Last year's king and queen were Jonni Joann Rice, Medford, and Phil Hilger, Rogue River. They will be present for crowing of the new royal couple. All contest participants will ride on the parade float as the royal court.

Local Man Placed On Probation Here

Clifford Ray Willoughby, 918 Maple Park dr., Medford, was placed on probation and imposition of sentence suspended five years for burglary not in a dwelling when he appeared in Jackson county circuit court last week.

He had pleaded guilty to charges of entering an automobile supply company Dec. 21.

Willoughby was directed to make restitution and bail was exonerated.

A pre-sentence report was ordered by Alan Bruce Hutchinson, 712 Oak st., Medford, who pleaded guilty to entering a motor vehicle with intent to steal. Bail was continued at \$500.

A pre-sentence report was ordered on L. Z. Rainwater, Grants Pass, who pleaded guilty to a charge of obtaining property by false pretenses. Bail was set at \$1,500.

Management Event Scheduled Monday

A management meeting for supervisors of the Medford, Klamath Falls and Grants Pass post offices will be held here Monday, J. A. Eldswick, acting Medford postmaster, has announced.

The meeting is one of a series being held for supervisors in post offices where receipts total \$200,000 or more. The purpose is to devise better ways of handling mail to promote better service for the general public.

Eldswick said the meeting will open at 8:30 a.m. and will be conducted by officials from the Seattle region of the post office department.

McEachron Elected Director; Budge Selected

L. E. McEachron of Dempster Furniture company was elected director and Boyd Budge of Budge-McHugh company was elected treasurer at a meeting of the Medford Chamber of Commerce board of directors last week.

They were elected to replace Murray Dumas, who submitted his resignation as treasurer-director.

John Moffat, chairman of the chamber's nominating committee, said the committee had selected McEachron and Budge, who were elected unanimously.

Report on Activities

Myers Jones, chairman of the chamber's aviation committee, reported on activities which consisted of a thorough study and analysis of the questionnaire the committee circulated in Medford seeking to find travel habits and desires of valley people concerning air travel.

Jones reported some success from this study, specifically a meeting of the com-

mittee with a group of West Coast Airline executives from Portland and Seattle. Several changes in schedules and rates were announced by the executives. The changes will be put into effect by West Coast on approval of CAB.

Jones said he expects the committee to have similar meetings with United Air Lines and Pacific Air Lines in the near future.

Turn to Other Items
Jones stated that his committee would now turn to other matters for the remainder of 1963. He mentioned improving and "dressing up" the lobby of the airport building and grounds; study airport workings; better tie-down facilities for private planes and some consideration to tenant relations on the airport.

Another important matter needing attention, he said, is a continuing study of length of runways to accommodate jet air craft. A study of the adequacy of present fire pro-

tection at the airport also is needed, he said.

The governmental operations committee report was given by Robert Heffernan, chairman. He said the committee had responded to the request of the board to bring in a recommendation in respect to signs on the freeway, and was reporting that the committee felt quite strongly that while they favored regulation, the recently passed city ordinance should have received further study and modification so that a fair, equitable and effective ordinance could result.

Favor Regulation
Johnny Eads of the Federal Sign and Signal company said that the sign companies favored regulation, but that the ordinance had some good features and some bad ones. He stated one of the gravest injustices involved was the restrictions placed on downtown businesses using signs, where such signs were not addressed to the freeway.

Eads felt the present ordinance was unsound and suggested the drafting of an ordinance of such far reaching consequences should be gone into in a business-like way.

He suggested a group made up of a representative from the sign companies, the city council, the chamber, the wayside industries, from downtown business, the garden clubs to obtain a cross-section of the vitally interested parties in the community be appointed to come up with

a plan which could then go to public hearings and then to the city council.

In this way, Eads felt proper regulation would result and the unrealistic restrictions, which are discriminatory would be removed.

ARTICLES FILED

Salem - UP - Articles of incorporation have been filed here for Pastor of the New Age Samaritan Foundation and his Successors, a corporation sole, 509 W. 7th, Eugene, by Pastor Eric A. Allen.

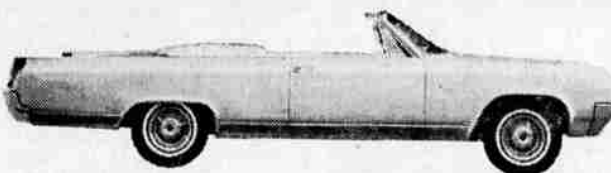
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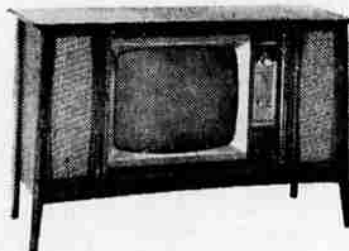
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