

Richard Straus Becomes New Mayor Of Gold Hill

By MARY KELL
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Gold Hill - A shifting of positions took place in Gold Hill city government at the May 6 council meeting.

Richard Straus, council president was promoted to mayor of Gold Hill. He succeeds the late Mayor Milton Steinmetz, who had served faithfully in that office several years until his untimely death last month.

Councilman Hilton Brignal was advanced by a vote of council members to president of the council to fill the vacancy left by Straus' promotion.

And Clarence Freeman was appointed to serve the unexpired council seat that had been Brignal's.

Ferd Jones, city recorder-treasurer, administered the oath of office to Mayor Straus and new Councilman Freeman.

Straus, Brignal and Freeman will serve in their respective posts until January, 1965. The next city election will be held in November, 1964.

This is Freeman's first experience in city politics. He is a sawyer for Double D Lumber company, a position he has held since April, 1960. He and his wife, Helen, and two children moved to Gold Hill from Klamath Falls about 13 years ago.

Two Children
Their son, Howard Freeman, is now on duty with the U. S. Navy stationed aboard the USS Coral Sea at Australia. The couple's daughter, Miss Pamela Freeman, resides at the family home. She is a sophomore at Crater High school.

Freeman belongs to two bowling leagues, his favorite leisure time sport.

Councilman Ray Kalista, who is also an active member of the Gold Hill Volunteer Fire department, explained various needs of the fire department. The council authorized the purchase of 150 feet of new hose, and other equipment.

A local businessman appeared before the council to inquire as to the reasons for hauling restrictions are now in effect by the city at the

Fire Training In Progress At Shady Cove

Shady Cove - A fire training school for volunteer firemen has been in session the past few weeks at the Shady Cove Fire hall. The meetings are held every Monday night at 7:30 p.m., and anyone interested in fire prevention and protection in the home is invited to attend.

Tonight's meeting, however, will be held in the smoke chambers at Medford.

Instruction has already been given in the chemistry of fire, all-purpose masks, ladders, ventilation, hose streams, simple hydraulics, pump operations, salvage and overhaul and public relations.

Future Classes
Some classes yet to be conducted will deal with hose laying, handling fuel fires and operation of trucks and pumps.

Meetings are conducted by Warren Ritchie of the Medford Fire department. He is assisted at times by personnel specializing in the field of study for the evening.

There has been discussion about needed changes of equipment and purchase of new smoke masks which will be presented at the next board meeting in Shady Cove.

Attendance at each of these classes has averaged from 25 to 30 men from the immediate community and surrounding areas. Women are also welcome to attend and the ones who do report it very educational and interesting.

Regional Calendar

Kerby—Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., social club of Western Star will meet at Kerby Masonic hall.

Gold Hill—Tuesday, 8 p.m., Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7416 will meet at the VFW hall on Old Stage road.

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., "Focus on Farming," KMED-TV, Mrs. Antonio Beebe, Talent, will talk on raising race horses.

Gold Hill—Wednesday, 8 p.m., Amethyst Rebekah Lodge will meet at the home of Mrs. A. A. Walker.

Gold Hill—Thursday, 12 noon, Gold Hill Chamber of Commerce luncheon-business meeting at Dardenelle restaurant.

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Regional News

Patterson Named Central Point Council Chairman

Central Point—Don Patterson was appointed chairman of the Central Point city council at its meeting May 7.

Councilmen appointed as committee chairmen by Mayor Bill Saxbury during the meeting were: Dale Bartley, street department; Ray Britton, parks and recreation; Don Patterson, administrative; Ben Mushaney, water and sewer; Bert Adams, fire department; and Warren Holbrook, police department.

The council named planning commission members for one, two and three year terms.

Appointed for one year terms were Keith Williams and Leland Lovejoy; two year terms, Chet Ayres and Harry Tonn; three year terms, Vic Noel and Bob Jantzer.

In other action the council voted to:

- approve ordinances to spread assessments on Alder st. and Grand st. paving and curbs.
- amend the traffic ordinance to regulate heavy trucking on Haskell and Amy sts. south of Pine st.
- approve a zone change, residential to light industrial, for the Mose property in the Cooksey addition.
- amend the ordinance defining vagrancy.
- accept plans for improving the intersection of Hazel st., Upton rd., Second st. and Third st.
- instruct city hall employees to enforce ordinance on collecting delinquent water bills.

Council members discussed a special city allotment project offered by the state to install railroad signals at the Pine st. crossing, the city and state to share the cost.

During the meeting several Sixth st. residents expressed doubts concerning the quality of new paving and curbing on that street.

Talent Council Accepts Low Bid

Talent - The Talent city council met in special session Wednesday to open the bids for the installation of the water treatment plant.

The low bidder on both the installation of the plant and pipe lines was Hatten and Bingham of North Bend.

A representative of the firm informed the council that work would start as soon as his firm received the written confirmation of the contract and could get delivery on the pipe. New lines will be installed on Main st. and a pipe line from the water treatment plant to the city mains.

Low bidder on the water storage reservoir was Pittsburgh, Des Moines Tank co.

Cave Junction May Get Time Extension

Cave Junction—At the Cave Junction City Council meeting May 6, City Attorney Laurance Cushing told councilmen he had been advised by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare office in San Francisco that it has recommended the city be given an extension on the time limit for starting construction of its sewage disposal plant.

As of the date of the council meeting, there were only 52 days remaining before the deadline before which construction on the plant would have to start or else the city would lose its \$16,730 grant for the project.

New Street Signs Eyed at Butte Falls

Butte Falls - The Butte Falls City Council has decided to accept an offer by the local Lions club to help put up new street signs for the city.

Cost of the signs will be paid by the city, the councilmen determined at their meeting last Thursday.

In other matters, the council noted that at a special community meeting May 1, Luke Cernick was appointed chief of the city's soon to be formed fire department. He was authorized to obtain volunteers to take training in fire fighting. Both men and women volunteers are needed.

LEASES STATION
Talent - Harold Jones of Medford has taken over operation of the Talent Shell service station, at the Talent junction, on a lease basis.

Work Begins on Rogue River Translator

Rogue River - The Rogue River Translator association has announced that work has begun on its television broadcast transmitter station. The station is expected to be put into operation this week.

The purpose of this station is to pick up and to rebroadcast channel 10 on channel 3, bringing a better picture to those who have been unable to get a picture direct from Channel 10.

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Butte Falls School Budget To Be Aired

Butte Falls - An open meeting for residents of Butte Falls School District No. 91 will be held Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Butte Falls High school. All interested persons are invited to attend for the purpose of discussing the district's 1963-64 budget.

A proposed budget calling for general fund expenditures of \$136,107.80 was defeated by the voters a week ago, 97 to 69.

The Butte Falls district has no tax base, explained Superintendent Charles Copeland. Hence the budget must be approved by the voters each year.

The open meeting has been scheduled in an effort to determine specifically what the voters disapproved in the proposed budget and what, if any, changes should be made.

The proposed general fund expenditure exceeds last year's figure by \$6,596.04. The total tax levy of \$73,827.09 was considerably below last year's \$89,293.76 and was the lowest tax levy the district has proposed since 1958.

Copeland called it a "conservative" budget. He and other district officials attribute the defeat to a general overall trend among voters here.

In the May 6 election, the voters also turned down the Jackson County rural school budget, unseated school board chairman Francis E. Poole by electing Duane Smeltzer in his place, and recalled two board members, Duane Barton and Andrew Hamstra.

The rural budget lost by a greater margin (40 votes) than did the Butte Falls budget (28 votes), however, district officials noted.

Special Meeting Slated Tuesday by Talent Fire Board

Talent - The Talent Rural Fire Protection district met last week at the Talent Feed store with all board members present.

Eddie Heim, chairman, reported that the district had been given a radio frequency of 154 megacycles but that it was too close to the frequency allotted to Central Point so it had been sent back and a request made for a different frequency.

Fire permits are now available for the rural area and may be obtained from Rural Fire Chief Ralph Conner.

It was reported that a sign has been made for the front of the district fire hall and that "No Parking" signs have been installed in front of the doors.

Special Meeting
There will be a special meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Talent Rural Fire Protection district hall. This will be a meeting with the five members of the budget committee to go over the budget that has been submitted to the county office before the budget is brought up at an election in the near future.

It was decided to have forms printed for property owners of territory whose lands lie adjacent to the Talent Rural Fire Protection district and who wish to have their lands annexed in the district.

The next regular meeting of the district board of directors will be held Tuesday, June 4 at the fire hall.

Mrs. Crabb Given Vote of Thanks

Jacksonville—At the city council meeting May 7, Mrs. John Crabb of 409 Sterling rd., was given a vote of thanks for donating her untiring efforts, and many hours of hard work in tracing down needed information wanted for the city sewer project.

Mrs. Crabb went to the county courthouse and assessor's office to locate and run down the lot number, description, and assessed valuation of each lot to be served by the new sewer.

The council said she had saved Jacksonville the sum of about \$700.

Safety Rally Set At Shady Cove

Shady Cove—"Take Time to Live" will be the theme of a safety rally to be held at the Shady Cove V.F.W. Hall at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Sponsored jointly by local employers and the State Industrial Accident commission, this program will deal with the importance of safety to industry and individuals alike.

Features of the program will be showing of the color film "Pulse of Life," a variety of skits and demonstrations, and presentation of awards to employers and workmen.

Everyone is urged to "take time to live" and learn by attending this meeting.

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English Girl Lets Wind Blow Her To Happy Camp

By HAZEL DAVIS
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Happy Camp - Most of us at one time or another talk of visiting far away places but never really get down to finding the way or means for such a venture.

A young English girl, Teresa "Tessa" Keith, decided she was coming to America and did just that, found her way to Happy Camp not more than four months after landing on the east coast. She knew no one in this area prior to arriving in this country. According to Tessa, "I go where the wind blows me."

Tessa landed in Virginia after sailing across the Atlantic on an Irish freighter "to save expense," enduring 12 days of rough sailing. To help finance her travels, she worked after her arrival in this country at historic Williamsburg, Va., at the Williamsburg Inn as a cook under the chef, this occupation being one for which she was schooled in England at the Gordon Bleu, a famous cooking school, from which she received a diploma.

Tessa also has had secretarial courses but she said her first love is to cook.

After leaving Virginia, where she spent the Christmas season, she went to New York. All her traveling was made by bus.

New York was a wonderful place to visit, but Tessa said, "I wouldn't like to live there, as it is too much of a rat-race, you know," mixing new-found American slang with a very lovely English accent.

Coming west, Tessa stopped



TESSA KEITH Finds Way To Happy Camp

in Colorado and with the aid of her hobby, skiing, got a job as she called it, "ski-bumping" and stayed there for two months. She spent her off hours on the ski slopes and enjoyed every minute.

From there she came to California and visited San Francisco and other Bay area cities. Speaking of San Francisco, she said, "A lovely city, I would like to have stayed longer there." It was while she was in the Bay area in San Jose to be exact, that she found out about a little town in Siskiyou county.

Tessa had been staying with the parents of Mrs. Mike Erskine and during a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Erskine, Erskine talked of his parents and family in Happy Camp. Thus the winds blew Tessa north.

From Yreka she made the trip to Happy Camp via the mail stage with Dick Merrill, a veteran of near 25 years on the same route. On the way

she learned of the many interesting characters who lived along the route down the river. Her trip on the stage also included putting mail sacks into the boxes.

Asked about impressions she had of this country, she answered that before coming to America she had always heard that people were very rich here. The first thing she noticed was the many women who left their homes and families to work to afford these luxuries.

While in Happy Camp, Tessa was invited to talk to a seventh grade class and to answer questions asked by the students concerning her country and her trip.

History Different
Tessa told of how different American history is from English history since England is an older country with many past rulers and many wars.

Tessa told of how she liked America and how friendly the people are here. She particularly liked the West, she said, the wide open spaces, and horseback riding. She told of the life, industry, agriculture, television, current hit songs and soccer in England.

Tessa spent less than a week visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Erskine and family here before "the wind moved her on." According to Tessa, she would like to visit Seattle, Montana and Canada, to see what her sister country is like.

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