

Gold Hill Council Outlaws Mobile Homes Unless In Trailer Parks

By MARY KELL
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GOLD HILL — Ordinance 334 which prohibits the establishment of mobile homes within the city limits of Gold Hill, unless in state licensed trailer parks, was approved by the city council during a regular session Sept. 3.

The ordinance provides for design, penalties for violation and designates that mobile homes already established cannot be moved from one site to another. Effective date for the ordinance was Sept. 3. Mayor Richard Strauss conducted the meeting.

The trailer ordinance provides regulations in regard to those mobile homes already established if connected to water and sewage systems and meeting state requirements on the effective date. There are only four or five mobile homes established in Gold Hill, other than those in a licensed park.

Plans to prepare a bicycle ordinance by next regular council session Oct. 7 were discussed. It was suggested that the proposed ordinance would provide for impounding of a bicycle for certain periods depending on the violation involved.

The bicycle issue was considered after it was brought to the attention of the council that near accidents have occurred because of youngsters or other persons riding bicycles on the sidewalk.

Chief of Police Bill Young stressed the seriousness of bicycle riding on the sidewalk, if a pedestrian should be knocked down and injured. The problem of bicycles left on the sidewalk in front of the business places and post office blocking the way of pedestrians was also discussed.

It was agreed that street work for which expense will come out of state street funds will be let to Hughes and Dodd. Work on the street projects was scheduled to begin Sept. 4.

Tenth st. will be oiled for the first time. A sealed coat will

be put on Eighth st. between Sixth and Fourth avenues. Crushed rock is to be put at end of Tenth st. south, on Riverside ave. and Twelfth st. Some work is planned for Second st. south of Fifth ave.

Action was taken to buy a 50 foot section of 1 1/2 inch fire hose as replacement for some that will be used by the maintenance department for washing streets.

The money will come from funds budgeted for the fire department.

An engineering report of the sewage disposal system was tabled until the October council meeting to allow council members to study it further.

Gas Company To Act

Mayor Strauss said contractors who laid the natural gas pipeline along Fourth ave. for California Pacific Utilities company have a program to follow in regard to repairing of streets, drains and filling ditches.

There is a time element involved, with allowance for dirt to settle over the ditches. It was reported to the mayor and council that some persons along Fourth ave. were concerned about the condition of street and drains after the pipeline had been laid.

The utility company has an agreement with the city which requires that repair work be done after the pipeline was laid.

Chief of Police Young said he had talked to a spokesman in the complaint department who had assured him that the repair work would be done within a reasonable time.

Three Shady Cove Residents Hike Rogue River Trail

SHADY COVE (UPI)—Almost stepping on a big rattlesnake coiled in the trail was one of the interesting sidelights of a 22-mile hike taken recently by three Shady Cove residents, Gail Wunderlich, Lorene Aberg and Suzi Nork.

The hike started at Alameda bridge on Grade creek up from Galice and ended at the Marial Lodge at Marial where the three enjoyed the comforts of civilization after roughing it for three days.

On the first night they camped out at Russian creek where they enjoyed the water, only to find out later that it contained some arsenic. However, no ill effects were felt.

On another night tables were substituted for beds in a forest service camp and an inquisitive coon came calling. He made a thorough survey of the camp and then helped himself to food from the packs.

Other wildlife seen included black bear and deer. In places the trails led considerably above the river but the camps were close. Fishing and general relaxation were enjoyed, and the trio arrived back in Shady Cove none the worse for wear.

DeWeese Named to Rogue River Council

ROGUE RIVER — A special meeting was called last week by Mayor John Leyen to have a new councilman appointed to fill the position left by the resignation of Roy Strickland. Strickland was chairman of the council's police committee.

Lauren DeWeese, resident of the Rogue River area for several years, was appointed to fill this position at this meeting. Mr. and Mrs. DeWeese reside at north Broadway and Valley View Lane, where they have recently completed a new home.

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Hunter Safety Class Planned in Gold Hill

GOLD HILL — A hunter safety course will be given for boys and girls in the Gold Hill area on Thursday and Friday at 7 p.m., according to Walter Dye. The location is to be announced later.

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AWAY FROM HOME—This naturally spotted pinto burro, which belongs to Douglas Silva of Grenada in Siskiyou county, is a member of a special strain usually not seen anywhere outside of Mexico. The small female is unusually intelligent. Gentle, she plays with children only when they play gently with her. If they get rough, she soon tires, and no more play. Her method of "unloading" children consists of lowering one end of her body and allowing them to slide off.

Butte Falls PTA Officers Meet

BUTTE FALLS—An informal meeting of last year's and this year's Parent Teacher association executive committee was held recently at the home of John Henshaw, president, to discuss possible goals for the coming year.

New officers present were acquainted with duties.

General thought was that the PTA should stand ready to assist teachers and the school in areas requested by the teachers.

Due to school getting under

way and new teachers getting settled, the first meeting of the school year will be held Monday evening, October 14 at the high school cafeteria.

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ENTERS AIR FORCE
TALENT—Michael Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Harris, Anderson Creek road, left Thursday for Portland, where he will enter the United States Air Force. He will report to Lackland AFB on Sept. 13.

Regional Roundup

by Cleve Twitchell
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There were a number of interesting points that we were unable to squeeze into last week's story of the talks Daniel Fry, the former missile engineering executive now of Merline, gave for the teachers of the Medford and Ashland districts. The news story led off with Fry's prediction that there are students in high school today who will walk on the surface of Mars and Venus before they are 30, but we didn't have "space" to go through the somewhat complicated explanation of how he arrived at this prediction.

(This points up one of the problems involved in writing up a lengthy talk. It is impossible to report the whole talk in depth. The best one can do is to pick out one or two important points and explore them in detail, merely summarizing the rest.)

The Curve of Development

Fry thinks that present-day scientific development is traveling upward on a rapidly rising curve. Developments made during the past 10 years equal those made in the previous 100, he argues, and those made in the previous 100 equaled what was accomplished in the preceding 1,000 years, and so forth. "Some anthropologists estimate that it took one million years for man to progress from the stone age to the bow and arrow," he said. "An engineer today could do it in 30 minutes, or in an afternoon at the most."

Applying this curve theory to the subject of landing men on Mars and Venus, he looks at it this way: "Ten years ago we thought we could do it in about 200 years. Eight years ago we thought that perhaps we could do it in 100. Five years ago the estimate dropped to around 50." And so on. That is why Fry thinks earth man will land on Mars and Venus in about 10 years.

"The Saturn rocket, which has the thrust to reach Mars and Venus has been tested with results that exceeded expectations," he said. "And we have put men into orbit." If we weren't as concerned about the safety of our astronauts as we are, we might be able to put one on Mars or Venus within one year, he thought.

A Lot Will Happen in 20 Years

Looking at scientific development in general, he made the remark that when Jules Verne wrote his science-fiction books, he was writing to the limit of the imagination of that era. "Just about everything that Jules Verne imagined then has come to pass, so extrapolating the same situation upward on the curve, we can predict that everything within man's imagination today will become reality with perhaps as little as 20 years." That's quite a statement, but he holds to it.

This curve theory is one explanation Fry gives when people ask him how man can possibly hope to travel to planets and star systems that are hundreds, thousands and millions of light years away from earth. He sees no reason why man cannot learn to travel at tremendous speeds, well in excess of the speed of light.

"The theory of relativity does not say that man cannot travel in excess of the speed of light," he said. "It merely says that no one on earth can ever see him do it."

60 Miles Per Hour Once Seemed Fast

At one time, earthlings believed that no man could travel as fast as 60 miles per hour without being crushed by the atmospheric pressure, he points out. Today, astronauts go 18,000 miles per hour when in orbit.

In the talk at Medford, Fry stayed away from his controversial story in which he states that he took a ride in a spacecraft from another planet while employed at White Sands Proving Ground, N.M. in 1950. But after repeating the same talk at Ashland and answering a half hour's worth of questions, he was asked by Superintendent Stanley Jobe to tell the audience his White Sands story. (It appeared in the Mail Tribune Jan. 6, 1963). He told it in an hour with quite a bit of sincerity. The teachers didn't exactly all swallow it, but they appeared to find it difficult to disbelieve.

"We were all impressed with his knowledge," Jobe said later. "The teachers felt he gave them a very good lesson in science."

The New Town Hall Debuts

A couple of Fridays ago, R. E. Nealon referred in "Tablets" to a town hall being built in "Dallas Town." (That is, the Traunian sanctuary above Meadows rd., home of Dallas Purcell and a steadily growing number of other families.) We went up for the community's Labor Day dinner last Monday and are happy to report that the hall is already up, except for the glass in the windows, an insignificant feature in summer.

Everyone appears to be getting along fine up there. And both residents and those who visit periodically during the winter months are especially happy about the fact that the 2 1/2 miles of dirt road in to the sanctuary will be improved in the near future.

Regional Calendar

GOLD HILL—Tuesday, 8 p.m., Gold Hill Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7416 will meet at the V. F. W. hall old stage road. District Commander, Carrol Dewey, Grants Pass will pay the post an official visit.

GOLD HILL—Tuesday, 1 p.m., Gold Hill Health unit meeting in home of Mrs. George Smith, Sardine creek road.

GOLD HILL—Tuesday, 8 p.m., Odd Fellows lodge No. 129 will meet at I. O. O. F. hall.

GOLD HILL — Wednesday, Woman's Society of Gold Hill Community Methodist church will meet at the church. Coffee hour 12:30 noon, business meeting at 1 p.m.

GOLD HILL — Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Gold Hill Volunteer Firemen's meeting at Fire hall.

GOLD HILL — Thursday, Woman's Missionary Council of Gold Hill Assembly of God church, will meet at the church. Prayer and Bible study at 9:30 a.m. and business meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Happy Camp Teachers Hear Talks on New Techniques, Plans

By HAZEL DAVIS
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HAPPY CAMP — A special teacher orientation program was held by the Happy Camp Union Elementary school Aug. 28. Speakers for the program were Dr. and Mrs. Tom Preece, and Mrs. Elsie DeVilla all of Yreka.

Dr. Preece, superintendent of the Yreka Union High school district, spoke on educational problems, giving many examples of how teachers can make subject matter more attractive and stimulate the interest of students.

He said that students need to be praised more for their efforts, rather than discouraged especially in the very early grades. Using himself as an example, he remembered the time he worked very hard on an assignment paper, proudly handed it to a teacher, but when the paper was returned to him found that the paper was covered with many red corrections. This was such a discouragement that he felt why should he try again.

Following luncheon, Mrs. Preece, Yreka Elementary teacher, spoke on the new mathematics program that she has studied to great length and explained how much more students can get out of this new way of presenting the program for greater understanding in a shorter length of time.

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A teacher can overlook some of the mistakes and encourage children to use dictionaries for spelling and give more praise for effort.

Dr. Preece also spoke a good deal on creative writing and thinking which should start from the kindergarten and be followed through the 12th grade. At present this system is being used in Yreka, he said, and the accomplishments are unbelievable.

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Greater Cleveland Mathematics Program is a new concept of mathematics presentation, for better understanding by way of stimulation and greater interest.

Mrs. Elsie DeVilla, county curriculum consultant from the Siskiyou County Schools office, spoke briefly on the special reading program that was conducted in county schools this past summer. Mrs. DeVilla gave a report as to the merits of such a program being in its first year in the county.

She said there were problems, but that they could be ironed out and a better program developed.

In most cases, children who had a reading problem just didn't have the interest to read, she explained. The program was geared to increase interest by supplying books of a wide variety of reading skills and some to interest every boy and girl of any age or grade level.

More individual attention was given to each student during the class, since only two or three students attended the class at one time.

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