

Regional News

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Gold Hill City Council Considering Sewer Charge

GOLD HILL — Mayor Richard Straus has announced that the Gold Hill City Council is contemplating assessment of a sewer charge. He explained that the purpose of a possible sewer charge would be to raise funds for necessary improvements at the city sewage disposal plant.

Revenue from a sewage charge would enable the city to go ahead with work at the disposal system that would bring it up to state standards, he said.

The decision to consider a possible sewer charge was made at the Nov. 4 council meeting, and it followed many months of study on the part of the mayor and council members.

The mayor and council stress that this intended action might avoid a possible bond issue. At least they are making every effort to do so, they said.

Straus invites all interested residents of the city who wish to obtain further information to attend the next regular council session on Monday, December 2 at 7 p.m. in the council chamber at the city hall on Second Avenue. At that time questions will be answered by the mayor and council members.

Action by the council last week put into effect Ordinance No. 335. It prohibits the riding of and regulates the parking of bicycles on public sidewalks in the city and provides penalties for violations.

Reason for the new ordinance was explained that riding of bicycles on the city sidewalks had reached a point where it interfered with the normal pedestrian traffic. It was stated that parking of bicycles on the sidewalks at any time, in any place, and often blocking the sidewalk completely created a health and safety hazard. The police chief, Bill Young, was instructed to enforce the new ordinance.

A request to enter into a mutual aid agreement made by the Talent Rural Fire Protection

District in a letter from Wayne Van Blarcom, chief of the district, was approved by the council.

Roland Washburn, who is serving an elective four year term on the council, informed the mayor and council that he would be living just 20 feet outside the city limits. He has opened the Gold Hill Branch office of the Bill Colley Real Estate Agency and will reside at the new location because of a joint business and residence arrangement.

Since the city charter does not provide an answer for this situation, no action was taken by the mayor and council. Definite action was tabled until the legal aspects can be checked by the city attorney, Bob Grant.

City officials expressed the opinion that if legal arrangements can be made to retain Washburn as a councilman, they want to keep him because they feel he is doing a good job.

Applications for the renewal of liquor licenses for 1964 were approved for John Cogswell, owner of Cogswells Market, and Bill Trow, owner of the Gold Hill Hotel Tavern.

Complaints were heard con-

cerning street lights being out and limbs touching electric wires. Mayor Straus said he would investigate the matters.

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YOUTH AND HOBBY — Dale Varner poses alongside case in which a portion of his model of Disneyland has been on display at Crater High School.

Crater High Youth Building Scale Model of Disneyland

By MARY COLLEY
Mail Tribune Correspondent

CENTRAL POINT — Because of a heart condition which precludes sports and physical activities in which most boys of 16 participate, Dale Varner, a junior at Crater High School, has developed another interest. Using paper, cardboard, plastic, balsa wood, and a lot of imagination he is creating a miniature model of Disneyland, a portion of which has been on display at Crater for the past two weeks.

Working in his spare moments for the past six months he has completed about one-fourth of the project which he hopes to sell to the Disneyland publicity department when completed.

He first became interested in this type of work five years ago through helping with a school project in Southern California. Since then his interest has developed to include "all kinds of art work" including making puppets.

After graduating from high school Varner plans on entering college where he will major in art. More immediate plans are in the making, however, as he will visit Disneyland for the eighth time next summer.

Varner is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Varner, Route 2, Box 542, Central Point. He has a twin brother and a five-year-old sister.

Tiller-Drew PTA Decides on Project

TILLER-DREW — Members of the Tiller-Drew Parent Teachers Association decided last night at their regular meeting to buy a record player for the third and fourth grade room, and to pay for repairs for the record player in the first and second grade room.

Mrs. John Wilson, chairman for the carnival, gave a report on the proceeds from the carnival which was held October 26. A total of \$230 was cleared.

Members decided to have no other money making projects this year. If they have enough money on hand in the spring they will give a \$20 scholarship to be used to send a 4-H member to summer camp.

The newly reorganized Boy Scout Troop will have charge of roller skating on the first and third Saturdays of each month. Glenn Hunter is scoutmaster. The Boy Scouts and Brownies are sponsored by the Tiller-Drew PTA.

Refreshments were served in the school cafeteria by the sixth grade mothers.

Children's Book Week To Open Tuesday At Jacksonville

JACKSONVILLE — The library here is closed today in observance of Veterans Day. It will be reopened tomorrow.

Tomorrow will also mark the start of the celebration of Children's Book Week.

The library has many new children's books and records on display for this occasion. They will be available for loan.

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Health Unit Gets Christmas Seal Letters Prepared

GOLD HILL — Members of Gold Hill Health Unit prepared nearly 600 Christmas Seal sale letters for mailing to local residents during a meeting held in the home of Mrs. Melvin Burnett, Upper River Road, on Nov. 5.

These letters will go in the mail on Friday, Nov. 15 at the mail on Friday, Nov. 15 at the post office here. Mrs. Ted Schoenemann is seal sale chairman for the local unit.

Mrs. John Andreu, unit member who is one of the directors on the board for Jackson County unit of the American Cancer Society, presented a report in regard to a six year cancer survey which was started in the fall of 1959.

The study is expected to be completed in 1964. According to the report 27 counties in Oregon participated in the study with nearly 200 workers involved. Several members of the Gold Hill unit were among the workers.

Mrs. Delos Walker, hospital bed chairman, reported that she has painted the bed which is now in use by a person in this community at the present time.

Reported as a financial success was the rummage sale given recently as a joint project of the unit and Woman's Society of Gold Hill Community Methodist church. Co-chairmen were Mrs. Arthur Boye and Mrs. Paul Molloy.

Miss Elizabeth McGalliard, Jackson County Health nurse, introduced Miss Gail Long, recently a newcomer to Southern Oregon from Iowa. Miss Long is now a member of the staff of nurses at Jackson County Health Department and is learning this area.

Plans were made to hold the Christmas meeting of the group at Rogue Riviera restaurant on Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 1 p.m. It will be a no-host luncheon. There will be a gift exchange of which the cost was set at \$1.

Mrs. Grover T. Mulkey, president, conducted the business meeting. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Andreu and Mrs. Nora Wait.

Ranchers Hear Report on Water

MONTAGUE — A water study for Siskiyou County compiled by the University of California extension office personnel from Yreka was discussed with a large number of Shasta Valley ranchers at the Montague Club Room on the evening of Nov. 6.

An extensive study had been made and compiled as to cost of production, income, yields and water requirements of various crops most common to the area, then presented to the ranchers for their consideration and comments.

This study, as requested by the nine Northern California Counties Supervisors Association, was presented to the ranchers for their approval and advice. Much interest was shown with a few changes suggested by the group.

S. D. Nelson and David L. West, farm advisors, conducted the session. The figures used in the report may have a far reaching effect on future agricultural planning.

Prospect Lions Have Thanksgiving

PROSPECT — At the last meeting of the Prospect Lions Club, held at Becky's Cafe at Union Creek, 54 Lions and Lady Lions were present for the organization's annual Thanksgiving dinner. It was served by Mrs. Cecile Beckelhymer.

Entertainment for the evening was in the form of a page from Mrs. Beckelhymer's family album, with members of the Lions Club playing various roles.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hubbard played the part of grandparents and sang "Side by Side." The Goode brothers, Ralph and Harry, played the part of uncles and sang "When Your Hair Has Turned to Silver." And Mrs. Heston Grieve, playing the part of an aunt, sang "Love's Old Sweet Song."

The Chapman Trio also played and sang several songs.

Fancy Costuming Highlights Little Shasta Gathering

MONTAGUE — Walking Jack-O-Lanterns, Indians, a fat lady and a Spanish dancer in addition to the usual spooks and goblins mystified and entertained a large assemblage at the Halloween Hi Jinks at the Little Shasta School on Friday evening Nov. 1.

Capturing first prize for fancy costuming was Vanita Walters, whose disguise was made of burlap and many hundreds of pheasant feathers, converting her into a beautiful "bird." Second went to Robert Schuster, who was dressed as a witch and third went to Scott Reynolds, who appeared as an authentic Tennessee Mountain boy.

Thirty-five persons, which included the 23 school children, some younger brothers and sisters, and a few adults came in a variety of costumes, making a most difficult job for the judges to pick the finest.

Most of the children were so completely disguised that their teacher, Mrs. Paul Weddle, had difficulty distinguishing them.

A short program, which included numbers by the rhythm band and a story written by the children entertained the crowd. The words of the narration were read by the children, but projected so that it appeared to be coming from the mouth of a huge pumpkin on the stage.

Organized games of pinning the nose on the pumpkin, pie eating contest and bobbing for donuts on strings followed.

Both rooms of the building were especially decorated, lending a spooky atmosphere to the affair.

Serving of refreshments by Mrs. Don Conrod, Mrs. Rollie Schuster and Mrs. James Brummett concluded the activities of the evening.

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