

Midland Empire News

WATER SYSTEM AT TULELAKE STUDIED

TULELAKE — City fathers on Monday checked over specifications for the proposed installation of city water and sewage systems, discussed the pending adoption of a resolution to be presented to B. E. Hayden, superintendent of the Klamath reclamation project, relative to sale of lots adjoining the city and instructed J. W. Carlisle, councilman, to supervise building a fence around the new city dump site.

The first shovelful of dirt should be moved in about 90 days on the water project. The next step will be filling of the city map with newly established boundaries with the Siskiyou county board of supervisors. The board in turn files a copy with the secretary of state.

The council seeks a reduction by resolution of the 90-day ruling on the sale of lots following advertising in order to include the area in the city prior to sale of bonds to finance the water and sewage projects, the resolution to be forwarded to the reclamation bureau at Washington by Hayden.

Stock, it was reported, is scattering debris at the city dump ground and fencing is to be purchased by the city to protect the site. City fathers hope to use FRA labor provided the FRA program is extended from April 15 until June 15 as is being requested.

Silver Lake

Members of the Silver Lake Irrigation district this week began cleaning out and widening the old Bulck and Corum ditch, unused for several years. They plan to use it temporarily this season until the flume used to carry water to the ranches from the diversion dam is repaired.

Jimmie Benefiel, who was doing some road work here with the county caterpillar truck, became ill Tuesday and was taken to Lakeview for medical attention by E. J. Egli.

Mrs. Anne Sprague, county school superintendent, was here from Lakeview Wednesday visiting the school.

George Newman and Frank Wyman began tagging Earl Small's sheep Friday but were forced to lay off by the rain Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. J. W. O'Keefe took her son, Gene, to Minnville Sunday. He is a student at Linfield college and has been spending spring vacation at home.

Dale McBroom, a former Silver Lake resident, is here from California with his bride for a visit to his aunt, Mrs. Ed Lundy. The couple were married Easter Sunday.

Burt and Holly Schroder moved their cattle to summer range at Wagontire this week.

Everett Emery and son, Kenneth, sowed two tons of rye seed on the lake bed near the Lone Pine ranch this week.

Heavy showers and wet snow this week brought a lot of moisture to this section. According to records kept at Fremont ranger station the total precipitation since December 8 has been nine and one-half inches. The creeks are again booming and give promise of plenty of irrigation water next summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Martin went to Bend Sunday to see the first showing there of "Gone With the Wind." Jewell Corum also attended the show at Bend Sunday.

PUREBRED SIRE ADDED TO HERD

TULELAKE — Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Carter have as an addition to their dairy herd, purchased a purebred Guernsey sire, registered at the American Guernsey Cattle club of Petersburg, N. H. The sale was made by W. B. Nettleton, Kirkland, Wash. The animal is registered as Marymoor Hanhud 282835.

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Chiloquin High School Planning Annual Dance

CHILOQUIN — The annual junior-senior banquet and prom will be at Chiloquin high school on the evening of April 20. Detailed plans for this event are being completed by the members of the junior class. The motif has not yet been announced, but the juniors promise to uphold the tradition of presenting an evening of unusual entertainment to the class of 1940 and other guests. The banquet will be the largest ever given at Chiloquin high school as 80 guests will attend.

Following the banquet, the prom will be held in the gymnasium. Buddy Gray and his band will furnish music for an evening of dancing to which the public is invited. Tickets are now on sale for the prom.

The presentation of the prom queen, a senior girl to be selected by the members of the CHS student body, will be one of the highlights of the prom festivities. The identity of the

queen will not be revealed until the time of the presentation on April 20. The following candidates for this honor have been nominated by the senior class: Lona Martin, Pat Zimmerman, Edythe Feldner, Myrtle Dickerson, Marjorie Allen and Betty Branham.

Committees in charge of the prom and banquet plans are as follows:

Prom—Osmar Leigh, Albert Christy, Donald Taylor, Kenneth Ray, Gene Cunial and Alan Horton, chairman.

Favors—Bonnie Frazelle, Gloria Holmes, chairman.

Banquet tables—Jewell Fagan, Ada Giacomelli and Flora Mae Foren, chairman.

Invitations—Ellenor Ruth Blanton, Pat O'Donoghue, chairman.

Publicity—Lois Loosley, Floyd St. Claire, chairman.

Presentation of prom queen—Aldo Giacomelli.

Toastmistress—Ada Giacomelli, junior class president.

RUNOFF WATER GOES OVER DAM

MERRILL — Run off from Langell Valley following the past week of wet weather sent 240 second feet of water over Lower Lost River dam south of Merrill early Tuesday with 100 feet going through the gates. Peak of the run off was expected late the same day. Reclamation officials report a gradual rise in the sump but dikes are in better condition than at any time during the winter and the extra run will have no appreciable effect on the sump.

Henley

Mrs. Winnifred Gillen, home demonstration agent, will be the main speaker at the regular meeting of the Henley PTA on Thursday afternoon, April 4, at 3 o'clock in the junior high school building. As a part of the entertainment the Henley high trumpet quartet, composed of Jack Selk, Tommy Hopkins, Paul Fairclough and Russell Saunders, will play "The Rosary."

Chairman of the nominating committee, Mrs. Lawrence Birk, will report and PTA officers will be elected for next year.

Mrs. Farrell Hilyard was elected president of the Henley Alumni group at a meeting held at her home on Friday afternoon. Other officers elected were: Mrs. Carol Howe, vice president, and Mrs. Harold Delinger, secretary. This group organized for the purpose of sponsoring an annual social meeting of former Henley high school students.

On Saturday evening, April 6, at 7 o'clock a potluck supper will be held in the Henley school cafeteria.

After the supper games and cards will be played. Anyone who has attended Henley high school, whether a graduate or not, is invited to attend this reunion of former students.

The Merrill and Henley Rifle clubs held a competition practice meet on Thursday night. The Henley club was winner by a margin of 80 points.

Hager

HAGER — Mr. and Mrs. Crump and family spent Sunday with the Charles Martin family here.

Mrs. Sarah J. Wilson went to Klamath Falls Monday.

Jack Grafton returned from California last week and has a crew at work now.

Mrs. Lola Beck was a shop-

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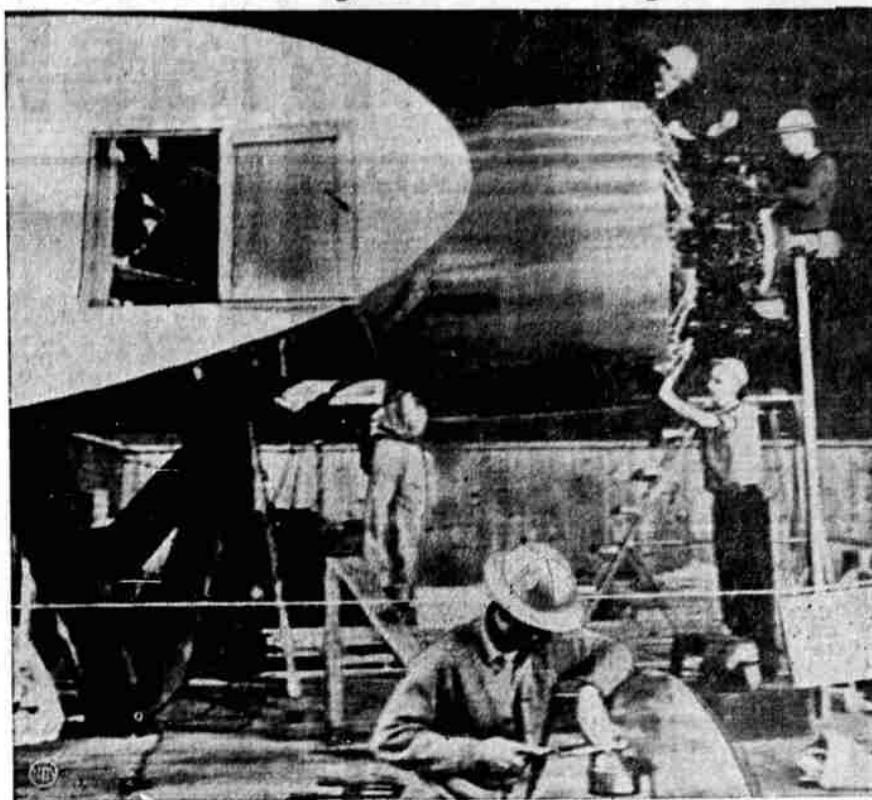
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AMATEUR HOUR PLANNED FOR MERRILL SCHOOL

MERRILL — Free movies will be on the program for the amateur hour planned for Friday evening of this week when local talent from grandma to the baby of the family may appear on the program with a chance to carry off real cash money. The program is sponsored by the elementary school and if entrance blanks that are coming in are any barometer, Merrill folks will be well entertained.

Competition is divided into two groups, all children up to the last four grades in the high school will be entered in one division, this group to include children of pre-school age also. Adults and students of the four upper high school classes must compete.

One reel of pictures will be a travelogue and the second will be a comedy.

Gilchrist

Lynn Norton, registered rest room inspector for Texaco dealers of Oregon and Washington, was a visitor in Gilchrist Monday.

Frank Gilchrist, Jr., celebrated his birthday Monday.

Among the visitors to Gilchrist from Bend Monday were Don Nettleton, Harry Swanson and Bill Curtiss.

Miss Annette Gearhart of Timbers, will leave April 7 for Pennsylvania where she will visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Kellum and daughter, Jeanette, visited Mrs. Kellum's parents in Klamath Falls Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Gilbert and son, Rodney, were here Sunday from Bend to visit Mr. and Mrs. Roger Underwood. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Gilbert's brother, Robert Iler of Gilchrist.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Speakman and Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Caldwell of Portland were visitors at the home of their son and daughter, respectively, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Speakman.

Allied Economic Warfare May Force Fuehrer Into Major Military Offensive

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

Every move which the Anglo-French allies are making in their intensified campaign against Germany is directed primarily toward economic strangulation rather than military offensives.

The allied parliaments which just before the Easter recess gave their cabinets round trouncings for alleged lack of initiative in conduct of the war, are finding at their resumed sittings today that plenty of initiative has developed, but that there has been no fundamental change of policy.

England and France continue to depend mainly on their blockade, which they are now in process of repairing and supplementing vigorously, to choke Germany into submission.

This allied policy of economic strangulation doesn't mean that battles won't be fought. It does mean, however, that barring some exceptional development that the initiative for any major offensive in the near future is likely to come from Hitler, if at all.

And when I say Hitler, I mean precisely that. He alone throws the switch that sets the reich military machine in motion. Never have we had a clearer exemplification of the military maxim that it's not a soldier's business to think, but only to obey.

This is a crazy war in which anything might happen, but circumstances entitle us to presume that Hitler will be governed in his military program by the amount of pressure put on him by the blockade. His claim up to this juncture has been that he could beat the allies at their own economic game, and his present activities indicate that he isn't through playing it yet.

One wonders, however, whether the fuehrer's ideas have been changed any by the sudden coolness of his friends

Stalin and Mussolini. Soviet Premier Molotov Saturday announced that Russia is going to remain neutral. And a high quarter in Rome said that the triple entente that Hitler hoped to effect—Germany, Russia and Italy—isn't a possibility at this time.

In any event, an economic struggle obviously means protracting the war.

Time is running against Germany, for the blockade already has been damaging. Hitler must either repair that damage quickly or strike with his fighting arms. Probably he feels that he can afford to gamble a bit longer on the chance of improving his position in the Balkans and through Russia.

It seems to me, however, that the moment the probability develops in his mind that he is going to be beaten in the economic struggle, he is bound to lash out with his military weapons to try to save himself. Then may come the "blood bath" Berlin has been threatening.

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ADDITIONS MADE IN GAME REFUGE

WASHINGTON, April 3 (AP) — The migratory bird conservation commission approved today the expenditure of \$349,466 by the biological survey to acquire 48,502 acres of land to be added to 20 existing wild life refuges.

The largest acquisitions were authorized in Oregon where 20,323 acres will be added to the Hart mountain antelope refuge near Lakeview and 14,751 acres to the Malheur migratory bird refuge near Burns.

Among other biological survey refuges where land will be added:

Skagit refuge, Mt. Vernon, Wash., 89 acres; Willapa refuge, Nasel, Wash., 201.

Oklahoma Seeks Alcatraz Breakers

TULSA, Okla., April 3 (U.P.) — The possibility two Oklahoma desperadoes, supposedly dead, had returned to the state three years after they escaped from Alcatraz prison had peace officers on alert today.

If the reported reappearance of Ralph Roe and Ted Cole were true, police believed they would have evidence shortly in the way of bank robbery, kidnapping or a gun battle.

Two hitch-hikers, John Belcher, 37, Paintsville, Ky., and Lester Crawford, 18, Springfield, Mo., looked at a police picture of Roe and said he was the man who gave them a lift in a coupe Monday night. They said he identified himself as "an escaped convict from Alcatraz," carried a revolver and rifle, and said the driver of a coupe following "escaped from the rock (Alcatraz) with me."

Pennsylvania has more blast furnaces than any other state, with 78; Ohio ranks second with 38, and Illinois third with 23.

OREGON SPEAKERS WILL HAVE CHARGE OF LAKEVIEW MEET

LAKEVIEW — A group of students from the speech department of the University of Oregon have charge of the program at the next meeting of the Lake county chamber of commerce which will be held next Monday noon. Professor Dahlberg is bringing three trained speakers with him who will discuss some of the most important subjects of the day. A similar program which was given two years ago, proved to be very popular with the business men of the community.

GRESHAM SPEAKER BEATS MALIN BOY

PORTLAND, April 2 (UP) — Wade Bettis, Gresham, Ore., high school youth, today won the right to represent Oregon in the western district Future Farmers of America public speaking contest in Seattle May 6.

Bettis, speaking on "Advertising As an Aid to Farming," defeated Keith Shepard, Redmond, and Elvin Asher, Amity, in the finals today. Earlier he had outpointed Rodney Moura, Baker; Richard Halousek, Malin; and George Stout, Cottage Grove.

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