

'Y' CENTER PROPOSED

EDITOR'S NOTE: Herewith is the text of a report by Dr. Lawrence Riggs, Willamette University, on his investigation of the possible need of a YMCA-YWCA center in Klamath Falls. It was presented at a general meeting here last night. See story on Page One.

Observations:

1. Group work agencies as they operate at present cover only a portion of the population. There is general agreement that a YM-YW center would not only cause no conflict in program but would actually help existing programs.
2. Adequate meeting facilities are at a premium. There is special need for lounging rooms with opportunities to read, wait for friends, etc.
3. Young people of Klamath Falls have a good deal of free time. This is due in part to the fact that the schools operate on a basis making it possible for the youngsters to get most of their homework done at school. About one third of the boys and girls are free on any one evening of the week.
4. The extra curricular program at the school, while excellent for those it reaches, does not reach enough. The athletic program reaches a small proportion of the students, except for the regularly conducted gym classes.
5. Young people agree on their need for more provision for leisure time and recreational activities. They are unanimous in their interest in opportunities to swim. They have learned to swim at school and now want opportunities to swim for pleasure outside of classes. This is also true of a number of young adults. There is interest in more opportunities to bowl.
6. Coordination between existing agencies is lacking. A Y center could provide much desirable coordination and could be a genuine community service if it proceeded on a basis which did not involve narrow self interest.
7. A civic recreation program, as operated through the municipal recreation commission is at a minimum. The program is seriously handicapped by a lack of funds. There is a need for a strong central municipal recrea-

tion program with adequate leadership.

Local parks having tennis courts or baseball diamonds are in a state of disrepair so that at times it is virtually impossible to use them for their intended purposes.

Commercial recreation facilities are not adequate for the basic needs of the community except for the theatres. Even these are pressed by continuous crowds.

There is strong interest in a Y center and evidence that money and support otherwise would be forthcoming for such an enterprise. At least one organization (Klamath Council of Church Women) and countless individuals have gone on record as favoring the establishment of a Y center.

Recommendations:

1. It is recommended that a Y center with a program for young men, young women, boys and girls be established in Klamath Falls.
2. A campaign should be pressed immediately to raise funds toward building and program.
3. A strong and well-trained man and a forceful, capable woman should be brought in immediately to begin the program work. This should not precede the raising of funds, however.
4. Coordination, cooperation and community service must be basic in whatever program is undertaken.
5. When building facilities are available, emphasis should be on the building program. It would probably not be wise to undertake an extensive neighborhood program for some time, if at all.
6. The building should be arranged so its facilities could be used by men's groups and women's groups, by boys and girls separately, as well as in cooperation with each other.
7. The meeting rooms must be flexible and should range in size from the fireplace type room for committee meetings to rooms accommodating up to five or six hundred people.
8. A comfortable eating place should be provided and this should be open to the public and

ought to be of the lunch-counter type rather than a formal dining room or cafeteria. Private dining facilities for groups of 30 to 100 would be possible through a multiple-use room or other provision.

The multiple-use room should be constructed with due consideration given to the need for a program of audio-visual aids. Sound motion pictures should be provided for.

It is recommended that consideration be given to a listening room where radio and/or radio phonograph equipment can be used by individuals or small, informal groups.

The advisability of bowling alleys should be considered.

A gymnasium with special equipment for individual use should be provided as well as special rooms for special physical conditioning equipment.

A standard size swimming pool with ample spectator space must be provided. The spectator space could be flexible and of use as program-activity space with careful planning. The wide use of films for teaching swimming (used throughout the Y programs) should be provided for in or near the swimming pool area.

Certain considerations with reference to program should be made. The cost of program should be kept within the reach of all who could benefit by and cooperate in it.

Special reference should be made to program for young adults and to community service. It would be well to eventually consider the possibility of including rather complete educational-personal counselling services such as many Y's provide.

It is the opinion of the investigator that a positive, well-planned program including the features suggested above, would find acceptance in Klamath Falls if in the hands of well-trained leaders who are personally as well as professionally qualified for their work.

Lawrence Riggs.
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credit against taxes for the preceding or subsequent year.

Urges Refunds

McAvoy urged that discharged veterans be forgiven income taxes up to \$250 owed from 1941 to the time of discharge, and that refunds up to \$250 be granted veterans who paid their taxes during that period.

He said the CIO recommends that the excess profits tax be continued until Jan. 1, 1947 and that its carry-back carry-forward provisions be repealed. The house voted to reduce the present effective rate of 85.5 per cent to 60 per cent.

For relief of small businesses the CIO recommends a \$5,000 exemption from the corporate income tax, lowering rates for enterprises with net incomes of less than \$100,000, and giving incorporated small businesses the right to be taxed as partnerships.

McAvoy contended that the house-approved changes in the excess profits tax would give 900 corporations a tax reduction of \$1,797,000,000 and that proposed horizontal reductions in the corporate income tax also would benefit primarily large corporations.

Likes Reporter

Taft told a reporter before the senate finance committee that he likes the way Secretary Fred M. Vinson wants to go about easing the drain on citizens' pocketbooks.

The house cut \$5,350,000,000 off prospective 1946 tax bills. Vinson's reductions added up to \$5,175,000,000. But the house didn't do it his way.

Taft said he thought Vinson had worked out a pretty good program. The treasury secretary wants the excess profits tax ended next January 1. The house voted to reduce it, but keep it until Jan. 1, 1947.

Vinson wanted the normal income tax on individuals repealed. The house did it another way that seemed to give those with larger incomes a break.

"I'm in favor of getting rid of the excesses first and not just handing out tax reductions to certain groups," Taft asserted. He meant, he said, the elimination first of the abnormal taxes that bulged out in the war.

Taft, Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) and others have questioned, however, whether this is the time to cut down some of the wartime "luxury" taxes.

AVALOS DISAVOWS STRONG MAN ROLE

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and unobtrusive mind, said simply: "I am not the boss."

"I am carrying out the orders of officers of the army," he declared.

Several prominent civilians have been approached by the 67-year-old Alvarez, who himself still was undecided last night about accepting the interior ministry. His first effort, a tender of the foreign ministry portfolio to Tomas Lebreton, former ambassador to London, met with failure. Vice Admiral Vernengo Lima, navy minister, meanwhile has taken over the duties of acting foreign minister.

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Relief Sought For Gold Miners

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (AP)—Four western senators will seek government relief for gold mine operators whose properties were closed throughout most of the war as an emergency measure.

They said today they will introduce a bill to permit a mine owner to claim the cost of placing his mine in a workable condition and to recover maintenance and other losses sustained during the inactive years.

The four are Senators Murray (D-Mont.), Taylor (D-Idaho), McFarland (D-Ariz.) and Hayden (D-Calif.).

There would be no payment for lost production under the measure.

CIO WORKMEN FORCE PICKETS FROM 2 PLANTS

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at all because of lack of inspectors. At Coos Bay Logging a manager pinch hit as inspector. Port Orford Cedar expected to be able to operate for two weeks without reaching a point where inspectors would be needed.

Trucks Turned Back

Continuing its drive to halt movement of all lumber, the AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers union said it turned back 25 trucks of lumber from CIO mills here. Drivers who refused to return were followed to their destination for establishment of picket lines.

One small retail yard, Wilson Lumber company, was picketed here today. The yard's non-union workers, however, ignored the line.

John Christenson, chairman of the AFL strike policy committee, said the session was "just in the 'feeling-out' process. No formal negotiations have yet been scheduled." He added that "although we are receiving offers from various operators, any prediction that the strike is nearing an end is premature."

The majority of large operators, working through their associations, are still refusing to negotiate with us."

Wage negotiations between CIO lumber works and northwest operators were resumed today and at the same time an agent for one group of Oregon mills idle in the three week old strike of 61,000 AFL sawmill workers was meeting with AFL officers.

The CIO negotiations have been underway with a U. S. labor department conciliation commission for more than a week, while the offer of the Willamette Valley Lumber Operators' association to discuss settlement of 61,000 AFL demands was the first bid by an operators' group in the four states.

Captain Coggeshall Awarded Medal

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The award, established in memory of former army Surgeon General William Crawford Gorgas of Panama Canal fame, was founded by Wyeth Incorporated of Philadelphia.

Capt. Lowell T. Coggeshall, USNR, senior medical officer at the Klamath Falls Marine Barracks, was frankly surprised today when newsmen called him to ask about his winning the Gorgas medal of the association of military surgeons of the U. S.

"I hadn't heard about it," he said, "but I suspected something must be in the air when I recently received orders to be in Washington at the end of this month."

Captain Coggeshall is on leave of absence from the University of Michigan, where he holds the chairmanship of tropical diseases in the school of public health. The Klamath Falls Marine Barracks, where the record of work done in behalf of marines suffering from malaria and filariasis has won national attention, was conceived and developed under Dr. Coggeshall's direction. He has been at the head of the navy medical department there from the time the installation was commissioned in May, 1944. Beginning with the commission of lieutenant commander, he rose to the rank of captain in the navy reserve.

Prior to coming here, Dr. Coggeshall was medical director of Pan American airways.

Investigation Set In Negro Killing

PORTLAND, Oct. 16 (AP)—The county grand jury investigation of the fatal shooting of Ervin Jones, negro, by Detective Bard Purcell will start tomorrow at 10 a. m.

Witnesses have been subpoenaed. Attorney General Neuner will present the case at the request of District Attorney Thomas B. Handley, whose deputy witnessed the shooting.

Returns—Friends of Hamilton Clark, brother of George Clark of 2021 Lavey, will be interested to learn that he has returned after 23 months overseas and is now visiting his relatives here and enjoying the hunting. Clark arrived Sunday from Camp Beale, Calif. He intends to return to college this fall.

To Portland—Mrs. R. E. Geary, accompanied by her mother and sister, Mrs. C. H. Gallogly and Maude Gallogly, have returned to their homes in Portland after a visit at the E. A. Geary ranch on Lakeshore road.

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eration by the general public was urged.

Maxwell Presents

James Maxwell, area executive of the YMCA, was present at the meeting, and discussed building plans at some length. He suggested the possibility of a building costing in the neighborhood of \$250,000 to house all the community services proposed for Klamath Falls. There was some discussion of the possibility of using the present USO building, 11th and Walnut, after the USO program is concluded.

Club rooms, lounge room, swimming pool, gymnasium, snack bar and other facilities were proposed for the center here. Dr. Riggs emphasized his opinion that it should be a YMCA-YWCA set-up for both sexes.

From those present at the night meeting there were expressions of enthusiasm over such a program and, it was agreed that if the community support is forthcoming the center would fill a great need here. There was some discussion of the possibility that the center would include a lounge, rest rooms and meeting place for visitors coming into Klamath Falls from nearby areas to shop, filling a business need felt in this city.

Financial support for a "Y" center would be raised locally. Upkeep of the suggested building would amount to something around \$7000 annually. Other costs would include the program and salary of workers. Part of current financing would come from memberships, and an annual contribution of possibly \$10,000 would be needed from the community chest or in similar manner. In some places, dormitories are a source of revenue for YMCA and YWCA centers.

Dr. Riggs' report as he read it is given on page 2 of this paper.

WEED MAN DIES IN AUTO WRECK

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eled curve. Injured were Kegg and his passengers, Bert Stevens, Weed high school student and Phyllis Stubblefield, Castella. None was critically hurt. Kegg is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kegg, Weed.

A third weekend accident in this area occurred Sunday at 6 p. m., when a car driven by Mrs. Mattie Courts Stockett, 45, formerly of Yreka and now of Beaver Creek on the Klamath river, plunged 500 feet over a cliff six miles north of Yreka on Highway 99 just over the Pioneer bridge, which crosses Little Shasta river.

Mrs. Stockett was thrown from the car some 300 feet down the cliff and miraculously escaped death. She was returned to Yreka for treatment. The car was demolished at the foot of the cliff.

Several other persons were injured in two additional accidents this weekend, one in the Weed vicinity, the other near Gazelle.

Joint Meeting—The Klamath county chamber of commerce aviation committee and the city airport commission will hold a joint meeting Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock to compile final instructions for Phil Hitchcock who will appear before the civil aeronautics board in Washington regarding an airline for Klamath Falls.

Merrill Unit—Mrs. Winifred K. Gheen will conduct the meeting of the extension unit in Merrill tonight, Tuesday, on "developing good taste in clothes." It will be held at the high school at 7 o'clock. Mrs. Lena Buck is the chairman.

British Blamed For Revolution In Indonesia

LONDON, Oct. 16 (AP)—The Hilversum radio said tonight that the Dutch minister of overseas territory had blamed the British for a "mistake" in policy in Indonesia and announced that Holland was ready to negotiate with revolutionists in the rich Colonial Empire islands.

Prof. H. A. Logemann, the minister, was quoted also as telling the Dutch lower house that Holland would "do all in its power" to send troops to Indonesia to restore order and was "watching with anxiety the very slow pace of the British authorities."

Leaders Wanted—Fall and winter 4-H clubs will be organized at Shasta, Altamont, Rosevelt and Fairhaven Thursday and Friday this week. Anyone interested in becoming a 4-H club leader of any of these units please contact Mrs. Beulah Holland, acting 4-H club agent, federal building, phone 8151.

Brownell Blasts Administration GEN. PARKER GIVEN HERO'S WELCOME

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (AP)—Herbert Brownell Jr., republican national chairman, said today that congress has been dealt out of writing the peace.

"I see no immediate prospect of a peace conference," Brownell told the Advertising club of Washington in a prepared speech. "In the present circumstances I think it more probable that decisions will be taken in the future... as in the past... by executive determination only."

"Thus the administration will have assumed the sole responsibility for the terms of the major settlement of Europe, there will have been no expression of choice on the part of the American people, there will have been no advice and consent from the senate."

PORTLAND, Oct. 16 (AP)—Maj. Gen. George M. Parker Jr., commander of the 2nd army corps on Bataan who was captured in the fall of Corregidor, was given a hero's welcome home here yesterday.

After a guard of honor and military band led his car from the Union station, he spoke at the city's victory center and then drove to Vancouver, Wash., barracks where he was given a 19 gun salute.

The lean Philippine defender, who spent three years in a Japanese prisoner of war camp in Manchuria and once was threatened with execution, was commander of the 7th infantry at Vancouver when he left for the Philippines in 1940.

Dr. Simms Named Chief Of Bureau

CORVALLIS, Oct. 16 (AP)—Dr. B. T. Simms, for 25 years head of the Oregon State college veterinary medicine department, has been named chief of the bureau of animal industry, Washington D. C., friends learned today.

Simms left here in 1938 to direct the federal regional disease laboratory, Auburn, Ala.

Fund Business—There will be a meeting Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock of the executive board of the Klamath Community fund, to plan ways of stimulating the drive.

Carpenters Will Meet—Carpenters auxiliary 291 will hold a meeting Wednesday night, followed by special entertainment and refreshments.

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