

S. 6th Property Holders Propose Street Lighting Program To City Council

South Sixth street property holders notified the city council last night that they are anxious to develop attractive and useful ornamental lighting for that section of the newly-widened street from the viaduct to the Tower theatre.

A petition for the formation of a lighting district was read to the councilmen, and George Conner, president of the South Sixth Improvement association, said that "South Sixth should be lighted both for safety purposes and for the general welfare of the city."

Conner cited the necessity of good lighting along the new roadway and stressed that it should be put in before the sidewalk on the south side of the street is laid so that no additional expense would be incurred on installing the underground conduits. He pointed out the extremely hazardous condition of the street if not lighted, or if inadequately lighted, and said that the auto insurance rates of the city are determined by the traffic on South Sixth.

Three petitions were presented containing the signatures of a large majority of the property owners along the street. Conner explained that the taxable value of their property extended only to the first fifty feet from the street.

S. I. Ritchey, district manager of the California Oregon Power company, told the council that there were three ways that the lighting unit could be handled.

First, the city can own the fixtures and maintain them, paying Copco only for the power; second, the city own the fixtures and Copco maintain and furnish the power; or third, Copco would take over the entire operation and ownership. He explained that approximately 51 fixtures would be needed, and that Copco had set poles on the north side of the street according to lighting specifications, but ornamental posts would have to be erected on the south side. The plan calls for a staggering of light along the stretch from the end of the viaduct to the Tower theatre.

Conner voiced the opinion that Copco should take over the entire lighting right from the start by saying, "This is going to cost money to start, they have the dough and we don't."

The whole question was referred to the public utilities committee and the city attorney with instructions to get together with the offices of the improvement association for further discussion. If a lighting district is formed and the lights installed, the city would collect from the property holders a monthly payment that would pay for the power and amortize the cost of the lighting fixtures investment. The council was 25 minutes late in meeting Monday evening due to the unavoidable absence of Councilman Miller, in bed with a severe cold, and Councilman Smith who was stuck in Roseburg while returning from Portland. Councilman Newton, the third councilman necessary for a quorum, finally arrived at 8 o'clock.

Sewage Problem
E. A. Thomas, city engineer, told the council that something should be done about the sewage in the new South Sixth street addition to the city, and a special improvement unit formed for the construction of such a sewage system in the area. He was given an O. K. by the council to begin the formulation of plans and make a survey of the new district for that purpose. He also reminded the council that about 1939 the city with the aid of WPA labor had started the construction of a storm sewer

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Protesting Veterans Sleep In Los Angeles Park



Allen J. Holsinger, one of more than 1000 veterans who slept in MacArthur park, Los Angeles, in protest against the housing shortage, settles down for a smoke before securing for the night. The demonstration was sponsored by American veterans committee. —AP wirephoto.

Union Organizers Ordered Out Of Town By Farmers

BRUCETON, Tenn., Jan. 14 (AP)—A band of 150 grim-faced, roughly dressed men who escorted their wives and daughters to work in a shirt factory this morning trudged three-quarters of a mile through a misty rain to receive assurances that two CIO union organizers would quit this west Tennessee town.

The decision of two women representatives of the CIO's Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America to leave town "before noon" came after a spokesman for the escort interviewed them at their boarding house.

"We will leave before noon," said Eula McGill of Birmingham and May Morgan of Knoxville, who have been in charge of organizational efforts at the Henry I. Siegel shirt factory here.

Tall, slender Lindel Cole, a 40-year-old farmer, told the union women:

"We don't want any trouble. We just want you to leave town and before noon. If you don't go we will call on you again tomorrow morning."

Miss McGill said she had "no comment" to make on the matter but responded to a question that she was "sure the CIO will continue efforts to organize the plant."

Marshal Hill Taylor stood by as Cole spoke to the women, saying he was present "to see that there is no trouble." Taylor said he had promised the organizers they would not be harmed. The men who accompanied their wives and daughters to the shirt factory gates for the 7 a. m. opening, broke up immediately after their spokesman told the union organizers of their stand.

Before dawn the men, mostly Benton and Carroll county farmers and day workers, made their way to the plant determined to see that no one interfered with their women-folk.

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Francis, who once cheated the electric chair when a mechanical malfunction allowed him to walk away from it alive, was singularly cool when he learned that the United States supreme court had ruled him subject to another trip to the chair.

"I always sort of wondered if I was a brave man," the tall, co-coa-colored negro said in an interview here.

"Now I guess maybe I'm gonna find out. And I'm gonna find out the hard way, boss, so there won't be no doubt in my mind when I leave. A lot of men never find out. A lot of men die still wondering if they was the men they thought they was."

Told by his attorney, Bertrand S. De Blanc, that a motion will be filed for another supreme court hearing, Francis said simply:

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Morse Gives Eisenhower Top Chance

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower "has the best chance of all the candidates on both sides" to occupy the White House in 1948, in the opinion of Sen. Wayne Morse, Oregon republican.

Speaking in a radio forum broadcast, Morse said also that he believed "Mr. Truman is definitely in the ring" for the presidential nomination.

"He is slugging right now, and he has the republicans on the defensive." The Oregon senator assailed republican tax-reduction proposals as "one of the most atrocious cases of public deception in the past quarter of a century."

"They should tell the people that now is the time to save and pay our debts or the dollar won't be worth a quarter of what it is today," he said.

"If the republicans continue their anti-labor policy and their fiscal policies which will lead to fiscal isolation, they will lose both congress and the White House in 1948—and they will give us the worst era of labor unrest in the history of the country."

Morse sized up the 1948 presidential prospects in these words: There are too many republicans after the same job, they'll wash each other out by 1948.

"People are more interested in personalities than in party labels, and in that connection there is a great deal of interest in Gen. Eisenhower."

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Wood River Valley Gets Copco Line

California Oregon Power company has completed installation of a short extension line to serve additional customers in the Crooked creek area at the edge of Wood river valley.

Four customers will be served by the line, about a mile in length. Copco officials said that they understand the Indian service plans an extension to the lookout on Agency butte, to be used for radio and other purposes.

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