

# City Dads Have Quiet Meeting With Routine Matters Up For Action

City council session as the city dads had only routine business on the meeting agenda. Donald L. Sloan, Klamath Falls businessman, presented a petition asking vacation of a group of lots in Eldorado Heights and Sunnyside addition, where he plans to construct a rental housing unit.

Last night was the time for objections to the vacation, but no objections were heard. The petition was turned over to City Attorney Henry Perkins for a final check.

The city fathers heard a report from the police committee and city inspectors on their check-up of the R. P. Oliver building at 228 N. 8th,

which was turned over to the Teen-Age club for a youth center.

The report specified that the top floor of the building should not be used for teen-age gatherings, but may be used by the caretaker or for storage. Other specifications are that stairways be widened, doors remodeled to swing out instead of in, addition of a fire escape, addition of exit lights, that there be no smoking in the building, and other safety precautions.

A delegation of Soroptmist club members was present to ask that additional lights be installed on 11th from Washington to Pine, and in Esplanade from the 1300 block to Alameda, for safety of children walking through the areas at night. A meeting of the street committee and city engineer was set for today, Tuesday, for further discussion and action.

### Noise Again

N. F. Lentz, the council's most regular visitor, was back again, to demand action about the noise made by unsmuffed trucks in the neighborhood of the Wonder apartments on 2nd street. The mayor and chief of police were appointed to look into the problem.

The council officially okayed its plan to pay the city's share for paving Upham street with money from the state gas fund, and stipulated that the money be repaid from sale of city-owned lots in the area.

Police Chief Orville Hamilton was granted use of the council chamber two afternoons a week for four weeks beginning March 22 for the regional police school to be held here.

The old stone Hampton building, subject of recent controversy between the Klamath Art association and the Daughters of the American Revolution, came into the discussion again last night.

The art group was given use of the building several days ago, and the DAR also invited to use it as a meeting place. In order to clarify the city's position, councilmen voted to have the city building inspector go over the structure to check for safety. Several years ago, the building was condemned. The city has specified that the building must be repaired before it can be used.

A property owner on Oregon avenue directed a complaint about a sign board at the corner of Oregon and Donald to the city dads. The poster panel has become a place for trash to collect and is a hazard for youngsters in the neighborhood who play on it. Mayor Ed Ostendorf was directed to write Foster and Kleiser company about removal of the sign, and councilmen discussed a plan for the sign company to notify people on adjacent property when a sign was to be put up near them so that any objections would come before the sign was installed.

## SIDE GLANCES



"Now it's my legs—I think this continual running to doctors' offices doesn't do them a bit of good!"

## High School

News and Comment  
By MARY LOU CASE



Twenty-three intelligent upper-classmen were handed little white envelopes today containing the news that they had been accepted into the Torch honor society. An induction ceremony and formal banquet is scheduled for April 7, at which time the students will be formally admitted into the ranks of the honor society.

New initiates are seniors Tom Orr and Bruce Crawford; juniors, Pat Ward, Sharon Williams, Helen Jackson, Bob Hooker, Janet Russell, Margaret Wedel, Barbara Perkins, Beverly Young, Priscilla Hutchins, Merlene Birmingham, Gary Smith, Joanne Robinson, Boyd Carstensen, Gaila Elchendorf, Evelyn Howland, Marcella Murray, John Young, Ken Torgerson, Ronnie Redman, Gordon Fletcher and Margaret Hartell. Marian McIntyre was the honor society's member in charge of invitations. Other committee heads for the banquet include Bill Southwell and Doris Ehrig, program; Ruthie Huston, place cards; Donna Rae Worden, decorations; President John Epley, initiation ceremony; and Mary Lou Case, general chairman. Miss Orpha Hudson advises the honor society.

In private cars the Pelicans started out today on their trip to Eugene. Wishes for the best of luck go with them; from the folks on this side of the mountain, and probably by tomorrow lots of rooters will join them too, to see the games for themselves.

To celebrate St. Patrick's Day, March 17, the Krater is putting on a matinee dance. Helen Jackson, Krater news editor, is general chairman for the dance; assisting her as committee chairmen are Claudette Gleason, publicity; John Kerbow, concessions; and Marcella Murray, decorations.

Tryouts for the senior play, "Comedy of Errors," are being held all

this week. Director Mrs. Genevieve Oppen is looking over the talent in the class to fill her cast, needing 12 boys and 4 girls as well as many to act as extras. Also needed are stage workers, costume girls and the like.

Invitations for the basketball banquet March 25 were given to the basketball players Monday. The Buglar 'N Spice girls, who sponsor the banquet, made the red cardboard invitations, with the writing done in white ink. Totsie Liskey was chairman of the invitations committee.

## Tornado Rips Up Alabama Town

FLORENCE, Ala., March 15 (AP)—Approximately 75 houses were destroyed or badly damaged early today when a tornado struck East Florence.

Clyde Anderson, business man, said 200 or more persons were homeless in the suburb and that property damage would exceed \$500,000. All communication lines into Florence were out. Facilities into Sheffield and Tusculumbia, south of the Tennessee river, were also crippled.

## Car Thief Faces Charge

PORTLAND, Ore., March 16 (AP)—Donald Carl Prause, 30, Goldendale, Wash., was held under \$2500 bail today on a federal car theft charge which involved a 1946 gun battle with police at Chinook, Wash.

Prause was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner R. A. Leedy late yesterday after his arrest in Independence by FBI agents and Police Chief Ray Howard.

Police said Prause escaped from a Multnomah county jail gang in March, 1946. He is charged with transporting a stolen automobile from Portland to Chinook, Wash., October 30, 1946. The driver of the car escaped at that time in a running gun battle. Police later recovered the automobile.

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## Reds Replace Minister To Ankara

WASHINGTON, March 16 (AP)—American officials turned wary eyes toward Turkey today for signs of renewed Russian pressure.

They read this meaning into an announcement that Moscow not only has decided to send a new ambassador to Ankara but picked a young and vigorous communist official for the post.

He is Alexander Lavrishtes, known as a Kremlin trouble-shooter in the Balkans. A former ambassador to Bulgaria, Lavrishtes more recently was chief of the Soviet delegation on the United Nations border commission.

Russia has cold shouldered Turkey for more than a year, after letting up on a campaign to win joint control of the strategic Dardanelles and to take over the Turkish border areas of Kars and Ardhan. This campaign reached a peak in 1946 when the previous Soviet envoy left for Moscow and failed to return.

Records here indicate that Lavrishtes is only 36. One report, not fully substantiated, described him as an advocate of a Soviet policy of getting tough with Turkey.

However, any idea that Turkey may be next on the Soviet expansion list is utterly well ruled out by diplomatic authorities. Prevailing opinion seems to be that the most immediately critical areas are Italy, Finland and Greece, in that order.

Turkey's fate is bound up with that of Italy and especially nearby Greece. As for that troubled country, Moscow for the first time has started referring to the guerrilla regime of rebel General Marcos Vlahides as a "government."

This reference was made in a Moscow broadcast recorded by U. S. government monitors. The broadcast quoted the communist newspaper Pravda.

## Volga River Dam To Be Erected

MOSCOW, March 16 (AP)—Pravda announced today construction has begun on a gigantic hydro-electric power station near Gorky on the Volga river.

The dam across the wide Volga will be seven miles long. It will contain 1,000,000 cubic yards of concrete and reinforced concrete, the newspaper said. A large part of the power from the dam will go to Gorky and Moscow industry. Pravda did not estimate what the output would be.

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