

City Councilmen Approve Lighting Ordinance; Air Service Plan Gets Okay

The way was cleared last night for the long-awaited lighting of the city's business district when city councilmen approved the lighting ordinance after third and final readings.

The contract with The California Oregon Power company calls for installing 88 light units on Main from Second to Esplanade, Klamath from Fourth to Twelfth, Pine from Fourth to Eleventh, Esplanade from Main to Alameda, and intersecting side streets.

The cost to the city will be in the neighborhood of \$11,000 on a 10-year contract.

Mayor Robert A. Thompson appointed Howard Perrin to the planning commission after formal resignation as chairman of that body had been received by Bert Igl.

Councilmen concurred in Perrin's appointment.

The city dads were unanimous in backing the fight for direct air service from Klamath Falls to Portland and San Francisco and assured Klamath County Chamber of Commerce Manager Charles R. Stutz, who appeared last night before the council, that he and Senator Phil Hitchcock, who will appear at a civil aeronautics board hearing in San Francisco next Monday, "count speak for the city of Klamath Falls" in urging the direct air service.

They went further in authorizing Lawrence Slater, chairman of the city airport commission, to accompany Stark and Hitchcock on the bay city trip.

The council authorized the mayor to contact the bureau of reclamation in addition to flooded conditions at the canal near Home and Division streets where paving is being damaged.

Councilmen also decided to contact the county court in an attempt to work out a plan whereby the city and county could share costs of fixing Washburn Way, where the winter weather caused considerable damage to the entire length of Washburn's roadbed.

In other street improvement matters, the city fathers will contact the Klamath school district board in regard to the improvement of the Wall street on the high school hill.

Councilman Darrell Miller felt that curbs should also be installed in addition to the asphalt or concrete paving, for which bids will be opened next Monday.

Councilmen felt that addition of curbs to the task would be necessary, and that the school district may be willing to share the cost of the job.

A clause in the warranty deed from the city to Ellingson's mill for purchase of dog pound and cemetery mill made with opposition from Bob Ellingson during the council session.

The clause, prohibiting selling, leasing or renting the property without permission of the city, was included to prevent the establishment of any "objectionable industry" on the site, councilmen said.

The upshot of the discussion was agreement to call a session of City Attorney Henry Perkins, Ellingson's attorney and the judiciary committee to work out a solution.

The street committee will study the request of Roseway drive residents for installation of additional lighting from Oregon avenue to the top of Roseway.

George Clark, Yellow Cab owner, was given approval by the council for an additional cab stand at Sixth and Main near Hubbs Clothing store.

McCallloch, Balsiger, West-Hitchcock, Juckeland and Lombard submitted bids for sale of a pick-up truck for use in the city's street department. The street department will announce award of the bid after study.

Wild Driver Leads Cops On Chase

A 15-year-old Gilchrist boy, frightened after being involved in two accidents Monday evening, was apprehended by state police yesterday after a chase through the back roads of the Gilchrist area.

Two persons were injured as a result of one of the accidents, and the boy, Charles Dean Lucht, has been charged with driving with no operator's license and failure to stop at the scene of an accident.

State police report that the first accident happened at 3:05 p. m. An automobile driven by Albert Bono of San Pedro, Calif., was southbound just entering Gilchrist. Young Lucht was entering the highway from a side road and had stopped for an approaching car but suddenly pulled out, hitting Bono's car broadside.

Investigating police said the jolt was with such force that the Bono automobile spun around twice before coming to a stop. The two passengers in Bono's car, his wife, Lillian, and her mother, Flora Hurst, also of San Pedro, were both pinned inside the car for some time.

Police said that young Lucht, apparently badly frightened, drove on down the highway as far as the main Gilchrist mill road where he met a line of millworkers' cars leaving for home as the plant closed for the day. As he turned onto the road Lucht sideswiped a car driven by J. H. Haner, mill employee.

Lucht still continued on through various back roads, and was picked up by police just south of Crescent.

Kaler's ambulance moved the two injured women to Klamath Valley hospital. Mrs. Hurst was suffering from a shoulder injury and Mrs. Bono from chest hurts. Both are said to be doing well today.

Meanwhile Haner filed a charge of failure to stop at the scene of an accident, and in addition, the 15-year-old is charged with having no operator's license.

Also, his father, John Lucht, is charged with allowing an unlicensed minor to drive. The boy was alone in the car.



ROTC CADET—James Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Anderson of 443 Laguna, is one of the air ROTC cadets in training for six weeks at Hamilton air force base, Hamilton, Calif. Howard is attending the camp with the group of ROTC cadets from the University of Oregon.

Tule Chamber Directors To Be Installed

TULELAKE, July 26 — Installation of five new directors of the chamber of commerce at the annual dinner this Friday night will mark the close of a successful year for the retiring members of the board.

If review this week, the chamber office disclosed that a number of projects have been accomplished, topped by sponsoring the first U. S. bureau of reclamation homestead drawing to be held here and the first visit of the Siskiyou county board of supervisors which was arranged by the chamber.

Three fairs were participated in with prizes on community exhibits won in each instance. First prize money was taken at the Siskiyou county fair, fourth place at the Modoc county fair and second place at the Merrill Potato Festival last fall.

The chamber engineered repair of the highway crossing at the Southern Pacific tracks at Hatfield, organized a summer swimming classes for Tulelake children at the Main pool and arranged transportation and organized the mosquito abatement program this summer and collected funds for financing it.

It was co-sponsor with chamber of Mt. Shasta and Yreka in proposal of a re-districting plan for Siskiyou county, joined the Midland Empire Traffic association and has collaborated to further more equitable freight rates in and out of Tulelake, particularly on pumice tile which will give local pumice products producers a chance to compete with eastern producers.

A series of letters boosting the Freeman's Jamboree and a PTA conference here were mailed and near last election time letters were mailed to all voters giving the recommendations made by the California chamber of commerce on all state issues. Letters discussing the pros and cons of the proposed street improvement bond issue went to voters.

A travel information bureau with literature has been established in the chamber office and the chamber organized the change in opening and closing hours of business houses to coincide with the rest of the Klamath basin during the time that California was on daylight saving.

The office also announced that the budget last year had been reduced by one third over that of the previous year.

Rosa Hagland is the retiring president, and Mrs. Laura Barr is secretary.

CARNIVAL



"I was thinkin', Chief, just where would we fit into this socialized medicine setup!"

City Dads Put Arm On Parking Meters, Plan To Pay Lighting Plan Expense

Nickels and pennies dropped in the city's 667 parking meters will pay for the huge lighting project that will give Klamath Falls business district that "new look."

This is the ambitious plan cooked up by the city council and budget committee during budget conferences for the 1949-1950 fiscal year. The cash balance in the parking meter fund at the end of the last fiscal year, July 1, was \$19,448.74.

The clockers bring into the city coffers in the neighborhood of \$4000 monthly.

Present plans call for whacking \$1500 out of the cash balance in the clocking fund at the end of each year and a \$10,000 chunk annually from the estimated revenue from the parking meters to pay for the lighting task.

The lighting project, authorization for which was okayed by council action Monday night, will cost about \$110,000, to be paid over a 10-year span.

Of the meters now bringing in revenue to the city, 654 are still the original type put in early in 1947 and which proved inadequate to withstand the winter's blast.

Thirteen meters from three companies are now on trial in the city, with 52 extras due to be installed on a trial basis from a fourth company shortly.

All revenue from these trial parking clocks go into city coffers with no obligation to purchase these meters at the end of the trial period.

City dads have been eyeing the possibility of buying new meters to install throughout the city. It is felt the present meters have resulted in a huge financial loss to the city during the winter months because of a large part of them being out of order.

In addition to paying for the lighting project, \$1850 will be sliced from the parking meter fund to stand the city's share of the cost of the proposed traffic signal at Main and Esplanade.

General traffic costs also comes from the parking meter fund. Those nickels and pennies add up.

Appraisal On Schools Report Heard

Appraisal reports on school buildings in both city school districts were read at the regular meeting of the school board last night.

The new appraisals showed that there is an increase in the value of school buildings in both districts. A program of additional insurance coverage is now under study.

Other items of business were the Conger school cafeteria, the Fairview boiler room, and the home economics room at Klamath Union high school.

The contract for the general construction of Conger school went to the Brothers Construction company with a bid of \$8210. One other bid was received at \$6309. A separate contract was given for the stainless steel work in the cafeteria. The contract was awarded to the Ring Sheet Metal company with a bid of \$2968.55. One other bid was received at \$3450.

Bids will be called for the Fairview boiler room and the home economics room in the next few days.

Sabotage In Poland Gains

WROCLAW, Poland (AP)—Economic sabotage, most of it apparently entering in industries operated in former Eastern German lands, seem to be on the increase in Poland.

Arrests and trials of those accused of sabotage are frequent. A casual check of arrests reported by Polish newspapers since January 1 showed 160 persons had landed in jail. Many of these included directors or vice-directors of industrial plants.

Mistake Leaves Building Bare

DORTMUND, Germany (AP)—Anti-communist construction workers were asked to make a Greek inscription on a new building here. But they refused.

They mistook the Greek letters for Russian.

In The Day's News

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since 1932 the spenders have won out. The politicians, naturally enough, put two and two together and say that the way to be elected is to BE A SPENDER.

WHY do our people vote for the spenders and turn the non-spenders down?

I wouldn't know.

But I SUSPECT that the same odd, fuzzy mental quirk that causes people to rush in by the tens of thousands to bet their money on a vague, hazy numbers game where the odds are 1000 to 1 against them is responsible for our tendency to vote for the spenders at every succeeding election.

THE buyer of a numbers ticket doesn't really expect to win. HE JUST HOPES TO WIN.

In the same way the people who vote for the spenders must HOPE that they will somehow hit the jackpot or pick the magic number and the billions the politicians talk about so glibly will come tumbling out on the floor at their feet. It never happens, of course, but hope springs eternal in the gambler's breast. So people go on voting for the spenders, just as they go on pulling the handle of the slot machine.

I CAN'T think of any other explanation of the strange phenomenon of a hereditarily hard-headed people that goes on year after year voting for a spending policy that buries them deeper every year under a growing mountain of public debt.

Arabian Nights Goes Into Hebrew

JERUSALEM (AP)—Haraun al Rashid, the Caliph of Baghdad, powerful 8th century ruler in magic and splendor, celebrates another literary renaissance—this time in Jerusalem. Joseph Rivlin is working on the first complete Hebrew edition of the seven hundred year old "Arabian Nights."

The Hebrew version when complete is expected to comprise 15 volumes.

Thief Draws 7-Year Term

NINETEEN-year-old Bruce Corwin, transient from Los Angeles, was en route to Salem today to start serving a seven-year term in the Oregon state prison.

He was sentenced by Circuit Court Judge David R. Vandenberg yesterday after pleading guilty to a charge of burglary. Corwin broke into a Springfield apartment early in July and stole a quantity of clothing.

He was taken to Salem by Deputy Sheriff Murray Britton.

Richard Bartelle Witham, 35, came into court yesterday to plead guilty to the unusual charge of possession of a false instrument with intent to pass the same as true. Two forged checks, for \$100 and \$175, were found in his possession.

Witham was arrested by city police after he allegedly tried to cash the checks, representing himself to be "Harold S. Anderson" of the Portland police department.

On July 21 Witham reported to city police that his pocket was picked on Main street and some \$210 in cash and \$100 in travelers checks taken from his wallet.

Pal Show Draws Good Crowd Here

A crowd of 600 people gathered to watch an exhibition of boxing, tumbling and comedy acts presented by 18 members of Pal, Inc., Portland boys' club Sunday afternoon.

The boys gave their two-hour show on the lawn at Moore park. It was the second given here. The first was a half-hour presentation before game time at Gem stadium Saturday night.

There was no charge for either show, however, some donations were given the boys which will be added to the club's treasury. All expenses of the trip from Portland and living expenses while here were paid by the Klamath Falls lodge of the Loyal Order of Moose.

Various Moose lodges throughout the state have sponsored the boys' club tour around Oregon.

Pal, Inc. is an outstanding type of youth club, started by a Portland policeman who recognized the need for a place and activities to keep young boys off the streets.

Plague Back In Calcutta

CALCUTTA (AP)—Plague has re-joined the ranks of the many endemic diseases of Calcutta after an absence of 42 years. Last year there were 254 cases and 14 deaths during the 17 weeks ending July 31. But this year it started early killed 50 out of 366 cases.

Except for stray imported cases, Calcutta was free from plague since 1906. In 1899, about 60,000 were reported to have died of plague in Calcutta alone.

Garden Club To Visit At Lake

TULELAKE, Calif., July 26—Tulelake Garden club members have been invited to be guests of Mrs. Chester J. Main and Mrs. French Johnson at their summer homes at Crescent lake the first week of August.

Anyone wishing to go or desiring further information is asked to call Mrs. Marvin Thomas.

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Rev. Anderson To Visit Klamath

Rev. Charles Anderson of Peila, Ia., will be in Klamath Falls for a brief visit with his brother, Rev. D. B. Anderson, and to conduct the regular Wednesday evening service at the latter's church, the Klamath temple.

The service will begin at 7:45 p.m. and will feature musical selections by the three sons of Charles Anderson, whose wife and family will be here with him.

DIEN

PORTLAND, July 26 (AP)—James Henry Cassell, 62, a founder of three Oregon and Portland automobile associations and editor of the Automotive News of the Pacific Northwest, died today.

He had been a leader in the industry since leaving the employ of the Oregonian, where he was automobile editor. He founded the trade journal in 1920.

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