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Primary Issues

By MAX WAUCHOPE

The voters of the city of Klamath Falls will register approval or disapproval on two important tax levies at the May 18 primary this year.

On the ballot will be a proposal asking a 2 mill property levy for one year for the purchase of Gem Stadium by the city. The second levy will be to finance a proposed sewerage trunk line from McLaughlin Heights to a site on lower Lake Ewauna. The amount of this levy will be set when cost of the project has been estimated.

Gem Stadium, comprising about nine acres, is currently being used under lease by the city recreation department as a baseball field.

The stadium was built in 1946 as a professional baseball field at a cost of about \$140,000. It was built by Klamath Baseball Incorporated. The Klamath baseball firm went out of business in 1951 when the Far West League folded.

If the voters approve this levy the stadium would be purchased from the bondholder. Protective Committee which assumed legal responsibility for the stadium when Klamath Baseball closed shop. The members of this group include, among others, Loren Palmerston, Merle West, Kenneth Lambie, Brady Narey and Dick Maguire.

Last June the city leased the ball ground for 1955 and 1956 as a city recreation facility with an option to buy. The cost of the lease (no rent) includes yearly insurance (about \$900 annually), taxes (about \$400 annually), upkeep, which includes reseeding, leveling and reinstallation of lighting and the cost of a caretaker. The city has spent about \$3,000 so far on the stadium. In 1953 and 1954 the stadium was operated as Gems Speedway for hard-top racing. It was necessary to reseed it for reuse as a baseball field.

Since the city leased it in 1955 the field has been used for the girl's state softball tournament, a softball jamboree, the Southern Oregon men's softball playoffs and by the city baseball league.

City officials have indicated that they feel the present recreational facilities of Klamath Falls are now overtaxed. With the city's population growing from several sources—the demand for more playing fields will be even more acute.

There isn't any other outdoor facility of this type which can accommodate large numbers of spectators (Modoc Field at Klamath Union High School is exclusively a football field.) City officials have said that if professional baseball ever comes back to Klamath Falls the stadium could be made available to the teams.

It has been estimated that the lighting at the stadium would cost about \$4,000 to install while the stadium buildings would cost about \$40,000 to build. It is felt that the entire plant is worth from \$75,000 to \$80,000. The bondholders have agreed to take the amount raised by the 2 mill levy for one year. This would amount to about \$28,000.

The new sewerage line would be a main line from McLaughlin Heights beyond the end of Eldorado Street and Pacific Terrace. It would run to a point near the Southern Pacific lines along Kit Carson Way to Eplanade and Michigan streets. From this point it would continue south along the railroad to a point adjoining the O'Connor feed lots near the Great Northern roundhouse. It would be a gravity flow line to the station.

From this point a pumping station would transfer the sewage under the end of Lake Ewauna to the present sewerage treatment plant on the west side of the lake.

Ultimately a larger treatment plant will have to be built to accommodate the increased flow. The city council has authorized City Engineer E. A. Thomas to hire the services of John Cunningham Associates, Portland, to study the possible sites and estimate the cost of the new line and a new treatment plant. The voters in May will be asked to vote only on the proposed new line. The new plant would be a separate project.

With the present sewerage system of the city operating at near peak it would seem that the citizens of Klamath Falls eventually will have to approve some plan for an expanded system that our community is experiencing a healthy growth.

man first came in contact. The Indians of the Pacific Coast including the people of the Klamath Lakes took pride in the ownership of several kinds of shell particularly the Dentalium (Dentalia, D. indianorum), the Olivella (Olivella), the Olivella (Olivella), commonly used in this region for lesser amounts of the Abalone or Haliotis (H. rufescens, H. splendens, and H. cracherodii), and the Scallop shells or Pecten.

We are continually reminded of the fact that the Dentalium, or tusk shell as it is sometimes called because of its resemblance to the shape of a canine tooth, was cherished by the Indians who lived on the land now occupied by Klamath Falls. The reason being that our garden soil is continually yielding specimens of Dentalium and Olivella shells. Our home is situated upon a spot that was last occupied by the lodge of Glass Eye, who lived here around the turn of the century.

We know little of the value of these shell beads in this region but according to Powers, Gibbs, and other writers, immense quantities of shells were in circulation, the value of which fluctuated greatly from tribe to tribe and the distance they were removed from the source of this shell. Composed much of this shell money and its source was on the northern end of Vancouver Island in British Columbia.

The shell was obtained by the Indians who lived there in the following manner: To the end of a suitable strip of wood was secured, being placed transversely to the line of the pole, and first studded with bone or wood teeth. From the bow of a canoe, propelled usually by a woman, the Dentalium fisher stood and carefully prodded the sands at the bottom of the water with a number of times with the comb-like instrument, and then drew it up to see where any of the shells had become impaled on the teeth of the instrument. Sometimes four or five of the shells were brought up and sometimes none at all.

This was the only practical method of obtaining these shells as the shell is not found above the mark of the lowest tide but are always under the surface of the sea. The form of this shell, which gave its name of tusk-shell is fan shape having an oval to both ends.

The shells are said to grow up to three inches in length for exceptionally fine specimens but these found locally which were the common articles in trade were half this size and shorter. The shell in its habitat is found with the sand and invariably downward, buried in the sand in from 24 to 36 feet of water in sheltered harbors.

In Rangoon

(Eds Note: The following article was sent in by Kathleen Ward of Klamath Falls who is currently on a tour of the Far East. While on her tour Mrs. Ward is acting as official correspondent for the Herald and News.)

By KATHLEEN WARD

As we steamed north in the Bay of Bengal, we lost the terrific heat and our blue seas. We were enveloped in the muddy brown waters of the delta of the Irrawaddy River. One can't help but wonder if the whole Burmese peninsula isn't being washed away, as the water is just like thick pea soup for miles out to sea.

Rangoon is situated 24 miles up from the sea and is reached by the Rangoon River. (A branch of the Irrawaddy.) The approach is made through relatively flat country, with rice paddy fields and the golden pagodas dominating the landscape. We arrived in mid-afternoon so that the sun caught the gold of the pagodas just right and made a thrilling impression.

Again, it was my good fortune to have fellow travelers, who have been living in Rangoon for a year and were returning from a holiday in Penang. Dr. and Mrs. Robert Sangs, (Americans) and their two sons, Dr. Bangs is in the employ of the Burmese government and is in the capacity of financial adviser to the Republic of Burma. They expect to reside in Rangoon for another year before returning to the U.S. They had me as a guest in their home for New Year's Day and I met many of the Americans and English, who were dropping in to welcome them home and to see all the purchases they had made in Penang.

They occupy a very spacious cool type of house, furnished almost completely in teak furniture as well as having teak floors. There seems to be absolutely no servant problem in Burma, as there were several house boys running around attending to every need of the family and guests.

Later, in the afternoon, Dr. Bangs, took me sightseeing. Quite naturally we headed for the most famous of all the world's pagodas, the Shwedagon. This golden pagoda, which towers over the city and greets every traveler. There are many steps to be climbed, at any one of the four entrances. They are lined with little stalls, selling both curios and food and the interest they create help to minimize the tiring work of the climb. One humorous note was struck by the sun at the bottom saying, "Footwear Prohibited." Meaning roughly, no shoes! Fortunately, I had been provided with a pair of slippers (heavy woollies) so we proceeded to park our shoes with a Burmese woman, waiting to guard them, and started the ascent. The marvelous shrines, statues and sights in general, at the top are very rewarding. (Yes! I was photographing like crazy.) Two things that struck me as notable and unusual were the num-

bers of old and feeble people up there, making one wonder how they every made the climb and if they would ever get down again. The other was the presence of many booths selling tickets for the national lottery of Burma.

The bright orange robes and shaved heads of Buddhist monks are to be seen everywhere, for at present, a world conference is being held since the founding of the Buddhist religion some 2,500 years ago. The meeting started on the first full moon day of May 1954 and will continue until full moon day of May this year.

I'm sure many of you remember Pranhakar "Pete" Kamdar, the young student from India, who was in Klamath Falls at the experimental station last spring and summer. His father is a resident of Rangoon and met the ship soon after we docked. He also entertained me very extensively during my three days in port and introduced me to many of the prominent Indians and Chinese of Rangoon.

One evening was spent at relatives and they had a typical Indian dinner. Entirely vegetarian and altogether delicious. As is the custom, the two young wives and an unmarried girl of the household, they keep very much in the background and do not eat at the table with the men. The grandmother, who was the only one to eat with me, she and the two young husbands taught me how to combine the foods properly. They furnished me with cutlery, but much of the food should be eaten with the fingers to be properly enjoyed. Mr. Kamdar is a follower of the Jain religion and does not take food or liquids of any description after sundown, so he looked on and added to the very spirited and interesting conversation. The men all speak beautiful English, but grandmother and I had to be content with the exchange of affectionate glances and an occasional pat of each others arms, if they didn't interpret for us.

Next day, a charming Chinese couple, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Yu, had us out to their beautiful home for refreshments and a drive as well as over the countryside for more sightseeing. We ended up at a restaurant and had Chinese and Burmese food. I'm sure by now, that you realize I need no encouragement when anyone offers to buy me a drink. It's a true gourmet's delight out here in the exotic East.

There was great excitement and preparation throughout the city as they not only were celebrating the New Year holidays, but were decorating and anticipating the day of January, which is Independence Day of the Burmese. Many notables were arriving by plane and the roads were crowded with bus loads going out to welcome them at the airport.

It was a sailing day and I found myself hating to leave all these kind and thoughtful people. After all, people do make the place and I have never been treated more wonderfully than I was in Rangoon. Mr. Kamdar's man, "Friday," had brought fresh flowers on board the ship each morning and now they were seeing me off with garlands of flowers, bouquets and many gifts. (Just wait until you see my gorgeous Burmese parasol girls.) Is anyone still asking "Why does she like to travel alone, at this point?" And now! Mother India, here I come!

On Secretaries

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—Could Marilyn Monroe walk into the office of an American business office and land a job as a secretary?

No, siree, mister, she couldn't—not if you take the word of the nation's businessmen themselves (and I, for one, am not sure that I do).

A survey of leading executives on what they look for in a secretary, made by Carl Ray, research vice president of the Underwood Corp., placed personal charm way down on the list of desirable attributes. As a matter of fact, it ranked seventh.

"Forty-six per cent of the bosses indicated they wanted initiative more than anything else in a secretary," Ray said.

Why don't they place a higher premium on glamour in hiring a lady typewriter jockey?

Ray conceded that executives were ruled partly by their fears—fear of what their wife would say, fear that a too-pretty secretary would distract the other office hired hands, but added:

"On a more positive basis, however, it's worth noting that secretaries today have to be executive assistants rather than just a plain old-fashioned secretary. What bosses really want is somebody who can mind the store while they're gone.

The sampling showed opinion was divided on the question of whether single or married women make the best secretaries.

"Twenty-four per cent of the bosses stated a preference for single girls, 20 per cent preferred married secretaries, and the rest expressed no choice," Ray said.

After initiative, the employers rated secretarial virtues in this order: The ability to type quickly and accurately, the ability to file and find information speedily, a winning telephone manner, punctuality and personal neatness.

Many older secretaries have complained it is difficult for them to land a new job after 40, and almost impossible after 50. The poll showed considerable justification for their complaint.

None of the businessmen came out for lobby-sexy as secretaries.

But 48 per cent said they preferred to hire a secretary "somewhere between 20 and 40 years old." Another 27 per cent stipulated she had to be between the ages of 30 and 40.

The magic age for a secretary today therefore would seem to be 30.

What are the pet peeves of executives against their "favorite girl Friday?"

The chief sins of secretaries, the poll showed, are these: Some take too many coffee breaks, place too many personal phone calls at the office, take part in office gossip, or simply indulge in too much plain old feminine yakkyak yak.

But the biggest trouble with secretaries was voiced by an unhappy Los Angeles businessman, who said:

"They quit."

None of the executives, of course, took a lie detector test or a truth serum. Therefore, I rather doubt if Marilyn Monroe showed up in any of the offices looking for a job she would be turned away empty-handed.

The tired businessman isn't that tired.

Dulles' Conduct

By JAMES MARLOW

Associated Press News Analyst

WASHINGTON (AP)—How does a secretary of state conduct himself when he walks into a room packed with newsmen anxious for straight answers on a situation for which he has been roundly criticized?

From a physical standpoint Secretary of State Dulles did very well at his news conference yesterday. He showed no signs of nervousness. But his replies fell a lot to be desired. He toe-danced, verbally.

This was the situation which brought into the State Department's auditorium more newsmen than at any time since Dulles took office in 1953.

Life magazine, after a special interview with him, declared that three times in the Eisenhower administration this country had been brought to the brink of war. And it quotes Dulles directly:

"The ability to get to the verge (of war) without getting into the war is the necessary art." It was this sentence, perhaps more than anything else in Life's article, which got him a deluge of criticism, particularly from Democrats.

When the magazine appeared last week, Dulles said of the few paragraphs which quoted him directly: "The statements specifically attributed to me do not require correction from the standpoint of their substance."

What did that mean? He was either quoted accurately in Life, word for word, or he wasn't. If he wasn't, where was the difference between what he said and what Life says he said? He hadn't made that clear with his statement.

Newsmen yesterday wanted answers to that and to other questions raised by Life. They got many vague answers. Dulles said the quotation about the art of getting to the brink of war was ambiguous.

He said it was not word for word the way he would put it for publication although it is substantially what he thinks. He said he himself had never reviewed nor seen the story before it appeared.

Life magazine said in a statement the article was reviewed by one of Dulles' aides and it has "every conviction we quoted him accurately."

There is one way of settling the question. Dulles could let newsmen see the transcript of his conversation with Life's reporter, James Shepley. Dulles said such a transcript had been made but he wouldn't release it.

He said he did not want to be brought into a discussion of the subject but at the same time he would not spell out for newsmen where his views in the story ended and Life's began.

He was asked specifically to clarify some of the points. He would not.

Dulles didn't repudiate the Life article, which attempted to portray him as one of the greatest secretaries of state in history, but he did cast doubts on its accuracy. He discounted it without saying precisely what was wrong with it.

Quotes

By UNITED PRESS

NEW YORK—Harlow H. Currier, president of General Motors Corp., in a statement against government control of consumer credit terms:

"The terms and the total outstanding are no cause for anxiety on the tightening of credit as reflected by the present federal reserve policy."

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Adlai E. Stevenson on Secretary of State John Foster Dulles' "brink of war" statement regarding U.S. foreign policy:

"For this nation to walk to the verge of war three times in three years while drastically reducing our military defense for domestic political advantage can only be counted suicidal folly."

OXFORD, England—Michael Foot of the Oxford City Council in his criticism of a picture magazine carrying revealing snippets of Swedish screen star Anita Ekberg:

"I criticize this publication for its rapid alternation between succulent poptics (British slang for 'real knockout') on one page and photographs of the saints on the next."



Jets Play Dart Games

WENDOVER AIR FORCE BASE, Utah (AP)—American fighter pilots are trying a new game of darts—played at nearly supersonic speed high above the earth—to sharpen their shooting eyes.

In a twist on the old game, the object in this one is to hit the dart—with bullets and cannon fire from jet fighters. It's a serious and difficult game that for the first

Absent Bulgarian Puzzles West

LONDON (AP)—Western diplomats puzzled today over what is keeping Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin from the public scene. Word reached here he missed another key party meeting.

Speculation increased after Moscow radio listed the dignitaries attending last night's meeting of a Moscow city Communist conference. All the top Kremlin brass were there—except Bulganin.

The 60-year-old Premier's continued absence from all public functions since the Supreme Soviet meeting at the end of December has resulted in belief he might be ill or resting from his grueling Asian tour with party boss Nikita S. Khrushchev.

Kefauver Sets Minnesota Fight

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP)—The St. Paul Pioneer Press said today it has learned that Sen. Kefauver (D-Tenn.) does not plan to challenge Adlai Stevenson directly in the Minnesota presidential primary, March 20.

Stevenson, former Illinois governor, filed his slate of 57 Democratic delegates for the primary yesterday.

The newspaper said in a dispatch from its Washington bureau that Kefauver would launch an active campaign for write-in votes in Minnesota, however. He reportedly will concentrate on certain districts which have expressed disfavor with the Democratic-Farmer-Labor state organization's endorsement of the Stevenson candidacy.

F. C. Travaile Plans Sermons

The Rev. Forrest C. Travaile, former pastor of the Merrill Presbyterian Church, missionary, home on furlough from Thailand, will speak Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 19, 20, 21 in several churches of the Klamath Basin.

On Thursday, January 19, he will speak at 1:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Klamath Falls, at 2:45 p.m. at the Merrill Presbyterian Church and at 8 p.m. the same day at Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church on South Sixth Street, Klamath Falls.

On Friday, January 20, he will speak and show a sound film, "Decision in Thailand," at the Mt. Laki Community Church following a 6:30 p.m. potluck supper.

On Saturday, January 21, he will speak at 7:30 p.m. at the Malin Community Presbyterian Church.

The public is cordially invited to attend these meetings.

Sacred Heart Notebook

By CHARLOTTE NOBLE

Trojans walked off from their court with a one point win from the Bonanza Antlers Friday night. At halftime the Trojans led with 37-22, but the Antlers closed this gap to a 45-44 loss. "By" string name was a breathtaking one when the Trojans trailed behind during the first two terms but the last half of the game lit a spark to their playing spirit and they had the final score of 38-35.

Saturday night Trojans were losers to the Dorris Bulldogs with 50-40.

The Jayvees will be guests Tuesday evening for a non-conference game.

Pep Club members held their Monday meeting with the discussion of the annual Pep Club Dance to be held February 4. Committees were appointed for the various necessities. On the decorations is Carol Ervin, chairman, Dolores Wickline, Candy Brandjesky, Del Jackson, Margaret Gervais, Program, Jeanne Chin chairman, Theresa Hallinan. Refreshments, Earrie Donnelly chairman, Sharon Mallow, Anna Marie Eck, and Phyllis Stowey.

The new semester finds the SHA students industriously ploughing through their books with a firm intent.

Lake Lists UF Directors

LAKEVIEW—The following will serve on the 1956 Lake County United Fund: Bob Dye, Lions Club; Ray Kerr, Lake County Farm Bureau; Deward Bell, Lumber and Sawmill Workers No. 2761; Freda Gehers, Soroptomist; John McDonald, Rotary Club; Thomas Flynn, Lakeview Chamber of Commerce; Ben Vernon, Lake County Stockgrowers; Raymond Johnson, Pomona Grange and Mrs. Madge Langset, Business and Professional Women.

On January 11 the directors elected Leslie Shaw, Guy Miller, Mrs. Martha Elliott, Carl Pendleton, Carter Petch and Mrs. Alice Carlson of Summer Lake to serve as the six members at large for the fund.

February 2 officers for 1956 will be elected from the board of directors and the members at large.

Weed Schedules Film Showing

WEED—The "Breast Self-Examination" film shown recently through the auspices of the American Cancer Society and the local American Legion Auxiliary 71, is scheduled for a second showing in Weed this week.

For women only, the film will be shown Thursday night, January 19, at the Weed High School. A doctor will be in attendance to answer questions submitted following the short film showing.

The second showing of the film has been arranged to benefit the women who are employed and who were unable to attend the first afternoon showing.

Mrs. John Mantie, auxiliary chairman for the presentation, stated that women in neighboring communities are especially welcome to attend the Thursday night showing.

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