

# East Side Sewerage Line Designed To Ease Present System's Overload

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With the Klamath Falls City Council asking approval of the city's voters of a \$800,000 sewerage system improvement bond issue, homeowners inside the city limits are probably wondering what it would cost them individually.

first year of the 20 year pay-off term. This mileage would decrease slightly each year as the principal of the bond issue was reduced. This would mean a total payment of about \$64,000 the first year. The tax levy would amount to about \$8.02 the first year for property valued at \$10,000.

Klamath Falls now has the lowest bonded indebtedness of any city of its size in Oregon, city officials report. The city owes slightly over \$200,000 in bonds at this time. Of this, \$130,000 is for the municipal swimming pool. This 10 year tax levy was approved by the city's voters in May, 1952. The remainder of the bonded indebtedness is for current bondfin bonds for street improvements.

The city council has asked for approval of the sewerage bond issue after many years of consideration by city officials and several surveys by the engineering consulting firm of John W. Cunningham and Associates, Portland. The State Sanitary Authority has also asked improvement of the system.

The proposed improved system and new treatment plant has been designed by the engineers to accommodate a population of 30,000 people. The unofficial state census figures for Klamath Falls show that 18,000 persons resided inside the city limits as of January 1, 1954. However, city officials predict that within 10 years the city's population will reach at least 30,000. The system has been planned with this growth in mind.

The engineering firm's surveys have pointed out a critical need for augmenting the sewerage lines of the East Side of the city site "East Side" is that portion of the city lying east of the Southern Pacific tracks and marshaling yards.

The first element in the overall plan in view of these recommendations is the construction of a trunk line serving the entire East Side and some parts of the "West Side" as well-tying in with existing manholes and lateral sewers. The Cunningham report states that it does not appear necessary to run the trunk beyond a point between Painter and Del Moro streets along Kit Carson Way in Hot Springs Addition. If more homes are constructed beyond Hot Springs in the sections north of the end of Pacific Terrace and Eldorado the trunk line can be extended at a nominal cost according to city engineering officials.

A 12 inch line from Painter to Manzanita is recommended, although the existing 10 inch line can handle the load until an overload becomes apparent. At Manzanita the 12 inch line should be increased to 15 inches. Melrose Street marks the point where enlargement is 15 inches now is critically needed. A considerable tributary area from west of the railroad tracks joins the trunk line here.

The main interception from the East Side would begin at Esplanade Street with the trunk line picking up the flow that now goes down Esplanade and thence across town to the Link River pumping station. The diversion will relieve this overloaded trunk line serving the West Side of the city and will also constitute a real relief for the Link River pumping station which at present operates at peak capacity much of the time.

South of Esplanade the line would parallel the Southern Pacific Tracks. From this point the size of the pipe would have to be increased due to the increased flow and flattening of the gradient. The line would proceed along the railroad tracks to a point near the present small treatment plant at Owens and Shasta Way.

The trunk laterals from Mills Addition would connect into this main trunk along the route relieving much of the overload now existing on these laterals.

(Editor's note: In Sunday's Herald and News the plan for a line from the south city limits to the proposed site of the new treatment plant will be reviewed.)

# Bloodmobile To Visit KF

An all-out effort of the community to meet a goal of 500 pints of blood is planned for the March visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile to Klamath County.

On Monday, March 5, the bloodmobile will visit the Oregon National Guard Armory at the municipal airport with members of Battery B and Battery D pledged as donors. First Lieutenant Leonard Springer of Battery B and Captain Forrest Alter of Battery D are in charge of arrangements.

A two hour drawing from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. is planned to net 100 pints.

Tuesday, March 5, the bloodmobile will pay its annual visit to the Oretch campus from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sally Collins is chairman of the OTI visit and has set a goal of 225 pints from the students. Last year Oretch produced 220 pints to set a regional record for blood donations on college campuses in the Northwest.

Wednesday, March 7, the Elks Lodge will host the bloodmobile at their headquarters on Third and Main. Hours for this operation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Hugh Stapleton is chairman of the event from the Elks lodge. Members of the "Outlaws" teen-age drivers club will volunteer transportation of donors for the Elks operation and assist with the setting up of necessary equipment. The Elks goal has been set at 225 pints of blood.

Mrs. Madelyn Swaney, blood program chairman, points out that the need for blood is increasing with the civilian population. The main beneficiaries at the present time. Appointments are needed for the Elks Lodge operation, which is open to all possible donors and not confined to Elks membership. Donors are asked to call 4126 or 3213 to make appointments.

**NEW MOTHER**  
BURBANK, Calif. (AP) — Actress Gale Robbins gave birth to a 7-pound, 3-ounce daughter yesterday. She is the wife of building contractor Robert Olson.

# 'Black Hole' Survivor Tells Of Imprisonment Ordeal

KOSTI, Sudan (UP)—A survivor of the "black hole" of Kosti where 190 Sudanese tenant farmers suffocated today their anguished cries for air and water went unheeded by police guards.

The Sudanese told a shocking story of the horrible hours in a prison ward where prisoners were packed so tightly those who died remained in an upright position.

The survivor said that he and the other tenant farmers were arrested Tuesday morning and taken by truck to the town of Juba. He said they were held without food and water until late afternoon.

He said they were hustled aboard huge trucks for transportation to Kosti, the huge cotton-growing center in the White Nile Province.

"They allowed us to drink from the canal on the way," the Sudanese said. "We reached Kosti (after some five hours) completely exhausted."

He said all 281 prisoners were crammed into a 65 by 29 foot room. (Semi-official reports said there was a total of 334 prisoners.)

"We couldn't sit—we had to stand all the time," he said. "After two hours, we felt the strong heat," he continued. "We couldn't breathe. The doors, two small glass windows near the ceiling and the wooden shutters were all closed."

"We shouted, cried and banged on the doors. We begged police for water and told them we were suffocating, but without avail."

When the iron doors were opened Wednesday morning 187 men were dead, he said. Three others died in the hospital.

In Khartoum, student rioting flared and newspapers printed bitter editorials blaming the government for the "black hole" deaths and the slaughter of another 150 tenant farmers in a brawl with police.

The riots stemmed from the refusal of the cotton farmers to sell their crops to the market of the Communist-inspired Goda farm combine. Company officials charged the riots were Communist-inspired.

# Dinner Honors Lake Firemen

LAKEVIEW — William N. Arner, Lakeview fire chief for 30 years, was honored at a community dinner for the Lakeview Volunteer Fire Department on February 20 at the St. Patrick's Parish Hall.

Special guests at the dinner were the following charter members and their wives: Carl Fetsch, Hugo Feys, Virgil Striglin, M. K. Gunter and W. Armer. The fire department was organized in 1925.

Speaker of the evening was Burt K. Snyder, master of ceremonies was Forrest E. Cooper and the invocation was given by Father James O'Connor. Mayor Rudy McLane presented a plaque to Arner.

The Noted Four quartet, Robert Showell, Robert Brown, Will Hilgert, Lloyd Gillmor, sang three numbers accompanied by Mrs. Robert Brown.

John McDonald, chairman, Guy Miller, Leslie Shaw, Carl Pendleton and G. Ira Moore, representatives of the Lake County Chamber of Commerce, arranged the banquet.

# Hawaiian Air Trip Described

Hawaiian Holiday, was the theme of the February 23 luncheon meeting of the Klamath Falls Soroptimist Club.

Colored slides taken on the recent chamber of commerce air trip to the Hawaiian Islands were shown by Charlotte Carmichael, Bertha Spencer who also made the flight and Laura Noel who flew to Hawaii last Christmas also commented on the trip.

Ruth Adams was program chairman. Native costumes, orchid leis and floral decorations added color to the program.

Joan Meador, Soroptimist scholarship student nurse at Emanuel Hospital, Portland and Valerie Robertson were guests.

# Stroke Takes Dorris Resident

Funeral services will be held Saturday, February 25 at 2 p.m. in the Nazarene Church, Dorris, for Mrs. Cora J. Beal, lifelong resident of Dorris. She was 77 years old. Death on February 22 in Yreka followed a stroke.

The Rev. Claire Allie pastor of the Nazarene church of which Mrs. Beal was a member, will officiate. Final rites and interment will be in the Picard Cemetery.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Gladys Nash, San Francisco; three sons, Russell Beal, Yreka, Roy Beal, Dorris and Marion Beal, Klamath Falls; a brother, Will Snyder, Dorris; sister, Mrs. Hattie Smith, Portland; five grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

# Convention Plans Made

DUNSMUIR—Plans for the Section 2 convention of the Future Homemakers Association of California were made on Saturday at a meeting of members and advisers, the Dunsmuir High School. The convention will be held in Dunsmuir on Saturday, March 17.

The theme of this convention of high school girls interested in the study of homemaking will be "The Family, the Heart of the Nation." Eleanor Siri, president of the local F.H.A., is in charge of convention arrangements. She and Olivia Walter and Wanda Wright, all Dunsmuir members, and Mrs. Charlotte Samuelson, their adviser, were among those attending the planning session. Ray Eastlick, second section president, also attended.

All high school girls who are currently taking homemaking courses or who have completed these studies are eligible to belong to the Future Homemaker Association.

Current studies at the Dunsmuir High School include a meal planning and preparation course. The students compare costs of balanced diets and time required for preparation and serving. The girls have recently re-upholstered a couch for the living area of the home economics building at the high school and plan to cover two chairs and refinish end tables. A Red Cross course on infant care has just been completed according to Charlotte Samuelson, instructor.

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