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School Tax Requirement Clarified

The county court has ordered that the Crater Lake National Park Company, park concessionaire, is not liable for school taxes in Klamath County.

The county stands to lose no money because of the order, and it is not required to make any refunds. The company hasn't paid school taxes since 1948.

County Assessor Hap Caldwell brought the issue to court last year by billing the company for \$5,427 in the 1954-59 tax years.

In its order of January 23, the court noted that the 1951 State Tax Commission opinion "is to the effect that since there was no organized school district in . . . the Crater Lake National Park area at the time these lands were ceded to the federal government, and since there was no express reservation on the part of the state to tax for school purposes . . . it is ordered that the Klamath County assessor remove all such property from the school tax rolls and return all school taxes (if any)."

The court also mentioned a subsequent State Tax Commission opinion, written last December 2, which said a bill had been introduced in the federal House of Representatives which would bring federal areas under tax laws for other lands. That bill, however, failed to pass.

Siskiyou Mills Awarded Bid
YREKA—The Siskiyou Mills at Happy Camp were the successful bidder at the timber sale conducted by the Klamath National Forest in Yreka on January 21, according to an announcement made by John Murray, assistant of timber sales management.

The volume of timber purchased included 1,000,000 feet, ponderosa pine; 2,000,000 feet, sugar pine; 300,000 feet, white fir; 120,000 feet Douglas Fir; and 200,000 feet, incense cedar.

Appraised value per MBM were as follows: ponderosa pine, \$15.85; sugar pine, \$16.50; white fir, \$2.25; Douglas fir, \$8.65; and incense cedar, \$2.25. Bid prices for the timber remained exactly the same, with the exception of the Douglas fir, which went at \$9.05.

Funerals
LAKEVIEW — Funeral services were held in Lakeview Saturday, January 24, at 2 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church for Adrian F. Rice, 57, who died here on January 22 following a long illness. The Rev. Alfred Russell officiated and arrangements were made by Ousley-Osterman Mortuary. Burial was in the Alford Cemetery at Harrisburg on Monday at 1 p.m. Mr. Rice was born August 4, 1901, at Harrisburg, Oregon. On June 28, 1939, he was married to Merle Hughes. He is survived by the widow and a son, Gordon of Salem, and one grandson, Larry. Also surviving is a brother, Harry, of Eugene. The family came to Lakeview eight years ago.

SIVERSIND
CANBY — Caroline Siversind, 77, Orland, Glenn County, California, mother of Conrad Siversind of Canby, died in Orland on Tuesday, January 20. She was a native of South Dakota. Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, January 24, in the Lutheran Church of Orland with interment in the Masonic Cemetery. Mrs. Siversind is also survived by two daughters, Mrs. Vernon Lewison and Mrs. Paul Booth of Orland; four sisters, Mrs. John Dragseth, Mrs. John Johansen and Mrs. Alvin Jacobson of Orland, and Mrs. Paul Johnson of Columbia, Louisiana; and a brother, Tom Norby of Bookings, South Dakota.

HOWARD
ALTURAS — Funeral services were held from Kerr Mortuary Friday afternoon, January 23, for Ed Howard, 73, who died in an Alturas hospital on January 21. He had been ill for several years. Howard had been employed as a ranch hand in Modoc County for more than 30 years prior to his retirement. He was well known among cattle ranchers in the Alturas area. He has no known survivors. Interment was in the Alturas Cemetery.

FLOODS THREATEN WINDSOR
LONDON (UPI) — Scattered floods in the nearby Thames Valley turned the playing fields at Eton into a vast lake today and threatened the gardens of Windsor Castle.

CACKLE, CACKLE
OPELOUSAS, La. (UPI) — Rene Young filed suit for \$15,000 Thursday against his next door neighbor, a poultry dealer.

Young said the continuing cackle of chickens was causing him mental anguish.



THESE THREE SENIOR STUDENTS at Yreka High School will be guest speakers at the January 27 meeting of the Yreka Business and Professional Women's Club at the Yreka Inn. Carol Peterson of Montague, left, will talk on her summer of 1958 in Germany as an exchange student. German Vesko of Austria, center, is an exchange student under the American Field Service at Yreka High School and will talk about his native land. Patty Swickard of Yreka, right, will speak on her last summer's trip to New York and the United Nations which she won with her essay on Americanism, sponsored by the Rebekah and Odd Fellow lodges.

One-Way Street Change Rejected By Yreka Chiefs

YREKA—The Yreka city planning commission and the Yreka Chamber of Commerce rejected last week the conversion of Miner Street to one-way traffic. This topic had been revived through the concern of Yreka City Council over the growing number of vacancies on Miner Street.

One recommendation made by the commission to the council was that traffic spaces on the north side of Miner Street from Broadway to Third Street, be removed, and regular parking meters, set at one to five cents on half of each of the two currently metered city lots, be installed.

Charles Cooley, councilman, who also occupies a seat on the planning commission board, was asked why the issue had been revived. He replied that the council was concerned over the growing number of vacancies on Miner Street.

Trustees OK Rule Changes

YREKA — The Yreka Elementary School District trustees approved three minor changes in fire safety measures, recommended by Yreka Fire Chief Charles Schultz, at the Jackson Street School. Schultz indicated that the fire department found everything satisfactory at the school, except for the three changes, after a recent fire drill at the school.

The changes recommended by Fire Chief Schultz included the installation of an alarm bell in the school's band room; placing of two small fire extinguishers in the center corridors of the school building; and the provision of two wool blankets in the kitchen for use to smother possible cooking fires.

Other business taken up by the board was the passing of a resolution to bar the slating of out-of-county games without the approval of the board. Robert Reynolds, Yreka Elementary School District superintendent, stated that parents objected to elementary school children making the long trips required to participate in these games.

California Weather

United Press International
San Francisco Bay Region: partly cloudy today with high temperatures 55 - 60; variable cloudiness tonight and Tuesday with little change in temperature; low tonight 45-52; northwest winds 10-20 m.p.h.

Northern and Central California: Fair and variable high cloudiness in central California through Tuesday, but cloudy in the north with occasional rain north of Ft. Bragg and Redding; little change in temperature; coastal winds southerly 12-25 m.p.h. Pt. Arena northward and west to northwest 7-15 m.p.h. elsewhere.

Sierra Nevada: Shasta Siskiyou area: cloudy with occasional snow through Tuesday; little change in temperature; rain below 3,000 feet.

Sacramento Valley: Cloudy through Tuesday and occasional rain likely in the Redding area; little change in temperature; high both days 50-60; low tonight 40-50; variable winds 7-15 m.p.h.

Northwestern California: Cloudy today tonight and Tuesday and occasional rain Fort Bragg northward. Little change in temperature; high today and low tonight at Napa 60 and 46, Ukiah 60 and 45 Santa Rosa 60 and 42; southerly wind 12-25 m.p.h. near coast.

IN GERMANY
WEED — William I. Westfall, Army specialist 4, 20, son of Mrs. N. Ellison, Weed, recently arrived in Germany with the 504th Infantry. Formerly assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, the unit is now a part of the Eighth Infantry Division in Mainz.

CRASH KILLS THREE
AMMAN, Jordan (UPI)—A Jordanian airliner carrying 14 persons crashed 10 miles west of here Thursday. Three persons were killed and three were injured.

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Group Names New Officers

FORT JONES—The Fort Jones Community Service Council met January 21 for the purpose of electing officers and reactivating the organization.

The purpose of the council is to coordinate the efforts of the various civic groups in working together on projects for the good of the community.

The rehabilitation of the building, formerly used by the Fort Jones Elementary School and recently purchased by the town of Fort Jones, is the primary interest of the council at the present time.

The building is undergoing extensive repairs and will be used for a civic community center. It will have offices for the justice of peace, chief of police, county library and meeting rooms for the city firemen, Federated Woman's Club, Boosters' Club and for private parties. A kitchen will be installed to take care of banquet rentals. All work on the building is being done by volunteer labor.

Officers elected by the council were Mrs. J. H. Stanton, president; Calvin Veale, vice president; Mrs. Robert Reynolds, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Margaret Wallace, publicity chairman.

Representatives from local organizations on the council are, Burton Booth, Fort Jones City Council; M. R. McGinnis, high school; Richard Berry, firemen; Carl Mello, school board; Mrs. J. H. Stanton, Federated Woman's Club; Mrs. Robert Reynolds, PTA; Calvin Veale, Boosters' Club; Glenn Davis, Boy Scouts; Francis Farley, Cub Scouts; Mrs. Ernest Smith, Brownies; Dr. F. M. Andrews, A-H Clubs.

Representatives are urged to attend all meetings the third Monday of each month, and are asked to arrange for an alternate if it is impossible for them to attend. The public is invited to attend meetings and participate in discussions and planning.

DAM ENLARGED

MONTAGUE—The Morton Reed Ranch of Montague has enlarged a small dam on their property. The addition to the structure increased its storage capacity from 12 acre feet to 23.5 acre feet. This dam is 14 feet in height, 117 feet long and has a spillway 8 feet deep and 50 feet wide. Both the original structure and the addition were designed by the Soil Conservation Service engineers, who assisted the Shasta Valley Soil Conservation District.

GRANGE MEETING
MALIN—The Malin Grange will hold an open meeting on Tuesday, January 27, starting at 6:30 p.m. with a potluck dinner. The meeting will be held in the community hall. Visitors are welcome and there will be special entertainment.

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Toxic Stock-Killing Weed Invading Southern Oregon

PORTLAND (AP) — A poisonous stock-killing weed, Haloglosson, is invading Southeastern Oregon. Bureau of Land Management range conservationist George D. Lea warned Sunday.

In the Bureau of Land Management's annual report, Lea said the Oregon State Highway Department, the state Department of Agriculture, and county weed control committees are cooperating with the BLM in trying to discover and control the new infestation before they spread.

State Supervisor Virgil Heath said good progress was made in rebuilding federal ranges in Eastern Oregon grazing districts during the year, and maintenance work was completed on 87 livestock and big game water developments.

Bureau receipts from June through December were \$13,135,808, compared with operating costs of \$3,293,535 during the same period. Heath said the receipts were from timber sales, grazing fees, mineral land leases and general fund receipts.

Timber sales were nearly 230 million board feet above those of 1957, bringing in approximately 5 million dollars more than a year ago. Yet the average per thousand feet dropped nearly \$2—from \$26.71 per thousand in 1957, to \$26.78 in 1958.

Heath said the total volume of timber sold was in excess of the 1958 plan because it contained 115 million board feet of dead and down timber not included in the sustained yield allowable cut.

Total revenue from the O&C and Coos Bay Wagon Road lands for 1958 was \$24,767,379.22. In his year end report, Heath said field work in the forest inventory of O&C land is nearing completion and during the 1958 fiscal year, 27,166 acres of cut-over, burned, or other poorly stocked forest land was reforested.

County Gets Mouse Check

Klamath County has just received a \$2,000 check from the federal government in payment of a loan for mouse control last winter.

The county court said it had authorized a \$10,000 loan to the government and actually lent \$8,000. The federal government previously had repaid \$4,000. The remaining \$2,000, the court said, was spent for poison used on county property, irrigation ditches, etc., and is considered not returnable.

The mouse epidemic cost the Klamath Basin some six million dollars in crop damage.

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