

Business News

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Bid opening date for construction of the 93-unit apartment project at Shasta Way near Washburn Way, announced a while back by Rickfalls, Inc., 700 Main St., Klamath Falls, has been set for 2 p.m. on Friday, March 6, in the offices of the architects, Morrison & Howard, 203 Williams Bldg. . . . the cottage-type apartments will be erected on a four-acre tract and will cover approximately 40,000 square feet . . . an outdoor swimming pool is included in the specifications . . . the project includes 45 two-bedroom units, 32 one-bedroom units and 18 single studio bachelorette quarters . . . bidders must prequalify 10 days prior to bid opening . . . this project will give a big boost to the local housing situation and construction is slated to start as soon as possible after the contract is awarded.

Sealed bids for leasing of six parcels of public lands in the Tulelake area for agricultural and grazing purposes will be opened at 10 a.m., Feb. 19, in the office of D. A. Gray, Klamath Project manager, Bureau of Reclamation . . . parcels include Lot 28 in Lease Area B-1 (League of Nations); Lot 33 in Lease Area H (Henzel Strip); and Lots 6 and 23 in Lease Area G (Southwest Sump).

Bids will be opened at 2 p.m., Feb. 17, by the 13th Naval District, Public Works Office, Bldg. 250, U.S. Naval Station, Seattle, for providing new antenna poles at AC&W Facility TM-130 (Keno). Spec. No. 18443-58 . . . plans with above office.

Contract was negotiated with Duncan Construction Co., Box 1088, Klamath Falls, by Leroy Gienger, Chiloquin, for repairing fire damage to the 97x100-foot Gienger Bldg., Chiloquin, and converting it to a one-story building for use by a hardware firm . . . Morrison & Howard, 203 Williams Bldg., drew plans and specifications.

Nature pictures are a hobby of Mr. and Mrs. Earl W. Overacker (operators of Whitey's Grocery on Broad St.), according to "Suds" Sutherland, local sales representative for Folger's Coffee . . . one of their recently processed colored movie series shows six big bucks in one group, taken in the Pot Hole country near Medicine Lake . . . one buck in particular has a terrific rack of horns . . . the Overackers have an extensive library of travel and nature studies.

From Wyatt Padgett of Driscoll & Padgett Insurance Agency, Williams Bldg., comes an envelope of interesting clippings . . . Malcolm Epley, onetime managing editor of the Herald and News, is pictured boarding an American Airlines Jet 707 for its initial flight from Los Angeles International Airport to Idlewild Airport . . . the trip was made in four hours and nine minutes and his and the other guest passengers' reactions to the experience were recorded in Mac Epley's column, Beach Combing and a story he sent back to the Long Beach Press-Telegram with a New York dateline.

Pacific Builder & Engineer reports contract awards for heavy engineered construction in the Pacific Northwest totaled more than \$40½ million for the January period, an increase of \$21¼ million over January, 1958 . . . Oregon's total was more than \$2½ million.

Johns-Manville Corporation's indicated earnings in the final three months of 1958 were double those of the corresponding 1957 period . . . this helped lift profits of the building materials maker from \$2.48 a share in 1957 to \$3.06 a share in 1958 . . . A. R. Fisher, chairman of the J-M board, indicated that the company reduced the cost of doing business and is benefiting from new plants coming into production . . . which, of course, includes the one in Klamath County which got off to a phenomenally fine start early last winter.

Sealed bids will be opened by the Klamath County court at 10

a.m. on Feb. 13 for furnishing Klamath County gasoline, laundry, coal, Diesel oil, crude oil and board for prisoners in the county jail from March 1, 1959 to March 1, 1960.

Tom Murdock who was a legislative intern with Sen. Richard L. Neuberger at Washington, D.C., has returned to Klamath Falls and has joined the sales staff at Southern Oregon Realty, 119 So. 6th St., according to Bob Jones, head of the realty company . . . Murdock is a graduate of Willamette University at Salem and has called the Klamath Basin his home for about 10 years.

James Kerns, of J. W. Kerns, Inc., 734 So. 6th St., has returned from a three-day meeting at Spokane, the 55th annual convention of the Pacific Northwest Hardware & Implement Assn. . . . dealers from Idaho, Oregon and Washington attended to hear nationally known speakers on industry problems including Calvin D. Johnson, Washington, D.C., special consultant on public affairs for the American Trucking Associations, Inc.

A record high in assets of more than a billion dollars has been reached by the Savings & Profit Sharing pension fund of Sears, Roebuck & Co. employees, it is announced by Bob Egge, local Sears manager . . . the Sears Fund reached this milestone on Dec. 31 when the total worth of the fund was estimated at \$1,061,764,000, according to word received from James M. Barker, chairman of the fund's board of trustees . . . to achieve this total, the present members of the fund have invested \$141,054,000 out of their wages and salaries . . . the balance of \$920,710,000 has come from company contributions out of profits, investment income and appreciation in value of the fund's investments . . . employee members have withdrawn \$611,339,000 from the fund since it was established in 1918 . . . approximately 74 per cent of the fund's assets are invested in Sears stock . . . these holdings amount to more than 19 million shares and represent 25 per cent of the stock outstanding . . . the fund continues to be the largest single stockholder of Sears . . . the fund today has some 140,000 members and all regular Sears and Allstate Insurance Co. employees with one year's service are eligible to join.

Seven bids were received at the Feb. 3 bid opening in Lakeview by School District No. 7 for construction of an addition to the Fremont Elementary School, according to Howard R. Perrin, architect for the work . . . bids have been taken under consideration and an award will be made at the next full meeting of the school district trustees . . . bids were received from Leagfield, Bend; Salter & Klein, Grants Pass; Louis Kowolowski, Madras; Lakeview Building Materials Co.; Fitzgerald Construction Co.; Eldon Alf and Pinniger & Watkins, all of Klamath Falls.

Started last month and continuing straight into summer, is the "Jubilee" promotion of Folger's Leons, 525 Main St., Klamath Falls . . . Bert Folger started the "June in January Jubilee" of Vicky Vaughn and Toni Todd dresses to "put the hex on Old Man Winter." The manufacturer, R & M Kaufmann, Inc., of Aurora, Ill., has come up with a triple threat collection of sun-bright designs to perk up winter-weary wardrobes.

Crown Zellerbach, largest paper-maker in the West, has begun construction of a \$110,000 research building alongside its Camas, Wash., mill, according to Marple's Business Roundup, published twice a month by Elliot Marple, 407 Bay Bldg., Seattle . . . it will be used to test chemical processes that may create usable items from lignin, the waste by-product of pulp.

William S. Royce, manager of

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Stanford Research Institute's Pacific Northwest office at Portland, has left for a one-year assignment in India where he will serve on loan to the National Council of Applied Economic Research in New Delhi as an adviser on the administration and management of its research programs . . . his wife and their four children will accompany him to India.

Grant Advertising, Inc., has been named to handle advertising for Tidewater Oil Company's Vee-dol automotive and industrial lubricants and to assist in the advertising programs of most of Tidewater's 79 distributors in counties throughout the free world . . . J. Murray Powers will be account executive.

Thayne W. Cole, manager at Klamath Falls for Pacific Telephone, brought in a reprint of Fortune's comprehensive article on the Bell Telephone system which was published in the November issue of that magazine.

American travelers to Mexico in 1959 will find a few differences from past years, according to Paul

Kulp, manager of the four AAA border stations . . . they are El Paso, Nogales, Brownsville and Laredo . . . for one thing, major Mexican resort hotels now offer either European or American plan so the traveler need not eat all meals at the hotel in which he stays . . . new hotels are being built to cater to the budget class of traveler, Kulp said . . . car permits now are good for 90 days only in Mexico instead of the previous 100 days, but the car permit may be renewed at any city government building in any Mexican city . . . Kulp says there is no official charge, but Americans usually wind up paying about 50 cents as a tip . . . he adds that "90 days" means 90 days, not three months and "100 days" means exactly 100 days.

Angusland Winter Fair, a three-day breed promotion series of shows, sales and membership activities, has been set for March 5, 6 and 7 at Spokane's Interstate Fairgrounds . . . Angus breeders from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana have committed more than 150 head of cattle for exhibition and sale.



BILL TAYLOR of Chemult, left, and George M. Larimer, LaPine, are shown looking over the program for the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association annual meeting scheduled for February 9-12 in Washington, D.C. Taylor, Midstate Electric Cooperative president, and Larimer, now completing his seventh year as the utility's manager, will represent their organization at the sessions. The men, accompanied by their wives, left early this week for the East. — Photo by Helen Parks

Crown Denied Life Of Poet

TOKYO (AP) — Even if he wanted to, Emperor Hirohito can't give up his throne to devote the rest of his time to his studies of marine life or poetry. That was the official word given Parliament Friday by two experts, Takeshi Usami, director of the imperial household agency, and Shunzo Hayashi, director of the legislative bureau of the Cabinet. They were questioned concerning the possibility of the Emperor abdicating to ease his long "burden"—a subject which has cropped up recently following the engagement of Crown Prince Akihito. No sir, they replied: "The Emperor is the symbol of the entire nation as prescribed in Article 1 of the Constitution and his position is guaranteed by the collective will of the people." "Furthermore, even if the Emperor wanted to, he cannot abdicate unless the nation willed it." They didn't specify just how the nation could make it known it wanted Hirohito to step down. There has been speculation that Hirohito, who will be 58 in April, might step down after serving more than 30 years as emperor in favor of his eldest son. The crown prince is marrying Miss Michiko Shoda, daughter of a wealthy business executive, in April.

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