

Contract Awarded For Apartments

Construction of 93 apartment units in suburban Klamath Falls will start with ground-breaking on March 14, it is announced by the owners, Rickfalls, Inc., 700 Main Street, Klamath Falls.

Bids were opened on Friday afternoon at the offices of the architects, Morrison and Howard.

By FRANK JENKINS

Up north of the 42nd parallel of latitude, the Oregon legislature is in session. It is beginning to look like it might wind up with an authorized total of appropriations slightly in excess of 300 million dollars.

To Oregon's approximately one and a half million people, that looks like quite a chunk of money and spent for governmental purposes.

South of the 42nd parallel, the California legislature is in session. Its authorized appropriations will probably run up to a total somewhat above two billion dollars. Even to California's 13 or 14 million people, that isn't hay.

These sums look big to us because they are CLOSE to it. The closer things are, the bigger they look.

Try this: Take a silver dollar between your thumb and your forefinger and hold it up say three or four inches in front of your eyes. It will look BIG. Now take the dollar across the street and stand it on edge on a post. Go back across the street and look at the dollar. It will seem SMALL.

It will seem small because it is farther away.

So much for Oregon and California.

Let's take a look now at the U.S.A. In Washington, the congress is expected to authorize spending of around 77 BILLION dollars. That really IS a lot of money—even to the 173 million people who make up the population of the United States.

But—Because Washington is a long way off, it doesn't SEEM so big. It's like the dollar on the post across the street.

Listen: The 77 billion dollar total spending the congress is expected to authorize REALLY IS BIG. And our share of it comes out of our pockets just the same as our share of our state taxes. When looked at in its proper light, our SHARE of it is big.

For example: California's share of the federal total, according to figures vouched for by the non-partisan, non-political Tax Foundation, will be about 7 1/2 BILLION dollars, or approximately three times the total spending contemplated by this year's Oregon legislature.

Much smaller Oregon's share of the federal total will be about 670 MILLION dollars, or somewhat better than twice the total spending contemplated by this year's Oregon legislature.

That is to say: For every dollar Californians pay in taxes to Sacramento, they pay nearly THREE dollars to Washington.

For every dollar Oregonians pay in taxes to Salem, they pay approximately TWO dollars to Washington.

Yet—Although two-thirds of our total tax dollars go to the federal government and only one-third to closer home government—

We seem to incline to the belief that heavy federal spending is GOOD for us whereas heavy close-at-home spending hurts. We tend to vote FOR the heavy spenders in congress and AGAINST legislators and city councilmen who advocate spending what we regard as too much.

It's a strange complex.

March Storm Tapers Off

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A wild March snow storm tapered off and whipped through the Northeast Saturday after leaving the upper Midwest straight-jacketed in the worst late winter weather pounding in a decade.

Numerous highways remained blocked in snow-choked sections of Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan as high winds whipped snowfalls of up to 22 inches into 20-foot drifts.

Deaths blamed on the storm numbered 33-12 in Iowa, 10 in Indiana, 6 in Wisconsin, 2 in Michigan, 2 in New York and 1 in Pennsylvania. The springing dose of winter claimed its victims through snow shoveling heart attacks, traffic accidents and asphyxiation.

Winds gusting up to 50 miles an hour swept the heavy snow area as the storm moved northeastward into Canada.

Two 300-foot radio towers were downed by 45 m.p.h. winds in Bowling Green, Ohio, and a house trailer was overturned while being towed on a highway near Lancaster, Ohio.

Williams Building, and the contract awarded to Vik Construction Company, Eugene. Trivie Vik was present to represent his company.

The Vik Company entered a low bid of \$497,918.

Other bidders and amounts bid were Thompson and Georgeson, Portland, \$498,301; H. Barnhart, Medford, \$520,500, and Brosthouse Construction Company, Klamath Falls, \$520,712.

About one-fourth of the units will be two-story and the remainder cottage type structures. The site is located on a four-acre tract, 200 feet east of Washburn Way, bounded by Shasta Way and Pershing Way. Total ground area for the apartments is 48,058 square feet.

In addition to apartments, plans and specifications call for quarters for the manager's office and for an outdoor tiled swimming pool.

There will be 43 two-bedroom units, 32 one-bedroom apartments and 18 single studio apartments.

Clearing and leveling of the site was done by Ray Kizer Construction Company of Portland earlier this year.

Clean Shaven May Be Fined By Kowpokes

Clean-shaven citizens beware! The Klamath Kurbstone Kowpokes have reorganized their own vigilantes and they'll be riding herd on Klamath Falls folks beginning Monday.

Those who are allergic to whiskers or unable to grow them, or afraid they'll come out too while can purchase a shaving permit for \$1.50 from any Kurbstone Kowpoke.

It entitles you to be beard-free, but you must carry it at all times to keep yourself out of the kangaroo court.

Beards will exempt you from the vigilantes. So, also, will long sideburns or a mustache that droops around the corner of your lips.

The kangaroo court will only convene during weekends.

Half of the proceeds from shaving permits will go to the Little League ball park fund, and the other half to the Centennial celebration fund.

Oh, yes, ladies will be exempt from the necessity of having shaving permits. But beardless men, look out!

Boy At Helm In Shipwreck

NEW YORK (UPI)—A 13-year-old boy was at the helm of the Norwegian tanker Jalanta when it collided with the liner Constitution in a dense fog just outside New York Harbor last Sunday.

Carl Henrik Hoff, Trondheim, Norway, testified Friday he had been assigned to the helm 41 minutes before the collision in the Atlantic, 22 miles from the southern tip of Manhattan Island.

A spokesman for the Norwegian Shipping Federation said "there is nothing unusual in assigning a boy who has completed apprenticeship on a training school ship to any job the master thinks him capable of doing under supervision of elder seamen."

American maritime regulations stipulate that apprentices can only take the helm for learning purposes. In congested areas—such as that where Sunday's collision happened—one below the rating of able bodied seaman is permitted at the helm, according to the rules.

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APPECIATION from all of the Cub Scouts in the Klamath district was expressed by presentation of a specially engraved plaque to John Henderson, production manager of the Herald and News by this den of Pack 8 Cubs, sponsored by the Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church. As the senior in the group, Tommy Ferguson, third from right, made the presentation speech and thanked Henderson for personally conducted tours for 1,100 Cub Scouts during the Cub Scout Newsman project in January. Shown, from left: Buzz Cassidy, Darrell Maphet, Henderson, Mike See, Tommy Ferguson, Lon Hill and Kelly Cassidy. Mrs. Duane Cassidy is den mother and her husband is cubmaster. The plaque, first its kind to be awarded here, was arranged by Jerry Thorne, district scout executive.

Khrushchev Again Rattles The Sabre In Speech Concerning Berlin Crisis



LEIPZIG, East Germany (UPI)—Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev warned Saturday that even a limited war over Berlin would become a global holocaust that would end with the destruction of the West.

"If a new war starts, even if it starts as a small war, it will end in the destruction of capitalism," Khrushchev told a Communist workers conference.

In a hard-hitting, uncompromising speech, the Soviet Premier called for a policy of strength in dealing with the West.

"We recognize the right of using strength in dealing with the imperialists," he said.

"When you talk to the imperialists you need not only morals but you must be supported by strength."

Khrushchev said war is not a certainty because the Communist bloc is now stronger than the West.

"The lamb tried to eat the lion but its stomach was too small," he said.

"War is no longer inevitable. This is so not because the imperialists have become better but because they have become weaker. The forces of peace are stronger than ever before."

In Communist terminology, "imperialist" is synonymous with the West and "forces of peace" means the Communist world.

Khrushchev ridiculed Western reports that the Soviet Union fears Red China or is having difficulty with it.

"A Western visitor said to me 'are you not afraid of the Chinese?' They have such a high birthrate," I answered, "yes, I know."

"This was a typical middle-class conception."

Khrushchev said all Communists help one another.

"If you ask me what I am, I say I am not a Russian but a Communist," he declared.

Scout Leader Wins New Job

Jerry Thorne, district Boy Scout executive of the Modoc Area Council has been promoted to scout executive of the Mt. Baker Area Council with headquarters in Bellingham, Washington. He will take over his new duties April 1. Announcement of his promotion was made by James Pinniger, president of the local council.

His new duties will include administration of scout work in four counties, Whatcom, Skagit, Island County, and San Juan.

Thorne came to Klamath Falls four years ago from the Ore-ida.

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Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Cloudy today and tonight. High 38-55; low 28-32. High yesterday 59. Low last night 31. Northern California—Variable cloudiness through Sunday, little change in temperature.

CRATER LAKE—Saturday was a beautiful day at Crater Lake National Park, according to the rangers. Roads are free of snow and skiing was expected to be excellent, on hard crust, over the weekend.

Berlin Crisis Reply Drafted On U.S. Terms

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Administration officials Saturday finished hammering out a rough draft of a proposed Allied reply to Russia on the Berlin crisis.

The reply, high officials said, welcomes Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's grudging acceptance of the Western proposal for a Big Four foreign ministers' conference on Berlin and Germany. But the proposed note makes it clear that the meeting cannot take place on the narrow terms laid down by Moscow.

Officials said the American suggestion for an Allied reply was among the matters discussed Friday with congressional leaders when they met with President Eisenhower.

The Chief Executive held two 90-minute meetings with the congressional leaders, talking in the morning with the legislative Big Four and then holding a follow-up late afternoon session attended by top members of the Senate and House Armed Services and Foreign Relations committees.

The congressional leaders gave Eisenhower a virtual wartime pledge of support in the Berlin crisis after he briefed them on his firm determination not to yield to Russian pressures or threats.

Eisenhower drove out to Walter Reed Army Hospital to discuss with ailing Secretary of State John Foster Dulles results of the morning meeting with the legislators.

The American draft is being taken to Paris by Martin J. Hillenbrand, director of the State Department's Office of German Affairs. It will be discussed there by a group of British, French, American and West German diplomatic "experts" who meet Monday in the French capital to consult on various phases of German problems.

Four Too Many, Three Must Go

FOREST, Miss. (UPI)—Percy Caples, 70, is seeking to cast off three of his four wives.

Caples filed a petition for three divorces Friday, revealing that since 1932 he has taken four mates.

He wants to get his marital matters in order, he said, so that he can be the wife with whom he is qualified for welfare.

Second Courtroom Approved In Hopes For Second Judge

The county courthouse is to be remodeled to accommodate a second circuit courtroom for Klamath County.

Work on the project is to begin immediately and is scheduled for completion by May 1.

The sudden development — it all happened Friday — is in anticipation of a second circuit judge for this county. The criminal court docket here is packed and civil cases are running two years behind schedule.

The county court decision to remodel the third floor of the courthouse into a new courtroom came in the wake of a telephone call Friday between Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg and Chief Justice William McAllister of the State Supreme Court. The chief justice wanted to know if Klamath County could have a second circuit courtroom ready by May 1.

A bill to establish a second judgeship in the county and relieve the tremendous pressure on Judge Vandenberg was presented in the Legislature March 2; in the Senate by Sen. Harry Boivin and in the House by Reps. Carl Yancey and John Kerbow.

If the bill is approved, the governor would appoint another circuit judge for the county to serve until the next biennial election. Whether the bill will pass is uncertain, but the supreme court's interest in preparedness certainly is a good omen.

Most of Friday afternoon was spent examining the third floor of the courthouse to see what changes would be necessary. The task, when reviewed by County Judge Robert Walker, Commissioners Ed Gosen and Frank Ganong and Architect John Howard, appears to be relatively minor and inexpensive.

The party first went upstairs to examine the third floor as it exists now and to compare plans with Howard's drawings. As it is, the third floor houses the county law library and a small courtroom now used as a juvenile courtroom. The juvenile judge, incidentally, is Lake County Circuit Judge Charles H. Foster, who has the job here because Judge Vandenberg's docket is so packed.

The examiners decided upon tentative plans to house a courtroom, jury room and judge's chambers with relatively few alterations. The third floor had been used as a jail until it was remodeled to its present state a few years ago.

Then the party of officials, joined by County Clerk Charley Delap, looked for a place to house the law library. First a space in the courthouse basement was examined, and found wanting. Then the party moved across the street to the county library, and learned there was no room there. Finally a decision was reached in the basement of the Veterans Memorial Building, that two-story structure behind the courthouse on Fourth Street.

A law library there would be temporary, but all agreed there was space enough for the time being.

The county court planned to send letters to the county's legislative delegation announcing its decision, and Howard was asked to prepare plans so bids could be let immediately on the third-floor renovation.

More and more counties in Oregon are adding circuit courtrooms and circuit judges. Salem now has three rooms and four judges. It was emphasized that even if no additional judge is appointed for Klamath County, the new courtroom will help relieve pressure because judges from other counties can be sent here if we have a place for them.

EUGENE FAVELL

Lake County Realtor Dies

Eugene G. Favell, prominent Lakeview businessman, died Friday night in Phoenix, Arizona. No additional details of his death were available.

He and Mrs. Favell had gone to Phoenix six weeks ago for a vacation.

Born in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, Mr. Favell came West and settled in Lakeview in 1914. He was in partnership with Harry Uley in real estate and insurance.

He is survived by his widow; one son, Gene Favell of Klamath Falls, and five grandchildren.

His son left immediately for Phoenix. Funeral arrangements are pending.

Mr. Favell was appointed a member of the Management Specialists, with T. B. Walters, Klamath Falls, and W. L. Phillips, Salem, to handle the affairs of the termination of the Klamath Indian tribe from federal supervision.

Mr. Favell resigned this position in 1958 because of ill health. He is a former potentate of the Shrine.

Ukiah Woman Ends Ordeal

GOLD BEACH, Ore. (UPI)—Mrs. Gladys Jones, 35, Ukiah, was rescued from a canyon 10 miles south of here Friday after having lain helpless for 36 hours with a broken ankle suffered in a 100-foot fall.

Mrs. Jones said she tumbled into the canyon, just off Highway 101, Wednesday night. Her husband, Clarence, had also fallen, but was able to go and get help. Both were described as in "fair" condition at a hospital here.

The couple was en route to visit relatives in Kelso and Longview, Wash., when the accident occurred. Mrs. Jones said they had stopped their car and trailer along the highway and were unaware of the steep slope just beyond the shoulder of the road.

A search for Mrs. Jones Thursday proved fruitless when her husband became confused about the exact location of her fall. Searchers said the barking of Mrs. Jones' dog, that was with her, enabled them to find her.

Sheriff's Shot Brings Injury To Desperado

TRENTON, Ga. (AP)—Alabama desperado William E. Smothers was shot down and captured Saturday as he attempted to shoot it out with a Georgia sheriff.

Police Chief H. H. Hutchings felled the crafty, cigar-smoking fugitive with a single shot from his .38-caliber pistol at Hooker Road and U.S. 11.

Dade County Sheriff Allison Blevins and Hutchings had surprised Smothers, 38, standing by the road near a railroad crossing, the latter related.

"He threw his gun in the sheriff's face," Hutchings said. "I beat him to it."

The police chief said Smothers was identified by a gray coat, white shirt, blue trousers, and red cap which he wore in a desperate flight through Alabama and into nearby Tennessee.

The wounded criminal was taken to the Tri-County Hospital at Fort Oglethorpe, some 15 miles from the capture scene. Hutchings said his bullet shattered the wanted man's left shoulder but that he did not believe the wound was critical.

Lawmen from Tennessee, Georgia and Alabama combined this tri-state hunt for Smothers since he overpowered an Alabama patrolman Thursday and fled northward with four hostages.

He released his captives unharmed in north Alabama and later abandoned his getaway car near South Pittsburgh, Tenn., about 15 miles from where he was caught.

Hutchings said he could have walked, hitch-hiked or caught a ride on a freight train to the capture site.



HISTORY and the old days of Oregon were given added meaning to the grade school students of Henley, when all classes took part in observing the state's 100th anniversary. A play, "Onward Oregon," was planned around a covered wagon and included folk and square dances, cowboys and maids in old fashioned gowns. Special music was provided by students of the upper grades and Edwin Kammerer was narrator.



SACAJAWEA, named Bo-in-naiv or "Grass Maiden" by members of the Shoshone tribe, was the only woman to accompany the Lewis and Clark Expedition west to 1805-1806. Marion Maxwell, Henley grade school girl, as the famous Indian woman is depicted by rugged scouts John Johnson, right, and Jim Graves. The group is part of a program planned for Henley by teachers and students.