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KF Businessmen Formulate Plan On Parking Woe

By FLOYD L. WYNNE

Klamath Falls merchants took a giant step toward solving their congested parking problems at a special meeting held in the Willard Hotel Tuesday afternoon.

Following a program outlined by William H. Barr, president of the National Parking Association, a number of merchants present agreed to put the idea into action, and began formation of a Klamath Falls Park and Shop Corporation.

Basic principle of the program would be a group of off-street parking lots which would be administered by the Park and Shop Corporation, but used by all merchants participating in the program.

The corporation would lease parking facilities where shoppers can park adjacent to the business area. The shopper would receive a timed ticket when he or she parked the car. Each of the merchants participating in the program would be equipped with parking stamps. For each purchase of $2 or more they would attach one stamp to the parking certificate, good for one hour's parking in the lot.

Thus, the shoppers could remain in the lot as long as they chose, and either have their shopping paid for by the merchants in the program, or in the event they didn't secure sufficient stamps, pay the difference themselves at the rate of 20 cents per hour.

It was emphasized by Lewis Wayburn, handling the program for the Merchants Association, that participation in the program would not be confined to retail merchants. It would also be expanded to include the professional fields, permitting doctors, dentists, lawyers and others to use the parking facilities.

Those taking part in the program would purchase the parking stamps at the rate of $21 per 100 stamps, or an average cost of 21 cents per stamp.

This money, in turn, would be utilized by the corporation to expand the size and number of their parking lots and also publicize the park and shop program.

An additional facet of publicity for the parking lots will come from a program involving participating merchants through the Merchants Association.

In this program, merchants with four or less employes and doing less than $50,000 annually would contribute $1.25 weekly toward an advertising fund. Others would contribute $2.50 weekly.

This money would be used to publicize the parking program and urge shoppers to take advantage of the free off-street parking lots in the downtown area.

The group set a goal of 30 merchants to participate in the advertising program, anmd Wayburn indicated Wednesday morning that more than that number had already agreed to take part in the program.

The corporation itself has set a goal of $25,000 minimum stock sales. The stock is being sold to any and all downtown business people at the rate of $100 per share.

Wayburn indicated that as soon as a minimum of $25,000 has been sold, the Park and Shop Corporation could proceed with securing leases on current parking lots and additional parking areas.

While the stock is being sold at $100 per share, Wayburn indicated that a number of persons would have to purchase more than just a single share if the goal of $25,000 is to be reached. The corporation is authorized to issue stock up to $50,000.

Barr outlined the program to a group of over 150 merchants at the meeting, and told them that a number of cities have already overcome their crowded parking situation by adopting the program. He traced development of the idea from Allentown, Pennsylvania, where it originated 11 years ago.

"If all downtown doesn't stay healthy," Barr warned, "none will." He cautioned merchants who currently possess lots, that they must share them. "The program must be big," he continued. "It must be all. The customer must be able to park anywhere, shop anywhere and yet take advantage of the park and shop lots."

In detailing the cost of such a program, Barr stated that the average costs in 27 cities checked recently amounted to one-tenth of one per cent of their gross sales. "Is it worth one-tenth of one per cent of your gross sales to solve your parking problem?" he asked the assembled merchants point-blank.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Speaking yesterday at Brownsville, Texas, to the South Atlantic and Gulf Coast district convention of the Longshoremen's Association (Harry Bridges), James Hoffa, boss man of the Teamsters, threatens a nationwide strike of all transportation labor if the congress "harnesses unions" with antitrust laws.

He told his audience that organized labor's answer to such legislation should be to have all its collective bargaining contracts expire on the same date and then STRIKE.

He added:

"We can call a PRIMARY strike all across the nation that will straighten out the employers once and for all."

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Well—

It could "straighten out" our COUNTRY once and for all, too.

With the economy of our nation completely tied up by a strike such as Hoffa suggests, the Russians could hit us with everything they have and that would be that.

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That—

I think—

Is TOO MUCH POWER TO BE HELD IN ONE PAIR OF POWER-HUNGRY HANDS.

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In conclusion—

I think it should be added here that no one suspects the INDIVIDUAL teamsters of the rank and file of seeking to amass power enough to shut down the whole United States.

Individually, they are our neighbors and friends. Individually, they are good citizens of this and every other community. Individually, they are the thoughtful and courteous pilots of the huge trucks who signal to us when it is safe to pass and who whenever possible pull over to one side to let a string of us in faster automobiles get by their slower vehicles and be on our way.

They are the people to whom we like to show a counter-courtesy by stopping at a left-hand turn to enable them to get around a corner without bringing their huge trucks to a complete stop and wasting maybe a gallon of fuel in getting them under way again.

Individually, they are fine people.

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In this particular situation, they are pawns in a game of power—TOO MUCH POWER IN TOO FEW HANDS for the public good.

ARMED FORCES DAY

A scattering of flags waving around town are the only indications that today is Armed Forces Day. The bulk of the celebrating took place over the weekend with a parade down Main Street and a big airshow at Kingsley Field.

Community Hospital Suffers Setback

Basin Girl, 3, Electrocuted By Live Wire

MALIN—A 3-year-old girl, daughter of a prominent Klamath County ranch family was electrocuted about 4 p.m. Tuesday as she played in the yard of her parents' home on the Merrill-Malin Highway.

The child, Deanna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cacka, according to state police and an attending physician, died when she picked up an insulated wire carrying 220 volts of electricity. The wire on which insulation had apparently been damaged, had been strung from a shop near the house to a potato cellar in a field, one quarter of a mile away.

She suffered burns on both hands and her abdomen when she fell across the wire stretched on the ground beside a fence.

Three other children, the little girl's brother David, 6, and two children of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Johns, Merrill, Debra, 5, and Vaneda, 7, were present. Debra received a minor burn on one hand when she attempted to help the stricken child. The doctor called to the scene said her life was probably saved because she was unable to lift the little girl from the ground, thus breaking the electric circuit. Later, the child's mother lifted Deanna from the ground and a second tragedy was probably averted because she was wearing rubber soled shoes.

The child was pronounced dead upon arrival of the doctor. The body was taken to O'Hair's Memorial Chapel in Klamath Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Cacka, have two other children, the son, David, and an infant daughter, Cynthia. Mrs. Cacka is the former Leona Lyon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lyon, Merrill. Paternal grandparents of the little girl are Mr. and Mrs. Emil Polivka, Malin.

Weather

Northern California — Fair through Thursday. Coastal winds northerly to northwesterly, 15-30 miles an hour.

Klamath Falls and vicinity—Fair and warmer through Thursday except variable high clouds. Low tonight 32-37; high Thursday 68-74.

High yesterday	55
Low last night	20
Precip. last 24 hours	0
Since Oct. 1	5.06
Same period last year	14.80

World News In Brief

United Press International

KHRUSHCHEV — Moscow — Khrushchev to visit Albania May 25-June 6, apparently believing no crisis is likely during that period.

LABOR — Washington — Hoffa touches off demands for tough labor legislation by threatening to call nationwide strike.

BAUDOUIN—Hollywood — Bachelor King Baudouin meets array of movie stars but seems to have eyes only for filmdom's newest bachelor girl Debbie Reynolds.

SEARCH—Moab, Utah — Veteran river runners pressed into search for missing boater whose wife survived 48-hour ordeal after craft upset.

STRAUSS — Washington — Strauss, victor by one-vote margin in Senate committee, takes confirmation flight to Senate with outcome in doubts.

Court, Council Legal Aides Say Survey Funds Illegal

Plans for construction of a new community hospital in Klamath Falls were set back 18 months with the opinion given the county court and the city council by their legal advisers that neither body can legally budget public funds to pay for an independent survey of hospital needs in the community, the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce said Tuesday.

The chamber of commerce had, by resolution of its board of directors, spearheaded the community hospital program, making it a prime chamber objective for 1959.

The need for additional modern hospital facilities in the Klamath area has been obvious to almost everyone for several years, the chamber said, but the first impetus for doing something about that need came in a statement made by the Klamath County Medical Society.

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The society undertook a study of future hospital needs in the community in January 1957 and came up with the observations that existing hospital beds in Klamath Falls were at or slightly below the national average; that the county's population was increasing rapidly, and, in all probability, would continue to do so, indicating a need for additional facilities in the future.

The medical society said it was unable to secure adequate information relative to the future growth of the county and subsequent hospital needs; arrived at the conviction that the primary responsibility for providing hospitalization rests with the community, and recommended "that the community make such a study so that accurate planning can be undertaken."

Both the chamber and the community council of Klamath County, a group representing a complete cross-section of the community, began immediate committee study of the problem. Last December the community council went on record recognizing the need for new hospital facilities, favoring the appointment of a committee to work with the chamber of commerce on the problem, and pointing out the need for a professional survey of hospital needs in the community.

The chamber of commerce community hospital committee, after long and careful study, which included either personal or mail contact with communities throughout the nation which have faced similar problems, urged the chamber's board of directors to act on these two recommendations: (1) that contract negotiations be opened with the Stanford Research Institute for a survey of our hospital needs, and (2) that while this was in process the committee be authorized to present its findings to the city council and county court with an appeal for funds to be budgeted to finance such a survey, should a satisfactory contract be arrived at. The recommendations were quickly adopted by the chamber's board of directors.

Stanford Research Institute, a non-profit organization engaged in supplying research service to industry and government, offered a proposal to the chamber of commerce for studying the future requirements for hospital facilities in Klamath Falls and environs.

The institute indicated that the 4-month study, to cost $8,000, would have as its objective to estimate the number and type of hospital beds and related auxiliary facilities that would be required by Klamath Falls and environs at present and for the next 10 years.

The study also would have advanced a number of possible methods of financing and administering a new hospital should the need for new facilities be indicated by the survey.

The chamber of commerce appealed to both the city and county budget committees for funds to finance the survey, one-third to be supplied by the city, two-thirds by the county.

There the matter rested until Monday when the county court informed the chamber of commerce that District Attorney Arthur A. Beddoe had told the court that in researching Oregon statutes, he had arrived at the opinion that the court could not legally budget public funds for the purpose of financing a hospital survey. While no definite word was received from the city, the chamber understood that City Attorney Henry Perkins had rendered a similar opinion for the city council and its budget committee.

Chamber of commerce president, Bob Mest, expressed keen disappointment that the Klamath County Medical Society, the community council and chamber committees had reached an apparent impasse after so many months of study and work in the public interest. Said Mest, "Since the exhaustive research done by the chamber's community hospital committee indicated an independent, professional survey of hospital requirements as a prime requisite for undertaking the financing and construction of new facilities, and since the chamber, at this moment, knows of no alternative method of raising the funds necessary for such a survey, we most reluctantly must turn the urgent matter of surveying the community's hospital requirements back to the community itself.

"Our committee will continue its studies to try to find some other course in arriving at a solution to this problem, but, at the same time, we will welcome any constructive suggestions that may help resolve it."

Blast Rips Plane Firm; Five Killed

BALTIMORE (AP) — An explosion racked the hull of a seaplane being cleaned with a commercial solvent in a Martin Co. hangar today, killing five workmen and injuring at least five others.

A Martin spokesman said a dozen or so men were bathing the hull of a two-engined seaplane with a cleaning fluid using pressure hoses when a muffled explosion rocked the interior of the hull.

The big hangar, located away from the main cluster of Martin buildings, quickly filled with smoke, but there was little fire after the first flash.

An inquiry was begun quickly by Dr. Melvin Davis, Maryland deputy medical examiner.

The company said the cause of the blast had not been determined.

The hangar where the explosion occurred is used to clean and paint the seaplanes manufactured here before they are delivered. The hangar is separated from the rest of the plant by the airfield used by Martin's and an Air National Guard detachment.

Identification of the dead was withheld pending notification of next of kin.

Three of the injured taken to University Hospital were identified as John Dunn, 27, with second-degree burns; James Holly, 36, leg injuries, and Jacob Goldstein, 42, whose injuries were described as slight.

The hospital understood Holly was blown out of the hull by the impact of the blast.

Panel Slates Welfare Talk

The county welfare department—its purposes and its functions—will be reviewed at a public panel discussion tonight at 8 o'clock in the Klamath Art Center.

Members of the panel include County Judge Bob Walker; County Commissioner Frank Gamong; Mrs. Julia Brown, welfare administrator; Mrs. Betty Williams, child welfare case supervisor, and Rod Daggett, case worker.

Other members of the county court and the welfare commission will be present to answer questions.

Moderator will be Mrs. Frank Johnson, welfare commission member and a member of the Klamath Unitarian Fellowship sponsoring the discussion.

The Klamath Art Center is in the old Mountain View Housing Project off Alameda Avenue. The discussion is for benefit of the public.

Boy Drowns In Hazing

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP)—The initiation ceremony for a Yakima High School club, being carried out in the water of a small pond east of town, turned into tragedy Tuesday when one of the 16 initiates died.

Henry Sherwood, a 16-year-old sophomore, and five other youths dressed in garments made from burlap sacks were being paddled by members of the club, a letterman's organization, in the water when Sherwood sank beneath the surface.

His absence went unnoticed for several minutes. When his companions realized he was missing, they searched and found his body. Attempts to revive the boy failed.

Germany, France Applying Brakes To Secret Talks

GENEVA (AP)—U.S. Secretary of State Christian A. Herter appealed to the Soviet Union today to reconsider its rejection of German unification as the basis for a German peace setttlement.

In a solemn speech directed at Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko across the conference table, Herter warned that prolonged German disunity "can only result in disaster for those that stand in the way" of unification.

He argued that only a united German people can determine the future of the German nation.

"Until the Soviet Union recognizes these self-evident facts and cooperates to this end, there will never be a solution of the German problem or the problem of European security," he added.

At the same time, Herter indicated that the West is willing to put aside one section of package plan for linking unification with disarmament and European security. He said the Western powers do not insist on general disarmament as a condition for unifying Germany. Gromyko has blasted the package as a tangle of unrelated issues.

Russia's proposal for a peace treaty with divided Germany and the continued division of Berlin, Herter said, "constitute a long step back from Russia's emphasis four years ago on German unity."

Some cautious moves were apparently going on in the Big Four foreign ministers conference concerning the start of secret negotiations.

When these do take place they will almost certainly determine whether a summit conference will be held this summer.

Maurice Couve de Murville of France and Heinrich von Brentano of West Germany appeared less anxious to get quickly into secret talks than their two Western colleagues.

They were said to be taking the line with U.S. Secretary of State Christian A. Herter and Britain's Foreign Minister Selwyn Lloyd that, since the Soviet Union created the Berlin crisis, the Soviets should take the lead in finding a solution.

Couve de Murville and Von Brentano are not opposed to secret talks, diplomats said, but insist the Western allies must enter into such discussions with the greatest care.

Debate over the rival, and mutually rejected Soviet and Western proposals for a German peace settlement will continue possibly until the end of the week.

This means a delay in the schedule which Herter tentatively anticipated last week—that private talks with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko might get under way by today or Thursday.

Von Brentano saw Herter for half an hour this morning. He indicated the secret phase of the Big Four talks probably would not begin for several days.

A conference source said Gromyko told Lloyd Wednesday night that he will make a new stab at getting Communist Poland and Czechoslovakia admitted to the conference. The Western foreign ministers rebuffed his earlier attempt to seat them.

The Western and Soviet foreign ministers were to continue their debate on their rival plans for Germany at another formal conference session today. But Western diplomats say this debate has reached a dead end of disagreement, and the obvious objective of both sides in continuing the discussion is to make more propaganda.

While press and public are barred from the conference sessions, everything that happens inside the conference room is immediately reported to newsmen by press officers for the delegations.

Only about a dozen men — probably three from each of the Big Four countries — will attend the secret talks shaping up. Little information about them is expected to emerge from day to day.

U.S. Secretary of State Christian A. Herter, British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd and French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville are agreed that both German delegations must be excluded from the secret sessions.

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House today voted down 203-177 an administration-backed housing bill. It then began consideration of a measure ranging far beyond President Eisenhower's recommendations.

It was a major victory for Democrats pressing for more public housing and $2,100,000,000 of other federal housing aid.

Board Alters Meet Dates

YREKA — The Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors at yesterday's meeting voted to change the dates of their meetings to the second and fourth Tuesday of each month instead of meeting every Tuesday, as they have been doing. The change will come about after July 1.

The board also voted to return to the county department of fish and game the amount of $6,500, which the board had previously taken from the department.

Three men representing the sportsmen of the county, Loyd Johnson and Warren Tormey of Yreka and Judge Les Chase of Dorris, appeared before the board protesting the cut from the department.

The money, derived from fines received by the department, was to be used by the board to pay the salary and expenses of the county trapper. The amount will now be used by the fish and game department to enlarge Juanita Lake near Macdoel from 30 to 100 acres. Experiments have been going on with the lake for about seven years. It was stated that around 2,500 large rainbow trout had been caught in the lake last year.

The supervisors also adopted a salary ordinance for the next fiscal year, beginning July 1, with little change in salaries.

They also voted to adopt the budget with the changes made at the final budget meeting on May 13.

Voters Reject School Tax

DUNSMUIR—Mount Shasta voters rejected a school tax override and Dunsmuir voters returned incumbents to its school boards in elections yesterday.

The Mount Shasta tax override would have increased school district taxes from 90 cents to $1.50 per $100. It was defeated overwhelmingly, 440 against and 199 for.

Elected to remain on the Dunsmuir Elementary School Board were J. W. Reynolds, 254 votes, and John Samuelson, 211 votes. An unsuccessful candidate was Ivan Young, 130.

Incumbents also returned to the Dunsmuir Joint Union High School District Board comprising Dunsmuir and Castle Rock precincts. They were Arthur Crowe, 285, and Sidney Fischer, 227. Third candidate was Robert Dewey, 223.

New members elected to the Mount Shasta Elementary Board were Douglas Caley, 510, and Phil Gutzler, 512. Incumbent Wayne Meroux received 211.

In Siskiyou Junior College Board elections in Dunsmuir district, incumbent Robert David received 249 votes, followed by Brenda Gamble with 169. Also running was Robert Woods, 106. In Castle Rock, David received 58 votes, Gamble 38 and Woods 28.

County Board of Education members were unopposed. In Dunsmuir, Nellie Masson received 284 votes, Max O. Layton 257 and Bruce Martin 257.

CENTENNIAL AND CLEANUP were combined during a recent session of the fourth graders of Chiloquin School. Mrs. Lester Heback poses here with some of her fourth grade students at the Centennial program last Friday. Posters shown are being entered by the class in the all-county cleanup campaign contest. Students, left to right, are John Cox, Darrell Mason, George Hewitt, Kathy Jones, Mary Parsons and Louie Reid. (Photo by Gilbert Riley)

'Westward Ho!' Is Theme Of Grade School Program

CHILOQUIN — Westward, Ho! was the theme of the annual grade school program presented for parents and friends at the school gym on Friday afternoon, May 15.

Mrs. Gail Ridenour and Mrs. Harry Whiting were co-chairmen of the event which was to have been given by the lower four grades. At the last, the sixth graders were invited to present songs and dances which they had planned to do at the OTI county music festival which was canceled. Fifth graders acted as ushers.

First graders opened the program with a Centennial orchestra number with Arthur Ochoa handling the baton. An old-time dance was done by two couples with orchestra accompaniment.

One square of dancers from the fourth grade were costumed in Centennial outfits.

A second grade class put on a pantomime about Oregon Industries with song accompaniment. The other second grade put on a skit about school of long ago.

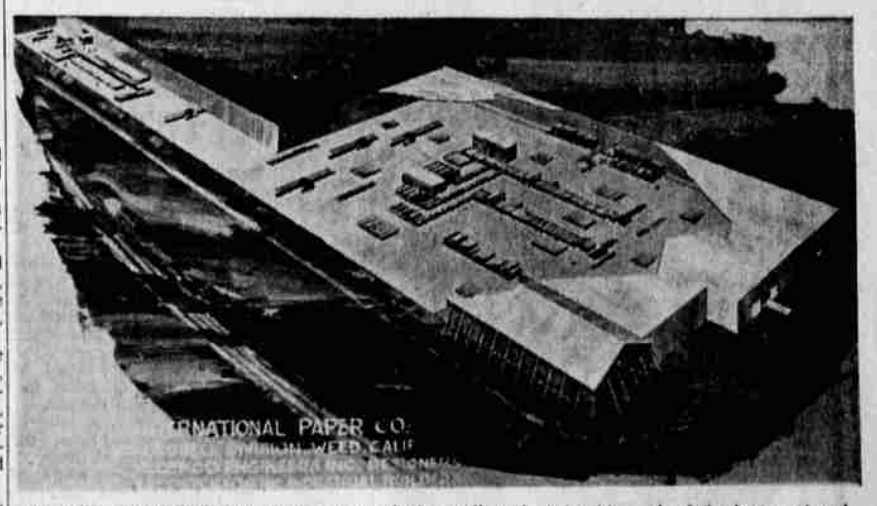
The third graders presented a skit about the early pioneer days with several speaking parts and later the entire group introduced the state Centennial song.

"On Top of Old Smokey" was the song and pantomime presented by the fourth graders.

Following the two songs and dances given by the sixth graders, the entire school presented the finale, the state song, "Oregon, My Oregon."

The faculty, in addition to the chairmen, includes Frank Hale, principal, Mrs. Gordon Kuist, Dorothy Gulliford, Mrs. Athel Roser, Mrs. George Hobbs, Mrs. Lester Hoback, Jim Rockholt, Ross McIntyre, Mrs. Rohlin Pfeiffer and Kenneth Magee.

A tea served in the cafeteria, which had been decorated with antiques, followed the program. Mrs. Warren Lough, new PTA president in Centennial dress, and Mrs. Warren Wilder, wife of a school board member, dressed in her Indian outfit served. The foods had been prepared by Mrs. Earl Greear and her cafeteria staff.



ARTISTS CONCEPTION of the new planing mill at the Weed branch of the International Paper Company is shown here. Completion of the mill is set for September 1. The building will house modern planing mill grader, storage for finished lumber and improved facilities for lumber shipping. The new construction is adjacent to shed 17, a storage and rough lumber shed. The modernized storage and shipping area will have five overhead cranes. Other equipment to be installed will include three planes, together with trimmer and other related equipment. Designed by Inbenco Engineers, Inc., and the Weed branch personnel, the construction work is being done by T. H. Peterson, Inc., of San Leandro.