

Park, Shop Corporation Hopes To Initiate Plan

The Klamath Falls Park and Shop Corporation hopes to get its congestion-easing parking plan underway sometime next spring.

Charles Schuss, corporation vice president, said the group has subscribed about enough money to begin negotiations for the property for the initial two or three parking lots.

Facilities are to be financed and built by merchants and landlords. About 25 have subscribed and purchased stock.

The plan is modeled on similar parking arrangements which have spread to 78 cities since it first was tried in Allentown, Pennsylvania, 11 years ago.

It was presented to local merchants last year by officers of the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce. They invited William Barr, president of the National Park and Shop Association, to outline the setup locally.

Under the plan, shoppers will drive into a Park and Shop lot. An attendant will issue a ticket. When the ticket is validated by a participating merchant, it entitles the bearer to an hour's free parking. Each subsequent valida-

tion adds a free hour. Validation will depend on a purchase of merchandise. The corporation has not yet set a minimum purchase price. If ticket bearers make no purchases, they will be charged a small amount when they leave the parking lot.

The plan is not designed to be directly profitable. It has proved to alleviate traffic congestion in the cities in which it has been tried.

Thus a shopping area becomes more attractive to shoppers, corporation members say, increasing property value and, of course, sales.

Plans call for parking space covering Main Street from Fourth through Tenth streets.

Other corporation officers are Jim McGuire, president; Lewis Wayburn, secretary, and Al Hattin, treasurer.



VICTOR H. CROXTON, Medford, State Grange deputy, state lecturer and member of Sams Valley Grange No. 666, is shown presenting a plaque for outstanding service to her community to Mrs. Basil Hall, master of Bly Grange No. 771. The presentation was made at a recent teen-age meeting when the state officer explained grange activities to boys and girls of the Bly area. Croxton was accompanied by his wife, who is the HEC of Sams Valley Grange.

Seamen Who Escaped Ship Tell Of Lifeboat Ordeal

SEATTLE (AP) — Two of 22 seamen who escaped from the wreck of the U. S. freighter Valley Forge in a lifeboat told Tuesday of clinging to the boat's hull after it overturned and being washed up on a remote, swampy island.

Charles L. Kidd Sr., 48, Baltimore, second mate of the Valley Forge, and seaman Norman Petersen, San Francisco, testified before a Coast Guard board of inquiry which expected to end a three-day hearing Wednesday.

The 7,000-ton freighter ran onto a reef in the South China Sea Dec. 31. The 37 men aboard escaped in three boats.

The steel boat with Kidd and

Petersen aboard was capsized by waves but kept afloat by air tanks. Kidd said flares and a signal gun from the boat were used to direct rescuers to the island.

Edmund W. Crull of Everett,

Wash., radio officer, who was also aboard the lifeboat, told of cranking a hand radio generator for emergency radio equipment. He suggested that transistor radio receivers be part of shipboard emer-

gency equipment.

Chief Mate C. B. Vineyard testified that the fathometer showed 20 fathoms under the ship's keel shortly before she hit. He corroborated testimony of Capt. Peter F. Petrone that the Valley Forge's equipment was in excellent condition.

Petrone told the board the ship was about 20 miles off course because of an abnormally strong current. Vineyard said it was misty and drizzling, with a visibility of two or three miles, when the vessel went aground.

The Valley Forge was en route from Portland, Ore., to India with a shipment of wheat.

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is provided by algae, the tiny veg-

etation found in green pond scums. Carbon dioxide exhaled by the mice is used by the algae in their life process.

The purpose is to develop a system to let astronauts live in a sealed cabin indefinitely.

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Meet Times Listed By CD Women

Meetings of the Women's Civil Defense Committee will be held the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month until complete organization of the group is effected, it was decided at Tuesday's meeting held at the Fremont School cafeteria. Meeting place will be announced for future meetings.

Mrs. Natalia Reichenberg, chairman pro tem and the acting secretary will retain their posts until the committee is completely organized, it was agreed, at which time a vice chairman will be named to fill the officer positions.

Mrs. Myrtle Caldwell of the Klamath County Health Department was appointed chairman of a standing rules committee to select rules and procedures by which the committee will be governed.

Joe Searles, Klamath County Defense director, spoke at Tuesday's meeting to explain the educational and liaison functions of the women's group. The committee has been formed, also, to assist in coordination of the various departments of the county, Civil Defense set-up, he said.

The first project to be undertaken will be complete orientation of committee members in all phases of Civil Defense work. This is necessary before the committee can be of adequate service to the community, Mrs. Reichenberg pointed out.

Mrs. Bernard Schiff presented material to the group on the nature of radiation fallout, a subject she has studied extensively.

Fallout damage and practical measures of prevention will be the first topic covered by the group.

Sanitation will be covered by Mrs. Caldwell at the next meeting. There will be discussion, also, on radiation sickness. Announcement of time and place will be made in advance of January 26.

Acid Tossed Into Pharmacy

PORTLAND (AP) — A glass jar full of a substance believed to be acid was hurled into the Oregonian Pharmacy located in the building occupied by the Oregonian here Tuesday night.

The jar smashed and turned several square feet of the tile floor soft, making it like putty.

Veva Whorton, the cashier on duty, said she did not see the jar tossed, but heard the jar smash on the opposite side of a column and counter that obscured her view.

The drug store is operated by Sam Greenburg in the northwest corner of the struck Oregonian plant.

New Plea Filed By Con-Author

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Caryl Chessman filed another petition Tuesday in his long battle to escape death in the gas chamber.

The convict-author contended the latest and eighth date set for his execution—Feb. 19—is void.

Attorneys George T. Davis and Rosalie Asher filed Chessman's petition, which argued that a stay of execution granted Nov. 30, 1955, by U.S. Dist. Judge Louis E. Goodman still is in effect.

Judge Goodman set Jan. 18 to hear arguments.

Chessman, Los Angeles' infamous "red light" bandit was convicted of kidnapping and sex crimes. He has been on death row 11½ years.

LAUNCH ATOMIC SUB STOCKHOLD (UPI) — Soviet Russia has launched its first atomic submarine and stationed it in the Baltic, the authoritative Swedish Marine Calendar for 1960 said Tuesday.

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