

Montague Swim Pool Fund Stands At \$7,054

MONTAGUE — Climbing slowly but steadily, the Montague Swimming Pool Fund now stands at \$7,054. It was reported at Tuesday night's meeting of Shasta Valley Community Club.

Bob Akin, Pool Finance Committee chairman, announced that the committee mailed out 91 letters to various out-of-town business firms, who are associated with Montague merchants, asking for contributions to the fund.

Several communications were read from the firms who had responded, some containing contributions. Several explained it is against company policy to participate in such projects.

Local contributors recently were the Montague Trail Riders,

\$85 and the Montague Lancers, \$35. Contributions to the Jim Ready Memorial Fund, earmarked for the swim pool, amounted to \$107.

Also to help add to the fund, the community club has set up \$1-per-person-per-year membership dues, and the total will be placed in the fund.

Lester Owens, president of Montague Parent-Teacher Association, asked that the president appoint Community Club members to assist in the forthcoming spring show, "Frantic Antics," to be presented March 9, 10 and 11, sponsored by the club and the PTA.

Owens also stated that the Community Club will realize two-thirds of the proceeds for the swimming pool fund. The remaining one-third will be retained by the PTA. Expenses will be shared.

In other action officers were elected. Walt Bray, chairman of the Nominating Committee, recommended that the present slate of officers be reelected, with the exception of treasurer. He named Mrs. Beulah Gordon as a candidate for treasurer.

Members cast a unanimous ballot to retain Mrs. Alice Hessig as president, Mrs. Hilda Cooley as vice president and Mrs. Betty Dow as secretary.

Don Leavers, a member of the board of directors whose term had expired, was replaced with the election of Louis Hessig.

Funeral Held On Thursday

MOUNT SHASTA — Funeral services were held Thursday, Jan. 5, at 2 p.m. in Mount Shasta Memorial Chapel for Mrs. Nancy Louise Carson who died Tuesday in a Yreka hospital.

Cause of her death was burns sustained in a fire that claimed the lives of her two daughters, Debbie and Diana, 3, Sunday evening, Dec. 4.

Her husband, William G. Carson, and month-old son, Robert, were each hospitalized at that time, but are reported recovering.

Mrs. Carson was born in Spickard, Mo., June 25, 1937. Surviving also is a daughter, Billie Jo, who was away during the fire; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brown, Spickard, and a brother, Kenneth A. Brown of the Navy.

The Rev. Lee De Saulnier, pastor of Mount Shasta Church Evangel, conducted final rites. Interment was in Mount Shasta Memorial Park.

Baker To Retire From SP Position

DUNSMUIR—Shasta Division of Southern Pacific Company announced the retirement of Gordon E. Baker, conductor, today.

Baker has made his home in Redding for several years but earlier in his railroad career worked in Dunsmuir, Klamath Falls, Ashland and Alturas.

He was employed by the company in May, 1916. He is a veteran of World War I and became a conductor in 1920.

His retirement was effective Dec. 31.

450 Attend Yule Party

HAPPY CAMP—Herbert Sonnenborn, elementary school principal, welcomed nearly 450 persons to the annual school Christmas program at the high school.

A total of 336 elementary students took part in the program, presenting skits, songs, poems and recitations.

Mrs. Josephine Aubrey, Robert Schaefer and T. Reed, teachers, directed seventh and eighth grade students in enacting the Nativity. Diane Westby, high school senior, was pianist.

Grange News

HAPPY CAMP — Members of Happy Camp Grange voted to increase dues during a business meeting preceding the annual grange Christmas party at the grange hall recently.

Master Paul Louquet Sr. presided. The hall was decorated with a large Christmas tree trimmed by women of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

A program was presented and carols sung. Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. William McAuley, Mrs. Elizabeth Keeline, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haskill, Mrs. Edna Jennings, John Jardim and Louquet.

Car Wrecked

MOUNT SHASTA—John Ronald Fowler, 18, Redding, was charged with failure to keep his car under control by officers here Jan. 2.

The car pitched over a grade on a turn in Dunsmuir at 4 p.m. The car was destroyed and Fowler sustained minor injuries.

Tulelake Growers Vote Voluntary Support Of Potato Association

TULELAKE—Members of the Tulelake Growers Association, in annual meeting, voted unanimously to support the Potato Growers Association of California and Arizona on a voluntary basis. The action was taken following a report given by John Cross, Tulelake member of the governing board for the two state association.

The action taken determines that all members of Tulelake Growers Association will be given an opportunity to join the two-state organization by paying an assessment of 25 cents per acre rather than the \$1 per acre on potatoes which is currently being paid by all of their members in Southern California area, according to Cliff Jenkins, association manager.

John L. Coulson, resident of Tulelake since 1930, operator of a diversified farm in the Coppock

Bay area, and Kenneth Powell, resident since 1930, rancher on the East Side of the Basin, were elected to three-year terms. Powell replaces retiring association president Sam Wynn. Coulson replaces Burris Short.

Herbert Kirby, entering his second year on the board, was named president. He is associated with his father, L. C. Kirby. John Coulson will serve as vice president.

Members voted to retain the same assessment rate in effect in 1960, for the coming year, 85 cents per acre on other crops.

Other action taken at the meeting includes a request from members that the association appoint a permanent Labor and Housing Committee which will have the same status in association activities as do the four other major committees.



EVERETT MEMORIAL HIGHWAY to Mount Shasta Ski Bowl is getting plenty of attention from Siskiyou County road crews, who are anticipating predicted heavy snowfalls during January by making room for snow removed from the highway. — Photo by J. O. McKinney.

Precipitation Well Above Normal

MOUNT SHASTA — Seasonal precipitation is well above normal this year in southern Siskiyou County, according to the U.S. weather station at Mount Shasta.

From July 1 through Dec. 31 a total of 17.79 inches of rainfall was recorded compared with a normal of 12.91 inches.

December was a month of contrasts in rainfall and temperatures as well as "inverted" weather which brought higher thermometer readings to the Mt. Shasta Ski Bowl than were recorded on the same days in the communities at lower elevations.

Frank Ashell, weather bureau staff member at Mount Shasta, reports the first two days of the month brought 69 per cent of the moisture recorded during December. Totals for the two-day storm were Mount Shasta, 4.68 inches; Weed, 5.75 inches; McCloud, 6.64 inches; north Dunsmuir, 6.87 inches; and Mt. Shasta Ski Bowl, 6.84 inches, which produced about 68 inches of snow.

After a week's respite, the elements descended again with a brief snowstorm Dec. 10. Dunsmuir took the brunt of a storm that hit the area from Dec. 15 through 18, and recorded 5.43 inches of rainfall.

Other southern Siskiyou County communities reporting were Weed, 1.47 inches; McCloud, 3.38 inches, and Mount Shasta, 1.95 inches.

Nearly all of this fell as rain except at the ski bowl which received another 55 inches of snow and 5.46 inches of precipitation.

Rising temperatures and clear skies provided mild weather for the remainder of the month.

Dec. 6 was the coldest day in the area. Weed and the ski bowl reported lows of 13 degrees. McCloud recorded 17 degrees, north Dunsmuir, 22 degrees, and Mount Shasta, 16 degrees.

Dec. 23 was the warmest day with 63 degrees recorded at Dunsmuir and 62 at Mount Shasta.

Weed had a high of 53 degrees on Dec. 13. McCloud's highest was 60 on the 12.

Chinook winds brought warm temperatures at the ski bowl while the valley shivered. Nighttime lows stayed in the 40s at the ski bowl Dec. 12 and 13, 29 and 23 and again on Dec. 29 and 30 while readings at Mount Shasta were well below freezing.

Weed, at an elevation of 3,500

feet, reported a low of 20 degrees on the morning of Dec. 20, while the ski bowl at 7,641 feet dropped no lower than 40. On Dec. 29, Weed reported a low of 15 degrees compared to the Mt. Shasta Ski Bowl low of 37.

Total precipitation for the month at the weather station was 6.79 inches — 1.40 inches above normal. The average daily temperature for December was 37.5 degrees, compared with a December normal of 34.7 degrees.

Assembly Okays Boost In Loans

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — The Assembly today adopted a resolution increasing the amount the state Allocation Board may lend school districts for classroom construction to \$12 million a month.

Assemblymen voted 73-0 to boost the monthly loan limit from the present \$10 million monthly.

Funds for the construction loans come from a \$300 million bond issue approved by voters last November.

Assemblyman Vernon Kilpatrick, D-Lynwood, who presented the resolution, obtained unanimous consent to bring the measure up for a vote today after stating authorization for the increases was needed before the Allocation Board meets Tuesday.

The resolution was forwarded to the Senate.

Key Clubbers Will Elect New Officers

DUNSMUIR—An election of officers is slated during the Key Club meeting at the city hall at 8 p.m. Monday.

Disposition of \$2,600 raised during the Freeway Day celebration will also be discussed at the meeting.

Plans call for providing some financial support to the community building being constructed under Lions Club sponsorship.

A celebration to mark the opening of fishing season is the next Key Club project under consideration.

The club was organized last July for the purpose of supporting community projects and promoting community welfare. Under the presidency of Judge A. A. Smith, it staged a celebrating Oct. 1 that brought many state dignitaries to Dunsmuir to participate in the opening of the Highway 99 bypass and through the sale of booster tickets raised a substantial sum.

Radio System Is Installed

YREKA — According to L. C. Sheppard, administrative assistant to the Siskiyou County Road Department, complete new radio communications equipment has been installed since Wednesday, Jan. 4, with the exception of one repeater station for the sheriff's office.

The radio communications equipment includes 32 mobile units, five repeaters and one base station, to be used by the road department and the county agricultural department. Cost of the equipment so far was \$45,389.27 before installation.

According to the sheriff's office, interference from the Oregon State Police radio often cuts out communication to Butte Valley. Sheriff A. B. Cottar also stated that until a repeater for the Scott Valley area is installed for his office, there is no radio communication between the stations.

First Baby

MOUNT SHASTA — Siskiyou County's first baby of the new year, a girl, was born here to Mr. and Mrs. Ish Valenzuela, Dunsmuir, at 2:35 a.m. Jan. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Leeper, 506 West Jessie Street, were parents of the first child born last year.

Federal Aid Would Make Water Projects Possible

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — State officials said today that all water projects planned under the recent \$1.75 billion bond issue can be completed if expected federal aid materializes.

The Department of Water Resources said these projects would include both the Oroville Dam and transmission lines to Southern California.

In a new breakdown of current cost estimates, the department set

the price of all projects at \$1,922,712,000, of which \$1,742,200,000 would come from the state.

Department officials estimated the present cost of Oroville Dam at \$424,139,000, an increase of about \$6 million over 1955 projections.

If anticipated federal contributions of \$251,400,000 are forthcoming, the department said, the state will have an \$8 million surplus left over from the bond issue approved by voters last November.

In addition, there is now about \$100 million in the California water fund—revenue from tidelands oil earnings earmarked for water development.

These two sums should provide "considerable" elbow room for the state in case of inflation, the department said.

Sen. Neuberger Opposes Boards

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Maurine Neuberger, D-Ore., Thursday notified federal highway administrator Bertram D. Tallamy that she is opposed to increasing the size of billboards along interstate highways.

Mrs. Neuberger said in a letter to Tallamy that a proposal to increase the size of signs would be "defeating the purpose of federal signboard control."

She added that she hoped the present limitations would be maintained.

Washington Boy Is Top DeMolay

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Walter C. Minnick, 13, Walla Walla, Wash., has been named DeMolay of the Year, a top honor in the international boys' organization.

The 1960 graduate of Walla Walla High School is president of his freshman class at Whitman College.

His selection was announced Thursday by Clarence W. Head, the order's secretary-general. He will receive a trophy at the annual DeMolay Supreme Council at Victoria, B. C., next March.

Land and Tax Plan Set

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — A constitutional amendment that takes a new tack in attempting to solve farm land tax assessment problems has been proposed to the Assembly.

Assemblyman Paul J. Lunardi, R-Roseville, introduced the bill Wednesday and said it has already received enthusiastic support from farm groups and fellow lawmakers.

The amendment aims to equalize tax assessments on farm land while at the same time protecting the county from speculators who plan to sell the land to subdividers and industrial interests.

"There has been no real effort to tie up the loose ends in similar proposals," Lunardi said. His amendment would list specific conditions to be met by farmers who want to benefit from lower tax rates.

If the amendment is approved by the legislature and subsequently the voters, it would allow counties to assess agricultural land on the basis of use.

Farmers who wanted their lands assessed at lower rates for farm use would sign a contract with the assessor indicating they plan to keep their land in agriculture for five years. If they sold it for subdivision or industry during that time, they would pay the county the difference in taxes.

Lunardi emphasized the amendment would not reduce taxes to farmers, but would equalize them. He said he had not heard from county assessors on the proposition, but thought they might approve it because "it keeps the farmers honest."

Leave Growth Along Levees, Shannon Urges

RIO VISTA (UPI) — Director Walter Shannon of the Department of Fish and Game recommended strongly today that federal reclamation officials leave at least some vegetation along Northern California river levees.

Shannon told the California Reclamation Board, conducting a hearing on the levee stripping, that the problem is "especially acute" in the delta areas of Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers.

"We realize that levee maintenance, repair and reconstruction is of paramount importance," Shannon said. "However, where vegetation can be left without endangering the levee it is strongly recommended that it be done."

The official said several species of wildlife utilize the vegetative cover of the levees and destroying their cover reduces their number. He pointed out that Californians spend more than \$50 million a year on their hunting and fishing activities.

Assemblyman Edwin L. Z'berg, D-Sacramento, told the board that he planned to introduce legislation asking Congress to recognize recreation as a valuable by-product of channel work.

Charge Filed

McCLOUD—Robert Jordan, 19, and Ronald Sarti, 20, McCloud, were charged by the California Highway Patrol for illegal possession of alcoholic beverage New Year's Day.

The two are to appear in McCloud Judicial Court Jan. 14.

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MEMBERS OF THE BOARD of directors of the Tulelake Growers Association include, seated center, new president, Herbert Kirby and Cliff Jenkins, association manager. Standing, left to right, are John Coulson, Elmer Olson, Kenneth Powell, Wilbur Edwards. George Fabianek, board member, was absent. — Photo by Jerry Ternus.



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