

Yreka Council Settles Deadlock Over Postal Department Terminal

YREKA—The city council and planning commission have settled the council deadlock on the decision whether to sell city property on Fourth Street to the Post Office Department for construction of a terminal center for mail coming to Siskiyou County.

In a meeting Monday, the commission, an advisory board, decided to recommend that the department's offer to buy the old elementary school property be rejected.

Acting swiftly, the council, during a special Tuesday afternoon meeting, came up for a second time with a split 2-2 vote on the question.

And Mayor Matt McNeil did not exercise his option to break the vote. That settled the matter negatively for the department.

Charles Turre, acting postmaster, stated the Post Office Department has been studying the Yreka area for a prospective site since February of last year. The study was completed Jan. 17, he said.

The department must vacate the building it occupies at present on Broadway by September, he added.

Turre stated that the department wants an area of at least 20,000 square feet with streets in the area capable of handling the big trucks.

He was selected to represent the Post Office Department. Turre

said he had received a letter from the department's regional headquarters in San Francisco informing him that if the department failed to secure the elementary school property, it would seek a site further south in the Yreka vicinity.

Said one city official, councilmen learned informally three weeks ago and formally during last week's regular meeting that the Post Office Department was planning to build in Yreka.

The department's action didn't leave the city's machinery much time in which to thrash the question, he stated.

The planning commission turned down the proposal on grounds that zoning in the area would exclude construction of a post office there without a zoning variance.

The area is zoned for a recreational school area and would become a commercial zone if the postal department request were approved, said Commissioner Al Crebbin.

Commissioners also voiced other objections. Adair Wilson stated the city's zoning and growth plans are uniform. And the post office might deter growth of Jackson Street School nearby, he said.

Crebbin added that the city has other plans for the property.

City councilmen earlier had objected to the site because of danger to children attending Jackson

Street School from mail trucks and increased auto traffic in the area.

Commissioners Floyd Dill and Wayne Hill stated they could foresee no dangerous traffic problem. Hill said, however, that he believes the postal department can find a more suitable site closer to the business district.

Turre said other areas were studied but found unsuitable due to narrow roads or inadequate space for ultimate development.

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Macmillan Eyes Reds

LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Harold Macmillan is thinking of visiting Peiping this fall to begin the process of bringing Red China into the family of nations, informed sources said today.

They said Macmillan's venture in personal diplomacy will depend on his first getting the private approval of President Kennedy. He will see Kennedy in Washington in April.

The prime minister also needs assurance of a friendly reception in Peiping. There would have to be some prospect of positive results and the views of Britain's Commonwealth partners and allies will have to be taken into account.

Macmillan is planning a swing through the Far East in the fall, with stops in Malaya, Japan and Hong Kong.

Two months ago Macmillan dropped a broad hint in the House of Commons that he might visit Peiping.

It is an open secret that Macmillan and Kennedy intend to review Western policy toward China.

MUST HAVE HARMONY

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—Rep. Franklin Spears of San Antonio brought his barbershop quartet to perform for the Texas Legislature Wednesday because he said it was the only way he could get harmony in the House.

Yreka Druggist To Retire

YREKA—After 41 years as a druggist, Earl Greene, owner of Maguire and Greene Drugs since 1922, has decided to retire. He announces he is selling the business to John A. Donning, fully registered pharmacist from Burney.

Greene, who was born in Scott Valley, was graduated from Etna High School. He attended the University of Washington and obtained pharmaceutical training.

After receiving his degree as a pharmacist, he opened his first drug store in Seattle in 1920, and before long owned two stores there, which he operated until 1928.

From 1929 to 1931 he worked in San Francisco and in 1931 returned to Yreka to work for John Janson in his pharmacy.

In 1932 he bought the drug store, which has been operating under the name of Maguire and Greene Drugs, located at Miner and Fourth streets.

It was first operated as Churchill's Drug Store.

In 1932, Greene and W. A. Maguire bought the store. Greene bought out Maguire's interests prior to his death in 1935.

Greene was married to Julia Rinehart in 1930. They met while she was teaching school in Etna. She taught there for three years. She is a member of the Yreka High School faculty at present.

The Greens have two children—James, an Army first lieutenant stationed in Germany, and a daughter, Mrs. Patty Slaugard, Bakersfield.

Greene says he has no firm plans for the future.

The new owner, Donning, was born in Dublin, Ireland, and lived 10 years there. He came with his parents to the United States in 1920 and they settled in San Jose.

Donning said that he has been interested in the drug business since he was 14 years old. He stated he worked through his

J. D. McNeill Will Speak To Society

YREKA—James D. McNeill, recording secretary for the Siskiyou County Historical Society, will be the speaker Saturday afternoon, Feb. 11, when the society will hold its regular meeting, according to an announcement made by Louis M. Foulke, chairman of the Program Committee.

The meeting will be held in the county museum south of Yreka at 2 p.m. McNeill has chosen as his topic, "Mining and Mining Settlements," from the old Town of South Fork to Forks of the Salmon.

It was also announced in the "Nuggets," monthly bulletin of the society, that Mrs. Helen Sherman and Mrs. Frieda Broderick have been named co-editors for this year's annual publication.

This year's book will be based on the theme "The Big Springs Area." It will also contain biographical sketches of the late Judge James M. Allen, to whom this publication will be dedicated.

Mrs. Hazel B. Rider, corresponding secretary for the society, also announced in the bulletin that Mrs. Hazel Pollock, museum curator, is planning a special display to commemorate the Civil War, which started 100 years ago this April. Mrs. Pollock is asking members and friends to check attics and old trunks for photographs, old letters, diaries, uniforms and other items pertaining to the Civil War, which may be loaned to the museum for this display.

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GREENVIEW
MR. AND MRS. CLIFFORD HAMMER have returned from a visit with their sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hammer Jr. of Chico and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Hammer of Fremont.

JANICE BIRDWELL of Quartz Valley, a student at Southern Oregon College, worked out the dance steps for the Southern Oregon College Players production of "Many Moons."

MR. AND MRS. BASIL WALKER and family have recently moved to Arkansas.

MR. AND MRS. MAX BUTLER and family were given a housewarming in their new home on Jan. 14. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Whipple and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maplesden and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Merwyn

Ricky and family, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Whipple and family, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Koph and family, and Mr. and Mrs. George Eastlick and sons.

MR. AND MRS. LOUIE YOUNG are enjoying an extended visit with their daughter.

HAPPY CAMP
REV. VIRGIL TERRY will start a training course for anyone interested in becoming a Sunday School teacher or assistant.

MR. AND MRS. FRANK LOOTENS enjoyed a visit on Jan. 15 from Mrs. Lootens' mother, Mrs. T. Graham, of Hornbrook.

MR. AND MRS. BEN MAPLES DEN of Horse Creek, recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hammer in Greenview and other relatives in Etna.

Tulelake Growers To Eye State Labor Situation

TULELAKE—The Board of Directors of the Tulelake Growers Association has created one new committee to serve during 1961, a committee on housing and labor. Appointment of the committee followed a member request made at the annual meeting in December.

The six-man committee will be concerned with observance of developments of labor organizations in California and will develop the association's Farm Labor Housing program for this year.

Committees named include: labor and housing, Edgar Duckett, Marvin Thomas, Sam Wynn, Wesley St. Peter, Tom Frey and French Johnson; grain, Jess Prosser, John Bailey Sr., Bill Haynes, Maurice Jamison, Doyle Haskins, Phil Krizo.

Potatoes, John Cross, Maurice Ott, Marvin Rose, John Bailey Jr., Harry Rose, Chester J. Main; clover, James Stearns, Walter Meshke, Cliff Taylor, E. R. Scott, George Pickup, L. W. Hartley; miscellaneous crops, John Staunton, Leonard Will, William P. Barks, Woodrow Chambers, Jack Fensler and Martin Dingler.

Herbert Kirby is president; John L. Coulson, vice president; Elmer Olson, secretary, and Cliff Jenkins, manager of the association.

Members of the miscellaneous crops committee have arranged a meeting for Feb. 15 with representatives of the Speckles Sugar Beet Company at the Tulelake-Butte Valley Fairgrounds for those farmers interested in growing sugar beets.

The company has announced intention to expand sugar beet operations and will be prepared to write growing contracts at Tule-

lake. Production at Tulelake and meet domestic requirements. acreages anticipated in Nevada. The association is supporting the proposed establishment of a full-time weather station at the Klamath Falls Airport.

E. Parsons Is Chosen

TULELAKE—Earl Parsons with 41 votes, was named a new board member of the Tulelake Irrigation District Tuesday. Parsons, who was a member of the district's first board formed in 1932, will represent the Coppock Bay-Panhandle area. His term of office is for four years.

Ben Reimer, who also filed for the post, polled 26 votes.

Parsons will take office with Leslie Rogers, reappointed for four years by the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors on March 13. Rogers, incumbent, was unopposed for Division 2 east of Lost River.

Holdover members are Sam Anderson, board president, Lester Cushman and Ivan Rose whose terms will expire in March 1963. Maurice Strantz, district manager, announced results of the election.

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