

Laws Okayed By Chamber Association

MOUNT SHASTA—The new by-laws of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Siskiyou County were passed Thursday night at a meeting at the Ski House over the objection of Harry Crabbin, representing the Yreka Chamber of Commerce.

The Yreka Chamber of Commerce asked modification of the newly drafted bylaws to make the county chamber of commerce a coordinating body only.

"It should not have the power to make binding policies or to override any stand that might be taken on an individual chamber," Crabbin stated as reflecting the Yreka membership thinking.

Leslie Lenton, Dunsmuir, associated chamber president, explained the new bylaws provided for the tabling of any motion by any dissenting chamber for one month. A two-thirds vote of a quorum president is required at the next monthly meeting to pass a tabled motion. Representatives from Dunsmuir, Mount Shasta, Weed, and Scott Valley chambers thought this provision a sufficient safeguard. Happy Camp, a new association member, abstained from voting.

Ernest Hayden, Scott Valley, noted the associated chamber has undertaken advertising signs, brochures, exhibits, and backed legislation favorable to county progress last year and felt the county-wide chamber should continue this progress without being hampered by localized situations.

"There is no reason why each chamber should not pursue its own program too," he said.

J. D. Proctor, Scott Valley, distributed copies of the fish and game resolution passed recently by the Inter-County Chamber of Commerce of Northern California, a six-county body. This resolution calls for election of fish and game commissioners by district for better representation of the interests of the people. It would eliminate appointment of members of this body by the governor, as is done now.

The resolution also calls for a northern county deer season closure the third Sunday in October. Local chambers will seek endorsement of this resolution by local sportsmen and other interested bodies.

Gun Club Sets Member Rules

Retired and reserve military personnel, National Guard, Federal Aviation employees, and federal, state, county and city law enforcement officers residing in the area are invited to join the Kingsley Field Rod and Gun Club as associate members.

Associate members may enjoy all activities and privileges of the club, but may not hold office and may not vote, except when serving on the board of directors.

Minimum age for associate membership is 16 years, but children and dependents of associate members who have attained the age of 12 years may also enjoy the same privileges as non-voting members. Junior members are not required to pay dues.

Application for membership must be made in writing on the proper form. Other information may be obtained from Maj. Curtis H. Gruye, president, at TU 2-4111, ext. 313.

Grangers Hear Of Accident

Klamath County Grange women and their guests attending the District No. 5 Home Economics Conference in the Shasta View Grange Hall on March 28 received word before the meeting that the honored guest, Mrs. Josie Cross, District No. 3 chairman from Madras, had fallen on her way to the meeting and suffered a broken wrist.

In the absence of Mrs. Cross, Zetta Sullivan, county home economics chairman, presided over a short business meeting after the noon luncheon. Several business matters were carried over until information could be obtained from Mrs. Cross at a later date.

Grange women were reminded to begin planning for the sewing, canning, crocheting, and other contests currently in progress. The subordinate H.E.C. of the local granges has the contest rules for the various competitions.

Members present for the conference voted to send a plant to Mrs. Cross.



NEVER SAY DIE — The Fat Lady of Long Beach, Mrs. Mary Ferguson, 36, has a firm no for the candy machine as she arrives at San Francisco International Airport Sunday. Two weeks ago she started her never-say-die, one-year effort to reach a weight of 128 pounds from a starting weight of 224 pounds, by staying in a Long Beach hotel and living on liquids. Now a guest of a Bay Area reducing salon, she hopes to strip off more of the unwanted weight. — UPI Telephoto

Goose Lake SCD Hears Expert On Conservation

NEW PINE CREEK — H. G. Baehr of Pleasant Hill, Calif., president of Berntson Northwest, Inc., was guest speaker at the Goose Lake Soil Conservation meeting held at the Davis Creek Grange Hall last Thursday evening. Lorin N. Trubschenck, president of the California State Association of Soil Conservation Districts, was also present.

Baehr, representative of a company of engineers and surveyors, explained the purpose of the action taken on the first low level phase of the Comprehensive Plan for soil conservation. The present plan will be incorporated into a booklet unless changes are suggested.

Contour maps, soil maps, and sectional and watershed resource maps were available at the meeting for all members to study. They gave a complete picture of all the land in the district, which extends south of the Oregon-California State Line to Joseph Creek Range summit across the lake to the edge of the Devil's Garden.

The district, with 133 members, has 14,750 acres of bottom land irrigated in 1962, not including the 6,280 marginal acres of pasture land around the California shore line of Goose Lake. When complete use is made of the available water resources of the district, there will be 29,330 more acres of land which can be irrigated, making a total of 41,280 acres of land of varying productivity, according to the plan.

Although high level and final phase of the plan will not be started until July 1 and completed in August, the water resource maps showed the water storage potential in three reservoirs: one in Lassen Creek Basin just below the point where Cold Creek empties in; one on Willow Creek; and one on the North Fork of Davis Creek. In addition to the added water, the reservoirs will aid in the development of a year-round recreational center in or near Willow Ranch.

"The water from the reservoirs will be allotted according to the needs and benefits required on all lands lying below them," Baehr said. "It can be used as a functional tool to implement any desired improvement of the land, promotional or developmental work that augments the growth of the district, and to enrich the economy of the whole area," he added. Baehr pointed out that the first phase of the plan has cost \$13,000 and that much data for the final phase has already been gathered.

Randal Reeves, Red Bluff, Calif., a representative of the Division of Soil Conservation Service of California, also attended the meeting. It was learned that he was responsible for the Goose Lake District obtaining its first \$3,000 for installation of stream gages in the main streams in the district which empty into Goose Lake. Reeves was also instrumental in the district's procurement of the \$30,000 grant to be spent over a three-year period to develop the plan.

Upon its inception several years ago, the district first went into debt for surplus machinery but is now out of debt with some money.

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Gold Pegged Firm At \$35 Per Ounce By Uncle Sam

By GEORGE WEEKS

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The United States for more than a quarter of a century has bought and sold gold at \$35 an ounce.

The Kennedy Administration has again reaffirmed its intention to hold to that price despite renewed pressure from the domestic industry for a subsidy, and continuing demands by foreign producers for an increase in the basic price.

The U.S. position is "to oppose any proposals that would lead anyone to believe we do not think the \$35 price is the proper price for gold."

Why this firm adherence to \$35?

Because, according to the U.S. Treasury, tampering with the price would raise the risk of disrupting the monetary system "which is so vital to the U.S. economy and the economy of the Free World."

The administration's stand was spelled out in blunt terms to the domestic industry last week before the National Western Mining Conference in Denver.

Leland Howard, director of the U.S. office of domestic gold and silver operations, said gold must be considered from the standpoint of the national interest as a whole. And, in arguing against subsidies, he said:

"Any effort to assist a relative few people to keep or obtain jobs, no matter how desirable, would, instead of helping those in the gold industry, run the grave risk of disrupting the monetary system on which not only their own livelihood but the livelihood of all of us depends."

U.S. Production Down
Howard acknowledged that gold production in the United States has been on the wane "while

Free World production has been waxing strong."

U.S. production was only 4.3 per cent of free world production in 1961, dropping from \$65 million in 1955 to \$55 in 1961, while South Africa's production was increasing from \$510 million to \$903 million.

Rhodesian and Ghanaian production also increased, while Mexico's declined and Australia's held about even.

The U.S. dollar has become a "kingpin" of international financial stability, Howard said.

A fundamental reason for buying and selling gold at a fixed price to foreign governments, central banks and others for settlement of international balances. "Other governments hold the dollar because of our policy of buying and selling gold at a fixed price," Howard said. "The dollar is the only currency that maintains this link between money

and gold, and the monetary system of the entire free world is hinged to this inconvertibility which we maintain between gold and dollars at a fixed price."

But what has this got to do with subsidies? After all, gold is subsidized in other countries, and agriculture and other industries are subsidized in the United States.

"The answer is," Howard said, "that the monetary units of other countries do not have the status of the dollar, and other countries do not have the responsibility of maintaining a fixed relationship between their currencies and gold."

"Gold in the United States is a monetary metal and cannot be treated as a commodity, as are products of other industries, or as gold is treated in some countries."

Increases Proposed
Proposals now before Congress would establish a \$105-an-ounce

price for gold to be used in the domestic market for such items as dental fillings. Gold sold for monetary use would remain at \$35.

But the treasury fears that even a price revision limited to industrial uses would encourage speculation for a higher price in the monetary uses.

"We cannot take side excursions in gold that others will interpret as a sign we do not think the present price for gold is correct," Howard said.

The treasury contends that this is an international as well as a domestic issue.

"We must think of the dollar not only as involved in our domestic economy, but as a reserve currency held by others as a

supplement to the world's gold supply," Howard said. "The dollar has attained this position internationally for a number of reasons."

"But one essential aspect of maintaining confidence in the dollar and maintaining a strong and stable international monetary system is to continue to stand ready to buy and sell gold at the fixed price of \$35 an ounce and to avoid any actions that would encourage speculation for a higher price of gold."

The treasury is hypersensitive about any action that might lead to international speculation on the price of gold.

It fears that any price other than the official \$35 would be construed by creditors—those coun-

tries holding dollar balances—to mean that the United States had decided the official price is too low; that in some way, directly or indirectly, the U.S. was on the way to revising the official price.

President Kennedy maintained during the first two years of his administration that the United States was not on the way to revising the official price.

Earlier this week, Sen. Wayne Morse, D-Ore., asked for a treasury assessment of reports that France has been encouraging other countries to increase their demands on U.S. gold reserves. He released the text of a letter to Treasury Secretary Douglas Dillon asking him to comment on the reports. The letter said, in part:

"There have been in the news recently reports that the French government is acquiring American obligations for which it could demand payment in gold. One report fixed the amount already in the hands of the French government at more than \$1 billion.

"Another related report has been to the effect that the French are seeking to encourage European banking houses and others holding U.S. assets to demand payment for them in gold.

"I would appreciate your assessment of these reports. To what extent do you think they are true, and to what extent could they threaten our financial stability?"

The technique of carrying out U.S. gold policy may vary under different administrations. But the basic policy of centralizing the U.S. gold reserves in the hands of the government and maintaining a fixed price of \$35 an ounce has held for 29 years. And it appears that Kennedy is determined to continue it for at least another year.

Morse Raps Cuba Raids

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Sen. Wayne Morse, D-Ore., Monday endorsed the administration's crackdown against anti-Castro raids from U.S. territory. He said if the more militant Cuban refugees "were so anxious to fight against tyranny, they should have stayed in Cuba."

He said in a Senate speech that the hit-and-run raids against Cuba and Soviet ships there would involve the United States in another, more serious showdown with Russia. His comment followed the administration's Saturday announcement of the crackdown.

If the United States is to be forced into such a confrontation, he said, "it should be on behalf of ourselves and not because we were forced into it by a hot-headed group of guests in our own country."

Morse, chairman of the Senate Latin American Affairs subcommittee, said the exile raids only give Russia a "justification for remaining to 'protect' Cuba." The forays also give Fidel Castro justification for boosting his armed forces and repressive measures against the Cuban people, he said.

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Meet Postponed

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DEPTH MEASURE

The word fathom came to be used in measuring the depth of water in sailing days. Fathom literally means "outstretched arms" and sailors guessed the ordinary outstretched arms measured six feet or the fathom of today.

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