Chamber Backs Stand On Natural Resources

A proposed bill that would establish a state department of natural resources, and matters involving the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Klamath County Summer Loop Tours were three unrelated subjects discussed by the Chamber of Commerce during a brief meeting at the Pelican Cafe Wednesday.

A recommendation by Orth Sisemore, chairman of the Local and State Affairs Committee, that the chamber reaffirm its opposition to House Bill 1233, which would set up a new department in state government, was approved by the Board of Directors with one member abstaining.

Before it came to a vote, the motion was also endorsed by Chuck Bailey on behalf of the Upper Klamath Lake Recreation Committee of which he is director.

The chamber passed a two-point motion opposing the bill in its present form and calling upon the state legislature to name an interim committee to study the legislation. The chamber is against the bill since it would remove control of the state's natural resources from advisory groups of qualified people and place it in a bureau staffed with officials appointed by the governor.

Posts on such a bureau might be filled for political reasons and not necessarily with persons qualified in fields of natural resources, the chamber fears.

Two representatives of the Klamath County Junior Chamber of Commerce reported on the progress made by the Jaycees last year.

Bob Crittenden, president of the organization, disclosed that the junior chamber received a number of awards in 1962. Among the more significant were a first place in youth and sports and two third-place honors, including one for outstanding publicity, and the other for the Fourth of July parade sponsored by the group.

Bob Flamme, also of the Jaycees, reported that Crittenden had been elected as the outstanding "first-year Jaycee member" in statewide competition concluded last weekend.

As the result of his selection, Crittenden will be one of 500 delegates throughout the nation to attend a national Jaycee meeting at Louisville, Ky., later this year.

Keith Cobo, chairman of the Tourist and Convention Committee, stated that the State Department of Highways would set up road signs in the county publicizing the chamber's various Loop Tours for summer tourists.

In addition, literature explaining each of the four tours will be prepared and issued to visitors by the chamber.

George Callison, manager of the chamber, concluded the meeting with the reading of a letter from the State Department of Planning and Development in which the department pledged to improve its communications with the chamber on matters of community development.

WRECKAGE SPOTTED — Wreckage believed to be that of a new $90,000 twin-engined aircraft, top photo, carrying two wealthy building contractors was spotted Tuesday night on a rugged mountainside north of Shelter Cove, Calif. Aboard were George Roberts, 28, lower photo, and Harold Chittenden, 31, both of Eureka and partners in a development company. The men were flying from Eureka to Tulare. —UPI Telephoto

One Injured In Accident

One person received minor injuries in one of two traffic accidents reported to the Oregon State Police since early Tuesday, it has been reported.

Injured was Clarence John Gober, 56, of Rte. 2, Box 533, Klamath Falls, who brought his vehicle to a stop to make a left turn south of the Lakeview Junction when his car was struck in the rear by an automobile operated by Richard William Johnston, 16, 2333 Midland Road, about 4 p.m. Wednesday, police reported. Gober did not report to the Klamath Valley Hospital for treatment of his injuries, records at the local hospital indicate.

Both automobiles were extensively damaged.

In the other accident, a truck and trailer loaded with citrus fruit went off the highway into a grove of jackpines, near Diamond Lake Junction, after the operator of the rig apparently fell asleep at the wheel of the vehicle, about midnight Wednesday. The truck knocked down several trees and stopped about 100 feet from the highway.

The driver, Juan Melvin Hyder of Portland, was not injured.

Party Slated

Pelican School will hold a preschool party on Friday, May 10, beginning at 9:30 a.m. All children in the district who will be 6 years old on or before Nov. 15 are invited to attend.

Henley Picks Prom Theme

By MARTHA RAGLAND

"Cotton Cotillion" is the theme chosen for the Henley High School junior-senior prom. The prom will be held Saturday night in the Henley cafeteria from 8:30 to midnight.

The junior class traditionally plans and gives the prom for the seniors. The committee chairmen this year are Linda Taylor, general prom chairman, and Susan Bebber, Karen Gentry, Cindy Harless, Dawn Hale, Kathy DeGrande, Sherri Alexander, Cheryl Thurman, Steve Rand, Don Berry and Elton Schiro.

The crowning of a prom queen, an idea new to Henley, will be a highlight of the dance. The candidates, all seniors, are Gena Spielman, Vidette Hricziscse, Carole Ziegelmeyer, Lynn Nickerl, and Martha Ragland. Those attending the dance will make the final selection.

The servers from the prom will be Barbara Marshall, Diane Selkregg, Nancy Negrevski, and Jerilyn Peacock. Bill Beymer, Dan Riggs, Lonnie Blofsky and Ronnie Blof

Committee Okays Fluoridation Bill

SALEM (UPI) — A bill to prohibit community fluoridation of water unless the voters agree was sent to the House floor Wednesday with the approval of the Committee on Planning and Development.

The committee also approved bills to let the public employes of an electric power supplier organize and bargain collectively, to permit county bonding for exposition facilities, and to require inspection of plans for public works built by political subdivisions.

Bills calling for a statewide port study, and for a study of professional licensing in Oregon, were sent to the Ways and Means Committee.

The committee tabled, and thus probably killed, a package of racing bills. It tabled "for a week" a bill to revise the county planning law.

Other Highlights

Land Sales: A bill to regulate sales of subdivided land was sent to the House Judiciary Committee for more work. Rep. Kessler Cannon, R-Bend, said it was aimed at "fraudulent and deceitful" advertising, and legal problems in acquiring title and obtaining promised improvements.

Traffic Safety: The Senate unanimously approved a measure allowing a policeman to issue a citation to a drunken driver suspect although the officer did not see the driver in the car at the time of an accident. It goes to the governor.

Wine: A bill to reduce from 23 cents to 1 cent per gallon the tax on wine produced in Oregon was defeated 37-23 in the House.

Paving Cost Explained

With several exceptions, only property owners along Laguna Street, from Old Fort Road to Huron Street, will incur the expense of a street improvement project calling for the construction of curbs and gutters and paving along the four-block strip of thoroughfare, City Manager Bob Kyle said Friday.

The exceptions are several lots at Herbert and Laguna streets which will be assessed varying amounts from 10, 30, to 60 per cent of the $10.54 per frontage foot cost set for the Laguna Street property owners.

The lots affected are in Block 5 of the Dixon Addition and include lots 8 and 9 (60 per cent), Lot 10 (30 per cent); and Lot 11 (10 per cent).

Cost of the street improvement project has been estimated at $36,000.

Chocktoot Starts Term

Robert Leon Chocktoot, 19, was transferred from the Klamath County Jail to the Oregon State Penitentiary Tuesday to begin serving a five-year term for the burglary of a Shasta Way dwelling last Feb. 14.

Chocktoot had been on probation for two previous burglaries at the time of his most recent arrest. The prisoner was taken to the penitentiary in the custody of deputy Del Summers and jailer Walter Thorn.

Tour Cancelled

A representative of the Society of American Foresters has announced that the Alturas field trip and evening meeting on Friday, May 10, has been cancelled because of weather conditions.

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Jaycees Win State Convention Project Awards

The Klamath Falls delegation received several important project awards at the recent Junior Chamber of Commerce convention in Portland. The awards are made at this annual convention for management and training achievements that the local chambers sponsor throughout the year.

The Klamath Falls delegation, in its division of communities, 15,000 to 50,000 population, brought home the first place award in the youth and sports category for its portfolio, consisting of junior tennis, kid's wrestling and hunter safety programs.

The junior tennis program was in conjunction with the city Parks and Recreation Department, and local Pepsi Cola distributors. The kid's wrestling team was formed with the help of Roland Clark, and the high school wrestling team and staff. Ron DeLude, Ken Ducat, and Bob Crittenden, respectively, were chairmen of these committees.

A third place award was received for the portfolio on community development for the Fourth of July parade, which was sponsored by the Merchants Association and managed by the Jaycees. Andy Mershon, formerly of the Herald and News, Howard Axtell and Winston Kurth were chairmen.

Another third place award was received for the management of the Christmas Lighting project, which was sponsored by the Pacific Power and Light Company. The chairman was Bud Spillar.

The local Jaycees DSA and Boss's Night programs also took third place in the public relations division. Chairmen were Tim Peterson and Cliff McDonald, Sister City Rotorua.

Past president, Bob Flamme, and his first vice president, Ralph Beardsley, received recognition for organizing the chapter as a "Blue Chip" local, which involved attaining high standards of administration as set by the national organization.

BOB CRITTENDEN

Bob Crittenden, new president, received the outstanding new member state award and will represent Oregon at the Louisville National Convention in June. The award, made to a first year member, is based on service, participation, orientation, knowledge, and enthusiasm. It is known as the SPOKE award.

The delegation was also largely responsible for the placing of a former Klamath Falls resident and past president, Mel Campbell, as a member of the State Board of Directors in the capacity of vice president for District 7 which includes his present home in Eugene.

The delegation is happy to report that the bid to hold the annual spring board meeting in Klamath Falls next March was accepted.

John Heilbronner, International senator and state Jaycee historian, presented the convention with the first edition of the Oregon State History of the Jaycees which included the fact that Klamath Falls resident Charley Mack was the first Oregon State Jaycee president in 1939-40.

"These recognitions for Klamath Falls were largely possible through the hard work of the group last year, and the splendid cooperation they received from the news media and the rest of the community," President Bob Crittenden said.

Vet's Insurance Offer Expires In Five Months

Some 1,700 Korea Conflict veterans in Oregon have about five months remaining in which to take advantage of approximately $198,000 in special insurance dividends to be paid to those exchanging "RS" term insurance policies for policies bearing the letter "W."

This special dividend offer expires Sept. 13, 1963, according to R. J. Novotny, manager of the Veterans Administration Regional Office in Portland.

It applies only to Korea Conflict veterans whose insurance policy number is preceded by the letter "RS." No other government life insurance policyholders are eligibile.

To get his dividend, the "RS" policyholder must either:

1. Exchange his "RS" term policy for a "W" term policy at, generally, only one-third of the cost he is now paying. Although the term cannot be renewed after age 50, protection can be continued by converting to a low-cost permanent plan insurance policy at any time while the term is in force.
2. Convert his "RS" policy to a low-cost "W" permanent plan insurance policy now.

If the "RS" policyholder takes either of these steps on or before Sept. 13, 1963, he will receive his special dividend. These dividends average about $100, depending upon the age of the policyholder and the length of time he has held his policy.

He must act on or before Sept. 13, 1963, however, or the dividend cannot be paid.

About 3,300 Korea Conflict policyholders in Oregon have already changed their "RS" policies to "W" policies. Approximately $418,000 has been distributed to them in dividends since the bill establishing this dividend became a law on Sept. 13, 1961.

Fire Damages Vacant Garage

Fire damaged the wood and stucco exterior of a vacant garage at 1903 Wantland Avenue, about 12:16 p.m., Wednesday, the substation of the city fire department has reported.

The fire, believed set by youngsters, started in an overstuffed chair inside the garage and quickly spread to the walls of the building. Firemen arrived before the blaze resulted in major damage to the structure.

THREE STRAIGHT

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