



MERRILL HIGH CHEER LEADERS — Two new members and a returning veteran were picked to represent Merrill High School in the cheer leading section during the school's athletic contests next year. The two new cheer leaders are, from left, Cheryl Chatburn, senior, and Leah Lisk, junior. Returning for her second year on the squad is Carol Haskins, captain and senior. The girls go through their paces garbed in gold skirts and sweaters.

City Requests Refund For Erroneous Taxes

MOUNT SHASTA—A refund of \$302.60 plus interest is the amount asked by the city of Mount Shasta from Siskiyou County on taxes erroneously levied on the city park property. The property was once owned by Chico State College and deeded to the city a number of years ago. The park has been maintained as a public facility and has been in constant use, members of the city council learned at their last meeting.

A variance permit to Wilbur Pope was granted, with the conditions specified by the city planning commission for a building to house a hardware business on Chestnut Street. Conditions are that Pope provide eight off-street parking spaces and additional off-street loading space in the rear of the building. Pope's present building on Lake Street will not be usable when the access street is put in use upon completion of the freeway.

Charles Echols, department of public works, reported that parking space offered for lease by Victor Andreatta, adjacent to the post office and to be used as a city parking lot, would cost \$2,200 to pave and \$1,100 to gravel, providing 19 spaces. Another site on East Castle Street is for sale and would provide 14 spaces. Council voted to buy a parking lot if an agreeable price can be reached.

James Shiro, head ranger of the Sacramento district office in Mount Shasta, explained to the council that he has had numerous complaints about the fire sirens making too much noise on downtown streets. He said the forest service would be liable if an accident were to occur while the fire trucks were en route to a fire with no sirens. He added it was a state law that vehicles sound sirens from the time they leave the forest service property and are on occupied streets.

In further business, sealed bids were opened and read on the city Chevrolet station wagon offered for sale. A bid of \$325 from W. L. Angers was accepted. Council was advised that a water association is being formed by E. M. Katzer to take in the present water users south of the city limits. The South Mount Shasta Water

Truck Use Of Highways Subject Of State Study

The Oregon State Highway Department is undertaking a highway classification study which will determine maximum possible use of highways by the trucking industry, according to Forrest Cooper, state highway engineer.

Some of the state's older highways have sharp curves which cannot be negotiated by the largest-size trucks without crossing over the center stripe. For this reason, many of these older highways are restricted to trucks of shorter length.

A three-unit caravan will make the study. The pilot car of the caravan warns the other two vehicles of oncoming traffic with its two-way radio or stops the traffic when necessary. A bright red 40-foot semi-trailer follows the pilot car and tests curves in the road. The operator in the observation car behind the truck takes movies of the turn and voice-records some of the data. Some still pictures are also taken. If the semi's wheels cross the center line, it is recorded by the movie camera.

The classification study will pinpoint the trouble spots, and a modest program of betterment will be undertaken. In some cases, minor improvement of a very few isolated cases will permit reclassification of a highway to a standard permitting longer loads. This information will be made available to the trucking industry.

Previously some 55 per cent, or 4,100 miles, of highway had been classified. There is no problem with the interstate highways as they will take any legal-size truck.

2 KF Youngsters Held For Derailing Attempt

Two Klamath Falls youngsters, 11 and 12-year-old brothers, were detained by Ray Howard, city police juvenile officer, for almost derailing a SP freight train Sunday morning on the railroad tracks near Biehn Street and Kil Carson Way.

Garden Clubs Plan Meeting

MOUNT SHASTA — The five-member clubs of the newly formed Top o' the State District of California Garden Clubs, Inc., will meet at the old armory in Mount Shasta City Park for their first district meeting on Aug. 3. Mount Shasta will act as the host club.

Coffee and registration will be from 9:30 to 10 a.m., with business until noon. A potluck luncheon will then be served in the picnic area, and the next business session will get underway at 1:30 p.m. Highlight of the afternoon will be a flower arranging demonstration by Mrs. Virginia Mulica of the Yreka Garden Club.

Mrs. Walker's group from Klamath Falls, she is volunteer chairman of the ARC, included Patty Bratton, Judy Hoppe, Karen Ramey, Sally Hanville, Carla Bartlett, Vicki Traka, Judy Mest, Juanita Stevens and Ralph Walker.

The cook-out was one of several scheduled here during the summer months and sponsored by the various volunteer organizations affiliated with the Veterans Administration Volunteer Service.

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Man Held For Homicide, Armed Robbery Acts

Following a chase by Oregon State Police which resulted in the death of a 15-year-old Central Point girl, Gerald Wayne Holder, 22, of Maywood, Calif., ended his first day in Oregon with charges of robbery, auto theft, and negligent homicide filed against him.

Marianne Hedgepeth was killed and three other persons injured when a vehicle driven by Holder sailed off Interstate Highway 5 at the Merlin exit near Grants Pass and burst into flames. Police said they had been chasing it for four or five miles at speeds up to 120 miles an hour.

Holder, his brother, Royce, 19, Grants Pass, and Amy Oberly, 15, Central Point, were hospitalized at Grants Pass, and Holder was placed under guard.

Further investigation by Grants Pass authorities uncovered Holder's earlier activities in Lakeview where he was wanted for armed robbery. District Attorney Chick Chaloupka said he held up a California man, Howard Keith Stackhouse, who was driving north on Highway 395.

According to police reports, Holder parked his car by the side of the road about four miles north of Lakeview and flagged down Stackhouse, pretending to have car trouble. Stackhouse agreed to take him up the road for help, but close to Paisley Holder produced a knife and forced Stackhouse to drive a few miles off the road.

Holder then tied his victim and robbed him of \$50 cash, a cigar, lighter, 22 Winchester rifle, suitcase, and a camera. Holder took Stackhouse's car and drove back to pick up his own. Stackhouse later managed to untie himself and walked toward Paisley where he contacted the police.

The Grants Pass district attorney told Chaloupka he would return Holder to Lakeview under \$15,000 bail for the armed robbery charge. The auto theft and negligent homicide charges were filed in Grants Pass.

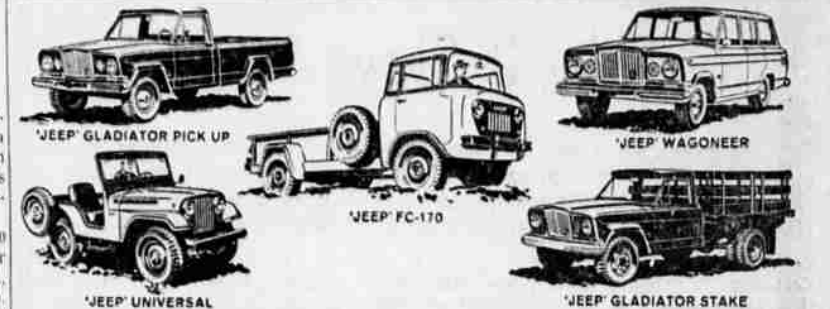
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'Smokey Bear' Picnic

DUNSMUIR—Sixty young conservationists recently attended a "Smokey, The Bear," picnic in the Dunsmuir City Park as guests of the branch of the Siskiyou County Library.

The children had all read 10 or more books on conservation or nature studies in the Smokey, the Bear, summer reading club. Of the 107 children signed up for the club, 75 read the 10 required books to qualify for certificates and emblems. This reading program is in its fourth year at Dunsmuir.

YOUNG NAMED PRESIDENT — THE HAGUE (UPI) — Joseph Young, an Oakland, Calif., attorney, was named president Tuesday of the International Lawyers Council.



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