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TOWN TOPICS

Esse Nance is in Tacoma, Washington helping care for her mother. She has been unable to return home to Vernonia as the highway south of Olympia has been packed with ice and snow. She hopes to return home as soon as the hazardous weather conditions change. Her sister, Esther Ring, is still in Portland, undergoing treatment.

ST. MARY'S Thrift Shop open first and third Friday of every month.

Gertrude Seybold arrived in San Diego, December 9 to visit her daughter Sharon Butler and family for a few weeks. Mrs. Seybold has spent several months in Norwood, Colorado visiting her other daughter, Louise Dillow and family. She saw a great deal of snow in Colorado.

State to Provide Added Funds for Sewer Projects

Oregon put up eighteen and a half million dollars December 14 for sewer construction, as uncertainty continued about the Federal share.

The state announced early last summer that it was laying state funds on the line to get sewer projects started and to assure eligibility for federal funds when those became available.

State grant amounts are now final. Still in doubt is whether enough federal cash will be forthcoming to bring totals to the maximum level local communities are hoping for.

Environmental Quality Director L.B. Day said in July the federal government was "playing politics with pollution." He reiterated that criticism, adding that withholding the money "might keep inflation at bay, but only at the cost of letting pollution go unabated."

Oregon has in the past had a matching grant system wherein the federal government would pay 50 percent of sewer treatment plant construction costs if the state paid 25 percent. Cities are responsible for the balance.

The problem has been that there wasn't enough federal money to fund many of the needed projects. This has made it necessary for Oregon to operate on a reduced grant basis.

The decision to make the state match money available was in effect a gamble that the federal government would eventually come through with its 50 percent share. Currently available federal money averages only about 30 percent of total costs.

Cities now have in hand the grant offers for the state's 25 percent, plus application forms on which to request the increased federal share.

What they don't have is any guarantee that the applications will get the hoped-for results. The increases would come from money authorized under 1972 amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, but it looks likely now that the total will have to spread thinner than expected, bring a fiscal pinch on needed future words on local governments that have to pay the bill.

Columbia County cities to benefit under the ruling are:

Scappoose: Sewage treatment plant, pumping station and intercepting lines, current eligible cost, \$766,000; state grant, 25 percent, \$191,500; maximum allowable EPA grant, 50 percent, \$383,000; current EPA grant, 30 percent, \$229,800; remaining federal share pre-financed, 20 percent, \$153,200.

St. Helens: Sewage treatment plant, current eligible cost, \$2,562,000; state grant, 25 percent, \$640,500; maximum allowable EPA grant, 50 percent, \$1,281,000; current EPA grant, 30 percent, \$768,600; remaining federal share pre-financed, 22 percent, \$564,900.

Arts, Guidance To Be Included

Specific inclusion of the fine arts and guidance and counseling in the requirements for high school graduates is being called for by the Oregon Education Association, OEA President Jim Carlson said Monday.

"The newly-published Minimum State Requirements for Graduation do not specifically refer to counseling or the arts as necessary ingredients of a high school student's educational program," Carlson said.

"The OEA Board of Trustees takes the position that guidance and counseling and the esthetic development of high school students must be integral components of state level requirements for graduation," he stated.

Carlson said the new requirements, which were adopted by the State Board of Education and are being circulated throughout the state for possible implementation next year, will be reviewed by the legislature during its 1973 session.

"We will ask the legislature to insert specific provisions dealing with the fine arts and counseling before it gives any stamp of approval to the new state requirements," Carlson said.

DATES To Remember

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21
Isaac Walton League - West Ore. Elec. Bldg. - 7:30 p.m.
Boy Scouts - Hawkins Park Cabin - 7 p.m.

Vernonia Extension Unit - West Ore. Elec. - 10:30 a.m. (noon pot-luck)
Washington Grade School Christmas Program - Washington Grade School gym - 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22
School Christmas Vacation starts
MONDAY, DECEMBER 25
-CHRISTMAS DAY

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26
Sea Scouts - Hawkins Park Cabin - 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27
Pythian Sisters - 1006 Hall - 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28
Boy Scouts - Hawkins Park Cabin - 7 p.m.

Rehearsals - 1006 Hall - 8 p.m.

Rites Read for Carl C. Ommen

Carl C. Ommen, 63, of 1825 S.E. Oak Hillsboro, died December 15 in Portland following an extended illness.

Funeral services for Mr. Ommen were held Tuesday, December 19, at 1:30 p.m. at the First Lutheran Church in Hillsboro, with vault interment at Fir Lawn Cemetery. Reverend Dave Phillips of the Hillsboro Assembly of God Church, officiated. Mrs. Paul Gullaway was organist, and Bert Fedor, soloist.

Richard Wright, Glen Rice, Dewey Johnson, Lloyd Reeves, Dean Haglund and Fred Erbs served as pallbearers.

Carl C. Ommen was born September 30, 1909 at New Cambria, Missouri. He was the son of John and Augusta (Hines) Ommen. As a young man in Missouri he worked in the mines and did construction work. In 1938 he moved to California and came to Oregon four years later to work in the Oregon Shipyards during World War II. The past number of years he had worked for the J. Petercourt Nursery. He loved gardening at his own home and was especially interested in raising roses.

Mr. Ommen was married to Vivian Risher on March 21, 1935 at Macou, Missouri.

He is survived by his wife Vivian, Hillsboro; three daughters, Mrs. John (Wanda) Black of Vernonia, Mrs. Duane (Marlyn) Larson and Mrs. Grant (Carla) McIver, both of Hillsboro; a brother and two sisters.

Second Lowest Complaint Total Recorded November

Public complaints to Columbia-Willamette Air Pollution Authority fell to only 26 for November, second lowest during the year, while engineering and control activities of the four-county agency remained steady. Notices of construction for air pollution control equipment totaled \$230,000 for the month.

An important offshoot of a trip last summer by a CWAPA staff engineer to inspect a similar installation in the Midwest, was testimony presented at a joint hearing between the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and the Oregon Public Utility Commission. Purpose of the meeting was to explore the environmental and economic impact of a proposed gas turbine electricity generating plant to be installed by Portland General Electric in Portland and Salem.

CWAPA engineers testified that the plant planned for installation just north of the St. Johns area could present a significant impact on air quality. They said the plant would contribute six percent of the particulate emissions, 36 percent of the sulfur emissions and 18 percent of the nitrous oxide emissions on any given day in Multnomah County in 1975 if the plant was burning number two fuel oil.

Although some required technical information has not been received by the agency, CWAPA officials said an air contaminant discharge permit would be issued to PGE only if compliance with all applicable air quality regulations can be achieved.

Construction of the turbine installation is scheduled to begin early in April 1973, with operation to start in August 1973.

Applications and fees were received from four source classes, the first to require air contaminant discharge permits by January 1, 1973. The four are asphalt paving batch plants, rendering plants, coffee roasting and roasting plants. Strangely, the very first application to be received, with fees, was from Fry Roofing Company, principal in an air pollution court case brought by CWAPA several years ago.

Asphaltic plants were the subjects of several CWAPA engineering surveys during the month, with one, Oregon Asphaltic Company, submitting plans leading to installation of a baghouse to replace an existing air control unit in the firm's east Multnomah County plant. Cost of the new control unit will be around \$80,000 and it will have an efficiency rating of 99.9 percent collection capability.

The other paving plant and one which required close observation during a limited operation period, was Page Paving Company's experimental unit operated near Multnomah. Operating under a variance to determine whether the unique system could comply with CWAPA rules, the plant was found to initially comply with visible emission standards.

Then, under the impetus of heavy production, extreme emissions of both asphalt fumes and rock dust were found. Although testing continues in an effort to control the emissions, all indications are that the plant will not be able to make the required reductions in emissions without additional air pollution control equipment and the variance will then terminate December 31, 1972.

Oregon Portland Cement Company continues to install control equipment. The latest, a notice of construction involving a baghouse on a conveyor system and modifications to an existing system at a total cost of \$11,000. Other notices of construction were received from two meat companies, each planning construction of a meat processing smoker.

One was received from S&J Meat Company, \$31,000; the other from Portland Provisions Company, at \$7,000. Fred Bauer Chevrolet plans to install new controls on its paint

Self conquest is the greatest of all victories.

Honors at Entrance Go To Reese Sturdevant

Reese Sturdevant, son of Ralph H. Sturdevant, of 1306 Rose Ave., Vernonia is among 80 Linfield College freshmen who have received honors at entrance from Linfield.

This recognition is given by Linfield to incoming freshmen who were in the upper 10 percent of their high school graduating classes.

This recognizes students for their past academic attainment and encourages them to continue high scholarship while in college.

FOR HAND-MADE gifts go to the Senior Citizen Center - Monday thru Friday - 9 to 5.



CHRISTMAS Food Sale: Saturday, Dec. 23, 9:00 a.m. by St. Mary's Church.

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