COUNCIL ROUNDUP

City seeks other clay pipe supplier as strike hampers original firm

A strike against a supplier of clay pipe for the city's sewer program has necessitated a change of firms, it was decided when a report of the sewer construction project was read to City Council Monday night.

G. E. B. McCombie, professional engineer for the city's consultants Associated Engineering Services Ltd., told council Clayburn-Harbison Limited has had an employee strike since August 18 and that while the pipe shortage had not been critical it had added to the contractor's difficulties.

Mr. McCombie said that at the end of October, 6,560 feet of sewer mains, chiefly 8-inch clay pipes and 84 service connections had been laid.

He said the total footage of trench for mains in the contract is 35,600 of which 5,100 feet are twin systems, so that the length of pipe is 40,700 feet. The contract includes 1,900 feet of catch basin leads and 430 service connections.

The program is about 15 per cent complete, he said.

The prime contractor, Interior Contracting Co. Ltd., has virtually finished the Ambrose Avenue area and about 50 per cent of the area around Tenth Avenue and Bacon Street and has made a start at Eleventh Avenue and Sherbrooke Street.

He said that sub-contractors Daco Construction in Section 2 has completed 1,010 feet out of a total 11,450 feet and that Alison Construction has subcontracted the Park Avenue section. Granby Construction, who are sub-contracting the 48-inch and 42-inch pipe at Algoma Park, has completed about 300 feet of trenching and placed some bedding and piles.

"Work on this piece can only be done economically when the water in Hays Creek is low," Mr. McCombie said.

City Administrator R. W. Long said that he had had a telephone call from D. A. Whalen, P. Engineers, of Associated Engineering stating that a substitute supplier could be obtained for $1,000 more than the original bid.

Council authorized Mr. Whalen to inform Clayburn-Harbison Ltd., that it would have to change suppliers due to the pending end of supplies and also instructed Mr. Whalen to purchase pipe from a new supplier.

In other business Council learned that there was no further word on action planned by Ridge Holdings Limited regarding a development in the proposed subdivision on Eleventh Avenue East.

Gordon Simpson, president and Sydney Kirk, secretary respectively of the Senior Citizens Housing Society have been invited to a meeting with Council on November 16 to discuss the proposed senior citizens housing project.

A bylaw to authorize the expenditure of trust funds for the purpose of completing the Civic Centre indoor swimming pool was passed.

A request from the Museum Board of Northern British Columbia for the petroglyph rock outside the city hall to place in the museum grounds, was granted.

A letter from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 344, submitting their request for changes to the 1960 working agreement was referred to the wage and personnel committee.

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Don't laugh, but barbers now sell chest falsies

NEW YORK (AP)—Men, do you envy those hairy-chested he-men who stalk the beaches and pools under the admiring stares of the opposite sex?

Worry no more, "Hairless Joe." Toss away your turtle-neck beach sweater—they've come up with chest hair falsies for men.

The latest in chest tapestries was unveiled Sunday at the opening session of the National Barber Show.

Who wears chest rugs?

"Usually, little scrawny fellows," answers pretty Diana Tessler, president of a hair making firm. "I never ask my clients why they want them. I figure it's their own business."

The preferred shade: Brown.

"The people at the barber show came to me and suggested we make up a chest falsie as a stunt," Miss Tessler said. "But I said, 'stunt? I have many customers using them already.' They seemed surprised."

Miss Tessler, whose main business is toupees—or toppers, as they say in the trade—uses real hair for the chet rugs. She added:

"They look like the real thing. We have no complaints."

Another new item on display was a synthetic sun tan lotion guaranteed to make the wearer look as if he has just returned from three weeks at Miami or Palm Springs.

New York barber Eddie Pulaski said the degree of phoney tan is regulated by the number of applications of the cosmetic.

"One coat gives you a light tan, two coats a deep tan, and with three coats we give you a white turban."

Lee Bowman flourishing crime hunter

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—There was Lee Bowman on the floor, conked by a gangster's sap and with a switchblade aimed at his gullet. A shot was fired by an obliging blonde and Lee lived on to solve another case.

This bit of drama took place at Desilu studios, where Lee is filming "Miami Undercover," a new TV series for United Artists. It came easily to him, and with good reason.

During his film career Bowman played a columnist-sleuth in "The Walls Came Tumbling Down." He starred on radio in an Earle Stanley Gardner series, and for 90 weeks he played Ellery Queen on live TV.

So his new guise as a Florida crime hunter with sidekick Rocky Graziano is a natural result of his long battle against the underworld.

After his seasons at Ellery, Lee stayed on to do Broadway shows, front TV spectaculars for an auto concern, conduct a real estate-insurance firm with his brother, act as director of a commercial film concern, perform on a weekly drama over NBC radio and appear on the panel show, "Masquerade Party."

Police turn "beatnik" to nab drug peddlers

NEW YORK (AP)—Five detectives living as undercover beatniks turned square and put the finger on 13 habitues of Greenwich Village.

The charge: Narcotics violations.

After a month of the Bohemian life—complete with beards, berets and jazzy poetry sessions—the detectives struck as part of a city-wide crackdown during the weekend.

Ninety-five persons were arrested in raids that reached into Brooklyn and Harlem as well as The Village.

Inspector Edward F. Carey put the value of confiscated heroin, cocaine and marijuana at $1,000,000 in the illegal market.

The masquerading detectives spent virtually all of their waking hours in Beatnik haunts to gain the confidence of suspected addicts and pushers.

The undercover five cultivated beards, slouched about coffee houses in attitudes of despair, shuffled off to dances, jazz sessions and poetry readings.

Detective George Bermudez wrote off-beat poems and had one recited in a coffee shop.

But shortly after midnight Saturday night the word came from headquarters and the police behind the beards turned suddenly businesslike, hauling in 13 astonished men.

CHANGING TASTES

ROME (AP) — Italians have been eating less spaghetti, more meat, since the turn of the century. The agriculture ministry says per capita consumption of spaghetti, noodles and macaroni in 1958 was 411 pounds, compared with 455 in 1900. Meat consumption was 28 pounds per person in 1958, against 11 pounds in 1900.

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MOVIE COLUMN

Flynn episode poor example for juveniles says widow

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — And now Patrice Wymore starts to pick up the pieces of her life.

That life was pretty well shattered with the sudden death of her estranged husband, Errol Flynn, and with the tumult that followed. Now she is tangled with the legal aftermath, as well as rehearsing daily to continue the revival of her career as an entertainer.

"It is a tremendous job, putting together the pieces of the estate," she remarked during a rehearsal break. "Errol was not the most methodical man in the world.

MANY DETAILS

"The will has been filed for probate in New York, and I expect it will be a long time before it is settled. Meanwhile, I have to take care of all kinds of details. There is the estate in Jamaica, where around 150 people are employed. The yacht is in Spain with a crew of 10. I have some friends over there who are keeping an eye on it until I can get there."

I asked her about the contest of the will by 17-year-old Beverly Aadland. Miss Wymore's reply was pithy and unquotable. She has held her tongue about the blonde prodigy, but she did make this comment:

"I had newspaper men call me to apoligize for writing the stories they did about the recent events. I appreciate their sentiments, but it amazes me at the amount of public interest in this tale of juvenile transgression.

"I am concerned not only by the grief that it has caused my family and Errol's family, but because of the impression that this must have on juvenile minds. This girl is set up as the example to follow for all young actresses who want to get ahead in show business."

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She added that she was surprised that the district attorney's investigation into Miss Aadland's possible delinquency "was dropped after the testimony of only one person—her mother."

What about the value of the Flynn estate? Miss Wymore believes it will be substantial. The bulk of the holdings will come from the Jamaica property and incomes from various theatrical ventures, she said.

She is also engaged in preparing for a new musical revue, in which she stars with Marilyn Maxwell, Julie Wilson and Dagmar. Pat has been having success as a night club single entertainer, but she admitted the road back was not easy.

"It has been satisfying, but it is hard and lonely work—I don't make friends easily and there is nothing to do when you're not performing."

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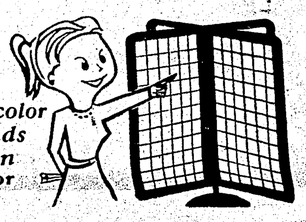

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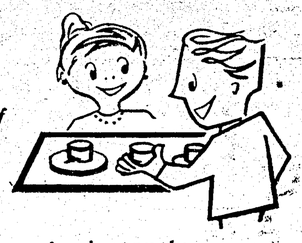

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