

# City Refuses to Take Action In Garage Zoning Dispute

Decision to take no action on a zoning ordinance of long standing after the operation at 307 Twenty-ninth of the Precision Motors & Supply, Inc. was made by city commissioners Saturday after listening to comments by the city legal and engineering heads.

**For Adjustment Board**  
City Attorney Paul Thatcher said that the matter of deciding on exceptions to a zoning law falls within jurisdiction of the city board of adjustment.

"It is not this commission's right to waive conditions of a zoning ordinance," he said. "The power to hear and decide matters pertaining to such exceptions belongs to the board of adjustment."

Attorney Thatcher last week advised commissioners that he had concluded after hearing arguments from both sides and studying records of the case, that the operation goes beyond a retail parts and

repair business, and would more logically fall under the classification of a public garage.  
Commissioners heard a letter from Jesus M. Montoya, whose residence at 323 Twenty-ninth is nearest the business, in which Montoya gave permission to George W. Ballingham, owner, to erect the brick structure. The letter was dated Aug. 1, 1948.

City Engineer C. R. Kimball said if the business is classified as a public garage no zoning regulations are in violation with the lone exception of its distance from the nearest residence, which he said is 34 feet. The ordinance requires a minimum of 50 feet.

**License Application**  
Commissioners Saturday concluded there is no cause for decision of the dispute in the absence of an application from Ballingham for a 1950 license. They hinted that if Ballingham applied for a new license, he likely would be referred to the board of adjustment.

The issue was revived several days ago when a resident living across the street contended Ballingham was operating a repair shop in violation of his license and of the C-2 zoning ordinance.

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## Newspaper Makes Long Round Trip

The Standard-Examiner really gets around.

One copy of paper, Sunday, Oct. 30, was sent by Arlas G. Belnap to his son, Gordon Belnap, who is on an L. D. S. mission in Finland. Young Belnap sent it to Daniel D'Hulst, a missionary at Hilversum, Holland. D'Hulst, in turn, sent a gift to mother, Adriana D'Hulst, in Oger—where in turn called The Standard-Examiner to report the round trip of the paper, to Europe and back.

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## Leaders at War Depots



Heading the annual polio fund campaigns at the Utah general depot and Ogden sub-depot will be (left) Darrell A. Wolff and Gene Hardy, respectively. They report plans call for a concentrated effort for contributions.

## Weber G. O. P. Schedules Mass Meetings Jan. 25

Republican mass meetings in each of Weber county's 103 voting districts will be held Wednesday, Jan. 25, at eight p. m., it was determined Saturday afternoon by the county Republican central committee at a meeting held in Weber College Central building.

At the mass meetings a total of 238 delegates will be elected to the county organization convention and to the county primary convention, dates for which were set for February 4 and May 6, respectively. Also to be elected in each voting district will be a district chairman, vice chairman of the opposite sex,

secretary, treasurer, and at least three members of the voting district committee.  
Apportionment of delegates to be elected from each voting district was made by the central committee on the basis of one delegate for each city vote or major fraction thereof cast for the 1948 Republican nominee for congress. The same delegates will serve at both county conventions. G. O. P. Chairman Patrick Realy pointed out that the state election law requires delegates to attend in person and prohibits alternates or proxies.

Other business transacted at Saturday's meeting included a decision to hold a public banquet at the Hotel Ben Lomond in honor of Lincoln's birthday next month. Arrangements for this affair will be handled by the Women's Republican Clubs of Weber County, with the Young Republican Club in charge of ticket sales. The party's executive committee is to obtain a nationally prominent speaker.  
Emphasizing the importance of the district mass meetings as an opportunity to build up the Republican party from the "grass roots," Chairman Healy said, "all voters of Weber county who are in accord with the principles of the Republican party, believe in its declaration of policies, and are in sympathy with its aims and purposes, are invited to unite under this call in the selection of delegates to the Republican county and state conventions."

## City Studies State Nurse Agreement

Recommendation that the city enter into an agreement with the state department of health for a public health nursing service, subject to a clarification by the state as to the number of nurses to be provided, was adopted by city commissioners Saturday.

City Attorney Paul Thatcher recommended that before the contract is signed, the state be asked to commit itself in writing that it furnish eight nurses, and to clarify the exact time the city is to pay its share of the service. Thatcher said it was his opinion that the preferred agreement does not definitely bind the state to the extent apparently contemplated.

Under the arrangement, similar to contracts of past years, Ogden city and the city school system each contribute \$6,918, and the state, \$9,224, to cover the year's program, totaling \$23,062.

## U. S. Health Grant To Utah Increased

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 14 (AP)—The federal government contributed \$7,947,306 to Utah during the past fiscal year for health, education and social welfare activities. The report was made today by H. J. Christensen, acting manager of the Salt Lake City field office of the social security administration.

The total, he said, compared with \$5,384,590 in the preceding fiscal year.  
Christensen said that 30,200 men, women and children in Utah benefited directly from the federal payments. They are recipients of education, health, welfare, vocational rehabilitation and social security services.

## Campaigns Open Monday at County's Two War Bases

"March of Dimes" campaigns at Weber county's two military installations will get underway Monday, officials reported.

Heading the drive at Utah general depot will be Darrell A. Wolff, public information officer. Gene Hardy, personnel clerk at Ogden sub-depot (arsenal) will take charge of operations at the installation.

Polio posters will be distributed at both posts during the first part of the week as will the miniature "iron lung" collection cans. Fifty cans will be distributed throughout technical and headquarters divisions.

Reporting that the effort is being "fully backed" at both installations by the commanding officers, Wolff and Hardy said this year's work will be highlighted by a more definite concentration on the individual for contributions. They said supervisors will regularly pass the cans among personnel.

Post publications will carry publicity relative to the campaign as will public address systems.

The drive at the Utah general depot will last until Feb. 10. The one at the Ogden sub-depot will end Jan. 31.

Commenting on the spirit of the drive, the two chairmen said: "There are a number of parents working at both installations whose children have been stricken with polio and have received aid through the national foundation.

These people are very eager to assist in the March of Dimes and inspire others to do likewise. They realize that the heaviest weapon on the polio front is the money contributed during the annual drive."

All funds collected at the two installations will be applied toward Weber county's goal of \$30,000, was explained by Howard W. Ogden, general chairman of the 1950 effort.

## Tenor Named for Role in 'Messiah'



Robert Reese

Robert Reese will sing the tenor role in the "Messiah" festival Saturday, Jan. 21, it is announced by Director Lester Hinchcliff.

Mr. Reese, formerly of Brigham City and now of Ogden, is a graduate of Box Elder high school. He was featured soloist in a "Messiah" concert in Brigham City in December, and has done solo work in Handel festivals at Long Beach and Hollywood, Calif.

Mr. Reese will sing four solos, "Comfort Ye," "Every Valley," "Thy Rebuke," and "Thou Didst Not Leave His Soul in Hell."

This will be the twenty-ninth annual presentation of the musical masterpiece by the Ogden Oratorio society. The concert will begin at eight-fifteen p. m. in the L. D. S. Ogden tabernacle.

## Suit Names 35,000 As Defendants

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 14 (AP)—A suit which will carry the names of 35,000 persons as defendants is being prepared by staffs of the Utah state engineer and attorney general.

The action is intended to clarify water rights of many tracts of land located in Davis, Salt Lake, Utah, and Juab and Wasatch counties.

State Engineer Harold A. Linke said the suit was ordered by the Utah supreme court in 1944. It has taken five years to obtain names and addresses of all water users involved.

## Hospital Plans Safety Measure

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 14 (AP)—H. C. Shoemaker, chairman of the Utah public welfare commission, said today doors to rooms at the state mental hospital in Provo would be changed so that all open outward.

That will be done, he said, at the suggestion of Provo city fire department officials. It will permit quicker exits in case of fire.

Shoemaker, and Commissioner Phil T. Farnsworth inspected the hospital yesterday.

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## Auto Plates Sales At 3500 Mark

Sets of passenger automobile plates issued at the Ogden branch office of the Utah state tax commission numbered up to 3,500 Saturday at the close of business, S. E. Johnson, manager, reported.

To this figure was added 300 plates making the total sale of 1950 plates 3,800.

Meanwhile, Johnson reported that a secondary office will be opened Monday on the third floor of the municipal building near the Weber county assessor's office. He emphasized this office would handle re-registrations only.

George E. Brown, county assessor, reported his office has issued 4,286 tax receipts since the office opened clearance operations Dec. 21. Motorists must display 1950 plates after midnight, March 31.

## Speaker Told for P-T. A. Meeting

MORGAN, Jan. 14 — James D. Harvey of the psychology department of Weber college will speak Monday evening, Jan. 16, at a meeting of the Morgan P-T. A. to be held in L. D. S. Morgan stake house.

Harvey will speak on "Teen-age Problems." Mrs. Forde Dickson, association president, said that a special program of entertainment would be provided.

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