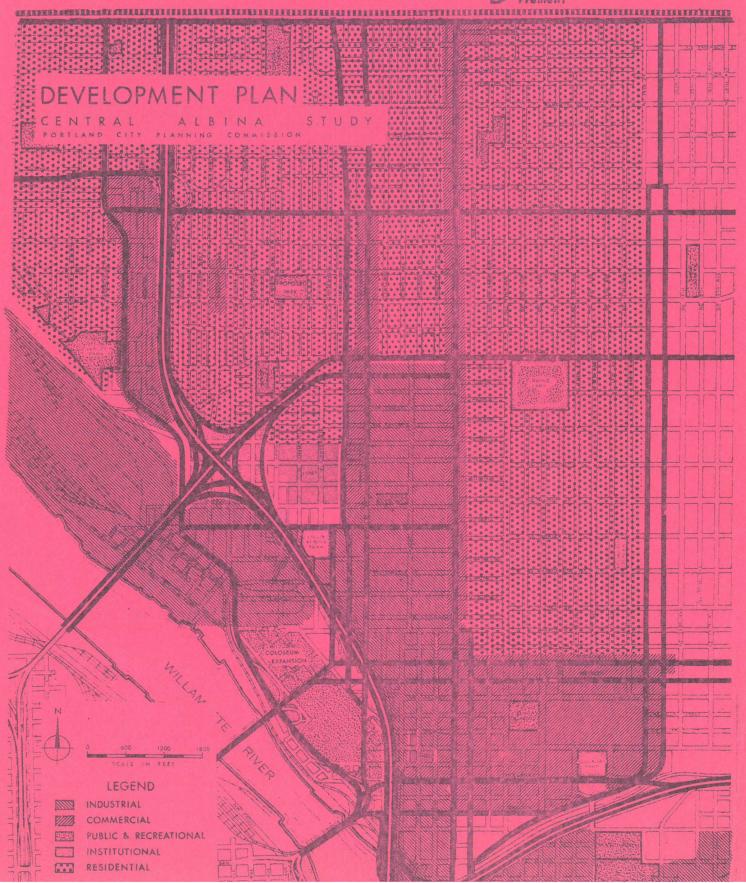
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BOWLING ALLEY CONSTRUCTION IN PROJECT AREA

Clearance of the property acquired by the Balch Land Development Corporation for construction of a bowling alley has been completed.

In November, the Balch Corporation requested a variance of restrictions approved by the City Council in 1961. The developers asked for a reduction of the setback on Albina Street from 15 feet to 5 feet; opening through the setback on Failing Street to permit a major entrance and exit to their parking lot; and a waiver for one of the two loading berths required by the ordinance.

Some property owners in the project area objected to the effect of such a facility on adjacent and nearby residential properties when the original zone change request was made. However, the

ANIC AND CHAIRMEN RECEIVE TRIBUTE

Don S. Willner, author of the "Oregon Today" column in the Portland Reporter, honored Father Stead and Reverend Graham by placing them on his 1962 Honor Roll of "people and groups who helped make Oregon a wonderful place to live in 1962."

Father Stead and Reverend Graham were cited as co-chairmen of ANIC and given tribute "for their work and the work of many others in upgrading this area of our community."

INFORMATION CENTER PROGRESS REPORT

Since the last regular ANIC meeting, the Information Center staff has been concentrating on completing a report of the project plans.

Albina Neighborhood Improvement Information Center 3726 North Kerby Avenue Portland 17, Oregon City Council granted the zone change with Buffer Zone restrictions which were expected to afford the maximum protection to the adjacent residential properties.

The variances must be granted to permit construction under present plans. However, at a meeting with the Director of the Planning Commission on December 27, Mr. Leiper, Brunswick Representative, suggested that further efforts would be made to meet the requirements originally approved by the City Council.

DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ANNOUNCES PROMOTION OF STAFF MEMBER

The Portland Development Commission announced on December 14, 1962, that Larry Coons had been promoted to the position of Assistant Director. Mr. Coons replaces Dick England who has accepted a job in Los Angeles, California.

All data, survey information and other material gathered by ANIC and the Information Center staff during the past year is being evaluated and incorporated into this report. The report will be submitted to the Federal Government for preliminary review to assure ANIC and property owners that the Federal Government will be willing to help pay for a part of the cost of the improvement project.

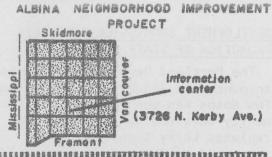
DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR ALBINA

The cover map shows the long range plan for use of land in the Albina Neighborhood. The plan is a part of a recent planning study by the City Planning Commission to provide information needed in locating sites for low-rent public housing.

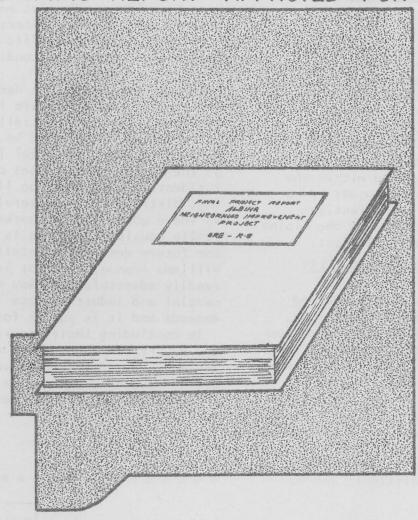
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FINAL PLANNING REPORT APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION



The Portland Development Commission gave approval on January 31, 1963, for submission of the final planning report to the Federal Government to see whether the Urban Renewal Administration will help finance the proposed plan.

Approval for submission of the report is an indication that the Commission is interested in participating in the proposed plans for the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Project. However, the following steps will still be necessary to gain final approval of the project after word is received that the Federal Government will participate:

- a.) Property owners must approve an assessment district to help pay the cost of some improvements such as alleys.
- b.) The plan must be officially reviewed by the members of the City Planning Commission.
- c.) The plan must be approved by the City Council.
- d.) The project must be approved by the Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

While the report is being reviewed by the Federal Government, the Information Center staff will continue to provide assistance in the area and to help complete the programs that were initiated during the Survey and Planning Stage.

DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ANNOUNCES PROMOTION OF STAFF MEMBER

The Portland Development Commission announced on January 21, 1963, that Tom Notos had been promoted to Community Services Coordinator. He replaces Larry Coons.

HOUSING AUTHORITY'S APPLICATION FOR DEMONSTRATION HOUSING PROGRAM NOT APPROVED

The Portland Housing Authority's application for a scattered-sites demonstration housing program to be developed in conjunction with the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Project did not receive approval of the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

The demonstration proposal called for construction of fifteen single-family structures on vacant land within the Project Area. This program was to be coordinated so that its objectives would meet the objectives of the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Project.

AGREEMENT REACHED ON BOWLING ALLEY CONSTRUCTION PLANS

Through action taken by concerned property owners in the Project Area, the Balch Land Development Corporation has agreed to meet the requirements originally approved by the City Council for construction of a bowling alley.

The present plans for construction are similar to the original plans which provided for; entrance and exit to the parking area from Mississippi Avenue, a 15 foot setback from Albina Avenue, building facing Mississippi, and no

Albina Neighborhood Improvement Information Center 3726 North Kerby Avenue Portland 17, Oregon pedestrian access from or to Albina Avenue.

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION REPORTS ON CENTRAL ALBINA STUDY AT ANIC MEETING

Mr. Lloyd Keefe and Mr. Frank Frost, Director and City Planner of the City Planning Commission, reported that a study concerning the future development of Central Albina had been made. The study area lies between Fremont and Broadway Streets and Union and Interstate Avenues.

During this study traffic patterns were analyzed and structure condition, value and age recorded.

Through the study, Mr. Keefe said it was learned that: 1) There is no long-term market for residentially zoned property; 2) There could be a long-term market for non-residential land use; 3) The best probable types of non-residential uses would be light manufacturing, distribution, and service industries; 4) There would be some market for multifamily housing; 5) There is neither present nor future demand for retail business along Williams Avenue; 6) Eliot School is readily adaptable for many types of commercial and industrial use if the market demands and it is put up for sale.

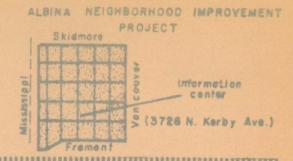
In concluding their report, Mr. Keefe and Mr. Frost related that this area (Fremont, Broadway, Union and Interstate) will undoubtedly experience a rapid change after the freeway network has been completed.

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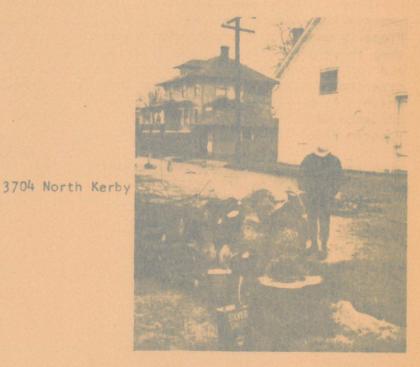
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TREE PROGRAM ACTIVITIES BEGIN



STARTING FROM THE TOP



CUTTING TO FIREPLACE LENGTH



DEBRIS CLEANUP 3530 North Kerby



WOOD READY FOR OWNER'S USE 3516 North Kerby

PROPERTY OWNERS PARTICIPATING IN TREE REMOVAL, TRIMMING AND PLANTING ACTIVI-TIES IN DEMONSTRATION BLOCKS

Exciting and interesting progress is being made on North Kerby between Fremont and Failing Streets. The utility companies' tree crews have been trimming and removing large older trees, at no charge, which have damaged curbs and sidewalks and have reduced the efficiency of the street lights.

Property owners in these blocks readily gave their permission for the trimming and removal of these trees and they are ordering flowering trees (Kwanzan Cherry) which will be planted this month in accordance with ANIC's adopted Tree Program Plan.

Wood from the removals was made available to property owners at fireplace length.

The Tree Program Subcommittee recommended that the initial activities begin in a two block demonstration area because the spring planting season is nearly at an end.

Upon completion of the activities in the demonstration blocks all remaining property owners in the project area will be contacted so that they may have the opportunity to give their authorization for removal of other large trees which

Albina Neighborhood Improvement Information Center 3726 North Kerby Avenue Portland 17, Oregon are detrimental to curbs, sidowalks, and efficient street lighting. When these contacts are made, property owners may also select the type of trees they want planted in the Fall.

Complete assistance and cooperation of Project Area residents will assure completion of the Tree Program activities and installation of the new street lights by the Fall.

Property owners in the demonstration blocks and the members of the Tree Program Subcommittee deserve a great deal of credit for the time and work they have contributed in launching the Tree Program Plan which will beautify the area.

REGULAR ANIC MONTHLY MEETING DAY SET

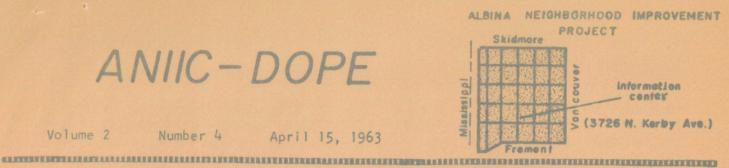
The regular meeting of the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee will be held on April 4 at 8:00 P. M. at Boise School Auditorium.

Everyone is invited to attend !!!

SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX LEVY TO BE DIS-CUSSED AT ANIC MEETING

A representative of School District #1 will explain the proposed school tax levy at the April 4th ANIC meeting. This proposed levy will be on the April 26th special election ballot.

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PLANTING IN DEMONSRATION BLOCKS COMPLETED



PREPERATION BEGINS



THE TREE IN PLACE



PREPARING THE SOIL



APPLYING THE FINISHING TOUCHES

TREE PLANTING COMPLETED IN DEMONSTRATION BLOCKS

Since our last ANIIC-DOPE, the Tree Frogram activities have been completed in the two demonstration blocks (Kerby between Fremont and Failing).

Sixteen large older trees were removed for property owners at no charge and twenty-two new trees were purchased by the following property owners:

Mr. & Mrs. Detroid Jenkins 3510 N. Kerby

Mrs. Mildred Hatton 3522 N. Kerby

Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Pennie 3606 N. Kerby

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Stewart 3612 N. Kerby

Mr. & Mrs. Ciscero Waters 3511 N. Kerby

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Aust 3613 N. Kerby

Rev. & Mrs. Roosevelt Rogers 3623 N. Kerby

Mr. & Mrs. Bennie Brown 3704 N. Kerby

Mrs. Ernestine Barnes 3718 N. Kerby

Mrs. Ruth Ramson 3824 N. Kerby

Mr. & Mrs. Kelly Probasco 611 N. Beech

Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Grigsby 3715 N. Kerby

Mr. & Mrs. Roosevelt Wesley 3725 N. Kerby

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Johnson 3835 N. Kerby

Portland Development Commission 3726 N. Kerby

These new trees (Kwanzan Cherry) were planted and staked and professionally pruned on Wednesday, April 3rd.

The four local television stations and three local newspapers sent representatives to the area to cover these activities and their coverage of the day's work was excellent.

A great deal of credit and appreciation is extended to those property owners who participated in the Program Plan and to the members of the Tree Program Subcommentee - Rev. F. J. Crear, Chairman; Mrs. Robert Kutch, Mr. Herbert Lewis, Mr. E. H. Thiel - for their work and success in carrying out the plan in these two initial blocks. ANIC is also grateful to Mr. Larry Rowse, P.G.E.; Mr. Dale Christiansen, City Forester; Mr. Alex Pierce and Mr. Daryl May, Architects; for their technical service and advice.

The Tree Subcommittee is meeting again to finalize plans for contacting all remaining property owners in the Project Area immediately so that trimming and removal of other large trees and the installation of new street lights can be carried out on a block to block basis during the summer months. Such a procedure will enable planting of new trees in the entire area at the beginning of the fall planting season.

The Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee urges all property owners to call or visit the information Center for further information concerning the Tree Program Plan. If property owners contact the neighborhood office, the Tree Program Plan can be carried out much faster throughout the area.





ANIC CHAIRMEN, STEAD AND GRAHAM, PRESENT TREE CERTIFICATES TO MISS HENRIETTA DOANE AND MR. WILLIE WHITLEY.



SCHOOL DISTRICT'S DR. OLIVER
DISCUSSES PROPOSED TAX LEVY
WITH ANIC

DOOR PRIZES WON AT ANIC MEETING

At the last ANIC meeting Miss Henrietta Doane, 339 North Shaver, and Mr. Willie Whitley, 3727 North Commercial, were winners of the door prizes.

Both property owners won a Tree Certificate which enables them to receive one free tree to be planted in accordance with ANIC's Tree Program Plan. The trees will be planted during the fall planting season.

PROPOSED TAX LEVY DISCUSSED WITH ANIC

Dr. William Oliver, Assistant Superintendent, Portland Public Schools, was a guest at the last meeting.

The Committee invited Dr. Oliver to the meeting to explain the proposed school tax levies. This special school election will take place on April 26.

This levy, he said, is a two-fold proposal. Included on the ballot will be a building levy and an operating levy. Dr. Oliver said, "the levies are not really new taxes, they will continue building on school programs previously approved by Portlanders".

The proposed building levy is to replace the 1952 approved levy which has expired. The two-year operating levy will extend the one approved in March 1961 which expires in June this year.

He explained that if these levies are defeated by the voters, the school district will have to cut back on many of its student programs and maintenance of buildings. ATTENDANCE AT ANIC MEETINGS

Father Stead and Rev. Graham,
ANIC Chairmen, urged those who
attended the last meeting to
encourage their neighbors to attend
future monthly meetings at Boise
School which are open to everyone.

They stated that a notice was delivered to each home in the project area prior to the March 4 meeting in order to inform all residents of the meeting. Father Stead said that by getting this notice to the people a few days prior to the meeting should give them adequate time to plan to attend.

ANIC wishes to thank these students who delivered these notices to each home. The students were:

Jim Sisson Jim Gill
George Hart Herman Harden
Ed Buns Earl Bowles
Bob Camel

ANIC HOPING TO HAVE URBAN RENEWAL COMMISSIONER ATTEND NEXT MEETING

Attempts are being made and plans readied in hopes that Mr. William L. Slayton, Urban Renewal Commissioner, and Mr. Robert McCabe, Regional Director of the Urban Renewal Administration, will attend the next ANIC meeting which is scheduled for May 2, 1963 - 8:00 P.M., Boise School Auditorium. Mr. Slayton has scheduled a visit to Portland to participate in a workshop sponsored by Reed College.

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ATTEND THE

NEXT MEETING!!!

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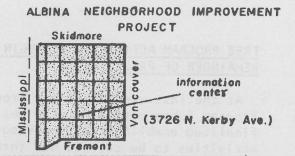
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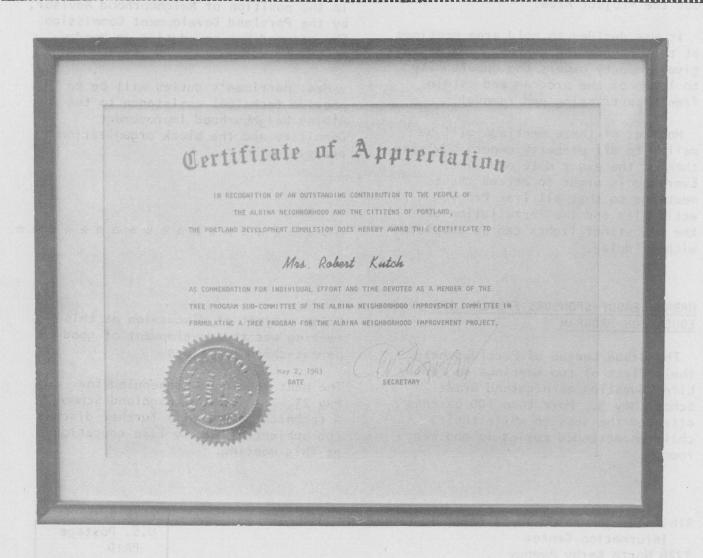
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APPRECIATION SHOWN TO COMMITTEE MEMBERS

At the last regular ANIC meeting, the members of the Tree Program Subcommittee received "Certificates of Appreciation" from the Portland Development Commission. Mr. A. V. Fonder, Commissioner, made the presentations to the Subcommittee members for their outstanding contribution to the people of the Albina neighborhood and the citizens of Portland.

Receiving the certificates were: Rev. F. J. Crear, Chairman; Mr. Herbert Lewis and Mr. E. H. Thiel. Mrs. Alice Kutch was unable to attend the meeting, but her certificate will be presented to her at her home.

TREE PROGRAM ACTIVITIES TO BEGIN IN REMAINDER OF PROJECT AREA

At the last meeting of the Tree Program Subcommittee, a plan was finalized enabling the Tree Program activities to be carried out throughout the Project Area.

It was decided to hold area meetings at the Information Center which would give property owners the opportunity to learn of the program and obtain free tree trimming and removal.

Notices of these meetings will be mailed to all property owners advising them of the exact date and time. Everyone is urged to attend these meetings so that all Tree Program activities and the installation of the new street lights can be completed without delay.

URBAN LEAGUE SPONSORS FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Urban League of Portland held their first of two meetings on Family Life Education at Highland Grade School May 9. More than 100 parents attended the session while their children attended movies in another room.

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STAFF MEMBER ADDED AT INFORMATION CENTER

Mrs. Evelyn Harriman was recently added to the Information Center staff, in the position of Neighborhood Advisor, by the Portland Development Commission. She assumed her new duties on Monday, May 13.

Mrs. Harriman's duties will be to provide technical assistance to the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee and the block organization activities.

Prime subject of discussion at this meeting was the development of good parent-child relations.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 23, 7:30 P.M. at Highland School. A technical panel will further discuss the subject of family life education at this meeting.

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ALBINA NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT Skidmore information center (3726 N. Kerby Ave.)



MR. E. H. THIEL AND REV. ROOSEVELT ROGERS ELECTED ANIC COCHAIRMEN

The Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee received a Nominating Committee report from the Chairman, Reverend Roosevelt Rogers at their regular meeting on June 6, 1963.

Rev. Rogers reported that he, Mrs. Mamie Bowles, Mrs. Joseph C. Crane, and Mr. Frank Brown finalized nominations for the chairmanship of ANIC at their May 22 meeting. The Nominating Committee recommended to ANIC:

- 1. Amending the Bylaws and creating an Executive Board whose members will conduct the business of ANIC and coordinate Committee activities.
- 2. The Executive Board will meet at least once per month prior to the regular Committee meetings.
- 3. Appointment of the immediate past Cochairmen and future past Cochairmen to the Executive Board to serve in an advisory capacity.
- 4. Appointment of Mr. E. H. Thiel and Rev. Roosevelt Rogers to the Board as Cochairmen.
- 5. Appointment of Mrs. Joseph C. Crane to the Board as a memberat-large.
- 6. Reappointment of Tom Notos to serve as Secretary of the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee.

After considerable explanation and discussion, unanimous approval was given to the Nominating Committee's recommendation by the members of ANIC.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN DISCUSSED AT ANIC MEETING

Miss Dorothea Lensch, Assistant Director of Park Bureau, Mr. Peter Frothingham, Youth Director of North Branch Y.M.C.A., and Mr. Frank Brown, Principal of Boise School, explained at the ANIC meeting the summer activities available to children.

The Park Bureau, Miss Lensch said, is able to engage any willing child in all types of supervised athletic and recreational activities.

Boys have a real opportunity to take part in scheduled activities, Mr. Frothingham said, ranging from indoor swimming to outdoor camping.

Mr. Brown related that those children interested in attending summer school can take advantage of the summer session at Jefferson High. Those who * * * * * * * * * *

TREE PROGRAM PROGRESS IN PROJECT AREA

At the last regular Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee meeting, Rev. F. J. Crear, Tree Program Subcommittee Chairman, reported that three block-area meetings have been held for those residents on Commercial, Kerby, Borthwick and Albina. At present, permission has been obtained to trim or remove 53 trees and property owners on these streets have purchased 36 new trees.

The utility companies' tree crews will begin work in the area during the week of June 10. Trimming and removal activities will be conducted on a block to block basis and property owners must have signed permission forms on file at the

Albina Neighborhood Improvement Information Center 3726 North Kerby Avenue Portland 17, Oregon are interested, he said, should immediately contact their nearest school for information.

The Information Center (AT 2-2214) has brochures on these summer activities and interested parents and children are encouraged to stop by and obtain copies.

NEW HOUSING PROJECT PLANNED FOR ALBINA DISTRICT

The Housing Authority of Portland received City Council approval of a zone change permitting them to construct a 135 unit low-rent housing project in the Albina district.

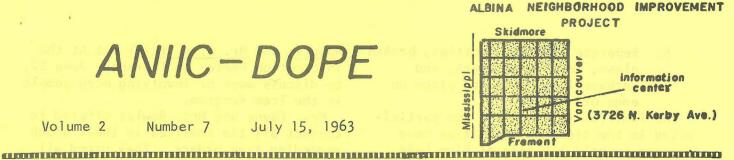
The designated area lies between Fremont, Mississippi, Cook and the Minnesota Freeway. The zone change that was approved was one which changed the existing A-2.5 zone to an A-1 zone. The portion of the area zone M-3 remained the same.

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Information Center prior to the work being started in their block in order to obtain free trimming and removal. A meeting is to be held at the Information Center on June 19, 1963 - 8:00 P.M. to enable property owners to sign the necessary forms. This will be the last blockarea meeting held for this purpose.

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PROPERTY OWNERS HOLD BLOCK CLEAN UP

Families living in Block #33 (Kerby, Commercial, Beech and Fremont) had their Block Clean Up activity on Saturday, July 13.

Children thirty-three strong, outfitted with hoes, pitchforks, pruning shears, shovels, saws, and brooms, began the clean up work on July 9. This "work force" cut weeds, stacked limbs, and collected cans and bottles so that the removal of the debris could be done quickly.

John Deines, Business Representative of the Sanitary Truck Drivers Local 220, visited the block with Mrs. Evelyn Harriman, Neighborhood Advisor. The alley, he said, has not been usable by trucks since 1950. Mr. Deines carefully outlined the steps to follow for easy removal of debris during a clean up campaign:

- 1. Cut back all overhanging tree limbs that will scratch cars and trucks and stack separately.
- 2. Cut or saw all branches for easy handling.
- 3. Pull loose, fallen limbs, berry vines embedded in dirt, and stack in piles by side of alley.
- 4. Prune all vines and shrubbery back to property lines.

5. Separate tin cans, bottles, broken glass, metal newspapers, and garbage into boxes and place on edge of property.

The families in Block #33 who participated in the clean up activities have planned to hold a picnic at Blue Lake Park on Saturday, July 20, 1963. The day's outing will include swimming, picnicing and other outdoor activities. One block resident said that "we should always try to combine work with pleasure."

Reverend Roosevelt Rogers, ANIC Cochairman, is helping with picnic arrangements.

RAPID PROGRESS BEING MADE ON TREE PLAN

The latest progress report of the Tree Program Plan shows that:

- 1. Property owners have purchased 100 new trees.
- 2. Property owners have requested that 118 large trees be removed.
- 3. Property owners requested that 33 trees be trimmed.

All property owners, except those on Kerby and Borthwick who have been undecided regarding removal or trimming of their trees may still contact the Information Center (AT 2-2214) for this free service.

Mr. & Mrs. Albert Williams of 3905 N. Kerby said, 'We are delighted that we had the opportunity to remove the four large trees in our parking strip and replace them with the much more attractive Kwanzan Cherry."

Mrs. Martha Payne, Mrs. Mamie Bowles, Mrs. Ernestine Broadous, Rev. Roosevelt

Rogers, and Mr. E. H. Thiel met at the Information Center on Thursday, June 27, to discuss ways of involving more people in the Tree Program.

Mrs. Payne and Mrs. Bowles offered to contact all the families in their block regarding tree orders. They urged all property owners who were interested in helping the Committee obtain tree orders to call at the Information Center. All orders and payment for the new trees. they said, must be received by September.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETS

A special meeting of the Executive Board was called Friday, June 21, 1963, at ANIIC. Rev. Roosevelt Rogers, Mr. E. H. Thiel, Cochairmen of ANIC, and Father Mell Stead, met to discuss and clarify the Portland Housing Authority's proposal for 135 new dwelling units to be located west of Mississippi and south of Fremont.

It was explained that this proposal is to take the place of the 58-unit Daisy Williams Project. This new site is one of five the Planning Commission recommended for possible public housing use.

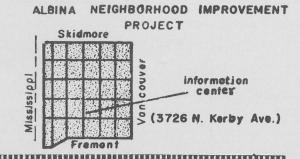
The Board members reviewed a letter addressed to ANIC advising of a public hearing to be held concerning the proposed housing project. The Board agreed that there was insufficient time to make an objective study of the proposal. Therefore, Rev. Rogers moved that a letter be sent to the Housing Authority informing them that ANIC would not make a recommendation due to the lack of time and information provided. The motion was seconded and approved.

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STAFF REPORTS TO DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION





PORTLAND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION HOLDS MEETING AT ANIIC

The members of the Portland Development Commission, Mr. Ira Keller, Chairman, Mr. A. V. Fonder, Mr. Vincent Raschio, Mr. Harold Halvorsen and Mr. Russell Colwell, held their August 12th meeting at the Information Center.

The Commission authorized Vincent Raschio to work with the staff to prepare plans and specifications so that improvements to the Information Center could be undertaken.

A report was given by the Information Center staff regarding the status of the final project report, the progress of the tree program and other citizens activities. It was explained that all report questions raised by the Federal Government have been answered and regional approval of the report is expected soon.

Other items of business covered by the Commission were related to the South Auditorium Urban Renewal Project, the study of the extension of the South Auditorium Project and the feasibility of filing an application for a General Neighborhood Renewal Plan for the Central Albina area south of Fremont Street.



PICNIC HELD AT BLUE LAKE PARK FOR RESIDENTS OF BLOCK #33

Children and adults from Block 33 celebrated the conclusion of their alley clean-up campaign by having a family picnic at Blue Lake Park, Saturday, July 20 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The block clean-up campaign was initiated by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young with the cooperation of the other families in the block.

Mr. John Deines, Business Representative of the Sanitary Truck Drivers Local 220, Rev. Roosevelt Rogers, Co-Chairman of ANIC, Rev. Graham and Father Stead, ANIC Executive Board members, and the ANIC staff are preparing preliminary plans for over-all project area alley clean-ups. Final plans for each alley clean-up will be made by residents of each block at individual block meetings.

REGULAR MONTHLY ANIC MEETINGS TO BEGIN SEPTEMBER 5

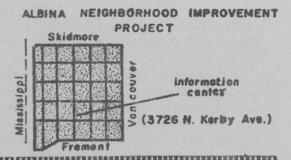
The Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee will resume their regular monthly meetings on Thursday, September 5, at 8:00 p.m. at the Boise School Auditorium. Everyone is invited to attend this neighborhood meeting.

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FIRST REGULAR ANIC NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING OF YEAR HELD

The regular neighborhood meetings began again on September 5th with the new members of the Executive Board, Mr. E. H. Thiel and Mrs. Joseph Crane, presiding.

Mrs. Crane reported that the Federal Government review of the Final Project Report has been completed by all departments except Financing. We understand, she said, that the Financing Department is presently making their review and we expect to receive word concerning regional approval of the Report very soon.

A discussion was held, due to the complaints of many families, concerning the problem of damage to shrubs, flowers and private property by dogs in the area. The Chairman was asked, since the Improvement Project focuses primarily on improvement and upkeep of private property, to investigate ways that ANIC might assist property owners in solving this problem.

It was learned that the City does have an ordinance which aims at controlling this problem. Under the provisions of this ordinance, owners of dogs are not permitted to let them run-at-large.

NEWLY ELECTED BLOCK CHAIRMEN INTRODUCED AT ANIC MEETING

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Young, Cochairmen of Block #33, were introduced at ANIC's neighborhood meeting on September 5.

The Young's were elected at a Block Meeting held at the home of Mrs. Bobbie Smith on August 22.

The Committee is proud to welcome the new Block Chairmen as active Committee members and encourages all blocks to organize and elect a Block Chairman so that residents are adequately represented on the neighborhood committee.

BOISE SCHOOL HAS NEW PRINCIPAL

Mr. Willard Fletcher began his new duties as Principal of Boise on September 9. He also becomes a member of ANIC, representing Boise School. Mr. Fletcher replaces Mr. Frank Brown who was transferred to Jason Lee School.

Mr. Brown requested that, due to his new duties, he be placed on ANIC's inactive Committee member list.

BEAUTIFICATION SUBCOMMITTEE FORMED

Father Mell Stead, Mrs. Maggie Young, Mr. Robert Kutch, and Mrs. Lucille Dick, were appointed members of ANIC's newly created Beautification Subcommittee.

Father Stead explained that the purpose of this Subcommittee is to develop plans for conducting a contest involving home improvements and landscaping.

The Subcommittee members will meet at the Information Center to work out final arrangements for this contest and further information concerning this topic will be covered in later issues of ANIIC-DOPE.

BLOCK 28 HOLDS BLOCK MEETING

Residents of Block 28 held a Block Meeting on Thursday, September 12, at the Information Center.

Mr. Willie Whitley, ANIC member, organized the meeting of residents in his block so that they could begin their alley clean up activities.

The preliminary estimate indicated that a fee of \$1.60 per resident would be charged to remove the debris.

FINAL PLANS FOR CLEAN UP OF ALLEYS BEGIN

The Executive Board of ANIC met on August 14th with Mr. John Deines, Business Representative of Local 220 - Sanitary Truck Drivers' Union, and finalized a plan for clean up of alleys in the entire Project Area.

Mr. Deines stated that a fee of \$10.00 per load would be charged if residents would collect, pile, and help load the debris on the truck. Under normal circumstances, he said, the fee is \$30.00. Local 220 is absorbing the difference in cost as a public service to the people in the Project Area.

The following five blocks were surveyed by Mr. Deines to determine the amount of debris to be hauled away:

Block 27 - Commercial, Haight, Failing, Beech

Block 28 - Kerby, Commercial, Failing, Beech

Block 29 - Borthwick, Kerby, Failing, Beech

Block 32 - Borthwick, Kerby, Fremont, Beech

Block 34 - Commercial, Haight, Fremont, Beech

Mrs. Harriman, Neighborhood Advisor, will be calling on residents of these blocks immediately so that clean up activities can begin as soon as possible.

PROPERTY OWNERS URGED TO COMPLETE ORDERS FOR NEW TREES

Reverend F. J. Crear, Chairman of the Tree Program Committee, indicated that the monies for the new trees must be collected so that the order for the new trees can be placed with the nurseryman. The following persons have volunteered to help collect the monies and you may contact any one of them to complete your order:

Mrs. Mamie Bowles - 4066 N. Gantenbein - AT 2-3489

Mr. & Mrs. Isaac Payne - 3946 N. Borthwick - AT 1-8479

Mrs. Joseph Crane - 3735 N. Vancouver - AT 2-8672

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Young - 3507 N. Commercial - AT 1-0227

Rev. Roosevelt Rogers - 3623 N. Kerby - AT 4-0842

Mr. E. H. Thiel - 3521 N. Kerby - AT 8-1295

Mr. & Mrs. Len Soreson - 4207 N. Albina - AT 1-4545

If you wish, you may call the Information Center (AT 2-2214) and arrangements can be made there so that your money will be collected and your order completed. In order to take advantage of the reduced price of these trees and to properly schedule the planting date, it is important that all transactions be completed soon.

NEXT ANIC NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING - OCTOBER 3rd

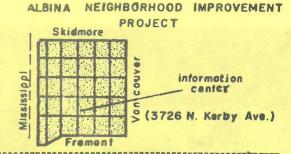
The next ANIC Neighborhood Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 3, 1963, at 8:00 P.M. at the Boise School Auditorium. This meeting is held for all residents of the Project Area and not solely for Committee members.

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ANIC HOSTS TACOMA CITIZENS' COMMITTEE



The Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee was host to fourteen members of the Hilltop Neighborhood Improvement Council of Tacoma, Washington, on Thursday, October 3. Rev. Roosevelt Rogers, Mr. E. H. Thiel, Mrs. Isaac Payne and Mrs. Joseph Crane, representing ANIC, welcomed the guests. Also present were members of the news media; which included three TV stations, News Analyst Tom Lawson McCall, the Oregon Journal,

Mr. A. V. Fonder, Commissioner of the Portland Development Commission, Mr. John Kenward and other staff members reviewed the history of the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Project, and slides of project activities were shown before the quests were taken on a "foot tour" of the Project Area.

A dinner was held at the Vancouver Avenue Baptist Church with 27 members and friends of ANIC present to exchange ideas and plans for neighborhood improvement. Rev. T. X. Graham and Father Mell Stead were hosts for the dinner session.

The delegation from Tacoma attended the ANIC meeting at Boise School and a coffee reception was held following the meeting.

This citizens' group was created a year ago through the efforts of Miss Eunice Allen, Director of the Tacoma Community House and the Rev. Anthony Tomares. Pastor of the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church.

Mr. Corey Richmond, of the Tacoma Urban Renewal Agency, is the Community Services Officer and advisor to the Neighborhood Committee. He related that the neighborhood in which they are presently working is some 40-blocks square and is very similar to the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Project.



BLOCK #9 SCHEDULES ALLEY CLEAN UP

Mr. Willie Williams, 510 North Skidmore, has been organizing property owners in his block to engage them in an alley clean up. Details of this block's activities will be covered in the next issue of ANIIC-DOPE.

TOOLS FOR CLEAN UP OF ALLEYS MADE AVAILABLE BY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The Portland Development Commission, after learning and recognizing the need for adequate equipment for the clean up of alleys, has purchased numerous tools which property owners can use in organized block clean ups. Property owners are urged to call the Information Center (AT 2-2214) and plan an alley clean up so that they may take advantage of the availability of this equipment.

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BLOCK 28 COMPLETES ALLEY CLEAN UP

Mr. & Mrs. Henry Williams, Block Cochairman (and ANIC members), Mr. Willie Whitley (ANIC member), Mrs. Alberta Phillips and Mrs. Mildred Williams initiated alley clean up activities in Block #28 on Saturday, September 21.

Two truck loads of debris were hauled away by Glanz Bros. and a third load was used for the removal of the garage at the Information Center. Families worked diligently during the week and all day Saturday. Mrs. Alberta Phillips, reporting on the clean up activities at the ANIC meeting, expressed the neighbors' satisfaction at completing a hard job.

The second meeting of Block 28 was held Friday, October 4, to follow-up on plans for beautifying the alley and back yards.

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING DATE SET

The next neighborhood meeting of ANIC will be held on Thursday, November 7, 1963, at 8:00 P.M. at Boise School. We must emphasize that the meeting is held for all residents of the project area and not solely for Committee Members.

COLLECTION FOR TREE ORDERS PROGRESSING

Members of ANIC's Tree Subcommittee have been collecting monies for tree orders and to date \$170.00 has been collected. All orders must be completed soon so that we can meet the scheduled planting date in November. Willing volunteers will be calling on property owners who have ordered trees but who have not yet paid.

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IMPROVEMENTS AT INFORMATION CENTER UNDER WAY





INFORMATION CENTER RECEIVES FACE LIFTING

The Portland Development Commission entered into a contract with Coovert and Babcock Construction Company on October 23, 1963, for the purpose of carrying out exterior structure improvements at the Information Center.

The improvements which were authorized include:

- 1. New roofing over the porches
- 2. Repair and rebuilding of porches, steps, and porch railings.
- 3. Installation of new gutters and downspouts.
- 4. Two coats of exterior paint.

Coovert and Babcock began their improvement activities on October 30th and at this time all work has been completed except the painting.

Upon completion of all items of work, the once existent deferred maintenance and exterior structure deficiencies will be eliminated.

All property owners in the area are invited to stop by the Information Center and view the improvements. If any residents are unable to stop by, but would like further information regarding the work, they are invited to call the Center (AT 2-2214).



BLOCK #9 AND #28 HOLD COMBINED BLOCK PARTY

More than 100 persons from Blocks #9 and #28 attended the block party at Peninsula Park on October 28. The theme of the party was in the halloween tradition. Lunch and other refreshments were served and games were provided for the children.

Property owners in these two blocks sponsored the party as a culmination to the two blocks' alley clean ups which were held on October 12 and 19.

Mr. Willie Williams stated that property owners found the tools which were furnished by the Portland Development Commission to be very useful in the clean-up activities. The tools, he said, made all of the work considerably easier and the people were able to do a better job.

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COLLECTION FOR TREE ORDERS PROGRESSING

According to Rev. F. J. Crear, Chairman of the Tree Subcommittee, efforts are still being made to collect monies for tree orders that were placed by property owners. \$250.00 has been collected to date which means \$80.00 has been collected during the past month. All orders must be completed very soon and those property owners who have not paid should stop by the Information Center or call Rev. Crear at AT 7-0165.

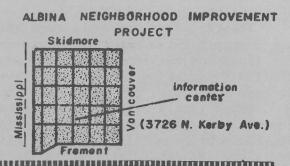
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE FORMED

At the regular ANIC Neighborhood Meeting on November 7, a Membership Subcommittee was formed for the purpose of studying ways of strengthening Committee membership and increasing meeting attendance. Appointed to the Subcommittee were Rev. Wendell Wallace, Mr. Richard Sevier, Mrs. Edna Williams and Mr. Ed Varner.

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FINAL PROJECT REPORT APPROVED BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT



ANIC EXECUTIVE BOARD DISCUSSES PROJECT APPROVAL

The Final Planning Report for the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Project was approved by the Federal Government's Housing and Home Finance Agency on November 15, 1963. This approval means that the Federal Government will participate in the financing of the Project and enables the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee and the Portland Development Commission to proceed with obtaining needed local approvals of the Urban Renewal Plan for the Improvement Project Area.

The Executive Board of ANIC reviewed the letter at their November 27th meeting and discussed the pertinent facts about the Project which include:

Project Proposals

- 1. Home Repairs
- 2. Garage Improvements
- 3. Removal of Dilapidated Units
- 4. Alley Paving
- 5. Curb and Sidewalk Repair
- 7. New Street Lights
- 8. Tree Planting
- 9. Traffic Diverters
- 10. Improved Zoning

BASIC STEPS TO BE COMPLETED

The Executive Board reviewed the importance of the method for locally financing the Project. As a means to determine whether property owners will accept responsibility for financing the improvements to streets, curbs, sidewalks, and alleys, the members drafted a letter to the Portland Development Commission requesting Commissioner Bowes to have individual estimates under an Assessment District prepared.

Under such a proposal the estimates would be prepared by the offices of the City Engineer and City Auditor. The estimates would then be furnished to each property owner so that everyone will have the opportunity to discuss and ask questions about the individual assessments prior to a City Council public hearing on the Assessment District.

The members of the Executive Board discussed the necessary steps which must be taken in order to obtain local approvals of the Project. Details of the proposed Assessment District were outlined and the following steps were agreed upon as the procedure to follow prior to the City Council public hearing on the Improvement Project Plan.

- 1. A letter from ANIC to the Development Commission, requesting that an Assessment District be initiated, would be presented at the Commission's December 3rd meeting.
- 2. A letter would be sent to each property owner informing them that the individual estimates are being prepared.
- 3. A General ANIC Neighborhood Meeting would be held in January to discuss the proposed Assessment District.
- 4. The individual estimates would be mailed to each property owner.
- 5. Area Block Meetings will be held to enable property owners to discuss their individual assessment estimates.
- 6. A General ANIC Neighborhood Meeting will be held after the Block Meetings are completed to further discuss the attitude of residents and owners.
- 7. The Urban Renewal Plan and the Assessment District would be presented to the Portland Development Commission for approval.
- 8. The Urban Renewal Plan and the Assessment District would be presented to the City Planning Commission.
- 9. City Council Public Hearing would be set for the Assessment District and the Urban Renewal Plan.

DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ACTS

Commissioners Keller, Fonder, Raschio, Colwell, and Halvorsen reviewed the approval of the ANIP Planning Report and a letter received from ANIC at their meeting of December 3rd. A Resolution was approved and has been submitted to Commissioner Bowes and members of the City Council requesting that action be taken to provide individual cost estimates for alley, sidewalk, curb, and street improvements in the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Project.

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