

THE INFORMATION CENTER IN THE PROJECT AREA:

The Albina Neighborhood Improvement Information Center is the result of considerable neighborhood interest on the part of the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee and residents in the area.

This Information Center was set up by the Portland Development Commission in October of 1961 in order to carry out the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Project. This facility is a first for the City of Portland and only the second of its kind in the entire Pacific Northwest.

Located at 3726 North Kerby Avenue, the Information Center is close to the center of the Project Area. The two story structure provides office space for staff members of the Portland Development Commission and it has facilities to accommodate Committee, Block and Sub-Committee meetings. The staff members who are located at the Information Center can carry out the work of preparing the plans for the Improvement Project while being close at hand to activities in the area. By being located in the Project Area, personal contacts can be readily made when necessary and the desirable location affords an advantage to residents who would like to visit at the Information Center and ask questions pertaining to the Project and related Project activities.

The Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee holds their regular monthly meetings on the first Thursday of each month at the Center and this meeting place enables the Committee to have maps, files and other data readily available for reference.

Throughout the past four months, various surveys have been conducted in the Project Area and these surveys were carried out from the Information Center. Maps showing the cooperation that was attained from residents in the area are on display at the Center as well as other displays of Committee and Block Group activities and accomplishments.

The Information Center has already proved itself a successful liaison between various city agencies and the neighborhood. Many phone calls and personal visits are received at the Center throughout the week from residents in the Area. City employed staff personnel also visit the Center in order to keep informed of the Project activities and aid the Improvement Program in any way possible.

Future plans are to rehabilitate the structure and have it serve as a demonstration house as well as an Information Center. This would enable residents to actually visualize what can be done through participation in the Improvement Program. It is hoped that the Center, after rehabilitation, would then serve as a yardstick by which residents of the area could measure the scope of the improvements that they would like to make on their properties.

Please call or visit the Information Center as the staff members - Tom Notos (Community Services Technician), Mildred Easley (Financial Consultant), Mary Raffety (Survey Worker), and Marvis Manus (Secretary) - will be happy to answer your questions regarding the Improvement Program. Also, feel free to attend meetings which your neighbors attend at the Information Center. Our telephone number is AT 2-2214 and our address is 3726 North Kerby Avenue.

CURRENT BLOCK ACTIVITIES:

Block #13 (Vancouver, Gantenbein, Mason and Shaver), which has been meeting regularly since the first of the year, announced their plans to hold a Block Clean-Up Campaign this month. The Block Chairman, Mrs. Mamie Bowles, has been working with the residents in her block at bi-weekly Block Meetings in order to work out the details for the Clean-Up. A final Block Meeting will be held on April 19, 1962 to finalize the plans for the Clean-Up and a City Sanitarian will attend this meeting to assist the groups in making the Clean-Up a success.

ANIC GIVES FLAG TO GIRL SCOUTS:

At the last regular Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee meeting, Girl Scout Troop #754 was presented a troop flag in recognition of their flower planting activities at the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Information Center. Mrs. Jennings, troop leader, Mrs. Baker, District Chairman, Pearline Allen, Josephine Louis, Regina Crutchfield, Lois Johnson and Sandra Patterson attended the meeting and they accepted the presentation for their group.

CAPTAIN PURCELL AND JACK FROST ATTEND THE APRIL 6TH ANIC MEETING:

Captain Bard Purcell, of the Portland Police Department's East Side Precinct, led the discussion on ways that ANIC could help to make the neighborhood safer. He stressed that a main factor in neighborhood safety was cooperation between the residents of the area and the Police Department. The Department, he said, has an adequate force of capable, responsible and efficient men who feel it their duty to provide the best services available to citizens of the community. He stated that the Police Department has to know of the problems that residents of areas are confronted with so that it can take proper steps to correct these infractions.

In closing, he urged residents to call the precinct any time for needed police assistance and further related that it was gratifying to know that ANIC had taken such a great interest in their area. He assured the Committee that the Police Department would cooperate in every way to help ANIC achieve a safer neighborhood.

Mr. Jack Frost, Executive Director of the Metropolitan Youth Commission, explained that his agency had been set up a year ago as a result of the findings of a group study on youth problems.

The Commission's singular purpose is the prevention of delinquency. They have selected, as their number one objective, youth employment. Mr. Frost asked for community support in this measure and at the same time stressed the tremendous importance of keeping youth in school. He cited the example that the untrained person may have to be re-educated several times over before he becomes employable.

A recent outgrowth of the Commission's activities is the Youth Advisory Council. This Council is composed of the student leaders of all the high schools in the city. They act as a liaison between the students and the Commission; aiming to bring youth problems out in the open.

Mr. Frost congratulated the Albina Neighborhood for their very fine work in the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Project. He said it was gratifying to see a neighborhood that wants to help itself. It is his experience that the success of any program is dependent upon the willingness and desire of the community to accept and effect the program.

NEXT MONTH'S BULLETIN WILL HAVE NEW NAME:

The Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee will choose a new name for the newsbulletin at their May 3, 1962 meeting.

Committee members and Block Groups who wish to submit their ideas for the new title are urged to do so at the meeting.

The selection of the new name will be made by a Committee vote.

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APRIL 28-29 AND MAY 26-27 NEXT DATES FOR POLIO IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM:

The dates for completing the polio immunization program are Saturday, April 28 and Sunday, April 29 - Saturday, May 26 and Sunday, May 27. The April dates will be for the Type III vaccine and the May dates will be for the Type II vaccine. The clinic will be held at Jefferson High School and the vaccine will be administered from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. on these dates.

THE ALBINA NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Co-Program Chairmen

Rev. T. X. Graham Father Mell Stead

Members

Mrs. R. M. Beson Mrs. Mamie Bowles Mrs. S. Q. Broadous Mr. Frank Brown Mrs. Joseph Crane Mrs. Irene Cranford Mr. James Crolley Mr. Herbert Hale Mrs. Evelyn Harriman Mr. John Holley Mr. Joseph P. LaBate Mrs. John E. Louis Mr. Lloyd Rainwater Rev. Roosevelt Rogers Mrs. C. W. Sanders Mr. Willie Whitley

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CLEAN UP CAMPAIGNS IN PROJECT AREA

After learning of the success of the two Block Clean-up Campaigns held in the Project Area, many other Block Groups have expressed considerable interest in conducting their own clean-up activities.

Block Group #25 (Vancouver, Gantenbein, Beech and Failing), under the leadership of its Block Chairman, Mrs. Joseph Crane, was the first group to conduct organized clean-up activities. On April 28, 1962, Block Group #13 (Vancouver, Gantenbein, Shaver and Mason) conducted their Clean-up Campaign under the leadership of Mrs. Mamie Bowles, Block Chairman.

The promotion of clean-up activities was brought about by the concern of residents for eliminating problems in their blocks. Many persons were interested in enhancing the appearance of their property, cleaning vacant lots, eliminating rodents and disposing of discards which were accumultated in basements and accessory buildings.

One of the most serious block problems is rodent control. Debris, litter and other discards which exist in yards, alleys and garages provide excellent homes for the rodents. Through Block Clean-up Campaigns, this litter and debris can be hauled away. This type of activity is the best initial step that can be taken to eliminate the rodent problem.

The Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee encourages blocks to hold clean-up campaigns and the Committee will assist the residents in every way possible. Through Committee efforts, the help and cooperation of the City Bureau of Health is available to all Block Groups who wish to participate in Clean-up Programs. The Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee has been able to obtain donations of a truck for such activities in the past and will continue to try to gain such assistance for other block groups.

Your Block Group is encouraged to conduct a Block Clean-Up. If your block is not organized, the Information Center staff (AT 2-2214) will work with you to help organize a Block Group. The staff will also assist your group in planning a Clean-Up Campaign. Such citizen action as the Cleanup Campaigns, provides you the opportunity to participate in the Neighborhood Improvement Program.

FIRST APPRAISAL NOW IN PROGRESS

Mr. Carl Trowbridge and Mr. William Laidlaw, of the appraisal firm Laidlaw and Trowbridge, are currently appraising the property in the proposed Park Site bounded by Shaver, Haight, Failing and Kerby. At the May 3d ANIC meeting, Mr. Trowbridge spoke to the group about the three major different steps that are involved in arriving at a fair market value: (1) For the past six weeks, the firm has been gathering all sales information on homes sold in the area from Alberta to Russell, Interstate to N. E. Shaver. This is considered to be a comparable neighborhood. In the past five years there have been 1.200 houses sold. From this figure, they weeded out emergency or forced sales, sales to relatives, to the School District or Highway Department. This left 120 sales, which will be used to show a comparable market value. (2) Another factor to be considered is replacement value. This involves a study of present day building costs for a structure of similar quality plus an evaluation of depreciation. (3) Further attention is shown to income value of the property to determine the percentage of the return on the investment.

Mr. Laidlaw suggested that the residents could assist the appraisers by preparing for them in advance. He also explained that they will appreciate assistance from the property owners in pointing out unusual features which may enhance the value of the property.

The Information Center staff is cooperating with property owners and the appraisers to set up appointments. If you have questions about the appraisal or want to verify that the person who visits your home is the authorized appraiser, please call the Information Center - AT 2-2214.

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DISCUSSION OF NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVE-MENT PLAN

At the last ANIC meeting, Mr. Rod O'Hiser and Mr. Robert Lindh, from the City Planning Commission, brought reports to the Committee which were reviewed and discussed. The motion was made and carried that these reports be taken back to the Block Groups for their ideas and suggestions and then presented to ANIC for final approval.

Bob Lindh presented two possibilities for location of facilities in the park. He explained the theory used in drawing up these suggestions as follows: Parks should consist of three general areas -(1) an active area, (2) an area for small children, and (3) an adult area. The placement of these areas within a park is important to insure maximum utilization of space available and to keep the recreation areas separated for the different age groups. He also described, from the Park Bureau's recommendations, the types of facilities that could be included in the Park. Basic equipment would be: swings, teeters, slides, miracle whirl and possibly a wading pool.

For the picnic area, the neighborhood should discuss the advantages of stoves or electric plate warmers. For the active area, the recommendations are for a softball field and a hardcourt.

Rod O'Hiser presented the Street Pattern Plan for discussion. He demonstrated the need for the plan by the use of an accident-rate map, prepared by the City Planning Commission. The map showed location of eighty accidents occurring within the Project Area during the first nine months of 1961. In order to lessen the accident ratio it is necessary to halt the through traffic. This can be accomplished by one of two plans - the use of cul-de-sacs or diverters. The cul-de-sac (or turn around) would cut traffic flow as it provides only one outlet to a street. The diverter operates on the basis of channeling through traffic to major streets such as Vancouver and Mississippi. They are placed diagonally across the intersection. The diverter is best utilized to also enhance the appearance of the area because flowers or shrubbery

may be planted within its borders.

It is hoped that the Block Groups will consider these plans at their next meetings and voice their opinions to ANIC

TREE PROGRAM SUB-COMMITTEE FORMED

Following the recommendation of the Planning Sub-Committee, Father Stead and Rev. Graham have announced the appointment of a Tree Program Sub-Committee to study the possibility of carrying out a tree removal and planting program in the Project Area. The following persons have held preliminary meetings and have agreed to work on this committee: Rev. F. J. Crear, Chairman; Mrs. Robert Kutch, Mr. Herbert Lewis and Mr. E. H. Thiel.

This committee has met with technical persons from the utility companies and the Park Bureau. Through a complete survey of the trees in the Project Area, it was determined that approximately 175 trees are either causing damage to curbs and sidewalks, blocking street lighting, or have become too large to maintain.

The Sub-Committee's aim is to draw up an overall "Planned Random Planting" program for the area and present it to ANIC and the Block Groups for their approval and action.

CIRCULATION OF STREET LIGHT PETITIONS COMPLETED

Mr. James Crolley and Mr. Herbert Lewis, the two-member Street Light Sub-Committee, have completed circulating the Street Light Petitions in the Project A_rea. The petitions were circulated to 396 homes and residents in 320 of the structures signed the petitions. The remaining 76 property owners were not found at home when the petition was taken to their door.

The petitions were submitted to Commissioner Ormond Bean on April 20, 1962, and the placement plans for the new lights will soon be submitted to Portland General Electric Company. PGE will then draw up their plans for installation of the new lights. Actual installation normally begins 60-90 days after PGE receives the light placement plans.

APPRECIATION FOR WORK DONE BY PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE

ANIC's Planning Sub-Committee held their final scheduled meeting on Wednesday, May 2, 1962. Mr. Frank Brown, Chairman, Mrs. Joseph Crane, Mr. Victor Biersdorf, Mr. John Holley and Mr. Herbert Lewis have been meeting since January and have given a great deal of their time to study proposals and discuss ideas before making recommendations to ANIC.

Rod O'Hiser of the City Planning Staff commended the Sub-Committee members for making valuable suggestions and for their enthusiastic discussion of proposals.

The Committee Co-Chairman complimented Mr. Brown and his sub-committee for their willingness to accept the important responsibility of transmitting



Albina Neighborhood Improvement Information Center 3726 North Kerby Avenue Portland 17, Oregon ideas from the neighborhood to the planning staff so that the completed improvement plan will meet needs and solve problems suggested by residents of the area.

NEWS-BULLETIN RETAINS NAME

Last month's newsbulletin announced that the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee would choose a new name for the monthly publication. At their May 3d meeting, Father Stead (ANIC Co-Program Chairman) called for suggestions. The contributions were; ANIIC FLASHLIGHT, made by Mrs. S. Q. Broadous and ANIIC-DOTES, phoned in by Miss Cordelia Murphy. A vote was called for by a show of hands. The present news ANIIC-DOPE was retained by a margin of 11 votes.

APPROVAL OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING LEVY CAN BE IMPORTANT TO YOU

The request for Federal money to plan the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Project listed a credit of \$70,943 for the original construction of Humboldt School. To gain this important credit, it was necessary to complete the planning stage by April 12, 1962. This has not been possible. However, if the Building Levy is approved by the voters on May 18, \$469,000 will be authorized to expand Humboldt School from a four-grade school to an eight-grade school. It is estimated that \$84,420 credit can be gained from the Federal Government for this improvement. Such a credit would make it possible for the local government to apply \$168,840 of Federal Funds toward the cost of carrying out the Improvement Project and installing other public improvements such as the park.

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HAVE YOU NOTICED WHO'S HELPING IMPROVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD?



Mr. Curtis Barr is painting his home at 3628 N. Borthwick Avenue.



W. J. Clark (right) and J. Mills (left) are handling the paint brushes at Mrs. Johnson's home: 3835 N. Kerby Avenue.

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William Saunders (left) and Wess Brewer (right) are helping to brighten Mr. Fletcher's property at 217 N. Fremont Street Mr. Jefferson Horn is having a new roof put on his home by Ray Norquist at 3735 N. Borthwick Avenue.

FIRST APPRAISAL OF PARK SITE COMPLETED

The first appraisal of the property in the proposed Park Site (Shaver, Haight, Failing and Kerby) has been completed. Mr. Laidlaw and Mr. Trowbridge expressed appreciation for the excellent cooperation and were pleased with the property owners' assistance in pointing out unusual features which possibly could enhance the value of their property. The appraisal figures will be used for budget estimates and will be submitted to the Federal Government as a part of the Final Planning Report. When the Neighborhood Improvement Plan is approved by the City Council, a second appraisal will be made. The two appraisal reports will be compared and reviewed by the Federal Government to determine the price which the Development Commission may offer the property owner.

ANIC DISCUSSES EMPLOYMENT

As an introduction to the June 7 ANIC program, Reverend T. X. Graham (Co-Chairman) explained that some Block Groups had discussed the problems of inadequate family income. The Chairman pointed out the need for adequate employment to permit a property owner to carry out the improvements he would like to make on his home. To provide more information on this matter, representatives of the local Employment Office and Urban League were introduced to review some problems and discuss aids avialable to persons looking for a new or better job.

After brief discussions by Mr. Jim Frazier, Director of Industrial Relations for the Urban League of Portland, and Mr. Robert Keilbach, Manager of the local State Employment Office, Mr. Smith explained difficulties he had found in getting plumbers' apprenticeship training. First, he was encouraged to take advantage of aptitude tests available at the State Employment Office. These tests would indicate whether a person has the basic capabilities which would make it worthwhile to spend time and money for additional training. Second, it was suggested that courses are often available through the Adult Education Program at very reasonable prices.

Mrs. Bowles suggested the importance of summer and part time jobs for youngsters who are interested in continuing their schooling. It was acknowledged that part time jobs are not as readily available as in the past. However, it was reported that many disadvantages of working in summer crops have been corrected, and that young people can make good money for such work. Another discussion topic was the problem found by neighborhood residents of completing special training but not being able to get jobs. Members of the audience were urged to check the reliability of training with potential employers to be sure that the training is necessary to get the job. Many employers provide on the job training and previous training is not particularly helpful.

In concluding the discussion, the guests encouraged residents of the area to visit their offices and make use of the services available at the Urban League and the local State Employment Office.

HELP AVAILABLE FOR SUMMER FIRE HAZARDS

Residents can gain the assistance of the City Nuisance Division in having grass on vacant lots mowed in cases where mowing activities have been neglected by the property owner. The Nuisance Division (CA 8-6141) will notify the property owner that the grass needs mowing. In cases where property owners do not have the necessary equipment to mow the grass, this City Department will make arrangements to have the lot mowed and send a bill to the property owner.

This service, to encourage proper maintenance of grass on these vacant lots, is especially important during the summer months because of the danger of a fire starting in tall, dry grass.

TREE PROGRAM TO BE PRESENTED SOON

At the May 15, 1962 Sub-Committee meeting, Rev. Crear, Chairman; Mr. Thiel, Mrs. Kutch and Mr. Lewis gained the cooperation of Larry Rowse, (Portland General Electric Company) Dale Christiansen, (City Forester) Alex Pierce, (Mayor's Advisory Committee to Art Commission), and Daryl May, (Portland Beautification Association) to help prepare a "Planned Random Planting" proposal for the Project Area.

Rev. Crear invited Dale Christiansen

to the June 12th meeting to show slides of different varieties of trees which could be included in the plan and which are attractive and require little maintenance.

The Sub-Committee scheduled their next meeting for August 28th, at which time the members hope to have a complete tree program plan developed for discussion and review.

The Sub-Committee expects to present the completed plan to ANIC at their September 6, 1962 meeting and will then ask each Block Group to discuss the proposal.

ANIC MEETINGS ADJOURNED UNTIL SPETEMBER

At the JuNE7th monthly meeting of ANIC, Rev. Graham called for a discussion of adjourning the regular meetings for the summer. Rev. Roosevelt Rogers moved that the monthly meeting be suspended until September, with the provision that special meetings be called when needed. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Joy and carried unanimously.

A special meeting will be called as soon as the Planning Report is completed for review by ANIC.

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MRS. CRANE ELECTED

The Albina Neighborhood Council recently elected new officers for next year.

> Rev. O. H. Lakey, Chairman Mrs. Joseph C. Crane, Vice Chairman Mrs. Norma Dee Graham, Secretary

On behalf of ANIC, Rev. Graham presented Evelyn Harriman, Joseph Kling and Norma Dee Graham letters of appreciation for the work and encouragement given the Improvement Program by these Council officers during the past two years.

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ANIC TO DISCUSS PLANNING PROPOSALS AT NEXT REGULAR MEETING

At the next regular ANIC meeting Sept. 6, 1962, the Committee will review and discuss the Planning Proposals indicated on the front page. The items shown include the park site, traffic diverters and paving of streets and alleys.

The Proposals are the result of ANIC's efforts to solve problems mentioned by residents in the survey taken by Committee members last year.

NEW STAFF MEMBER AT INFORMATION CENTER

The new telephone voice at the Information Center is Mrs. Loretta Garner. Before accepting her new secretarial position, Mrs. Garner graduated from Grant High School and worked for the State of Oregon. Her husband, Lewis, is employed by Oregon Brass Works and they have a young son, Aaron.

ANIC MEETS ROBERT MCCABE

On August 2, ANIC members and guests met at the Information Center to visit with Mr. Robert McCabe who is the Director of the western region of the Federal Housing and Home Finance Agency.

Rev. Graham and Father Stead explained activities by citizens of Albina Neighborhood to develop the improvement program. They were assisted by Mrs. Crane, Mrs. Harriman, Mrs. Sanders, Rev. Crear, and Mr. Lewis as well as representatives of other groups who have assisted in the planning of the Albina Neighborhood Improvement Project: Rev. Lakey and Mrs. Graham, Albina Neighborhood Council; Rod O'Hiser,

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IMPROVEMENT COST STUDY COMPLETED

The detailed study of improvement costs has been completed for 45 structures in the project area. Mrs. Mildred Easley, of the Information Center staff, visited with the property owners and listed their suggestions for improvements. Mr. Frank Curtis, of Hoffard Inc., prepared a report on the costs of making necessary improvements. Mr. Ralph Walstrom, Property Counselor, is evaluating the cost of these improvements in relation to the present and future value of the property. This information will be used as a guide to estimate home improvement costs for the Planning Report.

Mr. Waistrom and Mr. Curtis expressed sincere appreciation to the property owners and tenants who cooperated in the survey.

Bob Lindh and Frank Frost, City Planning Commission; Dale Christiansen, Park Bureau; Mr. Larry Rouse, PGE; Mr. Warren Rice, FHA; and Mr. John Kenward, Portland Development Commission.

Mr. McCabe said he was "tremendously impressed with the work which has begun." He explained that there have been only five other cities who have tried such a program in this region and that Portland and the citizens of Albina neighborhood appeared to be "one of the best prepared to do the job." The Director further reported that the "Federal Government is glad to be able to cooperate in this program with you."

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PARK DEVELOPMENT

ANIC REVIEWS PLANNING PROPOSALS

At the September 6 ANIC meeting, Father Stead and Reverend Graham, Co-Chairmen, introduced John B. Kenward, Executive Director of the Portland Development Commission, and Rodney O'Hiser, Senior Planner of the City Planning Commission, to present the preliminary results of the survey and planning work. Summary booklets, "ANIP REPORT", including the planning analysis and improvement costs were presented to those persons attending. The improvements discussed were:

- 1. Park Development
- 2. Repair of Curbs and Sidewalks
- 3. Paving of Alleys
- 4. Resurfacing of Streets
- 5. Installation of Traffic Diverters

A brief discussion was also held concerning the costs of home improvements. An evaluation of the 214 structures classified as "Needing Repairs" indicated that the range of improvement costs was \$161 to \$5,300, with an average of \$1,175. The cost of repairs for 282 structures classified as "Minor or No Repair" covered a range of \$0 to \$1,765, with a median of \$620.

Cost figures for one possible method for property owners to pay for alley paving, street resurfacing, and curb and sidewalk repairs were discussed. (Individuals interested in further information on these improvements are encouraged to attend the next ANIC meeting.) Before taking any action, it was decided that a general project area meeting should be held to discuss planning proposals more completely. This meeting will be held at 8:00 P.M. at Boise School on Thursday, September 27, 1962. All residents of the area are encouraged to attend. Copies of the "ANIP REPORT" will be available to those persons attending the meeting or may be picked up at the Information Center.

PORTLAND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION BUYS INFORMATION CENTER

The members of the Portland Development Commission held a special luncheon at the Information Center on September 4 to review and discuss the data compiled in the "ANIP REPORT". The Commissioners who attended the meeting were: Ira C. Keller, Chairman, Vincent Raschio, Russell Colwell, and Harold Halvorsen. Mr. A. V. Fonder, Commission Secretary, was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Colwell and Mr. Halvorsen recently were appointed by the Mayor to the positions previously held by Mr. Jack Caufield and Mr. Roy Hill.

The Commission members were quite impressed with the progress the people are making toward accomplishing neighborhood improvement. Encouraged by this progress, the Commission later approved the purchase of the Information Center from Mr. John E. Stone. The purchase of the Information Center assures Block Groups and neighborhood organizations the continuation of convenient meeting space. It also assures individuals and property owners the opportunity to obtain information and make recommendations as the plan is completed and carried out.

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TREE PROGRAM PRESENTED TO ANIIC

At the regular ANIC meeting on October 4, Rev. Crear, Tree Program Subcommittee Chairman, reported that the Subcommittee has completed a tree program plan. The Subcommittee members (Mrs. Kutch, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Thiel) have received excellent assistance from PGE, the Park Bureau and two local architects in making an inventory of existing trees and in developing the plan for planting 600 new trees. To protect new trees from young children, it is suggested that property owners select trees which will have no limbs lower than 6 feet and which will be available in several species. The plan includes removing many trees

PROPERTY OWNERS HELP ANIC

ANIC greatly appreciates the efforts of the following persons who have helped contact their neighbors since September 27:

Mr. Charles Ford Mrs. Leonard Grigsby Mrs. Cleo Hampton Mr. Phene Houston Mrs. Ellen Joe Mrs. Robert Kutch Mrs. Bobbette Lawrence Mr. Herbert Lewis Mrs. Sanders Smith Mr. E. H. Thiel Mr. Ed Varner Mr. Henry Williams

Albina Neighborhood Improvement Information Center 3726 North Kerby Avenue Portland 17, Oregon that are difficult to maintain or are causing damage to curbs and sidewalks. In all cases where it is recommended that trees be removed, the property owners will be contacted and permission obtained before any tree is trimmed or removed.

The tree plan suggests planting the trees in parking strips and front yards throughout the area. This system is known as a "random planting program" and will produce excellent visual results even though some property owners may not want to participate in the plan.

ANIC requested that the Subcommittee meet again and finalize cost and financing data and outline a method of informing Block Groups of this plan.

ANIC Members: Father Mell Stead Mrs. Mamie Bowles Mr. Jim Crolley Mrs. John E. Louis Mrs. H. B. Parr Reverend Rogers Mr. Willie Whitley

At the present time 148 requests have been turned in. The Albina Neighborhood Improvement Committee urges all property owners who have not signed the request forms to do so in order that individual cost estimates may be prepared by the City Auditor. Property owners will continue to be contacted until all signatures are obtained. Those wishing to request estimates are urged to call or stop in at the Information Center. Those property owners wishing to circulate forms can obtain them at the Information Center.

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