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## Counties Get Federal Funds

MOOSE — Three western Montana counties received \$32,962.56 as their share of revenues for fiscal year 1976 under the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Refuge Revenue Sharing Act. This was an increase.

Marvin Kaschke, manager of the National Bison Range, who supervises refuges of the area, noted that Flathead County received \$14,521.49, up from

\$8,187.41 for 1975; Lake County, \$12,943.74 up from \$47,289.96; and Sanders County, \$4,967.23 up from \$4,968.92.

Payments for lands administered by the National Bison Range at Moose and includes wetlands at the head of Flathead Lake.

The increase in part resulted from the fiscal year being changed to end Sept. 30 instead

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of June 30. Hence the previous fiscal was 15 months long, and hereafter will again be 12 months. Another factor is the adjustments every five years to represent land values. Latest adjustment was in 1976.

Formula for reimbursement of funds is based on either 25 per cent of gross receipts or 1/4 of one per cent of appraised value of the land. All funds returned to the counties must be used for benefit of public schools and roads.

Snow removal, sidewalks, driveways, have blade and blower, Benny Holt, 892-4393.

# Falls City Police Accept One Year Agreement

by Keith Klingenberg

Settlement on a new one year Memorandum of Understanding for Columbia Falls Police was reached Wednesday evening.

The agreement calls for Chief of Police Darwin Lundstrom to remain at the current \$5.77 per hour. Assistant Police Chief Dave Kopatzke will move from \$4.49 per hour to \$5.36.

Patrolmen now making between \$4.05 and \$4.45 per hour will move to \$5.11. Probationary (starting) patrolmen will continue to be paid \$4 per hour. All police and dispatchers will get \$20 per month shift differential.

Dispatchers presently making between \$2.25 and \$2.45 per hour move to \$3 per hour. Probationary dispatchers will now start at \$2.50 per hour rather than the current \$2.30.

The agreement is called a memorandum of understanding because the city council is retaining management ability to change employee rules, regulations and policies, without having to enter into a bargaining session.

Councilwoman Colleen Allison, who sat in on negotiating sessions, said this does not mean the council can change wages paid to the police without bargaining.

This agreement is retroactive to July 1, 1976. Police and dispatchers will receive lump sum payment for retroactive pay in their February pay period.

Police have won back their uniform allowance, \$150 will be paid to each man for the 1975-76 fiscal year and for the 1976-77 fiscal year.

Beginning July 1, 1977, police will receive a \$175 per year uniform allowance. For the first

time, dispatchers will be paid uniform allowance.

Dispatchers get \$40 per year for 1976-77 and \$50 per year starting July 1, 1977.

Police will continue to pay their own health insurance premiums in full. Agreement states the city will make authorized deductions for insurance for the police.

Columbia Falls Police Protective Association has agreed to withdraw its unfair labor practice charge currently lodged against the city.

One agreement has followed two one year bargaining sessions this week.

Council members, represented by their professional negotiator, Leonard York, met with the CFPPA for one hour Tuesday night and one hour Wednesday night.

Following statement was written by the city council and is reproduced here in an effort to inform city taxpayers of their elected officials' position in this matter.

The CFPPA in a brief meeting Wednesday evening, accepted a proposal from the mayor and city council of Columbia Falls.

The Memorandum of Understanding, a voluntary document, rather than a formal contract, is composed of Employee Rules, Regulations and Policies, as adopted by resolution this past year by the city council.

Added to these policies is the Memorandum of Understanding regarding money items. [Printed above.]

The police department, with their longevity pay and shift differential and new base are making two cents more than the Kalspell police. Kalspell has a much larger tax base to support their men.

The Whiteside police make two cents more per hour. Whiteside also has a larger tax base to support their men, though they are more comparable to Columbia Falls. They do not have the Message Center that the City of Columbia Falls has.

There will be no unit determination for the police department by the State Board of Personnel Appeals.

Though negotiations have been ongoing for the past two years, the actual posture of bargaining has been hampered by legal entanglements and procedures, that come with formal bargaining and its many laws. Actually the City Council and its employees have only

been in a position to bargain for the last 12 days.

The mayor and the city council have expressed the wish that the rest of the city employees, through their representative, contact Mr. York, their negotiator, in the near future with their proposal. They feel that it too can be handled in the same businesslike fashion as the two brief meetings with the Police Protective Association this week.

The mayor and the entire council gave Mr. York their vote of confidence to continue as their negotiator. They feel he has saved the city money in skillfully guiding them through the maze of formal bargaining.

# Statistics Show More Work for Sheriff

Statistics issued for 1976 show a "tremendous increase" in crime and other sheriff department activities, said Flathead County Sheriff Al Riecken.

Complete story on the alarming increase in crime in the county appeared on the front page of last week's Hungry Horse News.

Largest statistical increase was in the number of drug arrests. There were 84 such arrests in 1976, up 60 per cent from 1975.

Sheriff's deputies made 424 crime prevention contacts, up 52 per cent from 1975. Number of complaints requiring investigation totaled 4,016, 50 per cent

higher than in the previous year.

Other totals are: 1,232 prisoners handled, up 35 per cent; 21 extraditions, up 25 per cent; 30 prisoners transported to Deer Lodge, up 20 per cent; 37 prisoners transported to Warm Springs and the VA hospital, up 40 per cent; 4,651 prisoner days served in the county jail, up 38 per cent; 13,932 meals prepared for prisoners, up 14 per cent; 5,833 civil papers handled, up 40 per cent; 25,103 miles traveled serving civil returns, up 20 per cent.

\$5,166 returned to the county treasurer for service of civil papers, up 40 per cent; 4,640 radio contacts, up 49 per cent; 280 miles traveled on patrol, up 12 per cent; 330 felony warrants issued, up 35 per cent; 463 misdemeanor warrants issued, up 6 per cent; 923 arrests were made, up 41 per cent.

Only categories to go down were the value of drugs seized, \$25,827.45, down 30 per cent; value of property stolen, \$285,427.59, down 20 per cent and value of property recovered, \$183,090.18, down 8 per cent.

In 1976 there were 25 heli coppter missions, 391 juveniles apprehended, 9,760 officer training hours, 60 corner calls, 37 stolen vehicles recovered, 2,867 hide inspections, 441 brand inspections, 1,200 National Crime Information Center requests and 130 fire calls.

Total of \$146,670.92 was collected in fines and forfeitures. This money was turned over to the county treasurer.

provide that capital quick," he

Raucus said he planned to contact Arco officials and ask them to keep Montana's interests in mind. "Now that Arco owns Anaconda, I hope it will be a good Montana citizen," he

# Anaconda Co. Arco Merge

By Associated Press

HELENA — The Anaconda Co. sent out to existence as a Montana corporation Wednesday when the copper giant, long a mainstay of the state's economy, was formally merged with the Atlantic Richfield Co.

The merger was completed in New York City just hours after a federal appeals court turned down a Federal Trade Commission request for an injunction to block it.

Anaconda lawyers filed papers in the secretary of state's office at Helena dissolving Anaconda as a Montana corporation. The papers said the company is now registered as a Delaware firm.

Arco, which already has invested more than \$100 million in Anaconda Co. debentures, reportedly plans to pump up to \$1 billion more into the firm to enable Anaconda to develop its ore resources and production plants.

Under the merger, Anaconda became a subsidiary of Arco, the nation's eighth-largest oil company.

The development saw Anaconda stock close at \$32.25 a share, up \$4 from Tuesday. Arco stock closed at \$54.25 on Wednesday, down 62 1/2 cents.

Arco is to exchange one-half share of its stock plus \$1 for each Anaconda common share. Since Anaconda has about 22 million shares outstanding, the merger means an Arco investment of about \$12 million in cash plus \$11 million of its own shares.

Anaconda, Montana's largest private employer and the nation's third largest copper producer, grossed \$1.1 billion in 1975. Arco's revenues for the year totaled \$7.7 billion.

The FTC claimed the merger would substantially boost Anaconda's competitive position and tend to create a monopoly. Arco said in New York that it will expand its board of directors to 15 from the present 13. The new board members will be John B. M. Place, Anaconda chairman and president, and John E. Tange, an Anaconda director and retired chairman of a Billings bank.

The FTC had appealed to the U.S. Circuit Court in Richmond, Va., after a lower court refused to block the merger. The FTC said it wanted the merger set aside pending its own administrative proceeding on a complaint the merger would violate federal antitrust laws.

Arco lawyers said their company was interested in acquiring Anaconda for reasons of diversification and to save Ana-

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Columbia Heights

KALISPELL — Flathead County commissioners have adopted new regulations for dog control.

These regulations were recommended by the Flathead County Animal Control Board.

The new rules would impose fines and jail sentences for dog owners whose animals are caught doing damage to property or persons.

A dog warden will be hired. He will enforce regulations and impound dogs caught violating the law.

These rules are only in effect for county areas outside incorporated city limits of Kalispell, Columbia Falls and Whiteside.

More than \$1 million in state and federal unemployment checks went into the state's winter economy last week.