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August 10, 1957

Funds Needed for Proposed Hospital in Placerville

Directors of the proposed Marshall Hospital today planned a countywide voluntary fund raising campaign following the top priority allocation yesterday of federal and state matching funds totaling \$673,384.

Placerville's need won top priority among the 48 communities. "There are now no acceptable facilities in all of El Dorado County," hospital consultant August W. Koenig told the council. "Antiquated facilities date back to 1890."

Under the terms of the Hill-Burton Act, Placerville and El Dorado County residents must raise one third of the total cost of building the hospital \$411,692. The local share in cash or three year pledges must be in hand by December 8th or the grant will revert to another community.

Fund Drive

The total cost of building and equipping the new hospital, named in memory of James W. Marshall, discoverer of gold in California, will be in excess of \$1,000,000. Fund Chairman Chalmers Price said the directors have planned a 53-bed modern hospital in a one-story building capable of enlargement to 100 beds.

Non Profit Unit

Plans call for a 12-baby maternity ward, a fully equipped emergency unit and two operating rooms for surgery. The hospital is designed to serve the 14,000 people in its service area. It will be a non-profit institution operated by a board of directors elected by members of the Marshall Hospital Association, made of up donors to the building project.

Placerville and El Dorado residents are currently served by the 26 bed Placerville Sanatorium owned by a group of local doctors.

August 14, 1957

Lumber Firm Will Buy Site for Hospital

The Michigan-California Lumber Company of Camino, El Dorado County, will underwrite the purchase of a six and one half acre site for the community's new Marshall Hospital.

Site Purchase

Fund Chairman Chalmers Price stated the Michigan-California Lumber Company will purchase the site, 6.5 acres of the Fowler Ranch, and give it to the hospital. As a further part of its initial contribution to the Marshall Hospital, the company will underwrite the cost of the fund raising campaign and the payment of preliminary architectural and consultant fees.

September 26, 1957

Sanatorium Doctors Declare Stand on Marshall Hospital

To allay all fears, rumors and misconceptions to the effect that

owners and operators of the Placerville Sanatorium have any intention of operating their institution in competition to the proposed new Marshall Hospital, and to eliminate any ideas that the Marshall Hospital is being constructed as a subsidy to them, Drs. L. E. Shortes, A. A. McKinnon and C. V. Soracco this week released the following statement:

"Apparently there is doubt in the minds of some people in our community as to the attitude of the owners of the Sanatorium regarding the Marshall Hospital. To clarify our attitude once and for all, we will state that we are extremely happy to have the Marshall Hospital become a reality.

"We have known for a long time that a new hospital in the community was needed. This does not mean that we feel the Sanatorium has not rendered the best medical care available anywhere. Both our equipment and our personnel have been equal or superior to that found in most communities of our size. Our building, however, is quite old and certainly cannot be expanded to meet future needs of the community.

"Our hospital facilities have been used by every medical doctor in this community for several years without any discrimination and no doctor has ever been charged one cent for use of those facilities.

"The operation of a hospital, contrary to what many may think, is not a profit-making endeavor, and the responsibilities are great. For this reason, we are only too happy to relinquish our responsibilities to the Marshall Hospital, and to share our responsibilities equally with other doctors in the Marshall Hospital and with interested citizens of the community.

"The Sanatorium will, accordingly, cease operation as soon as the Marshall Hospital is open to the public.

"The Marshall Hospital will not be operated or managed in any way by doctors or a group of doctors, as responsibility for management and operation lies with a board of directors which will be elected by members of the Marshall Hospital association.

"Only by having the whole-hearted support of every segment of the community can this worthwhile project succeed. We are supporting the Marshall Hospital to the fullest extent of our ability, both morally and financially."

November 11, 1957

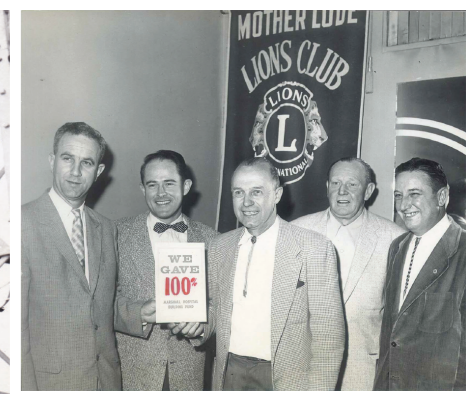
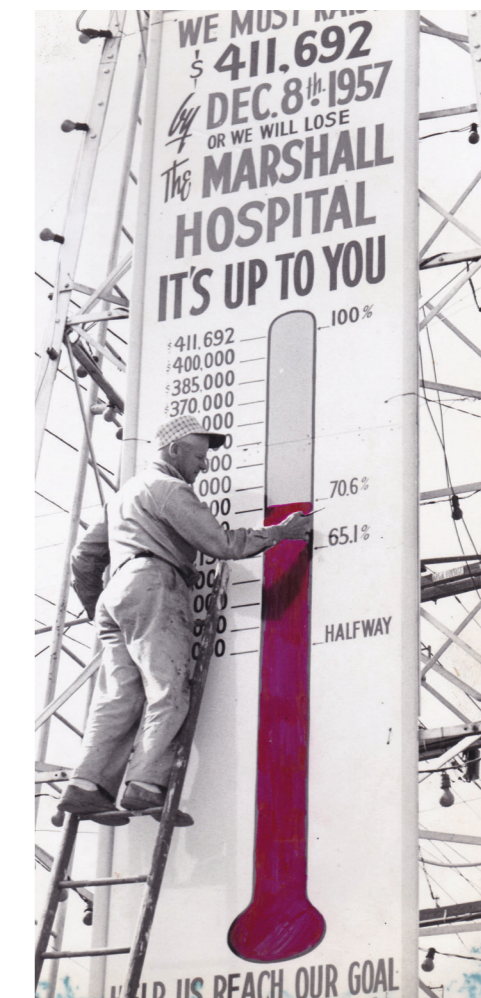
Final Push Under Way in Hospital Campaign

With only a month remaining to qualify for \$673,384 in state and federal aid, the Marshall Hospital building fund campaign was this week being concentrated on area firms.

The community must raise \$411,692 by December 8 to qualify for the Hill-Burton funds. A remaining total of \$75,482 is needed to achieve that goal.

Thus far, seven employee groups have enlisted 100 per cent: The Times, Patterson Motors, Placer Gas, Mountain Democrat, Mother Lode Bank, Bank of America and Placerville Sanatorium.

At Michigan-California Lumber's big Camino plant, 72 of the 190 employees solicited by members of the lumber and sawmill workers have pledged contributions averaging \$52. Solicitors are confident that 100 per cent will be enrolled.



Solicitations are also under way at Beach Box Co., Blair Bros Lumber, Lutz Motor Sales, county courthouse, county hospital and Placerville Fruit Growers association.

Ladies of the Church of Latter Day Saints report a profit of more

than \$400 on last week's general campaign kickoff dinner. Expense of decorations and food was only \$5; the rest was covered by donations from local firms. The proceeds will go into the church's fund for a \$3,000 memorial two-bed ward.

December 5, 1957

Hospital Fund is OK'd; Campaign \$51,514 Over



A total of \$14,543.38 in additional pledges has been received by the Marshall Hospital's building fund committees since last week's announcement that the drive was "over the top," directors reported yesterday. These additional funds have swollen the total pledged locally to a grand total of \$463,206.38, or \$51,514.38 more than the goal of \$411,692 required in order to qualify for allocation of state and federal matching funds.

Funds Approved

Contributions of the past week boosted the total number of donors to 2,020, and hiked the amount raised to 112.5 per cent of the goal. On the basis of 14,000 residents to be served by the new hospital, and taking four

members as an average family, 57.7 per cent of all families in the hospital service area have pledged to the campaign.

In Placerville, more than 70 percent of the businesses listed all members of their organizations as contributors. The figure ran similarly high in the outlying areas.

Individuals, families, organizations and firms have designated all but 13 of the hospital rooms as memorials.

Among those who have taken memorials are:

Mother Lode Lions, Church of Latter Day Saints, Beta Sigma Phi, Shakespeare club, El Dorado chapter of Easter Star, Soroptimists, Native Sons, 20-30 club, Elks, Hangtown Grange, Camino Adventists 40 et. 8, high school student body, Georgetown Divide, Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union.

More Memorials

Placerville Lumb, Rubley Bros, Placerville sanatorium employees, Michigan-Cal, Patterson motors,

county hospital employees, Mountain Democrat, high patrol division, Tire Exchange, Hazel Valley and Beach Box employees.

Advance gifts were solicited by six teams of five members each.

Here are the results by captains: George Maul \$72,185, William Henderson \$49,848, Rolland Patterson \$47,956, Bill Hardie \$37,082, Clyde Jean \$33,399 and Paul Driver \$26,910.

Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado, State of California

WHEREAS, the County of El Dorado, State of California, has been rated Number One in need in the entire State of California by the Bureau of Hospitals of the State of California, for hospital facilities, and because of this dire need, has been granted Number One priority for Federal and State assistance to construct a new hospital for the people of El Dorado County; and

WHEREAS, MARSHALL HOSPITAL, a nonprofit corporation, has been formed to build and operate such a hospital and has qualified for Federal and State assistance; and

WHEREAS, the said MARSHALL HOSPITAL, is expected to cost in the neighborhood of \$1,100,000.00 and the State and Federal Governments are granting to the said MARSHALL HOSPITAL two-thirds of said cost, and the remaining one-third, or the sum of \$411,692.00, is being raised by the said MARSHALL HOSPITAL locally; and whereas the drive for raising the said local one-third is now in progress and will be in progress during the month of November, 1957, and must be consummated no later than December 8, 1957; and

WHEREAS, all of the people in El Dorado County are to be served and benefited by the new proposed hospital, and whereas unless to local one-third share of funds is raised by December 8, 1957, the grants in aid of the Federal and State Governments to the said hospital will be lost and the new proposed hospital lost to the County of El Dorado,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado, State of California, that the month of November, 1957, be, and the same is hereby designated as MARSHALL HOSPITAL MONTH, and all of the people of El Dorado County urged to participate in the plan for said hospital and to become members in the hospital association by pledging and donating generously to said hospital fund drive.

The foregoing resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado, State of California, at a regular meeting held on Monday, October 21, 1957.

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