

Riddle Citizens Advisory Committee Recommends Large Addition To School

The Citizens Advisory Committee on schools at Riddle, in a public report Wednesday night, recommended construction of a large addition to the city's elementary school and some remodeling at the high school.

It was recommended that at least some of the additional rooms be ready for use by Sept. 1, according to Correspondent Erma Best. Total cost of all recommendations would run about \$260,000 to \$275,000.

The committee noted that taxes would not increase more than 3 mills. Last year's rate was 34 mills. With the work recommended, millage would be about 37.5. It was brought out that, if improvements are not made, the State Dept. of Education may declare facilities sub-standard and the district would lose about \$57,000 aid money.

The elementary construction would include 11 classrooms, a library-music room, remedial classroom, three offices, vault, gym for physical education classes and assemblies and community programs, dressing rooms, lavatories,

health room, showers, stage and storage room.

The committee recommended that a cafeteria not be included at this time, that two teachers be removed from present locations with one to be sold, that an average curriculum consistent with schools of similar size be used, that finances and taxation be more closely coordinated with other taxing bodies, that more emphasis be placed on public relations so the people are fully informed of the school board's plans, that the board appoint a standing advisory committee of seven people to work with it, that the district retain at present the white building on the property for standby or overflow, but that no large sum of money be expended to bring it up to state standards.

County Supt. Kenneth F. Barneburg commended the committee on its report, but questioned two parts of it: Disposal of the teachers and no plans for a cafeteria. He recommended plans include a cafeteria which could be added at a later date.

Mrs. Austin Wilson, vice chairman of the committee, presided in the absence of R. E. Paliz, chairman. William Markham gave a review of the committee's work and, using charts, gave a comprehensive explanation of taxing matters. One chart showed the district has used only 17 per cent of its bonding capacity. Another showed the district is second in "wealth" in the county, with Glide first.

Ross Bowles, chairman of the basic needs committee, read the findings to the audience in the Riddle High School auditorium.

Hospital News

Douglas Community Hospital

Admitted

Surgery: Melvin Wood, William and Donald Kaiser, James Murphy, Linda Gentry, Mrs. George Marsh, Mrs. Alvin Byland, Orlando McElfresh, Ralph Corbett, Roseburg.

Medical: Ida Nordling, Mrs. Albert Thompson, Harry Joers, Mrs. Donald Davis, Mrs. Gene Chastain, Mrs. Kenneth Garey, Roseburg, Rebecca Hood, Mrs. Vernon Wolfenbarger, Glide; Mrs. Kenneth Kobel, Vern Liesinger, Sutherlin.

Discharged: Mrs. Clark Smith, Mrs. Joe Burchell, Roseburg; Mrs. Orel Moore, Myrtle Creek; Mrs. Emory Smith, Winston.

Mercy Hospital

Admitted

Surgery: Susan Neustel, Mrs. Rick Kobornick, Debbie Bell, Michael Madison, Mrs. Floyd Witzell, Mrs. Michael Popovich, Roseburg; Marilyn Beattie, Oakland; Mrs. Leonard Schaeffer, North Bend.

Medical: Mrs. Ray Annett, Colton Grove; John Corvies, Sutherlin; William Stark, Velma DeWitt, Walter Cappious, Mrs. Byron Harmon, Mrs. Donald Zehr, Mrs. John Sproul, Roseburg.

Discharged:

Mrs. Don St. John, Paul Snyder, Mrs. Frank Webster, Stanley Obert, Davida Spencer, Mrs. Clifford Gosvener, Roseburg.

Dist. 4 Budget Board Approves Expenditures

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ness of discussing maintenance and repair costs for next year, the Roseburg budget board wrapped up some previously tabled matters.

First, it okayed several salaries. Current salaries of Supt. M. C. Deller (\$10,000), Asst. Supt. Marvin Smith (\$8,000) and Clerk V. J. Miceli (\$6,000) were retained for next year.

Then, a snarl cropped up on the amount to be earmarked for salary increases for those teachers who raise training levels through added study. Supt. Deller offered a request for \$16,300 to cover all those teachers who indicated they would raise their training level before next year. The board decided some probably wouldn't and pared the sum to \$13,000.

The budget board approved a previous announcement by the school board recommending \$83,729 be spent for transportation. The sum was about the same as 1954-55. Finally, it approved a salary of \$4,000 for school lunch coordinator Mrs. Helen Allen (a \$100 raise.)

Roseburg High Students Will Present 'The Mikado'

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Gilbert and Sullivan's comic opera "The Mikado" will be presented March 11 and 12 at Roseburg High School. Tickets for the production will go on sale next week.

It will be performed by members of the a capella choir and junior-senior mixed chorus of the high school. They will be assisted by members of the high school orchestra. Robert Robins, high school vocal music director, is in charge of the production.

Cast members include: Jim Powell and Allen Lindbloom (sharing the role of Nanki-Poo, the wandering minstrel); Dan Arensmeier (Ko-Ko, a former tailor elevated to the rank of Lord High Executioner); Larry Burge (Pooh-Bah, Lord High Everything-Else); Ralph Williams (Pish - Tush, a noble lord); Nancy Fromdahl (Yum-Yum, charming young ward of Ko-Ko); Nancy Sullivan (Pitti-Sing) and Val Post (Peep-Bo), as Yum-Yum's companions; Theresa Durand (Katisha, an elderly lady with designs on Nanki-Poo).



FOUR AWARDS MADE—Certificates of merit from the President's Committee on Employment of the Physically Handicapped Wednesday noon were awarded to four Douglas County firms in a meeting in Roseburg. Dick Gates, center, chairman of the county committee, presented the awards. Accepting were, left to right: Robert Tripodi, personnel manager, Roseburg Lumber Co.; Ray Martin, general manager, Martin Bros. Box Co.; Emil Ramberg, manager, Umpqua Hotel; and Wayne Crooch, manager, Kier-Crooch Plumbing Co. (Paul Jenkins photo).

Handicapped Persons Value Recommended

Representatives of companies which have hired physically handicapped persons Wednesday testified that full value is received through their employment.

Occasion was a gathering of the Douglas County Committee on Employment of the Physically Handicapped at the Umpqua Hotel.

Robert Tripodi, personnel manager for Roseburg Lumber Co., said more "productive effort" is made by handicapped persons than by those in normal control of their bodies. The handicapped characteristically display accident-free work records.

He and others agreed that an employing company can't regard hiring of disabled persons as charity. In the first place, it was brought out, handicapped persons are fully as competent in their lines of work as any other person.

Secondly, if the employer takes the attitude of charity, he may be defeating purpose of the employment.

Charles Hulbert, Eugene, counselor for the division of vocational rehabilitation for the State Dept. of Education, spoke briefly.

He said the national committee has figured that within 10 years government money spent in the rehabilitation of a handicapped person will be returned through that person's income taxes.

Cost per person for rehabilitation in Oregon is about \$500, a little less than the national average.

Hulbert outlined work of the national and local committees. He said a goal of 200,000 rehabilitations per year has been set by the President's committee. About 75,000 rehabilitations are completed each year at the present rate.

All civilians taken off tiny Nanchishan.

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the Red mainland and the northernmost anchor of Chiang Kai-shek's island chain.

About 800 civilians, mostly army dependents, were withdrawn two weeks ago. Those being brought to Formosa Thursday.

Nationalist craft are mainly fishermen who have spent their entire lives on Nanchishan.

The expected military evacuation of Nanchishan would leave the Nationalists with only Quemoy and the Matsus outside the U. S. protected Formosa defense zone, which embraces Formosa itself and the nearby Pescadores Islands.

The action follows by less than three weeks the Nationalists evacuation of the Tachen Islands, 200 miles north of Formosa.

Army commanders had been pressing for a final fight at Nanchishan, but the general staff overruled them because there was no possible hope of U. S. support in its defense.

The island is outside the Formosa Strait and, in the U. S. view, not essential to the defense of Formosa and the Pescadores, which President Eisenhower has promised to guard.

Earlier Thursday, official sources denied Nanchishan was being evacuated. They said air and naval blows against the Reds had lessened, for the time being the Communist threat there.

Central Junior High Swells Polio Receipts

Central Junior High students contributed \$30 more to the support of Roseburg's polio fund campaign by turning over all the receipts of their dance held in the auditorium following the basketball game between the city's two junior high school teams last week.

The profits from the sale of refreshments during the evening were also donated.

Committees chosen from Vice Principal Joe Scallion's leadership training class were in charge of the dance and the sale of the refreshments. The following committee chairmen were in charge: Refreshments, Sabra Unruh; music, Nancy Stewart; Kay Holcomb and Richard Sylvester, and welcoming committee, Jerry Healy and Dick Harpe.

Advance Concert Memberships Are Now Being Taken

Opportunity is now being given present members of the Roseburg Community Concert Assn. to renew their memberships in advance of the annual official campaign the week of March 7-12, announced Miss Gladys H. Strong, president.

Present members will be given the preference until Tuesday evening, March 8. After that time the membership will be thrown open to the public, and memberships will be accepted in the order in which they are received by the secretary. The campaign will officially close when the Central Junior High auditorium is sold out.

Musical attractions will make their appearance here in accordance with the budget raised. Selections will be made immediately after the campaign closes.

Present members are urged to mail their applications to Mrs. W. J. Hulse, secretary, 475 South Kane St.

Chairmen who are handling memberships out of Roseburg are: Mrs. E. C. Young, Oakland; Mrs. Donald Wren, Riddle; Mrs. Kenneth Winston, Myrtle Creek; Mrs. Howard Magill, Sutherlin; Mrs. George Churchill, Glide; Mrs. Glenn Ryder, Winston; Mrs. Irene McLaughlin, Douglas High School; and Mrs. Alton Hebard, Garden Valley and Umpqua. Other workers are assisting them.

The final concert artist for the current season will be William Warfield, baritone, who will appear here the night of March 7.

Congressmen's Raise In Pay Seems Assured

WASHINGTON (AP)—A pay raise of at least 50 per cent was assured today for senators and House members. A 67 per cent boost — as voted by the House — appeared probable.

The Senate yesterday rolled up a big vote, 82-24, in favor of the increase in congressional pay from the present \$15,000 to \$22,500.

The measure was at once sent to conference with the House, which last week voted 283-113 for a \$25,000 salary. Both versions include boosts of \$7,500 to \$10,000 for all the approximately 400 federal judges.

The five Senate conferees on the bill include several members who favor at least a \$25,000 salary. This seemed to make it quite likely that the House figure would be accepted in the end.

N. Roseburg Church Sets Parents Sunday

The King's Kids' Klass of the North Roseburg Sunday School will feature the second of their annual parents' Sundays at the 9:45 a.m. Sunday school hour Sunday.

Of special interest will be the roll call of parents. A candleabra holding 91 lighted candles will typify the 91 parents. The number of candles that remain lighted will represent the number of parents present. A total of 47 teenagers compose the membership of the King's Kids' Klass, instructed by Mrs. Carol Arensmeier.

Tom Blythe, class president, will announce the program which includes a 28-minute movie, "Walking With God," Lee Stout of Grants Pass, former member of the class, will launch the Karen Ackels Memorial Fund. Others participating in the program are the Rev. Clark Robb, former pastor of the North Roseburg Church; Ralph Arensmeier, Sunday school superintendent; Harold Brown, a parent; Bob Bradley, Sharon Lander and Joanne Dysinger.

JAPANESE REPATRIATED

MAIZURU, Japan (AP)—The Japanese repatriation ship Koan Maru docked at this central Japan port today with 949 Japanese back from Red China, where they had been detained more than 10 years.

That boosted the Japanese repatriation total to 28,175 since early last year.

SUCCESSFUL EXAMINEE

Charles H. Blanks, Roseburg, is one of four men in the Northwest to have successfully passed watchmaking tests given Jan. 20-25. The announcement was made by the Oregon board of examiners this week.

Housing Authority Releases Tenth Annual Report

The Housing Authority of Douglas County has released its 10th annual report. It covers the period from May 1, 1952, to April 30, 1953. The two big events of the period were the preliminary planning and designing of the Reedsport project and letting of bids and the completion of the low-rent housing project at Oakland.

With the development of the Reedsport Homes (14 units), the authority will be managing five projects over the county containing 190 units. The other four are: Rosewood Homes, Roseburg (60 units), Oakland Homes (8), Nickel Mountain Homes, Riddle (8) and Sutherland Valley Homes (100).

Median income of families in occupancy during the period mentioned was \$2,631.38. The average size of families was 4.35.

On the Roseburg, Oakland and Riddle projects, the authority made payments of \$3,277.38 in lieu of property taxes. At Sutherlin, \$4,325.86, equivalent to full property taxes.

Assets for the Roseburg, Reedsport, Oakland and Riddle projects came to \$694,962.33. Liabilities were \$690,041.74. For the Sutherlin homes, the net income for the year was \$2,924.33.

AFL Carpenters Accept Pay Raise

PORTLAND (AP)—Update Oregon and Southwest Washington AFL carpenters have accepted a 5 1/2-cent hourly wage increase and contract renewal terms which Portland district carpenters have turned down. Clell Harris said Wednesday.

Harris, executive secretary-treasurer of the Portland district council made up of Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington, Columbia and Yamhill counties, said the acceptance vote was 557-373 by update Oregon carpenters and 260-24 by Southwest Washington carpenters.

But Portland carpenters turned the whole thing down two weeks ago, 2,071-172, demanding a change in the expiration date and a 10-cent hourly increase.

Harris said the expiration date now is in the fall. The Portland carpenters want it to be March 31. He said he thought that was just as important as the wage demand. The pay now is \$2.65 an hour.

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Charges Made Exorbitant Fees Asked By Attorneys For Liquor Sales Permits

SALEM (AP)—The Senate Alcohol Committee heard a charge Wednesday night that attorneys charge exorbitant fees to aid persons get liquor dispensing licenses from the State Liquor Commission.

At a hearing on whether the unpaid commission should be given salaries or replaced by a single administrator, G. M. Fox, owner of a Portland eating place, accused some lawyers of charging the high fees, and then giving their clients the impression that the money goes to the commission or its employees.

After Fox made the statement, Sen. Warren Gill, a Lebanon lawyer, asked Chairman John P. Housnell of the committee to place Fox under oath.

After taking the oath—probably the first time a witness ever has been put under oath by an Oregon legislative committee—Fox cited three cases.

Fox said he knew of one tavern owner who said he'd heard he'd have to pay a lawyer \$2,500, but who finally got his license without a lawyer.

Then he said another operator said he had to pay an attorney \$1,000 or \$1,500 to get a license.

His third case was a restaurant operator on the coast who said he'd heard he'd have to pay a large fee.

When Fox finished, Gill said:

Safety Council Effort Launched In Roseburg

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County required treatment at an average cost of \$30 and six days' loss of work.

Irv Reiersen, who chairmanned the meeting, offered a council formed in Camas, Wash., as the model for an organization here.

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New Merchandising Plan Being Instituted Here

A new merchandising method is being tried out in Roseburg this month by Weisfield's Jewelers, according to store manager John E. Ferrell.

Ferrell said today that "For the first time on the West Coast, small appliances are being sold on a 15-day home trial basis. It might mean a new trend in retailing and merchandising."

The plan marks the first time a nationally known manufacturer of appliances has tried such a program, according to Ferrell. Under it, customers can try out an appliance at home and return it if not satisfied.

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Ellsworth May Hold Deciding Statehood Vote

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"screening" body rather than as "a roadblock."

He said he also is undecided how he would vote if the combined Hawaii-Alaska bill reaches the floor, but indicated his vote in committee and on the floor could be different.

He recalled he had once made a list of some 20 objections advanced against statehood for the territories but, after inspection, had decided that "none of them stood up."

Despite this, he said, he has a "feeling inside" in opposition to statehood at this time. He said this stemmed in part from the lack of a recent referendum on statehood in Alaska and the trip by a majority of the Hawaiian legislature to Washington last year to advocate statehood.

"It makes me wonder whether Hawaii is stable enough," he said.

REVIEW POSTPONED

The book review to be given by Dr. James Millar and scheduled for next Monday morning at the First Presbyterian Church has been postponed one week and will take place March 7. Those having session tickets which have not been entirely used are privileged to bring guests on the unused admissions.