

Higher Pay, More Teachers To Raise Levies

Voters In School District To Decide Budget May 4

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A 7 per cent salary increase for district personnel, hiring of additional teachers and other personnel and a boost in estimated delinquencies and rebates are the chief factors figuring in a \$385,000 hike in total levies in the proposed 1959-60 Roseburg School District budget.

Voters will go to the polls May 4 to decide whether \$1,473,364.55—the amount of the total levy outside the 6 per cent limitation—should be assessed.

The total millage figure facing Roseburg voters has been estimated at 59 mills, with about 14.5 mills representing the rural school levy.

School officials, however, noted that the actual millage probably will be slightly reduced following new property valuations, because of a general year-to-year upward trend in assessed valuation.

A big hunk of the levy increase comes by way of the salary boost.

Approved by the board last year, the proposed pay hike plus addition of personnel makes up some \$210,000 of the increase.

This includes wage increases for supervisory, clerical, maintenance and other personnel, in addition to instructors. Also included is addition of 10 teachers, three guidance counselors and maintenance personnel—chiefly as a result of a projected increase in enrollment of some 200 students.

Other Costs Rise

Another \$21,000 was added to the proposed budget to cover boosts in public employee retirement and Social Security charges. The bulk of the increases result from the pay boosts.

More than \$15,000 was added to the yearly allocation for transportation as a result of a predicted increase in operational costs. The transportation contract will be up for bids with expiration of a five-year contract with Ellison Transportation Co., Roseburg.

The emergency fund was boosted \$10,000 to bring that item up to recognized standards in relation to the total budget.

Outside of these general fund increases, another sizeable addition to the budget was required in the area of estimated taxes that will not be collected during the current fiscal year and estimated rebates. That item was boosted from \$160,000 to \$225,000, largely because of an underestimate of rural school taxes to be collected before July. This is the first year the district has received rural money and district officials explained the underestimate came about because of lack of previous figures on which to base estimates.

An estimated decrease in general fund receipts, chargeable to miscalculation of the complex Basic School Fund formula, accounts for another budget boost of some \$44,000.

CARNIVAL SLATED

Myrtle Creek Cub Pack 326 will hold its annual Scout Carnival to night at 7:30 in the school gymnasium.

Red Cross To Stage Blood Donor Forum

A survey of blood program functions and aims plus ceremonies honoring outstanding blood donors will be featured in a special benefit program to be staged tonight by the Douglas County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

E. L. (Gene) Slick, assistant administrator of the Pacific Northwest Red Cross Regional Blood Center, Portland, will explain workings of the blood program as guest speaker.

Young Jeffrey Rich of Roseburg and other recent blood recipients will be special guests. Other participants in the program will be O. J. Fett children, who required—received—complete blood replacement at birth through use of Red Cross-obtained blood.

Harold Schmeier, Roseburg, will receive an award honoring him as a six-gallon donor. Others who have donated one or more gallons of blood will be honored. Mrs. Walter Britten, blood program chairman, urged all one-gallon donors to attend the affair.

Slated to begin at 8 p.m. in the Elks Ballroom, the event is to be staged in cooperation with Roseburg Elks Lodge.

Portland Dogs Face Tough Time

PORTLAND (AP)—Maybe the dogs don't know it, but they, like everyone else, face stiffer regulations here.

Portland's City Council Thursday passed Mayor Terry Schuck's dog-leash measures. One allows the Oregon Humane Society to snag loose dogs on school grounds when school authorities ask help.

Another provides that female dogs "in heat"—licensed or not—must be impounded.

A third calls for increases from \$3 to \$5 for licenses on unspayed female dogs, a birth control measure.

The fourth says action may be taken against barking or howling dogs after three complaints or a biting dog after a single complaint.

Sales Of O&C Timber Reach Record Level

PORTLAND (AP)—Timber sales are at a record level on O&C lands in Western Oregon but prices are down.

Virgil Heath, Oregon supervisor for the Bureau of Land Management, said sales of green timber during the first nine months of the 1959 fiscal year total 472,449,000 board feet.

That compares with only 268,324,000 board feet sold in 1956, the previous high.

Receipts failed to keep pace with the record sales, totaling so far this year only \$10,329,636.

Heath said in the first nine months of fiscal 1959 O&C timber brought an average of \$30.24 per thousand feet. In 1956, it averaged \$58.75.

Patsy Leon Morris

Patsy Leon Morris, 8, Days Creek, died at Forest Glen Hospital, Canyonville, Wednesday night. She was born in Canyonville March 18, 1951 and had lived in Days Creek all her life. She was a member of the Days Creek Methodist Church and was in the second grade at Days Creek School.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Morris, and a brother, Mike, all of Days Creek. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the chapel of G. M. Mortuary, Myrtle Creek. The Rev. Alice Woolley of Days Creek Methodist Church officiating. Interment will follow in IOOF Cemetery, Canyonville.

Committee Tables Bill To Restrict Trade Tabs

SALEM (AP)—The bill to restrict use of trading stamps died today in the House State and Federal Affairs Committee.

The committee voted 5-3 to table the bill. Chairman Norman Howard (D-Portland) said this means the bill is dead for the session.

The bill would have compelled stores to pay \$5,000 a year for stamp licenses. The stamp companies said it would drive them out of business.

Banker Urges Budget Okay

"We've had our fun. Now we have to pay for it."

This was the concise summation of Roseburg's city financial problems made Thursday by a banker urging the passage of the city budget next Tuesday.

E. G. Young, vice president of the Douglas County State Bank, was one of a panel of speakers commenting on the budget. All the others were city officials. They spoke at the weekly Roseburg Rotary Club meeting in the Umpqua Hotel.

Young insisted that "these things happen" and that there was no use castigating anyone now. He said Oakland had run into the same situation once and had to operate for 10 years on less than the amount of interest on bonded indebtedness. Young said he was in favor of passing the budget as submitted and "getting back into the black."

Others on the panel explained different facets of the budget. They were City Councilmen Pete Serafin and Fred Harder, Fire Chief W. E. Mills, Chief of Police Vernon Murdoch Jr., and City Engineer Ken Meng. All indicated cuts had been made to the point where no more could be made without doing away with vital services.

Also speaking at the meeting was new city manager H. John Warburton. He said he was extremely happy to be in Roseburg.

The budget on which Roseburg citizens will vote Tuesday calls for expenditures of \$481,442. The vote will be on \$212,000 outside the 6 per cent limitation.

Tourist Booth Near Completion

ASHLAND (AP)—Work on the Siskiyou Summit Stockade in the Siskiyou, near the Oregon-California state line, was scheduled for completion Sunday.

It will be used as a welcoming booth for tourists entering Oregon during the rest of the Centennial observance.

Army reserve units from Southern Oregon will work to finish the stockade Sunday, and open house will be held May 17. After that, the place will be open daily and will be staffed by history students from Southern Oregon College.

Girl, 4, Saves Two Brothers From Fire

FAYETTEVILLE, Tenn. (AP)—Four-year-old Barbara Strong, her hair in flames, carried her 6-month-old brother to safety and led another brother outside when fire destroyed their four-room home Thursday.

A third brother, Randy, 2, was trapped inside and burned to death.

The parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Strong, Negro tenant farmers, were across a field when they saw the fire. Their only daughter had rescued the baby, Gary Lee, and Ray, 3, by the time they reached the burning house.

The father smothered the fire in Barbara's hair. She was hospitalized with burns on the hands, arms and head.

Douglas Groups Slate Sale For Scholarships

Future Teachers of America and the Douglas Drama Club are sponsoring two scholarships for a Douglas High senior.

A "Dollars for Scholars" rummage sale will be held Saturday at 743 SE Stephens, in the old Roseburg Office Machines Building. The sale will begin at 8 p.m. Contributions may be made by calling Douglas High School for transportation, or by leaving articles at the Business Machines Building tonight or Saturday.

Truck Hits Bridge

No injuries were reported early this morning when a pickup truck reportedly ran into a bridge on Highway 42 east of Porter Creek, according to the Douglas County Sheriff's office. The accident occurred about 6:40.

Cancer Flight Puts Down At K-Falls

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (AP)—A pair of Seattle men hoped to have their light plane repaired and ready to take off today or Saturday on their endurance flight to boost the Cancer drive.

The two—Gene Tanner, 40, and Lew Becker, 43—came down Thursday at Klamath Falls when a fuel pump failed.

The pump was a special one installed for the marathon flight. It brought gasoline from the belly tanks to the wing tanks on the plane, marked brightly with the words: "Fight Cancer."

When a gasket on the pump broke, it began pouring into the cockpit the fuel that should have gone to the wing tanks.

Beck and Tanner were scheduled to work through Thursday night to repair the craft for the flight across the nation. The two, who started at Seattle, had been picking up food and gasoline from a speeding car without landing.

Births

Douglas Community Hospital

McALEXANDER — To Mr. and Mrs. Archie McAlexander, 426 NE Emerald Lane, Roseburg, April 15, a daughter, Rhonda Lynn; weight 8 pounds 2 ounces.

GILLETTE — To Mr. and Mrs. Roger Gillette, 2014 SE Douglas, Roseburg, April 16, a son, Mitchell Henry; weight 10 pounds 13 ounces.

TERVILLEGER — To Mr. and Mrs. James Tervilleger, Rt. 4 Box 239, Roseburg, April 17, a son, Allen Russell; weight 6 pounds 2 ounces.

ANDERSON — To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Anderson, 950 Pilger St., Roseburg, April 17, a daughter, Danette Marie; weight 7 pounds 24 ounces.

KLASSEN — To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Klassen, Rt. 1 Box 414 A, Myrtle Creek, April 18, a daughter, Tammy Lynett; weight 7 pounds 3 ounces.

FAULKNER — To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Faulkner, Glide, April 20, a daughter, Tamara Kay; weight 7 pounds 7 ounces.

WILSON — To Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, 202 SE Mosher, Roseburg, April 20, a daughter, Marion Adele; weight 7 pounds 84 ounces.

DEGROODT — To Mr. and Mrs. Milton Degroodt, Box 474, Myrtle Creek, April 20, a daughter, Kathleen; weight 7 pounds 15 1/2 ounces.

FIELDRICH — To Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Hendrix, Box 845, Myrtle Creek, April 21, a daughter, Donna Jean; weight 6 pounds 9 ounces.

FIELDRICH — To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fielding, Rt. 2 Box 867, Roseburg, April 21, a son, Russell Leroy; weight 5 pounds 10 ounces.

Bessie C. Mathews

Bessie Catherine Mathews, 72, died Wednesday at a Roseburg hospital following a prolonged illness.

She was born July 4, 1886, in Clearfield, Pa., and moved to Roseburg about 1908. She was a member of the Roseburg Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Surviving is a husband, Dennis; two daughters, Mrs. F. A. C. Walker, both of Roseburg, and Mrs. Naomi Dennis of San Diego, Calif.; two sons, Theodore of Grants Pass, and Dennis of Walla Walla, Wash.; one stepson, Warren Mathews of Portland; 13 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Sunday in Wilson's Chapel of the Roses with the Elder W. R. Riston, pastor of the Seventy-day Adventist Church, officiating. Concluding services and interment will follow at the Burk Cemetery.

Zellerbach Retires

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Harold L. Zellerbach announced Thursday night he retired March 25 from active management of the Crown Zellerbach Paper Products empire when he reached 65.

Zellerbach, at a banquet for a special 41-year emblem and a plaque. He remains chairman of the executive committee and acting chairman of the board of directors.

Judge Decrees Prison For Two

Two men received penitentiary sentences Thursday in the court of Circuit Judge Robert G. Davis after pleading guilty to felony charges brought forth in grand jury indictments.

Wayne Lewis Price, 49, of Winchester Bay was given three years for issuing a \$31.78 fraudulent check to Red Jordan's Egg & Poultry Market at Reedsport last July.

His wife, Mrs. Mildred E. Price, 51, entered a plea of innocent of passing a \$54.40 check with insufficient funds in the Umpqua National Bank, Reedsport, to Graham Woods of Winchester Bay on Dec. 16, 1958. Judge Davis said her trial will be set in the near future.

A two-year penitentiary sentence was handed Darrell Oliver Clark, alias Darrell Fisher, 26, of Norwalk, Calif., after he pleaded guilty to a burglary citation.

Clark was charged with breaking into the utility room of Trailer Haven Trailer Court in Roseburg the night of Feb. 14 with three other men to get change from the metered washing machines.

Another Californian, Harold Nelson, 24, of Inglewood, drew a 90-day jail sentence and a fine of \$150 from Judge Davis which he will serve concurrently with a prison sentence.

He entered a guilty plea to a petty larceny charge, admitting he took a number of blankets and items of clothing from C. G. Hastings, Roseburg, on May 27 last year.

Nelson, until recently was serving out a two-year sentence at Salem handed him last year by former Circuit Judge Carl E. Winberry upon conviction of auto theft.

Judge Davis gave Nelson 90 days in which to pay the fine. He has been placed on probation.

Arsonist Meted 10 Years In Pen

PORTLAND (AP)—Convicted arsonist Darrell James Roesbery was sentenced to a term not to exceed 10 years in the Oregon Penitentiary Thursday.

Roesbery, convicted Wednesday of first degree arson, admitted during the course of his trial he set 23 fires in Portland last summer and fall.

He was tried and convicted on a count involving the setting of only one blaze.

Circuit Judge William W. Wells told Roesbery the long sentence was for the protection of society and in hopes Roesbery would be rehabilitated.

Tri-City PTA Sets Special Carnival

By RUTH EVANS

A special carnival will be held at Tri-City School Saturday, with proceeds going toward buying stage curtains for the multi-purpose room.

The event is being sponsored by the Tri-City PTA, and according to Mrs. C. S. Wether, chairman, promises a variety of entertainment, including 20 booths for skill and fun. A total of \$1,000 in prizes will be given away during the evening. Doors will open at 6 p.m.

Hucrest Cub Pack Slates School Carnival Tonight

Cub Scouts of pack 133 will hold a carnival at Hucrest School tonight from 6 to 9.

Hot dogs, salads, cake, pie, coffee, pop, ice cream and popcorn will be available, plus fun booths and games of skill. No admission charge has been set.

Roseburg Lions Host Kids, Name Officer Candidates

Roseburg Lions Club members hosted their children at dinner in the Umpqua Hotel Thursday night. The group was entertained by the Roseburg High School Pep band and singing by Danny Fromdahl.

The nominating committee reported its list of candidates for club officers in the coming year. It recommended Bernard Saar for president and Herb Leonig for first vice president.

Officers will be elected May 28. The club will meet jointly with the YMCA next Thursday night, at the latter's building food kickoff drive.

Harold Baxter called attention to "White Cane Week" May 17 to 23. This week, originated by Lions International, has been taken over by the blind associations.

Baxter, state president of the Oregon Council for the blind, stated that candy would be sold during the week to help purchase white canes for the blind. He also announced that a blind council executive board meeting would be held in Roseburg June 14, one of four such meetings held annually.

Edell Bryant, sight conservation chairman, reported the club has purchased on the average of one pair of glasses each month for children who would otherwise have to go without. He said the funds are running low, and it was necessary to turn down two applications this month.

Local Elementary Students Win Top Points In Contest

By RUTH EVANS

About 100 students from the Glide, Roseburg, Douglas, Canyonville and Myrtle Creek Elementary Schools participated in the music contests for soloists and small ensembles recently.

Myrtle Creek students receiving the grade of 1 in the recital section were: clarinets, Jan Springer, Jon Bell, Phyllis Cockrell and Susan Barter; flutes, Barbara Renslo and Linda Swingen; alto saxophone, June Helbert, and bassoon, Bill Leonard.

A clarinet quartet, consisting of Jan Springer, Barbara Roberts, Susie Weaver and Jon Bell, received a 1; a duet flute, Anita Rice and Kathy Campbell, 1, and in the brass section, a grade of 1 was given Ralph Buarkhurst, baritone; Dennis Bierbaum, euphonium; and Ross Barkhurst, trombone.

Pat King and Beverly Louise Wilde received 1 averages for piano solos.

Judges for the event were Robert Robbins of Roseburg; Jack Sluss of Springfield, and Leonard Johns of Eugene.

License Tabs Stolen

E. H. Hamilton, 1365 NW Almond Ave., Roseburg, reported to state police Thursday the theft of license plate tabs from his 1947 model car. The tabs were stolen within the past two days, Hamilton said.

Water Congress Set

WASHINGTON (AP)—Ways and means of further improving and protecting the nation's watersheds will be discussed at a National Watershed Congress to be held here May 25-27.

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