

BOARD CALLS FOR SCHOOL BUILDING PLANS

6-3-3 Implementation Due in Cost Estimates; 1960 Target Date Set In Program

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The Roseburg School Board has given the go-ahead for San Francisco and Portland architectural firms to draw up and submit preliminary plans, plus cost estimates, for construction and renovation in the district prior to the fall of 1960.

The building plans are basically two-pronged. They are aimed at implementing the 6-3-3 setup of grades which has gained board approval and taking care of expected enrollment increases over the next few years.

In a nutshell, the proposed plan calls for conversion of Fullerton School to a junior high school, construction of two elementary schools in West Roseburg and various additions and renovations at Green School, Roseburg High School and Joseph Lane and Central Junior High Schools, plus construction of a building to house the district's administrative offices.

Wayne Crooch, board chairman, noted that architects cannot be hired outright before money actually is ticketed. But, at the same time, preliminary plans and cost estimates are a virtual must before a bond issue can be proposed to pay for the construction, he noted.

Thus, E. J. Kump Co., San Francisco architectural firm which utilizes the "space modular" idea in its work, and the Portland firm of Hayslip, Tuft, Hewlett and Jamison will be asked to submit their proposals. A tentative deadline of June 17 was set on submission of the plans and estimates.

Rough Proposals Made

Kump is the firm which sent two consultants to inspect present facilities and proposed sites then reported rough proposals to the board last week, at the board's request. Its space modular system is founded basically on mass production methods, with each unit a separate, self-sustaining entity in itself, explained the architect.

The San Francisco firm claims its units are more efficient, less expensive and much more easily and quickly constructed than buildings constructed on more orthodox principles.

The Portland architects have been involved in construction of many of the district's present structures, noted directors. For that reason, the firm is the logical choice to undertake plans for renovation of several buildings, as required in the proposed construction program.

Proposals Expected

Kump will lay out its proposals for construction of the two elementary schools, administrative offices and a four-room unit at Green School.

The two new West Side schools to take up the primary-grades enrollment slack arising from the Fullerton project and through natural growth.

Some students from the Green area presently are being shuttled to Rose School, and building of additional classrooms at Green would alleviate both current and expected future enrollment problems.

Construction of district offices would finally give the administration a "home." Located previously in Central Junior High School, the offices now are located in a building at Anderson Place on W. Harvard Ave.

The Portland firm, under the board's present plans, would be called in to handle renovation and additions at Fullerton School to prepare that plant for junior high use. Renovations at Roseburg High School and Central Junior High School and additions at Joseph Lane Junior High School also are under the cards, and presumably would be handled by the same firm.

Changes Proposed

The proposed high school project includes changes in the present physical layout to provide for two biology classrooms, student council and faculty rooms, a guidance and counseling suite and a business office.

At Joseph Lane, Principal R. R. Brand has proposed addition of five classrooms, special purpose rooms for supply and storage purposes, a cafeteria kitchen, band and chorus rooms, additional athletic dressing rooms and covered walkway connecting the gymnasium and rear wing of the plant. The kitchen and four classrooms would be in a wing attached to the present cafeteria, while the other classroom and the music room would be on a unit diagonally connecting the gym and the other purpose unit.

The project at Central would be aimed at accommodating an expected additional 50 students by the 1961-62 school year through remodeling of some classrooms. The cramped site makes it impossible to actually add classrooms.

Tax Group Asks Study Of County Operations

School Survey Firm Talks With Court

By BRAD SLACK
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The Douglas County Taxpayers' League formally proposed Wednesday the county hire an outside firm of management consultants to review county government operations.

Two members of the league's board of directors, Dudley C. Walton and Bert Young, appeared before the county Budget Committee at its opening session to suggest an appropriation in the 1959-60 budget to conduct such a study. Budget to them were representatives of John Paul Jones Associates, Inc., of San Francisco, who recently completed management study of the Roseburg School District, followed by a report for improving efficiency of school operations.

No action was taken by the county Budget Committee Wednesday, according to A. B. Collier, county auditor, who attended the meeting.

Possibilities Investigated

A spokesman for the league said members met with budget committee members to acquaint county authorities with "what could be done and how a study of this kind is undertaken."

Jones Associates were paid \$10,000 by the school board to take a review of Roseburg School District operations.

No figure was mentioned as to the cost of conducting a study of county government operations which now spends more than \$14-million dollars a year.

A league member said Jones Associates consultants were brought to Roseburg at the instigation of the taxpayer's organization. A study of county government operations was suggested before by members of the league who recently reorganized in Douglas County.



ADDING THEIR TALENTS to the performance of the Roseburg Symphony Orchestra this evening are guest soloists Ruby Ann Vance and Barbara Gadoway. Miss Vance, a junior at Douglas High School, will sing "Nocturne," by P. G. Curran, and "Spring Song of the Robin Woman," by C. W. Cadman. She will be accompanied by Virginia Young, Miss Gadoway, a junior at Roseburg High School, will play a Mozart concerto piece on the piano. Selections by the orchestra, under direction of Robert Robins, includes eight movements from Handel's "Water Music," L'Arlesienne, Suite No. 1, by George Bizet, and "It Might As Well Be Spring," "Younger Than Springtime," and "I Whistle A Happy Tune," all by Richard Rodgers. The program begins at 8 p.m. at Central Junior High School. The event will round out the 1959 season. (Paul Jenkins)

West Turns Down Soviets' German Confederation Plan

GENEVA (AP)—The West today blasted the Soviet Union's proposal for a confederation of West German and Communist East Germany with a declaration it is impossible to "confederate a system of freedom with a system of bondage."

Ambassador Wilhelm Grewe of West Germany, carrying forward the Allied assault on the Soviet plan for a peace settlement with each side of divided Germany, told the Big Four conference the confederation project was designed to impose political paralysis on West Germany.

"The proposal of a German confederation does not contribute to the reunification of Germany," Grewe asserted, "but to its postponement, its prevention and, over and above all this, to the political

204 Donate Blood In Two Days Here

A total of 204 donors, including 54 first-timers, contributed pints of blood during the two-day visit of the Red Cross bloodmobile in Roseburg this week, reported blood program chairman Dr. B. R. Shoemaker.

Possible donors numbered 229, but 25 were deferred for various physical reasons.

The total donation included 22 pints of O-positive blood for a patient who was to undergo open heart surgery in Portland today. The blood was flown northward by the Civil Air Patrol, said Shoemaker.

One donor, Jacqueline Legat, brought her total donation to the three-gallon mark. New two-gallon donors included Olga Barnes, Alice Frances, Harry Radford, Elizabeth L. Bowers and Laurence Peterson.

Seven persons became one-gallon donors. They were Joyce Morgan, Lucille Grass, Meryl Murphy, C. A. Dvysinger, James B. Eaton, Ruth Wiley and Genel Fitzgerald.

Winston School Principal Named

A Josephine County educator has been named principal of a Dillard School District elementary school which is now under construction at Winston.

He is William Hedrick, principal of an elementary school in the Grants Pass area. Hedrick is married and has four children. He will report for work Aug. 1.

The school now under construction is expected to be ready for occupancy when school opens Aug. 31.

Firemen Answer Alarm

No damage was reported in a fire at 813 W. Harvard Ave. on Wednesday evening. The occupant is C. Chaboude. The westside department was called out at 8:02 p.m.

Digits Lost In Mishap

Clyde Curtis, 52, of 2071 NE Stephens St., Roseburg, is reported in good condition today at Douglas Community Hospital where he was taken Wednesday afternoon after being injured while working on a crane. An index finger and thumb on one of Curtis' hands was amputated. He is also being treated for a shoulder injury, according to hospital authorities. Curtis is employed by Douglas Veneer.

The Weather

AIRPORT RECORDS

Forecast: Partly cloudy tonight and Friday.

Highest temp. last 24 hours — 48
Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 44
Highest temp. any May ('56) — 95
Lowest temp. any May ('54) — 26
Precip. last 24 hours — 0
Precip. from May 1 — 1.88
Precip. from Sept. 1 — 27.98
Deficiency from Sept. 1 — .12
Sunset tonight, 7:36 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 4:42 a.m.

County Budget Requests Laid Before Committee

28 Divisions Itemize Boosts For Operation

A request for \$2,075,290 to run 56 Douglas County departments and agencies during the coming year was laid before the six-man County Budget Committee Wednesday.

This is an amount exclusive of appropriations for county road construction and maintenance which last year totaled an added \$5 million dollars.

Budget Committee members opened their annual spring series of budget hearings Wednesday by electing Harold Woolley of Drain their new chairman. Serving with him are Clay Uiam, Canyonville, Adrian Standley of Glide and the three members of the Douglas County Court, Judge V. T. Jackson and Commissioners Huron W. Clough and Elmer Metzger.

Requests for operating during fiscal 1959-60 represented a budget increase of \$1,860 over the \$2,013,440 approved last year.

Large Request Made

Among the larger requests this year is one from the Welfare Department which probably will get more than \$243,000 in county appropriations to match federal and state public assistance monies.

By statute the county must provide \$10 per pupil to the various school districts each year. This will total an estimated \$215,000 in the next fiscal year.

The County Home will take around \$169,555 to run next year, and the public Health Department needs \$105,319, according to request.

County Assessor Morris C. Bowler has asked \$106,540 to run his department, about the same as last year, and the clerk's office and county Parks Department, more than \$70,000 each.

The court plans to set aside \$100,000 again this year for emergencies, should use of this money become necessary.

Hillsboro Man Head Of IOOF Grand Lodge

W. Vernon Hahn of Hillsboro was installed Wednesday night as grand master of the International Order of Odd Fellows, convening in Roseburg for the 103rd session of the Oregon Grand Lodge.

In joint installation ceremonies at the Armory, Mrs. Ruth Vase of Portland became new president of the Rebekah Assembly.

An estimated 1,200 members of the IOOF, Rebekahs and associated organizations were present for the installation. The various groups met for final business sessions today before winding up a five-day annual joint convention.

Installation ceremonies were conducted by Wilford G. Beard of Salem, outgoing grand master of the Grand Lodge, and Mrs. Edna Oster, Mollala, past president of the Rebekah Assembly.

Other Rebekahs installed were: Mrs. Loretta Emerson of Richardson, vice president; Mrs. Cleona Applegate, Central Point, grand warden; Mrs. Lois Smith, Baker, secretary; and Mrs. Gladys Coldiron, Harrisburg, treasurer.

The fraternal organization and sister groups voted today to meet next year in Eugene when Spencer Butte Lodge No. 9 will mark its 100th anniversary.

Others installed in posts last night were Stanley Oldham, Lake Grove, deputy grand master; Earl Shank, Portland, grand secretary; and Roy Gibbs of Ocean Lake, grand treasurer.

Trustees are Harold Patterson of Canyon City; Roy Tierney, Pendleton; Beard, and Elmer Olson, Tillamook, elected to a three-year term on the Home Board.

The grand lodge and all official bodies of the women's group thanked Roseburg in a resolution "for its excellent cooperation in staging the 1959 convention," and for the "great courtesy" shown by the people.

AGC Threatens Big Shutdown

PORTLAND (AP)—Bridges and related road construction throughout nearly all of Oregon and part of Washington may shut down Wednesday if the Associated General Contractors at a special meeting here Wednesday agreed to the shutdown unless striking Portland and Astoria pile drivers return to work.

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Winston Dates Friday Election

Winston residents will go to the polls Friday to vote on a city budget and two separate measures. Polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the city hall.

The proposed budget is for \$38,492, which would require an estimated 32 mills tax levy, based on present and anticipated assessed valuation for the city.

The over-all budget calls for \$92,150. Of this \$37,675 will be obtained inside the limitation, leaving a balance of \$54,475. Adding \$4,017 in uncollected taxes leaves the final balance of \$58,492 for balloting.

One of the separate issues is a special levy of \$3,000 or an estimated 2 1/2 mills to cover the cost of constructing a storage building for city equipment.

The second measure is for a special levy of \$6,000 or an estimated 5 1/2 mills to cover the cost of an extra police officer for the city.

Mayor W. F. (Bill) Schell announced the city has hired an extra full-time employee, Ezra Ecken, who will be employed on street maintenance, but who will also spend 15 to 20 hours weekly as a police force officer.

California Crash Kills Local Girl

Nancy Joan Sullivan, 20, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Spahr Sullivan of Hillsboro, was killed Wednesday night in a car-pickup collision near Mountain View, Calif.

She was among five student nurses killed when the automobile they were riding in was involved in a collision with the truck near the San Francisco Peninsula town. The driver of the truck also died.

The pickup slammed head on into the car and all occupants of both vehicles were killed instantly, California highway patrolmen report. The truck driver was Warren P. Hamilton, 43, Los Altos, according to the Associated Press. Highway patrolmen said Hamilton was driving without lights in the wrong lane of a freeway.

Nancy was graduated from Roseburg High School in June 1957 and entered nurse's training at St. Mary's Hospital in San Francisco. She had been in training since then and was to have graduated in a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan left for San Francisco this morning where they will make arrangements for the body to be returned to Long and Orr Mortuary in Roseburg.

The other four student nurses killed in the accident were all from the San Francisco area.

Scale Bids Due For Highway 99

Bids for construction of a truck scale site on the Pacific Highway 12 miles north of Canyonville will be opened by the state Highway Commission Tuesday at Salem.

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Research Into Indian Life Prelude To Project

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Building an Indian village isn't just a matter of throwing a few sticks together and covering them with a canvas. The Roseburg centennial subcommittee, headed by Herb Leonnig and assigned to this task, is finding out.

This fact was evidenced in discussion at a meeting of the committee Wednesday noon in the Umpqua Hotel when plans to build the village, together with the making over of Roseburg into a frontier town, were furthered.

Despite obstacles to authenticity and cost, the organization is meeting the problems as they come and Del McKay and Alan Knudsen, co-chairman for the Indian village, reported six service clubs and other organizations each have agreed to build an Indian dwelling.

These include the Boy Scouts, who will build a replica of an Upper Umpqua dwelling; Roseburg Fire Department, Nez Perce type; Rotary Club, Rogu; Indian dwelling; Kiwanis Club, Klamath Indian; Roseburg Lions Club, Chinook; and Veterans Hospital, Coos Indian.

At least four more will be built, including a Lower Umpqua Indian dwelling, a Digger tribe home, and two more Nez Perce tepees. The latter two will be constructed at either end of Roseburg, near the Highway 99 maps at Winchester and at Shady, provided clearance is obtained from the Highway Commission. The commission has been contacted but no answer has yet been received.

The other eight dwellings will be constructed on the Central Junior High play area just east of the school on SE Rose St. The school board has given tentative permission, subject to drawing up of a formal contract covering the necessary details.

Indian dwellings were not all

Transport Plan Being Initiated

A possible plan and tentative bid for transporting Roseburg school children will be submitted for consideration of the Roseburg School Board by the district's attorney, George Neuner, at the board's June 17 meeting.

Directors turned down a \$131,000 bid by Ellison Transportation Co. a few weeks ago. The amount budgeted for transportation was only \$115,000.

Since rejection of the bid, the board has sought ways and means of furnishing adequate transportation service while, at the same time, cutting costs so budgeted funds will be sufficient to cover the expenditure.

Neuner, in cooperation with Ellison representatives, will rewrite the previous bid to include provisions whereby the district could purchase the transportation setup outright, lease it or enter into a lease-purchase agreement.

The board will consider a direction to take on the problem at the June 17 session. On the basis of its decision, actual bids will be drawn up, submitted and opened in July.

YMCA School Plan Approved By Board

The Roseburg School Board Wednesday night gave its approval for use of playgrounds and all purpose rooms at five schools by the YMCA for its summer recreation program.

Wayne Schulz, YMCA executive secretary, explained to board members the objectives and proposed procedures of the program.

He said the new setup is designed to center recreational activity for youngsters in their own neighborhoods instead of at one central location. Summer recreational activities have been conducted by the YMCA only at Central Junior High School in past years.

The program will stress recreation as opposed to competitive sports, noted Schulz. It will be varied according to age groups and sex of participants, he added.

The board flashed the go-ahead with the understanding that proper supervision by qualified personnel would be furnished to protect school property. Schulz assured directors that such would be the case before approval was given.

The school facilities to be used for the program will be at Riverside, Rose, Benson, Hucrest and Fullerton Schools.

Cavaladers Watch For Good Weather

LEWELLEN, Neb. (AP)—The Oregon Centennial Wagon Train rolled west again Thursday morning, its riders hoping for improved weather.

Wednesday was the coldest day of the train's journey, which began April 19 at Independence, Mo. Wind swept the western Nebraska prairies and the temperature was 54 degrees.

Before leaving Ogallala, Neb., there was a brief prayer service for the victims of a traffic accident that took place beside the wagon train's noon camp near Roscoe, Neb., Tuesday. It was conducted by wagon driver Weaver Clark, an elder of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Ben Griffith, Salem, driver of the Independence wagon, the so-called mail wagon, met a cousin, Sheriff Howard Bechtel of Nebraska's Perkins County. They had not seen each other in 42 years.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Thanks to a farm program, ideal in theory, a fizzle in operation, Uncle Sam has acquired a white elephant in the form of unused wheat that in 1960 — only 7 1/2 months away — will represent the stupendous value of \$3,500,000,000, extracted, of course, from the taxpayers. Congress is now tinkering with a plan for another production cut and higher support payments. Dis-senting constituents should write their congressmen before postage rates are hiked again.