

Yoncalla-Scotts Valley Plan Aims At Elimination Of 'Split Classes'

The major purpose in the Yoncalla School Board's decision to use the Scotts Valley School for only first and second graders next year is to minimize "split classes."

So said Supt. Donald Dick Wednesday night at a special meeting in the high school to explain the plan.

He pointed out that at present teachers in the system have six "split classes," i.e., classes of more than one grade. Four of these are at Scotts Valley, where teachers handle the first eight grades in four rooms. Under the proposed system approved by the board for next year, the Scotts Valley youngsters in grades three through eight will be transported to Yoncalla, and all Yoncalla first and second graders will go to Scotts Valley. Dick said this would mean only one split class in the district. That would be for the fifth and sixth grade at Yoncalla Elementary.

At the same time, he said, the estimated class load range would be from 18 to 23 pupils per teacher, where it now ranges from 14 to 26.

Dick said the system would give teachers more time to prepare lessons and supervise them in the classroom because those now handling split classes would be handling only one class at a time, instead of two.

His answer to the question of why other grades weren't selected instead of first and second was that other combinations were examined but none proved as suitable. Several of them, he said would involve construction of new facilities.

Opinion Requested On Giveaway Plans

SALEM (UPI)—The Oregon Independent Retail Grocers Association voted Wednesday to ask the attorney general to decide whether grocery store "giveaways" violate the Oregon anti-lottery law.

The attorney general of Washington ruled earlier this week such "contests" are in violation of the anti-lottery law in that state.

Atty. Gen. Robert Thornton said he will be happy to meet with the grocers to discuss the matter. Harold E. Carlson and Claude Hall of the association said the grocers' resolution is aimed at situations where a person gets a chance to win a prize via a ticket received for visiting a grocery store.

They said even though customers do not have to make a purchase, the "contests" add to the expense of doing business, resulting in increased food prices. Thus, the grocery spokesmen said, the tickets are obtained for "a consideration."

The lottery law requires three elements to be present: Chance, a consideration, and a prize. Carlson said some grocers also are considering filing complaints with county district attorneys.

Such "contests" generally are held in larger chain stores, not the smaller independent stores.

The Oregon Supreme Court, in December of 1962, in a case involving promotional gifts at a grocery, ruled they did not violate the law.

The high court said the "gifts" did not require any consideration from the customers. It said no distinction was made between customers who made "incidental voluntary purchases" and those who did not, thus a purchase "could not constitute consideration."

Ontario Mishap Claims Two From Forest Grove

ONTARIO, Ore. (UPI)—Two Forest Grove residents were killed and two more injured Wednesday when their car went off U.S. Highway 26 near the community of Ironside and somersaulted.

Killed were Henry Timothy Pinnell, 37, and Gertrude Layton, 58. The injured were Pinnell's wife, Margaret, 35, and Everett L. Rogers, 50. They were taken to Ontario Hospital with undetermined injuries but were not believed to be critically hurt.

State Police said all four were thrown from the car.



CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE Ralph Holman of Clackamas County chats with three Douglas County high school youths Wednesday during Law Day activities in Roseburg. The boys, left to right, are John Brown of Riddle, Jerry Boucock of Roseburg and Rob Blakely of Glide. Judge Holman was speaker at a luncheon for the students in the Umpqua Hotel. (Photo by Chris)

Students Hear Law Day Address By Dean Of Clackamas Judges

The importance for students to not only be educated in law but to have a firm grasp of history in order to understand why our founding fathers established such laws was stressed to a delegation of more than 50 students of Douglas County high schools Wednesday.

Clackamas County Judge Ralph Holman was the speaker at the luncheon meeting held in the Umpqua hotel, when the students were guests of the Douglas County Bar Association. A total of 69 persons, including attorneys, attended.

The occasion was the annual Law Day observance. All high schools in the county except two sent student delegates to Roseburg for the day. They toured the courthouse, heard an explanation of criminal law from District Attorney Avery Thompson and an explanation of court procedure from Circuit Judge Don H. Sanders.

Observe Trial

After that they attended sessions of a trial in process in Circuit Court of Judge Charles S. Woodrich. Attorney William Lasswell was general chairman in charge. At the dinner meeting James Richmond, president of the bar association; Don Kelley, vice president; and Fred Bernau, secretary-treasurer, were introduced.

Judge Holman, senior Clackamas judge of four, who has served on the State Supreme Court in a relief role and has had some interesting cases, said the purpose of Law Day was to make people conscious of the fact "we are a country of people who bow our heads to the rule of law and not to an administrative government."

Attorneys, he said, have a high

regard for the process of law. He explained the difference between legislative law — that passed by a legislative body; and common law — that set by precedent of what has happened before in bygone years, rules laid down by the courts in hundreds of years of decisions.

The constitution, he explained, grants power to the government. The rest is left to the people. We have legislative, judicial and administrative divisions of our government, and he warned against permitting one to jeopardize the rights of the others. We have dictatorship when the government is concentrated in one body, he said.

He cited the case argued in Oregon courts where a school teacher sought a legislative post. Hearing the case, he ruled the teacher could not, because he was from the administrative side of government.

Pre-School Roundup Scheduled At Dillard

A "Pre-School Roundup" of next year's first graders and their parents is scheduled at Dillard Elementary School on May 8, reports Principal Bert Kleiner.

The event is slated from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

To be eligible for attendance in the first grade, a child must be six years of age on or before Nov. 15. Parents are requested to bring their child's birth certificate.

Kleiner said the first grade teachers and county health nurse will be present to discuss with parents various problems related to a youngster's first year in school.

Roseburg Sister City Group Hears Report On Europeans

The Roseburg Sister Cities Committee turned its sights on Europe Wednesday noon at a luncheon meeting in the Umpqua Hotel.

A report of the characteristics of European countries was made by George Castillo. He suggested that three Scandinavian countries and five of the six Common Market countries be given consideration because of many common ties they have with America.

Other areas of the world still in the running for selection of a sister city are Latin America, Japan and the Philippines.

Chairman Peter Serafin asked persons on the committee to investigate these further for common characteristics, so the selection might be narrowed even more at the next meeting May 22.

Diek Hagen, another committee member, said he felt Iceland should be included among the countries considered also.

Mrs. A. G. McLain suggested that when the field of areas is narrowed down to a single country that a city be selected which has a YMCA. She said Roseburg has a membership of 1,500 in probably as broad an age range as could be found in any single organization of the town.

Serafin reported on cities from which he had received replies on successes and pitfalls of other sister city programs. He also reported that 216 cities had made affiliations with foreign cities up to March of this year.

Shoulder Work Due On State Highway

The Creswell-to-Cottage Grove section of Interstate 5 in Lane County will be limited to two opposing lanes of traffic starting approximately May 6, while the shoulders of the new northbound lanes are paved, it was announced today by the Oregon State Highway Department.

During the shoulder paving period, vehicles will use the southbound lanes for two-way traffic.

Traffic will continue to use all four lanes of the divided highway between Goshen and Creswell. Paving of shoulders on this section will start at a later time this spring, and two-way traffic conditions will then become necessary throughout the entire Goshen-Cottage Grove section until the work is completed.

The shoulder paving on the Goshen-Cottage Grove section will take approximately five to six weeks to complete, depending on the weather.

The Highway Department will install an adequate system of warning signs to provide motorists with full knowledge that the four-lane traffic is being reduced to two lanes.

Four Face Death At San Quentin

SAN QUENTIN, Calif. (UPI)—The first quadruple execution since the gas chamber was installed in San Quentin Prison 25 years ago apparently will be carried out Friday on schedule.

Gov. Edmund G. Brown, a staunch opponent of capital punishment, announced Wednesday he would not intervene in the cases of three convicted murderers scheduled to die. The fourth was refused a stay of execution by both U.S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas and the California Supreme Court.

The governor's action concerned Joseph Rosoto, 39; John F. Vlahovich, 31; and Donald G. Franklin, 24, all sentenced to death for the shotgun slaying of Anaheim tavern operator Leslie J. Simpson in 1959.

The futile court appeals were on behalf of Charles J. Goldston, 21, convicted of raping and strangling a 79-year-old woman in Los Angeles.

Because San Quentin's gas chamber contains only two seats, a quadruple execution would have to be carried out in two phases. Vlahovich and Franklin are scheduled to die at 10 a.m. Friday, while the executions of Rosoto and Goldston are scheduled for 2 p.m.

Four Men Are Missing In Small Private Plane

SEATTLE (UPI)—Search was on today for a private plane with four men aboard missing since early Wednesday on a flight from Portland to Seattle.

The plane belongs to Falconers, Inc., a private flying club at the nearby Renton airport.

Reported aboard were the pilot, Barry Tomkins, Kenndale, and John Tuohy, 19; Dennis Handley, 38, and Ray Hirai, all of nearby Bellevue.

Director William Gebenini of the State Aeronautics Board said no flight plan was filed. He said a gasoline station attendant reported he sold Tomkins a map and filled the plane's tank Tuesday night.

Doug-Etts Horse Show Set At Fairgrounds Saturday

Another big horse show is scheduled at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Roseburg this weekend.

It is the sixth annual All-Breeds Horse Show sponsored by the Doug-Etts Sheriff's Mounted Patrol. The show is expected to draw performance horses from all over the state, according to Mrs. Mary Perry, publicity chairman.

It is a one-day show, beginning with the junior classes in 11 a.m. morning. The afternoon will be devoted to the senior show.

The juniors will start at 10 a.m. with pole bending, Texas barrel race, English pleasure, keyhole race, western pleasure and western stock saddle seat.

The senior show, starting at 1:30 p.m., will start with a parade of stallions, followed by the Arabian costume class. Activities for the rest of the afternoon will include Figure 8 Stake race, keyhole race,

western pleasure, Texas barrel, English pleasure, team baton, pole bending, Arabian three-gaited, seamy and bareback relay race.

Many of the horses present will be working for Oregon Horsemen's Association and Western Horsemen's Organization points. A high-point trophy will be awarded both junior and senior high-point horsemen.

The prize will be awarded someone from the spectator crowd, Mrs. Perry said.

Proceeds from the show will go toward assisting 4-H groups, schools and students as a method of promoting better horsemanship.

Births

Mercy Hospital

TROYER — To Mr. and Mrs. Vernon L. Troyer, 2788 NW Calkins Rd., Roseburg, April 23, a daughter, Renee Louise; weight 6 pounds 11 ounces.

O'DELL — To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. O'Dell, 634 NE Knoll, Roseburg, April 23, a daughter, Mary Celeste; weight 8 pounds 12 1/2 ounces.

WHELCHER — To Mr. and Mrs. Gary G. Whelcher, 212 SE Lane, Roseburg, April 26, a daughter, Tamara LaVerne; weight 7 pounds 6 ounces.

SULFRIDGE — To Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Sulfridge, Box 65, Glide, April 26, a daughter, Valerie Jane; weight 8 pounds 3 ounces.

HUCKINS — To Mr. and Mrs. Louis Huckins, Box 88, Sutherlin, April 26, a daughter, Taunja Marie; weight 6 pounds.

OESTMAN — To Mr. and Mrs. Frederick F. Oestman Jr., Box 933, Roseburg, April 27, a daughter, Lorene Kay; weight 6 pounds 7 ounces.

Oil Search To Resume

NEWPORT, Ore. (UPI)—The Shell Oil Co. vessel Eureka arrived here Tuesday to resume offshore exploration for oil.

Educators Attend Math Conference

About 70 administrators, teachers and curriculum specialists attended the mathematics conference held at Glide Elementary School recently.

The conference involved discussion of new concepts of teaching elementary mathematics called Modern Mathematics. It was sponsored by the Glide School District and drew representation from as far south as Medford and as far north as Eugene.

Supt. Donald Fluke, who welcomed the group, said he felt the conference was well received by those who attended. He said the Glide Elementary School is the first in Southern Oregon to adopt Modern Mathematics as a successful tool of teaching the subject in the lower grades.

The all-day session included a film, classroom discussions and a panel discussion on the ways of implementing a Modern Mathematics program.

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