

School Construction Shows Increase In Many Douglas County Districts

After a year of coasting on new school construction, building has picked up markedly in the last few months, and another respite isn't in sight.

At Roseburg, a contract has just been let for construction of a first unit of the new Winchester Elementary School on a bid of \$178,463. This will be a two-story 84x64-foot structure containing six classrooms and a 121-by-32-foot building with two classrooms, a heating plant, toilets and storage rooms.

This, however, is just a beginning for a rapidly-expanding district. A five-year plan has been worked out for other construction, to be launched by a bond issue of \$600,000 for construction at the high school and a \$700,000, four-year serial levy for additions to elementary schools.

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meeting its school facility needs. Probably the district facing the toughest problems is Reedsport, where a new International Paper Co. pulp and paper plant and an expansion of U. S. Plywood Corp. has put tremendous pressure on present facilities.

Last year, the district approved a \$120,000 bond issue for additional elementary school rooms. Early this year, it approved still a second one for an additional six classrooms at Highland Elementary School. This brought the school up to 24 rooms. This bond issue was also for \$120,000.

Riddle, too, got into the act. It hopes to open a big addition to its school plant this fall. The building will include a classroom building of about 15,000 square feet and a shop building of about 4,000 square feet. Seven classrooms, a library, multipurpose room and a shop are included in construction.

Also involved are remodeling improvements to the existing high school. The job is costing more than \$287,000.

Glide, too, is working on a new school. It is a starter unit for a new elementary school north of the present high school.

The new six-room addition is being financed through a serial levy and \$53,000 approved in this year's budget.

Douglas Getting Addition
Douglas High School is getting a new \$100,000 four-classroom addition, and Drain High has added a new shop building.

Even parochial schools are working on new facilities. The Roseburg Seventh-day Adventist Church has found its school is getting too old, so it is building another on NW Calkins Road. The new school will contain four classrooms, a library, principal's room and a covered play area. Future plans call for an adjoining auditorium.

With its considerable supply of volunteer labor, the church feels cost of the structure will be only about \$30,000.

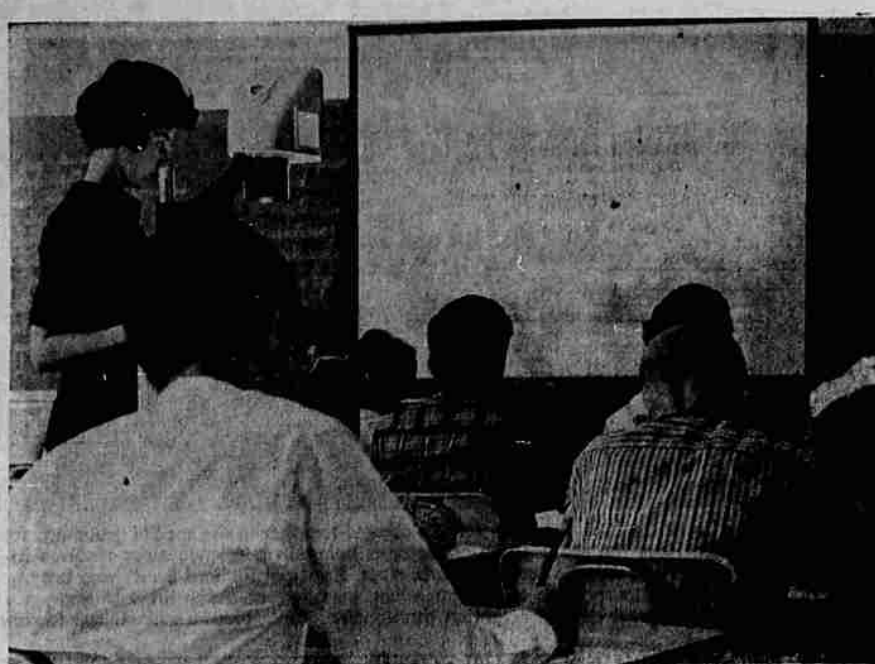
Meanwhile, Myrtle Creek's school attendance is also forcing it to begin work as soon as possible on new facilities. It was about to launch a building project when consolidation plans got under way. Now it is holding up consideration while consolidation plans are being discussed with Canyonville.

Diane Foster Shines

Diane Foster, Riddle High School senior, was one of 10 young people in the nation and the only one in the western part of the United States to win the \$1,000 national president's scholarship awarded by the American Legion Auxiliary last spring.



APPOINTED principal at Eastwood School is Robert Colley. He has been principal at Melrose School since 1961, and will now serve at both schools. Colley was graduated from Roseburg High School in 1946 and received his degree in education from Southern Oregon College. He has been a teacher in the Roseburg School system since 1954.



OVERHEAD PROJECTORS are one of the key machines being used in the team teaching program which is being expanded in the Roseburg public school system. Miss Carlene Felker, shown here with a John C. Fremont Junior High School group, was one of several teachers who used the overhead projector to flash material on the screen at the front of the room, as pictured here. (News-Review Photo)

Oregon Program Is Being Expanded In Roseburg Public School System

Roseburg teachers will meet for their annual inservice conference Aug. 26 at John C. Fremont Junior High and one of the chief topics for discussion will be the Oregon Program, which is being expanded in the Roseburg system.

The Oregon Program is financed by foundation monies and is designed to improve instruction in the state's schools. Roseburg is co-operating in a program with the University of Oregon, Eugene, Springfield and Bethel school systems, through the state Department of Education.

"We believe in improving our instructional program through curriculum revision and updating, inservice training and the use of new facilities, such as overhead projectors, science kits, etc.," assistant superintendent of schools Harry Jacoby says.

As a part of the Oregon Program for the past school year, a number of teachers and administrators attended workshops both during the school year and summer. Eighteen attended workshops at the University of Oregon, eight went to Salem for an elementary team teaching workshop and eight went to Portland for a secondary workshop.

Roseburg will have a number of interns in its school system this year, with one at the high school in math, one at each junior high in English and two at Riverside elementary school. The interns, college graduates who are working on their degrees but who do not have teaching certificates, will work closely with regular teachers and each team teaching area will have an aide to help with clerical duties, etc. This program is designed to give the regular classroom teachers more time to spend with the students.

Jacoby said the Roseburg schools have added a number of new teaching devices for the use of teachers, including several overhead projectors.

The curriculum improvement is centered around the district scope and sequence program, which is developed by designated teachers in the district. Basis of the program is (1) scope, determining the desired goals in education; (2) sequence, the steps to be taken in reaching those goals.

The curriculum committees in science and language arts (speaking and listening) have revised their programs and new booklets will be provided this year. These booklets provide the individual teachers with material needed to carry out a uniform program of instruction throughout the school system.

The business education department is working on a revision of its program this year.

Also during the past year, the

principals completed a handbook for elementary teachers and one for principals. These will be reviewed by teachers and administrators this year and revised next summer.

Another key to work being carried to coincide with the Oregon Program is the development of a materials center. The first step in the development of this center has been completed and the group working on the program is remodeling the old cafeteria at the high school to have a meeting place for curriculum groups, as well as for storage of materials of all kinds.

It is felt that through the development of such a materials center, all of the facilities of the school district will be readily available to any classroom in the district.



TEAM TEACHING being used in Roseburg High School enables George Larson, left, to give individual attention to students, while teacher Mrs. Jean Defenbach, at front of room, presents material to the remainder of the class. Larson is the head of the RHS mathematics department. (News-Review Photo)

Roseburg Lists New Principals For Coming Year

Several changes in administrative positions in Roseburg's School District 4 were brought about this year by the district's policy of advancing personnel within the school system to administrative posts when they become available.

"We feel the best source of administrators are the people who have worked up in their own district," Supt. of Schools M. C. Deller says. "We have followed this principle in several instances during the past months."

Heading the list of new administrators is Robert McKee, who was appointed principal at Roseburg High School. McKee was formerly principal at John C. Fremont Junior High. He replaces Ralph Teters, who resigned to accept a principalship at Piedmont, Calif.

Replacing McKee at Fremont Junior High is Robert Keady, former principal of the Benson-Eastwood Elementary Schools. Keady served as vice principal of Central Junior High when it was being operated in conjunction with Joseph Lane Junior High following the destruction of the Central building in the Aug. 7, 1959 blast.

Charles Bailey, a teacher at the Hucrest Elementary School, has been appointed principal at Benson School.

Robert Colley, principal at Melrose School, has been appointed to serve as principal at Eastwood School in addition to his Melrose post. He was given this assignment because of his experience as an administrator. Instead of serving as a teacher-principal at Melrose, he will now head both schools. Gerald Hennebeck has been appointed teaching vice principal at Eastwood School.

Kenneth Speedie, who has been teaching vice principal at Eastwood School, has been appointed principal at Wilbur - Winchester Schools. Jack E. Hunter will serve as teaching vice principal for those two schools.

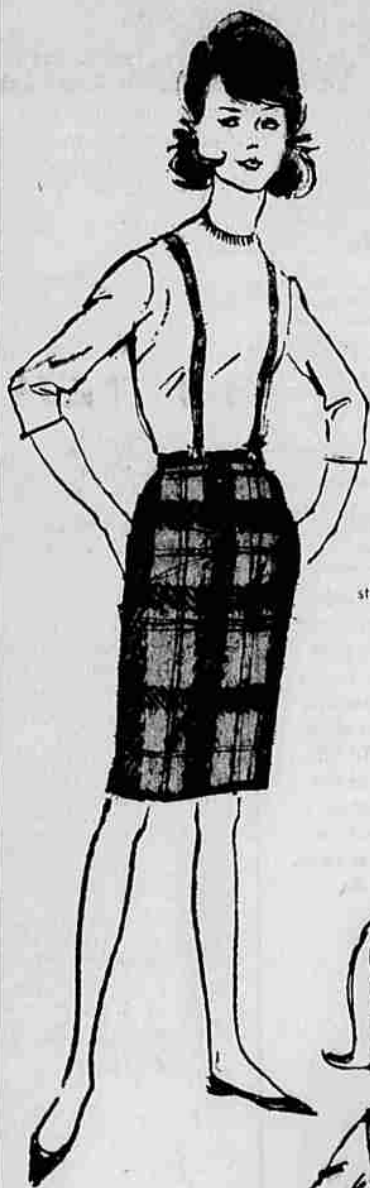
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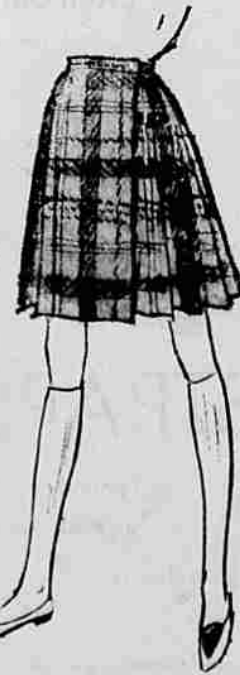
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