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	High	Low	Pre.
Jan. 22	48	40	.04
Jan. 23	58	33	.00
Jan. 24	54	37	.00
Jan. 25	53	40	.44
Jan. 26	47	35	.58
Jan. 27	43	37	.18
Jan. 28	49	37	.04

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City Faces Mystery \$358.19 Overage

A special city council session Tuesday night pondered the mystery of an overage of \$358.19 in city funds and voted to have an audit completed to find the sum. Alternative was to carry the sum as an overage, if it cannot be found.

The surplus was discovered in an audit of books from June 30 to the first of the year that was required to release the former city recorder, Don Allen, from his bond. The new audit will cover to January 6 when Farney Edwards, new recorder, took over. Edwards, who is not bonded, was instructed to take care of this at once by the council.

At the same time the \$2,000 bond for the recorder and water collector was upped by the council to \$15,000. This will be in the form of two bonds, one for \$10,000 for the collector and \$5,000 for the recorder. Edwards holds both jobs. Council said it believed that too many funds were handled for the bond to remain at the low figure set by the charter.

Joe Bricher, in explaining the overage, said Percy Brown of Eugene, a CPA, had been at the city hall two days and had finally called in Allen when the surplus turned up. He explained that the sum had been deposited but no receipt could be found for that amount.

Bricher said the payment might be a sewer assessment or Bancroft payment, and that in the future if a citizen turned up who had paid this amount he would have to prove it. It was also noted that the sum might be for several different amounts.

The bonding company will not release Allen until the books balance, Bricher pointed out. Since Allen is to leave possibly this week on an extended vacation, it is necessary to have Edwards bonded, he added.

In other business council heard Resolution 429 that declared an emergency and authorized salary increases of \$15 a month for all city salaried employees, retroactive to January 1. However, due to the necessity of recording part of the resolution it was held over to the next meeting February 2. Council at its last meeting had voted to give the increases from the emergency fund, which showed a surplus of \$5,598.53.

24-Hour Skywatch Operation Is Begun

Operation Skywatch in the hut on top of the city hall got underway on a round the clock basis this week, but more volunteers are still being sought to take shifts.

Ray Denham, civil defense head here, said that in addition to groups who have volunteered to sponsor days of watch that the National Guard would take Thursday and the aerobatics class at the high school Sundays.

Wednesday were to be in charge of Royal Neighbors, but they have since declined to help. Denham said. He added he hoped another group would volunteer. This Wednesday Harry Sturges, a bank employee took the night and day shift as an emergency measure. Friday shifts are in charge of Mrs. Erwin Hansen, with Mrs. H. E. Nichols captain of Saturday watches.

The Legion and Auxiliary took the Monday shift, with Mrs. Nellie Peterson, chief observer, in charge of Tuesday watchers. Her daughter, Mrs. Edna Horn of Mt. View, was the spotter Tuesday morning when your Sentinel reporter climbed the precariously steep ladder from the upstairs city hall to the roof.

Mrs. Horn said reports showed that nine planes were spotted and reported by phone direct to an army air force office in Portland Monday night by Legion observers. She said as of Tuesday morning none had been seen and that city fire department and street noises did hamper work somewhat. The hut is rather soundproof and best operations can be done from outside on the roof, she said.

An Army air force film on Operation Skywatch will be shown to the public soon free of charge at the Diane theater, thru the courtesy of Cleo Morelock. Date of the film will be announced later.

MOOSE LODGE INSTALLS MAIN STREET TRASH CANS. The Moose lodge here has put up attractive, green trash cans on downtown streets in a drive to "Keep Your City Clean."

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Latham Area Sets \$38,000 Bond Vote

Voters in Latham school district 25-J will go to the polls Friday, February 6, to ballot on two bond issues totalling \$38,000 for an addition to the school and a new bus.

All legal voters properly registered and residing in the district are eligible to cast ballots. Polls will be open at the school from 2 to 8 p.m.

The bond issues will be on separate ballots. One will be for \$32,000 to provide for two new classrooms and furnishings. The other for \$6,000 will go for a new school bus.

Census Figures Down. Present enrollment at the school is about 206, with this district the only one in the recent school census to show an anticipated decrease rather than increase in enrollment of first graders for next fall. A total of 24 is expected to graduate this spring, with the census showing 16 potential first graders for next fall.

Residents of the district at an open hearing recently discussed the bond issue. It was brought out that the present bus needed repairs and was not big enough. Discussion also was held on about \$2,000 available to be transferred from another fund to make up any difference.

The question of whether new industries would bring additional families and whether the freeway when put in would spoil the Latham school setup were also brought up.

Mothers to March In Dimes Campaign. A Cottage Grove Mother's March to collect funds to aid polio victims will be staged Thursday night, January 29. About 30 ladies, mostly Jayceettes and PTA members, will go to homes who show the welcoming lighted porch light for March of Dimes contributions.

The city fire whistle will blow at 8:30 p.m. to start the march, which will continue for an hour. The city itself has been divided into seven sections. Outlying areas to be visited by the marchers, who will wear identifying arm bands, include River Road Village, Sweet Lane, Knox Hill, Harvey road, the district south of the high school to the drive-in theater and Woodard's housing unit.

A sound truck was to go around the city Wednesday night announcing the march and encouraging citizens to cooperate in it. This part of the Dimes drive has been very successful in other areas in past years but it is the first time it has been tried here.

Scotch Lite Drive Termed Successful. The Junior Chamber of Commerce Scotch lite program went over big in Cottage Grove the past two week ends, with about 150 cars receiving the reflectorized bumper strips in a drive for safety.

The Jaycees ran out of tape the first Saturday and finally got a supply in Eugene for the 24th. They plan another drive when more material arrives. The \$1 fee charged goes into a fund for civic projects.

COUPLE IN SUN VALLEY. Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Schaffner spent a few days over the weekend at Sun Valley, Idaho. Mrs. E. C. Dye, mother of Mrs. Schaffner, cared for the Schaffner children while they were away.

Federal Law Interpretation Cause Of Surcharge, Power Firm States

Full-Time Manager Planned for C of C

Plans for a full-time manager to carry out the Chamber of Commerce program in Cottage Grove was given impetus at a director's meeting Tuesday noon.

Directors who have spurred a recent membership drive on the basis of a program to be run by a manager urged that applicants be screened and one picked soon. Members of the committee investigating the matter include Art Schaefer, chairman; Taylor Young and George Drury.

Drury said Schaefer already had a lot of correspondence on the matter and also that the group would contact the Oregon Chamber Executives group for applicant suggestions. The manager idea was approved by directors at previous meetings.

Cleo Morelock, who with Art Weinkauff make up one of the membership teams, said he had sold several "sustained," or more than one to a firm, memberships on the basis that a manager would be hired to carry out projects. These would include off-street parking and housing.

Special contributions have already been promised that would help pay the salary of a manager, he continued. Joe Crepeau, local mayor, said at the meeting he personally would give \$150 to the salary fund.

Another person has promised up to \$500, Morelock said. Idea Selling. "The idea of a manager is what is selling the Chamber now," Morelock continued. "Many are taking memberships that have not belonged for some time." (He reported six new memberships in his area of canvass.)

Plans were, if possible, to have a manager picked by February 16, date of the First Citizens banquet. Also it was planned to have each committee head make a report at this meeting.

A committee also was appointed to arrange a slogan for the town that could be used on stationery and business statements. Warren Hansen was named chairman, with Miles Wicks and Earl Wilson assisting.

Another program passed on was lights for the flood control sign at the highway and Main street. A letter will be sent to the U. S. Engineers for permission to erect the lights and the city which has leased the sign, will be asked to erect them.

Another matter brought up was the problem of outside salesmen coming into town. The directors agreed that there should be a more effective plan to check on these persons and they should have a card of okay from the Chamber. Art Weinkauff, Cleo Morelock and H. B. McMillan were appointed a committee to study the matter.

SPRINGFIELD SITUATION. Sipe said he realized there was some feeling over the Springfield preferential rates. He said these were lower in order to compete with federal power and that the stockholders were taking the loss. He added that no customer in the rest of the area was paying to subsidize lower rates in Springfield as had been expressed.

Joe Bricher, a councilman, stated that since power was so high in Cottage Grove probably the city should have municipal power. Rohrbaugh answered that it would be very costly to put in municipal power considering that the rate would not be too much lower. Sipe said, "We hope you would not do that."

In answer to a question whether Mountain States in Cottage Grove could fill future industry's needs, Sipe said yes, except for aluminum plants which "eat up" all the power.

Sipe also spoke of the "fine steam plant" of W. A. Woodard Lumber Co. that was furnishing dependable power for the company in the area.

Joe Crepeau, mayor, asked, "Is there any assurance this surcharge won't reoccur every few years?" Rohrbaugh said that the list of stream flow showed it happened about once in 20 years, the last being in 1937.

Joe Crepeau, Grove mayor, said he interpreted the surcharge as actually a subsidy allowed by the PUC in order to guarantee a profit to the company. Sipe answered that since the utility regulation did not allow over a 6 percent return, that it could not be interpreted that way. He said last year the return was only 5.4 percent. This was necessary to pay the securities held by customers, he said.

In concluding the session Sipe reiterated that the preference clause under fire by private power was interpreted to deny them a fair share of firm power from federal sources.

OREGON GAME GROUP Sets Fishing Rules. Final angling regulations set Saturday by the Oregon game commission following a second public hearing in Portland contained no changes in bag limits or trout season openings.

The new 1953 sport fishing regulations must be filed with the Secretary of State and will not be in effect until Saturday, Feb. 7. In Zone 1 (Coastal waters) and Zone 2 (Willamette, Sandy, and Hood River watersheds) trout season will be open April 18, and all other areas trout season will close May 2. Trout season will close state-wide October 11.

The three items drawing the most anglers and discussion at the second public hearing were Oregon City falls and Wilson river fishing deadlines and elimination of boat fishing on the Alsea river.

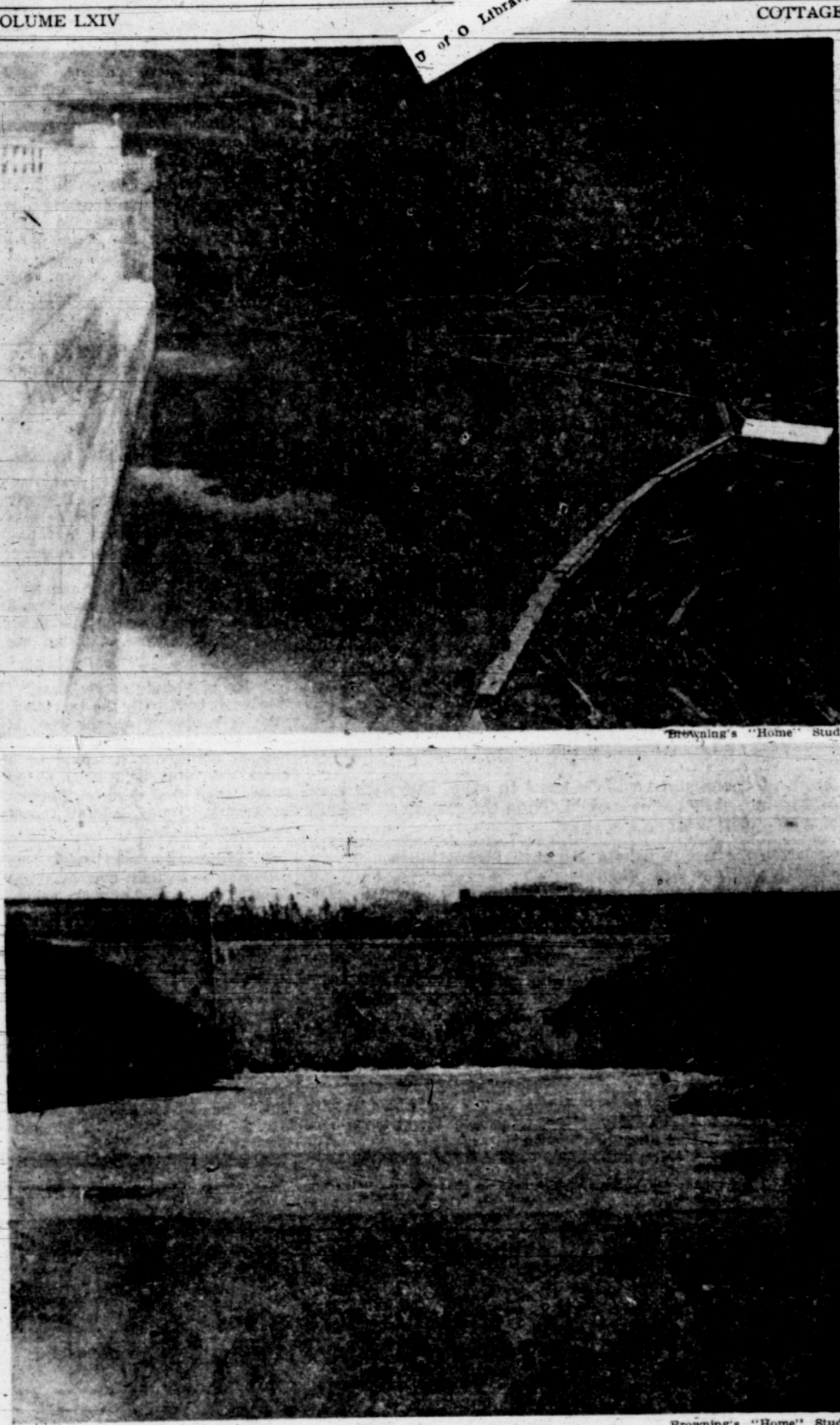
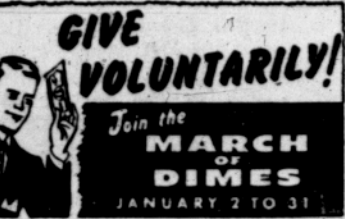
Adjustments were made by the commission in the lower deadline at Oregon City falls. The tentative regulation to move the Wilson river deadline downstream from Lees bridge to Jordan creek was dropped and the deadline is the same as last year's. The Alsea river boat fishing closure above the mouth of Mill creek was retained and Lake creek (Siuslaw river tributary) was closed to boat fishing above Deadwood creek.

Fish lake in Linn county was closed to all angling and the opening for Lake of the Woods (Klamath county) was restored to last year's date, May 30. Salmon angling closure dates on Kilchis river were changed to allow anglers to take silver salmon and the Tillamook river, salmon deadline was moved upstream to Killiam creek.

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The Dorena dam was one of the two reasons why we did not have a flood on January 21. The other reason was the Cottage Grove lake. Upper picture taken just above the dam shows debris, logs and bark, covering more than a quarter of an acre. The debris will probably be floated away and burned. The logs and bark have to be moved by hand. Lower picture shows the discharge after the danger had passed.

The dam stored 49.28 feet of water from the storm, ending January 21. The pool crest was reached at 9 p.m. January 21 with a storage of 52,162 acre feet above the minimum pool. At the same time a discharge of 5,000 cubic feet per second was released from the dam gates. Previously the discharge had been at the rate of 100 cubic feet per second.

According to Earl Stanley, dam tender, a reading made at the Star check station, above the Dorena school, showed the depth of water in the Row river to be 12.8 feet with a flow of 14,940 cubic feet per second.

Novel Question, Answer Session Airl School Problems at PTA Meet Here

PTA held a novel question and answer session on school problems Tuesday night with educators taking the brunt of the barrage. The questions, ranging from athletics to rain shelters, were written anonymously on slips of paper.

Members of a panel answering parents' questions included Elmer Fleming, superintendent of grade schools and Bud Neal, principal of Jefferson and Adams. PTA panel members were Joe King and Mrs. Milt Turay. The meeting was held at Harrison school.

Key points brought up in questions were concerning the inadequacy of Jefferson school built in 1914; an attack on the competitive athletic program; need for a junior high school; retarded children; music education; the lunch program; shelters and several other matters.

Fleming said that the old Jefferson building was no longer adequate but that it would take a lot of money to replace it, probably as much as a half a million dollars. He said in effect that the district could not be bonded for that much more now and no new building was in the picture for at least ten years.

He said that the school could probably keep up with the birth rate rise but not with an expanding community. He added that next year two more first grade rooms and a fifth grade probably would have to be added.

Jefferson does not meet present standards," he continued. "The fire marshal at a recent inspection asked me how much longer

it would be before we could discard the building."

He also commented that outside fire escapes from upstairs were called for and would be installed soon.

In answer to a question from one mother why it was not possible to have a junior high school, Fleming answered that it would be with reorganization.

"Reorganization was defeated at the November election, but it is far from closed. The Grange is now working in the legislature for new plans. We must have reorganization to carry on an adequate program. We should have had it seven years ago. I don't know what the people were thinking of when they voted it down."

He added also that this district alone could not afford to build a junior high school.

Bud Neal, who is Jefferson hoop coach as well as principal, answered one parent who said he was opposed to "such extensive competitive sports, traveling and too many games." Neal said he believed the benefits from competitive athletics outweighed bad effects, if any. He said that the schedule was for 15 games in about as many weeks but could be

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JC's Make Awards In Speech Contest

The Junior Chamber of Commerce held its second annual Voice of Democracy award dinner last Thursday night at the IOOF hall.

Barbara Throop, first winner, was given a \$25 war bond and Dean Perkins and Margaret Hyde, second and third winners, cash prizes. The speech contest was held at the high school earlier this fall. The winner's recorded talk was forwarded to a state contest.

Making the awards was Marvin Jacobsen, who was co-chairman for the contest with Doyle Shepherd. Shepherd made a short talk on the Voice of Democracy program.

Virgil Kingsley, superintendent of Cottage Grove high school, said that the school planned to incorporate the contest in its civic studies course. Other guests included Mr. and Mrs. Joe Throop and Mrs. Perkins, parents of the winners.

Larry Moore, state Jaycee president, installed new officers as he also talked on Jaycee aims. Officers installed were Stan Daugherty, president; Bob Bauder, first vice president; Harold Monaghan, second vice president; Bob Boyce, secretary; Bill Githens, treasurer and Gene Cutts, Bill Telford and Cliff Babcock, directors.

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OLD PIONEER GALDABINI HOME near Anlauf is sacrificed for progress as the new freeway goes thru. The home, over 60 years old, was razed not only for the highway but for the Buck Creek underpass. Home stood directly in center of where freeway will go. Work on the highway, part of the Anlauf-Elkhead cutoff, is up to the site.

First picture shows the old home with its heavily laden grape arbors, built by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Galdabini. Site was an old railroad land claim. House was erected around hand hewn stone fireplace that was left from an old home occupied by the Turpin family. Galdabini built their home



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