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## The Over-Crowded School Room

Cottage Grove, it seems, has a problem common to the rest of the nation and this is the matter of providing adequate facilities for a growing school population. We have two choices in providing these facilities. One is to vote more taxes and do it ourselves or look to the federal government to do it for us. As we said last week we do not think much of the federal aid proposition, so would recommend a "Yes" vote.

In trying to find an answer to some of the financial problems connected with more school facilities for more people, the matter of school consolidation offers the most effective answer. Here we are told the per pupil cost of the grade school is \$157.00 per year. It's much higher in some of the rural areas because of the small school enrollment. As bad as it seems to some of our rural neighbors to lose the school building and thus lose the community center, the high cost of operation is either going to bankrupt the district as far as reaching the point of saturation in the matter of real estate taxes, or the school will have to be moved where it can be more efficiently operated. We still think it is very unfair for the real estate to have to bear the entire burden of financing our public school operations. Unless our methods of taxation are equalized soon a lot of home owners in the low income group are going to be disappointed.

Still another economy we have heard talked about quite at length is placing both schools, the grade and high school under one superintendent. The one superintendent plan was abandoned several years ago, we learned from good authority, because one board disliked the superintendent and the present plan offered the best chance of kicking him out. It might have appeared to be the best way out of a difficult situation at the time, but judging from the experiences of other communities, it has been a costly one.

## Tipping Not An American Custom

Tipping, we are told, is not an American custom, but has become almost universally accepted particularly in the larger centers. It has presented a problem to the ordinary traveler who felt that he or she was paying enough for the food, lodging or fare. The filthy rich can be blamed for a lot of hardships that the common traveler has to endure because the rich are able to pay for the special service they demand. Tipping has never been popular in the smaller places, but in the metropolitan areas as well as in Europe, the traveler won't get very far unless he tips rather generously, perhaps more than ten percent. One traveler relates that the best way to get the taxi driver slammed in your face is to offer the taxi driver in the midwest or eastern cities a ten to fifteen per cent tip on a \$2.00 fare.

The same traveler also tried the experiment of not tipping the waitress in the cafe. He got good service on his first visit, but after that the waitress could not see him, or if she did see him, it was after everyone else around had been served. In most European places the matter of the tip is solved by adding a ten percent service charge to your meal ticket, but even after the service charge the waiter often expects a tip. One of the things that make the custom a nuisance over here is that waiters and taxi driver, bell hops and others are no longer satisfied with the usual ten percent tip, they want more.

All of which reminds us that one of the pleasant things about an airplane trip is that usually, no tips are allowed.

## \$37.00 Is the Happy Stage

According to a story we read, people seem to think more money makes for more happiness and the ideal amount to earn in addition to that you are now earning is \$37.00 per week. Just why this odd figure was reached, we'll never know. However, a lot of people spend a lot of useless time dreaming about what they could do if they had more money.

The habit has made a lot of us glib. The idea of getting something for nothing certainly has a popular appeal. It's been pretty costly, too.

## Fire Insurance Losses for '51-'54 Reported by CGFD

Year	Alarms	No. of Claims	Sound Value	Amt. of Ins.	Actual Loss	Insurance Pd.	Percent of Loss
1953:	50	27	\$208,596	168,000	8,847	8,847	4.24
1954:	52	25	\$169,634	157,634	2,520	2,510	1.48
Total 1951-54:	283	118	\$962,861	\$803,246	71,741	62,971	7.45
1952:	66	4	\$35,500	23,500	3,602	3,150	10.14
1951:	62	29	\$147,736	112,600	92,631	34,803	21.450
Totals 1952-54:	242	59	\$293,129	\$228,631	\$58,111	\$58,111	19.04
1951:	102	42	\$395,350	\$304,000	\$142,173	\$142,173	38.098
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Following is the summary of insured loss in the city of Cottage Grove for the years 1951 through 1954.

## In Twenty Five Years

Within twenty-five years, municipalities in Oregon will be treating drinking water with flourine the same as they treat the water for impurities. The argument of the so-called Pure Water committee that all kinds of harmful effects to the general health of the water drinker, will be experienced if flourine is added is just that much bosh and is one of the silliest arguments that we ever heard of. We lived in a country where a natural supply of flourine abounded and we never heard of all the ills which might befall those who were unfortunate enough to have to drink the water where nature added a supply of flourine.

Figuring on the basis of the per capita population, there are no more undertakers in the natural flourine country of the southwest than in the pure water country of the northwest, as might be surmised after reading some of the arguments against flourine. But there are scores of people with better teeth. Coming closer to home, experiments have been conducted in four cities in Clatsop county. In two of the cities where flourine has been added, there is less of a dental problem among the six to 12-year age group than a similar group where flourine was not added to the water supply.

## \$1,200 Per Taxpayer

Oregon Tax Research estimate that total federal budget for 1956-57 means \$405 per capita for residents of Oregon is as accurate as can be computed from available sources of information. However, there are only 550,000 families, single adults and corporations in Oregon who pay federal taxes directly or indirectly. That means that of \$671,800,000, the Oregon share of the total federal budget of \$65,865,000,000, the share per federal taxpayer is \$1,200. Yet, as there are only some 440,000 individual and corporate federal taxpayers in Oregon, who will have to pay direct federal taxes of some \$530,000,000 to be collected in Oregon, the federal tax share to be borne per taxpayer is slightly in excess of \$1,200 per taxpayer, due to the fact that Oregon pays slightly more than her per capita share of federal taxes.—Oregon Voter.

## Flood Damage Funds for Oregon Available Almost Immediately

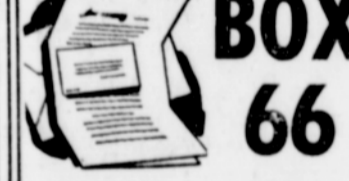
(Harris Ellsworth, Congressman)  
The President's budget contains considerable good news for many communities in our Fourth Congressional district. As I count it the total for the District is \$8,380,190. The breakdown of that figure shows: \$2,400,000 for construction on the Talent irrigation project in Jackson county; \$2,000,000 to continue construction of Hills River Dam on the Willamette east of Eugene and \$1,500,000 for construction on Cougar Dam on the McKenzie; \$100,000 for construction of Eugene's Amazon project; \$100,000 to continue planning of the Green Peter Dam on the Santiam; completion funds of \$489,300 for Detroit Dam and \$161,000 for lookout Point Dam on Coos Bay; \$439,000 is asked to complete the Charleston project plus \$613,500 for dredging the main harbor and \$418,000 for the repair of structures, presumably the jetty.  
The Schofield River project at Reedsport will get \$54,000 and \$40,000 is included for dredging the harbor at Bandon.

The weakness in the budget so far as we are concerned is the failure to provide enough money for needed river surveys. For the whole country only \$1,650,000 is asked for preliminary survey reports such as those which have long been authorized for the Coquille, the Umpqua, the Coos Bay area (flood control) and the Rogue. When I appear before the House Appropriations committee I shall lay heavy emphasis on the need for such surveys, money so that flood protection in those areas may be planned and ultimately provided under the Federal Flood Control acts.

Here is some good news about flood damage survey and repair money which is available right now. The law known as P.L. 99 of the 84th Congress, requires the army engineers, immediately upon the occurrence of a flood, to survey the damage sustained to all previously constructed flood control or prevention works. Having determined the nature and extent of such damage the district engineer is then allocated money with which to proceed immediately in making repairs or reconstruction. This law applies to flood control works whether they are privately constructed and owned. The money comes from a continuing fund held as an emergency fund in the army engineers' allocation for operation and maintenance.

The chief of engineers informs me that a preliminary survey indicates that as much as a million dollars may be needed for this work in our part of Oregon. Most of the damage is on the Willamette and its tributaries where most flood control work has been done. However, it should be noted that it makes no difference whether the damage to levees or other flood protection was either publicly or privately done. It will be repaired or replaced if necessary. Also, this money is available for use on any river in our area where damage has occurred. Contact for information about this work should be made with Colonel Jackson Graham, district engineer, Pittock Block, Portland.

In addition to the above money, some funds are also available for small projects not protected by other authorized projects (Sec. 212 of the Act of 1950); for snagging and clearing for flood control (Sec. 208 of the Act of 1951); and for emergency bank protection work to protect highway, bridge, approach and public works (Sec. 14 of the Act of 1946). Colonel Graham can furnish details on these.



## ON SHOOTING DOGS

To the Editor: The folks of Curtin on Bear Creek are quite put out at the wild shooting of a sheep dog named Penny. Penny is a shepherd and put out dog about 10 years old owned by Ervin Goins, Mrs. John Sowles gave Penny as a puppy to Erwin when he was a boy. Penny and Erwin grew up together with Penny remaining behind him while Erwin served his stretch with the U. S. Army.

Penny was always a lone-wolf dog hunting alone unless the young master went coon hunting with him. He and a neighbor dog have had 61 coons credited to them in a two-year period. Since that time coon has been lost but he treed at least four or five coons this last fall. Penny never was known to molest sheep or cattle but would go up and down the creek each night looking for coons and if he found the track of one would tree it and bark. Some of the neighbors or family heard his bark would come with flashlights and a gun to get the coon. Many times he has treed two coons in one night. The neighbors even put out scraps for Penny to try to encourage him to come around to keep the coons from their chickens.

But Penny was shot in a hind leg rather high up, shattering the bone. He was near the grade school at the time. Penny is now at the vets and it is nip and tuck if he lives or not. It is also reported another dog was shot and killed there the same day.

Some people keep female dogs and then shoot the male dogs when they come around. It seems if people want to keep female dogs they should have the dogs spayed and eliminate all the fuss.

Mrs. Ruby Meacham.  
Dear Editor:  
How right you are when you say we will get a few good laughs from the political campaign. Nothing will be funnier than the sight of the Democrats struggling to carry the Morse handicap

## First Citizen

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member of the Elks, and a member of the Cottage Grove Motorcycle club. He has been a volunteer fireman for the past nine years and has served as president of that group.

As his fellow Jaycees say about him, "No matter what project is undertaken, he can always be counted on to be there, in sickness or in health."

**Gilbert Ooms Meeting**  
Howard Gilbert, past president of the Cottage Grove Chamber, opened the meeting by calling on the Reverend Sherwood Smith to give the invocation.

Gilbert then introduced the past First Citizens. They were Warren H. Daugherty, Joe Crepeau, W. C. Martin, Walter A. Woodard and Floyd Githens. Mayor Jess Hill, Stanley Daugherty, as the first Jaycee Distinguished Service Award winner, and Woman of the Year Mrs. Leon Morton were also introduced.

Gilbert then turned the floor over to Bill Githens, president of the Jaycees. Githens stated that the Jaycees appreciated the invitation to take part in the banquet. He then introduced Monty Montgomery, past president of the Eugene Jaycees and Eugene's choice as the recipient for the Distinguished Service Award.

**Jaycee Board**  
The board of directors, which included 1st vice president Al Reilly, 2nd vice president John Albee, secretary Wilbur Heath, treasurer Howard Langston, past president Gene Cutts, and directors Al Johnson and Norman Shires were introduced by Githens.

Jack Lively, who was introduced at this time, gave a talk on how the young men of today can change the world with their thinking. He stated that there were Jaycee organizations in over 70 nations "reaching into the minds and hearts of people all over the world."

Following the Distinguished Service Award presentation to Gene Cutts, Howard Gilbert introduced Dean Morris for the First Citizen presentation.

**Problems Remain the Same**  
In his address, Morris stated that the problems we face and the solutions have changed. He said that Oregon is still the "Land of Empire Builders, Land of Heroes, and the Land of Promise," and that the problems we face and the encouragements that are ours remain as they were in days gone by.

Morris went on to state that our "Greatest of resources is the taking of your mind and women coming up in the community and taking their places in business." They are the ones who will find the new answers to the old questions. He emphasized that accomplishment will "be better done in the years of the future than they were in the years of the past."

**Petersen New President**  
Howard Gilbert concluded his address as Chamber of Commerce president by turning the gavel over to Herman Petersen, after thanking the 1955 officers and other persons who assisted him. He referred to Petersen as a "very capable man as new president."

Petersen remarked that he was very proud and honored to be the president of the Cottage Grove Chamber and that it was a responsibility that he would take as a challenge and do his best.

**Confidence in Future**  
He showed confidence in a productive future for Grove by stating that the easiest access into town and back onto the highway by way of Portland and Medford would be here.

Petersen has hope in the tourist industry but stated that we need more places for travelers to stay. With the start of strawberry growth in this area guaranteed, he emphasized that agriculture had a promising future here.

**Striving for Industry**  
The Chamber of Commerce is striving for more industry in the community, said Petersen. He then introduced the members of the 1956 Chamber board. They are 1st vice president Orly Bagley, 2nd vice president, Dr. Joseph Abbott, treasurer Fred Morris, retail division manager Joe Throop, and directors Hal Wolfard, Rev. Wend D. Hugh Peniston, Dwight Near, Leo Rickard, and Lloyd Aldrich.

Petersen introduced Carlton



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## Four Teams Tie At Second Behind Coastwise Finance

A tight four way tie for second place, one point behind Coastwise Finance in first, developed in the Elk's Bowling League last week.

Gene's Auto Service (Gene Cutts 221) made the most impressive raising from sixth into the second place by shutting out the heretofore first place Daugherty Lumber Co. team (Arthur Hadley 460) 4-0. The defeat moved Daugherty down into second.

Coastwise Finance (Roy Benedict 188) took possession of first place by splitting 2-2 with Eagles Cigar Store (Charles True 503).

Nolt's Chevron Station (Shaffer 191-517) took a portion of the big tie by defeating Pacific Power & Light 3-1.

**Brothers Score High**  
Grove Court Motel (Pat Rickard 192-C Morelock 527) beat Short's Grocery (Leo Rickard 192) 3-1, leaving Short's as the other team in the second place tie.

Kelly's Market (Hap Wolfard 219-558) held sixth place by splitting 2-2 with Men's Toggery and CG Police Department (Dave Cooper 197-550) split 2-2 with the First National Bank.

Nolt's Chevron took high team series (2777) and top two team games (406 and 958) to lead the field for the week. Men's Toggery took second team series (2724) and Kelly's Market took third team series (2710) and third team game (955).

Hap Wolfard scored high individual series (558) and second high game (219), while Gene Cutts tied the high game (221). Dave Cooper (550) and B. Cochran (534) took second and third high individual series, and Cochran scored third high game (218).

**Standings**  
WON LOST %  
Coastwise 11 5 688  
Gene's Auto 10 6 625  
Daugherty Lbr. 10 6 625  
Short's 10 6 625  
Nolt's 10 6 625  
Kelly's Mkt. 9 7 563  
Grove Court 8 8 500  
Men's Toag. 7 9 438  
First Nat'l. 6 10 375  
Pa. Power 6 10 375  
CGPD 5 11 313  
Eagle's Cigar 4 12 250

**Season Highs**  
High Team, 3-Games: Eagle's, 2565; Kelly's, 2876; Eagle's, 2771.  
High Ind. 3-Games: C. True, 245; R. Kuhn, 238; H. Arthur, 237.

High Team Games: Daugherty's, 1040; Eagle's, 1020; Eagle's, 1017.  
High Ind. Games: C. True, 245; R. Kuhn, 238; H. Arthur, 237.

## Grade School Girls End League Play

January 21, 1956, ended 10 weeks of bowling for the Grade School Girls Junior Bowling League. Trophies and awards will be presented to the girls at the conclusion of all the city's Junior Bowling activities later this

spring. Current standings are as follows:

WON	LOST
Wares Jewelry	17
Sav-Mor Gas Sta.	8
Sears Bld. Supply	7
Diane Theatre	6
Statistics for the 10 week period:	
High Team Series: Wares Jewelry Store, 1438; Sears Building Supply, 1416; Wares Jewelry Store, 1399.	
High Team Individual Series: Wares Jewelry Store, 754; Sears Building Supply, 748; Wares Jewelry Store, 735.	
Individual High 2 Games: Darlene Roberts, 293; Pam Slaton, 240; Darlene Roberts, 233.	
Individual High Single Game: Darlene Roberts, 139; Sandra Steen, 132; Darlene Roberts, 127.	

## WOMEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE (Week of Jan. 17 & 18)

Standings	WON	LOST
Short's	48	20
Hammond	46	21
Walkup's	46	21
Githens	42 1/2	25 1/2
Fitzgerald's	42	26
General Petroleum	41	27
Red & White	41	27
CG	40	28
Cottage Bowl	39	29
M. J. R.	36	32
Russ & Jim's	36	32
CG Rlding Club	33 1/2	34 1/2
Town Talk	31 1/2	36 1/2
Norris	30 1/2	37 1/2
Ricklin Lbr.	27 1/2	40 1/2
Varley's	25 1/2	42 1/2
1st Nat'l. Bank	25	43
Perry's	24	44
Hall & Liston	24	44
Gas Flames	18 1/2	49 1/2
Moose #1	15	54

Team High Three Games: Russ & Jim's, 2571; Hammond Piling Co., 2513; Githens, 2504.  
Team High Single Games: Hammond Piling Co., 967; Short's Grocery, 895; Russ & Jim's, 889.  
Individual High Three Games: Helen Pyle (Hammond), 467; Sally McCarty (Githens), 461; Pat Cochran (Hall & Liston), 459.  
Individual High Single Games: Sally McCarty, 188; Jo Ann Funk (Cottage Bowl), 188; Barbara Reilly (Hall & Liston), 187.

## CUB SCOUT SMOKER

A smoker will be held by Cub Scout Pack 33, Friday, January 27, at 7:30 p.m. in the Odd Fellows hall. Approximately 15 to 20 bouts will be put on by the Cubs.

They will sell popcorn and fudge, prepared by themselves at the smoker. Tickets are 10c. All proceeds go into the pack activity fund.

## MOTHER AND BABY CARE CLASSES TO BEGIN IN CRESWELL JAN. 31

A Mother and Baby Care class will start Tuesday, January 31, at 8 p.m. in the Creswell City Hall. Fathers are especially invited to attend the six sessions of two hours each instructed by Mrs. Mary Hughes, registered nurse. There is no charge.

To register, call Mrs. Leonard Zinkler, Creswell 57F2, or the Lane County Chapter, American Red Cross, phone 4-5244.

It takes YOU to make an argument.—Anna Fay

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