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SCHOOL BUDGET ENDORSED AT CLUB MEETING

Representative Citizens Hear Explanation of Imperative Need of Money Asked for Next Year.

The budget prepared by the school board for the conduct of the schools for the ensuing year received the endorsement of a gathering of representative citizens of the community held in connection with the commercial club meeting Monday evening.

H. J. Shinn, chairman of the board, explained in detail each item of the budget and showed to the satisfaction of those present that it would be impossible to cut down a single item except those for equipment for the manual training department and for the construction of a playshed. He said that if the pupils of our schools are to have the same advantages as the pupils of other schools the extra equipment is necessary. The matter of playsheds, of course, he said, was a question of whether or not the people of Cottage Grove want to give their children a comfortable place for their play during wet weather.

Superintendent Beattie gave figures to show that the increases asked by the teachers is much smaller than the increases demanded by those who have supplies which must be used in the conduct of the schools. He also called attention to the fact that within the past six years the Cottage Grove school district has paid in interest an amount equal to the total amount asked for the conduct of the schools for the ensuing year.

Superintendent Beattie also spoke briefly for the rural school two-mill levy, which will add nothing to the total tax which any taxpayer must pay except those having property not now taxed for school purposes.

PALATIAL AIRSHIPS SOON TO CARRY TRAFFIC

Cottage Grove Must Provide Landing Field to Accommodate Great Motored Birds of Passage.

Airships to carry 20 passengers will be in service within a few months. Such a ship probably will pass over Cottage Grove this year. The appointments will be more luxurious than those of a palace car. Meals will be served on board and passengers will sleep on board during cross-continent trips. Within four or five years at the outside the larger part of the passenger traffic between the larger cities of the country will be through the air. Every city in the Willamette valley and in western Oregon should provide a field upon which these great ships may land when the safety of crews and passengers may demand. Out of local pride each community will want such ships visiting it. This was the substance of the talk of N. B. Evans, representing the Aero Club of Oregon, before the commercial club Monday night.

During the day Mr. Evans had accompanied the landing field committee of the club upon a visit to several proposed fields in the community. One was found which would prove ideal for the purpose, provided it is properly drained. He estimated that the cost of the tract and preparing it for the purpose would be between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

SIX FROM HERE ARE ON MURDER CASE JURY

The Cottage Grove country must be productive of good jurymen, as there are six from here on the Martin Clark jury. This is particularly unusual, too, because of the fact that Clark formerly lived in this section and many have formed opinions as to his character.

The jury, which was completed about 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon with the acceptance of George W. Sanderson, of Loran, is as follows: Norman P. Purkerson, farmer, Junction City; William H. Lackey, farmer, Cottage Grove; John J. Light, merchant, Eugene; Loren Edwards, farmer, Junction City; Arthur A. Kelley, farmer, Loran; Percy J. Patterson, electrician, Eugene; Henry Kompp, retired, Eugene; Martin Foster, farmer, Loran; Ralph W. Ward, farmer, Cottage Grove; Frank Sherman, mechanic, Cottage Grove; Frank B. Harlow, farmer, Eugene; George W. Sanderson, farmer, Loran.

The names of 97 men were taken out of the jury list before a jury was completed. Of these 51 were examined in court. Two men whose names were drawn are dead, some are out of the county and many were excused for different reasons.

SCHOOL BUDGET VOTER IS ONE WEEK AND ONE HOUR TOO EARLY

Cottage Grove has at least one taxpayer who probably will be present at the school budget meeting today. He (or she) got his (or her) dates mixed and appeared at the appointed place at 1 o'clock last Friday, just one week and one hour too early. The directors are hoping there are others taking an equal interest. The name of the person who made the error has not been divulged.

Flu Has Flown.
The flu, or grip, or epizootic, or whatever it was that caused the recent epidemic, has practically disappeared and almost no new cases are being reported. The deaths in this vicinity were very few.

WATCH YOUR LABEL.

FIRST CHILDREN BORN TO EVERY MEMBER OF TWO FAMILIES

The unusual coincidence of babies being born to all of their three children within a period of six days is reported by the happy grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dwyer, of Silk creek. The children are Mrs. G. W. Cooper, of Curtin, to whom an eight-pound daughter was born March 21; Vivian Dwyer, of Reedsport, whose wife gave birth to a nine-and-a-half-pound daughter on March 26, and Mrs. W. M. Cox, of College Place, Wash., to whom a daughter was born March 27. It will be noted that there is a further coincidence in that all the babies are daughters. Mr. and Mrs. Cox have named their baby Carrie Opal, and a further coincidence is that entirely without one set of the parents knowing what the others were naming their child, Mr. and Mrs. Dwyer named their baby Opal Vivian, having in fact selected that name even before the advent of the youngster, which happened to fit the name. It is not known whether or not the recent publicity given to the name of Opal had anything to do with the naming of the children.

The coincidence is carried still further by the fact that a son was born five days before to Mr. Cooper's only brother. Thus within 11 days children were born to all the children of two families.

To carry the coincidence still further the babies were in every case the first born.

Claud Schrack Takes on More Work.

Claud Schrack has accepted the position of superintendent of the tracts of the Milwaukee Orchard company at Loran, succeeding W. S. A. Edlefsen, who recently resigned and who says that he is happy to again be a free man. Mr. Schrack was already superintendent for the Loran Orchard company and will now have supervision for both companies.

Seek Partition of Land.

Seeking the partition of certain property, Lincoln Taylor and others have begun suit in circuit court against John Hugh Taylor. The property desired to be partitioned consists of a tract of 65 acres in section 32, township 21 south of range 3 west, and another tract of 148.65 acres in section 28, township 21 south of range 3 west.

BETWEEN ROAD BOND DEVIL AND DEEP SEA ROAD

Residents of Loran and along the Loran road are between the devil and the deep sea. The devil is the proposed road bond issue. The deep sea is the waterway which now passes for a road between Cottage Grove and Loran.

The residents along this road and at Loran are almost a unit in being opposed in principle to the issuance of bonds, yet they have got to have a road as an outlet for their products.

W. C. Ivins, who was in the city Wednesday, says that as far as he is concerned he is going to vote for anything that gives promise of a real road and the road bonds are the first thing up. He says that he feels that the roads will cost from two to four times what they should but even at that he will be money ahead by getting them at once. Loran is a stronghold of the opponents of the direct tax method but Mr. Ivins says there are a few besides himself who take the same position he does. Mr. Ivins came to the city by motor car from his ranch a few miles out and said the road was "something fierce," and that this expression is a mild infraction of the rules of correct English as compared to some things he thought while slipping and sliding along on his way to the city.

W. S. A. Edlefsen made the trip from Loran to the city the same day and said it took four and a half hours. He came by the horse-drawn stage.

RAISING "BEEF" HENS IS MEAT FOR DOUGHTY C. F. SKELTON

Cottage Grove poultrymen seem for the time being to have laid aside the contest for egg-laying honors and are now staking their reputations upon the amount of "beef" that may be put upon a hen. Only recently Frank Hambrick reported the sale of three hens which tipped the scales at 26 pounds. Now comes C. F. Skelton, who has proved himself a leader in other activities and reports that he has three Plymouth Rock hens yet producing eggs in satisfactory numbers which tip the scales at 27 1/2 pounds.

ANNUAL SCHOOL BUDGET IS UP TO VOTERS TODAY

The annual school budget meeting will be held this afternoon at the high school at 2 o'clock. At the meeting held Monday night at the commercial club, Chairman Shinn laid stress upon the importance of being there at the hour set, as that is the time when changes in the budget can be made. Those wishing to make any changes, or those wishing the budget to go through as prepared, will have no voice in saying what kind of a budget shall be put to a vote unless they are present at that time.

VEAL CALF WEIGHING 113 POUNDS NETS ITS OWNER \$24.68

Mrs. S. E. McFarland thinks that she has just sold a veal calf that will hold the record for some little time. It was half Jersey and half Holstein, was milked fed by Nature's own method, tipped the scales at 113 pounds and brought over \$27 in Portland. It netted the owner \$24.68.

MILLAGE TAX, ROADS AND SCHOOLS ENDORSED

In Times of War or Times of Peace Education Is the Foundation for Leadership.

The millage tax measure for the maintenance of the institutions of higher learning, the rural schools millage tax, the measure to raise the limit of indebtedness for state bonds to four per cent and the local Budget all received a hearty endorsement at a meeting of the citizens of the community held in connection with the regular meeting of the commercial club Monday night, when President Campbell, of the University of Oregon, and Representative James Stewart, author of the road measure, addressed the meeting.

President Campbell referred to the days of 50 years ago when in company with his father, one of the pioneer circuit riders of the Presbyterian church, he visited Cottage Grove over the roads that were almost impassable in even the best weather and drew a contrast between the little settlement of that day compared with the bustling little city of today whose graduates outrank those of all the state in the marks by which they this year gained admission to the university. In an able address he said in part:

"Even in times of war, a pastime that would seem to appeal to the less cultured side of man, it was found that education was the greatest asset for an efficient soldier. In the artillery the officers were made up of those most proficient in mathematics. In the gas offensive those most proficient in chemistry were the leaders. Eighty per cent of the officers of the army were college graduates.

"Bolshevism, which now threatens to wreck a world at peace, is the result of ignorance. It is the intelligence of America that is holding the ship of state straight on her course. It is education that is going to save us from what ignorance, passion and misdirected energy have brought upon Europe. It is now a question of whether or not we are going to close the doors of our institutions of higher learning to the thousands who wish to enter there, it is a question of whether or not we are going to provide the funds whereby the young men and women of Oregon, the young men and women to whom we look to carry us safely through the problems which must be met in the years when we turn the reins over to them, it is a question of whether or not we are going to give these young men and women the same advantages that our neighboring states are giving their young men and women. The present situation is an impossible one. Through the decrease in the value of the dollar and the great increase in the number of those desiring higher education, our ability to give this education is about one-fifth what it was before the war. With the additional maintenance asked in the millage measure we will yet be on no better basis than we were before the war and our investment for housing and maintenance will yet be only from one-third to one-half that provided by other states. I feel that the children of Oregon are just as much entitled to the best that educational institutions can provide as are the children of any other state.

"Economy brought about by an arbitrary cutting down of taxes is not always the wisest economy. The surest economy is the development of our natural resources, thereby decreasing taxes by an increase in the amount of taxable wealth. Oregon is one of the richest of states in natural resources, excluding our greatest natural resource, the youth of our state. These great natural resources can not be put upon the tax rolls except by the making of proficient agriculturalists, proficient engineers, proficient mechanics, proficient scientists, proficient leaders of men, through the activities of our institutions of higher learning."

Representative Stewart's remarks appear in another column.

L. L. HARREL IS NOW IN WEST SIDE GARAGE

With the near approach of the completion of the new Woodson garage, L. L. Harrel, who has been an employee there for several years, has severed his connection and taken charge of the Woodson west side garage, which he took over several months ago and where he will handle the Dodge, Chevrolet and Buick agencies. Owing to difficulty in getting material, there has been considerable delay in putting the finishing touches onto the new garage.

Crusher Crew Moved to Thorn Place.
The rock crusher crew which has been employed at the Silk Creek crusher has been moved to the pit on the Bud Thorn place, where they will get out rock for a crusher soon to be placed.

Mrs. Jesse Crawford went to Oakland Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Thornton.

BOND DISCUSSION BEFORE GRANGE TOMORROW AFTERNOON

The proposed issue of county road bonds will come up for discussion before the Grange Saturday of next week. B. F. Keeney, former county assessor, and M. Svarverud, both of Eugene, will be the principal speakers. The members of the Grange, who are practically a unit in opposition to the proposed issue, seem to be almost a unit in favoring an issue of bonds in which those issued for any year would be taken up the year following. How this would be done will be explained at the meeting next week, which will be held at the lecture hour at 1:30.

STATE ROAD BONDS, SCHOOL TAX, COST NOTHING

Limit of Road Bond Indebtedness Must Increase or Highways and Tourist Crop Must Cease.

Representative James Stewart, the inimitable Jim, made quite a hit with a large number of those gathered at the commercial club Monday evening to listen to a discussion of the measures before the people at the approaching primary. Mr. Stewart used his Scotch stories to good effect and thereby scotched some of the falsehoods being told about the measure to raise the limit of road bond indebtedness and also the proposed two-mill tax for rural schools, both of which measures received the endorsement of the meeting.

Mr. Stewart is the author of the road measure. He explained that unless the limit of road bond indebtedness is raised the work projected by the state must come to a halt by the close of 1920. "Bear in mind that this amendment will not raise your taxes a single penny. The automobile tax will pay off all these bonds when due and if you do not pass this measure the automobile tax will stay there just the same. Counties can bond to 6 per cent. Surely the state should be allowed to bond to 4 per cent to build roads that will bring the ever-pricey tourist crop to Oregon, that will entice easterners to come here and invest their money, that will raise the value of every piece of property in Oregon, that will save the automobile owners who pay for the bonds more than the roads cost them. Without the ability to vote these bonds we will be unable to match millions to be offered by the national government, so that as a matter of fact to refuse to vote this amendment is to refuse to accept money from the federal government and this would, in effect, raise your taxes."

Mr. Stewart also made an appeal for the two-mill rural schools amendment. He explained that this also, as a matter of fact, added nothing to the tax roll, as the money raised through this tax will reduce by that much the amount to be raised in each district by direct taxation. If this amendment has any effect upon the amount of taxes to be paid, that effect will be to reduce taxes in every district in the state. The object of the amendment is to collect school tax from vast areas of property in the state which now pay no school tax. The tax upon these properties will increase, but very few of the owners will object to doing their part to help educate the youth of the state. The money collected from these properties will be divided among all the school districts of the county. You have nothing to lose and a possibility of gaining something.

"The day of the little red school house has passed. The day is close at hand when the school teacher will be put on a salary basis at least equal to that of the sheep herder who now draws \$150 a month and grub thrown in."

SPENCER IS PRESIDENT OF COUNTY FAIR BOARD

County Commissioner E. R. Spencer, of this city, has been elected president of the Lane County Fair association. Mr. Spencer's election came about by the resignation of Ray H. Wood as secretary. W. C. Yoran, the former president, was chosen to take Mr. Wood's place and as Mr. Spencer was vice-president he was advanced to the presidency. Roy Woodruff was chosen as vice-president to take Mr. Spencer's place.

OF THIRTEEN BORN ONLY THREE ARE MALES

The month of March in Cottage Grove was a bad one for the military. Of 13 births only three were males. The report of Health Officer Oglesby shows three deaths for the month, one male and two females. No new cases of influenza were reported.

MIKE FINNERTY SUCCUMBS TO INFLUENZA COMPLICATIONS

Menzo Merwin (Mike) Finnerty died Tuesday morning from complications following an attack of influenza. The funeral was held yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock, from the chapel, Rev. John T. Stivers, of Eugene officiating. Mr. Finnerty was approaching his thirty-fifth birthday anniversary. He was born in Medford June 26, 1885, moving here with his parents about 20 years ago. Surviving relatives are the wife, two young children, the mother, Mrs. Lora Finnerty; a brother, G. E. Finnerty, of Eugene; a sister, Mrs. A. E. Burrows, of this city.

JUDGE BOWN CHANGES HIS MIND AND WILL RUN AGAIN

Harry L. Bown will seek renomination for county judge. This announcement was made at the meeting of the Lane county democratic central committee at the court house in Eugene Saturday. The judge had announced several weeks ago that he had decided to retire from politics, for all time, at the expiration of his present term, but he declared Saturday that his friends have been so insistent that he run again that he changed his mind.

Band Organization Starts

Cottage Grove expects to have this year the best city band which it has ever had. At the initial meeting held Tuesday night, fifteen players signed up. Several others were present and are expected to join soon.

Mrs. Mary Cooper returned Thursday from Ellensburg, Wash. Her daughter is much improved in health.

GATHER UP YOUR HOUSE CATS—THEY'RE WORTH \$1.00 APIECE

Here's a picnic for the boys of Cottage Grove. A patron of the wantads this week is advertising for cats.

They may be green, blue, pink, purple, or any of the other colors common to the cats of the Cottage Grove country. They may be homely or pretty, they may be short-legged or long-legged, they may have green eyes or pink eyes, or have no eyes at all.

The ad. states no qualifications except that the cats must be grown cats and that they must be house cats.

The Sentinel does not know for what purpose the cats are to be used, but the presumption is that cats which spend their nights promenading on back fences and singing Italian operas during the midnight hours will not do. If such cats are presented they must be represented as house cats of high moral attainments.

The best part of the ad. is that a dollar apiece is the price offered.

Gather up your mama cats and your papa cats and deliver them as per directions found in the wantad columns. The orphans left home will soon forget their grief.

It pays to read the wantads.

Faithful Old Horse Dies.

An old gray horse which for nearly a third of a century was the property of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Patten, was found dead this week in the pasture, the cause of death being old age. In his younger days the horse was a spirited but reliable one. He was about the same age as Fred Patten, one of the boys of the family, who is 32 years old, which was one of the reasons that the animal was always kept in the family. Five years ago the owners decided that the horse had earned the right to rest the remainder of his days and since that time he had done no work. A colt which had grown up with the old horse, refused to leave the lifeless body until Fred covered the dead body with boughs, and even then seemed reluctant to part with his life-long friend.

METHODIST CHURCH CHOIR SCORES SUCCESS

The choir of the Methodist church scored a big success Sunday evening in their rendition of the Easter cantata, "Under the Palms." The choruses were especially good, being well balanced and intelligently sung. The quartets were highly appreciated. Mrs. Beeger was highly complimented upon the part she took, especially in "By the Dark Euphrates Stream," in which she took the solo part and was accompanied by the quartet composed of Elbert Smith, S. L. Mackin, C. E. Umphrey and Charles Cochran.

Mrs. DeLarzes was in good voice and sang several numbers with her usual pleasing interpretation and excellent technique.

Miss Ethel Mackey surprised the audience in her solo numbers with a full, rich voice and clear enunciation. Mr. Umphrey sang with dramatic effect, Mrs. Brund's voice was at its best. Leslie Hull took several solo parts with good effect. Other solos deserving of special mention were by Mrs. C. L. Churchill, Charles Cochran, S. L. Mackin and Elbert Smith. The many high compliments given the cantata are a tribute to the untiring efforts of Mrs. DeLarzes, choir director, and no small part of the success was due to Mrs. Robert Sutcliffe and Mrs. J. S. Benson, the accompanists.

COTTAGE GROVE TO AGAIN HAVE PENNANT-WINNING BASEBALL TEAM

With nearly all of its star players again on the job and with a live business men's organization behind it, Cottage Grove will have a record-making ball club again this year and will be prepared to take on any non-professional organization in the state. The newly-elected officers are as follows: J. E. Hill, manager; G. M. Marksbury, secretary, and P. H. Allison treasurer. Spiffy uniforms will be secured and practice will commence as soon as weather conditions will permit. Plans are under way for a new grandstand at the ball park.

A business meeting will be held tonight at the commercial club.

George Long and Ray Williams left Friday for Portland.

G. B. Dickinson, proprietor of the Arcade theater, has rented the W. C. Johnson property, on Cherry court, recently purchased by M. P. Garoutte.

Donna May Bartell came home from Albany Thursday for the Easter vacation. Her father, C. A. Bartell, took her back Monday by motor.

Miss Genevieve Neilson, of Eugene, spent the Easter vacation with Misses Beulah and Mildred Hanna.

Mrs. Grace VanBoskirk, of Eugene, visited the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Godard.

The probate court has appointed Eliza Geer administrator of the estate of Mary Geer, who died December 7, 1919, leaving property of the estimated value of \$4355. The court named J. W. Bemis, George Taylor and James Whitford to make the appraisement of the property.

Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Miller left Thursday for their home at Stanley, Wis., after a visit at the home of Mr. Miller's brother, H. A. Miller. They had spent the winter in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Nowell returned Friday from Redondo, Calif., and Mr. Nowell has resumed his old position as fireman at the electric light plant. They were accompanied by Mrs. Nowell's uncle, W. D. Elliott.

Earl Hill has bought the Henry Fisher property on Twelfth street.

IS DROWNED HOUR AFTER GOING ON JOB

Elmer Schell, Aged 26, Loses Life in Mill Pond of Pallett Lumber Company at Divide.

Elmer Schell, 26 years of age and unmarried, was drowned Wednesday in the pond of the Pallett Lumber company, at Divide. He was able to swim but very little and had been in charge of the pond but an hour when he fell into the water where it was over his head. Harold Dugan, go. hold of the drowning man once, but the log upon which Dugan was balancing himself was pulled under the water, Dugan being precipitated into the water and having difficulty in saving himself. Mr. Schell had been employed with the company about a month but had been put on the job in which he lost his life only that morning.

He came here from Colorado at the time of taking a position with the company. He was one of 12 children of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Schell, of this city. Surviving sisters and brothers are Mrs. P. G. Leckemby, of Stone City, Colo.; Harry, of Rifle, Colo.; Ray, Lucetta, Paul, Eva, Arthur, Lavina and Robert, all of whom live here.

The funeral will be held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon from the chapel.

McREYNOLDS DORT FIRST CAR STOLEN HERE

Machine Disappears in Few Moments as Completely as if Swallowed Up by the Earth.

Cottage Grove has had its first automobile theft, Kenneth McReynolds being the owner of the car, a Dort, which has disappeared. He left it for a few moments Tuesday night in front of the high school building. Upon his return the machine was gone and no trace of it whatever has yet been secured. To make a get-away to the south would be impossible on account of the condition of the roads after the prolonged rains and to the north night travel is almost as dangerous. Word was immediately sent out by Deputy Sheriff Pitcher to authorities along the line, but no information of any kind has been received that would lead to the recovery of the car. Absolutely no one seems to have seen the car since the moment it was left at the high school. It was at first thought that someone had played a joke on Mr. McReynolds and had hidden the car about the city but it is not now thought that this is possible. Two young men were here from eastern Oregon that day and have not since been seen and this fact may have something to do with the disappearance of the car.

HOPE FIESTER SELLS HEN FRUIT BEFORE IT IS MATURE

While other poultry fanciers are staking their reputations upon White Leghorns, Hope Fiester says he is willing to stick to the prosaic Plymouth Rock. Hope never allows the truth to go undisturbed and he reports that from a dozen hens he is selling setting (or sitting) eggs faster than the hens produce them and is yet filling all orders. Hope may have his mathematics and his verbs slightly mixed, but he seems to be getting away with it and jingles the coin as proof of his statements. "Why, on just an ordinary day," says Hope, "I sometimes sell two settings (or sittings) at \$1.25 the setting (or sitting), which is a profit of \$2.55, after I deduct for the benefit to my health derived from doing the chambermaid work and from the exercise which it takes to make my friends understand that my records show that every word I have stated is the gospel truth."

Tales of the Town

Miss Bertha Cox underwent an operation for the removal of tonsils at a Eugene hospital Monday.

W. A. Hogate has been named administrator of the estate of Duke D. Knox, who died March 16. Alfred Beidler, James Plaster and O. O. Veatch were appointed to appraise the property, the estimated value of which is \$2700.

Miss Electa Hamilton and Miss Ruth Phelps, accompanied by their friend, Miss Alice Broughton, spent the Easter vacation at home, returning to Monmouth normal Monday.

H. C. Mitchell, of Dexter, has purchased the John Hedrick property on Eighth street and is making improvements to the building.

Dr. Kuykendall came up Monday from Eugene to visit Mrs. S. E. Knox and grandson, Knox Price, who has been quite ill.

E. W. Reese, of Portland, has accepted a position in the Henry barber shop.

Bert Hands was down town Tuesday for the first time in five weeks. He says that the flu makes mighty poor company for a fellow who likes to spend his time urging his hens to produce more than two eggs a day.

The second installment of "The Story of Opal" appears in the April Atlantic, which has arrived but which did not reach here in time for comment in this issue.

Miss Ruth Bodine came up from Eugene Friday and visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Safley.

C. W. Wallace, of Grass Valley, who is visiting here, spent Saturday at Eugene.

Lase Frederick, of Galena, Ill., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Millon.