

## Daylodge to ease mountain traffic

by MARK FLOYD

The heavily-used Timberline Lodge may soon find relief from a supporting facility.

Bidding has been opened on the construction of a new Daylodge which is designed to handle the overflow traffic from Timberline. The bids will be opened Dec. 21 at the Forest Service Regional Office in Portland.

"The Daylodge will relieve some of the skier traffic out of the existing lodge," said Timberline Administrator Dick Hoffman. "The people, their skis and boots are literally wearing out the lodge."

The Daylodge will be built at the 5,900-foot level just south of the Timberline parking lot. It will be a three-level building with a mezzanine, occupying approximately 45,000 square feet.

A portion of Timberline's existing facilities will be put in the new lodge including the ski shop, snack bar and vending machines. The vacated space will be used for more visitor information, photographs and displays and some historical background of Timberline.

The new facility was designed by Broome, Oringdolph, O'Toole, Rudolph and Associates of Portland.

The design of the Daylodge is a unique one, according to Hoffman.

"Most people thought that the Daylodge should look like Timberline," Hoffman explained. "But the architects felt that they couldn't do justice to the lodge by duplicating it on a smaller level."

"From the current design of the Daylodge, you can look over the top and see Timberline from any point," he added. "People won't have to worry about having an obstructed view."

The building's exterior will be concrete. Exterior windows will be glazed with tinted insulating glass. The frames will be of wood "appropriate to the character of the building," according to

the architect's description.

The first floor of the Daylodge will cover approximately 26,500 square feet and contain the main skier activities of the building. The main building entrances as well as an entry arcade with a ski storage space will be housed on this level.

The first floor will also include a ski rental and repair area, ski school, the ski and gift shop, restrooms, lockers, vending areas, ticket sales and the Forest Service exhibit area located around a central mall.

The mechanical, electrical and incinerator areas and storage space are located on the first floor.

The basement is comprised of a nursery, storage space and living accommodations for 14 staff members.

A commercial kitchen, a dining area and a beer stupe will be on the second floor. Also located upstairs will be a lounging area, restrooms, a loading dock and ski patrol offices.

The 14,000-foot mezzanine will serve as an entrance from the Timberline Lodge parking lot, as well as a lounging area.

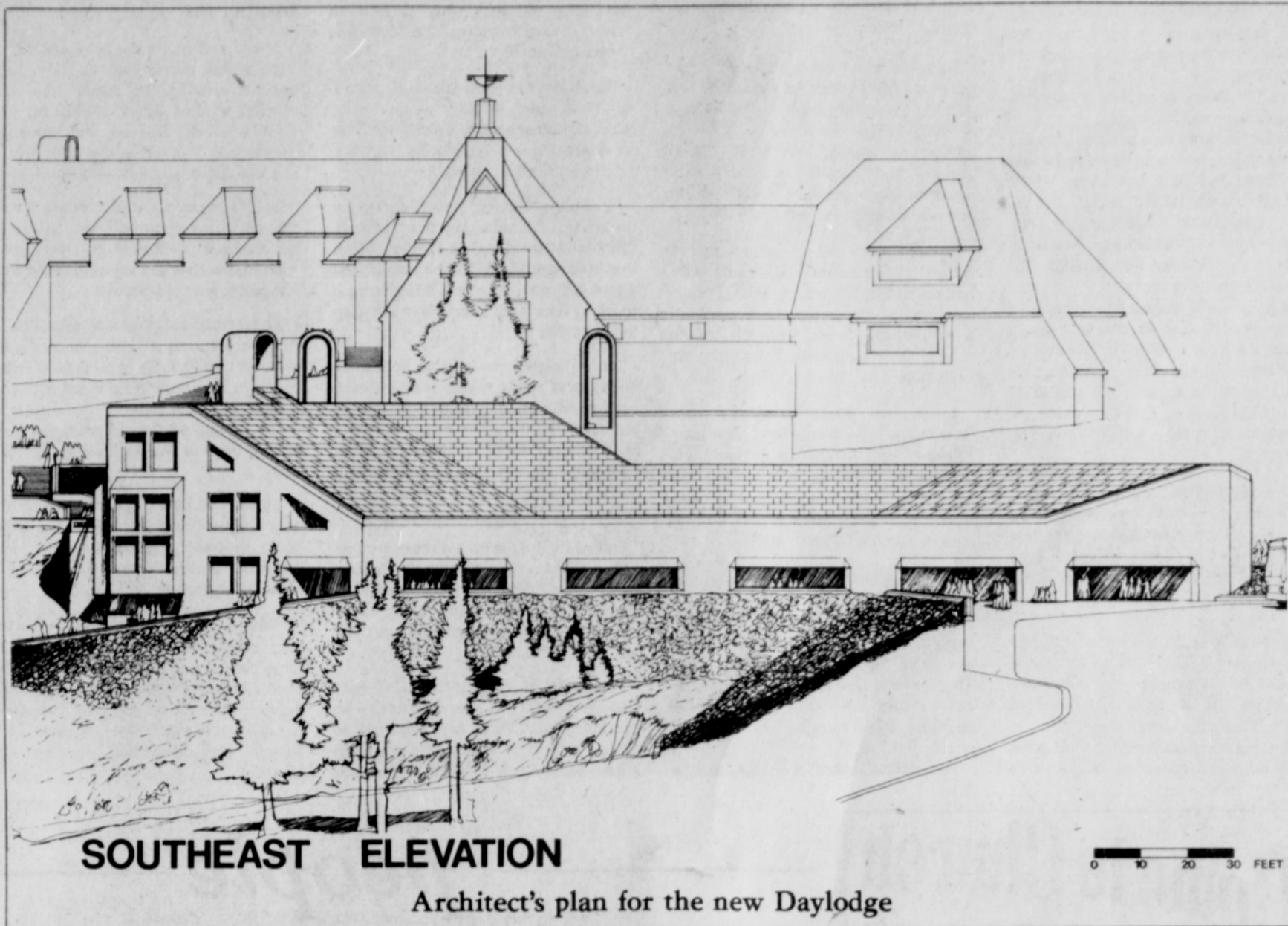
The Daylodge will be heated by two diesel-fired boilers. It is designed to accommodate two future boilers and to allow for potential development of geothermal heating.

Hoffman said that Forest Service officials are hopeful that the construction company can begin breaking ground by next May or June.

Completion of the Daylodge is scheduled before 884 calendar days have elapsed following signing of the contract.

"It will be a real unique type of building," Hoffman said. "Originally some people probably weren't happy that the design wasn't the same as the existing lodge."

"But after seeing the drawings everyone has agreed that it was the best design," he added.



## Primary school requested in Welches

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An advisory committee to the Welches School Board has proposed that the district construct an \$800,000 building for primary grades to alleviate the overcrowded conditions at the school.

The committee, comprised of eight residents in the Welches School district appointed by the school board, will present its recommendations to the board in a special public meeting to be announced in the next two weeks.

The committee met with superintendent Jack Callaghan Monday night at the school to finalize the proposal. It calls for construction of eight classrooms for grades K-3, a library, combination cafeteria and physical education room, health room and custodial storage area.

The modular building would be a separate unit from the existing school on Welches Road and would contain 15,000-18,000 square feet.

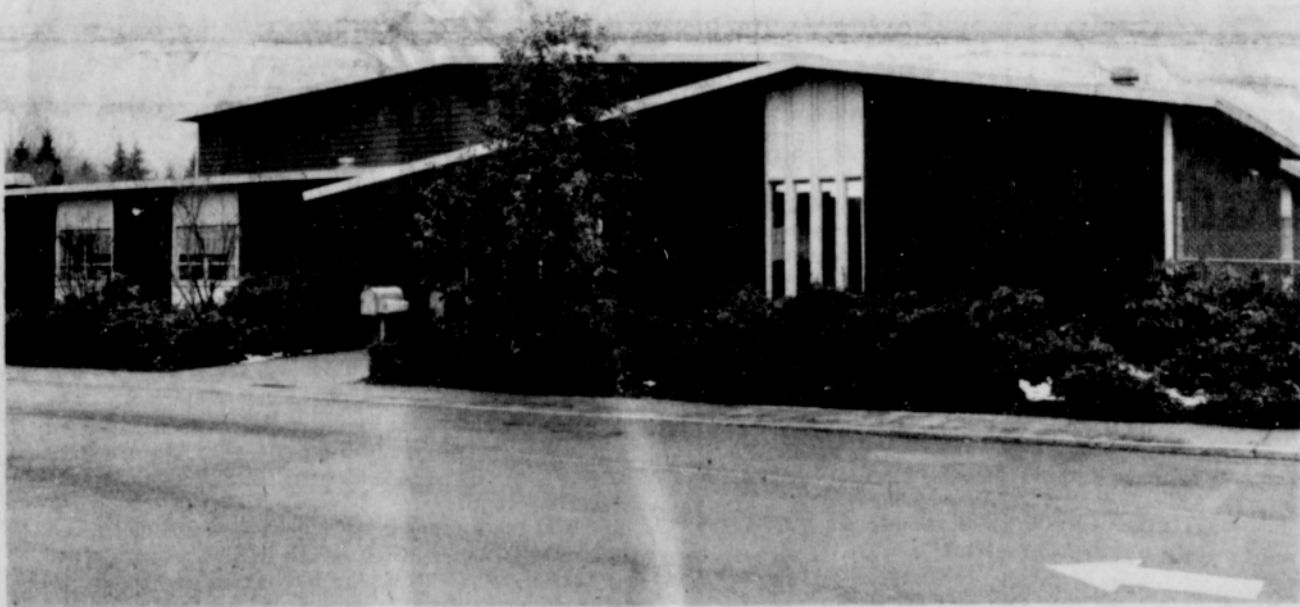
Committee chairman Ed Burke said Monday night that the \$800,000 figure is based on an estimated construction cost of \$55 per square foot, a sum used by the Portland School Board to estimate new school construction costs.

"We're looking for the least expensive way to provide no frills class space," he said.

Voters in the Welches district turned down a proposed \$2.9 million bond referendum in September to finance school expansion. Included in that original proposal were plans to build a new gym. The revised plan does not include plans for a gym.

If approved by the school board, the expansion would go to the voters in a bond referendum sometime next year.

The existing school is crowded



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### Welches school overcrowded with 340 students

beyond its designed capacity, according to Callaghan. Enrollment this year is 340; two grades are doubled up in one classroom to handle the overflow.

Welches School was built in 1968 to handle a maximum of 300 students, Callaghan said.

He projects a need for an additional two teachers at the school next year to handle increased enrollment.

The school board bases its need for expansion of facilities on a master plan put together in 1977 by an educational planning consultant. The plan calls for

an ideal class size of 24 students with a maximum of 27.

Several class sizes at the school now exceed that number. There are 30 students in first grade, 28 in second grade and 28 in fifth.

Callaghan pointed out to the committee members that "there is no maximum number of students you can put in a classroom." He added that an overcrowded classroom is one in which "a teacher does not have enough time to meet the individual needs of each child."

Among the alternatives rejected by

the committee was one for a year-round school. It was noted that such a plan works best in schools with an enrollment of at least 500 students to make the program economically feasible.

Also rejected were plans to build on to the school on the north and south sides. The committee decided that the cost of that expansion would be too high.

In addition to Burke, other members who serve on the committee are Dick Claus, Carl Ostergren, Jean Stein, Roger Cooke, Faith Carothers, Michael Carothers and Marjorie Wicks.

## New vice-principal works with students

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There's a new face among the staff and students at Welches School this year. Earl Armbruster has been hired to fill a new position of vice-principal at the school.

Armbruster comes from Rainier, Wash. where he was a supervisor at a middle school. He has approached his new position in the mountain community with enthusiasm.

The position was created to allow principal Jack Callaghan more time to tend to the chores of budgeting and policy-making.

"I see my job as a nuts and bolts position," he said. "One person (at the school) cannot do the everyday nuts and bolts work and still run the school."

"I want to be out of my office as much as possible," he added. "I spend a lot of time in the classrooms working with the students, letting them know I'm a fair human being."

Armbruster's responsibilities include assisting Callaghan in evaluations of

the staff, preparation of the budget, discipline and curriculum development.

An additional responsibility will be the preparation of a newsletter that will be sent every three months to patrons

of the district. The newsletter will contain information on the school and policies that the staff will be administering.

Armbruster explains that he does not want to be perceived as a threatening force by the students. A walk down the hall with him brought out reciprocal smiles and recognition of each student who passed by.

"One of the real benefits of the job is being able to work with the younger children," he said. "I love getting hugged by kids."

The vice principal grew up in Mapleton, Ore., a small logging town. He is business graduate at the University of Oregon and received a Masters in Education in 1972.

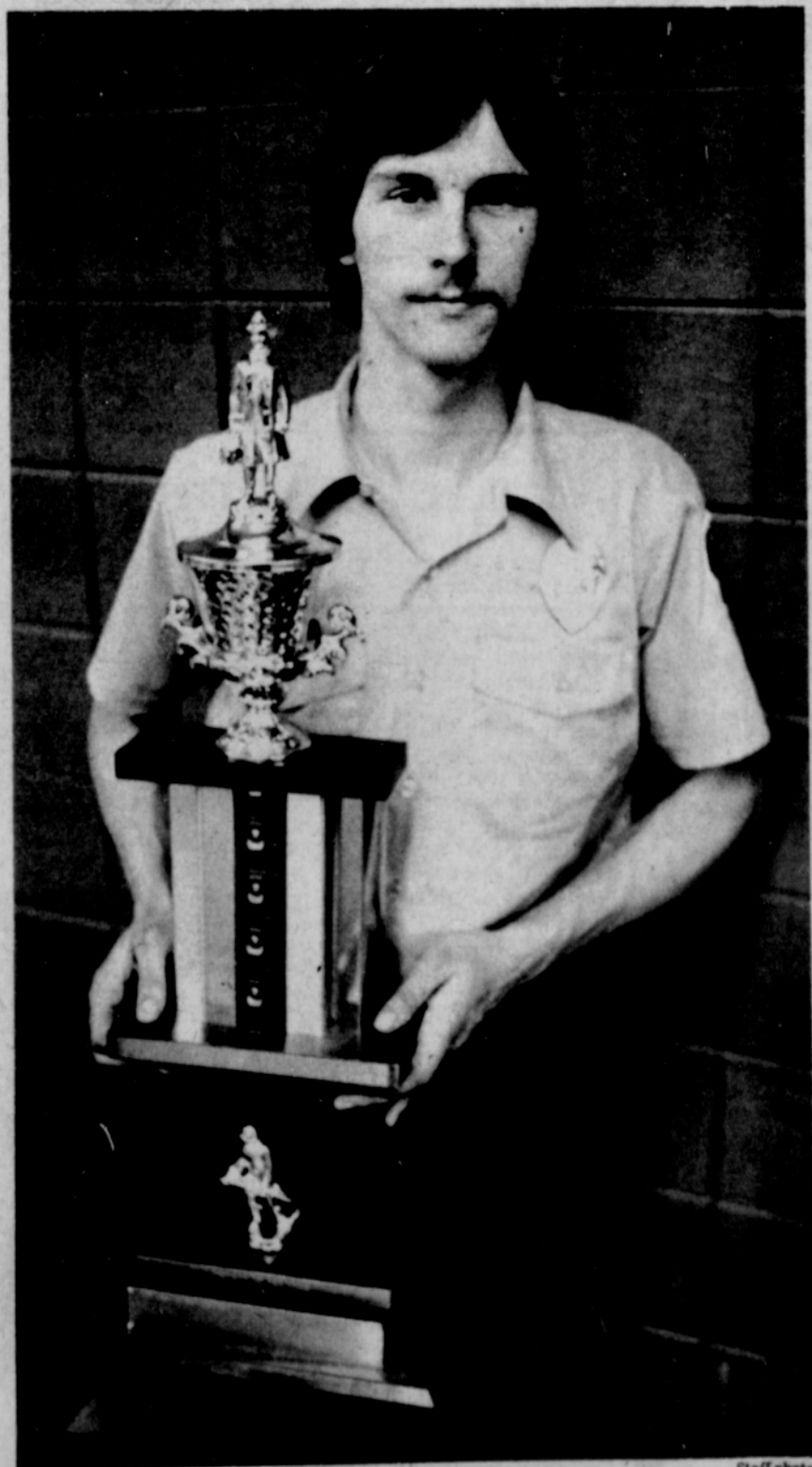
He taught seventh and eighth grades in Rainier before moving up to become supervisor. He was also testing coordinator for the Rainier district and coordinator of the community school.

Armbruster, a bachelor, lives in Rhododendron and says he feels very much at home in the mountain area.



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### New vice-principal Earl Armbruster



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### Fireman of the year

CAPTAIN MATT Ligatch was named the Hoodland Fire Department's Fireman of the Year at the Department's annual dinner Monday night. Ligatch is a volunteer captain with Hoodland and a paid CETA worker. He has been on the force for two-and-a-half years. "Matt is always there when you need him," said Hoodland fire chief Don Armintrout. This is the first year the award has been presented.