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Beaverton Union High Bond Election For $325,000 Set for February 5

A $325,000 bond election has been called for February 5 by the board of directors of Beaverton union high school district No. 10 JT, Washington and Multnomah counties, to vote on the proposition of contracting bonded indebtedness for the construction of high school facilities, it was announced.

If the vote is favorable, the district will take immediate steps to secure bids on the first of a three-unit building planned and designed by the architect and board of directors. It has been estimated that on the basis of the present district valuation of $6,574,299.15 the $325,000 bond issue can be repaid at the rate of $25,000,000 over a 13-year period with a four mill tax. This tax is equivalent to an annual tax of $4 on each $1,000 of the assessed valuation of property owned by a legal voter.

A similar election was held on February 23, 1946. At that time a bond issue was approved by the legal voters of the district. This election was nullified by a legal technicality in the bond proceedings, and a new election is now necessary to provide money to equip a high school building with the capacity to handle the increasing enrollment caused by nearby home developments now underway. The larger of these sub-divisions is the Commonwealth project being built north of Beaverton in the Cedar Hills district.

The new strucure was designed by Freeman & Hayslip and will consist of three units. Unit 1—An extension on the east end of the present building, the construction of a home economics department, cafeteria, classrooms and a shop building. Unit 2—A gymnasium, classrooms, offices and other utility rooms. Unit 3 — Auditorium, music rooms and additional classrooms. An attempt will be made to have part of the building completed soon after school starts for the fall term of 1947 if the vote is favorable.

Ways Sell Farm, Move to Missouri

By Mrs. Cora Metzentine

HITEON — Mr. and Mrs. Jack Way have sold their ranch and are moving to Kansas City, Mo., in the near future.

Mr. Ling had one foot removed at Barnes hospital this last week.

Election Postponed

Rebekah club met with Mrs. Christensen January 15 and officers were to have been elected, but so few were present that election was postponed until the next meeting.

Mrs. Jennie Davies is spending a few days with the Struthers until she is able to go to her home at the coast.

Everett Metzentine and family celebrated his birthday with a dinner at the home of his parents Sunday.

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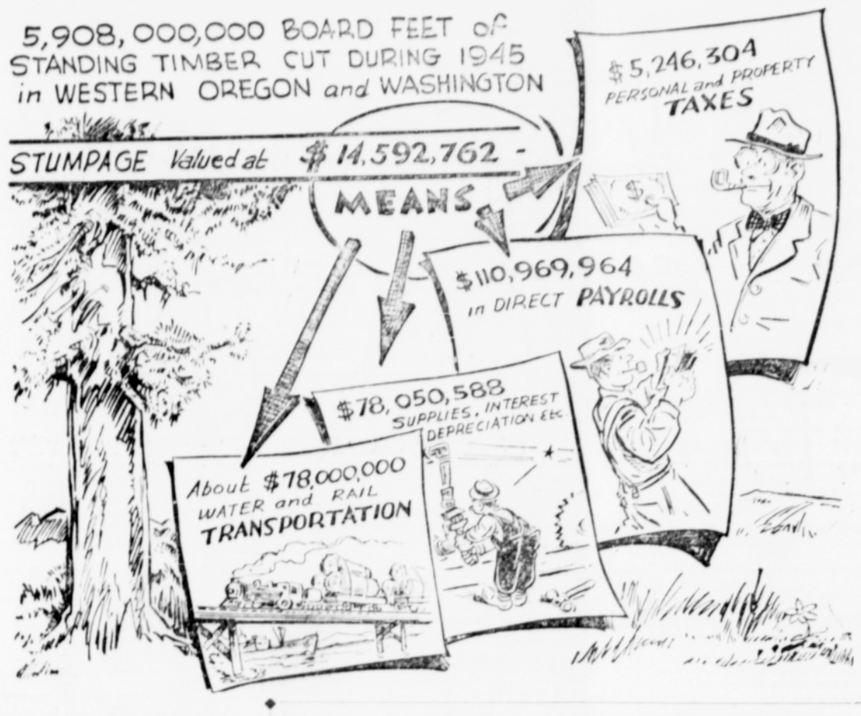

Wismer Achieving Theatre Success At Mount Holyoke

Lawrence Wismer, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wismer of route 1, Hillsboro, has been achieving a great degree of success at the Laboratory theatre of Mount Holyoke college South Hadley, Mass., where he is an instructor. The theatre's recent presentation of eight scenes from English comedy was termed a "howling" success by a publication there and Wismer was lauded highly for his work.

One critic wrote: "Mr. Wismer's settings, a triumph of 'suggestive realism,' contributed greatly to the success of the performances. With a panel here, a period chair and a half arch there, he miraculously transported the audience back centuries, or managed to represent an elegant Victorian garden or ultra-modern terrace. Mount Holyoke has rarely seen such ingenuity and such imagination expended on settings."

Wismer is a graduate of Hilhi. He attended Pacific university at Forest Grove two years, the University of North Carolina for two years, and Stanford university last winter after a period of army service. He has also spent three summers at the Lakewood Summer theatre in Maine.

Grove Planning Parking Meters

An ordinance providing for the trial installation of parking meters for a 180-day period was passed last week by the Forest Grove city council. The ordinance must be read two more times before becoming effective and it is expected that some time will be required before meters can be installed.

Meter charges would be passed on at the rate of one cent for 12 minutes, two cents up to 24 minutes, three cents up to 36 minutes, four cents up to 48 minutes and five cents up to 60 minutes. The district which it is planned to be covered with parking meters in Forest Grove includes Council street from Pacific avenue 200 feet south, Main street between First avenue S. and First avenue N., College Way between Pacific avenue and First avenue N., First avenue N. between College Way and a point 150 feet east of A street, and Pacific avenue from A street to Second street.

Elmer S. Johnson Stanford Graduate

Elmer Schulmerich Johnson of Hillsboro was among 173 students graduating from Stanford university in California at the end of the autumn quarter, according to President Donald B. Tresidder.

Johnson received a bachelor of science degree from the school of physical sciences. He is a graduate of Hilhi and son of Mrs. E. L. Johnson of Hillsboro.

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Wealth totaling many millions of dollars annually is produced in the states of Oregon and Washington by the Pacific Northwest's basic industry, Douglas fir lumber manufacturing, a West Coast Lumbermen's association survey disclosed.

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2. $5,246,304 in personal and property taxes paid to local units of government.
3. $78,050,588 spent for supplies, interest and depreciation.
4. About $78,000,000 spent for water and rail transportation.

These values are the region's basic backlog for continuing prosperity. They are assets which, lumbermen predict, will increase rather than diminish in the years to come.

Driver Test Saturday

A drivers license examiner will be in Hillsboro Saturday, January 25, at the city hall from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., according to an announcement received from the Secretary of State's office.

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Pearson, Miller Anderson Speak

Leo Pearson, Lloyd Anderson and E. Ray Miller were main speakers at the Friday meeting of Hillsboro Toastmasters' club at the local Legion hall. It was announced that competition will be held in succeeding weeks to determine the local representatives for the Toastmasters' International speaking contest to be held in midsummer.

Pearson spoke on "Childhood Humiliations," Anderson on "You Can't Get Rich," and Miller on "Clear the Desk" at Friday's meeting. Grant Johnson was toastmasterer, D. Reid Cottrell topic master, and Robert Melquist critic. C. T. Richardson, vice president, presided in the absence of President John Meeke.

Cottrell will be toastmaster, Gil Forsyth topic master, Gordon Hansen critic, and Johnson, Hansen, Keith Susbauer and Jake Weil speakers.

Vernon Maller Qualifies

Vernon N. Maller, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Maller of Banks, has qualified as a candidate for electrician's mate, third class, at construction battalion center, Port Hueneme, Cal. Maller entered the naval service in July, 1946, and received his recruit training at the naval training center, San Diego, Cal. Before this he attended Banks union high school.

Dodd Promoted By Gas Utility

J. A. H. Dodd, credit manager for many years of the Portland Gas & Coke company and acting manager of its Tualatin Valley district for a number of months during the war, has been promoted to manager of the Willamette Valley district of the utility, with headquarters in Salem, according to announcement last week by R. G. Barnett, vice-president and general manager. He succeeds Leif Bergsvik, who has had to resign because of ill health.

Dodd has been acting manager of the Willamette Valley district in recent months while also carrying on his responsibilities as credit manager.

He was named first vice-president of the National Retail Credit association last May, after serving as director for five years, and has served two terms as president of the Portland Retail Credit association and ten years as director.

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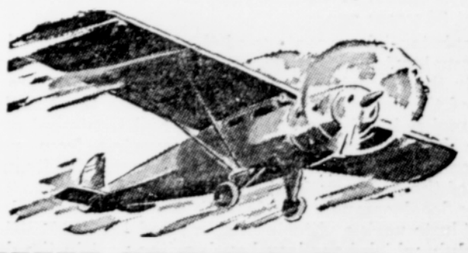

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