

Total Salem School Budget Tops \$2 Million

(Story also on page 1.) A Salem district school budget calling for a vote on \$7,174,475 outside the 6 per cent tax increase limitation places the estimate of total school district expenditures next year at \$2,085,127, all of it in the general fund except about \$55,000 in bond retirement.

Commenting on the increase of some \$300,000 in the amount to be voted on this year, Superintendent Frank B. Bennett said much of it represents an accumulation of school plant needs which have been put off during the late depression and wartime period.

Of the increase, \$141,891 comes under "capital outlay," including \$58,000 in building alterations, \$21,000 in equipment for new buildings, \$13,200 to hard-surface play areas at 11 schools and \$20,000 for new school sites.

Other big increases include \$26,000 in maintenance and repairs and \$25,000 in plant operation (including new oil heating costs and added janitors for new schools).

Relation of general fund items for building and equipment to the \$1,500,000 school bond issue of last year brought questions from citizen members of the budget committee. The bond issue is financing

Final Votes Kill Stayton School Consolidation

The proposal to consolidate Stayton union high school district 4J with the Marion county rural school district lost by a narrow margin, it was revealed Tuesday.

A final tally of votes cast April 15 showed 1,110 votes against the measure and 1,009 favoring. Earlier partial returns had favored the consolidation.

Approved by a wide margin on the same date was the rural school district budget of \$1,120,671. The official canvass finished Tuesday by the office of County Superintendent Agnes C. Booth affirmed the budget by a count of 1281 to 917.

The consolidation rejection vote will be canvassed Friday night at a meeting of the district boundary board. Votes cast last Friday on the consolidation of Evens Valley and Briar Knob districts in eastern Marion county also will be canvassed at that time.

Unofficial returns indicated a favorable vote from each district. An expansion of school plant to meet rising population. Phillips Questions

William L. Phillips of the committee questioned whether equipment expenses for new schools like Capitola or additions like those contemplated for Englewood and McKinley schools should not be covered by the bond issue for expansion instead of by new items in general fund equipment accounts.

Superintendent Bennett explained that the bond issue money is not stretching far enough to equip as well as build the intended new school structures, and it already has been necessary to eliminate from the building program a scheduled vocational shop at Salem high school.

Amendments Made At Phillips' instigation two amendments were made to the budget as prepared by school officials on advice from the school board. One shifted from "new buildings" to emergency fund a \$40,000 item which is expected in federal aid for the congress passes a law now before it.

The other amendment changed a \$55,000 item in name only, striking it from the same general "new building" account to a designation as "post war construction." The \$55,000 is a residue from a war-time bond issue for post war construction. Phillips said carrying a "new buildings" item in general fund would appear to voters superfluous on top of the recent \$1,500,000 bond issue for new construction.

Citizen budget committee members, besides Phillips, are J. H. Willett, chairman, George Grabenhorst, William J. Entriss and E. J. Scelars. Other members are the school board members, Donald A. Young, Harry Scott, Mrs. David Wright, Edward Majek and Gardner Knapp.

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Mother Keeps Son in Room for 10 Years to Escape Army Draft

NEW YORK, Wednesday, April 27—(AP)—A 33-year-old man, bearded and tattered after living 10 years in a room little larger than a cubicle, was brought into the outside world early today by police who smashed a sealed door to reach him.

Shoeless and with near rags for clothing, Paul Makushak stood before questioning officers in Brooklyn and in a well spoken voice said: "I don't care about the outside world. I'd rather be back there."

The man was taken from a third floor room in a house in the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn by police who said he had been kept a prisoner there for the past decade by his mother—to prevent him from being drafted into the armed services.

The strange story of the man came to police attention after the mother, 58-year-old Anna Makushak, had entered a hospital for treatment of an illness and had asked a neighbor to go and care for her son.

Police found the man in a room whose only door had been sealed with plaster and bricks. He was fed through an opening in the ceiling which led to the roof of the three-story residence.

Inside the room they found him in a cubicle about four feet square which was separated from the rest of the room by a fiber board partition. The only facility for sleeping in the room was a floor mat.

There was a small radio, equipped with earphones, a small lamp and table "and innumerable books." There were no toilet facilities in the room.

Empty cans and bottles were strewn about the floor. The man's father, 62-year-old Peter Makushak, told police he had not seen his son for 10 or 11 years. The father, who operates a tailor shop and dry goods store on the first floor of the building, said the son disappeared about 1939 after fixing a light socket for him in the store.

To his questions about the son's whereabouts the father said, his wife replied that the son had gone to Canada.

Police Class 'Murder' Case Nears Close Moot Judge Joseph Felton adjourned court at 4 p. m. Tuesday without a decision in the case of Arthur J. Hayes, alias FBI Agent Oliver Mansfield, on trial for the antique shop slaying of John Payne.

Felton closed the final chapter on classwork in homicide for the regional police school held in Salem during the past three weeks. Officer-students put their findings to a test in the three-hour moot court but will apparently never know if collected evidence would assure conviction of the balding defendant.

Final class in the 1949 school will be held May 17 beginning at 9 a. m. in the city council chambers. Special Agent E. L. Barton of the FBI will conduct the session on traffic accident investigation.

Following the all-day class, officers attending the school and city officials from the area represented will attend a banquet at the American Legion club. Capt. Stan Friese, Sgt. Ersel Munding and Officer Glen Bowman, all of the Salem police department are arranging the banquet. Certificates will be awarded to officers attending at least five of the six class sessions.

4 Men Indicted On Charge of Taking Safe

DALLAS, April 26—(Special) Four men charged with stealing a safe containing \$60 from the Y cafe between Salem and Dallas April 13 were indicted on burglary charges by a grand jury here today.

The men were arrested by FBI agents in Sacramento, Calif., last week, and returned here today by Polk County Deputy Sheriff Tony Neufeldt and State Police Sgt. A. F. Mayfield.

Charged with burglary, not in a dwelling, are Otis Langley, 21, Douglas Samuel Boyington, 22, and Jasper Boyington, 19, all of California, and Charles Gepner, 21, Salem.

The foursome was lodged in the Polk county jail late Tuesday under \$5,000 bail, and will appear in the West Salem justice court tomorrow morning for preliminary examination.

Witnesses testifying before the grand jury Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. Ervin York, owners of the Y cafe. The true bills charging burglary were handed over to Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker.

The men are charged with taking a heavy safe from the restaurant the night of April 13, blowing it open, and dumping it from a bridge into the Luckiamute river south of Independence.

Woodworkers Idle as Salem Plants Close

About 100 members of the AFL Millmen's local 1411 were idled Tuesday following a shutdown by four Salem plants, all members of the Woodwork Employers association.

There was no indication Tuesday night that Keith Brown building supply, Salem-Willamette Supply, Oregon Sash and Door and Reinhardt and Lewis would resume work today. Only those divisions of the companies employing members of the Millmen's union were idle, others continued business as usual.

Spokesman for the employers union said the shutdown stemmed from strike action against the Cassidy Fixture Works in Portland. About 1,000 employees in 40 Oregon plants were affected by the stoppage.

The union has been negotiating for a contract calling for a 12½ cent an hour increase to replace the one which expired March 1. Top scale in the union is \$1.77½ an hour.

J. M. Scudder, attorney for the Woodwork Employers, said the scale here was 10 cents an hour higher than at Seattle and Tacoma and local firms were losing business to the Washington plants.

Open House at Bush Tonight

Open house at Bush school tonight will be a special occasion, for in addition to the achievement displays by students, six new classrooms recently completed will be shown to the public. The program will begin at 7:30 p. m.

Achievements by Bush students will be shown in several displays including work by social studies and science classes, hobbies, ceramics and other class projects.

The Bush Mothers' club will sponsor a hot dog and coffee sale, proceeds from which will be used in a fund to buy a new piano for the school.

Court Fight Over Pelton Dam Looms

PORTLAND, April 26—(AP)—The state fish commission intends to carry the fight against the proposed Pelton dam to court, if necessary.

The commission said it would seek to prevent construction of the \$12,000,000 dam on the Deschutes river under the right of eminent domain.

The commission explained it had a fish hatchery upstream from the Pelton site. Into it has gone \$70,000. The federal government intends to spend another \$200,000. The dam would make the hatchery worthless, said the commission.

This would form the basis for an eminent domain suit, a spokesman said. The hydroelectric commission, which held a hearing on the proposed dam yesterday, said it would be a month before it would announce a decision on whether to authorize the dam.

Burglars Loot Apartment of Dead Woman

City detectives were investigating what was apparently an attempted burglary Tuesday of the second-floor apartment of the late Myrta Tyrell at 193 N. Commercial st.

Detectives' reports said that an entry into the apartment had been made by removing a plywood board in the window on the Commercial street side of the apartment. Apparently some of the furnishings had been ransacked but it was not determined whether anything was missing, the report said.

Mrs. Tyrell was found dead on the floor of the apartment April 21. The apartment has been closed awaiting final disposition of the dead woman's property.

Referendum on City Tax Promised

PORTLAND, April 26—(AP)—A referendum attack against the proposed city income tax was promised here today.

The Oregon tax council, a Portland organization, will circulate petitions against the tax, Philip V. Sunseri of the council said. The petitions also would be aimed against a proposed one per cent tax on business profits.

The petitions need 16,000 signatures to put the measures on the next ballot here.

Fund-Raising For Salem High Musicians Set

Members of the Salem High School Band and Orchestra Parents club were joined by band and orchestra members Tuesday night to plan an all-out effort to raise funds to send the high school musicians to the state contest at Klamath Falls.

Both band and orchestra qualified to compete at recent district contests but no funds are available in the school administration to finance the trip about \$1,500 is needed for the trip.

Two committees were appointed at Tuesday's meeting to promote the fund raising campaign. U. F. Wolfer was named chairman of the committee to approach Salem clubs and Mrs. Esther Little was appointed to head a committee of high school students on promotion and publicity.

The committee under Wolfer includes August Manke, Mrs. Keith Dyer, E. J. Whittlesey, H. A. Shute and O. N. Engdahl.

The promotion and publicity committee includes Phil Sitter, Lloyd Hamlin, Lea Holgate, Elton Sikorra, Malcolm Peeler, Marilyn Foley, Loren Bartlett, Bob McConville, Alice Lehman, Darlene Engdahl, Gloria White, Phil Ringle and Merlyn Schultze. Both groups will meet tonight in the band room at Salem high school.

Kenneth Potts Nominated for Legion Chief

Kenneth Potts was nominated for the position of commander of Salem American Legion post 136 at a business meeting of the organization Monday night.

Other officers named by the nominating committee were Wayne Purdue, 1st vice commander; Capt. Bert Walker, 2nd vice commander; Perry Buren, service officer; Charles Jensen, judge advocate; William Letterman, finance officer; Don Costello, quartermaster; Richard Irwin, sergeant-at-arms and O. L. Donaldson, Jr., membership officer.

Nominations for the executive committee were Frank Cross, Carleton Greider, Boyd Barba, Ralph Atwood, Glen Harbaugh, Clinton Standish, Earl Ahlers, Bob Green, Cliff Mudd, George Spauer, Joe De Phillipi, Charles Creighton, Sgt. Lester Lent, Howard Kafun, Elwood Townsend and Joe Matulis.

Further nominations and election of officers for the coming year is scheduled for the next meeting of the post.

Following the business meeting the post held its second annual Spring frolic with about 400 members and guests in attendance. Scout Chairman Earl Ahlers introduced Frank Vitaris, assistant scoutmaster of the post's sponsored troop 19, who in turn introduced members of the troop and explained the annual scout circus.

State Sanitary Board Warns Cities, Firms

PORTLAND, April 26—(P)—The state sanitary authority tonight warned six Oregon cities and three industries that it would use "whatever measures are necessary" to stop stream pollution.

The authority threatened court action to obtain compliance with its clean-up requests, members voted to allow the cities—Albany, Corvallis, Sheridan, Toledo, Oswego and Springfield—60 days in which to submit specific time schedules for constructing and financing their sewage treatment systems.

The three industrial concerns warned were the Oregon Pulp & Paper Co., the Publishers Paper Co., and the Crown Zellerbach Corp., all of Oregon City.

Detroit Offers Minstrel Show

DETROIT, April 26—Two soloists, a quartet and a large chorus will be featured in the minstrel show to be presented by Detroit in the Parent-Teachers association program at the old grade school



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Jean Bray and Shirley Hammer will give a tap dance number, while Mr. and Mrs. Ben Todd and S. T. Moore will present novelty dance numbers. End men in the minstrel production will be Wilson, Hoyt, White and Moore.

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