

Rural School Board Okehs Hiring of 5 New Employes

Unanimous approval was given Thursday by Marion County Rural School District Board for hiring of five new employes, including a county superintendent assistant, consultants in defective speech and remedial reading services, and two staff secretaries.

Backing by the seven-member board came Thursday noon at the courthouse after the proposal was made by Mrs. Agnes Booth, county superintendent. The increased personnel would increase the yearly budget about \$20,000. State funds would help finance the two special service consultants, she added.

The matter will now be placed on a tentative budget being drawn up by the superintendent's office to be considered by the board at its next meeting in January.

"Marion County is very weak in the special service area due to budgeting" said Mrs. Booth. This area includes special workers to help classroom teachers with problems of deaf and hard-of-hearing children, speech correction, remedial instruction, crippled and ill children and those visually handicapped.

Special Classes
This field also includes special classes for gifted and mentally retarded students, she added.

The State Department of Education is expected to provide part of the consultant wages and may use the area as a "pilot county" in the field of special service education, Mrs. Booth explained. Ratio of county and state funds was not determined.

Special education consultants would assist school district and teachers in organizing educational facilities for handicapped children in the home, special schools or classrooms, and arrange pre-service and in-service education of teachers in the field.

They also would help determine eligibility of children for special services, supervise classes and programs for these children and assist local school districts in selecting and obtaining special equipment and materials required for the program.

The pair also could help coordinate local, county and state agencies in this work, Mrs. Booth added.

The proposal included two secretaries to be located at the county superintendent's office to maintain records and clerical work of the consultants. This would allow full time to be spent "in the field," Mrs. Booth pointed out.

Particularly Pressed
The assistant superintendent would be in charge of school supervision and curriculum, said Mrs. Booth. The superintendent's administrative position is particularly pressed lately because of the rural school district reorganization being done, she explained.

In other business, redistricting of the county into five population zones was taken under advisement with a decision expected at the next meeting. This redistricting is necessary because first-class districts were recently placed under the board jurisdiction.

Districting is actually done by the County District Boundary Board, but a recommendation from the rural board was requested, said Mrs. Booth.

It was also decided by the group that noon meetings would be held the second Monday of each month. Walter H. Bell, Stayton, was appointed chairman of a committee to study a possible wage increase of the county school superintendent position. Sylvester Smith, St. Paul, and Harry Oldenburg, Jefferson, were named on the committee.

Other board members are A. C. Spranger, Salem; Fred Schwab, Mt. Angel; Dean Bishopick, Woodburn; Gardner Knapp, Salem; and Agnes C. Booth, secretary.

Public Records

CIRCUIT COURT

Marjorie Tucker vs Velle Tucker: Divorce suit charges cruelty, asks custody of minor child and \$60 per month support. Married March 21, 1932, at Hot Springs, Ark.

Joanne Marie Aplet vs. Leonard L. Aplet: Divorce decree awards plaintiff custody of three minor children.

Helen Price vs. Ernest McManis: Damage suit seeks \$56,594 for injuries allegedly received in accident June 24, 1956, on Marion-Stayton Road.

Ida C. Wengenroth vs. Bill Baillie Wengenroth: Divorce complaint charges cruelty. Married July 12, 1948, at Salem.

Arnold R. Melvin and Dolores I. Melvin vs. Donald E. Woody as Woody's Thrifty Furniture, New and Used, and the Estate of Carl W. Hogg, as Hogg Brothers Appliance and Furniture Dealers: Damage suit seeks \$600 compensatory damages and \$10,000 punitive damages on two suits of action for furniture allegedly illegally taken Dec. 8, 1956.

DISTRICT COURT

John Larry Edwards, Woodburn, preliminary hearing waived, ordered held to answer to grand jury on charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Gerald Emmett Earls, Albany, fined \$25 after being found guilty by court on charge of reckless driving.

PROBATE COURT

Nellie Torsen estate: Order closes estate.

Mary D. Hollett estate: Order appoints Lucille Simkins administratrix.

Lena Brenden estate: Order closes estate.

Gerald Marking estate: Order appoints Dora Marking administratrix.

Rosina Amstutz estate: Order closes estate.

Mads Peter Petersen estate: Order appoints Willard S. Bartlett executor.

Harriett L. Haley Estate: Order sets Jan. 6 at 10 a.m. as time for hearing of objections to final account.

MARRIAGE APPLICATIONS

Gerhard F. Dalwig, 20, laborer, 1990 Kapphahn Rd. NE, and Linda Sue Gwyn, 15, at home, Rt. 3, box 838, both of Salem.

John Ervin Rank, 19, laborer, Turner, and Frances Louise Baker, 18, 256 12th St. NE, Salem.

John Wesley Day, 32, engineer, 292 17th St. SE, and Alice Harriet Danielson, 30, nurse, 1144 13th St. SE, both of Salem.

Christian Week At Willamette to End With Play

The play "Thunder Rock" tonight and Saturday will end Christian Resources Week at Willamette University.

It will be given each evening at 8:15 in the Fine Arts auditorium. A story of one man's search for spiritual values, the play will climax three days of talks on the campus by religious and mental health authorities.

Christian Resource Week is an annual observance at Willamette during which students and faculty make a special study of spiritual questions.

November's 94 Bad Checks In Salem Nearly Set Mark

Last month's 94 fictitious checks reported to the Salem police department was the highest number recorded in any one month since 1948 when 125 were investigated.

The present unemployment problem is probably the main reason for the high figure, police chief Clyde A. Warren said Thursday.

November is not usually a high month for worthless checks, police said.

Summer months, mainly August when transients work in farm jobs in the area, cause merchants the most check concern.

Of the 515 bad checks investigated by the end of November this year, police officers were able to clear 372 by arrests. The record shows 66 cleared in November.

Death Takes H. T. Hoke

Harry Thomas Hoke, 68, died Thursday morning after suffering what was believed to be a heart attack at his home, 643 Edgewater St. NW.

Polk County Coroner Paul Bollman said neighbors called Willamette ambulance to the trailer house where Hoke lived, but ambulance found him dead when they arrived.

Hoke was born Sept. 27, 1889, at Springfield, Ill. He was a member of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Robert Taylor, Hood River, and Mrs. Virgil Richardson, Portland; and a brother, Jess Hoke, Glasgow, Mont.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Howell-Edwards Chapel, with interment following at City View Cemetery.

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Charles A. Sprague, Statesman editor and publisher, named Education Citizen of Year by Marion County chapter of National Education Association.

Educators Name Sprague Top Citizen

Charles A. Sprague, editor and publisher of The Oregon Statesman, was named Citizen of the Year in Education Thursday night by Marion County chapter of National Education Association.

The citation and plaque presented by Dr. Charles Howard of Salem, president emeritus of Oregon College of Education, cited the former state governor as an "unwavering advocate of the fullest development of American culture and competence through education."

Robert Sprague, Statesman-Journal advertising director, accepted the plaque in the absence of his uncle, who is en route to New York.

About 150 Marion County members of Oregon Education Association attended the dinner in Hotel Senator.

Dr. Karl H. Berns of Washington, D. C., assistant executive secretary of NEA, spoke on the future of education.

He said need for outstanding educational leadership will increase as the nation's technical advances are converted from defense to peace plans.

Although he said the American system of education appears inferior to Russia's in some ways, he urged caution in changing methods on which he said the country's democracy is based.

"It would be catastrophic if we were to decide suddenly to follow Russia's system of slanting education," he said.

Rider Sues Car Driver

A damage suit seeking \$56,594 charging that the driver of a car in an accident fell asleep while under the influence of liquor, was filed Thursday in Marion County Circuit Court.

It was filed by Helen Price, a passenger in a car driven by Ernest McMans, allegedly involved in an accident on Marion-Stayton Road two miles west of Stayton June 24, 1956. The suit charges she received leg, arm, face and internal injuries when the car left the road and hit a telephone pole.

Medical expenses sought for alleged injuries and wage loss were listed at \$6,594 and general damages at \$50,000.

Oregon Collegiate Leaders to Meet, Hear Legislator

PORTLAND, Dec. 5 (AP) — The annual meeting of the Oregon Federation of Collegiate Leaders will be held at Lewis and Clark College here tomorrow.

Rep. Green (D-Ore) will be a keynote speaker. The student leaders will exchange ideas and discuss campus problems.

Thirty-Five Pints of Blood Collected For 2 Texas Youths at Salem Drawing

Thirty-five pints of blood were collected Thursday for two Texas youngsters "adopted" by Salem.

The total collection at the monthly Red Cross drawing here was a record 138 pints, blood drive chairman William Staley said.

Russell M. Griffin, 4945 Coloma Ave. S. E., gave his 50th pint. The 35 pints specifically earmarked by donors will be credited to Vaughn Erier, 4, and his 10-year-old sister, Vicky, of Bonham, Tex., who need transfusions of

fresh blood every two or three weeks to stay alive. They suffer from a rare Mediterranean anemia.

Staley said the drawing was one of the most successful conducted in Salem.

Jack Kuhn, 2075 McCoy Ave. NE, became a four-gallon donor, and Lewis E. McRae, 3920 25th St. SE, a three-gallon. Seven joined the gallon club: Larry Wood, 465 17th St. NE; Charles H.

Cross, 338 N. Church St., Silverton; Mrs. Doris Morey, 1168 6th St. NW; Forrest Hatch, 845 Jackson St., Monmouth; Walter N. Perry, 2745 High St. SE; Robert Whitby, 607 Thompson Ave. NE, and Mrs. Marion Oakes, 2915 Evergreen Ave. NE.

Mrs. Gertrude Ficus, 1509 4th St. NW, gave her 19th pint and Mrs. Olive M. Jorgensen, 695 Court St. NE, her 15th.

The next drawing will be Jan. 1.

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