

Merger Would Not Affect H. S. Pupils

Garden Way and Santa Clara students in the 10th grade or higher who are attending high school at Springfield or Junction City could continue at those schools even if the districts vote to consolidate with Eugene at an election scheduled March 12.

The Eugene school board, which would be the board of the consolidated district (because it is the board of the most populous district) took this position at its meeting Monday night. The board feels that students who have gone as far as the 10th grade should be allowed to finish in the schools where they have started, and for this reason it would be the policy of the board to approve payment of their tuition by the consolidated district, it was announced.

It is believed that the Garden Way and Santa Clara districts are the only ones involved in the consolidation plan who have any number of students attending high schools other than Eugene.

Danebo—

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youngsters a better all-around program."

Many pertinent questions on the issue were asked.

Axel Berntzen said that while he was against the idea at first, the facts presented by Dr. Huffaker changed his views somewhat and he believes the proposal is something that should be considered seriously.

After listening and asking a number of questions, Hans Nielsen suggested that a special meeting of school patrons be called and that the matter be explained to all the people of the district.

John F. Goldworthy also urged calling a meeting and election.

Raymond Olsen suggested that they wait and see what Bethel and Bailey Hill do and if one of those

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districts comes in, a special meeting should be called.

Straw Vote Taken

H. D. Berntzen, chairman of the Danebo school board, presided and conducted the straw vote on the issue of calling an election.

Dr. Huffaker stressed the problem of outside students who attend Eugene junior high schools, pointing out that they enter the Eugene schools after the other students have been together two years, and the suburban pupils are likely to feel like outsiders. From an educational standpoint, he said, it is better for any district to be part of a complete educational system including junior and senior high schools.

City Hall To Spruce Up

Officers on the main floor of the city hall are going to have a "face-lift."

City Manager Deane Seeger said Wednesday he is making arrangements for painting and other improvements including fluorescent lights in a number of the offices.

Remodeling also is scheduled for fire department quarters, including new concrete floors where equipment is kept.

1944 Successful—

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join in the program of saving waste fat for the war effort. He also highlighted the eight-point national dairy program, including the following points: Grow an abundance of high quality roughage; balance the herd with the food supply; keep production records on each cow in the herd; practice disease-control methods; produce milk and cream of highest quality; adopt labor-saving methods; take care of the land; and develop a sound breeding program.

E. A. Danielson, county 4-H club leader, talked briefly on the three awards given by the creamery to 4-H dairy club boys and girls and pointed out how important these awards are, both for the development of future dairymen and for the dairy industry as a whole.

Good Sales Year

G. A. Brown, manager of the Interstate Associated creameries, of which the EFC is a member co-operative, reported the sales agency had had a good year and said there are now 8000 farmers represented in the member units of the Interstate group. He spoke of the new headquarters building being erected in Portland, and then went on to stress the need and field of opportunity ahead for such groups to carry on more scientific research on marketing.

Roy Stein, EFC plant superintendent, who returned recently from a survey-trip to other dairy centers, spoke briefly on his trip and likewise pointed out the need for more research in marketing.

E. A. McCormack, manager of the Eugene Fruit Growers association, was slated for a talk during the afternoon on co-operatives and their progress and future. He substituted for E. L. Peterson, state director of agriculture, who was unable to attend, being detained in Salem.

Election of officers also was due in the afternoon.

SALEM PLANS SCHOOLS

SALEM, Feb. 28.—(AP)—Salem school directors last night hired Freeman and Hayslip, Portland architects, to prepare preliminary plans for the \$500,000 postwar building program for the city's schools. First part of the program to be built will be reconstruction of the high school athletic field.

One Hurt As Bus And Truck Crash

A collision between an Oregon Motor Stages bus and a truck loaded with logs resulted in a injury to one passenger at 5:48 p.m. Tuesday. Miss Dorothy Lenhart, 1088 Eleventh Avenue west, a student at the University of Oregon and reporter for The Register-Guard, suffered a dislocation in her neck and was taken to Eugene hospital.

The dislocation was reduced during the night and her condition Wednesday was said to be improved.

The accident occurred at Thirteenth avenue and High street. According to a report at the police station the bus driver, Richard Shouderbrand of 938 Charleston street, was unable to see the truck approaching because of sun in his eyes. Driver of the truck was Clyde D. Pendleton, 1473 Fourth Avenue west. Both the truck and bus were damaged. There were about 15 passengers on the bus.

Lane Men—

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years later re-enlisted, in June, 1939.

He served first at Hamilton Field in California, then at Fort Douglas, Utah, and was graduated from a school of communications at Chanute Field, Ill., prior to sailing for the Philippines. He was stationed on Mindanao when Pearl Harbor was attacked.

Besides his parents, Corporal Mulkey is survived by one brother, Leon M. Mulkey, serving in the merchant marine at Boston, Mass., and a niece, Janet Lee Mulkey. He was a member of the Methodist church at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Private Gimpi

Private Gimpi was born at Monroe, Sept. 23, 1921, but had lived for many years in Eugene. He attended St. Mary's school, and was graduated from high school in 1939. He enlisted in the army air corps in the fall of that year, training as a ground crew mechanic. He was trained at March Field, Calif., and later went to a mechanics' school at Chanute Field, Ill. He returned to March Field and was sent on to Albuquerque, N. M., before he was sent overseas in October, 1941. He was taken prisoner at Corregidor, in the spring of 1942. Three cards had been received from him by his parents, in the intervening time.

He is survived, besides his parents, by three brothers and four sisters. These are Edward Gimpi, sound operators mate 1-c, U. S. navy, on a destroyer escort in the south Pacific; Cpl. Joseph J. Gimpi, at Fort Knox, Ky., where he is an instructor; Sister Caroline Ann, of the Order of the Holy Names, religious, teaching in Seattle; Miss Margaret Gimpi, Miss Genevieve Gimpi, and Caroline and Carl Gimpi, (twins), all at home.

Bertral L. Doane

CRESWELL.—Bertral L. Doane, 61, of Creswell, died Wednesday at a hospital in Eugene. He was a native of Cornelius, Ore., born March 8, 1884. He was a member of the Masonic lodge at Forest Grove.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Katherine Doane, Creswell; a son, Pvt. Jack Doane, serving in the first division of the U. S. army in Germany; a sister, Mrs. Margaret Kuykendall, Yamhill, and a brother, Frank Doane, of Hillsboro. Funeral services will be announced through the Schwering mortuary.

James F. Carter

James Fletcher Carter, veteran of world war, I, who made his home in Eugene, died Tuesday at a veterans' hospital in Boise, Idaho.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Pearl Carter of Eugene; a daughter, Mrs. Maxine Ward of San Leandro, Calif.; his mother, Mrs. Letha Bissell of Creswell; a sister, Mrs. Frank Hassard, Eugene, and brother, Norris Carter of Portland. Funeral services will be held in Eugene at the Simon mortuary, the time to be announced later.

3000 Owners Sign

Registration of landlords in Eugene and adjacent suburban areas has passed the 3000-mark, it was announced at the OPA rent control office Wednesday.

Only this week remains for landlords in the above areas to take advantage of trained volunteer assistance in signing up at the office in room 10 of the Walling building, 29 Eleventh Avenue west. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Registrations will continue after this week but the same assistance will not be available. It was pointed out by Wendell (Scotty) Stuart, area rent representative. He urged landlords to take advantage of the help offered this week, as it will make the process much easier and faster.

Stuart made a special request to landlords in the suburbs adjacent to Eugene to handle the matter this week.

Next week Sam Cox, examiner-inspector, with two trained workers, will start going to outlying towns for registrations. First will be at the Legion hall in Springfield, March 5, 6 and 7. Hours will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

All landlords who rent living quarters must register, including owners of hotels, rooming houses, auto courts and trailer camps, Stuart explained. He said registration in outlying towns was planned in order to save time and gasoline for landlords, and urged that they take advantage of the assistance to be available on the above dates.

Telephone numbers of the OPA rent office are 901 and 902 and questions will be answered by

Public Reminded Of Income Tax Date

The deadline for income tax returns for 1944 is March 15, 1945, and everyone whose income was \$500 or more is required to file a report, warned Fred L. Huber, head of the office of internal revenue in Eugene, Tuesday.

Incomes from any source, including agricultural work and domestic services require a report, Huber said. Anyone who has an income of \$500 or more, not subject to withholding tax is required to file an estimated return and pay one fourth of the tax on or before March 15, the other three-fourths to be paid by June 15, Sept. 15 and Dec. 15, 1945.

Persons or tax payers whose incomes were entirely from wages or salaries subject to the withholding provisions, may file their returns on the W-2 form which is the receipt given them by their employers. This form may be used if the income is less than \$5000 and if income from other than wages does not exceed \$100.

On the form W-2, no money is paid until the office of internal revenue computes the tax (approximately 10 per cent of income) and either sends a bill or a check, if the government owes the taxpayer.

Taxpayers whose incomes are \$5000 or whose incomes are not subject to withholding provisions, are required to file on the regular form 1040. The entire tax due must be paid by March 15 when using the 1040 or long form.

Anyone with complex tax problems may call at the office of internal revenue, 207 post office building in Eugene for assistance, Huber said.

TO PROTECT JAPANESE

PORTLAND, Feb. 28.—(AP)—The Multnomah county bar association has appointed a committee of five to protect the interests of Japanese-American citizens "whose constitutional rights may be threatened by war hysteria."

Do houses sell for more if they are INSULATED? Yes. Twin Oaks, 669 High.

RATION CALENDAR

PROCESSED FOODS
Book 4—Blue stamps X5 through B2 valid through March 31. Blue stamps C2 through G2 valid through April 23. Blue stamps H2 through M2 valid through June 2. Blue stamps N2, P2, Q2, R2, S2, valid March 1 through June 30.

MEAT, BUTTER, CHEESE
Book 4—Red stamps Q5 through S5 valid through March 31. Red stamps T5 through X5 valid through April 23. Red stamps Y5 through D2 valid through June 2. Red stamps E2, F2, G2, H2, J2, valid March 4 through June 30.

SUGAR
Book 4—Sugar stamp 34 valid through Feb. 28. Sugar stamp 35 valid through June 2.

SHOES
Book 3—Airplane stamps 1-2-3 valid indefinitely. Loose stamps invalid.

GASOLINE
"A" 14 expires March 21, 1945. Each coupon worth 4 gallons. Not valid unless endorsed.

FUEL OIL
Aug. 31, 1945—Period 1, 2, 3 and 4 coupons (1944-45 series) expire at midnight.

WOOD, SAWDUST, COAL
Delivery by priorities based on needs.

STOVES
Apply to local board for oil, gas stoves certificates.

PRICE CONTROL
Refer inquiries and complaints to price clerk at local board.

RENT CONTROL
All rented dwelling units must be registered and changes in tenancy reported.

RATION BOARD HOURS

LEWIS IN SPOTLIGHT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—(AP)—Bushy-browed John L. Lewis took the center of the stage today in a mounting drama whose final act

The war price and rationing board is open to the public from 10 a. m. to 4:30 p. m., on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, until 9 p. m. on Tuesday; until noon on Saturday. The office is located at 29 Eleventh Avenue west. Telephone 4697.

Dow Jones

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—(UP)—Dow Jones closing bond averages: 49 bonds 106.81 up 0.23; 10 1st grade rails 114.87 up 0.12; 10 2nd grade rails 92.25 up 0.11; 10 pub. util. 109.05 up 0.05; 10 Indus. 107.50 up 0.05.

Preliminary closing Dow-Jones stock averages: Industrial, 195.40, up 1.10; rail, 51.56, up 0.34; utility, 26.47, up 0.18; and 45 stocks, 129.50 up 0.41.

Sales were 1,900,000 shares, against 1,100,000 yesterday. Curb turnover was 670,000 shares against 360,000 yesterday. Bond sales were \$11,950,000 against \$9,690,000.

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EXCERPTS FROM THE 1944 ANNUAL REPORT

"Living as we all are in a period in which a stupendous sweep of history is taking place, so big that it obscures a full comprehension of it and so diffused that it is difficult to envision the full significance of its impact, our company has continued to do its utmost during the past year to play its full and effective part in our Nation's attainment of decisive Victory in the dire world-wide conflict into which we were plunged.

"Geared to full war tempo with increasing emphasis on military activities throughout and directed from the Pacific Coast, the demands for telephone communication continue to exceed previous record levels. With its tremendously increased and mobile population and teeming with unprecedented activity, the territory of the five Pacific Coast states in which our company operates has rapidly developed into one of the most important strategic military and production sections of our Country.

"As shown . . . from each of our Annual Reports, 1940 to date, the all-out war effort of our company has been woven and interwoven in the warp and woof of its operations. In fact, the Fall of 1939 saw our sights lifted over the horizon beyond which were ominous clouds that cast the impending gloom of oncoming conflict. Throughout this entire period, our company has been put to a test as never before and its ability to serve under the stress and strain of war has been outstandingly strengthened, as it has been over the many years, since 1880, by its membership in the Bell System.

"There is no period throughout its entire history which is comparable to that of the last five years, 1940 to 1944, inclusive, in its tremendous expansion which, through its all-out war effort, has required gross plant additions aggregating more than \$276,000,000, with the net result that at the end of the year the investment in its telephone plant had reached the huge total of \$651,669,679, or one-third more than it was on January 1, 1940.

"Since January 1, 1940, our net telephone increase has totaled 640,223 telephones, or 33 per cent—a five-year period unequalled in telephone demand in the history of our company. Our net telephone increase for the year was only 19,853 telephones, considerably less than for any year since 1933, and compares with the 1943 net increase of 187,002 telephones, the highest of record. . . . There were at the end of the year 221,573 pending applications for main telephones, 96 per cent of which were for residence service.

"Toll and long distance calls reached a record total of more than 289,700,000 calls, an increase of more than 29,000,000 calls, or 12 per cent, over 1943, which year—the previous all-time high—was 27 per cent over 1942. Since January 1, 1940, the volume of this traffic has increased 124 per cent. The longer haul calls, originating in and destined beyond our territory, have increased almost ten-fold from 797,000 calls in 1940 to more than 7,737,000 calls in 1944.

"In the last five years, due to the tremendous volume of wartime traffic and the unprecedented telephone demand, the number of our employees has increased 13,536, or 45 per cent. The number of employees on our payrolls at the end of the year was 43,534, the highest of record.

"The payroll for the year was an all-time high and exceeded a hundred million dollars, totaling \$104,043,347, an increase of \$10,306,606, or 11

per cent, over 1943. It was higher than the year 1940 by \$44,382,262, or 74 per cent.

"The earnings of our company on invested capital—long-term debt and shareholders' equity—not only have been declining, but also are on the low side as compared with many other businesses. Earnings on its average invested capital in 1940 were 6.06 per cent and in 1944 they had declined to 5.79 per cent. Although costs of operation have risen sharply, adversely affecting its net earnings, our company has had no increases in its price levels nor has it profited by its large volume of business, but to the contrary, rates have been reduced which, since January 1, 1940, have resulted in savings to our customers, based on 1944 usage, aggregating \$15,000,000 annually.

"Promptly meeting as we have all telephone requirements vital to the war effort, it is a matter of deep regret and great concern to us that the unavoidable physical limitations of our plant have prevented us from meeting fully the civilian telephone demand. We dislike to tell people that they have to wait for telephone service, but due to the limited quantities of telephone equipment being manufactured for non-war use, it now appears that we will not be able in the near future to fill promptly all applications. The winning of the war in the shortest possible time, of course, comes first. The amounts and kinds of equipment which will become available to us will depend upon the extent of and the time involved in the shifting from war to civilian production of the manufacture and of the manpower now engaged in direct production for our armed forces.

"As we now visualize our forthcoming work, our postwar requirements will be such that it will be necessary to make plant expenditures aggregating more than \$175,000,000, an increase of more than \$25,000,000 over the amount so estimated a year ago. The construction programs

may well be the largest for the first few years after the war that our company has ever experienced and they will require an extraordinary amount of new capital, the yearly amounts financed being dependent upon business and economic conditions and the availability to us of material, manpower and money.

"Our company has the duty and obligation to welcome home the men and women in uniform and so to direct its operations that it plays its effective part in providing full employment for them immediately upon their return. We have given that assurance to our personnel. . . . We have also the community responsibility so to handle our affairs that the veterans of the war will, on their return, have and hold all that the cause of freedom signifies. To be capable of cause of freedom signifies. To be capable of doing its full part, our company must, necessarily, be able financially to offer the employment and opportunities which not only create hope and enthusiasm for the future, but also make for home and happiness through work and livelihood for willing hands."

"We have before us not only the responsibility, with all of its exactions, but also the opportunity to continue to render an indispensable service, with constantly improving standards, to a great section of a great democracy, conceived and dedicated to the public service. To serve it should, our company must continue to contribute to make our Nation and the world a better place in which to live. In so doing, we go forward with the firm belief that a great service, efficiently and economically rendered, will continue to be received and recognized in accordance with the ideals and traditions of the greatest of all human enterprises—the American way of life."

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