

High Enrollments Still Tops On List of Schools' Problems

Eugene School District battled through one problem after another during 1947, but ended the year with one major problem still unsolved—that of increased enrollment.

During the past year, the school district's board of directors, and the taxpayers, were confronted with:

1. The need for more classrooms in the elementary grades;
2. The completion of Collin Kelly Junior High School;
3. Teacher pay increases made necessary by increased cost of living;
4. A special election which approved a levy of approximately \$454,000 outside the 6 per cent limitation;

5. The need for more school buses; and

6. Increased costs for everything needed to operate the schools and educate the district's children.

But despite the time and money required for the solving of these problems, either permanently or temporarily, the district gained in material things, and the schools maintained their rank with other public schools, as shown by the achievements of the students.

Added to the district's facilities, not counting the new Kelly Junior High School, were:

1. New classrooms at River Road, Bailey Hill, Dunn and Edison Schools, and the utilization of space in other schools for classrooms;
2. The new frequency modulation radio station at Eugene Vocational School;
3. A new instructor to help the hard of hearing and those with

speech defects, and a total of 10 new teachers;

4. Two additional buses for transporting the students to the schools;

5. A new heating plant at Eugene High School, now slated for completion in about two weeks;

6. A driver training course for both high school students and adults;

7. Construction of an agricultural shop at Eugene High School, and more space for adult students at the vocational school, all made possible through the purchase of surplus buildings from Camp Adair;

8. The Collin Kelly Junior High School will be completely paid for out of this year's budget money.

Eugene School District started the year by moving scores of students into the new junior high school on Jan. 27. Although the work was not completed, the students moved in and the school was formally dedicated several months later.

Pay Increase

Early in the winter, the teachers asked for and received average pay boosts of \$700 per year, to help them survive higher prices.

On April 24 the voters approved the levy of approximately \$454,000 outside the 6 per cent limitation to help carry the schools through another year. The vote was 593 to 336, and it increased the levy from 43.9 to 52.18 mills.

Budget Total

The total budget approved last July for the fiscal 1947-48 was \$1,462,128.28.

A special five-year levy to raise \$500,000 for construction of a new senior high school on Nineteenth Ave. ends this fiscal year. Facts entering into the building of a high school now are high costs and the question of whether the Amazon Creek will be controlled. No move has yet been made to continue the levy for a longer period, although it is known that a school cannot be built with only half a million dollars.

Enrollment

Increased enrollment, the biggest problem, has not been licked. Said Supt. Clarence Hines in a recent report: "It is evident that the phenomenon of school growth will be with us well into the 1950's, at least."

In November, 1946, Eugene's elementary grade students totaled 2807; in November, 1947, they totaled 3033, 7.1 per cent gain. School officials are planning on about 3250 elementary students next year, or another 7 per cent gain. Reasons for the increases, which are biggest in the grade schools,

City News

Robert G. Fowler, Jr., son of the former county agent of Jackson county, has been appointed extension specialist in information methods at Oregon State College.

I SAW in a recent Eugene Register-Guard a receipt which read: stir in the lightly eaten whites of two eggs—What will the cooks think up next in order to save?

M. R. Lewis, widely known throughout Oregon through his work on the Oregon State College experiment station soils staff from 1929 to 1944, has been transferred to Washington D. C., where he will be chief of operations on the staff of the commissioner of reclamations.

I SAW some young men in a car splash water on children playing on the sidewalk with Christmas toys. They turned their car around and zoomed past the children a second time, again drenching them. What an example.—Mrs. L. O.

Records

Births at Sacred Heart Hospital:
DAVENPORT—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Davenport, Jr., Eugene, a daughter, Dec. 30, 1947.

BRECE—To Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Brece, Dexter, a son, Dec. 30, 1947.

GREEN—To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Green, 178 North 17th, Springfield, a son, Dec. 30, 1947.

WINNOR—To Mr. and Mrs. Julie H. Winnor, Rt. 2, Springfield, a daughter, Dec. 30, 1947.

WILLIAMS—To Mr. and Mrs. Ned J. Williams, 425 Main St., Springfield, a daughter, Dec. 30, 1947.

EDWARDS—To Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Edwards, Noti, a daughter, Dec. 30, 1947.

SWEET—To Mr. and Mrs. John T. Sweet, Rt. 2, Junction City, a son, Dec. 30, 1947.

BARHAM—To Mr. and Mrs. Jack L. Barham, Halsey, a son, Dec. 30, 1947.

MOORE—To Mr. and Mrs. Mark S. Moore, Fall Creek, a daughter, Dec. 30, 1947.

RILEY—To Mr. and Mrs. John W. Riley, 118 Crocker Lane, a son, Dec. 30, 1947.

PURSER—To Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Purser, 925 Cheshire St., a daughter, Dec. 13, 1947.

Include a high post-war birth rate and the influx of families from the east and middle west during the war.

On January 22 the taxpayers will be asked to approve a special levy of \$200,000 for the enlargement of several primary schools and the construction of a new primary unit in the Westmoreland district.

The commanding general of the U. S. Army's Puerto Rican department lives in a house that was built for Ponce de Leon in 1523.

VFW MEMBERS

A special feature of the regular meeting of Willamette Post No. 293, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Friday evening, Jan. 2, will be the initiation of a large number of new members whose applications were secured by Ben Everson of 1388 Moss St. Everson expects to have about 20 new members present to take their obligation. Post 293 meets at the K. of P. hall at Twelfth Ave. and Lawrence St. the first and third Fridays of each month. All overseas veterans are eligible for membership.

District Attorney Has 4094 Cases in 1947

The Eugene district attorney's office handled a total of 4094 cases during 1947.

The breakdown included: 334 criminal (felony) complaints; 3153 traffic violations; 174 drunken cases; 211 game violations; 57 va-

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grancy and trespassing cases; and 163 miscellaneous misdemeanors.

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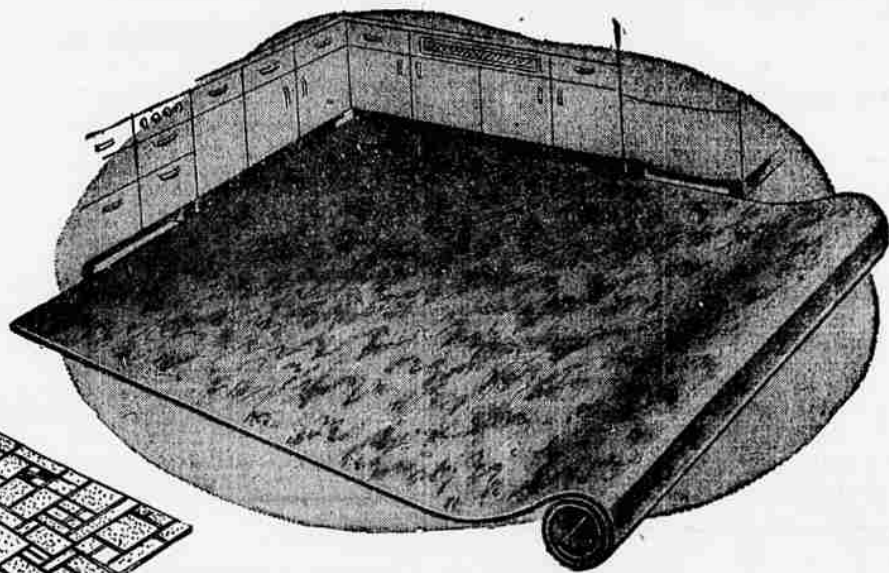
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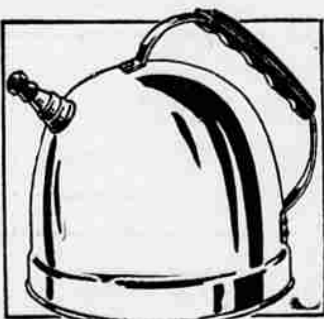
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