

# Special Funds Seen as Solution

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Junior High School and a \$100,000 levy for the high school sinking fund which was assessed upon the district's property holders this year for the fifth and final time.

At recent meetings of the school board emphasis has been given to Eugene's present and future school problems through a series of statistical studies prepared by Asst. Supt. Dean Lobaugh. On the basis of these studies, the board has outlined a program to expected 60 facilities to meet an expected 60 per cent increase in enrollment by 1953.

The request for \$200,000 on which the school district's property owners will pass judgment Thursday has been described by members of the school board as "only the down payment" on the expansion program which eventually may require a total construction expenditure of almost two million dollars.

An article which appeared in last Sunday's edition of the Register-Guard gave a fairly detailed account of the unprecedented growth in pupil population which the Eugene schools must expect in the immediate future because of a drastic upswing in the birth rate and also in some degree to the influx of new residents in this area.

**Increase Forecast**  
In simple summary the statistics cited, representing a conservative estimate of the problem, indicated an increase in the number of elementary school pupils from the present total of 3038 to at least 4829 by the beginning of the 1953 school year.

Translated into terms of additional class room space, this increase would mean a requirement

of 61 new rooms. The only alternative to this would be to place the elementary schools on a double-shift basis, with part of the youngsters attending classes in the morning and part in the afternoon.

Mr. Lobaugh carried out his statistical analysis of the problem to the point of ascertaining as near as possible just which of the grade schools will be most affected by the near phenomenal pupil population growth which is insured by the fact that the children have already been born.

Here, on a school-by-school basis, are his findings:

**BAILEY HILL**—This school is maintained in his calculations as a three-teacher school until 1950, although the growth will be heavy in the area served by the school. This will be possible, he figures, by taking youngsters from the east side of the area to the proposed Westmoreland School. Eventually, however, an additional teacher station will be imperative here. Probable need: one additional room by 1951.

**CONDON**—This school is in a limited geographical area, and is fed rather heavily by veterans' families. It has a large undeveloped area, however, in the Riverview district. For the next few years, Condon should hold fairly closely to its present enrollment, and a 14-unit school on the site should handle developments after 1949, provided that a primary unit is built in Riverview by 1950. A four-room unit is indicated here by 1953.

**DUNN**—Dunn has a fairly light enrollment this year, so can absorb its increase for the next two years without additional rooms. A seven-room school by 1950, and a nine-room by 1953, is in the cards.

**EDISON**—This school serves the east side area that contains most of the undeveloped land, and rapid growth is indicated. It should have two more rooms next year, an additional one in each of the years 1949 and 1950, and should be a 19 teacher school by 1953. The present building can undoubtedly be expanded to this point, but play space is very limited.

**LINCOLN**—The Lincoln enrollment will be decreased for a few years by the additional rooms at Magladry, and by the Westmoreland School. It appears that the present plant, if used to current capacity, can meet the needs of the district until 1953. If, however, the Lincoln School can be moved to the Wilson building, the problem of Frances Willard can be solved. (See Willard discussion.)

**STELLA MAGLADRY**—One room is definitely needed next year, but possibly a sixth room will not be necessary until 1950.

Growth in this area is difficult to predict.

**RIVER ROAD**—This fast-growing area presents some problems. One room can be added next year, but that seems about the limit, and even so, one River Road room will need to be kept at Kelly. It appears that by 1949 some relief must be given in the form of a primary unit in some other part of the area. By 1953, an eight-room will be needed at this location.

**SANTA CLARA**—Santa Clara can "get by," possibly, until 1950, with the present plant, but this is a tricky assumption. It probably can be done only by transporting some pupils to proposed River Road primary unit. One additional teacher will be needed, but there is a room which may possibly serve.

**WASHINGTON**—Additions to this school are not feasible because of the growth and lack of grounds. One more year is all that we can safely allow; then growth will force us to add facilities elsewhere. Since the Gardenway district is included in the Washington estimates, by 1949 a primary unit must be opened at the closed school.

**WHITEAKER**—This school is in a very limited geographical area, and contains considerable more or less temporary housing. However, the families are large, and there is no escaping rapid growth here for a few more years. We should have one additional room next year, one more in 1949, and a 14-room school is indicated by 1953, or a total addition of five rooms. If the portables were to be eliminated, eight rooms would be necessary.

**WILLAGILLESPIE**—This area does not seem to be growing as rapidly as some others; only seven first-graders entered there last fall, for example. A three-room school can be maintained, it appears, through 1950-51, but undoubtedly an additional room must be provided in 1953.

**FRANCES WILLARD**—This school, already bursting its seams, promises to become huge in a few years. Two rooms must be provided (using library and kindergarten) next year, and added rooms in each of the two following years. By 1953 there could be as many as 771 children in the Willard district. The grounds will not support additional rooms, so some solution must be found. The use of Wilson as an elementary plant would do a great deal to solve this situation, however.

**WESTMORELAND**—The proposed school at Eighteenth and City View could exist, according to an accurate census in this region, as a three-room primary school until 1951. Then it will need to be expanded rapidly. There are 235 pre-school children in this area, and that will mean an eight-room school in 1953, when they will all reach school age.

# Recreation Program Arranged for Week

Activities organized by the city bureau of parks and public recreation for this week have been scheduled as follows:

**MONDAY:**

Roosevelt Junior High School—Men's volleyball, 5-7 p.m.; basketball practice, 7-9 p.m.; student council meeting, 8 a.m.

Dunn Grade School—Softball pitcher's clinic, 7-9:30 p.m.; Tommy Hodges, instructor.

Recreation Office—Meeting of city recreational basketball league, 7 p.m.

**TUESDAY:**

Collin Kelly Junior High—City major basketball league, first game, Sterlings vs. Outdoor Store; second game, Oregon First vs. Humphreys.

**WEDNESDAY:**  
McArthur Court—City major basketball league, first game, Herman's vs. Sterlings; second game, Outdoor Store vs. Humphreys.

Santa Clara Grade School—City recreational basketball league; first game, Active Club vs. Calhoun's Independents; second game, Rubenstein's vs. Eugene Planning Mill.

Armory—Boxing card, 10 bouts—all receipts to go to the Polio Fund.

**THURSDAY:**

Roosevelt Junior High School—Men's volleyball, 5-7 p.m.; basketball practice, 7-9 p.m.

Collin Kelly Junior High—City recreational basketball league; first game, Gunderson's vs. Harley - Davidson; second game, Spear & Jackson vs. Police Dept.

Dunn Grade School—Softball pitching clinic, 7-9:30 p.m., Tommy Hodges, instructor.

River Road Grade School—Delta Upsilon basketball team

# New Telescope Expected at UO

The University of Oregon department of physics is awaiting the arrival of a 15-inch reflecting telescope which is to be used in the instruction of astronomy, Dr. A. E. Caswell, head of the department, said today.

The telescope, costing \$2500, was paid for entirely from private donations. It was built by J. W. Fecker and Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., and is now being shipped to the university.

Provisions for placing the telescope have been made in the plans for the projected new science building. Until then it will be housed in temporary quarters. Eventually, Dr. Caswell said, it will be available for public observations.

The new instrument can be used for either Newtonian or Cassegrainian purposes, the head of the department stated. The difference is that in the Newtonian the light is reflected twice the length of the telescope. In the Cassegrainian, it is reflected three times the length.

# SCHOOLS HAVE HOLIDAY

Eugene's elementary schools (the first six grades) will be closed Monday while members of the teaching staffs participate in a workshop designed to familiarize them with the use of radio as an instructional aid. (See additional story, page 3.)

practice, 7-9 p.m.

**FRIDAY:**

River Road Grade School—City recreational basketball league make-up game, Active Club vs. Eugene Police Dept., 7-9 p.m.

# February 1 Deadline Set for Farm Reports

Cooperators in the 1947 farm conservation program were reminded Saturday that Feb. 1 is the deadline for filing reports on completed practices. Ernest E. Schrenk, county chairman, said the reports must be filed by that date if the cooperators are to receive payments for expenses incurred during 1947.

About 100 of the estimated 1400 cooperators have not yet completed their reports, the agriculture conservation office said.

# Three Youths Sign For Navy Service

The U.S. Navy Recruiting Service in Eugene Saturday released the names of three additional youths who have been sworn into the Navy at Portland.

They were Delmar W. Landers of 566 Monroe St., Ronald D. Coakes of 953 West Broadway, and Jack Thomas Larr of Walton. Landers and Coakes enlisted under the high school training program which permits them to choose their training school before they are sworn in. They will attend the electricians' school at San Diego after completing basic training.

# Senior Ball Plans Underway on Campus

Plans for the University of Oregon's annual Senior ball have been announced by Robert Wallace of Fort Jones, Calif., who is general chairman for the dance which is set for Saturday, Jan. 24, in McArthur Court on the campus.

Featured at the formal ball will be Dick Jurgens and his orchestra. Jurgens is the composer of such popular music as "Elmer's Tune," "One Dozen Roses," and "If I Knew Then."

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