

Board to Call Bids for Classrooms

Eugene School Board Monday authorized a call for construction of additional classrooms and other facilities at the high schools; awarded contracts to two firms for five new classrooms at the high schools; agreed to extend service on Day Island for school children; and ordered many items of business to be completed by a long Monday night session.

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ard Reviews School Matters

Springfield's school board took action on major matters at a regular meeting Monday night. Members discussed various topics were established of the home-room system, higher grades, distribution of students after opening of Junior High, and effect of population growth on plans.

Members interviewed two students from the high school and voted to give both



AL CHAPEAU—While previewing Macy's annual flower show at San Francisco, operatic singer Melchior wears his wife's famed Easter bonnet. He scans a flower arrangement for her hair prepared by florist Edward Goeppner, at right.

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boys another chance. Members also made plans for the special election May 3 at which voters will pass on next year's budget. There will be 12 voting places.

ARTIFICIAL BREEDING

BURLINGTON, Vt.—A dairy executive, W. A. Dodge, reported 20 per cent of the cows in Vermont were bred artificially during 1953. He said it was an increase of about 10,000 compared to 1952.

of Portland. There will be two classrooms built at Cal Young; a shop and homemaker unit at Roosevelt; and a shop, music room, homemaker unit and a classroom at Colin Kelly.

Bids for the jobs will be advertised in a few days and be opened early in May for consideration by the board.

J. M. Steinmuller Jr. was awarded a contract for low bids of \$13,233 to build a classroom at Dunn School and \$24,875 to build one room, toilet bank and other facilities at Westmoreland School. The low bidder on the other two jobs won contracts as follows: To build two classrooms at Santa Clara School for \$24,897; and one at Whiteaker School for \$14,135. The firm is Arnt Ree and Son.

DOZEN CITIZENS

Nearly a dozen school patrons and interested citizens from the Day Island area appeared to support a request that bus service be extended eastward on that road to eliminate hazards there. The board agreed to run the bus as far along the road as possible. Parents and others pointed out that puddles, mud, hoboos, and

Bike Rider, 7, Hit by Auto

A seven-year-old girl on a bicycle was injured in Springfield Monday afternoon when involved in a collision with an auto.

She is Millie E. Hunter, 860 N. 28th St., who received lacerations of a leg when she came into the path of an auto driven by Carl S. Buchholz, 47, an insurance investigator from Renton, Wash., police said. Police reports indicated the girl rode out in the street from in front of a parked truck which obstructed the driver's view.

There were no citations. The youngster was not injured enough to be hospitalized.

DRIVING HAZARD

PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, Wis.—Russell Mezera, 22, came up with a new alibi in police court, but he still received a fine of \$5 for a minor traffic accident. Mezera said he lost control of his car when his cigarette fell inside his shirt and burned his chest.

gravel trucks constitute some of the dangers to children who have had to walk to the bus. School officials pointed out that the part of the road under discussion is not a county-accepted road and has been too hazardous for the bus to negotiate.

One mother said "winos" stagger along the road frequently to and from their "jungle," that the mud and water are constant hazards to children's health and clothing; and trucks crowd the narrow road.

SUPPORT REQUEST

Board members agreed to ask the county commissioners to maintain the road if possible.

In other business, Alvin Charles and Mrs. Eva Graves appeared to support their request that usage fees be lowered at the EHS auditorium.

Charles said their partnership is non-profit and was organized to bring cultural and entertainment events to Eugene. He said the rental fees are so high for certain types of usage that "even the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City doesn't charge so much."

Rental costs for a two-day performance here, would be \$1,000. There would also be a \$200 city tax. He suggested the school district obtain an auditorium license from the city to eliminate the need for each user of the auditorium to pay a separate tax, at a considerably higher rate.

PUBLIC FACILITY

School officials said they will investigate the entire matter further, but told the agency representatives that the facility is a public building and that any group using it for personal gain should pay a higher rate.

Charles said, "This is not for personal gain." He already has contracted for use of the auditorium at the regular rental rate to bring the Broadway "Annie Get Your Gun" show here in May.

The board also agreed to advertise that the 19th and Patterson lots are for sale for a minimum of \$15,000. The land was appraised last year for that figure, but no sale was made. The Baptist Church wants the land, but the board decided to give other prospective buyers a chance to bid on it in fairness to all.

Clan Edwards Holds Meeting At Fire House

Springfield's assistant fire chief, Ray Edwards, got a look at what the future holds for him Tuesday.

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When they got around to introducing each other, Edwards—the talk drifted, naturally enough, to fire equipment. A retired fireman with 35 years experience at a city near Boston, Mass. He is here visiting his son, also named Ray Edwards.

Council Mulls Fire Building

COBURG — Four directors of the rural fire district met with the city council here Monday night to discuss once again a building for the rural and city fire departments.

The group agreed that the structure should be made with building blocks, should be 50 or 60 feet long and 24 feet wide. It should have a shop and a tower for drying hose.

W. H. Manley was asked to draw plans for the station. Working with him will be Harry Harbert and David Calvert of the rural district, Fire Chief Forrest Dornan, Lowell Swartz and Henry Crownover of the city.

Swartz reported that the job of mimeographing city ordinances is about half finished. The work is being done at the high school.

Palmer King reported that a Springfield man wants a franchise for cleaning septic tanks in the city. No action was taken.

Repair of Willamette St. was also discussed, and Fire Chief Doran requested repair or replacement of a valve on a hydrant at Pearl and Miller St.

The Viking Age of Scandinavia lasted from about 800 A.D. to about 1050.

4-H Building

Repair and remodeling work on the 4-H building at the Lane County Fairgrounds has been started. Mrs. Hallie Huntington, fair manager, reported this week. Biggest job is in repairing the ceiling and roof. Mrs. Huntington said, Acoustical tile is being installed on the ceiling.

Mrs. Helen Manerud, local artist, is helping choose colors for the fireplace room, and later will

Work Starts

do some painted sketching of western designs in that room.

Mrs. Huntington said she hoped to add a big fireplace in the long room of the 4-H building. If possible, the fireplace will face both indoors and outdoors, she reported.

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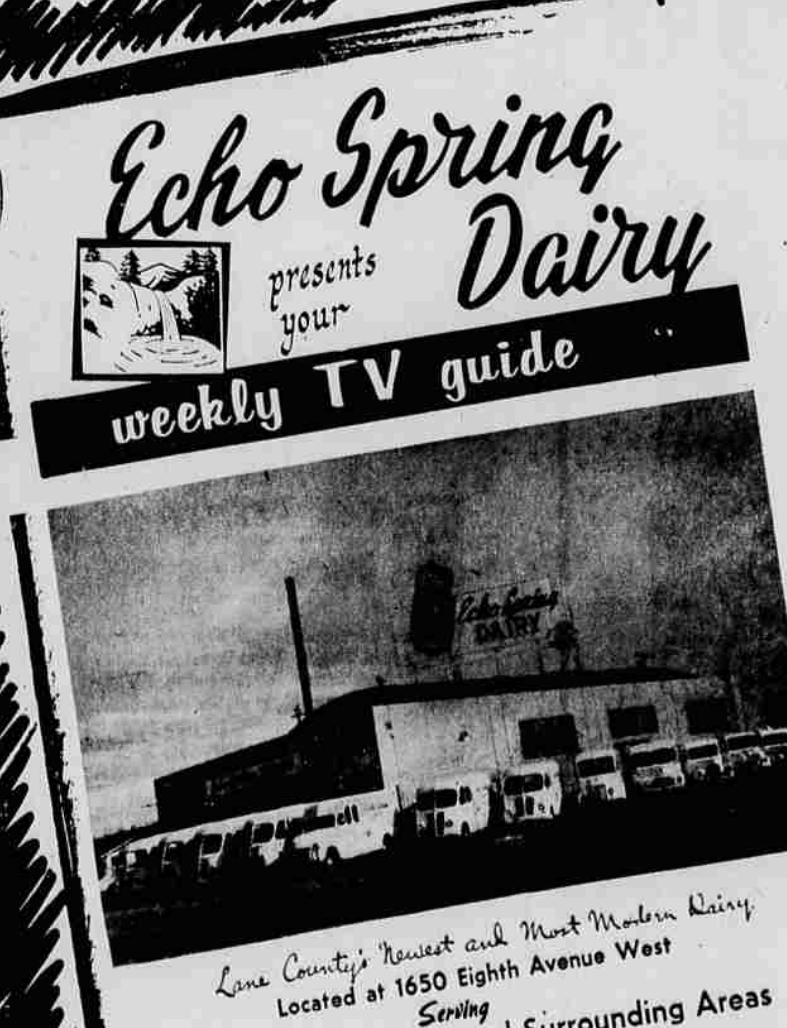
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