

Budget Group Meets

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5-place schedule to a 3-place schedule. This will be accomplished by consolidating the pay positions for sixth-year college training with the master's degree position and the 5-year training with the bachelor's degree position. The district will also continue its salary bracket for teachers with 3 years' college training.

PAY BRACKETS

Provisions are made on the teacher salary schedule for continuing the present pay brackets also for years of teaching experience, from none through 15 years' experience.

The revised schedule had been proposed by Superintendent of

Schools Clarence Hines. Officials of the Eugene Teachers Assn. Monday night urged the committee to adopt the plan. Two other plans were considered.

The new schedule will increase the annual increments to \$140 for each additional year's teaching experience. Hines had suggested the adoption of this schedule at the last meeting of the committee, stating that the Eugene school system should raise the professional quality of its teaching salaries partly in order to meet the competition of many other districts of Oregon and elsewhere. Increments now range from \$96 to \$120. The change will standardize these to \$140.

Committee members authorized the hiring of 27 more teachers and construction of 24 more classrooms after hearing several principals state that immigration is continuing to increase enrollments each day.

FACILITIES OKAYED

Committee Member Kenneth J. O'Connell criticized the approach which some members of the committee had taken in trying to keep the budget costs within the current \$8 million.

"We don't want to face the fact that we have these additional children each year," he said. "This enrollment increase will go on for years. I move that we budget on the basis of our anticipated enrollment needs."

Otto Vonderheide, another committee member, second the motion, and no dissenting vote was cast against authorizing the needed facilities.

2-MILL INCREASE

The members also agreed to set \$56 million as the estimated assessed valuation for 1955-56 within District 4. The present valuation of the taxable property in the system is \$54,663,287.

Among other authorizations was the purchase of two more school buses to add to the present fleet of 25. One of the buses now in service will be retired.

No figures are available on which to compute the new tax rate which the proposed budget will demand. However, based on the estimated \$56 million in assessed valuation, school officials foresee a possible 60-mill levy for 1955-56. This would be a 2-mill increase.

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EWEB Plans

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other areas, \$1,080,000; distribution, \$188,000.

The improvements would be financed by revenue of the water department and by a series of revenue bond issues.

According to Ralph Martin, chief engineer of the EWEB, the revenue bonds could be spread over the 10-year period, starting in 1956.

The first issue would be for \$500,000 and would pay for construction of the first needed reservoir. The reservoir would probably be built in the Hawkins Hill area along W. 18th Ave.

In 1956, 1960 and 1964, the EWEB would sell million dollar bond issues.

The first million would presumably pay for intake, filter plant and main line improvements. The second, in 1960, would help pay for another reservoir, plus another filter plant expansion. The 1964 issue would pay for other major line construction projects and the second line from Hayden Bridge to Eugene.

In discussion at the Monday session, board members indicated they would not favor an increase of water rates for residents in Eugene to help pay for the improvements. But there were indications that a complete study of the rate structure for the water department will be ordered in the near future. This would be undertaken in an attempt to smooth out inequities in water charges.

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Elks' Ruler Visits Eugene

William Jernick, grand exalted ruler of the Elks Lodge, Monday night inspected the Eugene Lodge's dental clinic and the new youth center next to it.

He had high praise for the lodge's efforts and he said the dentists who "give their time and knowledge should be praised."

He also lauded the local lodge for its participation, with other lodges in the state, in setting up the eye clinic in Portland for use of all children of the state.

In an address at the Elks Temple during the evening, the national ruler traced the growth of the lodge from 1887 to the present. Membership, he said, now is 1,146,000. He said that the lodge's slogan for the year is "As Elksdom Sows, America Reaps."

And he emphasized the organization's responsibility to the nation's youth.

Jernick, a Nutley, N. J., corporation executive, was in Eugene for the evening, a stopover during a tour of lodges in the West. He was hosted by officers of the local lodge and of other chapters in various parts of the state.

Tempest in Bean Pot Summons Firemen

Television and a pot of beans prompted fire alarms in Springfield Monday.

A fire truck was dispatched to the James Woodin home at 280 N. 21st St., shortly after 10 a.m. when wires in a television set caught afire.

At 2:44 p.m., firemen went to the P. E. Wimmer home at 2685 J St. where a pot of beans boiled dry and filled the home with smoke.

Board Okays Church Study

Ministers Request Preference Survey

Springfield School Board members Monday evening voted to permit a church preference survey of District 19 junior high and high school students.

A request for the survey was made more than a week ago by the Springfield Ministerial Assn., which was represented at Monday's board meeting by the Rev. Harold S. Shellhart, minister of the Springfield Methodist Church.

CARDS AVAILABLE

Board members, in agreeing to the survey, said school officials will not actively participate but will have survey cards available for students in their classrooms.

Rev. Shellhart said the Springfield Ministerial Assn. feels the survey is one way "we can help our youth." He said the junior high and high school students are "simply being asked to state a church preference" by filling out a card.

The school board requested the ministerial association to furnish "the necessary publicity" for conducting the survey.

A three-man committee from Camp Creek requested the board to consider the possibility of constructing a multi-purpose room and an extra classroom.

The board agreed to recommend to the school district budget committee that funds be included in the 1955-56 budget for another classroom and a kitchen, but not for a multi-purpose room.

PRINCIPAL QUILTS

In other actions, the board accepted the resignation—effective at the end of the school year—of Dale T. Waddell, principal at Leaburg Grade School.

Waddell, who was at the meeting, did not tell the board why he was quitting. "I think I will ride it out to the end of the school year and say nothing."

Commenting that teaching is a profession, Waddell said "eventually we will get it up to a professional level like other professions such as doctors."

School board members will meet next Monday evening with District 19 principals to talk over any problems the principals might have.

Court Admits Five Lawyers

Four lawyers from Eugene and one from Springfield last week were admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States during formal ceremonies in Washington, D.C.

Admitted were Harold V. Johnson Jr., Keith D. Skelton, Sidney A. Milligan and Charles O. Porter, all of Eugene, and Robert B. Carmichael of Springfield.

The lawyers were also admitted to the bar of the Court of Military Appeals, the highest military court in the U.S.

All five, members of the volunteer air reserve training unit in Eugene, were flown to Washington in a military aircraft.

The move for admission to the Supreme Court bar was made by Maj. Gen. Reginald Harmon, judge advocate of the Air Force.

Porter said Monday the group had lunch with Rep. Harris Ellsworth one day and with Sens. Wayne Morse and Richard Neuberger another. The lawyers also inspected FBI facilities in Washington, Porter said.

Admission to the Supreme Court bar enables the lawyers to sign pleadings to be submitted to the court and to appear on legal matters before that jurisdiction.

Ike Gets Word

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icular importance and was not held by regular Chinese Nationalist forces, Dulles said.

The small island is eight miles north of the Tachens.

Dulles also declared the Tachens Islands are not in any sense essential to the defense of Formosa although one of them holds a radar outpost and may be militarily useful.

This comment appeared to rule out any U. S. 7th Fleet defense of the Tachens. American policy in picking places to support the Chiang Kai-shek forces has been based on the essentiality of such spots to the defense of Formosa.

Farm Groups Set Meeting on Fair

Grange and Farm Bureau representatives to the Lane County Fair will meet Feb. 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fairgrounds 4-H Building to discuss plans for the 1955 fair.

During the meeting slides of Grange booths from the 1954 fair will be studied.

Fair dates this year are Sept. 14 through Sept. 18. This will be the first time in years that the fair has run through a Sunday.

Councilmen Plan Committee Meets

Three Eugene City Council committee meetings have been scheduled for this week, according to City Manager Robert Finlayson.

The first will be Wednesday noon. It will be a meeting of the Airport Committee.

The Public Safety and Judiciary Committee will meet Thursday noon.

The Public Works and Finance Committees are scheduled to meet Friday noon to discuss paving assessment policies.

Most committee meetings are held in the Osburn Hotel. Those interested, however, should check with the city manager's office to verify the time and place.

Speaker Says Kiwanis Growth 'Phenomenal'

The growth of Kiwanis International since its founding 40 years ago has been "phenomenal," members of the Emerald Empire Kiwanis Club were told Monday.

Meeting to celebrate the international organization's four decades of existence, members of the Emerald Empire club heard Charles G. Howard, University of Oregon law professor, enumerate the purposes of Kiwanis and review the early history of Kiwanis International.

Howard, who has been a Ki-

wanian for 26 years, said a "predatory institution" will never survive and that Kiwanis International has flourished because it had enough "do" in it for humanity.

From 96 clubs and a few thousand members in 1920, the organization in 1953 totaled 3,800 clubs with 230,000 members, Howard said.

"Kiwanis clubs stand for something and do things," Howard declared. "Where growth ceases, decay has already begun. . . . When you stop doing, then I want to be your pall bearer."

Howard said six basic principles of Kiwanis are based on religious foundations and stem from the Bible itself.

The Eugene Kiwanis Club, Howard pointed out, financed the first playground equipment placed in Skinner Butte Park, collected funds for purchasing land which has been incorporated in Eugene's park system, financed the construction of tennis courts, sponsored the annual 4-H Club Fat Stock Show, conducts the gum machine program to raise funds for underprivileged children, and sponsors numerous other activities.

Lane Pioneer Society Slates Open Meeting

The first public meeting in 1955 of the Lane County Pioneer-Historical Society will be held Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in the Eugene Veterans Building, Willamette St. and 16th Ave.

All persons in the county are invited to attend, whether they are members of the society or not.

A short business meeting will be held to approve articles of incorporation as adopted by the board of directors. Special music will be sung by Russell Harrison, head of the music department at Eugene High School. His accompanist will be Mrs. Harrison.

An address will be given by Mrs. Victor P. Morris, regarding the society.

Program chairman for this, the first of a series of public meetings sponsored by the newly activated historical group, is Mrs. Fredericka B. Coons, Eugene teacher and author of the recent book, "Trail of Oregon."

Among the discussion topics to be featured Sunday will be this year's celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark expedition.

Rumpus Room Ready Soon

The new "rumpus" room for students at Springfield High School should be ready for use soon, Superintendent of Schools E. H. Silke has announced.

The room is being built from a substantial financial contribution by the students. It will consist of the student store, soda fountain, a lounge, and other equipment.

Two former classrooms and the former faculty room have been remodeled on the second floor at SHS to accommodate the new student facilities. Games and other recreational equipment will be installed.

The faculty room has been moved to a new location on the first floor. Expansion of classroom building at the school has made the use of the upstairs space possible.

Anglers Warned

TOKYO — The Japanese coast guard has warned Japan's fishing fleet to stay out of American, Australian and Indonesian waters without permission from those governments.

Two Charged With Larceny

They watch their stock closely at Thompson's Record Shop, 96 E. Broadway, and two more youths ran into trouble there Saturday afternoon.

At 1:45 p.m. one of the partners made a citizen's arrest of a 15-year-old Eugene boy who, T. F. Thompson reported, was on his way out with a record.

At 3:30 p.m. R. B. Thompson halted Thomas Lee Hale, 18, who lives in John Straub Hall.

Both youths were charged with petty larceny and are to appear in district court this week.

Record thefts have been common at Thompson's, and the staff has turned several dozen record lovers over to police in the past several years.

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Bills Affecting Education To Be Studied

Teachers of the Springfield and McKenzie District of the Oregon Educators Assn. Wednesday night will hear a report on proposed legislation affecting education.

The district meeting, to start at 8 p.m., will be preceded by a 7:30 p.m. meeting for Springfield teachers who will hear a proposed change in their constitution and a welfare report by Virgil Benson. The meetings will be in the Springfield High School.

The district meeting will be for teachers of Springfield, McKenzie, Creswell, Marcola and Coburg. Speakers will include Cecil Posey of Portland, executive secretary of the Oregon Educators Assn., and Paul Elliot of Oakridge, legislative chairman for the county group.

Mrs. Lucille Klinge, county superintendent of schools, will moderate a panel.

Bills before the State Legislature will be sponsored or disapproved at the meeting.

Bethel Budget Meeting Topic

The initial meeting of the Bethel public schools' budget committee will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the school administration office.

Members will discuss general policies to be included in the proposed 1955-56 fiscal budget. Expected to be discussed are teacher salaries, building needs, estimated enrollments and related topics.

Two of the 10 members on the committee are new. They are James J. Burke of 5111 Barger Drive, and J. C. Strom, 2742 Bell St.

Two Boys Cited For Trespassing

Two 14-year-old Eugene boys Sunday morning were arrested inside the gymnasium at Dunn School on South Willamette St. and charged with trespassing and with malicious destruction of property.

A teacher found the two boys in the gym using recreational equipment. The teacher told officers the doors had been locked and that a lock had been broken to free the equipment being used by the boys. The youths admitted they had broken into the gym on the previous weekend also.

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