

# Newport Factions Dispute Budget For Budget Against Budget

**NEWPORT** — The Lincoln County School Dist. budget committee has unanimously approved the school budget as advertised for the 1967-68 school year. The election is set for Thursday from 2 to 8 p.m.

The purpose of the election is to permit the district to exceed the six per cent limitation in the amount of \$1,340,580. Approximately \$84,000 in tax offset money will reduce the total levy by that amount. This is an addition to the basic school fund voted by the 1961 legislature.

Members of the budget committee include 10 citizens, five of whom are elected by the people at large and five appointed for three year terms by the district board. Members include Joe Bird, Waldport, chairman; Terrance Galther, Toledo, secretary; Mrs. Victor Bump, Kenneth Litchfield, Newport; Kenneth Morgan, Lee Ostendorf, Oceanlake; Mrs. Iris Blower, Eddyville; Harlan Zeek, Waldport, and Sherrill Dodson, Harlan and Edward Archibald, Toledo.

Forty-three local school committee members, elected by the people from 13 sub-districts, are required by law to make recommendations for improvement of their respective schools to the district board and administration.

Lincoln County School Dist. taxes are low even with the districts paying for new buildings at the rate of \$503,250 per year over a short period of time, a report issued by the district superintendent states. By 1967, all new buildings will be paid for.

According to the report of the Bureau of Municipal Research of the University of Oregon, the current year's tax rate for several districts in this area on 100 per cent assessed value is as follows: Lincoln County School Dist. 12 mills; Philomath, 12.8; Florence, 17.2; Reedsport, 17.5; Tillamook, 14.3; McMinnville, 17.1; Willamina, 21.9 and Corvallis, 16.3.

Lincoln County School Dist. is lagging behind Oregon and considerably behind Washington and California in teacher salaries, the report continues. The average beginning salary for a bachelor's degree in Oregon is \$4,400. Next year the state average probably will be higher.

Lincoln County pays \$4,100 for starting teachers. Almost every district in Oregon pays according to salary schedule. This district must pay comparable wages with other areas or take inferior teachers, contends the report. At the present time there are 34 vacancies to be filled and about 25 more may be expected. The maximum salaries in all classifications are also below state averages.

## Band to Present Winter Concert

**PLEASANT HILL**—The Pleasant Hill High School Band and Chorus, under the direction of Arnold Martin, will present a winter concert at 8 p.m. Friday in the junior high gym.

The choir will feature spirituals, folk songs, Easter anthems, and a special for girls' voices.

The band will feature marches, a special arrangement of a contemporary number, "Puppet Overture," "Civil War Suite," and a trumpet trio playing "Bright Eyes."

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## Harrisburg FFA Gets Top Rating

**HARRISBURG**—The Harrisburg Future Farmers of America chapter received a rating of "superior" for the second consecutive year at the FFA State Convention held last week at Coos Bay.

Dale Brock, Monty Jelden, Mike Smith, Ray Morse, Bill Cook and Larry Smith were the chapter representatives and delegates from the Harrisburg chapter.

Dale Brock received the coveted State Farmer Degree and was among the finalists in the interviews to pick the Star Farmer of Oregon. Larry Smith was a chapter entry in the state finals of the Co-op Quiz Contest.

Bill Cook was elected to the office of District Treasurer for the Upper Willamette's Dist. of FFA for the coming year.

## Mike Smith Gets Elks Scholarship

**HARRISBURG**—Mike Smith, a senior at Harrisburg Union High School, has been awarded a \$300 Elks Scholarship from the Elks Lodge at Corvallis to be used at the college of his choice in the coming year.

Mike, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Smith, rates among the top five in his class. He is a member of the National Honor Society, treasurer of the Harrisburg Future Farmers of America chapter and the Upper Willamette District.

He will enroll at OSU in engineering this fall where he plans to use his scholarship.



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## Grove Churches to Rally

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Theme for the rally is "Christian Youth and the World's Needs." Dean Pense, minister of the local church, will be master of ceremonies.

Speakers for the rally include Ted Hurlburt, minister of Milwaukie Church of Christ; Ken Harper, new minister of Elmira Church of Christ; Gordon Paten, missionary recruit to Korea; Elda Lowman, youth director of Elmira Church and William Heberling, minister of Creswell Church of Christ.

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