

11 Vie for 4 Eugene Seats

Voter's Choice

Three-Way Race On For EWEB Seat



Chatt



Bogen



Hawk



Weaver



Lenhart



Pearson



Zengel



Molholm



Purdy



Anderson



Crakes

Eleven candidates seek election to four positions on the Eugene City Council in the Nov. 6 election. Only in Ward I, where incumbent John Chatt is the sole candidate, is the race uncontested.

Council positions are non-partisan and non-salaried. The term of office is four years.

Here is a rundown of the candidates, by wards:

Ward I (the area of the city east of Willamette Street, west of Agate Street, and south of 18th Avenue).

• John Chatt, 36, of 2238 University St., single, the incumbent councilman. Chatt is president of the Lane County Escrow Service. He was born in Tekamah, Neb., and has lived in Eugene since 1946. He graduated from the University of Oregon in 1949.

Ward II (the area of the city east of Willamette Street and north of 18th Avenue, plus the portion south of 18th and east of Agate Street, along with the section of the Willakenzie area lying in the city limits on the east side of Coburg Road).

• Paul F. Bogen, 45, of 2350 Columbia St., married, a registered architect in the firm of Bogen, Hosen and Green. He was born in Devils Lake, N.D., and is a graduate of the University of Oregon.

• Ray Hawk, of 1899 Longview Ave., 44, married, dean of men at the University of Oregon. He was born in Jackson County, Ore., and holds a doctor's degree in education from the University of Oregon.

• James H. Weaver, of 2301 Spring Blvd., 35, married, and an investment properties representative. He is a graduate of the University of Oregon and served as executive secretary for the Oregon Legislative Interim Committee on Agriculture.

Ward III (the area of the city west of Willamette Street and north of 19th Avenue to Jefferson, then the area north of 11th Avenue and west of Willamette, along with the section of the Willakenzie area lying in the city limits on the west side of Coburg Road).

• Ervin M. Molholm, of 1036 Adams St., 54, married, incumbent city councilman. He serves as executive secretary of the Lane County United Appeal. He was born in Colorado and is a graduate of the University of Colorado.

• Dr. Glen L. Purdy, of 90 Lariat Meadows Dr., 39, married, a dentist. He was born of American parents in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Canada, is a graduate of the University of Oregon Dental School.

Ward IV (the area of the city west of Willamette Street and south of 19th Avenue to Jefferson, then south of 11th to the west city limits).

• Ralph B. "Andy" Anderson, of 95 W. 24th Pl., 38, married, a district traffic representative for the Rock Island Railroad in Eugene. He was born in Rainier, Ore.

• R. G. "Dick" Crakes, of 2080 Madison St., 59, married, presently employed by Black & Co., Investments and Securities. He was born in South Dakota and has lived in Eugene for 35 years.

• Alton H. Lenhart, of 2625 Lincoln St., 54, married, a public accountant. He was born in Wilton, N.D., and attended the University of North Dakota.

• James A. Pearson, of 96 W. 36th Ave., 30, married, a lawyer. He was born in Elma, Wash., and is a graduate of the University of Oregon and Georgetown University.

• Alfred J. Zengel, of 2160 W. 23rd Ave., 44, married, the secretary of Snellstrom Lumber Co. He was born in Redmond, Wash., is a member of the city budget committee.

Each of the candidates was asked by the League of Women Voters to state his position on some of the issues of city government. All but Chatt replied to the questionnaire. Questions and answers included:

"What is your position on zoning and planning?"

BOGEN: "I will give my full support to zoning and planning programs as this consideration is vital to a continued and orderly growth of the city. Efforts toward cooperation with the University of Oregon and Lane County must be considered in order to achieve an integrated plan of progress and economic health. Zoning, by its very nature in our society, is a process of change. Overall master planning must be continued so that detail decisions of planning-zoning changes can be wisely made on an equitable basis and still maintain community values for the benefit of all the people."

HAWK: "I strongly believe in the necessity of long-range planning as the only means of orderly development of the metropolitan area. Zoning is vital to organized government. However, I do not believe regulations should be so inflexible that exceptions cannot be made on the merits of the case."

WEAVER: "I will give strong support to the dedicated men and women who comprise the Eugene Planning Commission. While I take issue with several prevailing concepts of planning, I wholeheartedly support the prevailing philosophy of planning as embodied in the commission. An example: I would like to see Eugene adopt the 'map' program, whereby planned needs for future schools, roads, parks, etc., are enforced now through zoning and tax programs."

MOLHOLM: "These two topics are very closely related. My statement applies to both. Without adequate planning and careful zoning for the past several years, Eugene would not be the beautiful and highly respected city that we now have. Critics blame some of our present shortcomings on the present planning commission, but the flaws that appear are caused by lack of planning and zoning many years ago. We are a fast growing community, we must have long-range plans for zoning, traffic control, subdivisions, etc. This type of planning insures orderly development, protection of investments in homes, and in businesses. It also creates a city that will attract all phases of industry, business, professional men and women, and those seeking a good place to live."

PURDY: "An integral part of a master plan should be the assignment to the city of Eugene of a full time planner by the Central Lane Planning Council. Since many areas surrounding the city will ultimately become part of Eugene, the closer cooperation we have between governmental agencies the better it will be in the future."

ANDERSON: "Zoning and planning is a prime requisite of all communities and must be looked at as long-range development, not for a period of only five or ten years in the future. Such zoning and planning must be flexible."

CRAKES: "A growing city needs proper zoning and intelligent long-range planning. I would work toward that end."

LENHART: "Zoning and planning are two functions of our city government which play a very important part in the growth of our community; therefore, it is very important at all times to remember the property rights of our citizens must be protected whenever and wherever possible. In a growing community the complexion of the entire area is always changing and it is for that reason every change or plan must stand alone and be thoroughly analyzed before rendering a decision, keeping in mind that orderly growth must continue."

PEARSON: "This is the key to orderly development and stability of property values in the community. The city has an excellent zoning ordinance now in effect, and the city council is chiefly responsible for its implementation. The work of the planning consultant and the planning commission to date has been generally sound and well advised. But the council must do more to avoid variances and changes in zoning that are perhaps convenient but nevertheless incompatible with the over-all zoning and planning program."

ZENGEL: "Zoning and planning problems should never take hasty action. In a growing city, the council should take a good look into the future growth of an area before acting on zoning matters. It can save the taxpayers many dollars in years to come."

Another question asked the candidates' position on the city's fiscal problems.

The answers:

BOGEN: "The city is a complex service organization and these services performed for the benefit of the people must be reconciled with the people's ability to pay. The 'fiscal problem' is basically the reconciliation of services rendered to the in-

come received with the constant vigilance of the mayor and common council in their sincere efforts to obtain the most for every tax dollar."

HAWK: "It appears to me that city fiscal policies have been well managed although I admit unfamiliarity with this segment of city government."

WEAVER: "The city of Eugene should have a new tax base and I favor the proposal to raise the tax base on the November ballot. It takes money to solve problems, and unless we are willing to spend money raised in Eugene, the federal government will spend it for us."

MOLHOLM: "Eugene is fortunate in that it is in excellent financial condition. This is largely due to good management, careful budgeting and by the fact that the voters have recognized the city's needs and have voted for the necessary funds when needed. The city has never exceeded the 6 per cent limitation, in spite of the fact that great progress has been made. Careful consideration should be given to a new tax base in order to avoid special levies."

PURDY: "Our problem, naturally will be the budget. If the voters of Eugene established a new tax base, the council, planning commission, and city officials could look ahead for future planning. I feel the voters have to place trust in their officials and give them sufficient money to run the city."

ANDERSON: "Not being thoroughly familiar with the city's fiscal problems at this time, I do not feel prepared to give an opinion."

CRAKES: "The city's fiscal problems should be dealt with in a sound business-like manner, solvent and honest at all times."

LENHART: "I am more or less familiar with sanitation and street problems and recently had the opportunity to study the city fiscal problems. I will reserve my comments until I have more time to study this."

PEARSON: "The fact that the city has to date succeeded in meeting its budget requirements and the costs of capital improvements should not cause us to become complacent. School District 4 is making an increasing demand on the property tax dollar. Other sources of revenue production should be explored, e.g., increased charges for services afforded by municipal agencies, a larger share of state funds which are allotted to the various cities within the state, federal aid where available and practicable. The new tax base, if approved by the voters, would give the city a much desired budgetary flexibility that would ease many of the fiscal operating problems."

ZENGEL: "I feel that this year's action by the budget committee should be a definite step in the right direction in solving many of the city's fiscal problems."

Another question:

"What is your position regarding airport expansion?"

The answers:

BOGEN: "Eugene's airport facilities should be materially improved and expanded. Our 'Air Entrance' is considerably below a standard that Oregon's second city should have."

HAWK: "Airport expansion is a must. Those attending the recent flight demonstration by the Blue Angels must have recognized the serious inadequacies of Mahlon Sweet Field as a jet airport. As the hub city of an expanding transportation and distribution center, the optimum development of this facility is crucial. I do not believe the city of Eugene should carry the entire burden; however, it may be necessary until a port authority or joint city-county arrangement can be finalized. In the meantime, we cannot afford to wait."

WEAVER: "Undoubtedly the airport should be expanded to meet future needs. We will save money by doing so. The philosophy we should wait until a project is too expensive to accomplish is one no citizen or businessman would employ in his family or business. Why should we adopt it for our city?"

MOLHOLM: "I favor expanding the airport. Air travel is increasing and will continue to increase. Lack of facilities will curtail our future growth."

PURDY: "We need a major airport development since this is destined to become one of the major stop-overs of the future. The present Mahlon Sweet Airport provides the only commercial airline terminals for all of Lane County, although Eugene is carrying the financial burden alone. It is now time for Lane County to carry its share."

ANDERSON: "From the many articles that have appeared in local publications, both pro and con, it would seem that further exploration should be made before any plan is made. It should be realized that all of the populace contribute tax dollars to such endeavors while a minority of the taxpayers realize the benefits. It is, therefore, mandatory that the maximum benefits be realized from each tax dollar spent especially where projects that ultimately benefit private corporations or companies are concerned."

CRAKES: "Airport expansion is necessary to keep current with the age, times and growth of the city in which we live."

LENHART: "Airport expansion needs some attention. Improvements which have been recommended by the airport committee appear to be sound from a long-range standpoint; however, how far we can go will be decided by the voter."

PEARSON: "The expansion and further development of the airport facility at Mahlon Sweet Airport is essential to the continued growth of this city. But this facility benefits not only Eugene, but the surrounding area as well. The cost of this expansion and development will be great, and while Eugene should rightfully contribute a major portion of the funds, it should not assume the entire burden. I favor delay in further development until participation by Lane County or a geographically smaller Airport Authority District has been thoroughly explored."

ZENGEL: "Our airport facilities definitely have to be improved, but only with proper planning and supervision."

5 Seek 3 Springfield Council Seats

Springfield voters will fill three city council positions—Wards I, II and III—at the Nov. 6 election.

There is a contest in Wards I and III, but none in Ward II where Councilman Delbert Cooper, 60, a store owner, is unopposed.

Seeking election from Ward I are incumbent David Scofield, 39, a druggist, and A. Wilfred Frazee, 34, a plywood worker.

Seeking election from Ward III are John Danielson, 29, school teacher, and Floyd Emerson, 47, salesman.

Although Springfield councilmen file from specific wards, all voters of the city cast ballots for them.

Scofield, married, is a graduate of Oregon State University. He is currently president of the city council and chairman of the council's finance committee.

Frazee, married, attended Oregon State University for a year. He has 15 years of engineering experience with city and county governments and was chief of a surveying party for the Bonneville Power Administration.

Danielson, who holds a Master of Education degree from the University of Oregon, is married. He has served for two years as a director of the Springfield Junior Chamber of Commerce and is active in PTA work.

Emerson, who is married, attended school in Nebraska and Kansas. He graduated in 1954 from the Institute of Applied Science in Chicago, taking courses in crime detection. He is a World War II veteran.

The Springfield League of Women Voters recently asked the council candidates what recommendations they would make for improvement of city government.

Here are the answers:

SCOFIELD: (1) Encourage a more complete public participation in council business and public affairs to provide the council with a true picture of public opinion. (2) Continue to develop a more favorable climate for diversified industrial and commercial development. (3) Expedite full use of our new \$2-million sanitary sewer expansion project. (4) Make an analysis of present city charter provisions with recommendations for improvements.



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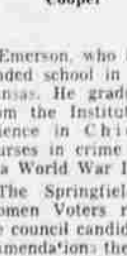
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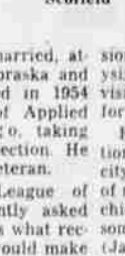
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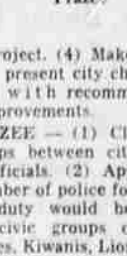
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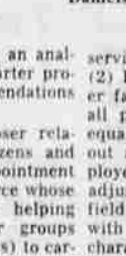
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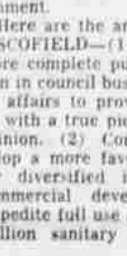
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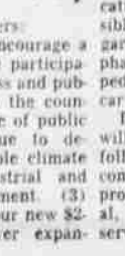
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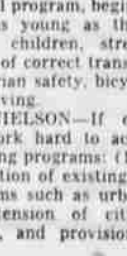
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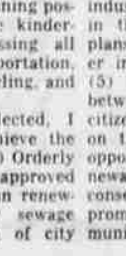
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can do much for this community. I would like to help. My experience as a Member of Congress and as a lawyer has given me much interest in these problems of public utilities. For example, recently the water board paid \$950,000 over the contract price for work at the Carmen-Smith project. Whether this was their liability was, in my opinion, a matter that should have been carefully considered by the board. If it was the board's liability, then in the future such open-end contracts which do not limit liability should be avoided. Such a sum of money would bury a good many utility lines in downtown Eugene. I also believe that users outside Eugene should pay a higher surcharge to encourage them to affiliate with the city. In these days of insecticides which are widely and sometimes recklessly used, in spite of their lethal components, and in these days of tremendous use of detergents that defy treatments to break them down, even our McKenzie River water's purity must be constantly guarded. Finally, I believe that a contest for a board position is a good thing. The winner will value the job all the more and the campaign will provide an education both for the candidates and the community with respect to the water board's important problems.

SMITH—Eight years ago I was appointed to fill the unexpired term of William R. Robertson, and I am now the vice president of the board. Eugene has been good to me, and in turn I am willing to give of my time to our city. My background as manager of one of the larger businesses in the city qualifies me to serve on the board because it is big business, and needs capable management by people who have had previous successful experience.

We must see that our utility gives the best service possible at the lowest possible rates. We must keep ahead of the expected growth of Eugene. I want Eugene to be a place where young people can afford to own homes and raise their families because of the contribution which our home-owned utility makes to this community.

McNUTT—No reply.

TIFFANY—During its half-century of existence, the board has built an enviable reputation for efficient management and excellent service to the community. This is attested by its low electric rates, among the lowest in the nation, and the bountiful supply of good, pure water which Eugene enjoys. The board is successfully meeting the challenge of rapid community growth. It is furnishing water and electricity at the lowest possible cost. It is giving superior service. By following the fundamentals of good business management the board will continue to fulfill its obligation to the people of Eugene. I believe with my education and experience in business that I can make a valuable contribution toward the continuing growth of the Eugene Water & Electric Board and the community.

PORTER—The water board has done and



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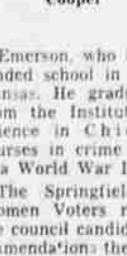
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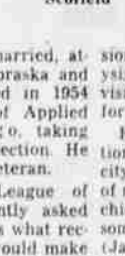
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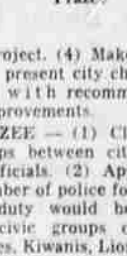
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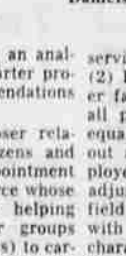
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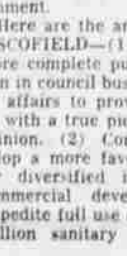
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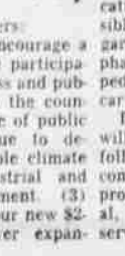
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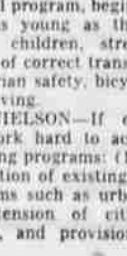
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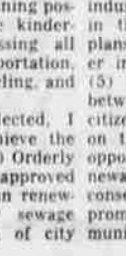
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