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Reasons Given For Building School Now

Making Jobs for Unemployed of Town Would Be One Result

NOT TO RAISE TAXES

Grant From Government Will Equal Fortyfive Per Cent of Cost

By Dr. C. E. Mason

The taxpayers of the Beaverton school district have been asked to consider the construction of a new grade school building. The school board asks that the construction be made this year and herewith present reasons for the request.

First, there is the one major reason that if we build a \$45,000 structure (this has been estimated as the proper size), the government will make a direct grant of \$20,500. This is an opportunity that will never come again; the chances are that in the very near future the government will cease making such grants. Then if we are to avail ourselves of this opportunity we must act promptly. Other cities realize that this is a fine opportunity, and are taking advantage of it. Albany, Ore., has a \$150,000 building program and several other cities have \$4,000 to \$60,000 building programs, upon all of which they are receiving a 45% grant. The securing of this grant appeals to one as a forward-looking business for the advancement of the community.

A second good reason is this—If we are to make a \$25,000 bond issue it would be much easier to dispose of it now at a low rate of interest than later. Banks are filled with deposits; money is idle and awaiting investment in safe securities. In many of the other Oregon school districts where bond issues have been made recently, the rate of interest has been as low as 3 1/2%. If we could make a \$25,000 bond issue at a rate as low as 4%, that would be a distinct advantage.

In 1929 when the Beaverton school district made a \$30,000 bond issue to construct our present gymnasium the rate of interest was 5 1/2%. It is reasonable to expect that by 1938, when we may be compelled to build and when prosperity may have returned, we not only will be unable to get a government grant of \$20,500, but we shall be compelled to borrow \$45,000 or more at a 5 1/2% to 6% interest rate.

On top of that when prosperity has returned all classes of building material will be from 10 to 25% higher and we may be com-

REBEKAH OFFICERS INSTALLED AT MEET

Beaverton Rebekah Lodge No. 248 held its regular business meeting, Tuesday evening, July 2. Marjory Lewis, District Deputy President, and Andrew Denholm, District Deputy Marshal, assisted by Past Noble Grand, installed the elective and appointive officers into their respective offices.

The elective officers installed were Katherine Dessinger, Noble Grand; Sarah Hardman, Vice Grand; Sarah Chamberlain, Secretary; and Edna Sheets, Treasurer.

Appointive officers installed were: Celia Hullett, R.S.N.G.; Rose Stevens, L.S.N.G.; Adeline Frost, R.S.V.G.; Nettie McElroy, L.S.V.G.; Fern Haines, musician; Anna May Rogers, Chaplain; Florence Drorbaugh, warden; Hazel Miller, Conductor; Alice Wheeler, Inside Guardian; Bertha Wilson, Outside Guardian.

Robert Chamberlain was re-elected drill captain, Elizabeth Myers, Rosa Humburg, and Marjorie Lewis were appointed to the finance committee.

The retiring Noble Grand, Mrs. Elizabeth Myers, was presented with a Past Noble Grand's pin by Mrs. Stevens. In presenting the pin, Mrs. Stevens repeated a poem. The pin was given in behalf of members and officers of the lodge.

At the close of the meeting, refreshments of cake, coffee, and ice cream were served in the dining room.

About forty-five were present.

INVITATIONS FOR MARRIAGE ISSUED

Invitations have been issued for the wedding of Miss Annunzio Merlo, daughter of Mrs. Rosa Merlo, and Chester L. Stouch of Portland, Thursday, July 4th, at 9:30 a.m., at St. Cecilia church in Beaverton.

CITY RETURNS LAND TITLE TO OWNERS

The regular monthly meeting of the Beaverton City Council convened with only three of the six councilmen present—Myers, Boswell and Drorbaugh. The first matter considered was that of rectifying the work of a former recorder, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Adams held receipts for payment in full of the assessments against their property on Front street but the City had taken the property over for delinquent street assessments and when the Adamses went to pay their taxes they found the Town of Beaverton held a deed to their property. The Council voted to relinquish their title in favor of Mr. and Mrs. Adams.

There will be a determined attempt to refund the city debt if the plans discussed at this meeting are carried out. Auditor Amick will attempt to contact the present holders of Beaverton bonds and get these holders to accept refunding bonds instead of the issue they now hold. The refunding bonds are expected to be issued at a low rate of interest.

O. E. Zimmerman, a brother to Peter Zimmerman, was present and requested financial support for the organization of a utility district consisting of eight counties. O. E. lives just outside of Beaverton on the Canyon road.

Fred Goyt, water superintendent, was instructed to take the necessary steps to get a road to the city reservoir. Some work has been done on the project, but a survey up the hill east of the Weed nursery develops the fact that the grade is too steep. Now the idea is to approach the reservoir from the west with the other end of the road coming out on the Walker road east of the Polsky place.

The auditor's report was read and accepted. Marshal Jones was then voted two weeks vacation with pay for good and faithful service.

Called to pay \$50,000 or more for our grade school building instead of \$45,000 or \$25,000, if the \$20,500 grant is given. Labor is another item which may be had only at a higher rate in future years, and these all add to building cost.

A third reason which must not be overlooked is the fact that the construction of such a building as is contemplated would give employment to a good number of laborers. We must consider that this building would not be finished in a day but its construction would run over into 1936. And in reality might not be ready for long before its use would be urgently demanded.

The employment of teen men to the exclusion of others should be insisted upon as much as possible. This then would be of marked benefit to those out of employment and would automatically create a greater volume of business here and place more money in circulation.

Objection is being made to a building program now when we already have a \$20,000 indebtedness unpaid. Our indebtedness is really (Cont'd. on Page Three)

Are You Paying Enough Taxes?

An Editorial And A Reply

"Are you paying enough taxes?" "The Beaverton school board are asking for \$24,500 more school bonds to erect another school house—which they admit will not be needed for three or four years. During these hard times does any farmer having two plows buy another new plow which he will not need for 'three or four years'. Any woman in Beaverton having two sewing machines—will she buy another new sewing machine?—during these hard times—that she does not need for 'three or four years'. Draw your own conclusions. "It seems with \$20,000 indebtedness the wise policy is to get out of debt and not buy something we do not need for 'three or four years'."

The above is taken from the Beaverton Enterprise, the periodical which was established here some years ago and whose publisher promised faithfully that he would "run the Review out of town in less than three months." The above quotation, like the assertion made when they started publication, seems to need a little qualification.

Are you paying enough taxes? And of course the answer is undoubtedly "Yes." But one is left to believe that the contemplated action of the school board is to raise the taxes, to make more taxes than we are now paying. Like many of the statements published in the columns of that mongrel sheet, it seems intentionally misleading. The school board have made certain statements but not in one of the statements issuing from the board is any suggestion of "more taxes." Just another of the misstatements for which the Enterprise has gained considerable notoriety.

When and where did the school board, or any member thereof "admit (the schoolhouse) will not be needed for three or four years"? Any sane person looking at the present grade school building will admit that it looks like a fire hazard, and that it should be replaced as soon as possible by a more modern, fireproof structure. What the board said is that "it might be possible to put off building for two or possibly three years." There is nothing in that statement which warrants any one saying that a grade school building is not needed NOW. But times are hard and we could possibly "get by," is what is meant.

Again making use of the elusive question, "During these hard times does any farmer having two plows, buy another new plow.....?" Does the district own two grade schools? If so, where is the other? The thrifty farmer will use his credit, to buy at half price, even though he may feel that he can "get by" for a year or two with

his present equipment. The same misleading statements are made about the "two sewing machines". No one has two, but it is quite conceivable that the Beaverton woman having an old, out of date machine might buy another now, a modern machine equipped with all the latest do-dads, and, if she could get a new one with the Federal Government paying 45% of the money for the new machine, we are quite sure she would avail herself of the opportunity to get a modern, up-to-date machine. But enough of that.

The statement has been repeatedly made that the present actual bonded indebtedness of school district No. 48 of Washington county, Oregon, is \$15,000 and not \$20,000 as stated in the Enterprise.

For a long time we have kept our peace while this community has been made the goat for a lot of conditions of which every fair minded Beavertonian is heartily ashamed. We are not proud of the petty jealousies of the community. We are not proud that we have in our midst people who will watch to see which side of a public question their neighbor upholds, only to take the opposite side, with no regard for the merits of the cause. We are not proud that some of our misrouted citizens seem to think that they can build up their community by spending all their money in the big city. We could go on and make off quite a long list. But we are thinking of one particular enterprise.

The Enterprise is owned and operated by people who live in Portland, by people whose sole interest in our community is what they can get out of it. They hold no residence, no citizenship, no interest here in Beaverton. Time and again they have promised to come here and live, or to keep a man, or a family here, only to forget their promises (perhaps they never intended to keep them). Why are they in Beaverton? What are they here for?

When Tizard wanted a rural route, the Enterprise publisher engineered through a plan by which Beaverton lost a rural route, the one first established in this section.

A few short years ago the same publisher initiated and worked heartily for a rural route out of Aloha. But the Tizard experience had opened some of our citizens' eyes, and his plan fell through. Sure he is working for Beaverton, working to get all of Beaverton's money he can!

Mrs. Harry Ferguson of Klamath Falls visited her brother, Rev. Geo. N. Taylor, a few days this week.

THORNBURGH SHEEP SHOW TO BE HELD

The Thornburgh 4-H Sheep show will be held in Forest Grove Saturday, July 20, according to L. E. Francis, assistant county agent.

This is the second year that John Thornburgh of the Forest Grove National Bank has sponsored this special show. It was started to increase the interest of club members in the sheep project.

Last year there were 16 boys enrolled with 29 head of sheep. Ten of these boys purchased purebred Hampshire ewes with ewe lambs at side from Frank Brown of Carlton. In the fall, Mr. Brown loaned these boys a ram to use for breeding. This spring Marvin Heyndrickx and Adelbert Evers each secured another aged ewe with ewe lamb from Mr. Brown. This year there are 22 members enrolled in the sheep project with approximately 65 head of sheep.

The classes in the Thornburgh show will be aged ewe, yearling ewe, ewe lamb, and fat lamb. Premium money will be \$4.00 for first place, \$3.00 for second place, \$2.00 for third place and \$2.00 for fourth place and \$1.00 for fifth place in each class.

THIRD FRUIT FLY SPRAY NEEDED NOW

The third spray for the cherry fruit fly should be applied at once on late ripening varieties of cherries such as Bing, Lambert, Montmorency Late Dukes, according to L. E. Francis, assistant county agent. Royal Ann or other early ripening varieties should be sprayed after the cherries are harvested to prevent migration of the fly to the late ripening varieties. Growers are cautioned to spray lightly to avoid a spray residue problem. The following materials should be used: lead arsenate, 1/2 pound; molasses, 2 quarts; water to make 10 gallons.

Silently Passing

MARY E. REEVES

Mary E. Reeves, a resident of Washington county for 83 years, and a pioneer of 1852, died at her home at Cedar Mill, Oregon, Tuesday morning, July 2, 1935. She was born in Pettis county, Mo., October 19, 1848, and married George H. Reeves at Hillsboro, Oregon, November 18, 1865.

Her parents, Josiah and Mary Hall, came to Oregon by ox team from Missouri in 1852, and established themselves with their four children, Luther, John, Alfred and Mary, on a donation land claim at Cedar Mill, seven miles west of Portland, the same year. They left Missouri April 27, and arrived at Cedar Mill July 3rd, and at Portland, July 30. Her parents lived, until their death, at Cedar Mill, both dying in 1886.

Mrs. Reeves was the last member of the family. Four of her children survive her: George M. of Salem, Burton B. of Cedar Mill, Frank H. of Portland, and Rose R. Young of Portland.

Her sickness was brief, she having been about her home as usual until last Thursday morning. She was stricken shortly after her morning meal, and never regained consciousness.

She will be buried at Union Cemetery, Cedar Mill, July 5th, services to be held at Cedar Mill Methodist church at 2:00 p.m.

ROY L. STOFFERS

Roy L. Stoffers, 16, died in Portland, Sunday, June 30, after an illness of several weeks' duration. He was a student in the freshman class of Beaverton High school, and a member of the High school band. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Helen Stoffers, a brother Erwin, and sister Lorena, all of Cedar Mill, and a sister, Edith, of Portland. Funeral services were held at the Bethany Baptist church Wednesday, at 2 p.m., with interment in the Union cemetery at Cedar Mills.

GARDEN CLUB WILL PICNIC AT GROVE

Members of the Beaverton Garden Club and their families will hold a picnic in the grove at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Shelberger, Tuesday evening, July 9. A pot-luck dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. The coffee will be furnished. Members are reminded to bring their own eating utensils.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere appreciation and thanks for the many loving words of sympathy during my bereavement, and for the many beautiful flowers presented. Mrs. Celestine Offinger

B. H. S. Students Receive Scholarships

Linfield and Oregon State Colleges Honor Graduates From Here

FIVE ARE REWARDED

Students Were High In Studies, and Interested in Activities

Among the 57 young men and women of the state selected by the State Board of Higher Education to receive scholarships to attend Oregon State college for the coming year are three from Beaverton. These are June Pollard, Delbert Blum, and Ivan Bierly. These scholarships are to assist in defraying tuition fees and laboratory charges, and are granted only to students from among the upper one-third of their graduating classes and who face financial difficulties in attending college.

Linfield college at McMinnville, Oregon, has awarded two scholarships to Beaverton High school students this year. These scholarships were given to Aline Boswell and Charles Martin.

Miss Pollard, Miss Boswell, Martin and Burke were members of the class of 73 graduated from Beaverton high school this spring, while Bierly has completed his freshman year in the school of agriculture at Oregon State college, where his scholarship will aid him in continuing his studies.

In addition to maintaining high scholastic averages throughout their high school years, these students have been leaders in extracurricular school activities. Miss Pollard was a member of the Torch Honor society, of the Girl Reserves, and the Glee club, and held a number of class offices. Burke was student body president, and was a member of the championship debating team for the state of Oregon last year. He also took an active part in athletics and dramatics, was a member of the annual staff, and held various offices in his class and the student body during the four years.

Miss Boswell was active in dramatics, was a member of the championship debating team during the high school year, was a member of the Torch Honor society, and held several class and student body offices. She also served on the annual staff.

The applications of both Burke and Miss Pollard to enroll at O. S. C. have been accepted. Burke plans to register in the school of education, where he will find opportunity to specialize in preparing to teach one or more of a wide variety of subjects, including the biological and physical sciences, mathematics, agriculture, industrial arts, secretarial science, and educational and vocational guidance. Miss Pollard has indicated an interest in either science or commercial subjects.

Both Miss Pollard and Burke plan to enter the state college in time for freshman week, which opens, September 23.

LOCAL AVIATORS AT EUGENE AIR MEET

At this week's Kiwanis meeting, Elmer Stipe, Beaverton aviator, reported on his trip to Eugene where he was a guest of an organized group who are publicizing aviation.

Stipe reported six planes present from Beaverton, while there were only about 25 planes attending the meet. He was of the opinion that Beaverton received a lot of favorable publicity there because of the comparative number attending, and the number of prizes won by planes and fliers from Beaverton.

LOCAL POSTOFFICE NOW SECOND CLASS

Postmaster (or should we say "postmistress") Neta Daly is responsible for the statement that Beaverton has again been made a postoffice of the second class. Some years ago, Beaverton was a second class office, but receipts fell off, and our office was placed back in the third class.

Beginning July 1, of this year, the local office is officially in the second class again.

Rev. E. E. Martin of Portland, who is the newly elected Superintendent of the North Pacific District of Nazarene churches held a series of meetings at the local church from Thursday to Sunday.

