

### Grass Valley

By Mrs. A. F. Balzer

Mrs. Nell Swick was hostess at a party last Monday entertaining with lunch at the restaurant followed by bridge at the home of Mrs. Harry Hooper. Mrs. Eben Kee held high and Mrs. Alfred Kock low. Others enjoying the afternoon were Mrs. A. A. Dunlap, Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Arzell Lemley, Mrs. Herman Peters and Mrs. Kendrick Dunlap of Moro.

Wednesday night an American Legion auxiliary committee consisting of Mrs. A. A. Dunlap, Mrs. Frank von Borstel, Mrs. J. E. Norton and a visitor, Mrs. Georg Wernmark of The Dalles served a chicken dinner to 20 members of the 40 et 8 in the Kent Legion hall. The white cloth covered

table was centered with an arrangement of spring flowers and green tapers. The receipts from the dinner was ample to send a girl to Girls State.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Eakin and Mona spent the weekend in Sweet Home visiting Mr. and Mrs. Collins Rice and Bud Rice and other relatives. Bud left Monday for Portland for induction into the army.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Balylock were business visitors in Bend Monday.

Mrs. Maude Garrett and son Bob of Shaniko were visitors here Saturday at the H. N. Riggs home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel went to Portland Friday. Mrs. von Borstel attended a luncheon Monday in honor of Mrs. Mildred Kelly of Georgia, the national president of the American Legion auxiliary.

The Grass Valley Rebekahs met at the IOOF hall Wednesday evening with Mrs. Claud Bayer, noble grand, presiding, with 26 members present. More plans were made for the lunch to be served at the hall on election day which is Friday, May 16. After the regular session a party was held for members with birthdays and wedding anniversaries in April. Honored were Mrs. Jack Adams, Mrs. Lester Barnum, Mrs. Frank E. Bayer, Mrs. Bertha Matthes, Mrs. Bernard Martin and Mrs. Harry Hooper, Mrs. Rudy Koeck, Mrs. Earl Olds, Mrs. H. N. Riggs and Mrs. John Rust, Mrs. Earl Olds and Mrs. Don Smith served the refreshments.

Among the visitors in The Dalles recently were Mrs. A. von Borstel, Mrs. William Buether and Gertrude and Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith DeCoursey and family of The Dalles spent Saturday night and Sunday visiting at the Carl von Borstel home.

Charles Baker of Clarno was a visitor at the Bill Rolfe ranch one day last week.

Rodney Rolfe and a friend from Linfield college arrived Friday night and spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. John Rolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Crews were overnight guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Del Olds. Additional dinner guests Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Marion Crews and Donald from Stevenson, Wn.

Gene Cantrall of Lewis and Clark college spent the weekend

here. Mrs. Bruce Eccles and children of Hood River arrived Monday to spend a few days visiting her parents, the Donald Clodfelters.

Mrs. Lester Barnum was hostess at a party at her ranch home Saturday April 12 honoring her son Dick on his 11th birthday. Guests included his brother, Tom, Terry Eakin, Michael Eslinger, Kenneth Lemley, Dean Ruggles, Ronnie and David Eakin. The diversion of the afternoon was base ball and fishing. Refreshments of birthday cake, ice cream and punch were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Donald von Borstel was hostess at a party at her home Thursday for Mrs. Bill Pausch. Entertaining with a dessert luncheon followed by bridge at three tables. Mrs. Nell Swick held high, Mrs. Eben Kee second and Miss Cassie Holmes of The Dalles low.

Mrs. Pausch was presented with a gift from the hostess. Others present were Mrs. D. L. Reynolds, Mrs. Gene Reynolds, Mrs. Bernard Martin, Mrs. Alfred Kock, Mrs. Herman Peters, Mrs. A. A. Dunlap, Mrs. A. F. Balzer and Mrs. Ted von Borstel of The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rodda are the parents of a son, Daniel James weighing 7 lbs. 8 3/4 oz., at The Dalles Sunday April 20. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cantrall of Grass Valley and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rodda of Hermiston.

Mrs. A. A. Dunlap and her sister in law, Mrs. Nell Swick, who spent several months here with her, left Monday for the coast to spend a few days before she leaves for her home in Warren, Penn.

Mr. and Mrs. George von Borstel and family went to Verlot, Wn., Saturday to visit her brother, Bill Johnson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Martin went to Portland Saturday on business and back Sunday.

Mrs. W. T. Ellis of Arlington came Thursday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Marie Brady. Mr. Ellis came Saturday evening and they returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Bill Todd and children and Mrs. Ivan Blagg and Sharyl were visitors in The Dalles Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Crews arrived Thursday on their way home from Arizona where they have been since October, to visit their daughter, Mrs. Gordon Lem-

ley and family, before returning to their home at Cannon Beach.

Mrs. Charles Lemley and Frank Lemley of Gresham arrived Saturday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Arzell Lemley and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lemley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Draga of Portland spent the weekend visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ziegler and other relatives.

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### Drop Expected In Meat Animal Prices

Cattle and hog prices appear headed for a mid-spring slump after getting off to an excellent start in 1958, reports W. V. Fowler, Oregon State college livestock marketing specialist.

Liveweight prices for choice cattle that recently reached \$29 a hundredweight—highest price since November 1952—are likely

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### Teaching Of How To Camp Out Now In Schools

School camping, a regular part of public school work in many parts of the nation, will be studied in Oregon next month when a selected sixth-grade class from Prineville camps out and does classroom for a week at Camp Tamarack, located near Sisters in the Deschutes national forest.

The May 12 to 16 pilot project is being sponsored by Crook county school district and Oregon State college. Thirty-four children will participate under direction of their teacher, Mrs. Ellen McCormick.

Nature studies and outdoor experiences will be used as supplements in teaching of regular classroom subjects and a variety of other special outdoor educational activities are planned.

These include tree identification, camp fire programming, forest protection, fire prevention, survival in the woods, cooking over the open fire, care of living quarters, and others.

Miss Margaret Milliken, director of camping education at OSC, and members of her advanced course in camping education will work with Mrs. McCormick in some phases of training.

"The school camping program supplements and extends the regular classroom curriculum," Miss Milliken noted. "It provides youth with the opportunity to widen ex-

periences, learn about nature and conservation of resources, work together, and the outdoor education to the classroom. It forms the basis also for many recreational habits which may later enrich the lives of young people," she said.

Austein Hamer, superintendent of conservation education for the state fish and game commission, and Hank DeBruin, district ranger for Deschutes national forest, will assist in coordinating conservation education.

The project will be only the second of its kind in Oregon. Last spring, Medford fifth and sixth grade students participated in a similar program in cooperation with Southern Oregon college.

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### Synopsis of Annual Statement

For the year ended December 31, 1957

OF THE MERCHANTS FIRE ASSURANCE CORPORATION OF NEW YORK, of New York, in the State of New York, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

ADMITTED ASSETS	
Bonds	\$21,856,362.00
Stocks	40,519,203.00
Cash and bank deposits	2,282,837.09
Agents' balances or uncollected premiums	2,854,465.14
Interest, dividends and real estate income due and accrued	141,870.38
Loss reserves	1,356,216.54
Total admitted assets	\$69,510,552.05
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Losses	\$ 7,247,299.17
Loss adjustment expenses	1,587,976.00
Unearned premium	17,446,492.81
All other liabilities	2,158,827.03
Total liabilities except capital	\$28,440,595.01
Capital paid on	\$ 3,000,000.00
Unassigned funds	38,067,957.04
Surplus as regards policyholders	\$41,067,957.04
Total	\$69,510,552.05
STATEMENT OF INCOME	
Premiums earned	\$20,032,416.62
Losses incurred	\$11,176,719.73
Net income	8,855,696.89
Other underwriting expenses	1,897,472.41
Net income	6,958,224.48
Total underwriting deductions	\$21,745,081.23
Net underwriting gain or loss	\$1,712,664.61
Investment income	3,729,789.59
Other income	5,303.79
Total, before federal income taxes	2,011,231.19
Federal income taxes incurred	598,926.95
Total income	\$1,412,304.24
Dividends to stockholders	1,200,000.00
Dividends to policyholders	1,400.00
Other income affecting surplus (net)	\$ 657,977.33
Total capital and surplus	\$ 6,659,387.41
Decrease in surplus as regards policyholders	\$ 4,249,179.87
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Direct premiums received	\$ 148,882.05
Direct losses paid	102,502.04
Dividends paid or credited to policyholders	0

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### NOTICE OF SCHOOL MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of school district No. 23, of Sherman County, State of Oregon, that a SCHOOL MEETING of said district will be held at the schoolhouse on the 5th day of May, 1958 at 2 to 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of discussing the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1958 and ending June 30, 1959, hereinafter set forth, and to vote on the proposition of levying a district tax.

Schedule II	BUDGET—FISCAL YEAR 1958-1959		AND AVAILABLE CASH BALANCES, AND TAX LEVIES	
	ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES, RECEIPTS	Total	General Fund	Bus Reserve
1. Total Estimated Expenditures	\$ 72,542.29	\$ 65,445.00	\$ 1,207.29	\$ 2,000.00
DEDUCT:				
2. Total Estimated Receipts and Available Cash Balances	33,868.29	26,861.00	1,207.29	2,000.00
3. Amount Necessary to Balance the Budget	38,594.00	38,584.00		3,800.00
ADD:				
4. Estimated Amount of Taxes that will not be Collected During the Fiscal Year for Which This Budget is Made, Including Estimated Rebate on Taxes	1,157.50	1,157.50		
5. Total Estimated Tax Levies for Ensuing Fiscal Year	\$ 39,751.50	39,751.50		
6. Analysis of Estimated Tax Levies:				
(a) Amount Inside 6% Limitation	\$ 39,751.50	39,751.50		
(b) Amount Outside 6% Limitation	0	0		
INDEBTEDNESS				
1. Amount of bonded indebtedness (Include all negotiable interest-bearing warrants issued under ORS 328.205)	\$ None			
2. Amount of warrant indebtedness on warrants issued and endorsed "not paid for want of funds"	None			
3. Amount of other indebtedness	\$ None			
4. Total indebtedness (sum of items 1, 2, 3)	\$ None			

GENERAL FUND District No. 23	
Schedule II ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	County Sherman
ITEM	Estimated Receipts Ensuing Fiscal Year
10. Revenue from Local Sources	
12.0 Tuition & Transportation Fees - Patrons	\$ 3509.00
20. Revenue From Intermediate Sources	
21.1 County School Fund	1460.00
30. Revenue From or Through State Sources	
31.2 Other Basic School Fund Receipts	12,566.10
3.1 Common (Irreducible) School Fund	127.61
70. Transfers From Other Funds	
Bus Reserve	1207.29
Total Receipts	\$ 18,861.00
Beginning Net Cash Balance Less Cash Working Fund (or Deficit)	8,000.00
Total Budget Resources General Fund	\$ 26,861.00
GENERAL FUND District No. 23	
Schedule III ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	Sherman County
I. General Control	
1. Personal Service:	
(2) Clerk	300.00
(3) Compulsory Education and Census	300.00
2. Supplies	75.00
3. Elections and Publicity	125.00
4. Legal Service (Clerk's Bond, Audit, etc.)	210.00
5. Other Expense of General Control	50.00
6. Total Expense of General Control	\$ 1,060.00
II. INSTRUCTION	
(1) Principals	5,880.00
(3) Teachers	25,550.00
(4) Substitute Teachers	500.00
2. Library Supplies, Repairs	100.00
3. Teaching Supplies	850.00
4. Textbooks	600.00
5. Other Expense of Instruction, music	100.00
7. Total Expense of Instruction	\$ 33,580.00
III. Operation of Plant	
1. Personal Service:	
(1) Janitors and Other Employees	2,900.00
2. Supplies	600.00
3. Fuel	1,250.00
4. Water	285.00
5. Light and Power	950.00
6. Telephone	150.00
8. Total Expense of Operation	6,135.00
IV. Maintenance and Repairs	
2. Repair, Maintenance and Replacement:	
(1) Furniture and Equipment	200.00
(2) Building Structure	600.00
3. Upkeep of Grounds	1,000.00
5. Total Expense of Maintenance and Repairs	\$ 1,800.00

V Auxiliary Agencies	
1. Health Service	
(2) Supplies and Other Expenses	25.00
2. Transportation of Pupils	
(1) Personal Service	7650.00
(2) Supplies and Repairs	2250.00
(3) Replacement of Buses	2800.00
(4) Insurance	350.00
3. Other Auxiliary Agencies	
(1) School Lunch	
a. Personal Service	1,950.00
b. Supplies and Other Expenses	350.00
4. Total Expenses of Auxiliary Agencies	\$ 15,375.00
VI. Fixed Charges	
(Exclusive of items included under V-2)	
1. Insurance	1,500.00
2. Retirement - State and Federal & Social Security	1,700.00
3. Other Fixed Charges	100.00
4. Total Fixed Charges	\$ 3,300.00
VII. Capital Outlays	
1. Sites and Improvements of Sites	\$ 2,500.00
4. Library Books	310.00
6. Furniture, Fixtures and Other Equipment	385.00
9. Total Capital Outlays	\$ 3,195.00
IX. Emergency	
X. Total General Fund Expenditures (Items 1-6, 11-7, 111-8, IV-5, V-4, VI-5, VII-9, VIII-3, IX)	\$ 65,445.00
SPECIAL FUNDS District No. 23	
Bus Reserve Fund Sherman County	
Beginning Net Cash Balance or Deficit	\$ 1,207.29
Total Budget Resources	\$ 1,207.29
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	
1. Transferred to General Fund	\$ 1,207.29
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,207.29
Teachergage Fund	
ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	
1. Rent	\$ 720.00
Total Receipts	\$ 720.00
Beginning Net Cash Balance or Deficit	1,280.00
Total Budget Resources	\$ 2,000.00
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	
1. Garage	1,000.00
2. Maintenance	200.00
3. Reserve	800.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 2,000.00
SPECIAL FUNDS LUNCH FUND District No. 23	
ESTIMATED RECEIPTS Sherman County	
1. Income from lunches	\$ 2,700.00
2. State reimbursement	800.00
Total Receipts	\$ 3,500.00
Beginning Net Cash Balance or Deficit	300.00
Total Budget Resources	\$ 3,800.00
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	
1. Supplies and other expense	\$ 3,800.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 3,800.00