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SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCES BETTER

Board Gets Semi-Annual Financial Statement from Clerk at Meeting Tuesday; Indications are That District Will Have No Outstanding Debts.

School district number 19 which consists of the three schools of this city has expended a total of \$16,073.54 during the period from July 1, 1930 to December 31, 1930 according to a semi-annual comparative financial statement prepared for the school board by Clayton F. Barber, district clerk and which was considered by the board at their meeting held Tuesday night.

The total sum budgeted for the year was \$44,940.00. This leaves an unexpended balance of \$28,866.46 of the budget total.

No warrants are now outstanding which are drawing interest and the district will probably have enough money on hand to meet all warrants until the middle of March according to Dr. W. H. Pollard, chairman of the board. The school board is now trying to end the school year without any warrants outstanding. The comparative statement reveals that the outstanding warrant indebtedness on June 30, 1929 was \$11,414.01 as compared with \$2,398.90 outstanding on June 30, 1930.

Save On Interest

The budget allowed \$500 for interest on these warrants and only \$106.59 of this had been expended at the end of the year. If the district can keep the warrant indebtedness down only a small portion of the balance will have to be spent, and will result in a substantial saving for the district.

Only two of the items on the budget have already been overdrawn. The miscellaneous items for both operation and maintenance have been exceeded by \$21.36, and \$18.54 respectively. All of the other items show favorable balances remaining for the rest of the school year.

Instruction Large Item

Instruction is the largest item of expenditure. Salaries, textbooks, library and supplies have cost \$11,950.23 of a total budgeted sum of \$36,350.00.

Operation, including janitor salaries, supplies, fuel, water, light, and telephone, has cost the district \$2,847.07 leaving a balance of \$2,217.93. The fuel for the balance of the year has been paid for and this is one of the largest items in this group.

A total of \$871.21 has been spent for the various items of maintenance and there remains a balance of \$628.79 to be expended. Several new desks and equipment for two new classrooms furnished last fall have been paid for from the fund.

Emergency Fund Intact

The \$1,000 emergency fund established in the budget has not been touched yet.

Receipts for the district during the period amounted to \$19,543.13 which is less than for the same period of the two preceding years when they were \$20,433.51 in 1929 and \$23,108.60.

A difference of more than \$2100 is noted in the receipts from district taxes for the 1930 period than for the same period for 1929. This loss is largely gained however, in the increased receipts which are noted for the state high school fund, state school fund, and county fund.

Warrants paid in 1929 amounted to \$22,229.67 with interest totaling \$398.31 as compared with warrants paid in 1930 totaling \$17,665.35, and with interest amounting to \$145.64.

Cash Surplus Remains

The district had an actual cash balance of \$2,221.47 on hand December 31, 1930 as compared with \$405.11 on hand the same date in 1929.

Closing of the slide at the Brattain school was ordered by the school board at the meeting Tuesday. The slide has become rough and several students have received minor injuries as a result of splinters.

Authority was given Four-H clubs at the Lincoln school to make and install new curtains in the assembly room.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO MEET TWICE MONTHLY

Regular meetings of the Springfield chamber of commerce will be held two times monthly, on the first and third Tuesdays, starting on Tuesday, February 17, it was decided at the meeting held here last Friday night.

Two meetings a month is expected to create greater interest in the chamber of commerce. Programs for each meeting will be planned in advance it is announced by President W. K. Barnell.

Guard Inspection To Be Wednesday

Major A. M. Jones, Vancouver Barracks, To View Work of Local Guardsmen Unit

Annual federal inspection of company C, 162nd Headquarters company of the Oregon National Guard will take place at the armory above Egginann's confectionery on Wednesday night of next week at 8:00 o'clock. It was announced this morning by Lieutenant C. A. Swarts, commander of the local unit.

Major A. M. Jones, United States army officer stationed at Vancouver barracks, will be here as the inspecting officer. It is expected that several others from nearby units will be here to watch the inspection which is open to the general public. Mr. Swarts would like to have a large representation of Springfield people in attendance to show the interest which is taken in the organization in this city.

Specials drills have been held during the past weeks in preparation for the inspection. Two more periods will be devoted to the work tonight and Monday night.

The local guard organization, which is a communication unit, consists of seventeen enlisted men and two officers, First Lieutenant C. A. Swarts, and Second Lieutenant Walter Gossler.

LIONS CLUB FORFEITS BASEBALL GAME WITH ANDERSON MOTOR CO.

The Anderson Motor company athletic team turned out in full force at the high school gymnasium Monday evening to meet the Lions club team which was challenged last week only to have the game forfeited for lack of players for the Lions team. After this problem was disposed of these present chasers and began a game of real indoor baseball which lasted for several hours.

Another meeting of the businessmen will be held the high school Monday evening again and an effort will be made to organize several teams according to Norval May who is leading the movement to bring townsmen into organized athletics.

ENTERTAIN FRIENDS WITH CARD PARTY SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Putman entertained a group of their friends with a card party at their home here Saturday evening. Refreshments were served at a late hour. Prizes for high scores were won by Mrs. Fred Louk and Mrs. Walter Laxton. Low prizes went to John Putman and Mrs. Naomi Putman.

Guests for the evening included Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. John Putman, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Laxton, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Louk, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Ernest, and the host and hostess.

ALL TRUCKS MUST HAVE GOOD REAR VIEW MIRRORS

All trucks operating on Lane county highways and state highways within the county must be equipped with rear view mirrors from which it is possible for the driver of the vehicle to see the entire road back of him according to Mike Thompson, county traffic officer. This requirement is effective immediately and will result in several arrests if operators do not so equip their vehicles. The traffic officer has warned many motorists and has promised to cause their arrest if they do not comply with the law.

EUGENE MAN ACQUIRES ROOF JEWELRY STORE

The D. W. Roof jewelry store in the First National Bank building has been sold to E. G. Privat. Mr. Privat comes to Springfield from Eugene where he has made his home and where he has been employed for the past seven years. Future plans for Mr. Roof are uncertain. He stated today that he will take a vacation before he makes any other move.

IDAHO WOMAN IS NEW PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Mrs. J. W. Fitzgerald of Caldwell, Idaho, has been chosen new public health nurse for Lane county succeeding Miss June Gavin who resigned to go to Portland where she became president and secretary of the Oregon State Nurses association. Mrs. Fitzgerald has had previous health work experience in this state. She assumed her duties on Monday, having offices in the court house.

Two Famous Dolls Come Next Week

World Friendship Visitors to Be Given Royal Reception Here Next Thursday

A royal reception is being planned for two Japanese dolls which are to pay an official visit to Springfield February 12, at the Methodist church according to Mrs. R. P. Mortenson, general chairman of the reception committee.

The two dolls were made by children in the mission schools in Japan and sent to this country as a part of the World Friendship movement. The American children in week-day Bible school classes made and dressed many dolls some time ago and sent them to Japan and the two coming here have been given to the United States in return as a token of friendship.

Both of the dolls are life-size, sit in regular chairs, and are accompanied on their visits by a large amount of furniture and furnishings also sent from Japan. They are dressed in the most expensive and elaborate costumes of the aristocratic Japanese people.

A guard of honor always remains over the dolls. They are never left alone for even a short period.

The visit of the dolls to Springfield is being sponsored by the religious education committees of the three churches of the city and by Miss Goldie Smith, instructor of the classes. A program is being planned to be participated in by the students of Miss Smith's classes, and will be featured by an address by Professor Harold S. Tuttle, of the department of Education at the university who will tell of the history and purpose of the dolls. The dolls will be personally introduced by the mayor of Springfield according to Mrs. Mortenson.

The dolls are to arrive in Eugene some time prior to their visit here and will be under the care of Professor Tuttle while visiting in Eugene.

FOREIGN MISSION GROUP HAS MEETING ON TUESDAY

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church was held at the home of Mrs. A. B. Van Valzah on Tuesday afternoon. This meeting was to have been held at the home of Mrs. William Maybe, but she has moved out of the city. The study period was taken up with further discussion of the book, "Trailing the Conquistadores."

Mid-Year Honor Roll Lists Show Increases

More Students Have Names on Honor Rolls at End of First Half of School Year than at Any Other Time in the Year; Examinations Completed.

The third six-weeks period for the Springfield public schools which ended last week also marked the end of the first half of the school year. Students in the 8-A grade at the Lincoln school have taken their state examination and those who passed in all their subjects are now starting high school work. The high school students have completed their mid-year examinations and the other grade school students have taken their tests which determined whether or not they should remain in the same grade or advance a half grade.

Sickness, which had such a disastrous effect on the honor rolls for the second period, seems to have almost vanished now. The lists all contain a larger number of names now than for any other six-weeks period during the year.

Students at the Lincoln school have made a good record in the matter of attendance during the half year. Thirty-one students of the school were neither tardy nor absent for the semester.

The honor rolls follow:

BRATTAIN SCHOOL

First Grade

Scholarship—Peggy Anderson, Howard Carrels, Betty Jean Jacobsen, Alberta Williams, Tommy Thomas, Betty Pat Aldrich, Beulah Martlan, Lotmae Rodenbough.

Attendance—Thorvald Johansen, Tammy Thomas, Floyd Steele, Fritts Smitson, Dale McBee, Boyd Fish, Howard Carrels, Betty Jean Jacobsen, Ida Johnson, Beulah Martin, Yvonne Murphy, Lois Phair, Genevieve Robertson, Pauline Sinner, Claire Trotter, Helen Bonner.

HIGH SCHOOL PARKING AREA GIVEN GRAVEL FOLLOWING UNRAVELING

Several loads of coarse gravel and some fine surface rock has been spread over the parking strip in front of the high school during the past ten days by the Springfield street department. The ground was graded down to the level of the street three weeks ago when it was soft and wet and the rock applied to provide a clean place to walk when getting out of automobiles.

W. E. Buell, principal of the high school, stated yesterday that the high school desired to thank the city for this improvement as it is a real aid for the student as well as the appearance of the building which does not become so badly tracked with dirt and mud.

GIRL SCOUT VALENTINE PARTY, BENEFIT CARD GAME TO BE WEDNESDAY

The troop committee of the Girl Scouts will sponsor a benefit card party in connection with the Girl Scout Valentine party to be given Wednesday evening, February 11, at 7:30 at the Community hall. Mrs. E. E. May and Mrs. C. E. Wheaton are in charge of the card party, and Mrs. O. H. Jarrett and Mrs. Cal Barnes are in charge of games and refreshments. A silver offering will be taken. The mothers of the Girl Scouts and all interested ladies are invited to attend.

An attractive program has been arranged by Mrs. W. K. Barnell which includes songs by the Scout's chorus, a tap dance by Frances Jean Loyd, a solo by Pearl Helterbrand, a banjo duet by Bessie Stewart and Barbara Barnell, a recitation by JoLanna Putman, a quartet by Ruth Pollard, Florence May, Margaret Jarrett, and Barbara Barnell, and numbers by the ukelele club.

CITY NOT LIABLE FOR ACCIDENTS RESULTING FROM ROLLER SKATING

Roller skating on the streets is prohibited by ordinance in this city and the parents of the children using the streets for skating will not be able to make any legal claim against the city if their children are injured by motorists according to Lum Anderson, police chief. The police department is making an effort to keep children on roller skates off of Main street, both the sidewalks and pavement. No effort will be made to prevent roller skating on streets in other parts of the city, but those doing so are doing so at their own risk, says the police officer.

Inter-City Game Creating Interest

Eugene High and Springfield Basketball Teams to Clash in Eugene Friday Night

Will Eugene defeat the Springfield basketball team in their first clash of the season Friday night and tie the local's position in the race for the championship of the southern half of the sixth district, or will Springfield continue to hold a clean 'games lost' column? A victory for Springfield will almost put the Eugene team out of the running and will place the University high team as the locals only dangerous competitor. Both Eugene and the University high teams have lost one game and are now tied for second place. It is almost certain that the University high men will defeat Cottage Grove this week-end retaining their position in the win column.

The game is to be played at the Eugene high school and local officials are not saying anything either way regarding the final outcome of the Friday game. They know that the local team has been working at a fine stride and know also that Eugene has a strong team, but so far it has not been able to click, the players have been unable to find the basket.

The Eugene team has undergone a complete shaking up following their defeat at the hands of the University high team last Friday.

Defeat Cottage Grove

Cottage Grove lost to the Springfield team in the first home game of the season at the high school gym on Friday evening. The final score was 41 to 14. The Grove boys played a hard game but could not get away from the local five long enough to toss the ball into the basket. The second string was sent in by May at the start of the second half to give them experience and to save the regulars for the Eugene game.

The starting lineup for the game was: Ernesting, center; Mattison and Wright, forwards; Lynch and Tomseth, guards. The reserve men were Eldon Ellison, center; George Thatcher and Harold Stevenson, forwards; and Lloyd Freese and Bruce Squires, guards.

SUNDAY TRAFFIC HEAVY SAYS OFFICER; MANY FOLK SPEND DAY HIKING

Sunday motor traffic over Main street of Springfield was as heavy as it ever is during the summer months according to Lum Anderson. There was one continual line of cars both going and coming from the mountains all day long. Most of those returning in the afternoon brought back branches of pussy willows and other more green shrubs. A large number of people took advantage of the beautiful day to go on hikes. The Obsidians went above Wendling and climbed to the top of Mount Nebo. Howard Hughes and Bernald Holtan were among the local people making this climb.

GAS THIEVES LOSE CAN; OFFICER AWAITS RETURN

Lum Anderson, city police officer of Springfield, has one perfectly good gasoline can and several feet of hose, a complete gasoline siphoning outfit, at the city hall waiting for its owner to claim it. It is not likely that this will be done, however, as Anderson came into possession of the equipment after it had apparently been deserted. Last week the police officer was informed that an attempt was being made to siphon gas from a parked automobile and he went to investigate. He found the equipment and waited at a distance for someone to return for the articles. He waited patiently until the car owner appeared and drove off, then he took the equipment to the city hall.

EVANGELIST IS SPEAKER AT LIONS CLUB LUNCHEON

"Civilization and the Falling and Falling of Nations" was the subject of an address which John Knox, of Eugene, gave at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Lions club here Friday noon. Committees for Ladies night to be held February 20, made reports of their work.

BIBLE STUDY CLASS TO HAVE PARTY TOMORROW

Members of the Bible Study class of the Christian church will be entertained at a social gathering tomorrow evening at the home of Mrs. M. A. Pohl. Mrs. Thomas Patrick and Mrs. Pohl will be joint hostesses. Husbands and other family members have been invited for the occasion.

MANY VISITORS HEAR METHODIST LEADER

Delegations from Eight Cities Attend Dinner and Program at Church Monday Night; Albany Brotherhood Provides Musical Program.

A complete surrender to Christ and the Christian principles of life by everyone was the plea made at the Methodist church Monday night by Dr. Luther E. Lovejoy of Chicago, nationally known lecturer, writer, and stewardship secretary of the Methodist Episcopal church in addressing the district gathering of Methodists at the local church. The meeting was the first of a series of similar gatherings to be held in the various districts of the state during the present week, and one of a series of meetings being held in all parts of the United States by the stewardship secretary who devotes most of his time to traveling in the interests of his church.

Eighty people were served dinner at the church earlier in the evening. This was prepared and served under the auspices of the church choir. More than 100 people were present to hear the address of Dr. Lovejoy.

Delegations from Methodist churches at Albany, Eugene, Cottage Grove, Junction City, Creswell, Oakridge and Wendling came here Monday night for the supper and meeting.

Immediately following the dinner a forty-minute program of short talks and music was given by a group of ten visitors from Albany representing the Albany Men's Brotherhood. This consisted of three five-minute talks by Albany businessmen, a group of quartet numbers by the chamber of commerce male quartet of Albany, and several other musical numbers.

"Stewardship is usually thought of as being used to refer to money," said the speaker.

During his talk he pointed out that real stewardship in church work means more than financial support, that it included every position in life, including time, talent, and desires, as well as wealth.

It means a full life-surrender, he said.

Dr. Lovejoy came here from Spokane, Washington where he had held a series of meetings. After spending a week in Oregon during which time he will visit Springfield, Marshfield, Albany, Tillamook, and Salem, in company with Dr. M. A. Marcy, district superintendent of the church, he will go to California.

CHURCH NIGHT MEETING OBSERVED HERE FRIDAY

The regular monthly church gathering of the Christian church was held at the church Friday evening. It began with a potluck supper and was followed by a program. This consisted of music and impersonations, and several talks. Russel Myers spoke on "Optimism," and Roland Mosher talked on the Sunday school. William McLean and Irene Brownfield had charge of the program.

HALSEY PEOPLE START USED FURNITURE STORE

A used furniture store was started in Springfield this week by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brown of Halsey in the building formerly occupied by the Springfield bakery on Fifth street. Mr. and Mrs. Brown state that they will handle used furniture at the present and will later add some new items to their stock.

LEGION WILL SPONSOR VALENTINE DANCE NEXT

The American Legion will sponsor a large Valentine dance at the Thurston hall on Saturday, February 14, according to J. M. Larson, manager of the dances for the Legion.

A large crowd attended the serpentine dance at Thurston last Saturday night, but the strips of paper forming the serpentine soon worked up into large balls and the sweeping of this across the floor by the dancers feet soon worked up all the dust on the floor. There will be no more of these dances, said Larson.

LOCAL SINGER TO HAVE PART ON STAR PROGRAM

Mrs. W. K. Barnell, soprano, Mrs. Louis Waldorf, violinist, and Mrs. L. Dow Moxley, pianist, will furnish the complete program for the monthly dinner of the Blue River chapter of the Eastern Star which is to be held at the Masonic temple in Eugene this evening.