

SCHOOL HEADS PONDER PROBLEM

Method of Distribution of High School Funds Causes Speculation in County

SMALLER UNITS TO LOSE

New Budget Meetings Necessary in Some Districts to Increase School Millage

Operations of the schools will continue the same as they are at the time despite the opinion down by Judge Norton of the Wheeler law was unconstitutional. Said F. B. Flanery, president of the District 19 school board, following their monthly meeting Tuesday evening.

Technically we are now operating under the County High School tuition law, but must wait until we know just what the county court is going to do with tax money now being paid, which was assessed under the Wheeler law. We must await action of the county court in the distribution of these funds before we will know just how Springfield will be affected, he added.

A meeting of directors of the four schools which brought suit against the Wheeler law, Eugene, Cottage Grove, Junction City and Springfield was held in Eugene Monday night. They talked over with Judge Harris, their attorney, the action which will be taken following the appeal from the Norton decision which is being made by the Lane county court.

Under the Wheeler law a millage for high school education was levied on all assessed property in the county, whereas under the County High School Tuition law the levy, whatever it is decided upon, will be made against assessed property only in non-high school districts.

Larger high school districts are expected to greatly benefit from the change in laws, while some of the smaller districts are sure to lose, if not actual cash, then in the form of increased tax millage.

Under the Wheeler law high school districts were reimbursed on a sliding scale ranging from \$60 to \$30 per student for those coming from outside of the district. The County law provides that each school submit a per capita cost for educating students and this figure will be used as the basis of reimbursement. The larger schools will probably receive more money per student for those out of the district and these unorganized high school districts will have to pay the full cost of educating their students.

Operation under the County Fund plan will not be apt to entail any new budget meeting in Springfield. Here the tax will be lower as will be the income, but it is expected that the income from outside districts will be increased. To do this it seems as though it is going to be necessary for some of the smaller districts to hold new budget meetings which will mean more delay in the assessor's office in computing the tax levy for each district. Ben F. Keeney, assessor, Mr. Keeney said that he has already granted several districts permission to present new budgets at a delayed date.

It seems probable that the Springfield district will have to make some new arrangement with the McKenzie high school district at Wainville in the matter of payments for educating the 30 or more students from that district. The present plan calls for the payment by the district of \$30 per student plus the money received from the Wheeler law fund which averaged \$35. The Springfield district however, remains free under the new law to make whatever arrangement desired with Wainville as that is a high school district and levies its own tax for high school purposes. The Wainville area will not receive the \$35 per student to apply on education costs under the County Fund plan and will have to make up this deficit.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS GO ON AIR TONIGHT

Students at Springfield high school will broadcast a half hour program over radio station, KORE, Eugene, this evening from 8 to 8:30. Their program will include orchestra numbers, vocal solos, and group songs, and readings.

The radio station owners want to present a similar program each week and have invited the different schools to take part in this move. Last Thursday the program was given by the Lincoln school under the direction of Mrs. Crystal Male. Miss Bernice Smith acted as announcer.

METHODIST LADIES AID HAS SILVER TEA EVENT

Mrs. W. E. Buell was hostess at a silver tea at the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon following the regular business meeting of the Ladies' Aid society.

Players Will Get Football Letters

Thirteen High School Boys to Receive Recognition for Work During Fall Season

Springfield football letters will be presented to members of the high school team who were outstanding during the season just as soon as they arrive by Marion Hall school coach.

Hall announced that the following men would be honored with the letters: Harry Wilson, Morris Stewart, Kenneth Cox, Dalton Thurman, John Dale Adams, Everett Kethway, Wayne Kendall, Rodney Vest, Jimmy West, Ray Rasmussen, Bruce Squires, Dean Anderson and Dixie Smith.

Coach Stewart, Adams, Kendall and Smith will receive their first letters awards from the high school. The other boys have already won honors in one or more branches of athletics.

Officers Named For Juka Circle

Mrs. Nellie Carr is Chosen President; Installation Exercises Set for January 5

Members of Juka circle number 37, Ladies auxiliary of the G. A. R. last Thursday evening elected Mrs. Nellie Carr as their president for the year 1933.

Other officers named are Mrs. Mollie Williams, senior vice-president; Gollie Peterson, junior vice-president; Pearl Knowler, treasurer; Dolana Putman, conductor; Bernice Barnes, guard; Clarine Putman, chaplain; Ellen Barker, registrar; Olive Wickham, patriotic instructor.

Pearl Knowler and Grace Lanaberry were chosen delegates to the state convention, and Pearl Sears and Bernice Barnes were named alternates.

The officers will be installed on January 5, at which time appointive officers will be announced.

The next meeting of the Circle will be held at Eggimann's on December 15, at which time the annual Christmas party will be held.

Members of the circle met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Pearl Sears to sew and quilt for a needy family which the Circle is taking care of. They will meet again this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Wanda Barnes to complete this sewing.

SWARTS HONORED BY MASONS HERE FRIDAY

Edward F. Bailey, district deputy in place of Leslie J. Scott, deputy grand master of the Masonic lodge, made the presentation of the 50-year gold Masonic button to C. E. Swarts at a special meeting of Liberty lodge held here Friday evening. Mr. Scott was called to Eastern Oregon and could not attend.

W. J. Darling and John W. Purcell, both of Corvallis, attended the ceremonies.

HARRY STEWART, LEVI NEET, JESS CROSS, and WILLIAM ROUSE were in charge of the arrangements. A supper served following the meeting was presided over by I. M. Peterson.

INDEPENDENT TEAM HAS EXCITING GAME

After trailing during the entire first half period which ended in a 14-3 score for their opponents, the Springfield Independent basketball team came forward Tuesday evening to within one basket of defeating their rivals from Oakridge as the final whistle sounded the end of the game. The score stood 20-18.

Monday night the local boys took the Coburg squad 25-18 at the high school gymnasium. Friday of last week they struck a snag and went down 49-15 in a game with the Wendling Cardinals.

OPERETTA DATE SET BY HIGH SCHOOL GROUP

The musical operetta "Sylvia" to be presented by the combined glee clubs and orchestra of Springfield high school will be given Friday, April 21. It was announced this week by Miss Ruth Morrison, director of music at the high school. The orchestra will be presented under the direction of Buford Roach.

WASHINGTON LIFE FILM EXHIBITED AT SCHOOLS

Films depicting the life of George Washington were exhibited at the high school Tuesday afternoon and at the Lincoln school Wednesday afternoon. Wednesday students at the Brattain building were shown that they might attend the showing at that school. A lecture was given with the showing of the films.

New East-West Record



Colonel Roscoe Turner, who set new East to West flying record of 12 hrs., 33 mins., New York to Los Angeles. The former record of 14 hrs., 50 mins., was made by Captain Frank Hawks.

LOWELL RESIDENT DIES ON SATURDAY

Mrs. Marian Shiels Had Been Resident of Vicinity for 21 Years, Funeral Tuesday

Mrs. Marian Shiels, resident of Oregon since 1911, died at her home at Lowell Saturday morning following illness of one month.

Miss Marian Jemison was born at Brantford, Ontario, Canada on December 24, 1867. She was married to George Shiels on January 18, 1911 and they came to Oregon the same year, making their home at Creswell until they moved to Lowell 13 years ago.

She was a member of the Creswell Presbyterian church.

Survivors include her widower, George Shiels; one brother, J. R. Wright of Vancouver, British Columbia; two sisters, Mrs. Robert Heney, Bayville, Ontario, and Miss Wright of the same place.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Lowell church. Rev. Mr. Arthur Greyell officiated and interment was made in the Pleasant Hill cemetery. The Poole-Gray-Bartholomew chapel of Springfield had charge of arrangements.

PRISCILLA CLUB PLANS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas party for members of the Priscilla club will be held Wednesday, December 21, at the home of Mrs. Ernest Bertsch, who will be hostess. Plans for this gathering were made here last Thursday at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Riley Snodgrass.

Guests at the meeting on Thursday were Mrs. Howard Freeland, Eugene; Mrs. J. L. Hayes, of Halsey; Miss Eunice Gerber, and Mrs. A. B. Downs. Members present were Mrs. Ernest Bertsch, Mrs. William Stearmer, Mrs. E. C. Stuart, Mrs. William Curtis, Mrs. Howard, Mrs. John Seavey, Mrs. John Tomsett, Mrs. H. O. Dibblee, Mrs. John Parker, Mrs. Frank Logan, Mrs. William Rouse, Mrs. Wm. Moyer, Mrs. Edward Privat and the hostess.

First and second prizes for bridge were won by Mrs. Moyer and Mrs. Norman Howard. Mrs. Rouse and Mrs. Hayes were first and second in guessing contests.

CRASH IN FOG PROVES SERIOUS EVENT SUNDAY

A large number of serious injuries sustained by his leg and other parts of his body when the motorcycle on which he was riding Sunday crashed into a team and wagon may mean the amputation of the leg for Howard Watson.

Watson was riding on the Camp Creek road which was shrouded in fog when his motorcycle ran into the rear end of the wagon. He was given first-aid treatment by a Springfield physician and taken to the Pacific Christian hospital where he is now.

PROGRESSIVE 22 HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY FRI.

The annual Christmas party for members of Progressive 22 drill team of Juanita Rebekah lodge will be held at the I. O. O. F. hall Friday night. A business meeting and election of officers will precede the social and drill. Members are requested by Mrs. O. H. Jarrett, captain to be present and bring toys.

The Rebekah Christmas party will be held Monday, December 19.

HAPPY HOUR MEMBERS HEAR MUSICAL PROGRAM

Musical numbers by a group from the University of Oregon furnished entertainment for the regular meeting of the Happy Hour club at the home of Mrs. John Ketsel, Monday. Mrs. W. K. Barnell was assistant hostess.

The group will meet again on the third Tuesday in January at the home of Mrs. Walter Gossler with Mrs. Larson Wright as assistant.

COUNTY BUDGET HEARING DEC. 28

Lane Must Raise \$947,661.16 By Taxation During 1933 Says Budget Committee

FAIL TO REACH CUT GOAL

Wheeler Law Creates Unbalanced Millage Between Organized and Other Districts

Members of the Lane county budget board have finally completed the preparation of the budget for 1933 and have called the county budget meeting for the purpose of hearing arguments and fixing the levy Wednesday morning, December 28, 1932 at the courthouse.

A total of \$102,733.74 was withheld from the 1932 budget in preparing this year's document.

The total amount to be raised by taxation for the county next year will be \$947,661.16 according to the budget which was advertised Tuesday.

Savings have been effected in each of the departments of the budget. Elimination of the two county agents, salary slashes, and cuts in the health department made possible a reduction of \$66,685 from the figure of the 1932 budget.

Drastic cuts in district road work and the use of O. and C. money to build up the general fund has made possible large savings in this division.

Red Cross to Continue

The Red Cross will continue to administer the relief work of the county although final control over the county appropriation will remain in the hands of the county court members.

The final budget was signed by Fred Fisk, chairman, O. E. Crowe, secretary of the county commission; Ethel Clark, Virginia Christie; Gwendolyn Ralston, Beth Jennings; Mabel Jackson, Echo Tomsett; Sabel Jackson, Dorothy Hart; Martha. Eva Louk.

A number of musical selections have been prepared for the entertainment of the audience during intermissions as follows:

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Ticket sales have been reported very satisfactory so far with many reservations being made at the high school. Sales are being handled by Rev. Sumner, business manager. Everett LaJoie is in charge of the stage.

STUDENTS AT LINCOLN HAVE PROGRAM FRIDAY

Students at the Lincoln junior high school, 8-B grade, sponsored the assembly period at the school Friday afternoon. Numbers included a piano solo by June Berg; duet by Alice Bates and Beth Opie; a skit, "The Angry Ocean"; and a play "Deaf Uncle". The latter two were presented by students of the eighth grade.

MRS. ADAMS AT SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY SUNDAY

Friends of Mrs. Elva Adams honored her at a surprise birthday party Sunday at the home of Mrs. Mary C. Magill. Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Findley and son, Bonny, Jewel Hiltbrand, Sam Sweeney, Wilfred Smith, John Dale, Essell, Oliver, and Barbara Adams.

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STUDENTS' PLAY AT H. S. FRIDAY

Interesting Comedy Chosen for Fall Presentation by Student Body Players

MISS CONOLY DIRECTOR

Many Musical Interludes Arranged; to Offer Orchestra and Vocal Selections

Springfield's first home talent play of the present school year will be given on the high school stage Friday night starting at 8 o'clock. Members of the Springfield high school student body are presenting the play and constitute the cast of characters.

"Nothing But the Truth," is a three-act comedy written by James Montgomery and is being directed by Miss Bernice Conolly, advisor of the high school dramatic club.

The first act is given in the setting of the interior of a brokerage office in one of the leading uptown hotels in New York. The second and final scenes are those of the summer home of E. M. Ralston on Long Island.

The plot is full of humorous incidents such as can only be created when one attempts to tell Nothing But the Truth for a day and has a large wager staked on his ability to do so. To follow the trail of Robert Bennett, the young man who feels so truthful, is to find a splendid evening's entertainment.

The cast in the order in which they will appear is as follows: Clarence Van Dusen, Everett LaJoie; E. M. Ralston, Ras Rasmussen; Bishop Doran, Bruce Squires; Dick Donnelly, Carter Hartman; Robert Bennett, Lamar Brattain; Mrs. E. M. Ralston, Marjorie Prochnow; Ethel Clark, Virginia Christie; Gwendolyn Ralston, Beth Jennings; Mabel Jackson, Echo Tomsett; Sabel Jackson, Dorothy Hart; Martha. Eva Louk.

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Simmons Takes Bath



Al Simmons, now Chicago wrestler, hopes to capture his leading crown next year, so he now in Hot Springs taking the baths in a reducing program to take off 20 pounds.

MORE DEFAULT BONDS ARE PAID

City Officers Take Up Two Additional Numbers Wednesday; Warrants Called

Further reduction in the outstanding defaulted bond obligation of Springfield was made Wednesday morning when two additional \$500 bonds, numbers 5 and 6, were taken up and paid by the treasurer, announces I. M. Peterson recorder.

Old outstanding general fund warrants against the city to the amount of \$450 were also called for payment Tuesday by W. E. Buell, treasurer. All Springfield general fund warrants up to and including warrant number 13,335 have been paid off with the latest receipt of funds.

The payment of the two bonds this week brings the total amount of defaulted bonds down to \$28,500. Four of these bonds were taken up about two weeks ago and general fund warrants amounting to \$323.51 were paid.

MRS. ADAMS NEW W. W. G. LEADER

Girls Close Annual Meeting Saturday; State Session at Corvallis in February

Mrs. Jerry Adams was elected president of the World Wide Guild for the Umpqua association at the close of their meetings here Friday and Saturday. She is a member of the senior guild of the local Baptist church.

Other officers elected are Miss Marjorie Travillion, Eugene, vice-president; Miss Roberta Crawford, Roseburg, secretary-treasurer; and Arlene Searney, Eugene, reporter. These officers, together with Mrs. W. G. Taylor, wife of the pastor, will form the executive committee.

Dates for the state convention to be held at Corvallis on February 18 and 19 were announced.

Outstanding events on the program of the district meeting was the presentation of the mission play, "Deep Waters," by the junior guild, and addresses by Mrs. Blanche Hodge, state executive secretary from Portland, and Miss Imo Ruyle, assistant at the Baptist church in Eugene.

MANY ATTEND NIGHT PROGRAM SUNDAY NIGHT

A full church greeted the women of the Christian church Sunday party Sunday at the home of Mrs. Mary C. Magill. Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Findley and son, Bonny, Jewel Hiltbrand, Sam Sweeney, Wilfred Smith, John Dale, Essell, Oliver, and Barbara Adams.

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50% License Cut Endorsed Here

Chamber Wants Reduction Without Additional Gas or Property Taxes

A fifty percent cut in automobile license fees with no additional gasoline tax or property tax on cars was endorsed by the Springfield Chamber of Commerce at last night's meeting. The chamber delegates to the Lane County Chamber of Commerce were instructed to recommend the fifty percent license fee reduction and communicate the chamber's desires to the county legislators.

A fifty percent cut will allow the state to meet its bonded obligations, maintain existing highways and have nearly \$2,000,000 for new work to match federal aid money, the chamber was informed. More drastic cuts might endanger the real property having to stand part of the road bond burden, it was said.

The chamber officers reported that a membership drive had brought in several new members and that the organization's finances were now in good condition.

A committee was appointed to confer with merchants on a plan for Christmas decorations of the streets.

Lion Yo Yo Fans To Have Contest

Skill of Members to Be Demonstrated at Luncheon on Dec. 16; Barber is Leader

"This organization has talked about and sponsored many trivial things during previous meetings and now I wish to suggest that the members turn their attention to something more important, a Yo Yo contest," said Clayton F. Barber in addressing the chair at the Lions club luncheon Friday noon.

The chair replied, "I appoint Lion Barber chairman of the contest and suggest that those sitting on opposite sides of the table be members of opposing teams."

And so dignified businessmen of Springfield will devote at least a part of their time at their next meeting to the problem of determining who is the best Yo Yo manipulator in the club.

Music for the luncheon was furnished by Kenneth Roduner, director of the Methodist choir who sang two solos, Miss Kelley of the University accompanied Mr. Roduner. A request that the Lions club sponsor a community singing group which would present an oratorio during the spring was made by Mr. Roduner who explained the purpose of the organization and the manner in which it would be handled. The proposal was turned over to the board of directors for consideration by that body.

EGGIMANN'S OBSERVE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Springfield Couple Have Been Married for 30 Years; Have Dinner on Wednesday

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Eggimann yesterday celebrated their thirtieth wedding anniversary with a dinner at their confectionary store. They were married at Duluth, Minnesota on December 7, 1902. The weather was very cold at that time too recalled Mr. Eggimann last night. The thermometer reached 40 degrees below zero the night of their wedding day.

Mr. and Mrs. Eggimann are probably the best known persons in Springfield, meeting their friends at their place of business each day. They are early residents of the city and Mr. Eggimann has served the city as mayor some years back. He is a Mason. Mrs. Eggimann is active in several fraternal organizations.

HIGH SCHOOL BALL TEAM DEFEATS CRESWELL FIVE

Springfield high school basketball team had little difficulty in defeating the Creswell squad on their own floor Wednesday night in a practice game. The score was 45-20 with Springfield trying many formations.

Announcement of a change in the high school "A" league schedule whereby the game with Eugene scheduled for the early part of January has been shifted to March 3, just before the opening of the district tournament.

MISSION GROUPS WILL MEET NEXT TUESDAY

The combined Foreign and Home Mission societies of the Methodist church will hold their second monthly meeting Tuesday of next week it was announced this week. The meetings of the two groups have recently been merged although each maintains a distinct organization. A joint committee administers business affairs.

YOUNGER MISSIONARY GROUP DELAYS MEET

Monthly meeting of the Young Women's Mission society of the Christian church set for Monday was postponed for one week, to December 12, because of the illness of Mrs. D. B. Murphy, their advisor.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH NAMES OFFICERS

Annual Business Meeting is Held Monday; Reports of Departments Given

SUNDAY SCHOOL GAINS

Special Musical Program for Sunday Evening Planned; Choir to Be in Charge

New officers for the ensuing year were elected at the annual meeting of the Christian church held in the social room Monday evening. A potluck dinner at 6:30 preceded the business session.

Officers elected are: Marion Adams, trustee; Melvin Traxler, Russell Myers, and M. Tanner, elders; Mrs. Melvin Traxler, financial secretary; Rex Hollister, treasurer; Fern Richards, church clerk.

Sunday school activities at the church will continue under the direction of Roland Moshier who was re-elected superintendent, with Mr. Tanner as his assistant. Other officers in the Sunday school are Esther Adams, corresponding secretary and treasurer; Lelia Peterson, librarian with Theda Rhodes as assistant.

Merton Ferebee will be church chorister for the next year and will have Dallas Murphy as assistant. Mrs. Traxler will be the pianist.

Mrs. Marjorie Moshier will be superintendent of the primary department of the Sunday school and Mrs. L. R. Haack of the beginners department.

Reports of all the branches of the church were given by the various officers. The Sunday school report showed that attendance had increased during the past year, and that finances were better than they were during the previous year.

Veltie Pruitt, pastor of the church, made a short talk during the evening. He has been pastor of the local congregation for the past three years.

The church choir will present the program at the evening service at 7:30 as follows:

Prelude—"Deep River," Jewel Cunningham.

Two solos—"Il Baccio" and "Good Morning Mister Sunshine," Uldine Gartin.

Negro spirituals by a male quartet—Dallas Murphy, Merton Ferebee, Dr. Reban and Veltie Pruitt.

Choir numbers—"Onward Christian Soldiers" by Gould, "Sweet and Low" by Alfred Tennyson and J. Barbery, "The House that Stood the Storm" by J. Herbert, and three negro spirituals, "Shine on Me," "Hush Somebody's Calling My Name," and "Hear De Church Bells Tolling."