

### School District Budget Reflects Increasing Costs

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because of work that must be done at the lone and Heppner Elementary schools, which were rated sub-standard in a recent state report. Some of the funds needed for the work will be taken from the maintenance budget and some will come from capital outlay.

Remodeling rest rooms at the Heppner Elementary school will require an estimated \$11,000 and another \$5000 is earmarked for work to be done in the gymnasium building. The auditorium portion of the structure is now closed because plaster had to be removed when it started falling from the ceiling. At the present time it is considered unsafe from a fire standpoint.

Remodeling work at the lone school is estimated at \$1000, principally to the rest rooms. Some additional work is contemplated at Heppner Elementary on new rain gutters and new doors.

#### Receipts Down \$63,000

In the receipts section of the budget, a decrease of \$63,000 is shown. Of the total, \$23,000 was evident from the start of the year 1967-68 when an anticipated cash carryover of \$7,000 turned out to be a deficit of \$15,385. Thus, the school year started with the deficit.

Public law 874 receipts (aid to districts where federal installations add a burden to the district) were estimated at \$25,000 but only about \$15,000 was received in the current year, and estimate for 1968-69 is set at \$14,500.

Estimated receipts of \$3500 on a matching program for the district's mentally retarded program were never received because the district has never operated an approved program, Daniels said, and this is cut out from the upcoming budget.

State basic school support is also expected to be down by \$3320.

#### Realistic Picture

While the budget does not appear as "good news" to taxpayers in the district, it presents a more realistic picture of needs and conditions than last year's budget, the superintendent said.

The loss in anticipated revenues, the unexpected deficit at the start of the year, and the underestimated expenditures in some areas have posed problems for the district and ultimately resulted in some of the increases in the 1968-69 budget.

Total budget requirements are listed at \$2,144,091, but this includes some \$870,000 that is reimbursed by the Corps of Engineers for the Riverside school.

Total requirements in the general fund will be \$1,313,876 as compared with \$1,216,262 for 1967-68. Amount to be levied to taxes will be \$1,181,189 as compared with \$1,016,401 for the current year. Of the levy, \$801,688 is outside the 6% limitation as compared with \$652,285 outside the limitation for the current year.

### HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients who have been admitted to Pioneer Memorial hospital during the past week, and are still receiving medical care, are the following: John Monahan, Heppner; Margaret Monahan, Heppner; Donald Knighten, Moro; JoAnne Pettyjohn, Heppner; Frieda Majeske, Lexington; Louise Fleming, Fossil; Emmett King, Heppner; Margaret Crisp, Heppner; and Roberta Conlee, Kinzua.

Those who received medical care, and were later dismissed, were the following: William Brannon, Heppner; Charles Denison, Heppner; Dean Guyton, Fossil; Michael Wright, Condon; Mabel Heath, Heppner, and Pat Sweeney, Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gates of Arlington became parents of a 6 lb., 7 oz. daughter on Thursday, March 14. She has been named Lisa Marie, and joins two brothers, Thomas and Robert, and a sister, Mrs. Alexis Dunn.



AL ULLMAN

### Al Ullman Files For Seventh Term

Congressman Al Ullman has filed for a seventh term as representative from Oregon's Second Congressional District.

"It is a great honor to represent the people of the Second District in Congress," Ullman said. "I am proud of what we have been able to accomplish, and I recognize the great opportunities for further developing the economy, the natural resources, and the human resources of Oregon. I welcome the continued challenge of serving the varied interests of this state."

The congressman said that retirement of three senior members of the House Ways and Means committee will mean new burdens and new responsibilities in the leadership of that committee, of which he is a member, but added that it will also afford new opportunities to participate in decisions of great importance to the district.

"Oregon's economy is dependent on responsible federal taxing and spending policies," Ullman said. Pledging a continued fight against inflation and high interest rates, he declared, "curbing inflation means promoting a healthy lumber industry, reasonable consumer-goods prices, and a more equitable share of our economic growth for the farmer and small businessman."

As to the war in Vietnam, he said, "Asians themselves must take responsible action to resolve this conflict. We alone cannot answer the economic, social and military problems of that area."

Domestic problems of the United States need to be answered primarily at the local level, he said, adding, "I want to see the initiative restored to local and state governments in changing the conditions that breed crime and poverty." He pointed to progress made in developing Oregon's natural resources and said, "I will continue to oppose all efforts to divert the waters of the Columbia River from our region and will work for its maximum use for our Pacific Northwest economy."

### Riding Club Meets

The Blackhorse Riders 4-H club met March 9 at the home of the leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Steagall. President, Becky Doherty conducted the business meeting. We selected a candidate for the Father of the Year contest. Suzanne Cutsforth was welcomed as a new member. Kristi Haguewood gave a report on the many gaits of the horse. Mr. Steagall discussed how and why to worm horses, and showed the most common type of worm. The parts of the saddle were reviewed and quizzed. Cookies and Kool-aid were served to the members, leaders and two guests.

Kimee Lu Haguewood, reporter

Mrs. John Miller of Bellevue, Wn., is spending time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ruggles while in Heppner to visit with her mother, Mrs. Wiley Knighten, who is hospitalized in Pioneer Memorial hospital. Mrs. Knighten, a former Heppner teacher, now resides in Moro.

### City Swim Pool Has Inspection; Nears Completion

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Heppner's municipal swimming pool had an official inspection Tuesday with the city council and a representative of Clark and Groff, engineers, Salem, present to check work done to date on the project.

Vic Groshens, city superintendent said after the inspection that it appears that completion of the job of reconstructing the pool and building a new bath house is about two weeks away.

While the pool is sparkling with its new coating of marbleite, it has been discovered that some of the material on the bottom is chipping off. This must be removed by the sub-contractor and a new coat applied.

Also, Groshens said that several leaks have been found in piping and around underwater lights. These must be stopped.

Fencing was installed last week but some work is yet to be completed on this as well.

The bath house, built of blocks and utilizing aluminum "windows," is virtually completed.

One feature of the "new" pool that the public will notice is the wide concrete deck between the pool and the bath house. Diving board will be on the south side instead of at the end. Deepest part of the pool is nine feet.

Provision for lifeguards is made at two steel stands by the south side of the pool. Seats will be installed for them on these stands.

Mercury vapor lights on metal poles around the pool and underwater lights will give full illumination for night swimming.

Those going for swims will enter the bath house from the south side. Boys' dressing room is at one end of the building and girls' dressing room is at the other. Attendants will occupy the room in the center, and clothing will be checked in to them in baskets. A large opening on the north side will give access for checking and calling for clothing.

Parking of cars will no longer be permitted along the side of the pool to prevent cars from extending into the street, but a parking place will be provided across the street from the pool.

General contractor on the project is McCormack Construction Co. of Pendleton. While the work was expected to be done by March 15, there still appears to be ample time before the start of the swimming season.

### Reclamation Men Tell of Projects

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The project got underway a year earlier than expected when Congressman Al Ullman had it written into the budget, and it was funded for this year, Mangano said.

"This reflects the interest going on in irrigation," he said. "The land here is one of Oregon's great land resources."

The Southside project was shifted to the Salem office because of a heavy workload already assigned to the Spokane office, Mangano said.

This also affords opportunity to work closely with the Oregon Water Resources board in Salem.

At the present time work is being done towards preliminary designs and preliminary cost estimates.

"I don't know just what shape this will take yet," he said, pointing out that pumping water from the Columbia seems the most natural source for irrigation. There is also some possibility of diversion from the John Day River.

Nuclear Plant Irrigation Eyed To be "looked at" under the project is the possible use of warm water from thermal nuclear plants for irrigation.

"The thought is being bandied around that if we could use this water for irrigation, it might eliminate the need for cooling towers," he said. Using the water for irrigation would eliminate the discussion on polluting the river from the warm effluent.

Mangano said that it has been found that warmer water has some beneficial effects on some types of plant growth, but said that "we don't know the upper limits." This is a matter that will be studied at Richland, contrasting the effect of cold and warm water on plants under irrigation.

Quantity of water needed for irrigation of the expanse of land south of the Columbia doesn't appear to be a problem, Mangano said.

"We will make the greatest use of the water that is possible," he added.

"Tremendous Opportunity" The Southside project offers an opportunity to develop a "tremendous resource here," the speaker stated.

Field crews will start working in the area with land classifiers scheduled to start probably in late summer. Survey crews and geologists will look for possible reservoir sites and canal locations.

County Judge Paul Jones introduced the speakers and also introduced Robin McKinley, chief of the agricultural economics section, and Ken Fulcher, assistant area engineer, both of the Salem offices.

### Dam Here Would Bring Tourists

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industry and I am firmly convinced that it is going to grow in magnitude and importance. I think that in Oregon, with increasing urbanization in the Willamette Valley and the beginning of a continuous urban strip city running from Portland south, people will be looking to Eastern Oregon as a place to escape the pressures of the city."

He said that if a community can attract 24 tourists per day throughout the year, it is economically comparable to acquiring a manufacturing industry with an annual payroll of \$100,000.

It is important for a community to inventory what it has to "sell," the speaker said. Many communities have undeveloped and hidden assets that they take for granted, he added.

"Comprehensive plans need to be made to develop and promote your assets, and an all out effort needs to be made to rally everyone in the communi-

ty to the support of such a program.

Merrill reviewed the state's "economic performance" in 1967 and expressed "cautious optimism" for 1968. In 1967, the gross state product approached \$7.2 billion, slightly more than 1% of the U. S. gross national product; there was a 6 1/2% increase in personal income in Oregon as compared with the national increase of 5.7%; spending in the state showed a gain of 4.2%; some \$103 million was invested in about 75 new plants and expansions, creating 3200 new jobs and indirectly creating 10,000 more.

For 1968, he said that economic growth may be expected at a slightly more rapid pace than in 1967. Housing starts for the first six weeks of the year have been quite strong, total spending in the state is expected to reach some \$7.58 billion, and industrial growth prospects are excellent.

The speaker was introduced by Wes Sherman, Chamber president.

### Hall is Elected State FFA Officer

David Hall, president of the Heppner High school Future Farmers of America chapter, was elected state reporter of the FFA at the state convention in Corvallis, held Wednesday through Friday of last week.

Hall, a Heppner High senior and member of the state tournament basketball team, received his State Farmer degree at the convention. He received a third place rating in the Star Farmer of Oregon contest, was second on his record books and was second in competition for the state soil and water management proficiency award.

Others from the Heppner chapter attending the convention were John Hall, Alfred Drake, Monte Evans, Matt Hughes, Don Cossitt and John Harris.

In his quest for state office and in competition for the other awards, Dave Hall attended some 20 interviews.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Gentry and two boys spent the week of spring vacation at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Nichols, of Lake Oswego. Mrs. Nichols is the former Nancy Kay Moyer. While vacationing, the Gentrys also spent time at the home of her aunts, Mrs. Bessie Harrington in Vancouver, and Mrs. Velton Stark in Portland, and with a cousin, Mrs. Rita Buchanan, also of Portland.

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### Notice of Candidacy

I hereby announce my candidacy to succeed myself for the office of Sheriff of Morrow County subject to the will of the Republican voters of Morrow County at the Primary election, May 28, 1968.

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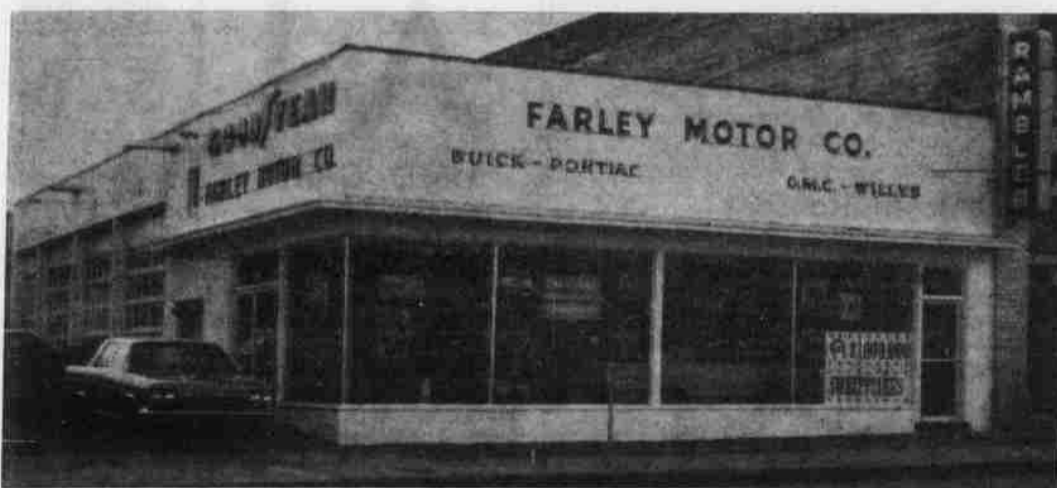
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