

# FAIRVIEW BOARD MEMBER FAVORS SCHOOL BONDS

Fairview, Oregon, January 5, 1924.— Editor Outlook:—I wish to offer a few thoughts for the consideration of the voters of School District No. 16 with reference to the proposition to bond the district for \$30,000 for a new school building.

There has been some comment that this amount comes dangerously close to the 5 per cent limit of legal indebtedness. The assessed valuation of the district for 1923 is \$695,075. Our legal limit is therefore nearly \$35,000, or about \$5,000 more than the amount to be voted on.

Furthermore, on this valuation, our tax, for the average payment required to liquidate a bonded debt of \$30,000 under the proposed plan, would be about 3.7 mills per year, if there were no increase in the valuation. However, an increase in valuation is sure to occur with the gradual building up of the district and it is safe to assume that the tax will in reality average only slightly over 3 mills.

I rise to remark that 3 mills or so is a small premium to pay for insurance on the health and safety of the children, such as the proposed new building would provide. I leave it to the mothers if such insurance is not fully warranted for their children.

At the mass meeting held on December 14th it was the school board's wish to obtain an expression of sentiment as to the size and general character of the building desired by the majority, and as to whether an auditorium was generally favored. In this we were disappointed, as no conclusion of any kind was reached. However, the meeting was undoubtedly worth while in that it afforded the citizens an opportunity for unrestricted discussion and for expression of their personal views.

In the absence of a definite opinion from this mass meeting, we have concluded that the plan should now contemplate a four-room building with an auditorium. We find that the large majority of new schools, even down to two rooms, are now being built with an auditorium. The auditorium is a very valuable adjunct to the school work as an assembly hall and as a gymnasium, and is well worth while to the community as a civic center, for moving pictures, educational lectures,

and public gatherings of various kinds.

If the bonds should carry, the voters are entitled to know whether they would get honest and adequate value for the dollars that will be spent. The board has gone into the various phases of the matter very carefully and as thoroughly as possible. The invariable advice from other districts that have built schools is "be sure you ask for a little more than you expect to spend so that you will not run the risk of going back to ask for more if your costs exceed your estimates." We are therefore asking for \$30,000 although we do not expect the building to cost more than \$28,000.

We are further convinced that the selection of the architect is the very backbone of the building program, for it is he who furnishes the plans and specifications (which must be very carefully and completely worked out in order to keep down the costs), who advises the board in the consideration of bids from various contractors, who supervises and inspects the work in progress, and who, in short, is responsible to the board for the entire progress of the work, from the preparation of the preliminary sketches to the acceptance of the completed structure. All essential steps in the program are of course taken with the consent and approval of the board. The voters may rest assured that the architect selected will be one in full standing in his profession, of proven integrity, of established reputation as to the thoroughness of his work, and who has demonstrated particular skill in the designing and construction of schools.

I believe that the majority appreciate the fact that differences of opinion have their proper place in the consideration and settlement of questions of public interest, and that they will grant that the sincerity of nine out of ten citizens is beyond question.

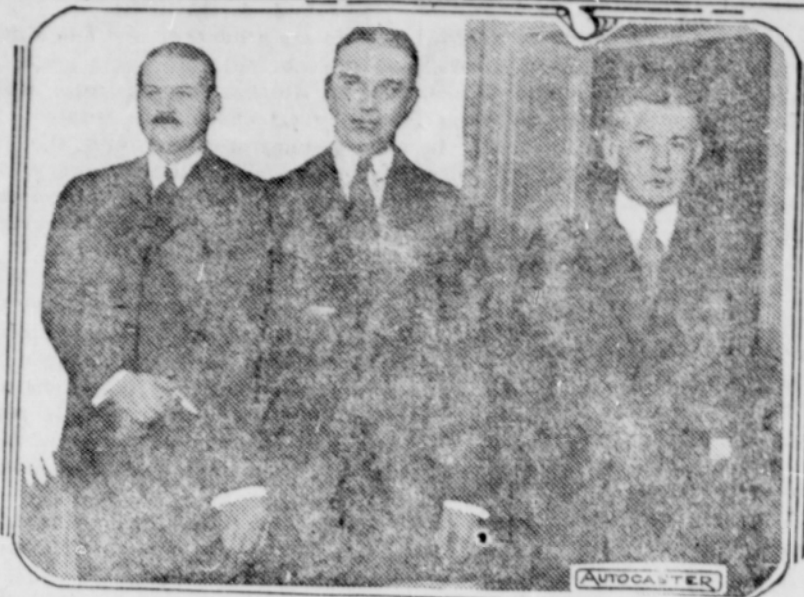
It devolves on a school board to make many decisions, based on circumstances and facts that are as a rule completely known to any other person, and I therefore wish to make the comment that judgment of the acts of a board (however well-intentioned) can be taken in fairness, ONLY when the person doing so has full knowledge of ALL the facts. Any one who stops to think will realize that a group of men, elected to a position of public trust, must be sobered enough by their responsibility so that their actions are not likely to be based on trivial or unconsidered reasons. I say this with direct reference to the school board, but it applies equally to any other person or group of persons serving in an executive capacity.

With these thoughts in mind I urge the citizens of the district to give the board credit for acting in absolute honesty and sincerity in handling the various matters connected with the issue now under consideration; that they grant the members of the board the same right to hold and to express their personal views as is enjoyed by other citizens; and that it be recognized that in the presence of such a diversity of opinion as always exists on questions of public interest, the board must determine its course of action from the standpoint of the "greatest good to the greatest number."

W. E. STONE, Member School Board, Dist. No. 16.

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## Go To Look Into German Finances



Just before setting sail to study the finances of Germany, Stuart M. Crocker, Owen D. Young, and Chairman Chas. G. Dawes, shown above, visited Washington for a conference with President Coolidge and Secretary Hughes.

### BORING

Wm. Morand took the postmaster's examination in Oregon City Saturday. Little Helen Shearer is reported quite ill with grip this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Telford were in Oregon City on business Monday.

Little Ruth Childs has been confined to her home the past week with a badly sprained ankle.

W. H. Boring went to Oregon City on business the first of the week.

W. W. Metzger sold a new enclosed Buick Four to Wm. Morand last week.

Mrs. L. C. Palmer of Willamina, Oregon left Saturday after a few days' visit with Mrs. O. A. Palmer.

F. K. Maulding is visiting for a few days at the home of his brother, E. V. Maulding and family.

The Gresham basket ball team failed to appear for the Saturday evening game with the Boring team at the club house.

Sunday was a gala day for the youngsters of the neighborhood and every boy or girl large enough to draw a sled assembled on the school-house hill for the first coasting of the season.

### HILLSVIEW

Edwin Yunker and Professor Uphoff of the University of California left this morning for Berkeley to resume their work there, driving through in a light car, after spending their Christmas vacation at the Yunker home.

Clarence Yunker has returned to his work at Oregon Agricultural College after the Christmas holidays. He had as a guest while at home a fellow student, Wilbur Lamar of Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. George Derrick is very ill and has been removed to Good Samaritan hospital in Portland for treatment.

Hillsview school has opened again after the holidays with a full attendance of pupil and the school is progressing well. George Metzger is the teacher.

### SANDY

The funeral of Antone Kligel, who passed away Monday, will be held at the Catholic church at Sandy, Thursday at 10 a. m.

The two-year-old child of Lewis Hanneberg at Bull Run was badly scalded by falling in a tub of hot water, but is recovering.

The Rev. E. G. Ranton will hold services in the Sandy Community church next Sunday evening.

The measles are subsiding greatly here, as there are only two cases left.

There will be a double header basket ball game at the Sandy Union high school next Friday night. Corbett High will pay the Sandy team.

### HALEY

The Mission circle of the Haley Baptist church will meet at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Andrew Johnson on Wednesday afternoon, January 9, at 2 o'clock.

### Oregonian Bargain Offer.

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Inventors have gone a long way towards producing to order whatever man and his industries require. But invention is not yet an exact science and never is likely to be. Artisans and experimenters continue to stumble upon useful discoveries. So with Roentgen of X-ray fame. While working over his vacuum tubes he was unexpectedly called out of the room. He left a bulb still glowing on the book he had been reading, and in the book was a large, antique key used as a bookmark, while beneath the volume there happened to be a photographic plateholder he had ready for an outing that afternoon. When developing some plates later, there upon one of them he found the shadow of the key. He sought an explanation of the curious phenomenon by replacing the "properties" and energizing the tube as before. There was the shadow again on the plate. The X-ray was found.

### Queen Ants and Bees.

It has been contended that the queen ant has not had justice done to her by naturalists. As compared with the famous queen bee, she is regarded by some as a far more admirable creature. In fact, they are, in many respects, diametrical opposites. The queen bee is a degenerate creature, unable to nourish either herself or her young, to visit flowers, to build combs, or to store them with honey. With the queen ant quite the reverse is true. She is a perfect example and embodiment of her species and the worker ants suffer from incomplete and retarded development. The queen ant is a very industrious and intelligent worker and it is pointed out that she forms an exceedingly interesting subject for study, and has not hitherto been well understood.

### End of Cromagnon Age.

About 15,000 years ago the Cromagnon age in Europe came to an abrupt end. There developed a sudden mildness to the climate, accompanied by cool rains. Heavy forests sprang up on what had been the open grass lands of wild reindeer, wild horses, and wild bison. Glaciers pulled back up their Alpine slopes; the ice fields that were over what is now Norway and Sweden melted away. The Pleistocene age was over and the modern era was at hand. Cromagnon people all but vanished from western Europe; Cromagnon art was no more. Whether these wild chestnut-haired hunters followed the ice into what is now Russia, or whether they became extinct, no one knows. Certain it is their former lands were deserted when the next race of man appeared.

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### NOTICE TO PUBLIC.

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**WILLYS-OVERLAND COMPANY BREAKS PREVIOUS RECORD**

Willys Predicts 1924 Will See Greater Increase Production.

Announcement by President John N. Willys of the Willys-Overland company of the production of more than 200,000 cars on December 15 capped the climax of the most remarkable year that Willys-Overland has had. Mr. Willys coupled this announcement with the statement that Willys-Overland expects to break every one of its 1923 records in 1924.

Willys-Overland created the first of its series of unusual announcements in 1923 with the appearance of its new Willys-Knight Coupe-Sedan at the New York show. The enthusiasm which this car occasioned was soon duplicated at every motor display in the country.

The new product was a novelty in automobile manufacture—not a coupe, not a sedan, not a coach but a distinctly original and individual creation in motor car design, the first of a series of refreshing departures which marked Willys-Overland's career for the past twelve months.

**Red Bird and Champion.**

Another important message was sent forth early in spring—the new Overland Red Bird, a novel creation in Mandalay Maroon and glistening nickel, set off with khaki-colored top and extra equipment, in a totally new price class. Its success was instantaneous and country-wide.

But the height of motoring utility was scaled in mid-fall by the announcement of the new Overland Champion, a closed car of unique design, actually introducing to the public something radically fresh, said to be the most divergently useful car so far brought out.

The car seemed to sweep the country, enthusiasm and sales of this single model being greater than of any other new car within a similar period following its original announcement.

Almost of equal interest to the motoring public were further announcements of new closed car designs on both Overland and Willys-Knight chassis; of the production of the larger Overland with black body and top; of the building of the Willys-Knight Coupe-Sedan in two types, a leather-upholstered body for professional and business man, and another finished in velour, called the DeLuxe model; the Overland Model 91 touring car in both standard and DeLuxe designs; and the Willys-Knight five-passenger sedan in both standard and DeLuxe designs.

**The Spad for Commercial Uses.**  
Of particular interest to the business man who operates one or a fleet of delivery cars was the Overland announcement of the new Overland Spad, a delivery car chassis, with four standard body types, making possible sixteen different models, produced after an exhaustive study on the part of Willys-Overland engineers and transportation experts of the special requirements of this particular sphere of the automobile.

Another achievement of Willys-Overland has been the series of price reductions, which brought Overland and Willys-Knight cars down to the lowest prices in their history, a feat made possible by changes in factory production methods which permit the manufacture of these cars, with highest grades of materials and without sacrifice of rigorous inspection and test, at less cost than has hitherto been thought possible.

**The Millionth Car.**

One more spot of pleasant memory that the past year holds is the production of the millionth Willys-Overland car, an event properly and fittingly celebrated not only by the factory organization at Toledo, but by the entire dealer body.

**Greater Things in 1924.**

With this series of achievements now a matter of history Willys-Overland faces the New Year with a determination to improve even on this record. The Willys-Overland factory in Toledo expects to beat every month of 1923 during 1924. It is estimated that the production requirements will exceed 300,000 cars.

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**SUMMONS.**

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County.  
Beda Cummings, Plaintiff, vs. Dell J. Cummings, Defendant.

In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and cause on or before the 23d day of January, 1924, and if you fail to so appear or answer, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in the complaint, to-wit:

For a decree that the marriage contract heretofore and now existing between plaintiff and defendant be dissolved, cancelled, set aside and held null and void; that plaintiff be absolutely divorced from the defendant and that plaintiff have such other and further relief as to the court may seem just and equitable.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable W. H. Evans, presiding judge of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County, made and entered on the 7th day of December, 1923, and which order directs that such publication be made in the Gresham Outlook once a week for six consecutive weeks and for seven successive issues of said paper, and that the first publication be made on the 11th day of December, 1923, and the last publication be made on the 23d day of January, 1924, and that the defendant be required to appear and answer on or before the 23d day of January, 1924.

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