

Howard School Will Open September 8; Rooms Redecorated

Howard school will reopen on Tuesday, Sept. 18, it was announced today, with classes in session until 2:30 p.m. Lunch will be served that day at the regular price of 20 cents.

Schoolrooms have been redecorated during the summer. Locker rooms have been improved, and the new addition has been painted.

Beginning first graders who have not had preschool examinations and been registered must bring a record of their health examination and a birth certificate, school authorities said. Children who have their sixth birthdays between Nov. 15 and Dec. 31 must have a school readiness test, which can be arranged by telephoning the school, 2-8912, for an appointment.

Enrollment Up

An increase in enrollment is expected this year. One new teacher, Robert Lawrence, will teach music and the eighth grade.

New high school students in the district must get non-high school slips from the clerk, Mrs. Ruth Stocks, at 2411 Table Rock rd. All students are to get bus tickets at the school after Aug. 26. Students who were in school last year may get slips for admission at the school.

The bus route will be the same as last year.

High school students of the district may attend either Medford junior high school, senior high school, or Crater high school.

Stevenson Sees Prestige Declined

New York — (U.P.) — Adlai E. Stevenson said today after a six month world tour that the prestige and the moral influence of the United States abroad has declined. But he added that he doubted anything had been lost that cannot be regained.

At a press conference a few hours after the 1952 Democratic presidential candidate arrived here by plane from Europe Stevenson said the most important task facing the Eisenhower administration is "holding together the alliance of the free."

He said he found an impression abroad that U. S. faith in cooperation is being replaced by "a readiness to go it alone." "Unilateralism is just the new face of isolationism, and it spells disaster," he said. "Just now, unhappily, our prestige and moral influence have declined, together with faith in our judgment and our leadership."

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Central Point Rural Fire District Marking Year, Full Equipment

Central Point — The Central Point Rural Fire Protection district, which is celebrating the completion of its building and equipment Saturday with an open house, is a little more than one year old.

An outgrowth of the Central Point Volunteer Fire department, the protection district is a voluntary and cooperative organization, formed under Oregon state fire laws. It has the responsibility for fire protection in an area of some 85 square miles.

According to board members, firemen of the CP volunteers grew tired of refusing to answer alarms outside the city limits, and so, under the leadership of Jack Sharp, then the chief, took the problem to the residents of the area surrounding the community.

Funds Raised

Funds for the purchase of the first fire truck were raised through donations, and a non-profit corporation was formed with Richard Krupp as president, Harry Tonn as vice-president and Merrill Harsh as secretary-treasurer. A number of fires were fought and considerable property saved through this organization.

But this type of department was limited by lack of sufficient funds to meet increasing demands, and it could not provide the protection needed to bring down insurance rates. It was then that the group decided to reorganize as a Rural Fire Protection District, as provided under Oregon's laws.

In July of last year the first board of directors was named, including Albert Thompson, chairman; Claude Hoover, vice-chairman; Dr. Alvin Roberts, secretary-treasurer, and Dave D'Armond and Bill Lingaas. The new district purchased the assets of the rural fire department, and in October construction of the new fire hall, on Highway 99 just north of Central Point, was started. William Laing was architect and construction contractor was Lloyd Whiteside.

The present board of directors is the same, except that Lingaas' term expired in January and he asked to withdraw. Larry Hull was named to succeed him on the board.

Building Occupied

The building was occupied in April of this year, and Richard Krupp was named fire chief and Harry Tonn assistant chief.

A new pumper truck has been delivered to the department, completing the equipment now necessary. The occasion has been selected as an appropriate time for the open house to be held Saturday afternoon and evening. Firemen and representatives of the equipment companies will be on hand to display the equipment and explain its operation.

The district now has three trucks and a jeep. The trucks were furnished by the Crater Lake Motors company, and the new pumper truck was equipped by the Howard Cooper corporation, Portland. It is on a 1952 Ford chassis, and has a 600-gallon-per-minute pump, carries 1,000 gallons of water and 1,300 feet of fire hose, plus the usual complement of auxiliary equipment such as ladders, axes, fire extinguishers and so on.

The older pumper truck is on a 1950 model Ford chassis, and can pump 750 gallons per minute and carries 500 gallons of water. It too has regular auxiliary equipment.

1,000-Gallon Tanker The tank truck carries 1,000 gallons of water, and has a 1953 Ford truck chassis.

The jeep was built up last winter by the volunteer firemen, and was designed by them. It incorporates ideas and features designed especially for the district, and includes a pumping unit which can be removed from the jeep and carried where needed by one man. It is used for grass fires, and can go over rough ground to save the heavier equipment.

The new pump truck will be tested next week by engineers of the Oregon Insurance Rating bureau, who will also grade the district for possible insurance rate reductions. It is expected that within 30 days thereafter authority will arrive for an actual insurance policy rate reduction. One company, the

Grange Mutual, has already authorized a 10 per cent reduction.

All Have Radios

All of the trucks are equipped with radios, and there is a stationary station at the building, permitting instant communications at all times. There is also a walkie-talkie used on big fires. The district has its own radio frequency.

All of the firemen are volunteers living in the immediate vicinity, and membership is open to anyone who desires to serve. Present firemen include representatives from business, agriculture and labor. Some of the firemen find it impossible to answer all alarms, but this difficulty is overcome by having many men whose jobs permit attendance. Weekly meetings are held on alternating Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and their families often enjoy a social evening with the women serving refreshments. In the event of large fires, where the volunteers are out for a long period of time, wives provide the firemen with food and dry clothing.

Custodians

Mr. and Mrs. Nat Grisham are custodians of the district building, making their home there, and also serve as dispatchers. Present personnel of the district includes Richard Krupp, chief; Harry Tonn, assistant chief; L. C. Lisenbee, district chief; Richard L. Grisham, James Francis Cain, Tom Thomas and Dexter A. Benston, captains; and Nat Grisham, Bob Melvor, Glen Higgenbotham, Paul McQuat, Don Bohnert, Harvey Tonn, Gordon Carrigan, Douglas Harsh, Roy Bratton and Frank Bruce. Don Brainin is bookkeeper. (See story and picture on Page 1.)

Morse Demands G. M. Corp. Probe

Washington — (U.P.) — Sen. Wayne Morse plans to demand a congressional investigation of his charge that General Motors Corp. "is receiving favored treatment by the Defense department."

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Hood River Lumber Fire Loss \$100,000

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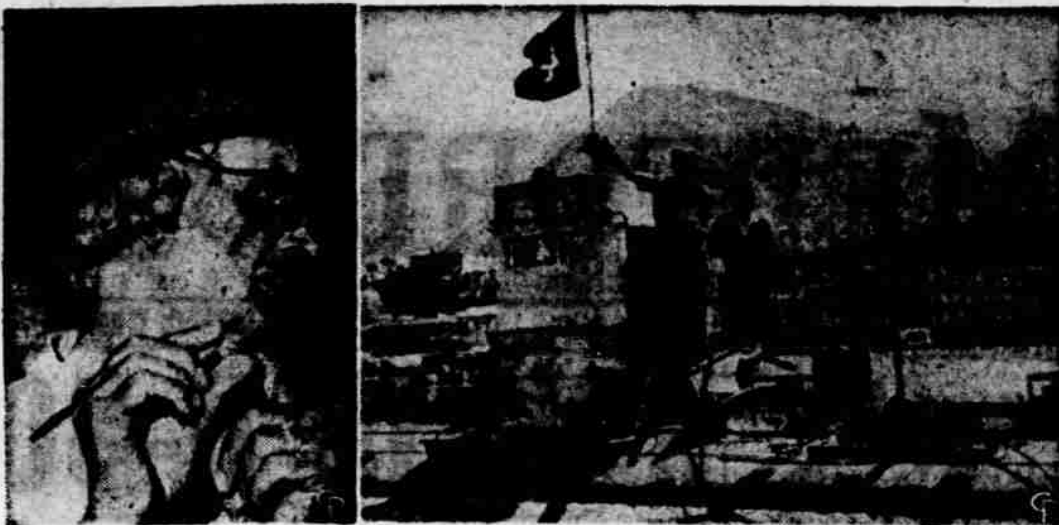
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PLEASED WITH TEST DIVE in new submarine-shaped bathysphere in which he hopes to descend 12,000 or more feet under surface of sea, Prof. Auguste Piccard (left) talks to newsmen at Castell-mare, Italy. He stands with son, Jacques (right) on deck of craft. (International Soundphoto)

Southwest Phone Workers Strike; Violence Erupts Anew in Indiana

By UNITED PRESS

More than 50,000 employees of the six state Southwestern Bell Telephone System went on strike early today as order was restored in Indiana after new telephone strike violence there.

The Southwest strike began at 6 a.m. after a fruitless all-night attempt by CIO Communications Workers of America officials and representatives of the utility to write a new contract.

A union spokesman said he was "sorry" the sessions broke down without agreement.

A company spokesman said it had offered raises that would have cost Southwestern Bell

\$7,000,000 a year and done its "level best" to avert the strike.

Negotiators in the Southwestern Bell dispute had been in session more than 20 hours when the strike began.

The union said the company finally advanced a wage offer of 4 1/2 cents, but it was rejected.

The union demanded 7 1/2 cents.

Violence in Indiana The Southwest strike affects long distance and manual exchanges in Missouri, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas and parts of Illinois.

Meanwhile, ill will between striking Indiana Bell workers, police and non-striking workers erupted into new demonstrations and violence in the Hoosier state.

At Elwood, Ind., non-striking telephone operators barricaded themselves in the second floor of the exchange building as angry strikers tossed a barrage of eggs and firecrackers into and against the building.

Mass Demonstrations Window breaking and other violence also flared at Alexandria, and company officials said they feared the union was "trying to shut us down."

At Kokomo, Ind., some 250 strikers marched on the Bell building there and staged a short demonstration following a mass meeting called to protest police "discrimination" against CWA pickets.

The same charge of police "discrimination" was hurled at Indianapolis, and CIO leaders hinted they might call about 75,000 auto workers and other CIO members to a mass demonstration at Indianapolis ex-

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The cafeteria will operate on opening day of school so students may purchase their lunches, the superintendent said. In the past years the cafeteria has not always opened on the first day, he explained.

High school fees also were announced. The book fee will be \$7; student body tickets entitling high school students to attend athletic games, and physical education, \$3; towel fee, \$2.25. Books for the elementary grades are furnished, he added.

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GUESTS OF TOWN

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OLDEST MASON

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