

25 Elementary Classrooms Needed in Medford by 1958

An estimated 25 elementary classrooms, and 8 or 10 more rooms at Medford High school will be needed by 1958 according to a summary of the recent school census for 1957.

The census taken during the latter part of October last year, showed an increase of 29.3 percent in the number of children between 4 through 19 years old in the Medford district. The size of the increase, however, is largely due to the addition of Dewey, Oak Grove, West Side and a large portion of the Kenwood district during the year.

The school board this week instructed Superintendent Leonard Mayfield and his staff to establish the location, and kind of classrooms necessary to handle the anticipated increase the most economically.

Schedule Meetings

Board members have scheduled a series of meetings with local architects interested in working on the project, and a schedule of studying trends in schoolhouse construction and of surveying recently completed buildings has been organized by members.

Available classrooms are now being used to near capacity in elementary schools, the board noted. With increased enrollment in the first six grades, the recent census indicates that all elementary schools with the exception of Oak Grove and West Side will be crowded next school year, it said.

Over-all enrollments indicate a shortage of 10 to 12 classrooms. However, the board pointed out that available rooms may be made to handle the increase by adjustment of boundary lines and by increasing the size of classes.

By the start of the 1958 school year, the board anticipates an increase of an additional 350-400 students, creating a shortage of about 25 classrooms.

State standards call for classroom averages of between 20 and 30 students, and averages anticipated for next year were obtained by using a high figure of 28 students to a room, the board said.

Available figures indicated McLoughlin and Hedrick Junior High schools will be able to handle anticipated enrollment for the next several years, but Medford High school is at near capacity this year, school administrators said.

New additions at the high school, the board noted, enabled the staff to handle the current

enrollment of 978 students. By increasing the class size and re-assignment of rooms, the board anticipates that the estimated 1,100 students next school year can be handled. Capacity of the high school is rated at 1,000 students.

Present facilities will be inadequate to handle an additional enrollment of 100 more students at the start of 1958 school year, the board said, and an estimated 8 to 10 rooms will be needed at that time.

Present school population maps indicate that the largest student increase at the elementary level has occurred in the northeast and southeast sections of the district. The board said it is considering construction of two new elementary schools to serve those areas. One school would serve about 359 students in grades one through six, and the other would have an enrollment

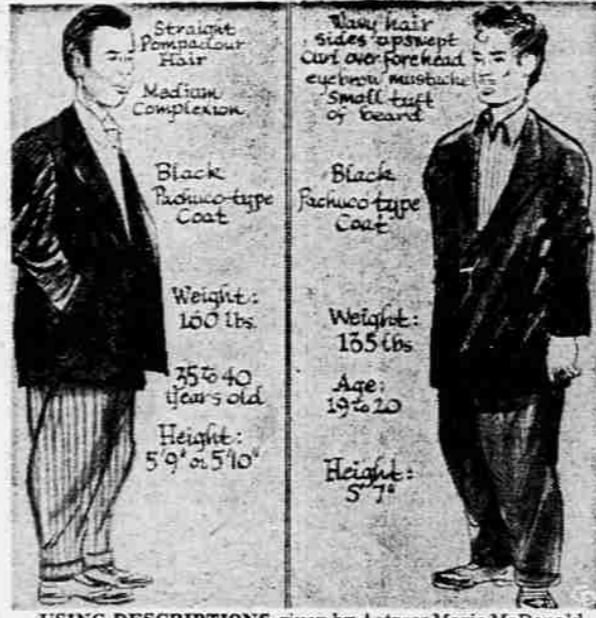
of about 334 by 1958.

Relieve Schools

Construction of two new schools would relieve other crowded schools through reassignments. Figures are based on students who already live in the areas, and do not include any increases, the board noted.

In order to provide needed classrooms by September, 1958, the board said it is necessary to start planning two years in advance. It normally takes about a year to have necessary bonds approved, and to prepare plans and accept them, and another year usually is required to construct and equip the building for use.

The proposed program, the board said, falls into the pattern of long range planning started by the board and administration when school sites were obtained and population increases and trends studied.



USING DESCRIPTIONS given by Actress Marie McDonald, Artist John Maloney produces these sketches of pair she says abducted her from Encino, Cal. home, presumably in \$50,000 ransom attempt. (International Soundphoto)

Police Ask for Help In McDonald Kidnap

Hollywood — (U.P.) — Police Chief William H. Parker today appealed to the public for help in a wide search for the two 200-suit men who allegedly kidnaped actress Marie McDonald.

Parker asked Southern California residents to recall if any one sold turkey sandwiches to the two suspects last Friday or refueled an old model car used in the kidnaping. Miss McDonald said she was given a turkey sandwich while held captive in a five-room house and later remembered the suspects stopping for gasoline before being pushed out of the car in the desert.

The 32-year-old actress was believed to have been transported in a 1936 to 1938 two-door sedan. She said the two men shoved her down in the back seat of the car when they stopped at a service station between here and Indio, Calif.



Weisfield Attending Meetings in East

Leo Weisfield, president of the jewelry store chain which maintains an outlet in Medford, is in the east this month for a series of meetings, John Nuich, manager of the Medford branch, has been informed.

Nuich said Weisfield is attending the annual New York jewelry market to arrange for purchases, and in addition will attend other jewelry functions. The firm's head is a past president, and is now a board member of the Diamond Council of America and the National Retail Jewelers association. He also will attend the annual meeting of the National Jewelry Tax commission, of which he is a member.

He is scheduled to lecture on jewelry merchandising at the New York University school of retailing, and for the 35th year he will attend the annual banquet of the "24 Carat" club, a jewelers' organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Weisfield will also spend some time in Washington, D.C., Nuich was informed.

SECOND MILLION—Miles, that is J. Shannon White, 70, waves from the SS. President Wilson as it leaves San Francisco. He has traveled more than a million miles on his job as a tourist guide. He's been around the world more times than he can remember.

American Bridge Team Makes Gain

New York — (U.P.) — The American contract bridge team staged a small gain on the Italians in the world tournament session which ended early today, but it was not enough. The front-running Italian team seemed assured of clinching the championship.

With only 28 hands remaining to be played in the tournament, which ends tonight, the Italians retained a lead of 7,980 points despite dropping 420 points to the Americans.

The two teams traded punches on slams in the night session, the Europeans gaining on the exchange. In one hand, Mrs. Helen Sobel and Charles H. Goren bid and made seven clubs while the Italian pair stopped at six clubs. This gave the Americans a gain of 500 points.

A few hands later both teams reached a contract of six diamonds, with the Italians making the contract and the Americans going down. The difference in this case was 1470 points in favor of the Italians.

Policeman Freed in Portland Test Case

Portland — (U.P.) — Portland Policeman Raymond A. Roadnight was free on bail again today after spending a few hours in jail yesterday on advice of his attorney so that a writ of habeas corpus petition could be carried to the Oregon Supreme court if necessary.

The move was a test to challenge the validity of indictments brought against Roadnight and others last summer by the Multnomah county grand jury.

Roadnight, indicted on a perjury charge, was released under \$500 bail after his attorney, Fred Jensen, filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus, contending that the grand jury had no authority to conduct its investigation in quarters at the Portland state office building instead of the county courthouse. Other persons named in indictments have made similar protests.

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Rose M.—My husband is a roving eye.

Carl M.—It's just an eye for beauty.

Rose M.—What can I do to keep my husband's eyes from roving to other women? We have been married 10 years and he has always been that way.

I don't accuse Carl of having been unfaithful. I'm pretty sure he is loyal to me, but this habit of his annoys me no end. If we go out to a restaurant, he keeps looking around for the prettiest women and then points them out to me. He tells me I ought to wear my hair like such a woman or I ought to have a dress like another.

I'm considered a fairly attractive woman and I take great pains with my appearance. I don't see why my husband should have this great interest in other women and I have told him I feel there is something very wrong with him psychologically. He should see a doctor.

Carl M.—My wife is trying to make a case out of me when I am a perfectly normal man, who takes a natural interest in women.

It just happens that I have an eye for beauty. I like to see attractive women well dressed. I am also interested in men's clothing, but my wife never notices when I point out a well-dressed man.

Rose takes it as an insult when I point out those other women, but I don't mean they are necessarily more attractive than she is. I feel Rose is a very good-looking woman and I like to see her dress as well as possible. Rose goes into a sulky spell if she ever sees my glance wander away from her. It's so silly because, as she says, I am loyal to her and I have no serious interest in other women.

The Council: Some men do have an obsessive interest in looking at other women or do it to hurt or spite their wives, but from both Rose's and Carl's statements, that doesn't appear to be true in this case. Rose is making too much of a thing out of it.

If Carl points out a woman's dress or hairdo, it indicates he is conscious of style, rather than sex. Many men have this interest but, unlike Carl, try to squelch it because they feel it is unmanly. Carl's esthetic interest must be particularly strong and is a natural part of his personality.

Since his marital conduct is evidently above reproach, Rose ought to feel flattered that a man with such a discriminating eye for beauty has chosen her. She, rather than Carl, seems to be somewhat obsessed by the idea there are other attractive women around. If she is sure of her husband's love, and she appears to be, she should try to lose this fear of other women and recognize the fact that other women's beauty doesn't detract from her own.

Carl doesn't need to see a doctor. Rose needs to gain confidence in herself.

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Milk Price Increase Threatened at Close Of Dairy Convention

Corvallis — (U.P.) — Threat of a milk price increase was raised here yesterday at the closing session of the convention of the Oregon Dairymen's Association.

A resolution passed by delegates promised support for any action taken by grade A milk producers to stop sale of milk to distributors who cut prices.

Portland Boost Promised

Lester Adams, manager of the Oregon Milk Producers Association, said higher milk prices in the Portland area would be realized as soon as his organization is strong enough to bargain for higher prices with distributors.

Adams said producers hope to equalize milk prices over the state and that they are now lower in Portland than in other areas.

Al Lindow of Portland was elected president of the association.

Other officers named included Lawrence Geraghty, Klamath Falls, first vice president; Henry Hagg, Reedville, second vice president; Gordon Anderson, Corvallis, treasurer, and Harold Ewalt, Corvallis, secretary.

New directors include George Hostetler, Redmond; Victor Birdseye, Medford; John Pugh

Jr., Shedd, and Milton Rider, Oregon City.

Proposal Approved

Dairymen approved a legislative proposal which would tax all producers two cents a hundredweight or one-half cent a butterfat pound for all milk produced monthly. This would replace a similar tax now on all milk produced during May and June.

The Oregon Dairy Commission would use the same \$214,000 received to increase milk consumption throughout the state. The tax would amount to about \$3.50 a month per dairyman, according to Executive Secretary Glen Lee.

Dairymen passed a resolution calling for legislative action to strengthen the present law preventing watering of milk.

Freighter Dant Leaves Storm-Tossed Sea Area

Honolulu — (U.P.) — The stricken freighter Charles E. Dant was out of storm-tossed seas today and expected to reach Honolulu Sunday afternoon, the Coast Guard reported.

The ship was 800 miles northwest of Oahu and proceeding through mild seas at 15 knots, despite a valuable cargo of gold and copper concentrate that continued to slosh around deep inside the ship, the Coast Guard said.



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