

Additions to County Schools To Handle Expected Increase



WORK STARTS - Work started last month on a six-classroom addition at Hedrick Junior High school, Medford. Batzer Construction company submitted the low bid of \$127,492 for the project, which includes developing the courtyard in the center for planting. The addition is one of several in the Medford district.

One of the major problems faced by public schools today is increased enrollments.

Jackson county is no exception. Many of the districts are building new classrooms to handle the anticipated increase; some districts are remodeling to accommodate more students in present facilities.

These new additions are expected to handle about 700 or so additional students in the county this fall.

For each additional 27 stu-

dents, another classroom is needed; and for each additional classroom there is needed a teacher, desks, textbooks, and other supplies necessary in teaching.

Anticipated Increase
With the anticipated increase in the number of students in the county, the equivalent of almost 1 1/2 new elementary schools must be constructed to handle them, figuring on the basis of 500 pupils in one elementary school.

There are under construction about 30 classrooms in various districts in the county. Most of the classrooms will be ready for students when school opens this fall; others will be completed later in the fall and be occupied as soon as they are completed.

Most of the increased number of pupils will be in the

Booklet on Helping Child Is Available

Two departments of the National Education association have published a booklet, "How to Help Your Child Learn," which is available from the association.

The 32-page booklet may be obtained at 50 cents per copy from the National Education association, 1201 Sixteenth st., NW, Washington 6, D. C.

It was published by the department of elementary school principals and the National school public relations association.

Party Dresses Ready For Early Invitation

Party dresses are ready this year for an early invitation to attend September-October affairs.

Early velvets share displays with heriboned cottons, silk and cottons, dacrons and cottons as well as expensive silk organdie.

Medford district, where much of the new classroom construction is under way. District 6C, which includes Central Point, Gold Hill and Sams Valley, and the Phoenix school district also are building new classrooms which will be ready for fall opening.

Junior high school students in Ashland will move into a new building this fall. It was constructed after the state fire marshal condemned the old structure and the voters approved a bond issue for the new structure.

Classrooms Renovated
In many of the districts where the pupil increase will not be as great, the increase will be absorbed in the present classes, or classrooms will be renovated to facilitate more students.

More than 16,800 students are expected to attend grade, junior high and high schools in Jackson county this year. The breakdown by school districts of the estimated number of students this fall:

Medford, 8,046 (an increase of more than 300 students); District 6C, 2,456 (an increase of about 200); Pinehurst, 35 (an increase of 8 students); Eagle Point, 1,220 (an increase of about 70); Rogue River, 655 (an increase of about 80); Butte Falls, 180 (an increase of about 15); Prospect, 285 (no increase anticipated); Apple-

gate, 90 (no increase anticipated); Evans Valley, 110 (no increase anticipated); Ashland, 2,500 (some increase); and Phoenix, 1,300 (some increase).

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HOOVER ADDITION - New additions to Medford public schools includes this one under construction at Hoover school. Financed through a bond issue for a two-year building program, the additions will handle an anticipated increase of about 300 students in the district this fall. The additions are single wall construction - that is one wall serves two classrooms or both the interior and exterior.

Many Children Do Not Have Polio Shot

You may have had the kids' eyes, teeth and general health condition checked in anticipation of their return or start to school - but have you had them inoculated against paralytic polio?

It has been reported that more than one-third of the school population either has had no shots at all or has not completed the complete inoculation program.

If your youngster has had his first injection, remember that the first three inoculations should be evenly spaced - with a fourth or "booster" shot to follow the third in about a year's time.

And how about that small-pox vaccination? It is recommended that these vaccinations be had about every seven years.

And since the possibility of tetanus lurks in every deep wound caused by splinters, sharp rocks, nails, etc., be sure that you take every possible precaution against the deadly bacillus when your youngster injures himself.

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