

Superintendent Praises Work of District 7 Parent-Teacher Units

Grants Pass - At a meeting held last week at Lincoln school in Grants Pass, Ralph Jones, city school superintendent, thanked the PTA units of District 7 for their help in the recent school budget elections in Grants Pass.

He said that, in addition to having the budget passed, the fact that it had been passed by a 3 to 1 majority was a source of tremendous satisfaction to everyone connected with the school system. He said they interpreted this majority as a vote of confidence in the work being done in the schools. Added to his thanks were the words of appreciation of Mrs. Betty Renfro, chairman of the District 7 school board, who commented on the obvious value of the parent committees set up by various PTAs in an effort to get out the vote. Jones said that such a majority inspired principals and teachers to devote new enthusiasm and thought to how their work might be improved.

Overcrowding - He then enlisted the aid of the PTAs in helping to study the situation produced by the overcrowding existing in several District 7 schools and introduced several principals to describe the conditions as they exist. David Staley, principal of South Junior High school, said if enrollment figures follow the expected pattern there would be about 700 students at South next year. It is obvious something needs to be done to make room elsewhere for the few elementary grades which are now included in the South building, he said.

In response, Cecil Roberts, principal of Redwood Elementary school, into whose district these elementary students would be sent, mentioned the fact that at least 100 and probably 125 first grade students will be entering Redwood next year which will make it overcrowded without even taking those from South. Jones said it might be necessary to put a bond issue before the city voters for building and urged that PTA representatives or interested citizens attend the May meeting of the District 7 school board to make their feelings known on this matter. This meeting will take place the first Monday in May.

Frank Thomas, Grants Pass High school principal, spoke of the need at the high school for more science courses and more lab time for science students. He said that, while the

high school enrollment would be increased by only about 75 next year, the demand for science courses was increasing rapidly. Pending discussion on the building of a science wing at the high school, it might be necessary to schedule an 8 o'clock class in laboratory work next year in order to provide adequate time for all students desiring to take the course, he said.

In response to questions from the people present, Jones reminded them that city and county interests are linked financially as well as from a purely educational point of view, and urged people to contact friends in the county unit school district in an effort to help pass the county school budget, slated to be put before the voters on May 1. He pointed out the necessity of having standard elementary education for city and county alike since all children attend the same junior and senior high school. He said he felt the attempt of the county budget committee to put county teachers on a pay scale equal to District 7's was a very constructive step in maintaining equally good schools.

It was also mentioned that almost half a million dollars is paid by the county to District 7 in tuition for its students and in transportation, and that failure to pass a budget in the county would endanger both systems alike.

Sendek Bank of America Achievement Winner

Happy Camp - Donald Sendek has been named 1961 Bank of America Achievement award winner in Happy Camp, according to James Foote, high school principal.

Sendek was one of four finalists in the competition. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Sendek of Happy Camp and chose science and mathematics as his field of study. He will receive an engraved plaque.

Runners up were Gaylon Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Lee, liberal arts; Valerie Grey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Reedy, vocational arts; Diane Westby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Westby, fine arts.

Sendek will be considered for the right to attend zone interviews to be held April 18 in Redding. Award winners of other area high schools will also be considered.

Participants in the zone event will compete in four

Butte Falls PTA Elects Officers

Butte Falls - The Butte Falls PTA elected officers for the 1961-62 school year at the organization's March meeting.

Mrs. William Lytle was elected president with Mrs. Randall Perkins named vice president. Other officers include Mrs. Leonard Stratton, secretary, and Mrs. William Harris, treasurer.

The officers will be installed at the May meeting. Prior to the business meeting, a program was presented by the Good News club of the Butte Falls Community Bible church. The club held a brief meeting to demonstrate to parents how the club functions. Children participating were Pearl and Eva Morey, Diane and Karen East, Jim and Doris Burton, Pamela and Roger Harris and Darlene Fisher.

Greg Joffile led the club chorus in several songs. Mrs. Howard Simmonds was accompanist.



NEW OFFICERS - Officers for the Eagle Point Future Farmers of America will be installed at the FFA banquet Thursday evening in the grade school gym. New officers are, from left, Mike Reid, secretary; George Schoettie, sentinel; Ron Anderson, president; Dale Vaughan, vice president; John Patrick, treasurer, and Vic Halsey, reporter.

District 15 School Budget Considered

Tiller - Lawrence Michaels, superintendent, opened the budget hearing for District 15 at Days Creek school March 28.

Immediately after Michaels asked for comments or questions, Claude Howard appealed to the people to pass the budget. He explained he had studied it thoroughly and had

compared it with past budgets and with the budgets of other schools and had found it good. He explained that the sooner the budget is passed, the sooner teachers can be hired for the coming year.

Art VanLeuween read a petition asking that the fourth and fifth grades now attending the Days Creek school not be transported to Tiller next year. VanLeuween said there were 112 signatures on the petition.

One of the reasons given for not wanting the children to attend Tiller was that they would miss out on their 4-H work and Bible study after school hours. Another reason was the long ride on the bus.

The strongest argument for the change was that since both schools are now one district, all pupils should have equal advantages. And this change is the most economical way to accomplish the purpose.

Charles Porter stated that although the change wasn't vital at present, it is a move to have a more efficient school program in the future.

A vote of those present was taken. There were 34 against the change, 19 for it, and 3 undecided.

A vote was also taken to see how those present felt about budgeting money for transporting athletic participants home from practice after school. The majority voted to budget this money.

Ron Anderson Eagle Point FFA President

Eagle Point - Ron Anderson has been elected president of the Eagle Point chapter of the Future Farmers of America for the 1961-62 school year.

Anderson, a junior, has been president of the Empire Builders, president of the Antelope General 4-H club and president of his freshman class. He is a member of the Oregon Cattleman's association, is a member of the state FFA judging team and is reporter and treasurer for the FFA chapter. He was also a delegate to the national convention.

Dale Vaughan will assist as vice president. Vaughan is the third State Farmer the Eagle Point chapter has had, was president of his junior class, belongs to the Angus Breeders association, is a member of the state livestock judging of the Eagle Point FFA for two years and is a member of the parliamentary procedure team.

Mike Reid was elected secretary. He is a freshman. Reid is presently president of the Lake Creek Beef 4-H club.

John Patrick was elected treasurer. Patrick has a dairy and swine project, received the Star Green Hand award, was a member of the parliamentary procedure team and is the president of the Chess club.

Vic Halsey will start his second year as club reporter. Halsey will be a senior next year and is vice president of the Lake Creek 4-H club, is chairman of the plant sales project, was assistant reporter previously, is a member of the dairy and state dairy teams and is on the state livestock judging team.

George Schoettie, sophomore, will hold office of sentinel. Schoettie is the president of the Antelope Sheep club and is also the junior leader in the club, is a 4-H member, is carrying a Hereford project and is assistant plant chairman in the FFA chapter.

The new officers will be installed at the FFA banquet Thursday evening in the Eagle Point Grade school gymnasium.

EP Council To Make Final Lagoon Plans - Eagle Point - The Eagle Point city council will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the city library. Final plans on the sewage lagoon system will be made.

In addition, an open discussion will be held on the proposed opening of Fifth st. from Main to G sts.

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Regional Calendar

Gold Hill - The Gold Hill City council will meet tonight at 7 o'clock at the city hall on Second ave.

Gold Hill - Johnny Linn will be guest speaker at the noon luncheon of the Gold Hill Chamber of Commerce luncheon meeting Thursday at the Grange hall. His topic will be "Environment of a City and What Makes It Grow." He will speak through the courtesy of radio station KDOV.

Eagle Point - The Eagle Point Garden club will meet at the home of Mrs. Irma Cushman in Shady Cove Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. Members are requested to bring sack lunches. A flower arrangement workshop will be held and members are asked to bring flowers, shrubbery, vases and other arranging equipment.

Eagle Point - The Eagle Point Irrigation district will meet Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at the district office.

REGIONAL NEWS

Nearly 300 Youngsters Search For Easter Eggs in Eagle Point

Eagle Point - Nearly 300 youngsters participated in the Easter egg hunt on the Eagle Point High school football field Saturday morning.

No child went home without eggs. All youngsters too small to find the elusive eggs were given eggs by members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Easter bunny.

Three plastic eggs filled with jelly beans were hidden for each of three age divisions. Prizes were donated by Brown's market, Little Butte market and Olsen's confectionery of Eagle Point. Boy Scouts of Troop 48 hid 1,600 candy eggs and 120 dozen real eggs prior to the start of the hunt.

The Jaycees and Jaycettes sponsored the event. Mrs. Leonard Modee was chairman of the Jaycettes committee, third sponsored by the Jay-Ralph Humphrey and Leonard Modee.

Yreka Elks Elect Exalted Ruler

Yreka - The Yreka Elks Lodge 1980 BPOE has elected Joe Acotta as exalted ruler to serve for the coming year. Installation of officers will be held April 15 in Yreka club rooms.

Officers of the Redding Lodge will install and the meeting will be the first open installation ever held. Wives and guests of the Elks will be invited.

Others elected were Bob Nolan, Leading Knight; Louie Choate, Loyal Knight; Pete Mathews, tiller; Harry Crebb, secretary; Gene Ensele, treasurer; Chuck Simas, inner guard; and Lawrence Hastings, trustee.

Fire Season Starts In Umpqua Forest

Tiller - Fire season began April 1 at the Umpqua national forest. From now on, anyone wishing to burn rubbish will need a fire permit issued at the forest service office in Tiller.

Rangers Lilgren of the South Umpqua district and Wilson of the Cow Creek district deem it advisable for parents to instruct their children in fire prevention. This especially includes dangers of playing with matches.

John Stafford, Regional Editor

Correspondents: Upper Applegate Valley—Maude Ziegler; Lower Applegate Valley—Jeanette Head; Butte Falls—Mary Jo Harris; Central Point—Dolores Armstrong and Flo Vincent; Eagle Point—Doris Harrison; Gold Hill—Sara Valley—Mary Kell; Grandview—Lone Pine—Dot Simmons; Happy Camp—Hazel Davis, Betty Reedy; Hornbrook—Katherine Chapman; Illinois Valley—Katherine Scott; Jacksonville—Betty Hoak; McLeod—Caroline Harding; Murphy—Mrs. R. J. Millemann; O'Brien—Letha Cooke; Phoenix—Mrs. Leo Furry; Prospect—Velda Barr; Shady Cove—Evelyn Watson; Table Rock—H. E. Nealon; Tillamook—Viola Rogers; Williams—Shirley Fischer; Yreka—Doris Robinson and Betty Calkins

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