

# Residents of Jackson County to Vote on Rural School District Levy

All residents of Jackson county will vote on the amount of the rural school district budget outside the 6 per cent limitation from 2 to 8 p.m. Monday, May 6.

The total budget of the rural school district is \$3,000,381.25. Of this amount, the county equalized levy is \$2,743,827.93. The required levy is determined by formula within the law, and is not determined by the rural school board or the budget committee, the committee noted.

The available receipts to offset the total budget are \$100,245.18. This leaves the required levy of \$2,900,136.07. Of this, the required county equalized levy makes up 94.6 per cent of the total, and the levy for the operational budget is 5 per cent, or an estimated 1 1/2 mills, the rural school budget committee noted.

The tax base of the rural school district is \$2,234,736.89, or approximately 70 per cent of the total. This is the amount that can be levied without a vote. The amount in excess of the base is \$665,399.18, or approximately 30 per cent of the total, and is the amount that will be subject to vote.

This excess applies to the equalized levy portion of the budget only, the committee noted. By law, the operational budget is within the tax base and is the first charge against the total levy, and is therefore not subject to the vote.

The increase in the total budget from \$2,781,337.40 for 1962-63, to \$3,000,381.25, for 1963-64, is \$219,043.85. Of the total increase 87 per cent is in the equalized levy, or \$190,242.90, an amount determined by law. This leaves 13 per cent or \$28,801.85, of

the total increase which is subject to action by the Rural School District Budget committee.

**Budget for Office**

The total budget of the county school superintendent's office and the rural school board which now is the county board of education, district boundary board, and school district reorganization committee is \$238,553.22.

Estimated receipts total \$82,245.18, leaving the required levy at \$156,308.14. Receipts are reimbursements from the state for programs such as special education for the mentally retarded, speech handicapped program, program for the able and gifted students, school district reorganization, curriculum improvement plan, federal monies for the curriculum center from provisions of the National Defense Education Act, and reimbursements from the districts on special education programs and for other contracted services.

Part of the increase in the total budget is in the increase of two additional classes for the education of the mentally retarded to meet the requirements of the compulsory education of such students by 1964. This program is reimbursed through state funds

and from local districts participating in the program.

Also included in the budget are provisions for a speech program totaling \$7,750.00, which also will be reimbursed through state funds and local district tuition.

The operational budget of the county school office was given careful consideration by the budget committee, and no major changes in existing programs or additional staff personnel were made, the committee noted.

One member of the rural school board will be elected for a three-year term to the seven-man board on Monday, Zone 1, which includes Central Point, Gold Hill, Sams Valley, Rogue River and Evans Valley will vote Monday for this position.

The only nominating petition which has been submitted is for Don W. Bohnert, route 1, box 224, Central Point, William A. Starzinger of Rogue River, who has served on the board for several years, did not choose to seek reelection.

**Polling Places Listed**

Polling places for Monday's elections are:

District 4: Phoenix Elementary school gym, and Talent school gym.

District 5: Lincoln elementary school.

District 6: Central Point Junior High, Hanby school Gold Hill, and Sams Valley school.

District 8: Eagle Point High school, Shady Cove elementary school, and Elk-Trail elementary school.

District 35: Rogue River High school.

District 40: Applegate elementary.

District 59: Prospect High school.

District 62: Evans Valley elementary school.

District 91: Butte Falls High school.

District 94: Pinehurst school.

District 549: Jackson, Lincoln, Washington, West Side, Wilson, Jacksonville, Howard, Jefferson, Roosevelt, Oak Grove, Hoover, Griffin Creek, Ruch, and Lone Pine elementary schools.

## 121 Major Criminal Offenses Reported To Police in April

Medford police investigated 121 major criminal offenses during April, according to the monthly report released recently by Chief of Police Charles P. Champlin.

The figure represents an increase of 46 cases over the same month last year, and 33 cases over April, 1961. Thefts of items valued at less than \$50 totaled 74, while there were 21 cases of thefts of items valued at more than \$50. Fourteen burglaries were also reported, according to the report.

## 96 Influenza Cases Reported in County

There were 96 cases of influenza reported in Jackson county last week, Dr. A. E. Merkel, director of the Jackson county public health department, reported.

Under miscellaneous offenses, the report showed 46 cases of embezzlement and fraud, two of forgery and counterfeiting, and nine of minor assault.

Medford reported the largest number with 50 cases. There were 10 cases in Central Point, 13 in Shady Cove and 13 in Phoenix. Rogue River had 6 and Jacksonville and Ashland each 2.

Fifty-three arrests for drunkenness were made, and 14 for disorderly conduct, the report showed.

Measles claimed the second largest group of victims with a total of 83 cases in the county. Gold Hill reported the largest number with 41 cases.

A total of 4,071 parking tickets were issued by police during April, an increase of nearly 500 over the same month last year.

German measles were reported by 42 persons, the largest number, 35, being in Rogue River.

Seventy-nine motor vehicle accidents occurred within the city last month, compared to 51 for April, 1962. There were no fatalities, but 27 persons reported injuries as a result of the mishaps.

Other communicable diseases reported by the county health department were mumps 15; pneumonia 9; chicken pox 5; infectious mononucleosis 3; scarlet fever 1, and gonorrhea 1.

Officers cited 129 drivers for violation of basic rule last month, and 58 motorists were given tickets for failure to stop at traffic signals. Two drivers were arrested for drunken driving, according to the report.

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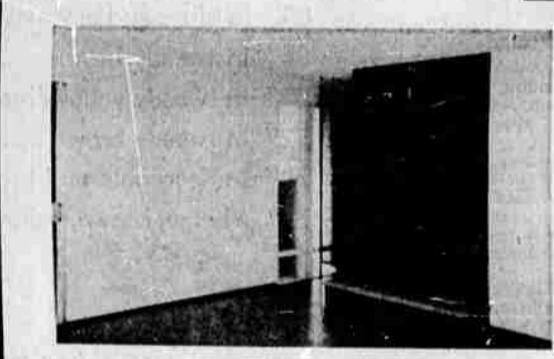
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