

Future of Butte Falls Schools At Stake in Budget Election

Butte Falls—The future of this community's schools will be at stake Monday when voters go to the polls to consider the Butte Falls School district's proposed 1963-64 budget for a second time.

The first budget, calling for a total tax levy of \$73,827.09, was defeated at the May 6 election by a vote of 97 to 69. Subsequently, the school board and budget committee cut \$3,630 from that figure, so voters Monday will consider a total tax levy of \$70,197.09.

Last year's tax levy was \$89,293.76.

Defeat of the first proposed budget was attributed by most observers to the fact that it was connected—in the voter's minds—with a controversy over the non-rehiring of C. L. Stratton, principal of the local elementary school.

Two Members Recalled

At the same May 6 election, two members of the school board were successfully recalled and a third was defeated by another candidate. Even the Jackson county rural school district budget failed to gain a favorable vote.

If the budget is defeated again Monday, however, the Butte Falls district will face an uncertain future.

Members of the local school board last week released the contents of a letter they received from Alf B. Mekvold, county school superintendent, outlining some of the problems that will exist if the budget fails to pass.

"Approved budget levies must be certified to the county assessor by July 15," Mekvold wrote. "In the event that the budget is not approved by this date, the local school board has no alternative but to operate within the amount

of available funds."

These "available funds" would include that portion of the district's income not raised through local property taxes. About two thirds of the total budget is raised through local taxes, so the schools would have to be operated on only a third of the funds ordinarily available.

There is no legal precedent to indicate what would happen when these available funds were exhausted. Some observers have speculated that the district might have to be consolidated with another. Others think possibly the board could get by somehow.

In his letter to the board, Mekvold said: "The people of the Butte Falls district have testified strongly and on several occasions that they prefer to retain schools, both elementary and secondary, within the district. There could, perhaps, be no stronger argument against this position than for the district to fail to provide for reasonably good schools."

Held Responsible

If the budget fails to pass, Mekvold indicated that all of the people of Butte Falls will be held responsible for opening and operating of adequate schools.

Specifically, he wrote, "All the people have a right to question by appearing at board meetings, and especially at budget hearings, but tied to this right is a responsibility to cooperate to provide schools for the community."

"In fact, any authority, including myself, in the structure of a state program of education, would have no alternative, in the event of budget failure and if the

board has made all reasonable efforts, but to hold all the people responsible for the opening and operating adequate schools in the Butte Falls district."

Dr. Durno Receives Recognition for Job

Dr. Edwin R. Durno, Medford, was recently given formal recognition for his "meritorious" work as one of the founders of the Oregon Heart Association.

He was presented a medal at the 15th anniversary meeting of the organization in Portland. Dr. Durno is also a past board chairman of the organization.

Other founders and past board chairmen honored at the same gathering were Dr. Herbert E. Griswold, F. Warren Munro, Dr. F. J. Underwood, Dr. J. P. Brennan, of Pendleton, Dr. Roger H. Keane, Dr. Charles W. Coffen and Robert G. Cameron.

Klamath Falls Firm Buys Winema Timber

Klamath Falls-Modoc Lumber company, Klamath Falls, was high bidder on purchase of Winema National forest timber at a recent sale.

The Badlands sale, located on the Chiloquin district, was purchased for a total price of \$88,925. Appraised advertised price was \$85,730. A total of 13,900,000 board feet of timber was involved in the sale.

Other bidders at the sale included Loveness company, Klamath Lumber and Box company and Thomas Lumber company.

Blood Replacements May Be Made for Victim of Leukemia

"Fortunately, few of us ever know what it is like to be faced with replacement of blood oftener than once or twice in a life time."

So began a story in the newspaper in Pine River, Minn.

Mrs. Albert Zahnow, a former resident of Medford now living in Pine River, is faced with this problem weekly, if she is to continue to live. She is a victim of leukemia and needs a weekly transfusion.

Mr. and Mrs. Zahnow are retired and live on a small pension. To buy the blood for one transfusion costs \$48.50 a week. The Zahnow's

do not live in an area served by a Red Cross Blood Bank, where the only charge is for the laboratory and hospital service, and must buy blood directly from a commercial bank. The cost of supplying this life-giving liquid for his wife is rapidly depleting Zahnow's resources, the local Red Cross chapter noted.

While living in Medford, Mrs. Zahnow was active in volunteer work and served at the VA Domiciliary and on the Bloodmobile as a Red Cross Grey Lady for a number of years. Having lived in Pine River only a relatively short time, the Zahnow's are not too well acquainted and obtaining

replacement donors has been difficult.

Replacements may be made for Mrs. Zahnow during the June visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile in Medford, providing the quota for local usage is met first.

The Red Cross Blood Center cannot send all of the blood collected for use in Oregon out of the state. At this time Jackson county is actually overdrawn, having already used more within the county than has been collected here. The Regional Blood Center is also faced with this problem as collections have been poor throughout the state so far this year, the Red Cross noted.

A commercial blood bank such as the one supplying blood for Mrs. Zahnow, requires replacement of two pints of actual blood for every pint used and it is impossible for Red Cross to replace blood that is donated freely to an organization which will in turn sell it since Red Cross blood is never sold. Officials stated that it is possible to replace only the amount of blood actually used for an individual.

New Donors Required

If Jackson county meets its quota this month, all blood donated in Mrs. Zahnow's name could be sent to Minnesota for her use. Many new donors will be required to help meet this need.

Hours for the Bloodmobile visit at the Red Cross chapter house, 60 Hawthorne ave., will be Monday from 2 to 6 p.m. and Tuesday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The Bloodmobile will be at the Elks club in Ashland Wednesday from 1 to 6 p.m. and at the Jewett school in Central Point on Friday from 2 to 7 p.m.

Appointments Sought

Appointments may be made by telephoning the chapter

house, 773-3813, in advance. Red Cross personnel stated that transportation will be available within a 10 mile radius of Medford and babysitters will be on hand

throughout the drawing for persons needing these services.

Mrs. Que Jamieson, Blood program chairman for Ashland, said appointments for the drawing there could be made by calling the Ashland Elks club at 482-3911.

Those wishing to make reservations to give in Central

Point should contact the Blood Program chairman there, Mrs. Don A. Faber, at 664-2908.

Persons between the ages of 18 and 59 are eligible to donate, but those between the ages of 18 and 21 must have a written consent from their parents or guardian, according to Red Cross officials.

Reunion Slated On SOC Campus

Ashland - More than 70 members of the Old Timers branch of the Southern Oregon College Alumni association consisting of those who attended the "Old Normal" prior to 1910 plan to attend a special reunion June 7 to 9 on the SOC campus.

The reunion will begin with a reception at the home of President and Mrs. Elmo N. Stevenson, 610 Elkader st., at 7:45 p.m., Friday, followed on Saturday by a full round of activities including campus tours, election of officers, viewing old pictures, and a business meeting.

Speakers at Saturday's luncheon will include Hugh G. Simpson, director of information; Dale Truax, alumni secretary; Dr. Herman Scullen, Old Timers president; Jim Long, next year's student body president; Dr. Elliott B. MacCracken, chairman of the SOC science-mathematics division; and Lloyd Stratton, Old Timers vice president.

Following the luncheon, Mrs. Alice French Willits, Old Timers secretary, will present the Tribute to the Departed.

Stevenson will deliver the major address of the week end at the banquet at 6 p.m. Saturday in the Commons.

Concluding the biennial affair will be a no-host breakfast Sunday morning in the Mark Antony hotel.

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