

Teacher Pay Approved By Both Boards

By LOIS STEWART

Months of study of a proposed teacher salary scale for the Klamath Falls schools, both elementary and high school, culminated Monday night when both boards approved the new scale and recommended the scale to the budget committees working out the 1947-48 budget.

Boards 1 and 2, representing elementary and Klamath Union high school branches respectively, received the completed scale two weeks ago from the teacher committee headed by Garry Robertson and made final acceptance last night. The budget committees approved including the scale as it is now set up, in the new budget which will be presented to the voters in an election slated for May 12.

No teacher contracts will be signed until after the election, it was announced by Supt. Arnold L. Gralapp.

The proposed scale, if accepted, will place the Klamath Falls schools on a competitive basis with other schools in the state of Oregon although it does not quite match the Portland proposed scale which must also be submitted to voters in that city this spring.

Average teacher income here this past year was \$3560 in elementary, \$2700 in Klamath Union high school. The proposed scale will put the average teacher salary to \$3350 in elementary, \$3600 in KUHS. The salary of a teacher now employed will be computed on the basis of total years of experience credit, provided that for the year 1947-48 no teacher shall receive more than eight years' credit on this schedule. The schedule is to be found on this page.

Gralapp observed that the coming school year will be made up of 38 weeks instead of 36 weeks as conducted this year. One of the two weeks will be the first week of school when an intense in-service training for teachers will be conducted, the second week to absorb days taken up in the school year for purposes such as athletics, music and other special features.

Klamath Falls Schools Proposed Salary Schedule—1947-48 Training Rank

Yrs. of Exp.	2 Yrs.	3 Yrs.	4 Yrs.	5 Yrs.	6 Yrs.	7 Yrs.	8 Yrs.	9 Yrs.	10 Yrs.	11 Yrs.	12 Yrs.	13 Yrs.	14 Yrs.
0	\$2200	\$2300	\$2400	\$2500	\$2600	\$2700	\$2800	\$2900	\$3000	\$3100	\$3200	\$3300	\$3400
1	2250	2350	2450	2550	2650	2750	2850	2950	3050	3150	3250	3350	3450
2	2300	2400	2500	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000	3100	3200	3300	3400	3500
3	2350	2450	2550	2650	2750	2850	2950	3050	3150	3250	3350	3450	3550
4	2400	2500	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000	3100	3200	3300	3400	3500	3600
5	2450	2550	2650	2750	2850	2950	3050	3150	3250	3350	3450	3550	3650
6	2500	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000	3100	3200	3300	3400	3500	3600	3700
7	2550	2650	2750	2850	2950	3050	3150	3250	3350	3450	3550	3650	3750
8	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000	3100	3200	3300	3400	3500	3600	3700	3800
9	2650	2750	2850	2950	3050	3150	3250	3350	3450	3550	3650	3750	3850
10	2700	2800	2900	3000	3100	3200	3300	3400	3500	3600	3700	3800	3900
11	2750	2850	2950	3050	3150	3250	3350	3450	3550	3650	3750	3850	3950
12	2800	2900	3000	3100	3200	3300	3400	3500	3600	3700	3800	3900	4000
13	2850	2950	3050	3150	3250	3350	3450	3550	3650	3750	3850	3950	4050
14	2900	3000	3100	3200	3300	3400	3500	3600	3700	3800	3900	4000	4100

*Salary of teacher now employed computed on the basis of total years of experience credit provided that for the year 1947-48, no teacher shall receive more than 8 years' credit on this schedule. Further study next year will be made to decide whether the program shall go beyond the 8-year credit.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE White House (Presidential Secretary Charles Ross speaking) tells reporters today that in his attacks in England on American foreign policy Henry Wallace is talking as a private citizen and "no official voice" has been taken of his speeches.

TRUE enough. He is a private citizen—having been fired from the President's cabinet team because he insisted on running the wrong way with the ball.

Suppose you were trying to make an important business deal. Suppose someone on your side kept going around to the other party and telling him not to pay much attention to you and your propositions—that your associates were against you and wouldn't support you in the pinches.

What would happen to your deal? You know what would happen. It would probably FIZZLE.

THAT would be a PRIVATE DEAL. If it failed, no lives would be lost as a result of the failure.

If a nation's foreign policy fails, the result can be WAR—with all the blood and suffering and terror that war involves.

Wallace is playing with fire.

HUGH DALTON, British secretary of the treasury (chancellor of the exchequer, they call him) laid before the house of commons today Britain's first balanced budget in ten years. (A balanced budget is one in which income balances expense.)

He imitates that Britain's revenue and this budget will be about 248 million pounds (a pound is about \$4). LARGER THAN EXPENDITURES. But, he adds, "the contemplated surplus can not be regarded as available for wholesale tax reductions this year."

That is to say, Britain can't cut taxes until she is sure she will be able to pay her bills. Her financial

(Continued on Page 4, Column 5)

Maintenance Expense At Municipal Airport Poses Financial Question

The Klamath naval air station will officially become the Klamath Falls municipal airport on April 25, according to an agreement between the city and the war assets administration. Most of the physical property of the air station, including two big hangars and three runways, several other buildings and miscellaneous equipment comes to the city free of charge.

The city has been operating the field for nine months on an interim permit, but the federal government has been the titular owner.

Finance Problem

Now, after April 25, the city becomes owner of the \$3,000,000 flying field, but also will be faced with the problem of digging up money enough to maintain the port. The WAA has been paying the maintenance bills, but in the future that will be the city's responsibility.

Mayor Ed Ostendorf said today that \$55,858 had been budgeted for the next fiscal year for the airport, compared to \$41,016 for the current fiscal period.

Because the city didn't own the port, not as much money as anticipated has been spent, the mayor said, but the big expenses are coming up.

Three big runways, one over a mile long and the other two just

short of a mile, will become city property in the transfer, along with two hangars, the field administration building, control tower, heating plant, water, sewage and electrical systems, three 25,000-gallon storage tanks and several other buildings.

Incidental Items

Also included in the transfer are such items as two dump trucks, two fire trucks, a gas truck, tractor, roller, grader, 50 fire extinguishers, desks, chairs, tables, book cases, even hat racks and wastebaskets.

The naval air station was built in 1943, on the site the city has used as an airport for over 20 years. During the war final stages of training for naval fighter pilots were given at the field.

Last summer when the navy declared the air station surplus, the war assets administration assumed control, and after several weeks' delay the city took charge of operations on an interim permit. Several local flying services are in business at the field, and United Air Lines passenger planes have been making daily stops since last August.

In the nine months of operation by the city, the port has taken in \$15,182.66, Mayor Ostendorf said, and about \$11,000 has been spent

THE Klamath Falls News

PRICE FIVE KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 1947 (Telephone 8111) ** No. 10909

\$114,000 To Be Spent On School Living Quarters

Investment of \$114,000 for providing living quarters for students at the technical school at the Marine Barracks plant is proposed in the school's budget, copies of which have been received here from O. L. Paulson, head of the state department of vocational education.

Living quarters make up the larger part of the proposed \$142,000 in capital outlays. Here is a breakdown of the cost of remodeling and furnishing living quarters:

- 75 apartments with cooking facilities, \$18,750.
- 240 apartments without cooking facilities, \$48,000.
- 75 rooms for single students (four to a room), \$23,500.
- 75 rooms for married students, \$18,750.

This is one feature of a budget which indicates the whole operation plan for the technical school, as outlined by Paulson when asking for \$620,642 appropriation which was approved by the legislature.

Epidemic Of Spring Fever Hits Klamath

Spring fever reached near-epidemic proportions Monday and continued unabated today as warm sunshine flooded the Klamath area, with the mercury soaring up to 83 degrees at 4:30 p. m. yesterday, a new season high. Hundreds of geese soared through the sky Monday heading north en route from wintering in the sunny south.

The CAA weather station thermometer at 12 noon today, recorded 71, just one degree below the temperature at the same time Monday. The weatherman predicted another "fair day" today.

Weather forecasts stated that the humidity will drop to 25 or 30 per cent in Western Oregon in mid-afternoon, but forest service officials said that green timber areas are still damp, eliminating a serious fire hazard. The humidity drop. In this section, the Klamath Forest Protective association office said that there will be no bad fire danger until the humidity drops to 8 or 10 per cent, well below its present 25 per cent.

Summer weather prevailed throughout the state with Monday maximums reported at 92 in Medford, 88 in Roseburg, 85 in Salem, 83 in Bend, 81 in Pendleton, Eugene and Tillamook.

Labor Bill Agreed On

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—The senate labor committee today rejected 7 to 6 proposals to write restrictions on industry-wide bargaining into general labor legislation.

With this vote, Chairman Taft (R-Ohio) told reporters the committee now has tentatively reached decisions on all individual sections of its bill.

Taft said the committee will meet again Thursday to review its decisions and vote on the bill as a whole.

The committee also voted 7 to 6 to lump all labor legislation in a single bill, as recommended by the general conference of republican senators. The minority wanted to break up the omnibus bill into three separate measures.

Across the capital, the house launched into debate on its separate bill with republicans proclaiming and many democrats agreeing that it will pass overwhelmingly.

Heavy Snow Hits Kansas Town

GOODLAND, Kas., April 15 (AP)—Snow, driven by a strong wind and increasing steadily, began falling here early today. Visibility was poor. Snow began accumulating on the ground with prospects of a severe storm. Goodland is in northwestern Kansas.

While the Panhandle continued to battle its dead, government agencies came forth with offers of aid; the large Panhandle army airfield was thrown open to the homeless yesterday by the war assets administration.

The naval air station was built in 1943, on the site the city has used as an airport for over 20 years. During the war final stages of training for naval fighter pilots were given at the field.

Last summer when the navy declared the air station surplus, the war assets administration assumed control, and after several weeks' delay the city took charge of operations on an interim permit. Several local flying services are in business at the field, and United Air Lines passenger planes have been making daily stops since last August.

In the nine months of operation by the city, the port has taken in \$15,182.66, Mayor Ostendorf said, and about \$11,000 has been spent

out there. The city aviation committee is figuring on a \$20,000 surplus in the airport fund and some \$35,000 in anticipated revenue for the next fiscal year, but expects to have a hard time making ends meet with that amount of money, and to be unable to lay aside anything for a fund against big future expenses.

Resurfacing

Already in sight is a project of resurfacing the runways, which must be done every few years at a probable cost of \$15,000 to \$20,000 per runway.

Some immediate work will have to be done on the water main, which are leaking badly. After April 25 the city will have to pay for maintaining the fire department, night watchman, the lighting, water and other expenses in the past paid by the WAA.

The agreement with the WAA contains several stipulations which require the city to keep the airport in good operating condition, allow itinerant government aircraft use of the field at all times and to run the field as a public airport.

The government retains the right to take the field back in event of national emergency or if the city does not live up to the terms of the agreement.

For the biennium, Paulson has budgeted \$752,840 for salaries and wages; \$464,500 for operation and maintenance, and \$142,000 for capital outlays. This makes a total of \$1,359,340 to be met by \$920,748 non-state income (tuition, rental of living quarters, etc.) and the state appropriation of \$620,642.

Income is figured on the following basis:

- Registration fees, \$7500.
- Tuition, \$450,000.
- Housing, \$166,000.
- Cafeteria, \$292,248.
- Laundry, \$5000.

Plans call for a director at a salary of \$6000 a year; business manager, \$4800; registrar, \$5100; assistant director, \$5100; supervisor of instruction, \$4800; supervisors of agriculture, \$5000 for equipment, trades and industries, all at \$4200 each; instructional materials assistants and specialists, \$4200 each. Instructors would cost a total of \$159,750 in the biennium. In addition, there are a variety of other jobs budgeted at smaller salaries.

Maintenance jobs include \$4200 for heating and building engineer; \$3600 for fire chief; \$3600 for electrician, janitor, plumber, painter, sewage plant operator and carpenter; \$2500 for cafeteria supervisor; \$2000 for plant operator and maintenance; \$1700 for janitor, and so on.

The department has estimated \$133,200 for heating cost for a year (fuel) and \$43,310 for water and electricity. The telephone exchange is \$2000 per month for housing, supplies, equipment and miscellaneous costs make up the balance of the budget.

Paulson has worked out the budget in detail before he sent it before the legislature with the proposal. Questioned about various features, he was supported by technical information from the bureau.

His income figures were based on an estimated attendance of 800 the first year, 900 the second year. He planned to charge married students \$200 per month for housing, and single students will pay \$11 per month.

The housing feature is expected to be one of the major attractions of the technical school, which Paulson thinks will have 1500 students and an average daily attendance of 1000 by the fourth year.

Wallace Sees British Farm

LONDON, April 15 (AP)—Henry A. Wallace laid aside his international campaign against the Truman doctrine today to exchange views on scientific farming with Britain's Agriculture Minister Tom Williams.

For four hours, the two men, accompanied by agricultural scientists, tramped around the century-old testing plots of the Rothamsted experimental station in rural Hertfordshire, discussed plants, fertilizers and other farm topics.

Wallace arranged to attend the house of commons session this afternoon to hear the budget message—major news event of the day in Britain—and scheduled a series of private semi-social meetings to night and tomorrow. He will leave Thursday for Stockholm, first stop on a Scandinavian tour.

Oslo and Copenhagen he will go to Paris for a final European public address before returning to the United States.

Spring Concert Set Wednesday

The annual spring gala concert, presented by the music department of Klamath Union high school, is scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week in the KUHS auditorium.

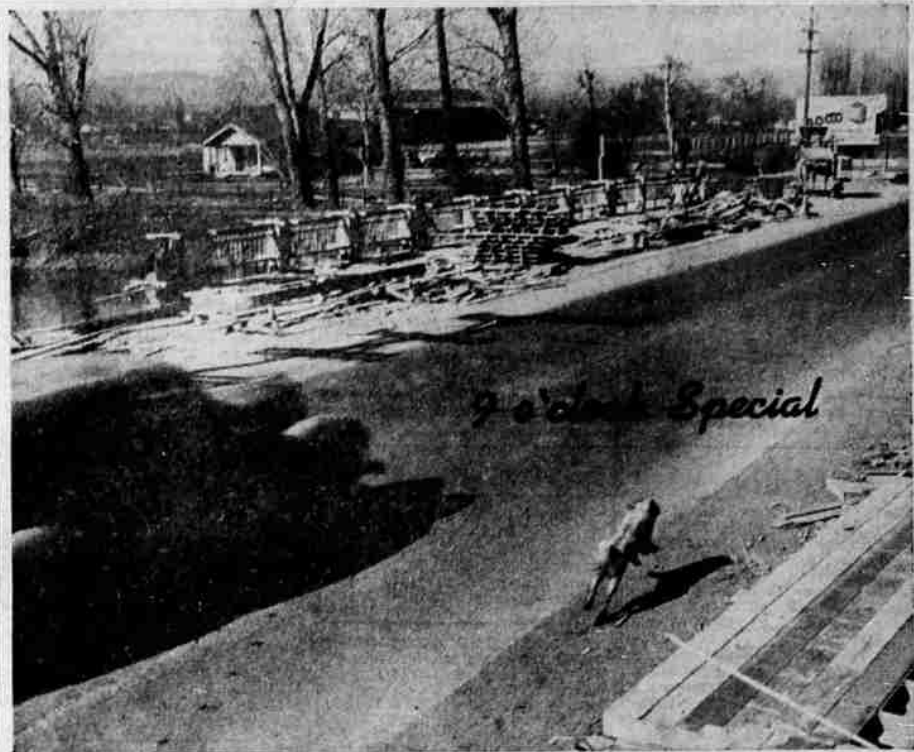
All branches of the department including band, orchestra, glee club, mixed chorus, massed choruses and novelties, will be included in the program according to Andrew Loney Jr., director of music education in the city schools. The public is cordially invited to attend the concert which culminates activity in the music department.

Klamath County To Be Re-appraised

The work of re-appraisal of Klamath county property for taxation purposes is moving forward, according to Tax Assessor Newton Nelson, but the book work will take about four years to complete.

An average 25 per cent across-the-board boost is being made in assessed valuation of property in the county, and the work started last year after consultations between the local tax office and the state tax commission.

The boost is not designed to mean a raise in tax payments, and a corresponding reduction in millage rates is also being worked out.



The action in this 9 o'clock special is accidental, but exciting. Photographer Wes Guderian got set to take a construction shot of the main canal bridge on S. 6th near Summers lane. At the moment he exposed the film a pooch, lower right, took off across the bridge in a wild race with an automobile. The contest ended in a tie. Oh yes, the bridge is being widened by the state highway department.

Swan Island Action Asked

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—Oregon's Senator Morse has asked the president to act in the war assets administration sale of Swan Island shipyard at Portland, Ore.

The senator said he had submitted telegrams from union, industrial and veterans' organizations of Portland saying that unless the WAA agrees to an offer of the Port of Portland to buy the yard, the Kaiser company would close operations.

Portland wants to lease the site to Kaiser on a long term lease which will assure continued employment at the war-built installation.

At the same time, a WAA spokesman reported no decision had been reached with any of the several industrial firms negotiating for the \$15,000,000 yard built on the former site of an airport. The Port of Portland has offered \$400,000 plus Kaiser rental fees until 1952.

Marines Gird For Atom War

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—Gen. A. Vandegrift, commandant of the marine corps, announced today that the corps will soon reorganize its forces "to provide for the possibility of atomic warfare."

Units of the fleet marine forces in the Atlantic and Pacific will be reduced in size and made more flexible for fast striking power. They will be equipped with "new weapons now being developed," Vandegrift said in a statement.

"The reorganization will be effective in the near future to provide a greater number of combat ready units, increase the fire power of the units and provide for highly mobile striking units," he added.

Vets Get Chance At Owyhee Land

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—Four veterans will have a chance to establish homesteads on Eastern Oregon reclamation projects this summer, the bureau of reclamation said today.

The four farms, on the Owyhee and Vale projects, total only 193 acres, but they are in the midst of farms that have been producing for more than 10 years. The land, used for other purposes during the war, has recently become available for settlement, the bureau said.

Veterans must file their applications with the Vale, Ore., reclamation project superintendent by June 2.

Coal Industry Back To Normal

PITTSBURGH, April 15 (AP)—Coal-consuming industries swung back to normal today and, aside from depleted coal stockpiles, most of them found themselves little the worse for the AFL-United Mine Workers' two-week work stoppage.

One sufferer was the United States Steel corporation. A spokesman said the corporation's subsidiaries lost an estimated \$7,000 tons of pig iron production during the closedown.

How long they would stay on the job, the miners did not know. Still hanging over the coal industry was the threat of a major work stoppage July 1, the day after the government surrenders control of the mines.

NOTICE

To the Public: The adult advisory council of the Teen-Age club has not authorized any solicitation of pledges or funds for remodeling the Lake hotel building for use as a Teen-Age center.

Joint Meeting Fails To Reach Teen-Age Decision

Despite a two-hour session participated in by members of the junior and senior advisory councils of the Teen-Age club, the TAC council, interested students and parents at the KUHS auditorium Monday night, no definite steps were taken to accept the offer made by Mrs. A. Smith of use of the Lake hotel as a Teen-Age center.

A committee was named by Chairman Jack Linman of the senior council, to thoroughly investigate possible use of the building including the opinion of an architect.

Phone Building Work Resumed

Construction work on the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company building here was resumed late yesterday, although the strike of telephone company employees continued.

The construction workers, members of AFL unions, are employed by Leo Huls, contractor. Union sources said that the National Federation of Telephone Workers had released the AFL unionists from any obligation to remain off construction jobs of this nature as long as they do not involve company material or equipment.

Huls is contractor for a major addition to the telephone building. The construction job stopped when the telephone strike started Monday, April 7.

There was no other local change in the strike situation.

Soviets Veto German Move

MOSCOW, April 15 (AP)—The council of foreign ministers failed tonight to reach agreement on the proposed four-power treaty for Germany and U. S. Secretary of State Marshall blamed the failure on Russia in some of the most outspoken language of the council's current session.

After prolonged argument, the council passed over the four-power treaty and turned to the next item on its discussion program.

Unless one of the Big Four again brings up the four-power treaty proposal, it will be dead for at least this session of the foreign ministers.

Britain and France supported the United States draft.

Marshall blamed Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov for sabotaging the treaty by proposing inclusion in it of subjects he held were impossible of agreement.

Juvenile Leads Police On Wild Car Pursuit

A state police officer on routine duty at 2 o'clock this morning, observed a car approaching Klamath Falls one mile north of the city and on a hunch gave the siren to the driver who stepped on the gas in quick response and raced through the city.

Making the turn on to Main street from N. 9th, the car drove down Main, made a right hand turn to Spring street and hit the S. 6th street viaduct where it bent the rear right wheel. City police cars, hearing the state police siren, joined in the chase. The car, due to the damaged wheel, finally came to a stop at S. 6th and Summers lane, where officers arrested James Eldon Wheeler, 17, Wendling, Ore.

A further check revealed the car, a 1947 Chevrolet coach, was registered to the Adair Lumber company at Eugene and reported stolen at Eugene 10 p. m. last night from a Eugene parking lot. Wheeler is in juvenile custody and held for Lane county authorities.

WEATHER	
Max. (April 15)	83 Min. — 47
Precipitation last 24 hours	.40
Stream year to date	7.15
Last year	11.35 Normal
Forecast: Fair today, Wednesday.	

Secretary Asks Prompt Settlement

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—Secretary of Labor Schwelienbach pressed for quick acceptance today of his formula for settling the nationwide telephone strike and arranged to go on the air tonight to report to the public on the strike situation.

The labor department announced that Schwelienbach will speak over the ABC network at 9:30 p. m. (6:30 PST) and over the Mutual network at 10:15 p. m. (7:15 PST).

The labor department said that in his broadcasts Schwelienbach will ask for "speedy collective bargaining action" by the opposing sides.

His plan called for negotiation of certain issues through settlement by 5 p. m. Thursday, April 17, with the other disputed points—including wages—to be decided afterward by arbitration.

Secretary of Labor Schwelienbach, who said he has lived "in mortal fear during the first eight days of the walkout, asked for a decision by 5 p. m. Eastern standard time, today.

If the Bell System and its idle employees accept, the shutdown will end 48 hours later, ten and one-half days after it began.

The plan calls for a five-man arbitration board to decide the tough money issues involved in the strike—including the union's demand for a \$12 a week pay hike. The panel would have 90 days to reach a finding.

For the two remaining days of the tie-up other issues would be the subject of intense negotiations, which presumably would be extended if no agreement were reached by Thursday.

Schwelienbach's proposal covers employees of companies except those in New York City, New England and Pennsylvania, the spokesman said.

Wharton Back On Tax Job

SALEM, April 15 (AP)—Wallace S. Wharton, who left his post on the state tax commission five years ago to go into the navy, returned here before the end of the war, succeeding the late Tax Commissioner Charles Galloway.

Wharton served as a captain in naval intelligence in Washington, resigning his commission to come back to the tax commission.

He is head of the assessment division of the commission. Before the war, he was head of the commission's utilities division. Before his original appointment to the commission, Wharton was executive secretary and budget director under the late Gov. Charles H. Martin.

Labor Camps To Keep Going

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—The agriculture department expects that most existing farm labor camps will be kept in operation as needed during the present calendar year.

A supplemental budget request by President Truman will be required, however, a spokesman said, as the present federal program for providing foreign labor for farms ends June 30.

Legislation has passed both house and senate to extend the program through the present crop season but the versions differ and it is now in conference to settle the differences.

Britain Gets Balanced Budget

LONDON, April 15 (AP)—Chancellor