

County School District Budget Ready For Voters

The Klamath County School District's operating budget for fiscal year 1956-57 of \$1,780,120.02 will be submitted to the voters of the county at the special election May 7, announced county school superintendent Carrol Howe Monday.

This total operating budget, which does not include any building but is only for current operating expenses such as teachers' salaries and other annual school needs, is obtained from several sources.

Buick Dealer Attends Show

Radical new experimental General Motors automobiles were viewed last week by Klamath Falls Buick dealer Jim Winde who attended the GM Motorama held at Pacific Auditorium in San Francisco.

Winde reported that the Buick experimental "Centurion" has many advanced ideas in motoring. The car is equipped with a new type cam-lever steering column which comes out of the middle of the front compartment and may be swung to permit driving the car from either side.

This car is also equipped with a television camera mounted in the rear which sweeps the road to the rear of the car and transmits to a receiver mounted where the driver can view it. The car's body is constructed of fiber glass and has a clear plastic top, Winde reported.

While in San Francisco attending this dealer's preview of experimental automobiles, Winde conferred with Edward T. Ragsdale General Motors vice president and general manager of the Buick division.

Dent Funeral Rites Revealed

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 28, 2:30 p.m. from Ward's Klamath Funeral Home for Edgar H. Dent, 51, resident of Klamath Falls for 28 years. Mr. Dent was fatally injured Saturday in a fall from a two-story house being moved to Merrill. Death came in a Medford hospital where he was rushed by Kaler's ambulance for brain surgery.

He was born October 26, 1904, in Douglas County, South Dakota, and served during World War II in the Navy in the South Pacific. He was a member of Dent Brothers House Moving firm.

Services at the chapel will be in charge of officers of Klamath Falls Lodge, No. 1247 B.P.O.E. Military graveside services in Klamath Memorial Park will be under the direction of Felcan Post, No. 1383 V.F.W.

Survivors include two brothers, Lloyd M. Dent, Klamath Falls and the Rev. Dorsey E. Dent, Grangeville, Idaho, two sisters, Mrs. B. F. Guinan, Roseville, California and Mrs. J. A. Burgess, Redding; also two nieces and two nephews.

CORPSE REELECTED

BERKELEY, Mass. (AP) — A month after he died, Allen M. Talbot was reelected town burial ground commissioner. He died several days after the closing date for nominations. Because he was unopposed in the election, the selectmen and the other two members of the burial ground commission will name a replacement.

The voters of the school district will vote on a probably combined (for both county elementary and high school funds) millage of 30.6 mills. School officials pointed out that this millage may be reduced slightly after the assessed valuation of the county for the next fiscal year has been set by the county assessor. It is estimated that this millage of 30.6 mills would raise about \$901,932.68.

The remainder of the operating budget is obtained mainly from these sources: (the figures are approximate) state basic school support fund, \$533,000; cash balance from federal forest sales and delinquent taxes, \$199,000; county school fund, \$195,000; this county school fund comes from the general county tax fund and is based on a fixed sum per pupil as set by state law. Several other smaller amounts are paid to the county school operating fund from such sources as federal Indian funds, etc.

A comparison of the operating budgets of the past few years shows \$1,710,889.34 in fiscal year 1954-55, \$1,660,889.34 for fiscal year 1955-56 and the \$1,780,120.02 estimated budget for fiscal year 1956-57. The 1956-57 budget will be advertised in full in the Herald and News on the tentative dates of April 16 and 26.

Howe pointed out that the reason for the increase in the budget is due to teacher pay increases (as shown in comparative scale at the end of this article) and the probable need for approximately 11 more teachers in the county system next year. Increases in the county's population will necessitate more teachers, Howe stated.

In explaining the new teacher pay schedule approved recently by the school board, Howe said that although a maximum pay grade has been set through a 15

year level of experience the 13 year level was the highest a teacher in the county system could go this year. Under this system a teacher with over 15 years experience would automatically go to the 14 year pay level the following year and to the 15 year level the next year.

School district clerk John Hexten reported that the educational level of the county system's teachers is as follows: 19 have less than three years college education, 50 have three years, 95 have bachelor's degrees, 14 have five years of education and 34 have masters degrees.

The total combined millage for past fiscal years shows: 1949-50, 37.4 mills; 1950-51, 34.7 mills; 1951-52, 35.7 mills; 1952-53, 32.0 mills; 1953-54, 27.1 mills; 1954-55, 25.3 mills, and 1955-56 24.4 mills.

During the period 1949 through 1953-54 a ten mill serial tax increment was included in the millage rate to be used for new school buildings in the county's system. In the period 1953-54 through 1955-56 a three mill serial levy has been included for county building. The millage of 30.6 asked for 1956-57 does not include a serial levy for building.

The Klamath County School District does not have any bonded indebtedness and has financed all its new building in the past by the use of serial levies collected prior to actual construction.

The county school board consists of Elmer Lemler, Merrill; William Burnett, Bonanza; Leroy Gienger, Chiloquin; D. E. Colwell, Kenon; and Ray Garrison, Klamath Falls.

The budget committee members are: Dave Campbell, Bly, chairman; Earl Wilson, Malin secretary; Harold Dehlinger, Henley; Ralph Johnston, Kenon; and Orin R. Sample, Gilchrist.

The salary schedule approved by the county school board budget committee for fiscal year 1956-57 followed by the previous year's schedule gives comparative figures on educational levels, experience and amounts paid.

NEW SCHEDULE Training Rank

Yrs. Experi-	Less Than		3 yrs.	B.A.	5 yrs.	M.A.
	0	3 yrs.				
0	\$3350	\$3500	\$3700	\$3800	\$3900	\$4000
1	3475	3625	3800	4000	4100	4200
2	3600	3750	4100	4200	4300	4400
3	3725	3875	4300	4400	4500	4600
4	3850	4000	4425	4600	4700	4800
5	3975	4125	4525	4700	4825	4925
6	4050	4250	4625	4800	4925	5025
7	4150	4375	4725	4900	5025	5125
8	4250	4500	4825	5000	5125	5225
9		4600	4925	5100	5225	5325
10		4700	5025	5200	5325	5425
11			5125	5300	5425	5525
12			5225	5400	5525	5625
13			5325	5500	5625	

PREVIOUS SCHEDULE Training Rank

Yrs. Experi-	Less Than		3 yrs.	B.A.	5 yrs.	M.A.
	0	3 yrs.				
0	\$3225	\$3425	\$3700	\$3800	\$3900	\$4050
1	3350	3550	3850	3950	4050	4200
2	3475	3675	4000	4100	4200	4350
3	3600	3800	4125	4250	4350	4500
4	3725	3925	4225	4400	4500	4650
5	3825	4025	4325	4500	4625	4775
6	3925	4125	4425	4600	4725	4875
7	4025	4225	4525	4700	4825	4975
8	4125	4325	4625	4800	4925	5075
9		4425	4725	4900	5025	5175
10		4525	4825	5000	5125	5275
11		4625	4925	5100	5225	5375
12			5025	5200	5325	5475
13			5125	5300	5425	



PRIZE WINNERS are these two Klamath County girls, chosen outstanding grange members at a recent Pomona Grange meeting. Both have been active in extra curricular activities at the schools they attend. Seated is Mary Lu Caldwell. Standing is Carol Reiling. Mary Lu is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hap Caldwell, 4629 South Sixth Street. Carol is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Reiling, Poe Valley. Mary Lu who placed first by a narrow margin will receive an expense-paid trip to the Oregon State Grange session in Pendleton next June.

Grange Honors Klamath Girls

Two Klamath County girls, Mary Lu Caldwell, Shasta View Grange and Carol Reiling, Poe Valley Grange have been chosen as outstanding grange members from Klamath County by decision of the Klamath County Pomona Grange. Both have been active in grange work, serving as officers and committee members.

First place went to Mary Lu in a close contest. She will receive an expense-paid trip to the state grange convention to be held in Pendleton in June.

Both served on the county installation team and both were members of the Rosebud Drill team which was presented at state grange sessions held here in 1955.

The winners were judged on outside activities as well as on participation in grange work, including, homemaking, sheep, dairy flower gardening and junior leadership. She won county honors in several projects and placed her exhibits in the state fair at Salem.

In national 4-H achievement awards program she received the county medal for placing first in clothing projects.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Reiling, Poe Valley.

Mary Lu is a junior at Klamath Union High School, is a member of the Girls' League, Li Low Club, Future Business Leaders of America and has served as a Student Congress representative. She is also a member of Tri-Hi-Y where she served as news reporter in 1955. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hap Caldwell, 4629 South Sixth Street.

Carol is a junior at Henley High School where she is a member of the Girls' Athletic Association and the Camera Club. She has been active in 4-H work and has completed projects in clothing, cooking, homemaking, sheep, dairy flower gardening and junior leadership. She won county honors in several projects and placed her exhibits in the state fair at Salem.

Monaco, 370 Acres In Size, Boasts Colorful History

(Editor's Note: The biggest wedding in a long time will be held in the smallest country in the world next month. What kind of place is Monaco? Here, in the first of four stories, is a graphic descriptive of the tiny nation. Other articles will profile Prince Rainier III and Grace Kelly, and tell preparations for the ceremony itself.)

By CYNTHIA LOWRY Associated Press Feature Writer

Set like a tiny gem on the mild blue waters of the Mediterranean, with the chilly majesty of the Maritime Alps rising behind it, Monaco where next month the prince will marry the beautiful commoner in the culmination of a fairy tale romance.

For almost a thousand years, Monaco has managed to remain an independent state. One reason, no doubt, is its size. It occupies 370 acres, could be dropped neatly into Chicago's stockyards with room to spare.

While Monaco is much more than the gambling tables at Monte Carlo, it still is essentially a country of hotels and resorts, thriving on tourists. It exports perfumes and liqueurs, oranges and olive oil, ceramics and postage stamps, but mostly it imports travelers, preferably with money.

MINIATURE NATION

Yet this land whose ruling Prince Rainier III will soon marry the beautiful commoner, is a nation, even though in miniature. It has a national anthem. It has a standing army—65 men in sky blue uniforms who double as palace guards and the police force. It has a flag of red and white.

It also, of course, has its Victorian gambling palace. But for some years that has been a rather ghostly structure, its gilt flanking its red plush wearing smooth, its habits often on the dowdy side.

Monaco's history, also in miniature, is almost as bloody and exciting as its giant neighbors: France, which surrounds it on three sides, and Italy, a few kilometers away.

The Grimaldi line, which originated in nearby Genoa, has ruled the principality for more than 600 years, except for 21 years during the French Revolution.

The first Grimaldi gained admission by disguising himself as a Franciscan monk. Inside, he raised a rumpus, diverting the

ruling German lords long enough to permit his followers to enter and conquer the fortress.

ONCE ENTRENCHED

Once entrenched, the Grimaldis depended on brain and brawn to remain. They made shrewd political alliances, most often with France, and usually turned up on the winning side. Through wise marriages, they allied themselves with some of the richest, most powerful and noble houses in Europe.

In the 16th century, in return for favors rendered under Spanish protection, a Grimaldi was given the right to collect tolls from ships passing Monaco's port. This painful means of filling the nation's coffers was unequalled until 1821, when Rainier III's great-grandfather set up a gambling concession in Monte Carlo, one of the principality's three towns.

Eight years after the "Sea Bathing and Foreigners Club of Monaco" was founded, Monaco abolished direct taxes. Ten years later it attracted 150,000 visitors; in 1910, half a million. It was the beginning of the Monaco legend.

Through the Victorian period until World War I, Monte Carlo was the world's most fabulous playground. But after two wars, there were few crowned heads left to disport themselves in the resort. Rival gaming halls, in Nice and Cannes, cut into what was left of the gambling business. There was still no direct taxation; but the income was coming from a government monopoly on cigarettes, matches and a brisk business in postage stamps. (Last year, for the benefit of collectors, Monaco put out more varieties of postage stamps than did the United States.)

Prince Rainier ascended the throne in these critical times. Shortly afterward, the Sea Bathing Society got a new boss: a slightly mysterious Greek with an Argentine passport and a 300-million-dollar shipping fortune. His name: Aristotle Socrates Onassis.

He announced grand plans for the rebirth of Monaco as a resort. **PROSPECTS NOT GREAT**

At the moment, Monaco's prospects do appear great, although not as a result of Onassis' plans. Tourist business has taken a brisk upward turn, due entirely to the forthcoming marriage.

Much of the storied principality's future may depend upon the

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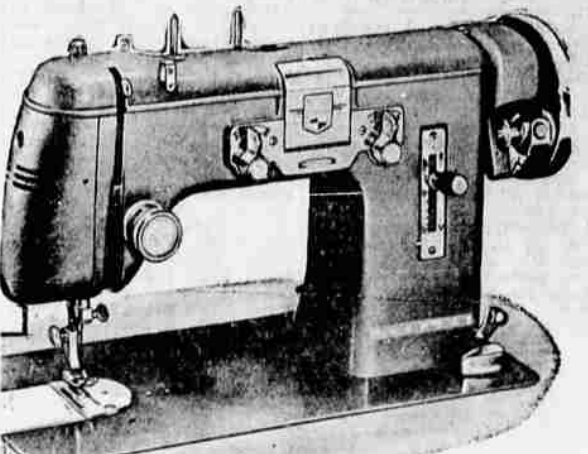
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