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School Figures

By FLOYD L. WYNNE

Since voters will be casting their ballots on the elementary school budget tomorrow, it's a good time to compare some of the facts on school budgets and enrollment.

First let's compare enrollment with budget.

In KUHS, seven years ago the enrollment to begin the 1951-1952 school year was 1,197. This figure moved to 1,267 the following year and gradually increased until the number of enrollees in 1957-58 year was 1,588. This represented an increase of 391 students in seven years, or an increase of approximately 33 per cent in seven years time.

Now let's glance at the KUHS budget for the same period of time. In 1951-52 school year the budget was \$508,860. It jumped only slightly until 1955-56 when it began climbing rapidly. The KUHS budget turned down recently was for \$809,261, an increase of approximately \$300,000 in seven years. This in effect was a 60 per cent increase.

A 60 per cent increase in the budget in seven years while the enrollment was showing a 33 per cent increase.

In other words to bring it down to a per student cost, for the 1951-52 KUHS school year, it cost \$425 per student to run the school, and in the recent budget, presuming enrollment remained the same, the cost per student would have been \$509, or an increase of \$84 per student.

On the elementary scene, the enrollment rose from 2,299 in 1951-52 to 2,535 for the year just ended, this represented an enrollment increase of 236 pupils in seven years. By the same token, the budget has risen from \$799,489 in 1951-52 to \$1,215,618 which was recently turned down. An increase of about \$416,000 in seven years.

So for the elementary schools in Klamath Falls, their enrollment has increased only 10 per cent in the past seven years, but their budget has increased approximately 50 per cent.

Per student cost figures show that for the 1951-52 school year, it cost \$348 per pupil, but in the current budget it would have cost approximately \$480 per pupil, or an increase of \$132 per pupil in seven years.

Now, let's compare the county system, taking the high schools and the elementary budgets combined.

Enrollment wise, the county had 4,371 students enrolled in 1951-52. This compared with a total of 5,129 in the year just ended, or an increase in enrollment over the seven years of 758. This represented roughly a 17 per cent increase.

During the same period, our county budget was increasing from \$1,646,383 in 1951-52 to a figure of \$2,053,000 for 1958-59. This is an increase of approximately \$406,000 for the seven years.

On a cost per pupil basis, it cost \$376 to educate a student in the county schools in 1951-52, as against a cost of approximately \$400 per student for the coming school year. This represented an increase of only \$24 per student cost in seven years.

Now, let's contrast these figures a little more clearly.

On per pupil cost basis, for the coming year it will cost approximately \$400 per pupil in the county, against \$509 for KUHS and \$480 at the city elementary schools.

On enrollment basis, the county handled a combined total of 5,129 last year against a combined total for KUHS and elementary of only 4,123.

Budget wise, the total county budget is \$2,053,000 against a combined budget for KUHS and elementary of \$1,967,000.

In other words, based on last year's enrollment figures, it would cost the county only \$36,000 more than the city to handle 1,000 more pupils.

Let's contrast also, the enrollment at elementary schools in the city in the past seven years. Comparing the figures of 1950-51 with those of 1957-58, they show that Conger School stayed exactly the same at 205 students. Fairview has increased 150. Fremont elementary is down 34 pupils. Mills has increased 131 when you include the current 109 at Ponderosa School with Mills total. At others, Pelican has jumped upward 79 pupils. Riverside has increased 29. Roosevelt is up 85 and Freepoint Junior High shows an increase of 50.

Facts and figures can sometimes be confusing, but these are the facts and figures on schools for your information.

My stand is still the same as last Sunday, namely, I recommend voting for the school budgets. I don't think they are the best budgets possible, but faced with the prospect of not being able to begin standardized schools on time in September, the voters appear to have little or no choice but

to approve the budgets as they stand.

Measure of Success

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—One way a movie star measures success is by the time he has to spend with lawyers.

"Bill, you're really getting up in the world," a lawyer said to actor William Holden recently. "Your first contract ran to only 21 pages. Your latest one is over 100."

Another measure of stardom now is the distance an actor travels each year.

Holden, an Oscar winner and one of America's golden top 10 boxoffice draws, estimates he has traveled 600,000 miles in the last five years.

"I'll do 150,000 this year," he said during a luncheon pause here on his way to the West Coast. The day before he had been in Paris, the day before that in Rome.

Bill, whose latest picture, "The Key," was made in England, says the movie industry has changed basically since he became an overnight star in "Golden Boy." That was 42 pictures and 20 years ago.

Then a star could get by on acting talent and personality. Now, under many profit-sharing deals, he not only has to act in the picture—he has to go out and beat the bushes to sell it, both here and abroad.

"Most of my traveling hasn't been to do location work," said Holden. "It has been in the exploitation and promotion end of the business. But it's necessary—because 58 per cent of our gross today is from foreign markets."

With the possible exception of Bob Hope, Holden has no rival as a world ambassador without portfolio for Hollywood. Friendly as a wink, Bill gives foreigners the same impression as he does the folks at home—that here is that nice boy next door, grown a bit older, but still doing his best to make the neighborhood a chummy place for all.

Despite his wide roving, Holden has managed to maintain an air of privacy. How?

"The public doesn't concern itself with me except in my line of work," he said. "I don't think they are interested in me personally."

"A majority of people think me pretty dull."

He is anything but that. But he maintains an interior remoteness behind his friendly, casual manner. He looks at the passing moment from a distance inside him, almost as if the world were a motion picture and he sitting in the audience watching it roll by.

"I concern myself with the particular personal problems everyone has to," he said. "But I'm not afraid of anything. I enjoy life."

What are the rules for survival in Hollywood? Holden grinned.

"If I really knew the answer to that, I'd set up an office and sell the information to other people—sparingly."

Holden says his goal is very simple.

"It's to retire. I'd like to make a contribution of some kind to this business, and then get out of it."

"I don't like acting. I never did. Acting with me has only been a means to an end—an end I don't even know."

Woods' Cinderella

From the Portland Oregonian

A forcible reminder of the effect of the recession on Oregon's wood-using industry is the brand new 10 to 12 million dollar Johns-Manville insulating board plant which sits idle beside Highway 97 a few miles north of Klamath

Falls. Other producers of building materials, including sawmills and plywood plants, have felt the effects of the building slump but slowdowns and closures in these are less dramatic than the lack of activity at the shiny, large factory in Klamath County.

The plant is ready to go to convert lodgepole pine, the "weed" tree of the West, into fiberboard to be used for construction purposes and interior finishing. Lodgepole logs have been stockpiled beside the plant and the company has a contract with the Forest Service for most of its raw materials over a 15-year period. When the factory gets into full operation on a five-day, three-shift basis it will employ 250 workers, a substantial new payroll for the area.

Members of the Portland Chamber of Commerce Agriculture Committee, who were conducted through the plant while on a tour of Southern Oregon recently, were impressed by the immensity and modernity of the plant which will grind lodgepole wood into fibers which will be matted into insulating board sheets.

Lodgepole pine has had almost no commercial value in the past, but construction of the mill has given it a value of about \$1.60 a cord on the stump. Some private landowners, as well as the Forest Service, will be able to sell their "weeds" at approximately that price. With lodgepole running about 20 cords to the acre, a once useless growth will have a value of about \$32 an acre. Of course, one plant will make but a small dent in the vast supply of lodgepole in the West, but it is another big forward step in utilization of our timber resources.

The management hopes the plant will be able to start operation in the fall. It could open now, but building has not yet revived sufficiently to assure sustained operation. The company does not want to start and then have to stop again or run on a short work week.

Klamath County will have to wait a while longer for this addition to its economy, but one of these days the J-M plant will be humming and with it the other mills and factories which supply so large a share of the nation's building materials from Oregon's forests. The presence of the long, new structure is assurance of this revival. Corporations are pretty certain of success before they invest 10 million dollars and more.

Soviets Tougher

By JAMES MARLOW

Associated Press News Analyst

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Soviets are getting tougher and nastier and in a way that shows disregard for what the world thinks. A few months ago they were breaking their backs to win a propaganda war.

By their recent actions they've handed the West made-in-Moscow propaganda for use against them. They're too smart not to know it. This contempt for world opinion is the most startling aspect of the changes taking place in Soviet foreign policy.

They spent months trying to convince the world they wanted a summit talk and an end to nuclear testing. Then, deliberately, they all but blew up any chance for the talk or an agreement on testing. Their latest performance was last night.

Meanwhile, but again deliberately and savagely, they shocked the world by announcing the execution of Imre Nagy, the former Hungarian premier, and some of his aides. It was a warning of the resumption of terror, death and bloody purges.

Help Asked

Klamath Falls (To the Editor)

—The Cemetery Research Committee of the Genealogical Forum of Oregon would like the following information:

Name of cemetery — town or county; location of cemetery — highway number of description for locating; land purchased or donated — by whom and the date; historical sketch of cemetery; names and dates of earliest burials; name of custodian if one is employed; where records of cemetery are kept — state archives, Oregon historical society, church or other source.

As I am the only member of the Oregon Inheritance Association, in either Lake or Klamath County, I have been asked to try and get as much of this information as possible. As many of these cemeteries do not have custodians, much of this information will have to come from the old-timers. Please let me hear from any one in Lake or Klamath County who can answer any or all of the above questions about any cemetery, be it private, family, reservation, fraternal, church, municipal, association, etc.

John N. Lee, superintendent, Klamath Falls City Cemeteries, 2880 Memorial Drive

Quoted

By United Press International

WASHINGTON—Dr. Richard W. Porter, head of the U.S. International Geophysical Year Satellite Committee, on the Navy's failure to launch a Vanguard satellite today.

"It's too damn bad!"

SAN FRANCISCO—The Shah of Iran, attending a fashion show:

"I am not searching for what you newspapermen think."

They Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



Lady Reneges On Ike's Gift

MILAN, Italy (AP)—A wealthy young British-German divorcee has withdrawn her offer to give President Eisenhower an old and perhaps valuable painting.

Mrs. Katherine Williams, a 29-year-old brunette, called the President yesterday that art experts had questioned the authenticity of her painting.

The woman offered the painting to the art-loving President, she said, to inspire him in his leadership of the free world. She said it was the work of the Italian Renaissance master Correggio, was called "Il Giorno" (The Day) and showed the Madonna and Child with St. Jerome.

When "Il Giorno" showed up in the Parma art gallery, Mrs. Williams said her painting was a preliminary sketch for the museum piece.

In her Milan hotel, she explained that some experts now had expressed the opinion the painting probably was the work of one of Correggio's imitators.

Mrs. Williams had said her picture was appraised by an American expert at \$100,000. She said she had made a down payment to the owner, the Countess of Ostheim, who still has the painting.

Michigan Celebrants Fete Opening Of Largest Bridge

STRAIGHTS OF MACKINAC BRIDGE, Mich. (AP)

Michigan and Huron. Open for business since the start of the deer hunting season last Nov. 1 (minimum fee, \$3.25 one way), the bridge has awaited warmer weather and tourists for its formal dedication.

Two Michigan Republican politicians — Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield and Army Secretary Wilbur M. Brucker — got the ball rolling yesterday. Gov. G. Mennen Williams and his Democrats will run the show pretty much from now on.

Construction of the bridge, eliminating 70 years of dreams, was a major engineering feat.

Because of swift, treacherous currents and fierce winds that whip through the area at velocities up to 78 miles an hour, steeples for years have said no such bridge could be built.

But Dr. David B. Steinman, its designer, says the bridge not only is safe — it's the safest in the world and can withstand winds of infinite velocity.

Nearly 3,500 men helped build it and five died in construction accidents.

Michigan looks upon the bridge as a big tourist attraction and expects to foster industry and business growth in the sparsely populated Upper Peninsula.

TV 'Heroes' In Gun Duel

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)

Doc Holliday and Marshal Charles Clay stage a gun duel daily in front of the Last Chance Saloon at Frontier City here, and never get a scratch. Their bullets are blanks.

But Sheriff Bob Turner said the two quick-drawing artists got into a fight last Saturday night that wasn't any act — and two teenagers got hurt.

He said Holliday (who is really R. J. Mythen) and Clay banged the two boys on the head with their fancy sixguns, then threw them in the hoosegow at the amusement center.

Mythen and Clay pleaded innocent to charges of aggravated assault and battery. They said Mike Bennett, 17, and Don Ellegard, 18, became disorderly.

Their attorney Hubert Gibson said (jokingly) he'd like a change of venue — "to the court of Judge Roy Bean, the law west of the Pecos."

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This Only Confuses The Neighbors Again

CHARLOTTE, N. C. (AP)

Neighbors of identical twins Richard and Robert Galway, 7, at last had a means of telling them apart when Robert turned up two weeks ago with a broken left arm in a sling.

Then Richard had his turn. Results: identical plaster casts, identical left slings — identical twins.

Pogo



A-Workers Seem Better

OAK RIDGE, Tenn. (AP) — Eight atomic plant workers, exposed accidentally last week to an overdose of deadly radiation, show no outward ill effects.

"Specialists who are keeping the men under observation say that their biggest problem is making the men see the need to stay in the hospital," an Atomic Energy Commission spokesman said yesterday. He added that the men are walking about, but confined to their rooms.

Five of the eight suffered bone marrow damage in the accident. Bone marrow is the body's blood-building tissue.

The men were exposed at an atomic plant June 16 in a radiation accident described as the worst in AEC history.

Doctors expect to keep the eight men under observation for at least two weeks more.

General Might Return To Isles

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — Gen. Douglas A. MacArthur has an invitation to return to the Philippine Islands and receive a rousing welcome from the citizens that he liberated in World War II.

The enthusiastic reception was promised yesterday by Philippine President Carlos Garcia, himself a wartime resistance leader. Garcia and the retired general met in Garcia's New York hotel suite briefly before Garcia left for Phoenix to continue his tour of the United States.

Details of the meeting were disclosed in Phoenix by Philippine Ambassador Carlos P. Romulo.

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