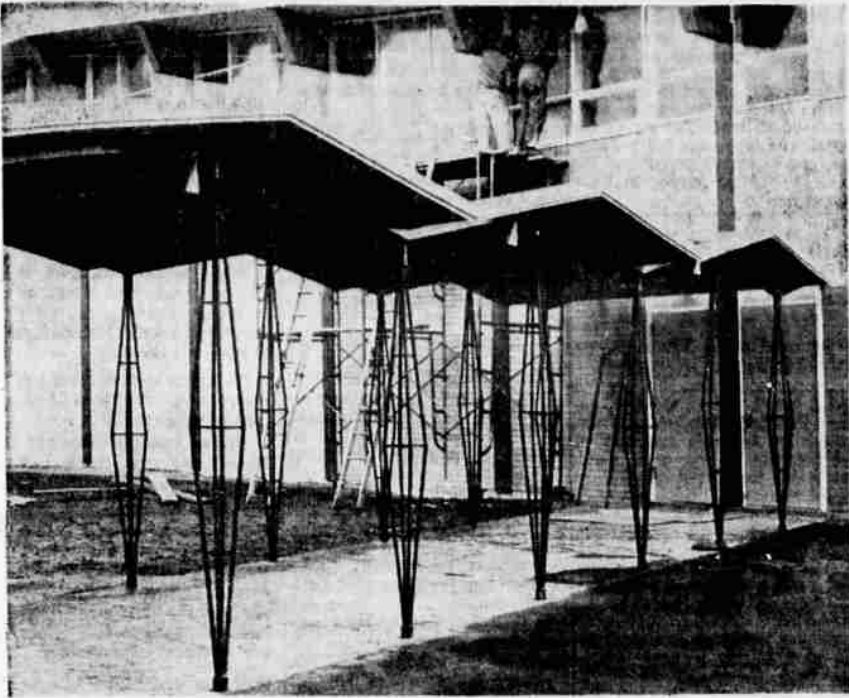
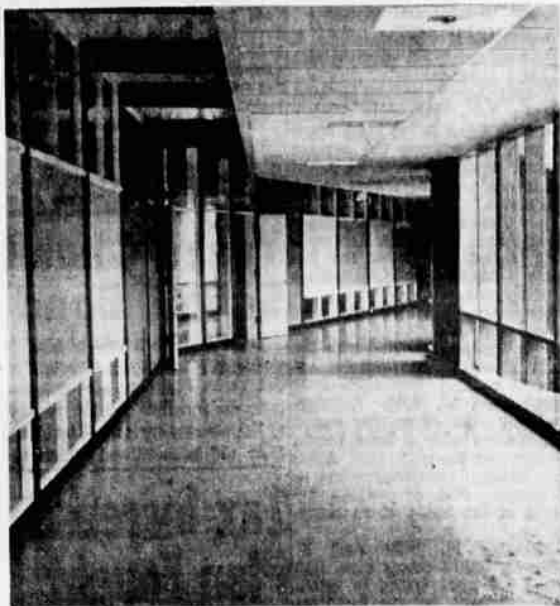


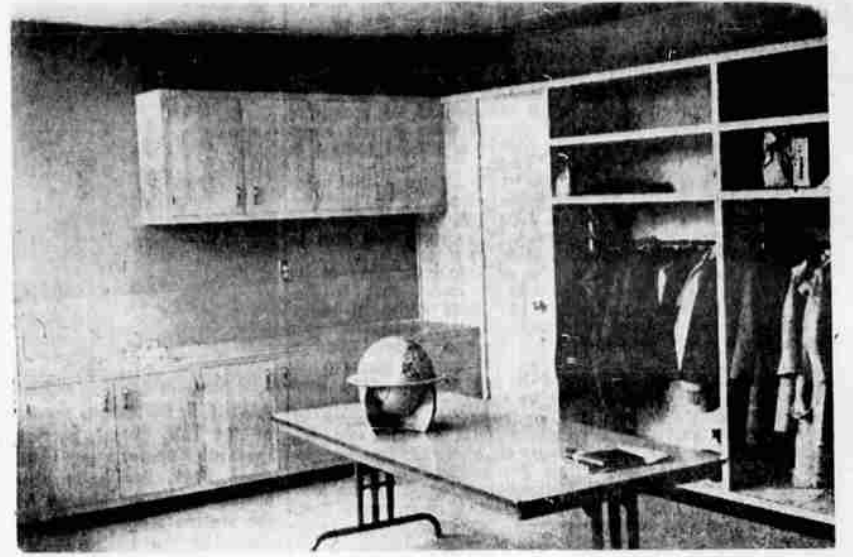
Attractive Stearns School Combines Function With Economy



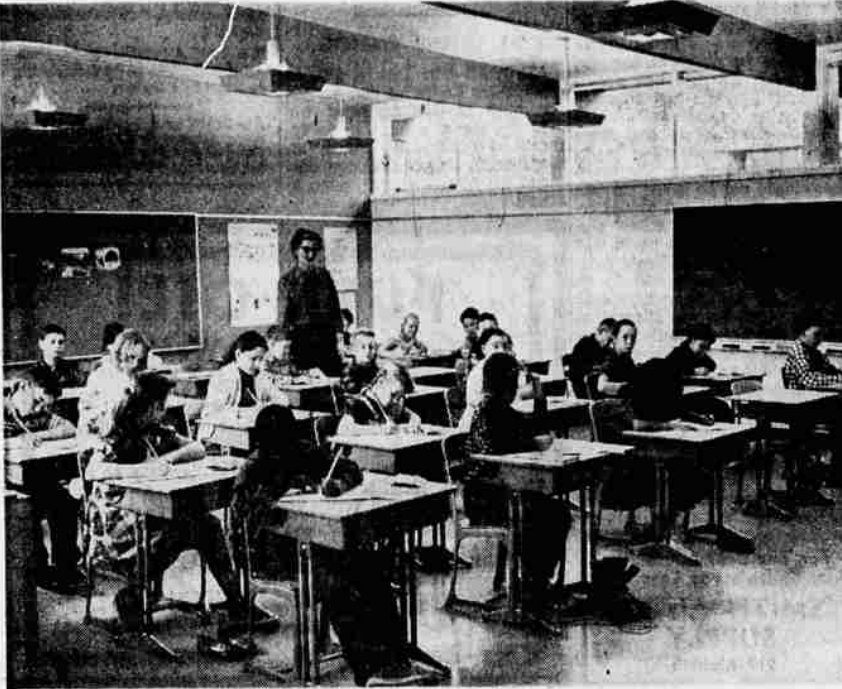
THIS STRIKING CANOPY covers the walk linking the gymnasium at Stearns School to the body of the classroom building. It typifies the gaiety which color and design have created at this newest of Klamath County schools.



CORRIDORS are brightened by the use of colors and admittance of generous quantities of daylight. Grim halls that made old fashioned schools forbidding are abolished here.



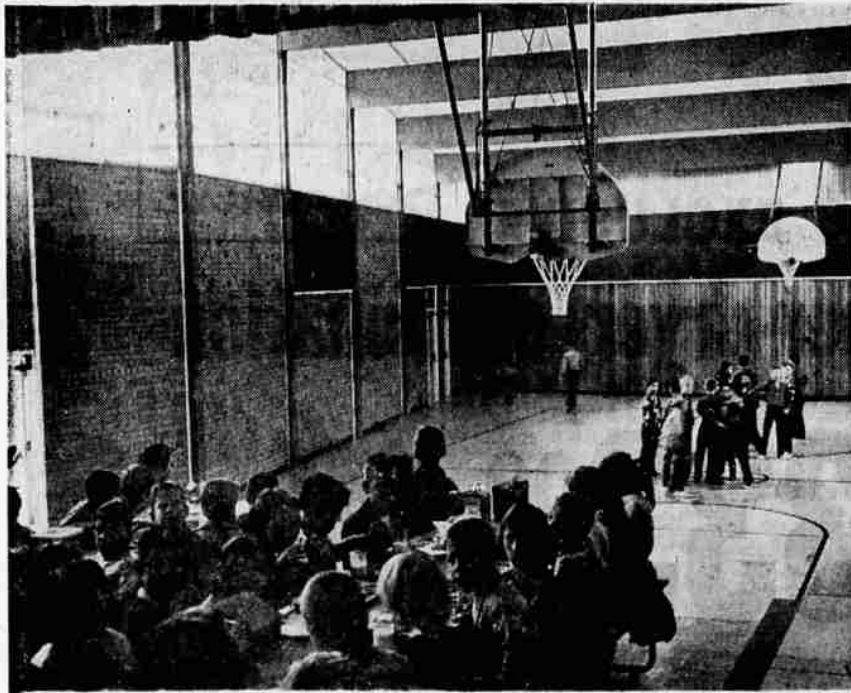
CLASSROOMS once consisted of desks keeping four walls apart. Now they are designed in various shapes, sizes and colors, with space for clothes and lunches, with surfaces at various levels.



PLENTY OF LIGHT but no outside distractions is the rule in Stearns' 30-desk classrooms. Glare and excessive heat are avoided because sunlight comes only through high-level windows. This is Blanche Montgomery's fourth grade class, nearly full, like most of Stearns' rooms.



"VERY PLEASED" with his new school is Principal Max Marvin, shown here in his small but functional office. The windows face an open area separating two wings of classrooms — one of which is seen in the background.



INGENIOUS USE OF SPACE makes the stage at the end of the gymnasium double as the school dining hall. Backstage is the cafeteria serving line. The tables, with attached benches, roll on casters. They are easily dismantled when the stage is needed. Typical is the color combination of tan brick, light varnished wood, and painted orange, brown and white surfaces. — Photos by Don Kettler

Building May Prove Joy To Viewers, Taxpayers

By LAMAR HOOVER

The newest school in the Klamath County School District, named for Orson A. Stearns, Klamath County pioneer, is a delight to the eye and may also prove to be a boon to the taxpayer.

Located at Laverne Avenue and Crest Street, the school, designed by Morrison and Howard, architects, was built by the Brosterhouse Construction Company at a total cost of about \$300,000. If the cost of work on the open areas is excluded from this amount, the 28,000 square feet that are covered prove to have cost an average of approximately \$10 each.

A number of schools in this area have been built in recent years at higher figures than this. Even as far back as 1948, one county school cost something like \$12 a square foot. Stearns is the end-product of an intensive effort for economy, in which the architects investigated many new products.

The building shows the imaginative use of such various materials as glass, crystal tile, pegboard, brick and wood. Economy was also helped by having plenty of

land on hand (there is room to add four more classrooms to the 12 already built), and by sticking to one-story construction.

The generous use of wood should win the approval of residents of this area, whose lives are so closely tied to the timber industry. Wood has not only been used in quantity, but also to great esthetic advantage. Some of it is painted, some is varnished; all is light and cheerful.

Special features incorporated in the school include an abundance of storage space—always wanted in a school, ultra automatic heating, and "the best teachers' room ever developed in this county," according to Principal Max Marvin.

Eleven of the school's 12 classrooms are now in use, with a total enrollment of 307 pupils. The maximum class size is 32, and the minimum 25, but the rest run very close to 30. Each of these classrooms give onto its own paved patio, outside the building. Each patio is bordered on one side by grass, and on another by a small flower plot that will be maintained by the pupils.

House Follows Senate Lead On Housing

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Saturday appeared to be following the Senate's lead on a housing program — less money than Democratic sponsors propose, more money than President Eisenhower wants.

The House Banking Committee will consider a \$2,100,000,000 bill approved by one of its subcommittees Friday. In two weeks, the committee may have the bill ready for action in the House.

Here is how the bill stacks up against other bills and proposals:

1. It is less than Rep. Albert Rains (D-Ala.) originally proposed. His bill listed loans and grants of about three billion dollars.
2. It is less than the bill passed by the Senate Thursday night, that bill authorized \$2,675,000,000.
3. It is more than President Eisenhower has requested. He asked for a bill of about \$1,500,000,000.

Actually the difference between the bills of the House subcommittee and the Senate may not be as great as it appears. The House previously approved a separate housing bill covering loans to veterans. The Senate includes that feature in its over-all housing bill.

In its veteran loan bill, the House provided 300 million dollars. The Senate included 150 million for that purpose in its bill.

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