

YMCA To Open Annual Membership Fund Drive

Campaign Seeks 591 New Members

The Klamath County YMCA's annual membership fund drive opens Tuesday with a goal of 591 new members and \$7,000.

"A Stake in the Youth of Today is a Stake in the Future," is the theme of this year's drive, involving 116 workers. Each worker's goal is to purchase one or more shares, you become a supporting member of the Klamath County YMCA—and help the 'Y' to continue to develop individual responsibility, Christian character and Christian leadership in our community.

The group leaders are Martin Lougee, Orin Mann, Lyle Kellstrom, Robert Starbuck, George Wardell, Lyle Steers, Jim Pioniger, John Hellstrom, Al Goss, Joe Victor and Violet Koehn.

The keynote of this year's campaign is youth and government programs for youth.

A novel campaign item is a prospectus which seeks to program expenses for every boy participating in a program.

The prospectus goes on to list the financial character of the YMCA and its goals.

A unique part of the 1963 campaign is the Century Club, headed by Earl Kent and Mel Gelup.

This club seeks memberships of 100 or more from local YMCA patrons.

The local YMCA is established in 1897 and moved into its permanent quarters on Pine Street several years later.

The YMCA employs a secretary and 22 part-time persons to maintain the building and carry out the YMCA programs.

The YMCA now has nearly 1,500 adult and youth members and operates on a yearly budget of \$36,000.

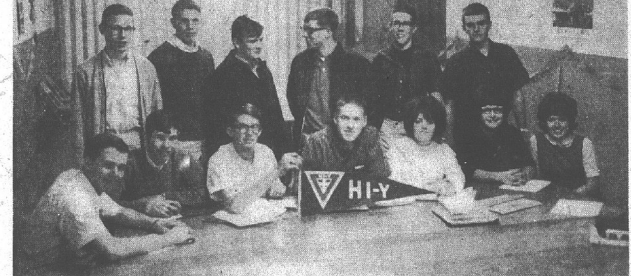
Of this total, about 40 per cent is received from the United Fund, 15 per cent from adult membership support, 13 per cent from rentals of offices in the building and the balance from miscellaneous sources.

As the prospectus says in regard to "fixed assets":

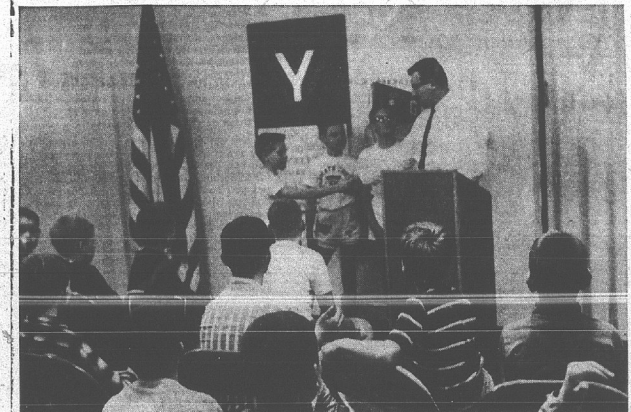
"Well-worn building, 722 Pine Street; Camp Diamond; one of schools, churches, homes and community centers; miles of mountain trails; long-time and new friends of the Y."

But the prospectus also lists liabilities:

"Public Apathy . . . Too Much; Increasing; 'Values' for Living Lacking."



TEEN-AGE LEGISLATURE—Teen-agers plays a part in the Klamath County YMCA program. The highlight of teen-age activities each year is the Model Legislature. Here, members of the YMCA Hi-Y Youth and Government Committee plan for their participation in the district Youth Legislature Feb. 19-20 in Madford. They are, back row, left to right, Larry Young, Terry Reeder, Doug Leach, Don Vaetch, John Runyan, Jay Dye, front row, Darrel Smith, Greg Jones, Roy Williams, Phil Isensee, Robyn Trelease, Janet Kerns and Sydney Kennedy.



FLAG PRESENTED TO YMCA—The Klamath County YMCA starts its programs toward youth of all ages. These youths are organized into clubs. Here, for example, the Gra-Y club, composed of boys in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades, is presenting YMCA program secretary Bruce Galloway with a flag. The club purchased the flag as a project. The boys on the podium with Galloway are, left to right, John Stride, Andy Viera and Richard Sims.

Senator Predicts Pact On Pay Hike Proposal

SALEM (UPI)—A prediction that next week will bring agreement on proposed salary increases for state police, department heads and elected officials was offered Friday by Sen. Dan Thiel, D-Astoria.

At the same time, Thiel warned that a revised budget proposal offered by the Department of Finance and Administration "is cutting it too fine."

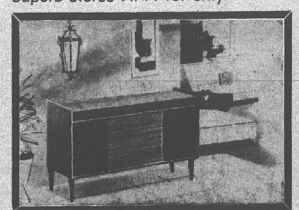
Director Freeman Holmer told the Ways and Means Committee Friday his agency was reducing its proposed budget by \$3 million to keep it from running in the red. Even with the reduction, the budget now envisions only a \$413,325 surplus on July 1, 1967.

Thiel, co-chairman of the committee, said Holmer's figures may mean the lawmakers will try to cut new staff positions and make other reductions in budgets calling for large general fund appropriations.

But he noted that there are so many "ifs" involved it is impossible to forecast the state's financial condition more than two years from now. For example, he pointed out that a court ruling overturning Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton's interest ruling would return \$9 million to the general fund.

The money was taken out after Thornton said interest earned by money in dedicated funds should go into those funds, instead of into the general fund. The issue is now before the State Supreme Court.

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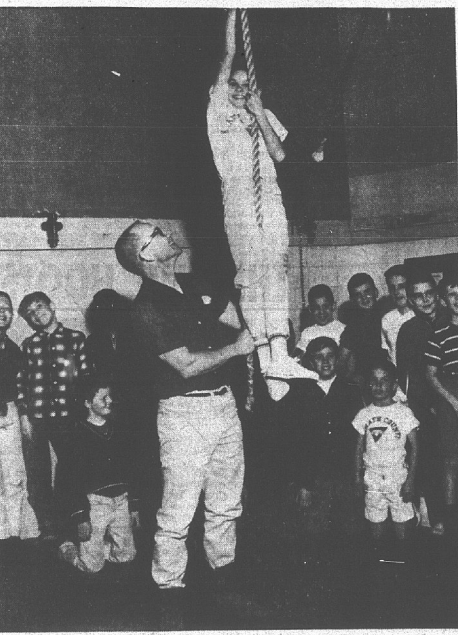
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UP YOU GO—Merlin Pulliam, chairman of the 1964 YMCA fund raising campaign, shows how he hopes the campaign will go by boosting Roy Sims up a rope in the YMCA. Physical education is a major part of the YMCA's program for youngsters.

Death Takes Motor Firm Foreman

Joseph DeWitt Matteson, 60, 14th Falls Lodge 1247 BPOE, long-time foreman for the Bal-Singer Motor Company, died Jan. 20 in Klamath Valley Hospital. He had been ill for several months.

Mr. Matteson was born June 22, 1904, in New Mexico. He came to Klamath Falls 20 years ago. He was a member of Klamath Lodge 1247 BPOE.

Survivors include the widow, Bernice; a son, James D., and two grandchildren, Debra and Jeffrey, all of Klamath Falls; a brother, Lynn, and a sister, Mrs. Fred Collins, Sacramento.

Funeral services will be Monday, Feb. 1, at 2 p.m. from O'Hair's Memorial Chapel with burial in the Eternal Hills Memorial Gardens.

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