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Local School Issues Go To Public For Vote At Tuesday's Election

Eligible voters in the Upper Skagit School District No. 102 will vote next Tuesday, April 14, in the special election on two propositions.

On the ballot will be a special levy for maintenance and operation for the 1970-71 year in the amount of \$190,000.

Separate item will be a bond proposition of \$1,350,000 lumping funds for school improvement and repairs and construction of a new grade school.

Vote on the special levy will be validated by a turn-out of 40 per cent of all who voted in the 1968 November general election. According to the Skagit County Auditor's records, 422 in the district voted in the last election, so the vote on the levy will be validated with 169 ballots. Of these 60 per cent must vote in favor of the levy to assure its passage.

The vote on the bond proposition must be validated by 40 per cent of the number who voted in the 1968 state general election. This figure would be 354 of the 886 total vote. As in the case of the special levy, it will take a favorable vote of 60 per cent of the ones casting their ballots to pass the proposition.

Both Concrete precincts and Baker precinct vote at the Concrete Grade School. Birdsvie precinct votes at the Birdsvie Grange Hall. Rockport voters will vote at the Presentin grocery and post office. Cascade precinct (Marblemount) votes at the Marblemount Grade School.

Inspectors at the different polling locations are Helen Ann Parker, Concrete; Marie Balzar, Birdsvie; Stella Martin, Rockport; and Madrene E. Clark, Marblemount.

Polls will open at 8 a.m. and remain open until 8 p.m.



CANDIDATES FOR GIRL'S STATE, from left, are Ruby Parker, Charlene Seaman, Tina Green, Barbara Smart. They will be guests of the American Legion Auxiliary tonight. One and an alternate will be chosen from the four by the Auxiliary and Cascade Juniors, co-sponsors, to represent Concrete at the annual event.

Charles Cunningham, Old Timer, Is Dead

Charles P. Cunningham, one of the old-time residents of Concrete, died suddenly Monday at Skagit Valley Hospital. He was taken to the hospital that morning when he became ill after breakfast.

He was born Jan. 5, 1884, in New Amsterdam, Ind., and moved to Concrete in 1907 to start work with the old Baker cement plant. He went on to work for Superior Portland Cement Co. and its successor, Lone Star Cement Corp., until his retirement in 1951. He was a cement burner in kiln room operations.

His marriage to Georgia Miller took place in Corydon, Ind., Sept. 23, 1908.

He is survived by his wife at the family home in Concrete; six sons, Ralph, Alderwood Manor, Carl, George and Norman of Seattle, Lawrence, Birdsvie, and Robert of Spokane; two daughters, Alice Howlett of Kirkland and June Durham of Beaverton, Ore.; 21 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Lemley Mortuary in Sedro-Woolley.

Highway Officials Hold Hearing On Local Cutoff

The new state highway through the town of Concrete will be open by the time the North Cascade Highway is completed in 1972. The section to be built include a new bridge across the Baker River with approaches on both sides that will make the route almost a straight line from Kenney's Corner to the intersection with the present highway at the east town limits. This was the word given to those attending the hearing held here last Wednesday night by members of the State Highway Department staff.

District Location Engineer Joe Bell outlined the proposed plans and indicated the final one accepted by the town council as their choice of the three alternatives. The right-of-way chosen will call for buying four homes and the mill site of Levaque, Inc. (Continued on page two)

Bank Vault Burglarized

The State Bank of Concrete did not open on Tuesday morning as usual. Somebody else had opened it some time during the night to make an unauthorized withdrawal of a yet undetermined amount of money.

The bank's time and temperature sign drew first attention with unusual recordings of 119°. When the bank crew arrived it was found that the building had been entered through a rear door, a hole cut through the vault door and an unused safe blown open.

Local police, Sheriff's deputies held the place under guard until F.B.I. men arrived to take over the investigation.

Security rating with the Farmer's Home Administration for federal funds for the town's proposed sewer system.

A letter from the Pollution Control Board informed the council that no approval had been granted the location of Western Minerals on the Lone Star property here due to failure of the firm to comply with requests for information and required design and contract assurance papers.

Permission was granted Harold Kloes, garbage dump operator, to extend services to outlying areas for a period of one year to put the operation on a paying basis. The operation will then be reviewed on the basis of space used and the town's needs for the future.



IT'S NOT A MOON ROCKET LAUNCHING, but the releasing rack for tiny sockeye salmon at the Baker Lake spawning ponds. (See page two for the story). —Herald Photo

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The Over-time Editor

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Courtney, who recently moved...
to Oregon.