



ACROSS THE BOARD—These are the men who face a big task in Hillsboro's school expansion program in the coming months. It will be their job to build new elementary buildings and an addition to the high school. Left to right, they are, back row, Wilfred Faul, Marvel Wilkin, president, and Dr. William L. Lukens, starting his second term on the board; first row, Paul L. Upp, superintendent of Hillsboro Schools; Elmer Hedges, new member and vice president, and John Henry Brown, new member. (Staff Photo)

## Board Elects Wilkin President, Start Work on Building Plans

New members were sworn in, officers elected and the annual appropriation measure formally approved at a meeting of the Hillsboro board of education Monday night at the administration building. Marvel Wilkin, local postal employee, starting his third year on

the board, was elected president. Elmer Hedges, a new member elected last fall, was named vice president.

The other new member, also elected in November, is John Henry Brown. Wilfred Faul, starting his third year, and Dr. William L. Lu-

kens, who was re-elected to second term last fall, are the other members.

Faul was again employed as regular clerk of the board, serving as clerk-member.

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**THE REVAMPED** board approved appropriations totaling \$302,415 for the calendar year of 1954, just \$4,340 more than the total of \$298,075 approved for 1953. Part of the boost will go for additional teachers which undoubtedly will be needed for the increasing enrollment.

One of the major problems facing the new board is the school expansion program, to which voters gave the go-ahead signal last fall with the approval of \$675,000 bond issue for new buildings and an addition.

The board authorized Paul L. Upp, superintendent, to contact three or four recognized school architects and invite them here to visit the elementary sites, each to survey, design and locate new buildings on the sites. From these preliminary plans, the board hopes to choose the best, in their opinion, or

## Local Postal Receipts Show Gain During 1953

Cash receipts at the Hillsboro postoffice showed only a small gain during 1953 over those recorded in 1951. W. R. Hapner, local postmaster, reported today. Hapner said that the receipts for 1953 amounted to \$64,340.80. In 1952, postoffice receipts here totaled \$62,987.99. In 1951 they were \$5,754.30. The actual gain of \$1-

352.81 in 1953 was spread throughout the year and was not attributed particularly to Christmas volume. Instead, Hapner attributed the gain chiefly to a change in box rentals.

Receipts during the last quarter of the year were up about \$400 from the previous year. The receipts for the fourth quarter of 1953, from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, amounted to \$20,579.49, as compared to \$20,152.31 for the same period in 1952.

## Rescue Unit Men