

Board of Education Holds Final Meeting

Polio Drive Opens Here On January 3

The 1955 March of Dimes campaign will get under way next Monday, Jan. 3, and continue throughout the month. Plans for the drive were made at a campaign dinner held Monday night at the Highlander Restaurant.

Chairmen and key workers from most sections of the county were present. Mrs. Virginia Layman, chairman of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for Highland County, which is con-

Jaycees To Boost Drive

Group Will Head Hospital Campaign

The Hillsboro Junior Chamber of Commerce, at a meeting held at the Highlander Restaurant, Tuesday night, agreed to cooperate with the women's auxiliary of the Highlands Community Hospital in spearheading the hospital membership drive being conducted here at the present time.

The hospital campaign got underway here early in December, but thus far has lagged far behind the drive in previous years.

Jaycees are planning to canvass business establishments, as well as conducting a house-to-house canvass, in Hillsboro prior to Jan. 13, the date set for ending the campaign. Hospital Twig members will canvass the Liberty Township area on the outskirts of Hillsboro.

MEMBERS of the hospital board of directors in each of the other townships are heading the drive in their areas.

Memberships in the hospital association sell for \$5 each, with the money going to help pay certain hospital expenses that cannot be paid out of the county treasury.

ducting the local drive, presented a detailed report on 1954 activities of the chapter.

The chairman reported that a total of \$10,388.72 had been spent during the past year in aid to 13 polio patients from this county. This was the most cases that have ever occurred in the county in one year. There were believed to be two or three other cases which were not aided by the chapter.

During her report, Mrs. Layman said:

"At this time our funds are exhausted and bills are being held until the January collections. Expenditures have included doctor bills, hospital bills, wheelchairs, crutches, braces, and ambulance fees. Our foundation is happy to be able to be of service to these families."

"Noting the advances made in study of the Salk trial polio vaccine," Mrs. Layman said, "we open the 1955 drive with bright prospects for eventually conquering polio. In the meantime we must continue care of patients already stricken."

Mrs. Layman stated that "The 1955 campaign will reach schools, clubs, and all civic organizations and business establishments. Mothers will march from door to door throughout all villages and towns of this county on January 27. Over 4,000 rural boxholders are being mailed from headquarters here to those families not reached by the Mother's March."

Two Autos Are Damaged; One Driver Is Cited

Considerable property damage was reported in a two-car accident on West South Street, about 4 P. M.

Purchase Of Insurance Is Major Action

The Hillsboro board of education met Monday night to wind up business for the current calendar year. The board will reconvene next Monday to organize for the coming year.

Major action of the session was the purchase of damage insurance to cover heating boiler units in three buildings.

The insurance, obtained through the local insurance association, covers the boilers and equipment at the high school, Webster School and administration buildings. Washington will probably be added later.

The coverage had been discussed in some detail at the regular December meeting. A policy covering three years was contracted by the board, providing \$50,000 coverage for damage to the furnace units, the buildings and other property.

BILLS available up to the time of the meeting were approved and paid to clear the books for the current year.

Superintendent Paul L. Upp said he had always recommended the insurance purchased, particularly since it includes one of the most thorough and practical inspections obtainable.

Announcement was made that the superintendent and Marvel K. Wilkin, board president, had been subpoenaed to appear in U. S. district court at Cincinnati this week. Helen Ash, teacher at Lincoln School, was also subpoenaed.

Informally, the board discussed the operation of the new furnace at Webster School and some of the difficulty encountered in hooking into the old system. They also discussed school finances under the new program now being drawn up by special committees and the current elementary building program. The new year will bring no letup in the number of problems of getting the new buildings completed, pupils and equipment moved, and pupils finally settled in new surroundings, the members agreed.