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With a mischievous grin, he recalled how the speech resulted in loud cheers from his peers.

"At one point, Homer tried to stop the enthusiasm that was mounting, but several students pantsed him and ran his pants up the flagpole," Lindquist said.

He said students then queued up and proceeded to do a snake dance through town to Ogden School District offices, where they demanded to see Superintendent W. Karl Hopkins to ask for the principal's resignation.

Lindquist said Hopkins turned them away, so the snake dance weaved through Ogden's business district, forming an "O" on Washington Boulevard before students called on Mayor Harman W. Peery.

According to a Standard-Examiner account, the mayor simply told them to, "Go to it!"

Lindquist said the events created an uproar because strikes of any kind, and especially those involving high school students, were almost unheard of in 1937.

They also didn't prove to be particularly successful.

Lindquist said students never

Final tribute

What: "The Last Hurrah" Commemoration

When: Saturday, May 1, noon.

Where: Central Middle School, 781 25th St.

Program:

1. Opening remarks by John A. Lindquist, Class of 1937.
2. Remarks by faculty representative G. Raymond Poulter.
3. Brief history of Ogden High School, including a reading of Ogden's version of the Gettysburg Address.
4. Songs and yells led by Jim Maher and Tom Dee, both Class of 1937.
5. Remarks by Alan Nye, Class of 1936.
6. Final song, led by Jim Maher.

Source: John Lindquist

were allowed to play their instruments at the basketball tournament, and the Class of 1937 graduated at the now-demolished White City Ballroom.

The only thing that actually came of the strike was that he and

10 other seniors were expelled just weeks before graduation.

Lindquist said the group was making plans to graduate from high school in Lyman, Wyo., when school officials allowed them to return to school.

He said Ogden High alumni have checked school archives but, "There isn't any account of these events recorded there as far as we can tell."

Lindquist said he doesn't intend to let his old school pass into oblivion without reliving memories, thus his participation in the May 1 commemoration.

But he added he's gotten used to watching the buildings of his youth fall.

"I was born at Dee Hospital and it's been torn down. I went to Lewis School and later to college in the Moench building at Weber and they're both gone. Even the (LDS Church) ward I went to as a boy has been torn down," he said. "I think there may a message there for me somewhere."