

New Tax Levies Bite Public In 24 States, More To Come; Sales Tax System Expands

State taxes skyrocketed in 1951. During the year lawmakers in 24 states put the bite on the public for more than \$350,000,000 in new levies, and more are to come.

Taxpayers in Pennsylvania, Missouri and Massachusetts still are waiting to learn their fate. The three legislatures are bogged down in tax programs.

Pennsylvania's budget for the 1951-53 biennium is \$120,000,000 in the red. Missouri has bills pending that would provide another \$16,000,000 for highways.

To help meet rising costs, Florida even put a tax on "courtesy" candy (the kind that comes in boxes and costs more than 50 cents). But most of the new levies will be collected from the time-worn favorites—taxes on sales, gasoline, cigarettes, corporations and trucks.

Here are some of the facts on new state taxes as reported in an Associated Press national survey:

Georgia topped all the states in levying new taxes in 1951, passing a new three percent sales tax expected to yield \$100,000,000 a year for a net annual revenue gain of \$70,000,000. Emergency taxes of \$3,000,000 and yielding \$30,000,000 were repealed.

Other big tax increases were enacted in Michigan (\$49,000,000), Illinois (\$40,000,000), South Carolina (\$34,000,000), Texas (\$28,000,000), New York (\$26,000,000).

Wisconsin Uses Ase Wisconsin cut its income taxes about \$100,000,000 by eliminating a 25 percent surtax enacted in 1949, and stands to lose about \$600,000 a year by cutting a three percent tax on Wisconsin corporation dividends paid to out-of-staters.

Connecticut's legislature voted to continue a two percent sales tax for two more years. The levy yielded \$34,000,000 during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1951.

New Hampshire reversed the trend to abolish poll taxes and levied \$5 a head on all adults over 21. It is expected to yield \$1,275,000 a year. There also were revenue increases on tobacco and liquor, designed to raise \$1,000,000 a year. These measures were passed after a one percent sales tax, originally sponsored by Gov. Sherman Adams, was defeated on two occasions.

Vermont also increased its poll tax, from \$2.50 to \$3, figuring this new rate to produce an additional \$100,000 a year. A one percent sales tax was defeated.

Sales Tax Gains Favor But in some other states lawmakers accepted the sales tax as the best answer to their financial problems.

Maine's new two percent retail sales and use tax became effective July 1. It is expected to yield \$11,000,000. Food and fuel are among the exempted items. Collection of the state property tax, yielding about \$5,500,000, will be discontinued next year.

South Carolina inaugurated a three percent general sales and use tax on July 1, expecting it to return \$34,000,000.

Alabama increased its sales tax from two to three percent, effective Oct. 1. The revenue, estimated at \$20,000,000, will go for schools.

The whopping \$49,000,000 increase in Michigan revenues will come from a new gas tax yielding about \$30,000,000, a \$4,000,000 increase in truck license fees, and a \$15,000,000 rise in the state corporation privilege tax, thus boosting the tax on major auto manufacturers as high as \$2,000,000.

The principal new revenue raising measure voted in Texas will yield about \$28,000,000. It levies a tax at the rate of four and one half mills per 1,000 cubic feet on natural gas gathered into transmission lines.

Illinois upheld its gasoline tax from three to four cents a gallon on Aug. 1, and the levy will rise to five cents Jan. 1. Revenues are expected to rise \$40,000,000 to over \$100,000,000. All of the money is

Gen. Clark's Appointment To Vatican Stir Protest

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eral assembly of the Presbyterian church in the U. S. A. He added: "It (the appointment) destroys an American tradition in which we had worked out a harmonious relationship of the separation of church and state. It is bound to cause a controversy which could well have been avoided at a time when all Americans are needed to stand together."

White House Gets Protest At Cleveland, delegates to the Seventh-Day Adventists autumn council unanimously approved a resolution of "most earnest protest." The Brotherhood of the American Lutheran church, meeting here, added its "most vehement opposition." Officials of the Presbyterian and American congregational churches wired protests to the White House.

Individual congregations denominations in scattered areas expressed expressions of disapproval.

The Senate adjourned Saturday without acting on Clark's nomination, made only a few hours before. Some senators privately expressed displeasure at the timing of the move, which was such that the President can now give Clark a recess appointment that likely will mean that he will already be on the job in Rome before the Senate gets around to considering the issue.

Big Trucks Feel N. Y. Bite New York state's three major revenue producing bills of the year were aimed at big trucks.

Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's administration sponsored them as part of a plan to make the heavier truck pay a higher proportionate share of the cost of construction and maintenance of highways on the theory such vehicles do the roads most damage.

The bills: Impose a weight-distance tax on loaded or unladen weight of trucks of more than 18,000 pounds. (Expected to yield \$20,000,000 annually.) Boosted from four to six cents a gallon the state levy on diesel fuel for trucks and buses. (Expected yield, \$750,000.)

Changed truck license fees, beginning with the 1952 plates. (Expected to return an additional \$5,500,000 annually.) Fifty pit-type weighing stations will be built throughout the state to check truck weights.

Smokers Must Pay More Among the states increasing cigarette taxes were West Virginia, up three cents to four cents; Arkansas, up two cents to six cents; Wyoming, up two cents; Tennessee, up two cents to five cents; North Dakota, up one cent; Oregon, up two cents.

Collection of the higher tax was delayed in Oregon by a petition for a referendum. Oregonians have voted four times in recent years against taxing cigarettes.

On Oct. 1 South Dakota's taxes were lowered by termination of special levies adopted in 1949 to liquidate a \$28,000,000 bonus payment for veterans and their dependents. The taxes had amounted to about \$10,000,000 a year.

States in which no new important revenue raising measures were enacted or are pending this year include:

Arizona, California, Delaware, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia.

Tavern Owners Gather In Sutherlin Recently John DeGroot, owner of Johnny's tavern on the North Umpqua, was elected president of the Douglas and Lane counties chapter of the Tavern Owners' association in Sutherlin recently.

The members also voted to become affiliated with the National Beverage association, which is a national-wide association.

Purpose of the organization is to encourage efficient operation and to promote temperance. Sixty persons attended the meeting.

27 Members Attend Farm Bureau Meeting The monthly meeting of the Calapooia Farm Bureau center on Oct. 9 was attended by 27 members and a number of guests.

Mr. Arch Moore was elected center director. Mr. Bill Crowell, civilian defense coordinator for the Sutherlin area gave a speech on civilian defense procedures. Refreshments were served by the hostesses Mrs. Walt Davis and Mrs. Kenneth Knechtel.

Local News

At Hobi Home — Emil Johnson of San Diego arrived in Roseburg Saturday to visit until Tuesday with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hobi, and three sons, Herbie, Bobbie and Hermie, on Reservoir avenue.

Will Conduct Class — William Woods of the school of music, University of Oregon, will be in Roseburg Wednesdays for a term of eight weeks and will conduct a class in piano pedagogy and take a limited number of piano students.

For information, those interested may call Miss Gladys H. Strong or contact Mr. Woods at her studio Wednesday mornings.

Naval Reserves Bid Married Men Not In 1-A Class

Enlistment is open in the organized naval reserve for married men not yet classified 1-A. Prior to receiving a 1-A classification any person may enlist in the naval reserve. Persons enlisting now will not be guaranteed a draft deferment, but they will have the privilege of volunteering for active duty for a period of 24 months with the naval reserve prior to notice for preinduction physical examination, according to Walt Kaulbach, R. D. 1, regular navy man assigned to the Roseburg reserve unit.

Persons enlisting in the naval reserve prior to reaching the age of 18½ years will be given a deferment until the age of call for active duty with the naval reserve, he said.

Persons may call the naval reserve facilities at the Fairgrounds, phone 3-5102, for further information. They may enlist at the unit headquarters here any time during the week. Persons interested are requested to call by telephone prior to coming to the facilities for enlistment.

Auto Upset Injures Two Near Pendleton PENDLETON — (AP)—Two North Richland, Wash., men, Charles Hansher and L. C. Burnett, are in the hospital here seriously injured by an auto accident on highway 30 near Pendleton.

Hansher was driving and the car left the highway and turned over. He suffered internal injuries and Burnett chest injuries.

Shortly after, another car stopped at the scene of the accident and two more cars rammed into it. No one was hurt but the three cars were damaged.

REBEKAHS MEET TUESDAY The refreshment committee for the Rebekah meeting Tuesday evening are as follows: Bernice Ellis and Kay Simmons, co-hostesses; Alice Hornbuckle, Elizabeth Gardner, Nellie Meyers, Esther Burr and Minnie Batton will be members. This meeting will honor the Past Noble Grand.

EXAMINER SCHEDULED A drivers license examiner will be in Roseburg Thursday and Friday, Oct. 25 and 26, at 343 North Main St. between 9 a. m. and 5 p. m.

Persons wishing licenses or permits are urged to contact the examiner ahead of scheduled closing hour to assure completion of their applications.

FOUR DRUNKS ARRESTED State police arrested four persons over the weekend on drunk charges.

Arrested were Joe D. Humphrey 23, Medford; Irvin Tedrick, 33, Roseburg; Merle Loe Butts, 47, Camas Valley; and Wilson Polk Jones, 53, Camas Valley.

NURSES MEET TUESDAY The October meeting of District 11, Oregon State Nurses association, will be held at Mercy hospital in Roseburg Tuesday at 7.30 p. m.

GOVERNOR DEWEY ILL ALBANY, N. Y. — (AP) — A virus infection has forced Governor Thomas E. Dewey to cancel all engagements for the next few days.

CITY COURT CASES Municipal Judge Ira B. Riddle reported the following court dispositions:

William Melvin Heiter, 30, Tacoma, vagrancy, committed in lieu of \$30 fine. Curtin Francis Mellor, Eugene, drunk and disorderly, forfeited \$30 bail. Francis Norbert Barnes, 30, Myrtle Creek, drunk on public street, committed in lieu of \$30 fine.

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State Official Listed As Speaker Tonight

The executive secretary of the Oregon State Employees association will address members at 8 tonight in the Knights of Pythias hall. He is Eugene Schmidt, and he will discuss topics of interest to all state employees. Schmidt is from the association headquarters in Salem.

There are approximately 200 state employees in the Roseburg area, and they are urged to attend. Refreshments will be served after the discussion.

Ellsworth Will Attend Strasbourg Council Of Europe

WASHINGTON — Representative Harris Ellsworth of Roseburg was named today by House Speaker Sam Rayburn as one of seven house members who will serve as official representatives of congress at a assembly of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, next month.

Ellsworth, who only recently returned from a visit to Europe, said he was reluctant to return so quickly, but that he would accept the appointment because he regarded it as a high honor.

The seven house and seven senate members are authorized by a congressional resolution to "participate in a public discussion of problems of common interest with representatives of congress at a assembly of the Council of Europe."

The five-day meeting opens November 19. Ellsworth said he expects to go home to Oregon briefly, and then pay short visits to his children in Cleveland and Santa Fe before going overseas.

Brothers Imprison Sister For Two Years In Filth

NAUGATUCK Conn. — (AP) — A neat, newly-painted house in residential Naugatuck, police say, cloaked the filthy two-year prison of a woman, confined without clothing by her four brothers.

Authorities said that the four brothers have refused to say why they imprisoned their sister, who had not been seen by neighbors since her mother's funeral in July, 1949.

The four brothers — Adolph, 45, Chester, 40, Stanley, 33, and 31-year-old Leo Roman — were booked on a charge of cruelty.

Beatrice Roman, their sister, has been sent to a mental hospital on an emergency commitment. She was described as a husky, 200-pound woman in her late thirties.

Prosecutor Henry S. Marlor Jr. said he would arrange the four if a mental examination determined they can comprehend the proceedings.

Magazine Sale For Sick Room Now Underway

The fourth annual magazine campaign to purchase emergency and sick room equipment for the emergency hospital room sponsored by the Roseburg unit of the American Legion auxiliary started Monday, Oct. 15.

Mrs. Edith Marshall, president of the auxiliary, said that donations for the project cannot be accepted, but she urged anyone interested in assisting to purchase magazine subscriptions.

Representatives of the unit carrying letters of authorization signed by the officers of the auxiliary will make subscription calls.

In three years the proceeds from the sale have been used to purchase a portable polio - pack heater, used in the Sister Kenny method of treatment, hospital beds, a portable type oxygen tent and a new Demand type penophore oxygen unit.

Profits this year will be used to purchase more portable beds. The facilities will be available for home use to all residents of Douglas county without charge.

Dinner Planned By Local Church

The North Roseburg church (Evangelical-United Brethren) has announced a men's fellowship dinner for Tuesday night, Oct. 23, in the basement of the parsonage, located at 2045 Vine street.

A delegation of men from a sister church in Eugene will be on hand to take charge of the program and provide special music.

Food will be served by the junior men of the church. Information concerning tickets may be obtained by calling the pastor, Rev. E. Clark Robb, at 3-5234.

Fullerton Folk Dancers Schedule Class Tuesday

Members and friends of the Fullerton Folk Dancing club will meet Tuesday night at the new Fullerton school at 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Spencer will be there with their records and will instruct dancers. A business meeting will be held.

Fannie Isabelle Rule Passes After Illness

Fannie Isabelle Rule, Elkton, died Sunday morning at a Roseburg hospital after a long illness. She was born in Roseburg March 31, 1862.

She is survived by a niece, Miss A. Sawyers, Portland, and other relatives.

Annual Supper Meeting Slated For Boy Scouts

he annual supper meeting for Douglas district Boy Scout council will be held Thursday at 7 p. m. in the Christian church in Roseburg, reports Walter Smith, field scout executive for the district.

Speaker for the evening will be Brig. Gen. J. T. Pierce, Ret.

Important business will include a report of the nominating committee and election of officers. Presentation of awards in recognition of past services will also be made.

All scouts and their wives are invited, said Smith. Tickets at \$1.25 each are available from Bruce Elliott, district commissioner, at J. C. Penney Co., and Louis Adamski at Wayne's Shoe Store, either by calling in person or by mail request. Reservations should be made by Tuesday if possible.

New 4-H Club Formed In Calapooia Region

A new 4-H club for the Calapooia area, sponsored by the Calapooia Farm Bureau center, has been organized under the co-leadership of Kenneth Knechtel and George Wilcox.

The initial project will be livestock and all boys and girls in the area interested in joining the club are urged to promptly contact either one of the promoters.

In The Armed SERVICES



RAYMOND R. HELMS, above, is home on leave from the marines at San Diego, Calif. He has just completed his "boot" training, and is to report to the naval air station at Whidby Island, Washington. He is to report Oct. 29. Helms, a private first class in the marines, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Helms of Idleldy park.

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