

House passes bill to exempt Greeks from property tax

The Oregon House approved a bill Friday that would exempt fraternity and sorority housing from local school taxes. By a 37-23 vote, the House sent SB 2378 to the Senate.

Proponents of the bill said it was needed because fraternity and sorority residents are temporarily living in the city and their parents already pay school taxes elsewhere. The bill's

supporters also asserted that the relief is needed to keep the residences of social organizations open.

Rep. Robert Ingalls (R.-Corvallis), said that property taxes cost the student living in a Greek house about \$10 a month. He cited several cases at Oregon and Oregon State where Greek houses have been closed because of financial problems.

The legislation primarily affects Corvallis and Eugene, as other public and private colleges and universities in Oregon have far fewer fraternities and sororities. Non-profit cooperative student housing would also be exempt from school taxes.

Under legislation, the houses would still pay taxes for county and city governments, including police and fire protection, but would be exempt from all school taxes.

Ingalls said that if the houses are not kept open, they would be deeded to the state, and no taxes would be paid.

PSU President Wolfe announces resignation

Portland State University president Gregory Wolfe arrived at PSU during the height of student protests and demonstrations five years ago.

He announced on June 4 that he will resign next June because he feels public higher education in Oregon is on the decline.

Wolfe said the five years he has spent as PSU president have been characterized by the "clamor of the public for blood and punishment." In spite of PSU's accomplishments, he said the university still faces a problem of public credibility. He cited the economic problems facing all institutions of higher education in Oregon as another reason for his resignation.

He also said that administrators in higher education should be spending much more time on policy rather than administration. He said that even in a period of decline, which he feels is occurring now, the emphasis should still be on policies.

He said, "there's plenty of action and passion left in this environment (PSU)—and in me."

Wolfe said the efforts of his administration have been frustrated by the student unrest, which he called "sustained, unprecedented assaults which had the potential to cripple this university in its formative years."

Before becoming PSU's president, Wolfe was the director of the office for research and analysis for American republics of the State Department in Washington D.C. He did not say what he will do after his resignation.

Picks construction firm owner

EWEB board fills vacancy

Calvin Schmidt, a partner in the S-2 Construction Company, was selected June 13 to fill the position of At-Large Commissioner on the Eugene Water and Electric Board (EWEB).

Schmidt, 51, was selected from a field of eight candidates and will replace retired Commissioner Richard Olson. The remaining four EWEB members selected Schmidt in a 3-1 vote to complete Olson's term.

Schmidt's experience in construction and administration was considered a valuable asset by several of the board members.

John Reynolds, who cast his vote for Leslie Cox, a member of the Eugene Future Power Committee, argued that Cox would offer a better balance between economic and ecological considerations. Cox is a floor maintenance man for the Eugene School District.

However, Reynolds indicated that he regards Schmidt as one of the top four candidates seeking the appointment. Board members John Tiffany, Richard Freeman and Taylor Ramsey all favored Schmidt.

"I'm very pleased with the selection," commented Board President Tiffany. "I think we've got a man who can make a valuable contribution to the board," he added.

He has served on a Eugene School District advisory committee, worked for the United Appeal Advance Gifts

Team, served as president of the Eugene Contractor's Assn. and been active in the YMCA and the Boy Scouts.

The Board position filled by Schmidt will expire at the end of this year. However, as there is no city election scheduled until

November 1974, he will continue to serve until that time.

According to Schmidt, he will then run for a full four-year term. As a Commissioner "at large," all city residents may vote on the position rather than only the residents of any one ward.

Summer English class to study Ashland plays

This season's plays of the Oregon Shakespearean Festival in Ashland are "The Merry Wives of Windsor," "As You Like It," "Henry V," and "Othello." Also, Ben Jonson's "The Alchemist" and August Strindberg's "The Dance of Death" will run through the summer.

The four Shakespeare plays will be studied in English 436G as theatrical experiences, as well as literature. Audiovisual materials will be used in "Henry V" (England, Olivier), and "Othello" (USSR) will be shown, dates to be announced: admission 50 cents to students in English 436G (attendance required), \$1.00 to others. The class will occasionally be divided into small groups, for independent discussion of what has been read, seen, and heard.

Group projects will be encouraged: Elizabethan music, acting a scene from one of the plays before the class, preparation of an Elizabethan banquet for the whole class—plus spouses or friends—at the end of the course.

All students are expected to see at least one of the Ashland Shakespeare plays. Those who see any three of the Shakespeare plays will receive 2 hours of additional credit, if they register for English 405 or 505. During the eight weeks session each of the four Shakespeare plays will be presented 17-22 times, "Othello," in matinees only in the indoor Angus Bowmer Theatre, the other three plays in the evening in the outdoor Elizabethan theater. A calendar of all performances will be distributed.

Ashland and the Rogue River valley offer many recreational opportunities. The Festival brochure with information on camp grounds, lodging and eating facilities, and places of interest (such as Crater Lake) will be distributed. Four class absences (one week) for the purpose of a bona fide educational-recreational trip to the Ashland area will be excused. Students who use this option are expected to hand in a brief travel diary on their return to Eugene.

A review (about 750 words) or one of this season's Shakespeare plays will be the only paper required. No final exam will be given.

Post no bills

Signs, flyers, circulars, and handouts are a familiar sight on campus. They proclaim the virtues of candidates, describe the qualities of products, and announce various activities. But these colored, mimeographed sheets also find their way to the business district surrounding the campus area.

And business people in the area are getting very upset over what they call "all these trashy signs." Public Works Director Don Allen warns that the city's going to have to do something about it.

A city ordinance against the practice carries a fine of up to \$500 on conviction in city court, but Allen said he hopes a public appeal will alleviate the problem.

It is illegal to post any signs on power poles, light posts, or the pillars of public buildings. The warning also applies to garage sale signs which flourish in warm weather.

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