

# Candidate Pack claims trust violated

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The state legislative costs are overloading taxpayers and bringing the body one step closer to a full-time legislature, according to Jim Pack, a Republican legislative candidate.

Pack addressed the Republican Roundtable Friday. The Republican is challenging Democratic incumbent Ted Kulongoski for his senate seat, which represents much of Lane County.

"I accuse the politicians of violating the public trust," said Pack. "The state financial

system is out of hand."

Pack is fearful that Oregon may adopt a full-time legislative system, similar to California's. Pointing to confusion and log jamming in the California system, Pack said, "that's not healthy, that's not efficient government or planning and it's not in our best interests."

Pack's solution to excessive legislative costs, which he said are up 325 percent over the last 10 years, would be to implement a spending limit returning any surpluses to the taxpayers. He does not advocate cutting programs or income taxes.

Alarmed at a state income tax law that

resulted in overpayments by 93,000 Oregonians, Pack is calling for a special session of the legislature to clear up the matter.

"I'm not in favor of special sessions, but the benefits outweigh the detriments," maintained Pack.

According to Pack over \$9 million dollars was overpaid to the state in 1977 because taxpayers could not itemize deductions on their tax returns. Pack fears a repeat of the situation this year and possibly next year if the legislature doesn't take immediate action to amend the law responsible for the foul-up.

In response to a question about his preference in the governor's race, Pack said, "I'm glad that Tom McCall is in the race, although I disagree with some of his stands." He declined to endorse anyone, saying he does not know enough about Vic Atiyeh and Roger Martin, the other two GOP contenders.

On the topic of education, Pack believes student motivation is the responsibility of the parents, not the teachers.

"We should teach parents how to motivate," he said. "We cannot hold teachers accountable for learning, but we can hold them accountable for teaching."

## KBDF purchased by new Oregon company

Eugene's top-rated AM radio station, KBDF, has been sold to a newly formed Oregon company, the station's general manager announced Friday.

Michael Cole, KBDF station manager, said the sale of the station came after nearly three months of negotiations with Jayar Communications, Inc., an Oregon

corporation which has also been negotiating to buy another Eugene radio station.

A preliminary agreement to purchase KBDF has been filed with the Federal Communications Commission, which is expected to act on the sale within the next few months, Cole said.

The 5,000-watt radio station

was sold to Jayar for more than \$700,000, Cole said.

The Jayar Communications Company, part of a California firm whose principles include Rob Skinner, Peter Townsend and unnamed executives of the Dan Reeves Trust fund, is also negotiating to buy the progressive rock music station KZEL-FM. Ac-

cording to KZEL station manager Jay West, the negotiations are continuing for the sale.

Cole, who started KBDF four years ago, explained that the new owners haven't expressed any plans for changes in the station's format or personnel as yet.

"They purchased one of the top stations in town, so there's no

need for them to change anything," he said.

The station began as KBDF in 1974, after it was purchased by Mattco Inc., of Chicago. It was started in 1948 as KERG by the Eugene Broadcasters Inc., and was owned by the Guard Publishing Company from 1950 to 1974.

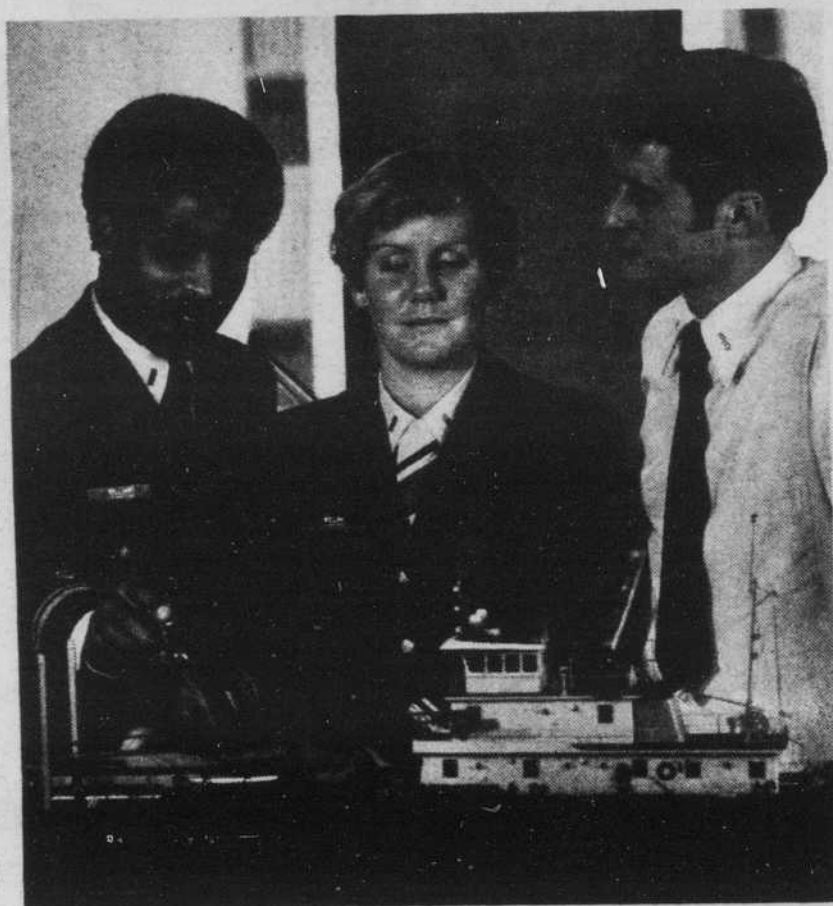
Cole, who will be leaving after the sale becomes final, explained that the station wasn't open for sale prior to the purchase. "The company just made a speculative offer that they hoped would pay off," he said.

"KBDF has done really well," Cole explained. "It has just changed hands like any other business could do at any time."

Skinner, a consultant for Filmways Inc., a Los Angeles company which stages the yearly Academy Awards, will replace Cole as the station's general manager later this year as part of the company's policy of becoming more involved in the station's operation, Role said.

"Eugene has been blessed with a good group of people to come in and take over this station," Cole said. "The new owners are enthusiastic about the station, they're professional and they have been in the broadcasting business for a long time."

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