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A service to assist Oregon communities in locating federal aid for economic development has been put into operation at Oregon State University.

"This new service uses a computer to search lists of federal assistance sources for which a community may be eligible and to prepare a printed report for that community," announced Russell Youmans, an economist with the OSU Extension Service.

Known as the Federal Assistance Program Retrieval System (FAPRS), the new service provides data on more than 600 federal assistance programs.

The reference information is revised and updated monthly.

"One of the biggest advantages of this service," Youmans said, "is that anyone wanting information on potential economic assistance for any Oregon community of 50,000 or less can quickly and inexpensively get a complete, up-to-date list of all federal aid programs for which the community qualifies."

"The cost for using FAPRS is billed to the user. The charge is nominal; we anticipate that it will average around \$3.50 per search," he added.

All Oregon communities except Portland, Eugene, and Salem (whose populations exceed 50,000) can effectively utilize the service.

To use FAPRS all that is necessary is to call the nearest county office of the OSU Extension Service or to contact Youmans directly. A potential user need only identify the community and the type of aid sought.

County Extension offices are listed in the telephone directory under county government. Youman's office is in Extension Hall on the OSU campus at Corvallis; his telephone is 754-2942.

FAPRS was developed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and is being made available in Oregon by the OSU Extension Service Community Development Program.

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In Oregon as in other parts of the United States, local government expenditures have increased dramatically in recent years. Even after adjusting for inflation, total current expenditures increased by over 80 per cent from 1962 to 1972.

This is one of the findings of Oregon State University political scientist R. Kenneth Godwin and economist James B. Fitch reported in "The Effects of Population Changes on Local Governments in Oregon," a recently released study funded by the Rockefeller Foundation.

The research indicated that federal and state grants to local governments have reduced the influence of population and economic characteristics on local budgets. However, in spite of these grants, demographic and economic characteristics heavily influence the ways local governments spend their monies.

The two found larger communities suffer greater budgetary strains in spite of the greater economic productivity of the private sector in these areas. Moreover, due to prevalent migration patterns, non-Willamette Valley residents appear to subsidize the valley through capital investments in education.

Consolidation of government into larger units generally does not reduce expenditure for most services, but it may reduce the responsiveness of the government to the demands of local citizens, they found.

Present and potential problem areas in Oregon's local expenditure patterns include: 1) the decrease in expenditures for parks and recreation in metropolitan areas, 2) the increasing burden of welfare expenditures in non-valley regions of the state, 3) relative declines in expenditures for education in non-valley regions, and 4) relative declines in highway expenditures in the eastern part of the state.

This report, available without charge from the OSU Graduate School, is the last in the series "Man's Activities as Related to Environmental Quality," a multi-departmental, interdisciplinary look at Oregon's future growth and environmental problems sponsored by the Rockefeller foundation.

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According to recent figures from the Dept. of Transportation, Curry county would receive an additional \$77,024.64 in highway fund allocations if Ballot Measure No. 8 passes, come November 2. That would mean that revenue would increase from \$469,176.95 for the fiscal year 1977-79 biennium, to \$546,201.59.

Port Orford's share would increase by \$4,609.01 for that period, while Gold Beach would get an additional \$7,090.01 and Brookings, \$13,960.00.

The additional funds would come from gasoline taxes that would increase by one cent if the measure passes.

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The Curry County IED board of directors will meet at 8 p.m. next Tuesday, Oct. 26, in the Curry county office building.



TO THE EDITOR:

Carl Eckholm, Ed and Mildred Maloy's son-in-law, is a candidate for city council. Carl and LaReine are not newcomers, rather they are returning long-time residents. Issues of the Port Orford News sent on to them by the Maloys, have kept Carl up on city business. Carl Eckholm helped install our horse arena fence. Carl Eckholm has put on the Jetty Jubilee sandcastle contest for the children of our community. Carl Eckholm is a homeowner with natural talent for working with all the people. Carl Eckholm has earned my vote and I hope you will entrust him with yours.

Sincerely,
 ALAN MITCHELL
 921 Oregon
 Port Orford, Oregon 97465

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to comment on the comments on the proposed new City Charter.

1. The Council being the judge of the qualifications of its members is no change from the present City Charter. The U.S. Constitution, written by America's Founding Fathers gives this same authority to the U.S. House and Senate. It means, as in Port Orford councilmembers case, that if a question arises as to whether an elected councilmember is a City resident, or has been so six months, or the ones who are to make final judgment are the councilmembers themselves.

2. The method of calling and holding of Special Council Meetings will continue as it is now. The New Charter is the same as the present Charter, and both are governed by State open meeting laws. There is no change in this.

3. If the City ever has and chooses to return to its own police force, the municipal judge will have to handle the traffic cases now being handled by the Justice Court. In that case, the City will have to resume paying the municipal judge accordingly. By making the municipal judge appointive rather than elective, it gives the City Council the option to contract municipal judge duties with the Justice Court, probably at a dollar savings, to the City. It doesn't lock the City into the one position of having to keep its municipal judge, which an elected municipal judge position will do.

I hope this explains these points.

Sincerely,
 LEON WHITE

TO THE EDITOR:

Your Adult Education Committee is pleased to announce the following classes for the current school term. (You're invited to participate regardless of age; you'll enjoy it and learn something useful, too.)
 ART—Instructor Charles Quarles, held at the Langlois Fire Hall on Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. \$30 for complete course.
 ART—Instructor Betsy Hammond, held at the Port Orford Grade School on Tuesdays from 7-10 p.m. \$25 for complete course.
 CERAMICS—Rick Erdrich, Instructor, held at Pacific High School on Mondays from 7-10 p.m. See instructor for more information.
 KNITTING—Philura Hassett, Instructor, held at the Wooden Nickel in Port Orford on Mondays from 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$10 for complete course.
 NURSE'S AIDE—John Barfield Instructor, held at Southern Coos General Hospital in Bandon on Tuesdays

and Thursday from 6-9 p.m. \$30 per term, two six-week terms.

SLIMNASTICS—Liz Orton, Instructor, held at Pacific High School on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-9:30 p.m. For cost see instructor.

TYPING—Susan Barfield, Instructor, held at Pacific High School on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7-10 p.m. For cost see instructor.

WELDING—Dale Reeves, Instructor, held at Pacific High School on Wednesdays from 7-10 p.m. \$25 for complete course.

Please contact any of the above instructors if interested.

Keep a sharp eye for some of the future courses on our drawing boards . . . they'll include lapidary, woodworking, photography, and natural history.

We are also planning some special events . . . metric system, mushrooms, flower arranging, and marine biology illustrating.

We have instructors for Womens Studies, Russian, tile painting, ceramics (day time class), psychology. Call 332-5241 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. if interested.

We would like to thank the people of Port Orford for their help with the return of the Adult Ed. questionnaire forms. Mr. Peterson is to be thanked for his cooperation.

PORT ORFORD ADULT ED. COMMITTEE

TO THE EDITOR:

Ford or Carter? Does it make any difference? Many are so disheartened by the prospects that they seem to have lost all interest in voting. Both our presidential candidates have in the past been picked, promoted and bought by such power groups as The Council on Foreign Relations and by Big Labor. They have not tried to serve those who elected them. They have only worked for those who bought them.

The key to getting government back into the hands of the people is to elect people who have not been picked by those mentioned above. It is going to be a struggle but there is hope. If we get enough of the right people in the U.S. Senate and House we can still get our country back on the right road.

This year there is a man, Jerry Lausmann, running for the House. He knows what is good for the timber industry as he owns a lumber company and he really cares about what is happening to our country.

The incumbent, Jim Weaver, may be better known and he can sound very persuasive —also he can send our literature (at no cost to him) to every postal patron in his district.

This year is very important. Those who care had better start asking questions and finding answers now.

Yours truly,
 WILLIMINA DONNLY
 Brookings, Oregon

TO THE EDITOR:

There are some noteworthy similarities between the Gold Beach school consolidation issue and the effort of two years ago when they tried to consolidate Brookings, Harbor and Dawson Tract into one city. In both cases there is at least some merit on each side, but the voters have been given too short a time to resolve a complicated issue. This question should have been decided in a special election sometime before next summer's school recess.

The Gold Beach district should not have the power to force Pistol River, Ophir, and Agnes to consolidate, as may happen the way the ballot measure is set up. Instead, Gold Beach should be voting to accept such consolidation if the other districts are willing, and only merge those districts which approve individually. If rural parents wish to maintain their own school, that is their right, and they should evaluate the adequacy of their children's education. For better or worse, the decision should be theirs. The high school board should withdraw this measure from consideration and address the real question at a later date. There are too many question marks on this one.

Sincerely,
 DAVID A. WILKEN
 Independent County Commission Position No. 2 Candidate

TO THE EDITOR:

As each of you know, the 1976 Oregon State Fair turned out to be the most fruitful in its 111-year history. Not

only for the Fair itself, its personnel and those directly involved with it, but for the State of Oregon as well.

This SHOWCASE of Oregon, focusing its attention on our state's economic and social life, its products, industries, commerce; on its natural resources, history, government, education; its science and culture and agriculture, also brought out the importance of the media and focused sharply on what an outstanding press corp the state of Oregon possesses.

Without the valuable assistance you contributed to this Bicentennial Celebration, "The Great American Time Machine, 1776-1976," the fruits of labor of more than 700 people might have gone unheralded. Your efforts and interest in our State Fair aided in establishing an all-time high attendance figure and financial gain, which, in turn shall be used to better our Salem facility for the future.

I take this opportunity to personally thank you for everything you have done. Sincerely,

OREGON STATE FAIR COMMISSION
 Harold W. Heller, Chairman
 by Donald C. Wimberly
 Publicity Director

TO THE EDITOR:

Oregonians receiving their voter's pamphlet over the next few weeks will be in for a big surprise from the Republican State Central Committee. That's because of the "big lie" technique employed by this partisan committee on a page they purchased in your voter's pamphlet.

What the Republican Central Committee did was to totally distort the meaning of Ballot Measure No. 7. According to their statement, this measure will cost Oregon taxpayers \$850,000 of the state's General Fund. That's not true. The fact is that people who wish to will be able to give \$1.50 to a "Fair Campaign Finance Fund," through a check-off system on the income tax form. The \$1.50 will be deducted from the amount the individual would otherwise pay to the state in income taxes.

This is the opposite of the way the special interests are currently financing campaigns in Oregon. And this current system of "lobby big money" is the system the Republicans would like to see preserved.

Every Oregonian would benefit greatly from the reforms offered by Measure No. 7. We would be getting away from the influence of the "fat cats" money and instead would finance campaigns by allowing Oregonians to voluntarily check a box on their state income tax return for \$1.50. This voluntary money would be used to help qualified candidates finance their campaigns for public office in Oregon's general election.

People ought to read the real ballot summary in the voter's pamphlet. The distortions by the Republicans on their page will then be obvious. Vote yes on No. 7, for campaign finance reform and don't be misled by the Republican Committee's effort at the Big Lie.

ED LINDQUIST
 State Representative Dist. 26
 Clackamas County

TO THE EDITOR:

How safe are nuclear power plants? Not very safe if America's first few years of experience is typical. In the first twenty years of the "nuclear age," there have been literally dozens of accidents involving nuclear plants.

Nuclear industry claims to the contrary, these accidents have resulted in fatalities and in the exposure of atomic workers to deadly radioactive materials. In some instances, the public has been exposed as well.

In 1961, a nuclear explosion at a government reactor in Idaho killed all three workers present. The worker's bodies were so radioactive that they had to be kept in special storage for 20 days before burial. Even so, the men's heads and hands were still so radioactive that they were severed from the bodies and buried separately as radioactive "waste."

In 1967, a New Jersey trucker developed a rare type of cancer after being accidentally exposed to Plutonium being handled at a truck terminal. The man had to have a hand amputated, then an arm and finally a shoulder before dying

Jerry Goetch Is Guest Speaker

Jerry Goetch, pastor of the Langlois Community Church will be guest speaker at the Christian Mens Fellowship tonight, Thursday, October 21, at the Community Church.

The meeting will start with a 6:30 p.m. potluck dinner and all men are invited.

But, the danger of a nuclear accident goes beyond the dangers to nuclear workers. Studies conducted for the AEC show that tens-of-thousands of people would probably die in a major nuclear reactor accident. Depending on the type of reactor, an accident would occur either as an explosion or as a meltdown of the nuclear core. In either case, such an accident could burst open the reactor building and send a plume of deadly radioactive material into the air, killing people in its wake and making the land uninhabitable.

How close have we come to a major accident? Close. For instance, in 1965, an experimental breeder reactor, also in Idaho, went out of control. A technician reached an emergency shutdown only one-half second before the reactor exploded.

Later, in 1966, the first commercial breeder reactor, located just 30 miles from Detroit experienced a partial "meltdown" the second time an attempt was made to generate power. The reactor came so close to exploding that a plant engineer told a reporter, "we almost lost Detroit."

Accidents and near accidents keep happening. There have been at least 25 accidents in which workers were exposed to low level radiation at Trojan in Oregon. Last year, 23 reactors had to be closed for a time for inspection of cracking pipes. Over the year there have been dozens of other incidents.

As a result, nuclear plants have proven to be notoriously unreliable. In fact, nationwide, nuclear power plants historically operate at less than half of capacity. Nevertheless, customers of electric utilities end up paying for the plant whether it is operating or not.

On November 2, Oregonians will have a chance to pass an important nuclear safeguard act—Ballot Question 9. 'Nine' doesn't forbid the construction of nuclear plants, but it insures that if they are built they'll be safe.

But, the Safeguards Act faces a stiff uphill battle. The anti-safety lobby is mounting a massive campaign to defeat '9'. If the measure is to pass, it will depend on your vote and the hard work of ordinary people.

If you want to work for Nuclear Safeguards, please call evenings and weekends, at 267-6207 or 756-4311.

DAVE BOCKMANN
 Oregonians for Nuclear Safeguards
 852 1/2 Johnson Ave.
 Coos Bay, Or.

Jesse H. Boren

Funeral services for Jesse H. Boren, Sixes, who died Oct. 15, at Sixes, were held Tuesday, Oct. 19, at 2 p.m. at the First Community Church in Port Orford. Interment followed in the Port Orford Cemetery.

Mr. Boren was born April 24, 1921, in Ector, Texas. He was a member of the Sixes Grange and the American Legion. Mr. Boren also served with the U.S. Army and was awarded numerous decorations and citations, including the purple heart, in World War II.

Survivors include his widow, Madelon of Sixes; sons, Robert and David of Gilbreath; grandson, Brian of Gilbreath; granddaughter, Sherrill of Gilbreath; six brothers, John of Palmdale, Calif., Robert of Florence, Calif., Howard of Long Beach, Calif., Lonney of Vernon, Texas, Lester of Bowie, Texas, and Levin of Wilmington, Calif.; and two sisters, Delva Jackson of Roger, Ark., and Louise Leonetti of Lomita, Calif.

Nell B. Rice

Neil B. Rice of Gold Beach, died October 17. A private Christian Science memorial service was conducted by B. Rae Sharp of Riverside, Calif., on Oct. 20.

Mr. Rice was born in Missoula, Montana, in 1912 and spent most of his young life in Port Orford where his mother, Mary B. Rice, taught school for many years. He

was a 1935 Forestry graduate of Oregon State College, and a member of Sigma Delta Psi, honorary athletic fraternity. Following graduation, he worked with the U.S. Forest Service in various locations and capacities in Montana. At the inception of World War II, he joined the U.S. Army and was an officer in the Corps of Engineers, serving the full duration. After the war, he continued in the Army Reserves from which he retired as a Lt. Col.

Following the war, he went with the Calif. Division of Forestry, Sixth District, Riverside, Calif., as a Forestry Engineer, serving all of southern California. He was a well known aerial fire mapper on the major fires in southern Calif. He retired in 1973 and returned to Curry county.

Mr. Rice was a long time member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Mass. He served First Church of Christ, Scientist, Riverside, Calif., in many capacities including chairman of the Executive Board. He was serving as First Reader of Christian Science Society, Gold Beach, preceding his death.

He is survived by his wife, Merle Deane Rice; a daughter, Vicki Anne (Mrs. Dwight) Tardy and two granddaughters, Tammy and Christine Tardy, all of Iowa City, Iowa; and a cousin, May Lupien of Gardner, Mass.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christian Science Society, Gold Beach.

JERRY Lausmann

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