

# Future of Mt. Hood keyed to May 26 vote

Voters in the Mt. Hood Community College District will be asked to approve a new tax base for the college on May 26.

The current tax base is \$875,000, which represents about 30 per cent of the budget for the present 6,000 students. State and federal sources contribute about 50 per cent and tuition about 20 per cent.

The basic reason for the request is the large number of students who have enrolled at Mt. Hood. Fall enrollment in 1967 was 3,429. In two years, that figure has nearly doubled to 6,528. And enrollment is now three years ahead of projections made just two years ago.

The proposed tax base is \$1,750,000. The new tax base would cost about 20 cents more per \$1,000 of property value than residents are now paying. On a \$15,000 home this would amount to about \$3 more for next year.

The new tax base authorizes about 60 cents more, but only 20 cents is budgeted for next year. Since the beginning of the college, the Mt. Hood Board of Education has aimed to keep the "total tax rate" for building and operating the college at less than \$2 per \$1,000 of property value, regardless of how often a vote was necessary. "We have been

doing this for five years with a "step-at-a-time" long-range financial plan," says MHCC President Dr. Earl Klapstein. "If this measure passes," Dr. Klapstein continues, "the college will be able to continue its goal of a stabilized total tax rate of less than \$2. This measure will mean that we can continue our open door policy, we will continue being an economic stimulator in this area, and we can continue, without delay to becoming one of the truly fine community colleges in the nation."

"If for some reason it fails, our 'step-at-a-time' long range financial plan would be interrupted which would cause higher or less predictable tax rates. Between 250 and 750 fulltime students will be denied admission and the economy of the area would be seriously hurt. The college generates

about \$10 for each local tax dollar spent on the college. "In addition, we would have to greatly reduce our staff of part-time instructors. Those people come from business, industry and other schools and colleges. Many other things would be cut back, such as financial aid for students; service hours for the library and other areas of the college; and our Golden Age Program would have to be reduced. The Golden Age Program allows district residents who are over 65 to attend classes, use the library and admission to all college sponsored events free," the MHCC President says.

As Dr. Klapstein puts it, "Yes, the college would continue to operate, but obviously it would continue with reduced service to many. Therefore, I urge each citizen to support this issue."

## Gas Company Asks Raise

Northwest Natural Gas company asked the Oregon Public Utility Commissioner and the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, Friday, to approve an increase of approximately 10 per cent on an essentially uniform or "across-the-board" basis in its rates for gas service.

In his filings Hill said, "Increased rates now are essential in order to enable the company to meet its service responsibilities, attract capital on reasonable terms and fairly compensate its investors for the risks they assume."

## Historical site to be dedicated

The Tollgate Historical Site near Zigzag will be dedicated in a formal ceremony at 1:30 p.m., May 28.

The site is a cooperative landscape project between the Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs and U.S. Forest Service.

Wright Mallory, supervisor of Mt. Hood National Forest, will be master of ceremonies. Mrs. J.W. Schell, recording secretary of National Council of State Garden Clubs, will give the invocation.

Kessler R. Cannon, executive secretary of Governor's Committee on Natural Resources, will give the welcome.

Edmund Hayes, president of Oregon Historical Society, will tell the history of the site.

Edward P. Chitt, chief of U.S. Forest Service will give the principal address.

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Northwest Natural's President Francis F. Hill said that the proposed increase would provide about \$5.75 million in additional revenues based on the company's 1969 revenues of \$55.6 million.

Hill said that, on the average, the gas bills of residential customers will rise about four cents a day and commercial customers about 15 cents.

The only other general rate increase in the company's history became effective in 1960. Since then Northwest Natural's rates actually have been reduced approximately \$14 million and all of its costs of doing business have increased. He said the company no longer is able to offset these increased costs through economies in operations and revenue growth. He pointed out that increases in uncontrollable expenses, notably taxes, depreciation and interest, have outrun increases in revenues and controllable expenses, particularly with the inflationary economy of the past few years.

## What's Cooking?

**HAWAIIAN BAKED CHICKEN**  
 1 frying chicken cut up  
 1 T. corn starch  
 1 T. vegetable oil  
 1 6 oz. can frozen pineapple juice (thawed)  
 1-3 cup brown sugar  
 1 tsp. salt  
 1 tsp paprika  
 Cook sauce, place chicken in baking pan. Cover with sauce, lightly enclose with foil. Bake 45 minutes. Uncover finish baking to brown. Bake in 350 degree oven.

**BARBEQUED RIBS**  
 1 tsp celery seed  
 1/2 tsp. chili powder  
 1/4 cup brown sugar  
 1 T salt  
 Combine above ingredients. Rub on 2 1/2 lbs. ribs, leave some to add to 1 can tomato soup and 1/4 cup vinegar to taste.  
 Bake 2 hrs. at 250 degree oven.

**DATE SWIRLS**  
**FILLING:**  
 1/2 lb. pitted dates  
 1 tsp. lemon juice  
 1-3 cup water  
 1/4 cup sugar  
 1/2 cup chopped nut meats  
 Cook together 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Add nuts; let cook.  
 1/2 cup butter or oleo  
 1/2 cup brown sugar  
 1/2 cup white sugar  
 1 tsp vanilla  
 1 egg  
 2 cups flour  
 1/2 tsp soda  
 1/4 tsp salt  
 Cream butter and sugar. Add egg and beat well. Sift together flour, soda, and salt. Combine dry ingredients with butter, sugar and egg.  
 Roll dough about 1/4 inch thick on floured wax paper. Spread dough with cooled date and nut mixture. Roll up like a jelly roll. Wrap in waxed paper. Leave in refrigerator or freezer overnight. Slice and bake in moderate oven 350 degree about 8-10 minutes.

**SALLY LUNN**  
 1/2 cup shortening  
 1/2 cup sugar  
 2 well beaten eggs  
 1 cup milk  
 2 cups flour  
 3 tsp baking powder  
 1/4 tsp salt  
 Cream sugar with shortening. Add eggs and dry ingredients alternating with milk. Bake in shallow greased pan for 25 minutes at 425 degrees. Serve hot in wedges with plenty of butter. Grandmother used to sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar, before baking.



THE VARIETY of emotions expressed on the faces of the above group of small boys was caught by the camera lens during the Pre-School Party held last week at the Firwood School. The picture, taken by Ginny Brewster, runs the gamut from "this is going to be a breeze" to wistfulness and "how do I get out of here?"



GINNY BREWSTER, shown above as she cast her ballot on Legislative issues during the recent State P.T.A. convention in Salem, was installed Tuesday night as president of the Sandy P.T.A. Also taking office were Ellen TenEyck, vice-president; Janet Parker, secretary; Judy Newman, treasurer; and Nancy Barker, historian.

## Big swing choir festival billed at college May 23

Bruce Kelley, well known leader of the New Oregon Singers, will be a member of the judging committee for the Third Annual Swing Choir Festival at Mt. Hood Community College May 23.

Other members of the judging committee are Herb Patnoe, Chairman of the National Adjudicator's Committee; Waldo King, President of the National Jazz Educators Association; John Moawad, Central Washington State College; Don Commack, University of Portland.

Singing groups from 66 High schools in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and California have entered the competition. Groups representing local area high schools are: "Chantels" from Reynolds; "Pioneers" from Sandy; "Debonaires" from Parkrose; "Vagabonds" from David Douglas; and "Keynotes" and "Overtones", both from Gresham.

Three Portland high schools have entered choirs, "Les Chanteurs" from Jefferson, "Colonial Chorallers" of Washington and "The Swing Choir" from Madison will represent Portland high schools.

Each group must have at least 10 members and not more than 30 members," according to Hal Malcolm, Choir Director at MHCC and Festival Manager. Choirs will be entered in the following divisions, based upon the enrollment in the upper three grades of the high school: Division AAAA - 1501 or more students. Division AAA - 1001 to 1500 students. Division AA - 501 to 1001 students. Division A - 50 to 500 students.

Each choir will perform three selections during the preliminaries set to begin at 8:30 a.m. Judges will select three groups from each of the four divisions for the evening finals competition, which will start at 7:30 p.m. Each finalist will sing two selections.

While the judges are making their final decision, a brief program featuring the Mt. Hood Stage Band and Collegiate Swingers is planned. Dr. Earl Klapstein, MHCC President, will present trophies to the winners.

## OBITUARIES

### Mae L. Lewis

Mae L. Lewis, 56, of Westmead died May 15 at a Portland hospital. She was born in Fairview, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Jones. However, as a young girl she moved with her family to Eastern Oregon with her family. She received her education at Prineville High School.

Mrs. Lewis was a horse enthusiast and throughout her years in Eastern Oregon was a member of the Oregon Ranch Riders.

She married her husband William, June 23, 1967 in Reno, Nev.

For the past nine years she and her husband have resided in Wildwood. She was employed also for the last nine years by the Welches school.

Her husband William R. Lewis survives, also brothers Denny of Juntura, Harlon of Carmichael, Calif., and a sister Hattie of Portland.

Funeral services for Mrs. Lewis were held May 19 at the Bateman Funeral Chapel in Gresham with private family entombment at Lincoln Memorial Park.

### David Faubion

David P. Faubion, 62, a native of Oregon, died May 11 at his home at 14363 SE Powell. He was born in Welches, the son of William and Anna Faubion. The majority of his life he was employed as a logger.

Survivors are his wife, Berit whom he married Sept. 18, in Goldendale, Wash.; his children Swanee, Jennifer, David and Anzimee. A brother Aunald, Eagle Point, and sister, Mrs. Jenny Welch, Zig Zag.

Services will be held at St. Lukes Episcopal Church in Gresham, with interment at Lincoln Memorial Park with Bateman Funeral Chapel in charge.

Early colonists who settled at the mouth of San Gabriel Canyon wrote back East that the country offered everything from A to Z in the U.S.A. Thus the town of Azusa, Calif., was born.



Item	1969-70	1970-71	% Change
Total Budget Requirements	995,047.00	73,492.50	10.3%
Deficit Total Budget Resources Except Tax To Be Levied	354,322.00	44,311.00	12.5%
Revenue Necessary to Balance Budget	640,725.00	29,181.50	4.5%
Add Est. of Taxes To Be Levied But Not Rec'd in Existing Year	81,296.25	9,550.03	11.7%
Taxes To Be Levied for Existing Year	721,018.25	81,066.53	11.2%

Item	1969-70	1970-71	% Change
Estimated Budget Resources	1,251,667.50	1,251,667.50	0%
Transfer from General Fund	1,500.00	1,500.00	0%
Total Budget Resources	1,253,167.50	1,253,167.50	0%
Estimated Budget Requirements	1,253,167.50	1,253,167.50	0%
Total Budget Requirements	1,253,167.50	1,253,167.50	0%

# Sandy Union High School Budget 1970-71

Item	1969-70	1970-71	% Change
Available Cash on Hand (Cash Basis) or Net Working Capital (Accrual Basis)	32,611.00	32,611.00	0%
Revenue from Local Sources Except Tax To Be Levied	59,150.00	59,150.00	0%
Revenue from Intermediate Sources	2,000.00	2,000.00	0%
Revenue from State Sources	291,406.00	291,406.00	0%
Revenue from Federal Sources	3,000.00	3,000.00	0%
Proceeds from Sale of Bonds	0.00	0.00	0%
Proceeds from Sales	3,150.00	3,150.00	0%
Receipts from Other School Districts	0.00	0.00	0%
Transfers from Other Funds	0.00	0.00	0%
Total Budget Resources Except Tax To Be Levied	354,322.00	354,322.00	0%
District Tax Revenue in Year Levied	640,725.00	640,725.00	0%
District Tax Required To Balance Budget	640,725.00	640,725.00	0%
TOTAL BUDGET RESOURCES	995,047.00	995,047.00	0%