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Citizens Committee Needed

At the high school board meeting Monday night the same old question will be asked, "How do you inform the 'no' voters?"

The school budget levy has now failed twice and the board must seek areas in the budget which can be cut. These recommendations will then be made to the budget committee.

The budget committee is headed by Bill Dyal and is responsible for the final okay on the budget before it again goes to the voters.

When the budget does go to the voters, the school district will be in need of help from a citizen's committee to get the voters to the polls.

We encourage any citizen in the school district who cares about the education of our children to attend the board and budget meetings and give his support.

It will be up to these concerned citizens to form a citizen committee. The education of the students in Sandy depends on the passing of the budget next time around.

The Worst Casualty of Viet-Nam

A recent editorial in the Christian Science Monitor called the U.S. Army "one of the worst casualties of the Viet-Nam war."

The editorial pointed out that Army morale is at an all-time low, that units coming out of Viet-Nam are simply not fit for combat, that the problem of drug use in the ranks has reached unprecedented proportions.

Most of the blame is laid upon Pres. Johnson for his decision to fight the war in Viet-Nam with draftees, not with professionals. He decided to rely upon the draft, not upon regular army and reserve units, to fill combat ranks.

Thus by 1970, eight out of 10 combat infantrymen in Viet-Nam were draftees doing their one year. None of

them were more than a few short months out of civilian life.

It's not difficult to understand the sad state of the Army.

But it is most difficult to understand why the draft is being renewed, why Pres. Nixon says we still must rely upon draftees in Viet-Nam. There are many thousands of reservists still at home, presumably much better trained than raw recruits. Why can't they be used?

The pressures being exerted by the administration and by the military for continuance of the draft only substantiate the sick state of today's Army. Without the draft, we couldn't continue the war in Viet-Nam.

Which is, perhaps, the best reason of all to kill the draft.

Legislature is productive

By JIM HENDERSON
State Representative
Clackamas County

The adjournment of the 56th Legislative Assembly was delayed last week because of the confusion and conflict which erupted in the Oregon Senate.

Fourteen Democratic caucus members refused to go on the Senate floor and the Senate was unable to conduct business for two and one half days because of the lack of a quorum. The conflict developed over ratification of the 18-year-old vote amendment.

With the close of the legislature several key accomplishments took place.

In education, the basic school support plan went through very early in the session and gave two local communities \$24.9 million more than was requested in the Governor's budget. It was a significant accomplishment that the Legislature chose to handle education as a priority item as opposed to letting it wait until the last minutes of the session which had previously been its history.

In another area of education, the community college received a much needed financial boost. Twelve years ago, Oregon's community college system consisted of a handful of students on a campus in Bend. Today, the program has thirteen community colleges and the stunning fact is that in a very short period of time, community colleges are now teaching more students than our old state colleges and universities.

Perhaps some of the more significant advances were made in the environmental area, and the 1971 Legislature will certainly go down as one of the most dedicated in preserving our natural resources and our livability in this state.

The Natural Resources Committee met nearly 60 times during this Legislative session and from those meetings and public hearings came such bills as House Bill 1065 which

creates a Nuclear Power Siting Council. House Bill 1931 gives the state a monopoly on the control over all environmental waste. House Bill 1574 will authorize the Department of Environmental Quality to regulate or restrict traffic when carbon monoxide from automobiles reaches a density that it becomes of danger to human health. House Bill 1504 gave the Governor the authority to halt any pollution of water or air that presents an eminent or substantial danger to public health.

House Bill 1051 provided for a Solid Waste Management Act of 1971 which would call for a comprehensive revision of all solid waste statutes. The measure included, among other features, the authority to be given to cities and counties to condemn areas in order to acquire sites for solid waste disposal.

This Legislature and the House Environmental Committee took the first step ever taken in this state to recognize that noise pollution is a growing problem throughout the nation. House Bill 1669 directs the Department of Environmental Quality to start studies on noise pollution and establish standards for noise pollution.

In the area of consumer protection with the rising living cost and unemployment increasing there was little wonder why this year's Legislature took such an active interest in protecting the consumer. The omnibus consumer protection bill which came out of the House Judiciary Committee made substantial changes in several different areas of the present law.

1. The measure redefined deceptive trade practices, plugged existing loopholes and prohibited additional practices which were not covered by the present law.

2. The bill also provided the State Attorney General with the authority to establish by ruling that certain conduct is misleading and therefore prohibited.

3. Courts were also given greater authority for enforcement against certain deceptive trade practices. This included the authority to suspend business licenses for willful violations.

4. Individual citizens are now allowed to bring suit for damages against a company, arising from deceptive trade practices. Now they have the opportunity to recover their actual damages plus attorney fees.

5. A provision where a buyer who defaulted on his contract or loan that is secured by consumer goods, and his balance due is less than \$500.00, the seller or lender would now be able to repossess the goods or automobile but he would not be allowed to collect the deficiency. Under present law, the seller or lender can repossess and still collect on the deficiency regardless of the amount involved.

Other portions of the bill include: 1. A prohibition against referral sale. 2. Restriction against home solicitors sale of consumer goods and services. 3. Requirement that telephone solicitors identify themselves and purpose within 30 seconds.

A provision which would allow a buyer to assert defenses against a bank or lending institution which purchases his installment contract or note, secured by consumer goods or vehicles.

Perhaps the biggest problem that the Legislature faced this session was the question of how to finance the state and still give some meaningful property tax relief to the home owners and property owners—to do this without the need for additional taxation.

This Legislature has put together the first new step in property tax relief in a decade of dealing with the problem. The property tax relief package is based upon the ability to pay with the major beneficiaries of a very progressive \$43 million program being Oregon's harder pressed senior citizens and low to middle income home owners.



THE NEW AEROSPAN building going up on Main St. is set for completion sometime this month. The firm is planning to move

into their new Sandy home on June 15. Workers are now completing the building which will house both an office and workshop. (Post photo)



THE SIGN ORDINANCE in the city of Sandy is currently undergoing revision by the city council, see front page story on the city council. This sign was put up on Main street recently but was removed by the city when the property owner said he had not given the sign contractor permission to place the sign. (Post photo)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To The Editor:

The Class of 1971 of Sandy high school wishes to extend "thanks" to sponsors and chaperons who supported our all-night graduation party.

The party was held following graduation on June 3. It lasted until 5:30 a.m. on June 4.

Those who helped as chaperons were: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Berger, Mr. and Mrs. Don Blair, Mr. James Duff, Mrs. Hermanson, Mrs. Fern Hunter, Mrs. Barbara Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Martin, Mr. and Mrs. George Morgan, Mrs. Della Reckmann, Mr. and Mrs. Curt Thornton, Mr. Milt Marcy, Mr. Jim Anstine, Mr. Cole, and the Sandy police department. And to all others who helped, thank you.

Class of 1971

To The Editor:

I want to thank the Dad's Club for the scholarship to Mt. Hood Community College.

Gary Boswell

To The Editor:

Recently my letterman's jacket was stolen from P.E. class. I played football for 6 years and I worked to buy my own jacket. It meant a lot to me. I would greatly appreciate its return.

Someone also took my tape deck from the electronic room. Why do people take things that do not belong to them?

Gary Boswell

To The Editor:

The Hibbs and Christensen families wish to express our grateful thanks to all those who participated in the search for Darryl Williams and Carol Hibbs. We thank God they were found alive. We will always remember the generous and unselfish efforts of those who gave aid and comfort and those who prayed for all of us.

Margaret Christensen

Carol Holt makes rally

Carol Holt a 1970 graduate of Sandy has been selected as a member of next year's rally squad at Mount Hood Community College.

The school will have only one rally squad for the year. The rally is made up of four girls and four boys.

Burning ban reinstated

Smoke from tens of thousands of backyard fires thinned this morning as the burning ban was reinstated following a 47 day interval of burning by permit only. During that time Pollution Haze Index readings, on the basis of 24-hour readings, averaged 25 per cent higher than those taken during a similar period a year ago.

Columbia-Willamette Air Pollution Authority officials said that 55,806 permits to burn backyard trash were issued in Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington Counties. However, Richard E. Hatchard, CWAPA Director, said many more fires than the number indicated added their smoke to the area because of two ways of issuing fire permits by fire authorities.

Portland and Multnomah County and a few other fire districts issued a permit each time debris was burned. Many other fire districts required only one original permit, followed by a telephoned request to permit burning on other occasions. Because of the shortage of help in some fire districts, no records were kept of additional requests relating to the original permit.

The southeastern portion of Portland had the dubious distinction of requesting the most permits, with 7413 granted. Southwest Portland was next with 5841, north and northeast with 3777 and northwest Portland with only 438. Almost 600 people complained to fire chiefs and CWAPA headquarters about excessive smoke during the period despite knowledge of the ban.

Proponents of the ban had predicted great reductions in the amount of roadside trash, but a check with officials in the three counties did not bear out this claim. Washington County officials said there was "some reduction of trash." Clackamas County officials said, "Minor reduction," and Multnomah County officials said there was no reduction, and that promiscuous dumping of debris remained at the same high level.

Fire officials also said that despite the wording of the ban's relaxation, there were "great numbers who misrepresented materials to be burned by

Tri-Met seeks funds for new facility

Tri-Met approved application for a Department of Transportation grant at its board meeting Monday which could be the first step toward construction of a \$3 million dollar repair and maintenance facility, according to General Manager Thomas S. King.

The DOT technical study grant, which King estimates will provide \$99,000, is to finance preparation of preliminary designs and cost estimates for major repair and maintenance facilities for Tri-Met, and also to develop designs for comprehensive data reporting systems which would enable more efficient planning and operations.

The study would be funded two-thirds by federal grant and one-third by local money from Tri-Met funds provided by the employers payroll tax.

King reported that specifications for the 135 new buses which Tri-Met plans to purchase have been submitted to DOT for approval prior to calling for bids.

Also announced at the board meeting was the Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission public hearing to

discuss the Tri-Met budget for fiscal year 1972. The hearing will be at 2:30 p.m., June 22, in the Multnomah County Courthouse.

Truck robbed

A stereo valued at \$150 was reported stolen June 6 from a truck belonging to Frederick H. Stillman, Jr., 16207 SE Main St., according to sheriff's reports.

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