

have greatly benefitted through our present tax structure. In general, their sales tax payments, plus property tax payments, are now less than what their property tax burden would have been under our former system."

Verne McKinney, Editor—"Oregon's income tax rates are among the highest of any of the states in the union, and if they were increased to any extent could easily discourage residence in the state. California and Washington have the sales tax with the result that they are well able to pay for the increased demands of governmental services by the people. The present measure is the result of a great deal of study on the part of our legislature in an effort to make both ends meet. If there is a better method, why don't the opponents offer a solution?"

Earl Hill, Manager of the Oregon Sales Tax Committee, speaking before

the Agenda Club—"The state's aged citizens dependent upon the Welfare Commission for support will face financial distress should the sales tax fail to pass October 7. Revenue from liquor has fallen below the estimated receipts, with the result that the state is now borrowing money to keep up its share of the old age assistance fund. Had the sales tax been in effect at this time, as much as would be necessary to keep the amount set up and directed by law for the welfare of the aged, could be taken from the one-sixth set aside of the first \$22 million. This

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