

State Capitol News Letter

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Tax Limitation Plan Puzzles Officials About Future

SALEM—The proposal of the Tax Limitation league to put a check rein on property taxes is causing state officials no little concern. Applied to the state the proposed measure would limit the tax levy against property to two mills at the outset with a gradual reduction to a maximum of 1.5 mills after five years. This, it is pointed out, would be barely sufficient to raise the elements of a school fund, which is actually a county fund, classed as a state tax, leaving nothing at all for state departments and institutions.

Concern over the effect of the proposed tax limitation upon public finances is by no means limited to state officials. County school superintendents, meeting here this week, characterized the proposal as "destructive" and went on record as opposed to the program "until a plan for financing the schools can be made complete."

State officials point out that adoption of the proposed tax limitation would leave but two alternative, drastic curtailment of state functions or the adoption of new sources of revenue to offset the loss in property taxes. Recent experience in Oregon with attempts to increase the income tax and to put over a retail sales tax do not leave much room for optimism on that score.

For their part sponsors of the tax limitation measure call attention to the fact that there is nothing new or original in their program and that they have ample precedent for their proposal. Eight states, they point out, have already enacted tax limitation legislation in their efforts to provide relief for property owners.

Indiana, for example, limited its property tax levy to 25 mills, raising the major portion of its public revenues from income, intangibles, excise and gasoline taxes. In Michigan property taxes are limited to a maximum levy of 18 mills, except for a limited state levy on a retail sales tax for its revenue.

The Ohio state constitution limits the property levy to 10 mills except for a limited state levy on a retail sales tax for its revenue. The state department will ask for more money to pay salaries and expenses of circuit judges, but the exact extent of this deficiency has not yet been determined.

At least three state activities are confronted with a shortage in their appropriations. Two have already appealed to the emergency board and the third, the department of transportation, entrusted with administration of the truck and bus act, is asking for a deficiency appropriation of \$30,000 to carry on its activities for the remainder of the biennium.

Relief Meet Here Ends in Walkout

Clash Over Recognition of Civil Emergency Group Breaks Up Session

Cases Held Individual Study by Officials Indicates Presence of Communism

Failure of the county relief committee to accede to demands that claims for additional relief be considered as Civil Emergency Federation cases and not individually reviewed in a "walk-out" on the part of federation members who met Wednesday night at the court house with the county body and Ivan White, state relief executive.

That the Washington county relief committee was ready and anxious at all times to hear individual complaints regarding relief was the statement of Chairman R. W. Well to federation members. He declared that if the committee found that adjustments were necessary, immediate steps would be taken to rectify the situation.

That consideration of additional relief for persons now receiving relief is a matter of the committee and the individuals in question rather than any organization was the contention of the relief group in refusing to recognize the Multnomah county spokesman or the federation. Boynton declared that the committee preferred to deal with individuals who could be "weeded" out of their rights.

Group Leaves Meet "The relief committee has a definite duty to perform and is limited in funds," declared John Thornburgh of Forest Grove in explaining the committee's stand.

Conferences with the various public utilities in the county to the west of the county (Continued on page 4, column 4)

Youth Drowns Near Tigard

Despite desperate efforts on the part of his companions to save him, Lawrence Workentine, 19, Portland, was drowned Saturday afternoon at Roamers' Rest near Tigard. The youth had gone in swimming at the resort with Norman Nellis, also of Portland, and was drowned after he had slid into deep water from a chute.

Nellis told Fred Sewell, county coroner who investigated the tragedy, that Workentine apparently got into difficulty after sliding into the water. Nellis went to the aid of his companion and was pulled under. He managed to break free, but was unable to regain a hold on the drowning youth. The body was recovered an hour and a half later.

Disabled Vets Picnic at Cherry Grove Sunday

Washington county chapter, Disabled American Veterans, has suspended chapter meetings for July and August. Instead of regular meetings a chapter picnic will be held Sunday, July 22, at Cherry Grove on the Tualatin. In August a big state picnic for the northern part of the state will be held at Hirtner's park on the Yamhill river.

House of David Team Captures "Bear" Pelt for Game Trophy

Bewildered gentlemen representing the Israelite House of David captured the Hillsboro pelt to their growing collection of baseball trophies Monday afternoon when the visitors defeated the local squad by a score of 10-2. The game was played on the two-home runs by Heinrich, local shortstop, fielding of Atwell, the House of David short stop, and a snappy "pepper" game were the highlights of the tilt.

Visitors opened the game with a bang, scoring four runs in the first half of the initial frame. Hutson singled and was forced out at second by Hanson. Tally Atwell, veteran of the visiting squad, and Wykoff walked to fill the bases, and then Cliff singled to score Hanson and Tally Atwell. Then he smashed out a two-base hit to bring in Wykoff and Cliff, but died on second when the next two batters were put out. Heinrich, second man up for Hillsboro, knocked a home run over the east fence to score Hillsboro's only tally and then Oakes duplicated the feat in the second after the first had been held scoreless.

Ex-Official Dies



E. J. Ward, former county judge and former county commissioner, who died in Portland Saturday evening, Judge Ward formerly resided on a farm near Gaston and had only recently moved into Portland. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon.

Death Calls Judge Ward Former County Jurist Dies Saturday in Portland

Edward J. Ward, 71, ex-county judge and ex-county commissioner of Washington county, died Saturday evening at the home of his daughter in Portland after an illness of nearly three years. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at 2 p. m. from the Donelson & Sewell chapel and interment was at the Fernhill cemetery. Rev. H. A. Dock of Hillsboro and Rev. F. C. Butler of Portland officiated.

Judge Ward had been a resident of Washington county for 46 years, spending the major portion of that time on his farm near Gaston. He served one term as county commissioner from 1900 to 1904 and 21 years later was elected county judge, serving from 1925 to 1931. During the last term as a public official he resided in Hillsboro.

He was born in Indiana, October 15, 1862, and was married to Miss Mary Jane Scoville near here in 1888. He is survived by the widow, one son, James B. Ward of Portland, and two daughters, Mrs. Sarah Catherine McBurney of Gaston and Mrs. Ethel M. Lang of Portland. In addition, one brother, John W. Ward of Chambers, Ind.; four sisters, Mrs. Ida Phebus, Mrs. Rose Gansby and Mrs. Bessie Carson, all of Yoman, Ind., and Mrs. Effie Simons of Plymouth, Ind.; and seven grandchildren.

Republicans to Form County Club Friday

E. B. Nedry of Tigard, state chairman of republican clubs, will be the principal speaker at the organization of a Washington county club Friday at 8 p. m. in the Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce rooms. All republicans in the county are invited to attend, according to Paul L. Patterson of Hillsboro, who called the initial meeting.

County republican candidates have been invited to attend the session and several state leaders from Portland are expected to be in attendance. This meeting is one of a series being held throughout the state following up a program outlined at a recent meeting in Portland.

Hillsboro Day at Champooe

Sunday will be Hillsboro Day at Champooe, with members of David Hill chapter, D. A. R., as hostesses.

Grove Bank to Conduct Sheep Show

Contest Saturday Culminates Initial Year New Line of 4-H Club Work

Eighteen Enter Stock Oregon State Professor to Judge Animal Exhibits

First annual Forest Grove National bank sheep show, the culminating feature of the initial for a new line of 4-H club work for Washington county, will be held Saturday in the Fendall warehouse across from the Forest Grove city hall. As a result of the program started by John Thornburgh, president of the bank, two sheep clubs have been formed and 18 boys entered in the contest.

Each exhibitor will be given an exhibitor's ribbon as soon as his sheep are entered. Place ribbons and premiums for the first five places will be awarded in each of the three classes, namely: breeding ewes, yearling show and wethers. Any boy may have many sheep in a single class as he wishes, but can take only one place.

Woman Seeks Damages for Injuries in Accident

Damages of \$25,754 were asked by Miss Frances Hughes in a suit filed Thursday in the circuit court against Alfred Berger. Miss Hughes alleges that she was seriously injured in an auto accident March 18 at Beaverton between a car in which she was a passenger and one driven by Berger. She asks \$25,000 general damages and \$754 special damages for medical care.

Suit to collect contributions alleged to be due under the workmen's compensation law was filed Monday by the State Industrial Accident Commission against Charles VanDorn. The defendant is engaged in building erection and concrete and composition walks, according to the complaint.

Complaint charging the Stimson Lumber company with operating a saw mill without an efficient pump was filed Friday in the local justice of the peace court by the state fire marshal. No disposition has been made of the case.

Fine of \$10 and costs was assessed Cephas Stomax of Hillsboro Saturday when he pleaded guilty before A. W. Havens, justice of the peace, on a charge of reckless driving. Mrs. Marion Huntley of Glen Cullen was also fined \$10 and costs the same day when she entered a plea of guilty to failure to give her name and address at the scene of an accident. Ray Glenn, Cornelius route 2, was fined \$10 and costs Saturday on a charge of having no PUC plates on his truck.

Spiering Barn Burns Monday

LAUREL—Fire destroyed the barn and milk house on the place occupied by John Spiering one-half mile east of Laurel Monday evening. Two horses, about 50 tons of hay, a set of harness and a wagon were completely destroyed by the blaze which was discovered about 9:15.

The Hillsboro fire apparatus was called, and aided by a favorably directed breeze, did efficient work in getting the other buildings, flying sparks and embers threatened the Henry Reese building and had it not been for the showers during the day they might have been destroyed.

The horses were one of the finest teams in the county. The dairy cows, about fourteen in number, had been turned out to pasture after milking and Mr. Spiering had planned to turn the horses out before retiring.

The milk house was built only two years ago and was modernly equipped for grade B milk. The barn was re-modeled then also. Spiering succeeded in saving the electric water heater from the milk house. The place is owned by Arthur Michael of near Portland. Cause of the fire is unknown. Only a small amount of insurance was carried on the buildings.

Mr. and Mrs. Spiering wish to extend their heart-felt thanks to their many friends and neighbors who assisted in doing all that could be done.

Damage estimated at between \$2500 and \$3000 was done by a fire which destroyed the N. P. Nelson home at Buxton Wednesday morning. About one-third of the furniture was saved. The blaze was believed to have been caused by a defective fuse.

Gale Grange Presents Program Local Grange

Gale Grange put on the program at the Saturday all-day meeting of Hillsboro Grange. Visiting masters present were C. E. Robertson of Gale Grange, Mrs. Sadie Beal, past master of Gale; Mrs. H. Stricklin of Sherwood Grange and Charles Dickinson of Oswego Grange. A debate on "It Is Useless for the Grangers to Better Their Financial Condition," between Gale and Hillsboro Granges, will be held at the August Saturday meeting.

Air Mail Stamps to be Redeemed by Post Office

Redemption of eight-cent air mail stamps and envelopes at full value in six-cent air mail stamps and envelopes until August 15 was authorized by the postmaster-general this week, according to word received at the local office. After August 15 only stamp value on envelopes will be allowed.

Auto Crash Brings Suit

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SERIA Work Grows Here

Work started this week on the county sewing project, Forest Grove is the center of the Durham school, bringing the total of SERA programs in the county to 19 this week, according to W. J. Mills, county manager. Twelve of the projects are in urban areas, two are rural and five are teaching programs.

Project for the renovating of old clothing to be used in relief work was launched Wednesday morning at Hillsboro. Additional centers are to be established at Forest Grove, Beaverton and Sherwood. Proposed to Mills Women workers will be rotated every two weeks with the result that 32 women will be employed each month.

Work at the Forest Grove union high school consists of grading the gymnasium. Proposed painting of buildings will be started after the grading is completed. Painting and repairing buildings and laying cement walks comprises the work at the Durham school.

Dog Saves Life of Portland Man

J. S. Aplin, 66, Portland, probably owes his life to the almost human actions of his faithful little dog. Late Tuesday evening Carl Carlson, who lives near Gale Creek, was approached at his barn by a friendly little dog. When the animal appeared to the alarmed human, Carlson stepped into the woods. Carlson followed and found Aplin lying on his back in a small stream.

That Aplin had driven his car into the area last Thursday and had gotten the car stuck in the sand was the report of Harry Johnson, deputy, who brought the man to Hillsboro. The man had been lost five days and was suffering from exposure. Aplin was lost in the same vicinity about six weeks ago, according to Johnson.

Local Man Fatally Hurt in Accident

Charles G. Crawford Struck by Dr. Dinsmore's Car Here Last Night

Inquest Called Today

Funeral Services Scheduled for Saturday Afternoon

Fatally injured when he was struck by an automobile driven by Dr. J. B. Dinsmore, local physician, near the Christian church last evening, Charles G. Crawford, 73, of Hillsboro died about midnight at Jones hospital. A coroner's inquest was held called for this afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Dr. Dinsmore was reported to have been answering a hospital call when the fatal accident occurred at about 8:45 p. m. He told authorities that he did not see the man, dressed in dark clothing, until the crash. Conscious after the mishap, Crawford stated that he did not observe the approaching car as he started across Baseline street, according to officers.

Officers investigating the accident declared that the doctor's machine stopped within 20 to 30 feet after the impact. Dr. Dinsmore told authorities that he was not traveling over 25 miles per hour at the time of the accident. Left fender and headlight on the doctor's car were bent and the glass broken out of the headlight.

Funeral services for Crawford will be conducted Saturday at 2 p. m. from the Donelson & Sewell chapel with Rev. R. L. Putnam officiating. Interment will be at the Hillsboro I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Crawford, born March 2, 1861, at St. Louis, Mo., was a retired secretary who had resided in Hillsboro for the past 10 years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Barbara Crawford of Hillsboro, seven sons, Rexie, Henry, Dennis, Chester, Paul, Arthur and Elmer Crawford, all of Hillsboro, and four daughters, Mrs. Mary Huff of Montana, Mrs. Nora Belle Tucker and Mrs. Pearl Lattanz, both of Hillsboro, and Mrs. Anna Hoague of Oreono.

Two girls were injured Friday in a collision between cars driven by Loren W. Burbank, Gaston, and Ed Spalinger, Forest Grove, near the Patton valley road. Thelma Burbank, 9, suffered an injured back, while Annie Davis, 20, received a cut knee and a bruised arm.

Thieves Loot Three Houses

Small amount of cash, two watches, gold locket and other jewelry were stolen Thursday evening from the home of Mrs. Rose Frost, Hillsboro. Prowlers entered the house through an unlocked door.

Burglars entered the homes of two Forest Grove residents Saturday night, taking a small amount of cash and a watch, according to reports received by Sheriff Connel. Money and a watch were taken from Mrs. Edna Poorman's home, while a small amount of money was taken at the home of C. M. Bagstad.

Alleged to have run down two men on the Canyon road July 8, L. J. Miller of Portland was taken into custody Thursday at Portland. He was returned to Hillsboro to face a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Francis Thomas Lattanzi, Portland poultry dealer, was arrested Friday on a Washington county indictment charging obtaining goods under false pretenses. The indictment, which was secret at the time, was returned by the grand jury May 1933. Lattanzi is alleged to have purchased chickens near Tigard and to have given checks in payment without sufficient funds in the bank.

Charged with driving while intoxicated, Frank Potakis of Forest Grove was taken into custody Tuesday near the Canyon road. He pleaded guilty in the local justice of the peace court Wednesday and was fined \$100 and sentenced to 30 days in the county jail. His driver's license was also revoked and his car impounded for 40 days.

"Friday the 13th" proved unlucky for G. E. Turner at the local Stannard Oil station. He reported to J. W. Connell, sheriff, that a stranger had passed an alleged bad check at the station Friday evening. The check was drawn on the Commercial National bank. Kenneth Denney, Beaverton route 1, reported the theft of a gas engine from his pump house Friday.

B. A. Knight of Hillsboro was arrested late Tuesday evening on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Washington Folk Buy Farm Near Hillsboro

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Edwards of Marysville, Wash., have purchased a 92-acre farm, northwest of Hillsboro, from Leonard VanLom. Mr. and Mrs. VanLom have moved to the W. S. Alexander house on West Baseline street. The deal was closed this week by E. A. Griffith, local real estate man.

Bouquet of \$50



This bouquet of "dollar flowers" and 50 one-dollar bills was presented to Glencoe lodge No. 22, Knights of Pythias, at North Plains Saturday night, when the lodge held its fiftieth anniversary. Bouquet was presented to the lodge by the Pythian Sisters, Charles Walter, grand inner guard, is holding the bouquet, which was made by Mrs. Emma Dierdorf. Story is on page 6.

Large Sums Spent Here SERA Jobs

McGee Reports Expenditures of \$35,000 Made to Date Hillsboro Projects

Total of approximately \$35,000 has been expended by the city on CWA and SERA projects to date, George McGee, city manager, declared Thursday in discussing city affairs at the Rotary club Report was also given by McGee relative to the condition of city finances, bonded indebtedness and taxation.

Projects allotted to the city of Hillsboro under the two programs have totaled \$25,105.43, while expenditures by the government at the David Hill and union high schools amounted to \$9,296.23.

City Condition Told Rotarians Hear Comparison with 1884 Statistics

Repairs at the Hillsboro city hall called for expenditures totaling \$1744.46, McGee reported. CWA funds expended amounted to \$1101.79 in wages and \$150.95 for materials. The city contributed \$183.81 in cash for materials and \$308 in engineering supervision and trucks. Wages paid by the government on the work on city records totaled \$1420 while the city expended foreman and timekeeper \$100, materials \$19 and office light and heat \$25, a total of \$563.70.

Work on storm sewers in the eastern portion of the city called for a total expenditure of \$10,761.46 while the CWA and SERA programs. Wages paid by the CWA totaled \$7314.35 and for materials \$2153.75. The city contributed \$147.63 for supplies and \$605.83 for engineering supervision and trucks. An additional \$500 was spent under the SERA.

Cleaning and repair work at the city park before the "Happy Days" celebration resulted in an expenditure of \$1263.96 by the SERA and \$400 by the city. Total of \$2663.96 was spent for repairing the city library and \$215.21 for book repair, a total of \$501.29. On the first project the government paid \$216 in wages and \$37.70 for materials, while the city contributed (Continued on page 8, column 4)

Dairy Group Holds Picnic

Washington County Holstein association picnic at the Lindow & Sons' ranch Tuesday was attended by some 150 Holstein breeders and 4-H club members. Fifty-two club members took part in the cattle judging contest in which Bob Heinrich of the Schefflin dairy club and Ignatius Evers of the Verboort dairy club tied for first place with perfect scores. The Verboort dairy club team placed first in this contest with the Rock Creek club and Kinton dairy club tying for second.

S. B. Hall, county agent of Multnomah county, was official judge for the contest and gave 4-H club members a talk on the judging of cattle. H. S. Mathieson, western field representative of the Holstein-Friesian association, and Hall, shared honors as the main speakers. Mathieson reported on plans for the national Holstein convention which is to be held in Seattle next year, while S. B. Hall reported on the 1933 convention which was held at Baltimore.

Dr. Hoffman, who was present as a representative of the East Eide Commercial club, expressed the interest which the business men of Portland have in the dairy industry. He was accompanied by Dr. H. S. Mathieson, county agent. Other speakers were Jake Luschner, manager of the Pacific International Livestock exposition; Clay Miller, club leader of Multnomah county; H. Seymour, state club leader; and Joseph Belanger, assistant county agent.

One of the features of the day was the showing of Pet Johanna Segis Beaman, 13-year-old cow that has been the foundation cow of the Lindow herd. This cow was shown with five generations of immediate descendants, one of which, a grandson of the old cow, is the present herd sire. This old cow has been one of the most persistent producers, producing 645 pounds of fat as a five-year-old, 598 pounds as a nine-year-old and an even 620 as a 10-year-old. Lindow's herd represents one of the finest examples of careful breeding that we have in the northwest, according to Mathieson.

County Man First Victim of Strike

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Spray Advised Now to Control Codling Moths on Fruit Trees

Apple and pear growers in the Willamette valley should apply the third cover spray now for the control of codling moth. The second brood moths are now flying, and last evening eggs were deposited. Under ordinary Willamette valley weather conditions, these eggs will hatch in seven or eight days. The spray should be applied before these eggs hatch, says B. G. Thompson, assistant entomologist at the experiment station, in a notice to the county agent's office.

The recommended spray is powdered lead arsenate used at the rate of three pounds to 100 gallons of water. In orchards where codling moth is not a serious problem, two pounds of powdered lead arsenate to 100 gallons of water is sufficient to give control.

Calcium arsenate has been used successfully in the Willamette valley for codling moth control. Tests carried on by the entomology department of the Oregon experiment station over a period of five years indicate that under Willamette valley conditions calcium arsenate is only slightly less effective than lead arsenate in codling moth control.

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Strike Fails to Stop Fuel

Threatened drought of gasoline in Hillsboro as a result of the waterfront strike failed to materialize this week. However, a number of stations were forced to ration out small quantities of fuel per customer during the early part of the week.

Late Sunday a few stations reported that the supply was running low and several stations were out of gasoline entirely for a short time Monday. However, major petroleum companies pooled their resources with the result that the majority of the stations had at least a small supply. Signs were posted on the pumps stating that fuel from the pumps might be of a brand other than advertised.

Fuel oil supply at the county court house was exhausted last Thursday and it has been impossible to replenish the tanks.

Rumors that the electric power supply in Hillsboro as a result of a general strike in Portland caused considerable concern to several local industries early in the week.

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