

Education Department Reveals Effect School Tax Bill Will Have on Counties

Tabulation Shows Equalization Measure Would Cause 16 to Get Less Than Paid in, 20 Would Get More

How the school tax equalization bill now before the state legislature would affect Oregon counties was shown Saturday in a tabulation prepared by the state department of education.

Sixteen counties would receive less than they would pay under the tax play, which calls for a levy sufficient to produce \$20 per school census child; the remaining 20 counties would receive for their own use more than they would pay into the fund.

The fact that the new levy would raise more taxes than the present two-mill elementary tax which it would replace would protect individual counties from the fate of receiving less money for school purposes than they do under the existing system.

But their shares in the collections above the two-mill rate would vary according to the proportion of their pupil days' attendance at elementary and high schools to that of other counties.

The equalization act does not affect the \$10 per child county school fund.

Each county under the new bill would pay \$276,974 into the equalization fund and receive \$346,126.

In general the equalization bill would not raise additional school taxes because it provides that amounts received in excess of the two-mill rate should be utilized by the county assessor to reduce local school levies.

The education department's table listed the approximate sums that would be paid out and received back under the act as follows:

County	Amount Paid	Amount Received
Baker	1,250,000	1,250,000
Clatsop	87,079	106,888
Columbia	68,428	120,257
Cook	122,389	173,772
Curry	29,117	27,296
Deschutes	21,282	25,253
Douglas	60,009	99,709
Gilliam	136,216	149,585
Grant	41,983	14,394
Harris	39,999	28,818
Hood River	34,727	26,190
Jackson	48,819	70,959
Jefferson	168,578	196,917
Josephine	23,552	8,262
Klamath	45,212	62,325
Lane	215,388	193,975
Lincoln	51,282	28,243
Linn	239,614	367,249
Marion	48,808	78,775
Morrow	172,607	178,915
Multnomah	71,428	131,692
Polk	87,274	346,126
Sherman	1,814,539	1,447,967
Tillamook	96,294	104,297
Union	66,776	68,995
Washougal	225,323	127,978
Wasco	91,084	101,555
Wheeler	49,684	43,283
Yamhill	92,227	99,959
Yamhill	156,357	203,785
Yamhill	18,627	13,251
Yamhill	119,357	192,125

Oregon Penal System Hit

TILLAMOOK, Feb. 22—(AP)—Dr. Samuel Haig Jameson charged Saturday that Oregon's penal institutions were inefficiently managed and suggested that administrative jobs be filled by the merit system rather than as "political plums."

The University of Oregon sociology professor said in an address that the state penitentiary was overcrowded and that rehabilitation programs of the state industrial schools were not complete.

He spoke at a joint meeting of the Tillamook County League of Women Voters and the Tillamook branch of the American Association of University Women.

Memorial Asks Judicial Study

The senate and house judiciary committees Saturday introduced a resolution providing for an interim committee to study proposals by the judiciary section of the American Bar association.

The committee would file its findings prior to the 1943 legislative session.

The proposals include: Improvement of jury personnel; liberalization of rules of evidence; modernization of rules governing pleadings; simplify procedure of appeals; effect improvement in judicial organization; that power to prescribe rules of practice be transferred from the legislature to the judiciary; regulation of appeals from administration tribunals.

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Nazis Hit US Sofia Envoy

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The German was said to have been struck in the head by another bottle, suffering severe cuts.

Bulgarian employes of the restaurant detained Erie in an anteroom while police hustled all the Germans out.

"Accompanied by representatives of Associated Press and United Press I was in a restaurant in Sofia tonight presenting (requesting) the playing of 'Tipperary'. A German threw a bottle at me. I warned it off and retaliated by injuring his features. The incident was regrettable but I saw no other course."

249th Enjoy New Barracks

Soldiers From Clatsop Become Accustomed to Having Roofs

The second week of the 249th CA's occupation of Fort Stevens passed quietly for the majority of the 1050 soldiers. Bivouacs, parades and marches comprised the routine of most of the batteries, with gunnery practice for the firing units.

Soldiers who came from Camp Clatsop recently are fast becoming accustomed to having roofs over their head and heated buildings to sleep in instead of tents they formerly occupied. Recreational activities are becoming more a part of training.

Wednesday night the 249th band presented a short program. The audience which filled the new theatre building enjoyed a program arranged and directed by Warrant Officer Germain.

Headquarters battery, Second battalion recently promoted a trio of soldiers. Sergeant Jack Sullivan was made staff sergeant; Capt. Thure Lindstrom made sergeant; and Private First Class Walter Heine promoted to corporal.

Court Promises To Repair Road

An appeal by Mrs. Barney Kirsch Friday evoked a promise on the part of the Marion county court to start completion Monday of the Schramm road on the south side of the Little North Fork of the Santiam river above Taylor's grove.

Mrs. Kirsch explained that she, her husband and her eight-year-old daughter have lived all winter at the old Crabtree mill site, three miles above Taylor's grove, in spite of the fact that county road workers left their only road in an impassable condition when they ceased work because of heavy mid-winter rains.

Since that time the Kirsch family has depended on a flimsy and precarious footbridge across the river from their home to the Elk-horn road.

The county court agreed to start work gravelling the Schramm road next week, and to continue it to the old mill site, its eastern terminus, as rapidly as possible.

Plane-Wrecked Writer Reports

LIMA, Peru, Feb. 22—(AP)—John Lear, a writer for the special news service of the Associated Press, and one of five occupants of a grounded airliner who became lost in the Secura desert of northern Peru, has arrived in the coastal town of Morrope, it was reported Saturday night from nearby Chiclayo.

Lear, the American pilot, Hughie Wells, a native of Shrewsbury, Mass., and one other passenger, left the stranded airplane late Tuesday in search of aid. The report did not mention Wells or the passenger.

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ORVAL C. KENNEN

Appointed New Chief Clerk

Appointment of Orval C. Kennen as chief clerk of the Ladd & Bush-Salem branch of the United States National bank of Portland was announced Saturday by officers of the institution.

Associated with Ladd & Bush bank and its successor for 14 years, Kennen began his banking career as a messenger in California. Upon entering Ladd & Bush he served first in a minor capacity the interior department, from which he advanced to become head bookkeeper and assistant auditor.

Kennen has been active in the Marion county chapter of the American Institute of Banking and is now its president. A native of Salem, is 33 years old, married and has one daughter.

The chief clerk's desk will be located in the \$50,000 addition to the bank, which will be opened to the public early in March.

Mother, Four Children Die In Ranch Fire

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Feb. 22—(AP)—Fire, spreading with explosive rapidity over the tarpaper lined rooms of an old ranch house near Cave Junction, in a remote section of southwestern Oregon, early Friday morning burned a young mother and her four children—three of them her own—to death. Four others escaped.

County coroner Virgil Hull said Mrs. Frank Thompson, 22, her children, Irene, 4 months, Francis, 18 months, and Marian, 4 years, and Edna Thompson, 3 years, lost their lives.

Edna was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Thompson. They are the parents-in-law and grandparents of the other victims.

The five victims were trapped in the attic. Mrs. E. M. Thompson and her two sons, aged 11 and 3 years, were asleep on the lower floor and escaped with the aid of Frank Thompson who discovered the fire.

Pay for Officers Report Awaited

A bill by Sen. Thomas R. Mahoney (D-Mult.) providing that national guard officers employed by the state who are called into military service shall receive their state compensation along with military pay for two weeks, will be reported out by the senate military affairs committee Monday.

Sen. Mahoney said there was some difference of opinion among members of the committee and that a divided report might result.

Several members of the committee conferred with Governor Charles A. Sprague Saturday in connection with the measure.

Four-Day Storm In South Ends

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22—(AP)—Clearing skies Saturday followed early morning downpours accompanied by lightning, ending a storm which drenched southern California for four days.

Heavy ground swells crashed against the strand at Redondo beach, threatening new damage. Six persons were rescued by lifeguards in the Redondo-Hermosa area.

Youths Admit Setting Blasts in Portland

PORTLAND, Feb. 22—(AP)—Five high school youths admitted Friday that they set off dynamite blasts in scattered sections of Portland last Sunday night, Circuit Judge James W. Crawford said Saturday.

The jurist delivered a reprimand and declared the case closed.

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pericentric rating penalty rates are not invoked, a proposal made in house bill 414.

Either this bill, or senate bill 25, however, must be enacted if the unemployment compensation commission is to be spared a dispute with the federal social security board over the propriety of its experience rating legislation. The latter bill does not also deal in penalty rate questions.

That leaves the question of which labor wants more. If the committee recommends liberalization on this score, it probably will retain the present \$15 a

LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR

3rd Readings Monday
House: HB 174, 333, 365, 393, 428, 453, 489, 490; SB 51, 79, 89, 90, 119, 121, 143, 198, 244; SJM 3; special order, 10:30 a. m., HB 336 on old age pensions.

Senate: SB 193, 241, 262, 276, 283, 284, 288, 301, 303, 135, 249, 261; SCR 7; HB 27, 38, 154, 253, 308, 386, 426, 443, 472, 473, 475, 81, 263, 354, 366; special order, 10:30 a. m., SB 1 on speed limits.

Governor Charles A. Sprague Saturday signed eight bills previously approved by both legislative houses.

One of these bills, by Senator Kauffman, increases the salary of the Lincoln county treasurer to \$1200 a year.

Other bills signed: SB 40—Relating to operation of steam or internal combustion engine.

SB 45—Relating to burning of refuse.

SB 48—Relating to permits for connecting woods operations.

SB 61—To provide for participation in emergency fire cost by official fire districts.

SB 185—Relating to Oregon rehabilitation corporation.

SB 191, by J. N. Jones—Relating to time of holding circuit court in ninth judicial district.

SB 205, by Steiwer—relating to salaries of Wheeler county officials.

week top but allow low income workers more than they now receive, and may even push the maximum up to \$16 or \$17. The committee has conferred at great length with commission statisticians over such schemes' effects on the insurance reserve fund, now standing above the \$11,000,000 mark.

Industries Committee Ponders Altering System
At the other end of the capital, the senate industries committee is scratching its collective head over the many proposals to alter the state's industrial accident insurance system. It may throw up its hands and quit by reporting out only the changes that it feels must be made at this time.

The senate will debate the first bill introduced there at 10:30 a. m. Monday—the speed limit measure that would make the motorist instead of the arresting officer bear the burden of proof when violation of the basic rule is charged. Its provision for a 55-mile designated speed on the open highway will be contested by senators favoring raising the ante to 60.

Other of the 28 bills listed for third reading in the senate Monday include those to give Klamath county a senator exclusively its own and eliminate Sen. Rex Ellis' joint district; to authorize the state to exchange forest lands and make cooperative land use deals, and to transfer probate work from county to circuit judges in counties outside Multnomah.

New Senate Battle Shaping on Tax Board
A fresh senate battle began shaping yesterday over the bill the house passed Friday to make the state tax commission a one-man body. The bill will have hard sledding in the upper house.

Heading the list of 19 bills before the house Monday is House Bill 336, up to 10:30 a. m., to remove the \$30 top from old age pensions. Congressional reappointment is on the calendar, too, but not expected to arouse much debate.

The house could complete its work by next Saturday night, in the opinion of Speaker Robert S. Farr, Jr., but probably won't. Most observers are guessing on

March 8, the 55th day, as the adjournment day, but there are also those who would suggest even March 15.

Farrell, to speed up proceedings, has asked that all major laws and means committee bills be reported out Tuesday, and Rep. Angus Gibson, house chairman, says it shall be done. The committee was waited upon against last week by higher education leaders, who asked for an additional \$72,000. The committee has already deemed it necessary to exceed the executive budget by \$350,000, a deficit that may be cut by anticipated extra receipts, such as inheritance taxes. The six-year building program for state institutions is due for a report from the committee.

The session has seen 803 bills introduced as against 869 at this stage in 1939. They break down as follows:

Senate House	308	495
Bills introduced	132	70
Senate bills passed	97	213
House bills passed	27	37
Defeated or withdrawn	37	61

Bills signed by governor, 87; bills becoming law without governor's signature, 2.

Students Hoot Nazi Chiefs

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sector of Italian Somaliland, and British bombings of Italian positions at Dire-dawa and Cinele, Ethiopia, and further attacks on Cheren, Eritrea.

A correspondent of Reuters, British news agency, said British-led native demolition squads in Gojjam province, Ethiopia, were worrying the Italians into retreat both north and south of Lake Tana.

British and Nazi planes fought over the straits of Dover. German warships came out to lay a smoke screen off Cap Gris Nez where long-range guns have been firing for months at the English coast.

Japan Troops Move South

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CHUNGKING, Feb. 22—(AP)—The Chinese Central Daily News said Saturday that 6,000 Japanese troops embarked Feb. 15 from Hoikow, northeast port on Hainan island, and proceeded southward.

The newspaper said 100 Japanese warships including two aircraft carriers and commercial vessels were active in the Gulf of Tonkin nearby and the waters surrounding Hainan island off the southeastern Chinese coast.

Group Requests Ambulance Funds

Salem's British-American ambulance drive executive committee Friday asked Salem people to contribute as generously as possible. Aid to England is a defense for America and now is the critical time for us to help, the committee stated. Salem is far from reaching its set quota, it was said.

Chairman George Arbuckle asks those who may not have been solicited to send or bring their donations to Walter T. Jenks, secretary of the Marion county unit, or to the following members of the executive committee: Paul Wallace, Dr. P. O. Riley, William McGilchrist, Jr., Rev. Robert Hutchinson, Gardner Knapp or Milton Meyers.

Late Sports

EUREKA, Calif., Feb. 22—(AP)—Southern Oregon College of Education outgulfed and outplayed the Humboldt State college basketball team in the Humboldt gym at Arcata Saturday night to take a fast, rough tilt, 46 to 34. The setback broke a string of seven consecutive victories for Humboldt.

Oregon High School Basketball By The Associated Press
Oregon State Rooks 21, Astoria 15.

The Dalles 38, Hood River 34 (district No. 2 playoffs).
Pendleton 26, Milton-Freewater 20.

Arlington 38, St. Mary's 18 (district 7B championship).
Reedsport 28, Yoncalla 22.
Drain 47, Days Creek 33.
Days Creek 34, Lookingglass 32.
Drain 42, Elkton 28.

Lend Measure Gets Pounding

McCarron of Nevada Predicts War in Sixty Days

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Bishop to Speak

Bishop Ivan Leo Holt of the Dallas, Tex., area of the Methodist church will be the principal speaker at a meeting in the senior high school auditorium today at 3 p. m., sponsored by the Salem Ministerial association.

In One Ear . . .

—Paul Hauser's Column

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manac which tells us that today is Quinquagesima Sunday and that there will be rain and then freezing in most parts of New England. Don't plan any weekend trips to New England.

Despite the threat of getting some rare Egyptian disease, left by the last emperor as a curse on the outlander who disturbed his remains, we dig down into the next tier and unearth an item telling of how the Germans are making coffee out of Dutch tulip bulbs. This is nothing new as Charlie Pray, the state chef de gen darmes, has been maintaining for years that it is how most of the restaurants get their coffee.

The next layer consisted entirely of old bottle caps, many of them collector's items, which were immediately shipped to the Metropolitan museum for classification and assembly.

Getting down into historic times we find that the British have captured "a position of considerable importance" in Africa, the town of Jumbo on the Juba river. Communiques did not say that Juba Jumbo should not be confused with the hamburger of nearly the same name.

As for tomorrow it will be a bank holiday in most of South America, in Cuba, where it is the anniversary of the revolution of Balra, in Bombay, where it is Maha Shivratri (not to be confused with Maha Shismak-Ingeyosaim). In Salem, where it is the birthday of Paul H. Hauser, Jr., banks will observe the occasion by closing at three o'clock.

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