

Leslie Scott Voices Opposition To Withholding Tax, Decreased Exemptions in Silverton Talk

SILVERTON, Feb. 10 — Oregon's new withholding tax and lower exemptions for state income tax drew fire from State Treasurer Leslie Scott in his address before the Silverton Chamber of Commerce in the Double J cafe tonight.

Stating "individual freedom is no good if we are taxed to death," the state official estimated state income tax revenue under the lower exemptions of \$500 will increase by \$10,000,000 to approximately \$50,000,000 this year.

Scott said he had heard "strong talk" for repeal of the measure which increases tax payments and predicted such a repeal would prove "irresistible if it ever comes before the electors." He added that "if the pendulum once begins to swing that way, it probably will not stop until personal exemption is up to \$1,000."

Lot of Bookkeeping
The state treasurer described the new state withholding tax as just an advance on next year's income tax which eventually everyone pays anyway, adding that "it does make a lot of bookkeeping labor for employers."

Before 58 chamber members at the dinner meeting, Scott appealed for lower taxes and "an effort not to try to do in one or five years what should take the state five or 20 years to do."

The total taxes collected in Oregon amounts to \$700,000,000 annually, Scott said, adding that this is 35 per cent of the income of the state. Of this \$700,000,000 the cost of the state government takes \$200,000,000 while the county and local government takes \$100,000,000. Of the state's share, \$40,000,000 goes into the general fund and the other \$160,000,000 represents the operations of the self-sustaining departments, such as police, highway, and so on, he explained.

At the present there is a surplus of \$30,000,000 in the income tax

Co-op Favors Warehouse At Mt. Angel

By Little L. Madsen
Farm Editor, The Statesman

MT. ANGEL, Feb. 10 — Warehousing facilities for bulk grain were favored by the Mt. Angel Farmers Union Warehouse cooperative at its annual meeting held at St. Mary's auditorium here today. Members gave the board of directors the go-ahead signal for getting plans and specifications for such a building as well as preparing plans for financing its erection, all of which are to be submitted to the members at a special meeting to be called shortly.

The cooperative's manager, S. C. Schmitt, reported bulk facilities were greatly needed, and Otto Schlottman, president of the cooperative, said that in 1947 some 5,000 tons of grain had been received which could have been handled at much less expense if bulk facilities had been available. Matt Gilles, president of the Dallas warehouse and speaker at the Mt. Angel meeting, reported that the cost of handling grain was now approximately \$1.11 a ton against \$3 previous to the erection of the elevator there.

Added to 1946
The report of the auditor, Harvey A. Michaelis, showed that the total volume of business for 1947 was \$1,203,364.48, a decrease over the 1946 volume of \$1,306,441.89. The decrease was brought about, said Mr. Michaelis, by the discontinuance of marketing hops which added \$424,967 to the 1946 volume, indicating, he brought out, a heavy increase in normal operation. And in spite of the loss of the more than \$400,000 hop pool business, excess revenue returned to the patrons above expenses was \$78,896.98 for 1947 against the 1946 returns of \$66,354.12. Supplies purchased for patrons in 1947 were approximately \$122,000 more than the amount purchased in 1946. Total equity of patrons is now \$298,626.15. "A very sound figure," Mr. Michaelis added.

Membership Increase
Manager Schmitt's report also showed a 1947 membership increase of 136, to bring the total up to 941 members.

Frank Hettwer was the new member elected to the board, replacing Dr. A. W. Simmons by a very narrow voting margin. C. S. Christensen was re-elected and holdovers are O. J. Schlottman, Albert Bochsler and Bernard Schmitt. Mr. Schlottman was later elected to the presidency of the board with Mr. Bochsler made vice president.

Speakers at Seed Law
Speakers at the morning session included Frank McKenney, chief of Oregon plant industry, state department of agriculture, who spoke on the seed law and the necessity of maintaining pure seed in the state. The wild garlic is becoming increasingly serious in the Willamette valley, particularly in pastures, because it taints the milk, he commented. George Kitzmiller of Pacific Supply's chemical division, Portland, told that the Salem fertilizer plant would likely start operating in the near future. He added that he hoped to see a little ease in fertilizer shortage by late March or early April. L. D. Baker, manager of Pacific Supply's warehouse, showed a group of pictures.

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The house was formerly occupied by the late secretary of state, Robert S. Farrell, Jr., but has been vacant in recent months.

The board also awarded a contract for installation of a fire alarm system at Fairview home to M.B. Electric Co. of Salem on a bid of \$27,500.

The board approved purchase of 60 two-ton trucks for the state highway commission. Of these, 24 will come from the Hollywood Ford Motors, Portland, on a bid of \$2,062 each and 36 from the Valley Motor company, Salem, on a bid of \$2,059 each.

The State Tax commission was authorized to rent vacant space at Southwest 11th and Taylor streets, Portland, for a period of six weeks, pending expiration date for payment of state income taxes. The rent is \$250 a month. The space will be occupied by commission auditors and accountants.

Two claims for fire losses against the state restoration fund received approval. One involved \$100, covering damage to an Oregon State college machinery shed, and the other \$2,125 covering damage to a sawdust bin at Oregon State college.

Repair of a fraternity house, located at Summer and Chemeketa streets here, at a cost of \$2,072 was approved. The property is now owned by the state.

Scout Skit on Radio, Stage Slated Tonight

Local observance of the national Boy Scout week continues today with attention focused on a scout skit to be broadcast over KSLM from the stage of the Elsinore theatre beginning at 8 p.m. Among Salem troop activities were three courts of honor Monday and Tuesday nights.

Bruce Shaffer and Clayton Zeeb of explorer post 17, sponsored by Salem Junior Chamber of Commerce, will appear in the broadcast skit, "Tommy Wanted to Be a Scout." Don Milburn of the junior chamber has charge of the program in which several Salem law enforcement officers and civic leaders will appear.

Others in the cast include William C. Dyer, Jr., first traffic officer; the Rev. Jesse M. Goodheart, Tommy's father; Jaycee President Al Schaefer, second traffic officer; Mrs. William E. Smith, principal of Garfield school, schoolteacher; Tom Pomroy, police desk sergeant; Jerry Scott, himself as scout executive; Sheriff Denver Young, attorney for defense; Municipal Judge W. W. McKinnon, presiding judge; and Bob Dyer of KSLM, announcer.

Courts of Honor
Large groups of scouts and parents attended courts of honor for Salem troops 1, 3 and 12 in connection with the scout anniversary week.

Salem Rotary-sponsored troop 1 last evening had a dinner at the Rotary scout hut. Ceremonies included investiture of tenderfoot scout Wayne DeMatet, who also received a den chief award for work with cub. A similar award went to Carl McGuire.

Gordon Juve and Steve Merchant became second class scouts and John Bone, Jr., a first class scout in the court of honor presided over by Chester Luther, troop committee chairman. Richard Wyatt received a two-year perfect attendance award and Robert Luther and Jeff Walton one-year attendance awards. Committeemen Tom Roen, Forrest Donkin, James Humphrey and James Walton made the presentations.

Speaker for Program
Jack Jacobus, neighborhood commissioner, was speaker for a Tuesday night program for troop 12, sponsored by Marion post 661, Veterans of Foreign Wars. Scouts' mothers served a dinner in VFW hall and D. B. Parkes, troop committee chairman, presided. Scout patrons gave gifts.

In a troop 12 court of honor, second class badges were presented to Dennis Garland, Charles Johnson, Darrel Isaacson, Carl

Toastmasters Plan for Area Speech Meet

Salem Toastmasters planned Tuesday night for an area Toastmasters meeting and speech contest for which the Salem club will be host March 13 when nearly 150 members and wives are expected from Albany, Corvallis, Eugene, Coos Bay and the two local clubs.

Salem Toastmasters club will select its speaking contestant after speeches are given at the February 17 dinner meeting by A. D. Long, George Moorhead, Ralph Nohlgren, Joseph Donn and Edwin McEwen, who recently were named candidates by club ballot.

Lewis Meyers discussed the proposed \$3,500,000 school bond issue at the Salem club's meeting last night in Nohlgren's restaurant. Other speakers were Harlan Pearson, Ernest Byberg, Harry Riches and Wilmer Lamb. Carl Jordan conducted table topics in which members commented on Abraham Lincoln's greatness and on the commodity market break. Darl Jones was toastmaster.

It is estimated that 50,000 American homes are broken every year by desertion.

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Thor Lodge to Hold Election
Thor lodge, Sons of Norway, will conduct its annual elections meeting March 9 at the E. F. Arneson home, 2135 S. Cottage st. Arneson was elected nominations chairman at a meeting last night and Mrs. O. H. Lunda and Bernard Benson were named to assist him.

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