

### House Defeats Bill Aimed at Tax Chiseling

Legislation to prevent chiseling on real and personal property tax returns by permitting the State Tax Commission to give county assessors information from income returns went down to defeat in the House of Representatives Tuesday.

Nine Democrats joined with 23 Republicans to beat the bill by a vote of 32 to 26.

Rep. Clarence Barton (D), Coquille, chairman of the House Tax Commission, said the proposal would put millions of dollars of omitted property values on the tax rolls and result in lower individual taxes.

Barton said county assessors, who favored the bill, do not have staffs large enough to check on all personal property and have to depend on the taxpayers' honesty.

"The honest man has nothing to fear by this legislation," he said.

But opponents said they feared the proposal would give the Tax Commission more power by opening up tax return secrecy.

Rep. Fred Meek (R), Portland, said it would wedge open assessors' records for purposes other than determining how much property a taxpayer had listed.

Rep. Wayne Giesy (R), Monroe, noted that Ray Smith, State Tax Commission chairman, opposed the bill at a tax committee hearing. Smith, he said, characterized it as "bad precedent."

Rep. Richard Eymann (D), Mohawk, discounted fears that the secrecy guarantee would be violated. He said Tax Commission employees are constantly reminded not to divulge information from income returns, and they would be further cautioned on property tax returns.

Barton said the legislation would be particularly helpful in enabling assessors to determine timber valuations, which he said was now one of their most difficult tasks.

### Sacred Heart Senior Named Girl-of-Month

Senior Janie Stein, was announced Tuesday as Sacred Heart's girl-of-the-month. An active member of the pep club and annual staff, Janie is also an honor student, and senior class cheerleader.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Stein of 1130 Oak St., Janie is interested in both art and languages, and plans to continue her study in these fields at Willamette university next year.

Miss Stein's selection was made by a vote of the student body, and based on the virtue of cheerfulness. Other candidates, representing their home rooms, were Mary Alice Weissbeck, Dorothy Hittner, Jeanette Edwards, Susan Markler, Jo Ann Meyer, and Jo Ann Weigel.

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### HONOR ROLL Fifteen Lead Sacred Heart

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Sacred Heart Reporter

First honors, or a grade point average between 3.59 and 4.0, went to 15 students on Sacred Heart's honor roll at the end of the fourth six-week period. In all, 77 students made the honor roll.

The top 15 were: juniors, Judy Boetticher, Evelyn Fischer, Kathy Fischer, Louise Schroeder, and Susan Van; sophomores, Kathryn Burke, Joan Korn, Anne Meusey, Judy Nielson, Beverly Polensky, and Judy Woody; freshmen, Meusey, Jo Ann Myers and Lynda Thompson.

Receiving second honors, with a grade point average between 3.0 and 3.59, were: seniors, Marlene Burton, Connie Carey, Nancy Evans, Gloria Koch, Beverly Lambert, Janet Larson, Dorothy Rupp, Janie Stein; juniors, Diana Braulick, Maurine Coppel, Darlene Michels, Marjorie O'Connor, Kathleen Rak, Marilyn Ripp, Roberta Schlottbauer, Janice Suing, Jeanette Stewart, and Cathy Thraalsen; sophomores, Sherril Amort, Jeanette Edwards, Judy Gruendler, Susan Hamstreet, Elaine Schaffers, Roberta Schlegeler, Joann Weigel, and Shirley Weissbeck; freshmen, Linda Coleman, Anna Decker, Rose Marie Fischer, Linda Kay Hanson, Marianne Schaffers, Sandra Shaw, Marie Steiner, Donna Strauch, Beverly Weis, and Margaret Wilson.

The following students merited third honors with a grade point average between 2.5 and 2.99: seniors, Janice Ehnor, Carol Flicker, Janet McCarty, Joanne Rak, Victoria Schmidt; juniors, Audrey Carey, Dorothy Hittner, Mary Jo Meusey, Marianne Murray, Elizabeth O'Brien, Mary Jo O'Brien, and Rose Mary Sprong; sophomores, Agnes Bischoff, Peggy de Jardin, Joanne Marsh, Mary Ann Meyer, Kathleen Schlieski, Margerite Schmidt, Marilyn Schroeder, and Patricia Unrein; freshmen, Beverly Carey, Margaret Dauenhauer, Susan Markler, Adell Nash, Sharon Thompson, and Roberta Thrush.

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### Volleyball Popular

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Reno casino workers — dealers, chorus girls and bartenders — are playing so much volleyball after quitting work at 2 a.m. that the local YMCA says it may enlarge the program — to three nights a week instead of two.

## Go-Ahead Given to Preparation of Plans for New State Mental Hospital



State Board of Control has approved preliminary plans for the new mental hospital to be constructed on site near Wilsonville. In upper right hand corner of sketch is shown the first unit of the \$15,000,000 hospital, which will include facilities for the care of 460 mental patients. In the background is shown buildings planned in the future as well as a power house and sewage disposal plant included in plans in connection with the initial unit.

### AUTHORITIES CLAMP DOWN

#### Two More Sentenced For Theft of 'Junk'

Two more men were sentenced Tuesday afternoon as county and state authorities started swinging a big stick in clamping down on sticky-fingered "junk" collectors.

Edwin L. Heuer, 1615 Candewood Dr., and Hillard Junior Lyttell, 1730 Broadway, were sentenced to 60 days each in the county jail when they were convicted in Woodburn justice court on petty larceny charges. The charge involved the theft of a load of junk from a farm owned by Rudy Koster, Woodburn, sheriff's deputies said.

The arrest of Clarence Orville Eugene Swartz, 73, Brooks, Tuesday afternoon brought to seven the number of persons arrested on charges of petty larceny involving junk thefts in the last month. Deputy Amos Shaw said the charge involved the theft of several piles of heavy hardware from the farm of Melvin Porcier, Woodburn.

Sentenced early Tuesday to 120 days in jail each were William Barto and Leonard Lee Simpson, both of 1069 Leslie St., when they pleaded guilty before District Judge E. O. Stadler Jr. to petty larceny charges. Their arrest came when state officer Wallace Cobine caught them taking a crowbar from his property near Idanha.

### Drilling Items Taken

Arrested on grand larceny charges about February 13 were Roosevelt Jenkins and Van Glosen, both of Portland. The charges involve the theft of several lengths of pipe, a drill bit, automotive parts and other items from the Willamette Drilling Co. of Salem. Both were subsequently bound over to the Marion County Grand Jury.

Judge Stadler and Sheriff Denver Young have both pointed out the situation wherein "junkers" with trucks scour the countryside picking up metal at farms, at construction sites and around warehouses and manufacturing plants under the guise of collecting "junk." Often they take valuable tools and equipment and sell it at scrap metal prices to junk dealers who, according to Judge Stadler, generally dispose of it in turn before complaints of theft can be made.

The sheriff has asked that citizens noting suspicious cars or trucks report license numbers to his office.

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### Freeway Name Change Fought By Contractor

Change of the name of the R. H. Baldoek freeway would be a "slap in the face" of Baldoek, former state highway engineer and the state highway department, a Portland contractor said Tuesday.

The contractor, Porter Yett, urged defeat of a bill proposing changing the names of the Baldoek freeway between Portland and Salem and the Banfield freeway from Fairview to Portland.

No one appeared before the House Committee on highways to speak in favor of the bill.

Yett said the legislature had given the State Highway Commission statutory authority to name state highways and contended that the proposed bill was in conflict with present statutes.

"This bill proposes change in the name of the Salem-Portland freeway from R. H. Baldoek Freeway to the Willamette Freeway," Yett said. "Certainly the name Willamette given to a highway has no particular significance.

The committee took no action on the bill at its meeting Tuesday.

### Mrs. Galey to Represent the Public on UCC

Mrs. Cecelia Patricia Galey has been designated as public representative on the State Unemployment Compensation Commission, Governor Robert D. Holmes reaffirmed Tuesday. The governor said some confusion had developed over the appointment.

Mrs. Galey will succeed T. Morris Dunne, chairman of the commission, who has served as the employer representative. Dunne's resignation becomes effective April 1.

L. O. Ahrens has been designated to serve as the employer representative and the third commissioner, William A. Callahan, will continue as labor representative.

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