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WHAT IT WILL COST

Next Monday the Oregon legisla-
ture will convene for its bienni-
al session. It is expected that it
will cost taxpayers quite a bit of
money before it finally ends.

Democrats, as the Republicans,
as the ins, for not spending more
money. To the observer it seemed
that the ins were doing a fine
job, but the outs have wanted
more. Now that the outs are the
ins they are hardly in position to
change directions in one session.
Therefore the taxpayer can ex-
pect to pay more next year.

The budget of Governor Elmo
Smith is \$38,000,000 more than
called for in the 1955-57 biennium,
although Smith cut \$20,000,000
from original estimates. It is prob-
ably that before all appropri-
ations are made it will be up to
\$275,000,000 or more.

Democrats generally follow the
attitude of organized labor which
likes an income tax and not a
sales tax. Labor also is not of-
fended by a property tax but
Democrats may go for that one
for state purposes is possible.

The Republicans put on a 45
per cent surtax on the state in-
come tax that made everyone
mad. Now there seems no way to
get rid of it although it will be
incorporated in regular schedule
and will not show so much. But
it will be there, nevertheless.
Also it will probably be larger al-
though that will be hard to figure
until after it is tried.

These figures show that in Ore-
gon government is growing much
faster than anything else. Neither
population, business, income nor
even hope has grown as fast as
government. There will be an end
to it eventually and we will all
wonder why it didn't come quick-
er. Oregon offers more services
and at a higher price than almost
any state and does not have the
income resources to continue the
practice.

Fault lies with legislators who
have neither the guts nor the
gumption to say "NO".

MILITARY AUTHORITY

Congress is getting in some
good publicity stunts about the re-
quest of President Eisenhower
about authority to send troops
to the middle east if thought
necessary. Yet, it will be given.

Presidents have taken such au-
thority for years and it is prob-
ably constitutional for them to
do so. Reason for asking for it
now is the same as it was to de-
fend Quemoy—to publically state
the position of the United States.
It served to deter Russia before;
it probably would again.

It isn't exactly a bluff, either.
It is more like drawing a line and
saying that if this is crossed
this nation's fists are doubled up.

COUNTY MANAGER

Those persons who usually
find that laws are hard to read
and harder to understand should
try reading the law providing for
a county manager in Oregon. It
is easily understood. The late Rex
Kimmel wrote it after much
study of similar laws in the na-
tion.

It provides that a vote on the
county manager plan may be had
upon receipt by the county court
of a petition bearing names of
ten percent of those who voted for
county clerk. It provides for the
election of a county board of
three to seven and for the hiring
of a county manager to perform
the functions of the county and
of deputies to help him.

It is understood that before vot-
ing on the plan is done a charter
is to be written setting forth in
some detail the duties of board
members. By that method voters
can know what might be expect-
ed under the plan.

In Sherman county such a plan
could bring about a higher de-
gree of efficiency. It could also
cause more coordination in coun-
ty government by creating one
man with authority working un-
der an elected board that would
be the policy making body of the
county.

There is a possibility that it
will be voted upon next year for
it should be voted on at a primary
election so that more voters could

pass on it. Board members would
normally be elected in November
after adoption of the plan.
We suggest that groups inter-
ested in government take a look
at the county manager law.

PEOPLE

Something over four million lit-
tle wards of the government were
born in 1956 and the boom in
babies is just starting. These
four million were born to the per-
sons who were in the almost
childless depression days of the
1930s. It wasn't until 1942 that
was reversed the trend. Since
then there has been no end to
child bearing.

By 1960 there will be another
boom when the babies born in the
1942 boom begin having children.
Then we may have eight or ten
million children born a year to
confound the experts who worried
about race suicide back in 1935.

One of the reasons for the in-
crease in size of families is said
to be the easy living conditions
of the present. That may be true
although there are no easy living
conditions in India and China
where the people seem bent upon
taking over the earth by force
of numbers. Right now it is the
style to have larger families. If,
by 1960, it should not be the style,
the race to populate the earth
may not progress at the break-
neck speed now anticipated by
the experts.

In the depression parents lit-
erally apologized to new born
babes for having caused them to
be born into a world so barren
of opportunity and with a future
so bleak. Look what happened:
Jobs plentiful, wages highest
ever, living easier than man has
ever known. Those who expect
their children to become adults in
a time like this may also be
wrong. Present day children may
have to work for a living.

We doubt if government will
be able to support 200,000,000
people in the style to which 160-
million have become accustomed.
Natural resources are running
out, land is being eroded away
and inflation cannot provide more
goods as it provides more money.
A world full of people would
necessity be a poor world and the
scramble for food could consume
all the time and energy the popu-
lation possessed. Few would have
luxuries and many would be hun-
gry.

FREIGHT RATES

The railroads have just ob-
tained an increase in freight
rates all over the United States
and the cost of shipping is going
up. Whether other carriers will
follow suit or not has not been
announced but it may be expect-
ed.

For years the west has objected
to percentages raised in freight
rates because they penalize our
producers of basic products which
must be shipped so far to reach
the markets in the east. Much of
what the west ships east is heavy
stuff; wheat, lumber and such
raw material. High freight rates
cut into the profits.

The time will surely come—and
it may not be too far away—when
the west will be able to enjoy
high freight rates. High rates
should encourage us to manu-
facture our products here in the
west for use in the west where
the population is growing so fast.
We send our wool to Boston and
back before wearing it and lum-
ber freight would hurt us less if
we manufactured more of it in-
stead of shipping it straight from
the mill.

It has been some time since we
shipped much livestock east. We
never did raise enough hogs to
feed ourselves and in recent years
we have been importing beef.
High freight rates on livestock
and livestock products could help
us.

The west has been a sort of
economic colony. It produced raw
material to ship back east for pro-
cessing. Since population has
grown on the west coast we
should have a big enough market
to justify processing at home.
There should be more money in
it than in producing raw mater-
ial. When we have the nerve to
start, high freight rates may be
desired where they are now con-
demned.

SOIL CONSERVATION

The report of the soil conserva-
tion district for Sherman county
will impress many as being a very
varied list of accomplishments. It
shows 65,000 acres fertilized and
1900 acres of crop rotation and
1020 acres of strip cropping. Only
1020 acres have been planted to
pasture and 415 acres of range
planting.

To a casual observer it would
appear that immediate benefits
are being considered before long-
er range benefits. That is natural,
of course, but it is generally un-
derstood that the basic purpose
of soil conservation is to achieve
long range benefit to the land by
cooperation between the govern-
ment as the planner and the farm-
er as the executor of the program.

Perhaps when the district has
its annual meeting next Tuesday
there will be an explanation that
will make the above observation
seem incorrect.

**Income Tax For
Farmers Explained
By CPA Group**

Are you a farmer?

If not, sit this one out.
If so, take time out from your
crop and livestock planning to
check on tax-social security prob-
lems converging upon you.
If you're in doubt as to your
status, remember that a farmer is
defined as an individual whose
gross income is derived at least
two-thirds from farming.

Under new rules which went
into effect last year, individual
farmers on a calendar-year basis
must file a declaration of estim-
ated tax on or before January 15,
1957, and pay at least two-thirds
of the tax-at that time.

If desired, the estimate may be
made by paying at least the amount
of the previous year's tax.
By filing the estimate in this
manner, the farmer may then
file his final return at any time
up to April 15, 1957, and pay the
balance of the tax due at that
time.

However, if the farmer files his
final return by February 15, 1957,
and pays the full tax, he need not
file an estimate.

Under the method inaugurated
in 1956, farmers pay self-employ-
ment tax on net income from
farming at the rate of 3 per cent.
Net earnings must be at least
\$400.00 to be reportable, and
earnings over \$4200.00 are not
subject to social security tax.

To obtain maximum benefits
upon retirement, most farmers
will want to pay the largest
amount possible, and if the net
income from farming is low,
there are two optional methods of
reporting:

1. If the gross income from
farming is between \$800.00 and
\$1800.00 the farmer may elect to
report one-half the gross as self-
employment earnings.
2. If the gross farm income is
\$1800.00 or more and the actual
net earnings are less than \$900.00
the farmer may elect to report
\$900.00 as self-employment earn-
ings.

These alternative methods are
used only in computing self-emp-
loyment tax and apply only to
farm income. The self-employ-
ment tax is computed and paid
only once a year with the income
tax.

With farm labor now covered
by social security, deadlines are
nearing on filing certain reports.
As farmers well know, they have
been required to withhold 2 per
cent from agricultural employees
who have been paid \$100.00 or
more in cash during the year, re-
mitting 4 per cent quarterly (or
when a gross liability of \$100.00
is reached) to the district direc-
tor of internal revenue on form
943-A. Effective January 1, 1957,
the rate to be withheld increases
to 2 1/4 per cent and the amount
remitted to 4 1/2 per cent.

By January 31, 1957, form 943
must be filed with the district
director by the farmer who has
paid taxable cash wages during
1956. This annual report should
include all subject wages not pre-
viously reported on form 943-A,
so that all employees who meet
the \$100.00 a-year test will ap-
pear on the annual report form
943.

Mr. Farmer also must furnish
his employees with statements
showing total subject wages and
F.I.C.A. tax withheld not later
than January 31, 1957 (or within
one month of the date of separa-
tion in case the farm worker left
before the end of 1956). These
statements may be furnished to
farm employees on form SS-14,
although a form of the farmer's
own choosing may be used if it
contains the necessary informa-
tion.

What are the applications of
federal rules in regard to em-
ployment of members of the farm-
er's own family?

Although the farmer may pay
wages to his minor son or daugh-
ter, wife, father or mother for
farm services actually rendered,
under present regulations such
wages are not subject to the fed-
eral insurance contributions act.
No social security tax should be
withheld or remitted on such
labor.

It is not uncommon for a farm-
er to employ his son on the farm
during the school vacation peri-
od. Prior to last year, Pappy had
to chop off Junior's wages below
the \$600.00 mark or lose his de-
pendency credit. The law now is
such that if Junior is under 19
or is a student, and if the farmer
furnishes more than half of his
support, he can claim the son as
a dependent. If Junior receives
\$600.00 or more from any source,
he must file his own return and
may take his own exemption,
even though he may be a de-
pendent of this father, who
—in such case—would be allowed
\$600.00 dependency exemption.
Like never before, it is impera-
tive that the farmer keep com-
plete records throughout the year.



**WHEAT FROM OREGON
BAKED IN BANGKOK**
Made from Oregon flour, these cakes and pastries in a Bangkok
bakery are causing rice-eating people of Thailand to use more
wheat foods. Oregon Wheat Growers League is working with
the U.S.D.A. and the Millers National Federation on an adver-
tising program in Thailand to expand this growing market for
Oregon wheat and flour.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Harold Fowler, pastor
Jerry Engberg, SS Supt.
Selma Watkins, pianist
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Wprship 11:00 a. m.
Jan. 13: "Problems or Pros-
pects"

**KENT COMMUNITY BIBLE
CHURCH**
David Gaumitz, minister
Carl Watkins, SS Supt.
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Worship Service 11:00 a. m.
Young Folks meeting 7:30 p. m.
Bible Study 8:00 p. m.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Mrs. W. M. Franklin, minister
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Christ's Crusaders 7:15 p. m.
Evening Service 8:00 p. m.
Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Cargill of
Colorado Springs, Colo., will be
holding revival services from
Jan. 16-27 with week day even-
ing services 7:30. Public invited

WASCO METHODIST CHURCH
Richard E. Bruner, pastor
Church School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
"Life at It's Best"
Youth Fellowship 6:30 p. m.
Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Sanctu-
ary Choir Rehearsal

**MORO COMMUNITY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
classes for all age groups.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
today Communion service will
be observed
nursery for small children
Westminister Fellowship 5:30
Wednesday: Junior choir prac-
tice 7:00 p. m. Senior choir 8:00
Ernest C. Goodenberger, pastor

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116
Meets 2nd and 4th
Tuesdays of each
month. Visiting
members welcome.
N.G.; Vada DeMoss,
Laura Grabenhorst,
Secretary

Moro Lodge No. 113 I.O.O.F.
Meets 1st and 3rd
Tuesdays in I.O.O.F.
hall. Transient and
visiting brothers are
cordially invited.
John Shipley, N. G.
Leo Watkins, Secretary

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 O.E.S.
Meets every second and
fourth Thursday in each
month; visiting member:
invited. Moro, Oregon.
Dorene Hall, W. M.
Dorothy Heater, Secretary

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A.F.&A.M.
Meets on the 1st and
3rd Thursday evenings
each month. Visiting
members cordially in-
vited to meet with us.
Dean Pinkerton, W. M.
Clyde Gilkner, Secretary

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W. L. May, chairman
T. W. Thompson, secretary

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\$2.75 @ 100, also U. S. No. 1 in
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2-5486. 10-11c

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9-12c

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ment only. Meat cutting, wrap-
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Market, Grass Valley, Oregon.
Call 242 for appointment. 7c

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Full or part time. Year round.
No experience required. Write
McNess Co. P.O. Box 14, Bay-
shore Station, Oakland 23, Calif.
10-11p

BEST ONE-MAN BUSINESS IN
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lyn Ave. Seattle 5, Wn. 5-10c

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Vern Campbell and Jack Null,
The Dalles, Oregon 381fn

HOW about a spotted pony for
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He is gentle for any child. Only
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Phone GI 2-5486. 7-7-8c

FOR SALE: 3 registered Hereford
bulls, one 5 in March, large,
good, sound bull; two will be
2 in March and are in very
thrifty condition, wt. at present
approximately 1400 lbs. Price
very reasonable. Phone 412
Grass Valley, Oregon. 10-13c

Mayor Roberson has arranged
for telephone number to be cal-
led in case of fire and suggests
that these be pasted in your
phone book:

DAYTIME
JO 5-3262
JO 5-3555

NIGHTS
JO 5-3621
JO 5-3509
JO 5-3211

PUBLIS NOTICE

The annual meeting of the
Sherman County Soil Conserva-
tion District will be held January
15 Tuesday, at 1:15, County Court
House, Moro. Annual report of
the district and election for ex-
pired terms of two supervisors
will be held.
W. L. May, chairman
T. W. Thompson, secretary

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

Notice is hereby given that the
undersigned has filed in the
County Court of the State of Ore-
gon for Sherman County, his
Second and Final Account as Ad-
ministrator of the Estate of Ches-
ter B. Halfpenny, deceased, and
that Monday, February 11, 1957,
at ten o'clock A. M. of said day
in the court room of the County
Court in Moro, Sherman County,
Oregon, has been fixed by the
Court as the time and place for
said hearing of objections to said
Final Account and for the settle-
ment of said estate.
B. C. Baumgartner
Administrator

T. Lester Johnson
Attorney for Administrator 10-13c

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against
the Estate of Anna Medler Lee,
deceased, are hereby notified to
present them, with the proper
vouchers and duly verified, to the
undersigned, the duly appointed,
qualified and acting Executrix of
the Estate of Anna Medler Lee,
deceased, at the office of T. Les-
ter Johnson, attorney at law,
Moro, Oregon, within six months
from the date of the first publi-
cation of this Notice, to-wit:
January 11, 1957.

LEONA F. SMITH
Executrix

T. Lester Johnson
Attorney for Executrix 10-13c

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against
the Estate of E. E. Barzee, de-
ceased, are hereby notified to
present them, with the proper
vouchers and duly verified, to the
undersigned, the duly appoint-
ed, qualified and acting Execu-
tor of the Estate of E. E. Barzee,
deceased, at the office of T. Les-
ter Johnson, attorney at law,
Moro, Oregon, within six months
from the date of the first publi-
cation of this Notice, to-wit: Jan-
uary 11, 1957.

MAX ELMER BARZEE
Executor

T. Lester Johnson
Attorney for Executor 10-13c

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against
the Estate of James W. Dyce,
deceased, are hereby notified to
present them, with the proper
vouchers and duly verified, to the
undersigned, the duly appoint-
ed, qualified and acting Adminis-
trator of the Estate of James W.
Dyce, deceased, at the office of
T. Lester Johnson, attorney at
law, Moro, Oregon, within six
months from the date of the first
publication of this Notice, to-wit:
January 11, 1957.

NORMAN E. FIELDS
Administrator

T. Lester Johnson
Attorney for Administrator 10-13c

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the
undersigned Iva Dams has been
duly appointed as administratrix
of the estate of Mary Lena Gib-
son, deceased, and has qualified
as said administratrix. All per-
sons having claims against said
estate are hereby notified and re-
quired to present the same, duly
verified as required by law, to
the undersigned at the ranch of
Iva Dams near Moro, in Sherman
County, Oregon, within six
months from the date of the first
publication of this notice, to-wit,
December 28, 1956.

IVA DAMS,
Administratrix of the estate of
Mary Lena Gibson, Deceased.

BROWN & VAN VACTOR
The Dalles, Oregon
Attorneys for Estate 8-11c

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

Notice is hereby given that the
undersigned has filed in the
County Court of the State of Ore-
gon for Sherman County, her
Final Account as Executrix of
the Estate of Oscar N. Ruggles,
deceased, and that Thursday, Jan-
uary 31, 1957, at ten o'clock A. M.
of said day in the court room of
the County Court in Moro, Sher-
man County, Oregon, have been
fixed by the Court as the time and
place for hearing objections to
said Final Account and for the
settlement of said estate.
Allie Ruggles
Executrix

T. Lester Johnson
Attorney for Executrix 8-11c

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

In the County Court of the State
of Oregon for the County of Sher-
man, Probate Department.
In the Matter of the Estate of
Emma Catherine Davis, Deceased:
Notice is hereby given that the
undersigned, as executor of the
estate of Emma Catherine Davis,
deceased, has filed his final ac-
count in the County Court of the
State of Oregon for Sherman
County, and that Monday, the
21st day of January 1957, at the
hour of 10:00 a. m. of said day
and the court room of said court
has been appointed by said court
as the time and place for the
hearing of objections thereto and
the settlement thereof.
Dated and first published De-
cember 21, 1956.
Date of last publication Janu-
ary 11, 1957.

LUTHER W. DAVIS
Executor of said estate

Kent, Oregon
O'CONNOR & HARVEY
Attorneys for said estate
521 Equitable Building
Portland 4, Oregon

7-10c