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TAX BILL

The Oregon legislature failed utterly to live up to its early promise in tax legislation. The proposals to broaden the tax base were forgotten or shoved aside by lobbyists for labor and the bill finally passed is worse than the present law because it places a higher tax on the same class of people and lets the same part of the population escape.

Taxpayers will not be fooled by the reduction in rates. Neither will tax men over the nation who are used to looking behind the mere rate structure. The top rate will be 7.5 percent and it was 9.5 percent. But no reduction will be allowed for federal income taxes paid. The senate removed some of the more damaging things in the bill and we are thankful for small favors.

Estimates are that the new tax law will raise around \$11,000,000 more than did the old one. And a law that raises more money from the same people is a tax increase no matter what the rate structure.

The ways and means committee did a much better job than did the taxation committees for it seems that the W&M was really interested in the taxpayers on some days. The total result wasn't very helpful but it was better than for several years.

When the legislature returns to Salem in 1961 it will find the state in worse financial shape than at present, it will find pressures greater for more funds for governmental gimmicks. We devoutly hope that the men who are members of that legislature can remember that they have but one duty to perform and that is to vote for the best interest of their districts. This bunch didn't do that often enough.

WHAT TO DO

In one of Congressman Ullman's letters he says that farm legislation seems to be stuck on dead center and that if there is any result it will probably be a reduction in acres or a reduction in price.

Information at the spring meeting of the wheat league seemed to be in the same vein although naturally there was some hope expressed.

It is a reasonable conclusion.

Congress doesn't know what to do and if it did know would not do it, because it is not politically popular. City congressmen would vote to do away with much of the farm program but rural congressmen are afraid of the farmers. It seems to be congressional opinion that farmers like their dependence on government although polls like the one taken by the Farm Journal indicate that farmers are as tired of governmental meddling as anyone else.

It is too much to ask but if government would admit, humbly and publicly, that it cannot administer the nation's farm and that it was going to quit trying as soon as it could clear the decks it would be the most sensible thing it has done for years. The condition of agriculture is sufficient proof, all that is needed is the confession of failure.

But if the farmer has to choose between reduced acres and reduced price we think he'd better let the price go down. If another 20 percent is cut from his acres he will be in control of less than half his land and that means he is half out of business.

COLD SPRING

This has been the sort of a spring to make old timers recall the old days when they walked behind a twelve horse team, bundled in sheepskin and swore heatedly to keep their nose warm. While this spring has been a little colder than usual it cannot compete in discomfort with the old days, which, we learn, were very rugged.

Our sensitiveness to cold is gauged pretty fine but we do not feel we can dispute the scientific accuracy of the thermometer at the weather station which says that April was only a part of a degree below normal. We would have guessed ten degrees; it has been miserable. The frogs have just begun their croaking; the elms are just starting to leaf out and the locusts, those conser-

vatives of the tree family, have shown no indication that they will ever leaf.

Garden stuff is barely big enough to attract the sparrows and tender plants that have put leaves above ground are frozen every night to a most unhealthy blackness. Therefore, while we do not dispute the official thermometer, we think it has been a cold spring and that if the old timers were again driving their twelve horse teams, as of old, they would be walking.

FATHER OF THE YEAR

The Father of the Year contest intrigues us. We presume that some place there is a list of qualifications on which the choice is made. It was started by the beef producers in an effort to have a Father's Day in addition to Mother's Day and, naturally, to have every father fed sumptuously on beef that day instead of being filled with candy or decorated with flowers.

But that is a bit unsatisfactory. Are fathers picked for quantity or quality? Does the number of offspring affect the judges' mental potencies? Is a factor or might a man with a mere two or three children be acclaimed the victor because his children were better according to some standard or another? Are fathers in the contest paraded before the judges to have their loins, their girth, the solidness of their fat appraised?

Which reminds us of an old story about the father of a brood of ten who while at the county fair desired to see a prize bull there on display. The admission was small but the father hesitated because of the number of admissions needed. But the barker settled the matter by declaiming: "Go right on in, mister. Take yourself and all your children. I want you to see the bull, and I want the bull to see you."

There is perhaps no reason why fathers should not be held in the same sentimental regard as are mothers, except that fathers are considered to be less appreciative of such small favors as accrue on some special day. Maybe fathers are getting softer and it must be said that the reward of a good plate of beef is enough to make him sentimental if praise does not.

SOME SOCKS AT SOX

We read that the makers of mens' sox are going to start a new kind of advertising campaign, aimed at women, no less. That may not be so foolish for while it is usually men that wear them it is said to be women that buy them. The story says that a woman feels rejected unless her husband lets her buy his sox. It was the story said that, not this editor.

Now to a certainty something could be done about mens' sox and it isn't at the selling end.

Mens' sox are either hard stretch resistant pieces of woven goods or else they are made of some of the new plastics mixed with rubber so they stretch all over, every way. Makers of sox have almost entirely abandoned wool as material and nothing equals it. Trying to find a well knit wool sock is almost impossible.

The manufacturers of sox have adopted all the new materials discovered or invented as material for sox. None are suitable for that purpose. Most of them are too hard, few are absorbent and all wrinkle.

Probably there are only a few old timers left to remember the Rockford sox. They were by appearance knit from twine string and they left the foot looking like a piece of jute bag when—and if—removed at the end of the day. You could get them in a pink or blue shade like baby clothes but they were neither soft or downy. They were hard and tough and a man who stood in them all day was a durable and well marked man.

But at that a pair of them were worth a drawer full of the modern kind for either wear or comfort. So we think that if the makers of sox want to advertise—and we are for that—they should get a good product first.

Oregon In History

May 11, 1792—This day saw an appearance of a spacious harbour abreast the ship, hauled our wind for it, observed two sand bars making off, with a passage between them to a fine river. Out pinnace and sent her in ahead and followed with the ship under short sail... the River extended to the NE as far as the eye could reach, and water fit to drink as far down as the Bars, at the entrance... The beach was lined with natives, who ran along shore following the ship. Soon after 20 canoes came off, and brought a good lot of furs and salmon, which last they sold two for a board nail. The furs we likewise bought cheap, for Copper and Cloth.

Bolt's Log, Account of the discovery of the Columbia by Robert Gray

OREGON'S CENTENNIAL ALBUM

LAWYER, POET, HUMANITARIAN

CHARLES ERSKINE SCOTT WOOD 1852-1944

GRADUATED FROM WEST POINT (1874)... STATIONED AT FORT VANCOUVER, HE SERVED WITH DISTINCTION IN NEZ PERCE AND BANNOCK WARS

FRIEND AND ADMIRER OF CHIEF JOSEPH, HE FOUGHT STEADFASTLY TO IMPROVE INDIANS' LOT

LONG A LEADER OF THE OREGON BAR



POET IN THE DESERT (1915) ESTABLISHED HIM AS A POET... HIS BEST SELLING 'HEAVENLY DISCOURSES' (1927) SUMMED UP HIS INDIVIDUALISTIC PHILOSOPHY

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Local Rebekahs Have TV Play

Lupine Rebekah lodge met Tuesday evening with Mary Brackett, noble grand, presiding. Under Good of the Order a special program, cleverly written by Chairman Bertha Belshe, was given to honor Helen Martin. It was titled "This is your Lodge Life" and honored Helen for her 20 years of outstanding service in the lodge; 10 years as a 4-H club sewing leader; Library Board representative; Camp Fire Girl representative; and her work on the Pilgrimage for youth. Special honor was noted for Helen's attendance record during the 20 years. During the program Arlean DeMoss and Barbara Hampton favored with musical selections. Helen was presented a corsage by Vada DeMoss and then escorted to her place of honor by Laura Grabenhorst and Vada DeMoss.

Orlow Martin, husband of the honored member, surprised her by being seated in the lodge room. The surprise being: she had left him seated comfortably at home a very short time before, smoking and watching TV.

During the evening past noble grands were also honored. They were called upon to state the year they served and it was most interesting to hear the reminiscing and trying to remember when! Each was presented with a favor by Warden Laura Grabenhorst. Mrs. Edna Freeman was presented a corsage for being one of the first PNG's.

Out of town members and visitors present for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Eakin from Condon, Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McKee and Mrs. Coila Belshee of The Dalles, Mrs. Beatrice Lantis of La Rosa, Calif, Mr. and Mrs. John M. DeMoss of Moro.

THE RIVAL WORLD MAN'S ENDLESS WAR AGAINST THE INSECT. This revolting character prefers the comfort and convenience of the greenhouse, but can range far and wide. He's the horrible-looking SOWBUG or pill bug. THE ENEMY: SOWBUGS AREN'T INSECTS, BUT ARE MORE CLOSELY RELATED TO GRAY-FISH AND CRABS... THE ATTACK: THEY FEED ON PLANT ROOTS AND TENDRILS... MAN'S COUNTERATTACK: APPLY POISON BRAN OR PARIS GREEN IN SUNAR BATS...

ATTENTION 4-H CLUBBERS

During last year's Sherman County Fair several 4-H livestock club members left halters with their calves. Several of these halters have never been claimed. Any beef club member who has a missing halter can claim one at the county agent's office.

Higher Protein Level Produces Meatier Hogs

A higher protein level in the feed can produce a meatier hog. A fact known for some time, it hasn't been much used because of protein prices and small premiums for meaty hogs.

Iowa researchers tested two different levels of protein in the ration to find their relation to per cent of lean cuts in the carcasses of animals fed on the different rations.

The high-protein ration provided 20 per cent protein for pigs up to 50 pounds weight, 18 per cent up to 125 pounds weight and 16 per cent to market weight at about 200 pounds. The low level ration provided 14 per cent protein rations up to 50 pounds, 12 to 125 pounds and 10 to market weight.

The carcass of hogs on the high-protein ration produced 49.8 per cent lean cuts of meat. The carcasses from the lots receiving the low-level protein yielded only 47.4 per cent lean cuts of meat.

May 13, 1907—An epidemic of dreaded spinal meningitis is raging in Portland and the upper Willamette Valley. Five children of a single family were buried yesterday. Doctors of the city are recommending frequent salt gargles as a preventative, and are suggesting the increased use of salt to encourage free flow of nasal excretions.

WANT ADS

WANTED: Custom cutting this harvest, have straw chopper. Alfred Kock, Moro 26-7c

WHEAT RANCH FOR SALE: 1120 A. 750-800 A tillable; 4 miles from Condon. Good buildings & good fences; good well spring. One of the levellest ranches near Condon. Sale by owner. C. P. Edwards Box 85, Condon, DUNKIRK 4-5594 26-7c

FOR SALE: Registered Yearling Horned Hereford Bulls. Frank M. Monahan, 2 miles east of Condon, Condon, Ore. 22fn

FOR SALE: Electric range, automatic washer & dryer, disposal, dining room table & 6 chairs oil heater, 3 bdr home in Wasco, \$5,000. Vieda Van Gaasbeck, FOR Agricultural loans see The Dalles NFLA and the Mid-Columbia PCA, 4th & Court Streets, The Dalles P. O. Box 243 - Cypress 6-2468. 21-25c

Custom Slaughtering by appointment only. Meat cutting, wrapping, sharp freeze. Kenny's Market, Grass Valley, Oregon. Call ED 3-2345 for appointment.

STATE WIDE PAINT CO. complete painting and decorating service, spray or brush. Phone CY 6-3977 or CY 6-5293, 1205 E. 12th St. Vern Campbell and Jack Null, The Dalles, Or. 38ftn

FOR SALE: Odds and Ends of steel, 1 1/2 cents a pound. Portable elevator, John Deere, \$85; Portable Grain Auger \$125; 2-5 bottom John Deere plows with hitch \$800. Elva Dehler 27c Ph. GI 2-5443, Wasco.

FOR SALE: Washed sand and gravel at mouth of John Day River. Also road gravel. Columbia Rock Products, Box 688, Rufus, Ore. Ph. Rufus 17. 27fn

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF THE OREGON WHEAT COMMISSION PUBLIC BUDGET MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public meeting will be held, pursuant to ORS Chapter 578, the Oregon Wheat Commission Act, at the Pendleton Memorial Armory, Pendleton, Oregon on May 29, 1959, from 1:30 p. m. to 3:30 p. m. upon a proposed budget for operation of the Wheat Commission during the fiscal year July 1, 1959 to June 30, 1960.

At this meeting any producer of wheat in Oregon has a right to be heard with respect to the proposed budget, a copy of which is available for inspection under reasonable circumstances in the office of each County Extension Agent in Oregon.

For further information, contact the Oregon Wheat Commission, Box 438, Pendleton, Oregon.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1959. ATTEST: Paulen W. Kaseberg Chairman

Richard K. Baum Administrator

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the Estate of John M. Rolfe, deceased, are hereby notified to present them in proper form to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Executor of the Last Will and Testament of John M. Rolfe, 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: May 8, 1959. Robert V. Rolfe Executor

T. Lester Johnson Attorney for Executor 27-30c

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County, his final Account as Administrator of the Estate of Jennie Zutter Dick, deceased, and that Wednesday, the 3rd day of June, 1959, at the hour of ten o'clock A.M. of said day in the court room of the County Court in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, have been fixed by the Court as the time and place for hearing objections to and settlement of said estate. Raymond VanGilder Administrator

T. Lester Johnson, Attorney for Administrator

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the Estate of Afton McIntyre, deceased, are required to present them with vouchers to the undersigned at Wasco, Oregon within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice. The date of the first publication of this notice is April 30, 1959. Virginia McIntyre Executrix

DICK & DICK The Dalles, Oregon Attorneys for the Estate 26-9c

NOTICE OF MEETING OF COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, May 11, 1959, the Board of Equalization of Sherman County, Oregon, will meet at the County Courthouse in Moro, Oregon, to publicly examine the assessment rolls for said County of Sherman, for the year 1959, and to correct all errors in valuation, description, or qualities of land, lots or other property assessed by the assessor.

The ratio between assessed and true cash value adopted by the Board of Equalization pursuant to ORS 309.034 is 20 percent.

It shall be the duty of the persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed. Petitions for adjustment of assessments must be filed with the Board of Equalization not later than the end of the first week that the Board is in session.

Clair L. Balzer Sherman County Assessor 25-67c

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF SHERMAN

In the Matter of the Estate of ) of ) ELIZABETH M. KUYPERS, ) Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The undersigned having been appointed by the above entitled Court as Executor of the Estate of Elizabeth M. Kuypers, deceased and having qualified, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present them verified as required by law, with proper vouchers, within six months from the date of this notice, to the said Executor at Rufus, Oregon.

Charles F. Kuypers Executor of the Estate of Elizabeth M. Kuypers, Deceased 27-30c

Property taxpayers in Sherman county have until May 23 to file petitions with the County Board of Equalization for the review of property assessments, according to Vernon I. Miller, Chairman of the three-man board and Clair L. Balzer, County Assessor.

The board, composed of Chairman Vernon I. Miller, A. C. Kaseberg and J. K. McKean, will convene in County Court room of the courthouse on Monday, May 11, to make the annual review of assessments in the county. Oregon law provides that a property owner may appear in person or be represented by an attorney before the board when it considers petitions for reductions of assessments.

The Board of Equalization has posted a 20% ratio for assessing property. By dividing "assessed value" by this ratio, taxpayers can arrive at the "true cash value" or this may be done by multiplying the "assessed value" by 5. To verify their assessments, taxpayers may obtain a certificate of assessment from the assessor.

For the first time in several years, "true cash value" is the same as "market value," the State Tax Commission on January 1 having ordered a 100% normal conditions factor" for 1959. A 90% factor was used in 1958, 80% in 1957 and 1956, and 70% in 1955 and 1954.

A taxpayer planning to appeal to the Board of Equalization should first review his assessment with the County Assessor. If the assessor feels the assessment is correct and the taxpayer disagrees he may place his case before the county board on or before May 23. Forms for this purpose may usually be obtained from the assessor or the county clerk, who serves as secretary to the Board of Equalization.

If the board sustains the assessor, the taxpayer has 30 days, after the board's notice is sent to him or published, in which to continue his appeal to the State Tax Commission. Thereafter he may take his case to Circuit Court. 27-28c

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 O.E.S.

Meets every second Thursday each month. Visiting members invited. Moro, Ore. Annabelle Kelso, W. M. Dorothy Heater, Secretary

Taylor LODGE A. F. & A. M.

Wasco, Oregon Meets each First and Third Tuesdays. Doug Shull, W. M.

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116

Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome. Mary Brackett, N. G. Helen Martin, Secretary

HARLANDVIEW GRANGE

Meets First and Third Mondays each month at 8:00 p. m. Helen Bruckert, Master

Florence Bruckert, 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. Floyd Haines, N. G. Leo Watkins, Secretary

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A.F.&A.M.

Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings each month. Visiting members cordially invited to meet with us. Clarence Higley, W. M. Clyde Gillmor, Secretary

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