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The Special Session

The governor's calling of a special session of the legislature to figure out something to do with a sizeable surplus of tax money in the state treasury has brought forth much comment not only from Republicans but Democrats too. We feel the reasoning the governor has given for his methods of giving tax relief are faulty—we won't be gaining property tax relief, instead it will mean just adding to the general tax base for future years.

Giles French, editor of the Sherman County Journal, an ex-legislator and a top authority on state taxes made the following editorial comment last week. It is well put . . .

Taxpayers who were made happy over the announcement by the governor that a special session was called for October 28 did not read the fine print.

If the legislature follows the governor, which it didn't in the regular session, it will add another \$10,000,000 to the appropriations. Now no one who has been watching school expenses in Oregon can possibly think that money added to the basic school fund will reduce local taxes for very long.

The time elapsing between the announcement of the state tax commission and the governor's call was so short that he could not have conferred with many legislative leaders. The two months before the session is to begin will be ample time for the numerous asking groups to prepare their demands. Which makes us think that taxpayers

are in for another raise in state appropriations instead of a decrease.

The Democrats had an excellent opportunity to lower taxes in the regular session which would have put them in a pretty formidable position in Oregon. Instead of that they boosted the already too high appropriation list by \$50,000,000 and raised the taxes. They did not make full use of the surplus that piled up because of the excessive Republican tax bill of 1955. Now they want to go back and use that immediately instead of waiting until 1959.

The call shows the extreme foolishness of another bill passed at the last session; the one to pay the full salary to legislators during the session. No doubt legislators wanted and needed the money. Now four of them will not serve and who or how are their replacements to be paid?

The movement started by Senator Gill to call a meeting at which Oregonians can express their preference in the use of the money now to be available next July may show so much resentment against high spending that a sizeable bloc of legislators will vote to refund some taxes instead of adding more. That we would like to see, but the record of this bunch of legislators offers little hope.

Oregon is not having a very prosperous year and the estimate of \$70,000,000 by next July may not materialize.

The important thing about the call for a special session is that it is a call for more spending put forth in the guise of a tax refund. In many human activities that would be called dishonest.

From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

One fair is over with two more to go. With the completion of the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo last week we step into the North Morrow County Fair on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week and end the fair season on September 12, 13 and 14 when the agent judges 4-H and open livestock and contests at the Union county fair at La Grande. After the fair season is completed we hope we can settle down to doing some of the extension work which we have had to postpone the last month because of vacations and preparations for fairs.

One of the first matters to be

taken care of is the assistance to 4-H club members in getting lined up with their livestock projects for the new club year which starts October 1. It is time now to be thinking about next year's projects. Steers should be spoken for soon as most ranchers have contracted or sold calves for early delivery this fall. Ranchers who exceptionally good steers that would feed out into a good show animal are encouraged to contact this office or some of their neighboring 4-H boys and girls. Steers for The Dallas Wheat League show should be put on feed this month if they are to be completely finished by the June show date. Sows need to be bred at once if litters are to be right for fattening for this same spring show. Pigs for next year's fair should be farrowed in March which means breeding sows during November. Ewes which are not bred within the next few days will not lamb in time for The Dallas show. There are a lot of excellent quality livestock in Morrow county which was evidenced by the excellent showing of all classes of animals at the last week's Morrow county fair.

While we are talking about livestock we hope that everyone attended the annual 4-H livestock fat auction sale last Thursday evening; if you did we know that you will agree that the 27 fat lambs, 16 beef and 7 hogs which were sold through the sale were some of the best quality yet to go through. One of the things we were proud of was the fact that of 16 steers to sell through the sale, 8 were prime, 1 low prime, 2 high choice, 4 choice with only 1 being good grade. The good

grade steer was at a disadvantage because of age, being only 13 months old at sale time. Seven of the lambs were prime, 8 choice with the rest good. Two of the hogs graded U. S. No. 1. Maybe it was because of this high quality that prices were so good. The 49 animals sold in less than an hour including a lamb donated by Kenneth Nelson for the 4-H club council selling twice and a lamb which was bought by Ruggles Insurance and selling four additional times. The speed of the sale did not affect the average price with hogs averaging 35 cents; beef 38 cents and sheep 30 cents per pound. Spirited bidding for the grand champion animals brought \$1.00 a pound for the grand champion steer with 80 cents for the Reserve purchased by Morrow County Grain Growers and Hepner Pine Mills respectively. Hepner Pine Mills repeated by buying the grand champion lamb; Farley Motor Company and Alec Lindsay purchased the grand and reserve champion hogs. Ringman Cornett Green Gerald Swaggart, Eb Hughes and Ralph Beamer reported a number of bids from the crowd without enough animals to go around, the support from our Morrow county people was so good.

Congratulations are in order for the Morrow county 4-H livestock judging contest winners who participated at the state fair contest on Saturday of last week. Dennis Doherty, a member of the team was third high individual with all but two of the state's county teams represented. Members Kenneth Lynn Smouse Janet Palmer and Dennis Doherty were selected as the three top judging individuals at the county fair on Tuesday. The three as a team placed tenth at state fair which put them in the upper one third of the teams participating.

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THIRTY YEARS AGO

from the files of the Gazette Times Sept. 8, 1927
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ferguson departed for Pendleton this morning where they will reside in the future. Mr. Ferguson having charge of the Oakland-Pontiac agency there.

Among Hepner people attending the North Morrow County Fair at Boardman last weekend were S. E. Notson R. E. Bengel and son Terrel, Gay M. Anderson and Gay, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Bleakman, Vawter and Jasper Crawford, Mrs. Helen M. Walker, Rev. and Mrs. Stanley Moore.

Johan Troedson who was in the city a short time on Monday, states that quite a number of the wheat raisers in the North lone section have to do their threshing yet.

Clive Huston, who has been here the past two months working in the harvest, departed last night for his home in Portland.



Cheaper by the Dozen
The political switch Joe Rogers made last week pulled the Democratic majority in the House down to three dozen Democrats to two dozen Republicans—still a two to one odds, for the special session of the Legislature October 28.

Republican political nerve centers got an enlivening tingle when the Polk county state representative announced that he was through with the Democrats "since their aims are different from my aims." Republican newspapers did a signal job of front page display on the winning of one party member.

The free-wheeling Joe Rogers was a problem child for Democratic leaders in the House at the last session. He declined consideration for membership on the House Taxation Committee because he and Speaker of the House Pat Dooley, differed on taxation and other matters. Rogers, a 46-year-old dairy farmer, explained that he is going from the majority to the minority party which will not alter the political complexion of the House.

The move Rogers made is the first from the Democratic to the

Republican ranks that has been made by a prominent Democrat in Oregon. Registration moves in the opposite directions that have augmented the Democrats include United States Senator Wayne Morse, Governor Robert D. Holmes, Jason Lee and Steve Anderson.

"Special Session Horrific"
Among other things State Representative Eddie Ahrens called Gov. Holmes' special session "shocking", on his return from Canada Friday, where was exhibiting his prize sheep.

"The special session," he commented "is an imposition upon members of the legislature who must serve without pay after just having served in the longest session in the history of the Oregon legislature. It is also an imposition upon the taxpayer who must bear the added expense of an added session."

"House Joint Resolution 18 introduced by Republicans if passed would have done away with the necessity for an extra session. This bill called for any surplus over 1 1/2 million to be used in paying off the state's bonded indebtedness and allowed for the vote of the people for approval. When is there a better time to pay off debts than when you have surplus money?"

State Fair Breaks Records
Often referred to as the "Democratic State Fair" the eight-day event broke attendance records from the first day and famous old Lone Oak racetrack hung up three track one world record for the opening day. You didn't have to guess if Democrats were in the majority of "those present". They proudly proclaimed this the greatest state fair in history—and told the world.

While the kiddies raided the rides with their dimes, dad, mom, big sis and brother didn't miss swarming to the Democrat's tent to meet U. S. Senator Wayne Morse. He said, "In 1960 I'll be out there campaigning all over the state for the reelection of Senator Richard Neuberger. He's a great senator, give him another ten years and he will be greatest senator we ever had."

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More urban accidents it is believed are caused by running stop signs or turning from the wrong lane on down town streets than any other violations.

Salem city officials are seeking a new solution to problems that arise in downtown Salem. Their action will be reported in this column soon as they believe there are only a few kinks to be ironed out in plans whereby cities may comply with the state law.

A driver the state law says, must be in the extreme right lane before making a right turn; and (on one way streets) in the extreme left lane before turning left. Otherwise police may arrest him for "turning from the wrong lane."

There are too many "snakes" at too many intersections in too many Oregon cities. These low barriers force a driver in the outside lane to turn—and break the state law.

And what of a driver in an outside lane who doesn't want to turn?

State's July Traffic Identical to 1956

Oregon's rural highway traffic volume for July 1957 was almost identical to that recorded in July 1956 according to the State Highway Department's monthly traffic count.

There were slight increases in travel on highways US 30, US99 and portions of US 26 and US 101. Highways US 97, US 20 and portions of US 99W showed decreases.

The maximum daily volume at a single recorder was at Troutdale on Highway US 30. On Sunday, July 28, 21,171 vehicles were recorded. This peak volume was due primarily to the opening of Rooster Rock state park east of Troutdale.

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