



New GOP Tax Program

The old "cabin plaster" law enacted many years ago but not used for 20 years may be repealed. It remains on the statute books of Oregon providing for a state mortgage on property when income tax receipts fail to supply state expenses.

A Sunday caucus of a majority of the Republican members of the legislature held in Salem adopted a program for tax relief that includes repeal of the state property tax law; cutting the estimated \$69 million tax surplus to \$10 million and banning appropriations for new expenditures and limiting the special session of the legislature to lowering taxes and reducing the surplus.

Plea For Winter Jobs

Mrs. Cecelia P. Galey, chairman of the State Unemployment Compensation Commission, has sent a call to Oregon employers to help find jobs for thousands of jobless workers during the winter.

"Claims for unemployment compensation have been on the rise since last June. This promises a real problem," Mrs. Galey said. Last week 16,314 persons asked for unemployment compensation, compared with 6,249 in the same week a year ago.

She warned that employers and citizens must help if we are to avoid a real crisis.

Building Sags In Cities

There is a wide variance in August building permit totals of three Oregon cities that have consistently shown phenomenal growth during the past decade.

These deductions are made from figures reported in the Oregon Business Review for September published by the University of Oregon.

A percent comparison with August 1956 shows all three cities dropped their temp of growth with Eugene showing the greatest losses:

Salem, down 1%; Eugene down 75%; Klamath Falls, down 30%. Small gains are shown in Hillsboro, Baker, Medford and Corvallis.

Assistant State Attorney

Norman A. Stoll, a former chief counsel for the Bonneville Power Administration for six years, was named as special assistant attorney general Friday in a joint statement made by Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton and Public Utilities Commissioner Howard Morgan.

THE MOST FABULOUS John Steinbeck characters of all step out of THE WAYWARD BUS. Star Theater, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The new member of the staff will be assigned to the Public Utility Commission and along with other responsibilities will study and redraft certain public utility laws for consideration of the 1959 legislature. "He will also assist in reshaping internal policies and procedures of PUC in the interest of efficient and accurate public service," Morgan said.

Stoll has had an extensive legal background with federal agencies, serving in the Army during World War II in the international law division of the War Department and also served on the prosecution staff of the major Nuremberg war crimes trials in Germany and served with the Board of Economic Warfare. He also held a position of ranking solicitor in charge of legislative matters for the Department of Commerce.

Mostly Politics

Jack M. Miller, Salem, is the new president of the Oregon Young Republicans. He was elected at the organization's annual meeting in Coos Bay last Saturday.

Gov. Robert D. Holmes promises to be one of the best regular features on the state's new educational programs over KOAC-TV channel 7. The governor has inaugurated a regular series of programs on state government. The series is now scheduled for twice-a-month.

Lobbyists at the special legislative session won't be telling Bill Healy where to go even if the former assistant secretary of state had the job of doing just that. In herding them about at many sessions. With headquarters in Portland Bill is now tax and legislative advisor for Pacific Intermountain Express serving Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada and California.

Between Congressman Walter Norblad's stunts and stunts at his Salem office and the Capitol he made political hay last week in Tillamook and his old home town Astoria where he shook his way around a crowd attending courthouse cornerstone ceremonies.

Justice and Municipal Courts

George Hugo White, making false statement of residence on hunting license application, \$125 bail, hearing later.

George Hugo White, hunting game birds with prohibited method, \$75 fine and rifle confiscated.

Ronald Lee White, possession of game birds during closed season, \$75 bail, hearing later.

George Morris Dunn Jr., excessive motor noise, \$1 fine.

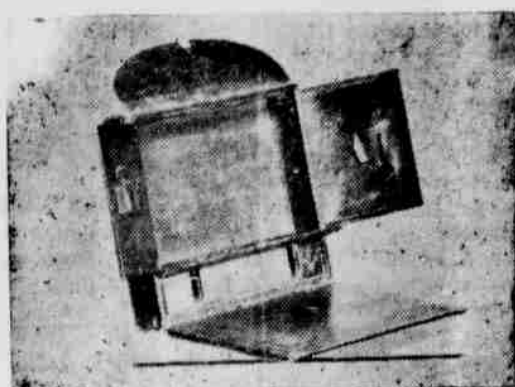
Clayton Ernest Jones, no operator's license, \$10 fine.

John Lloyd Howton, possession of intoxicating liquor, \$35 fine, with \$25 suspended.

Keith Carol Rea, possession of intoxicating liquor, \$35 fine, \$25 suspended.

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This Week's HISTORY MYSTERY



Who Owned This Writing Case?

CLUE: In the 1850's this case belonged to an army assistant quartermaster stationed at Fort Vancouver. Some years later, during the Civil War, this case was said to have held a checkbook with a balance of one million dollars.

ANSWER: Rufus Ingalls was the owner of this writing case. At the onset of the Civil War he was promoted to Colonel and assigned as Chief Quartermaster to the Army of the Potomac. Col. Ingalls was ready to leave Washington for Annapolis in order to accept and pay for 110 naval vessels to be used to transport McClellan's Army to Virginia. However, the battle between the Merrimack and the Monitor took place at this time, thus necessitating a revision of McClellan's plans.

If you have something that would make a good "mystery" object, send its complete description to the

OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY PORTLAND, OREGON

HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones, Condon, a 7 lb. girl born October 2, named Teresa Sue. To Mr. and Mrs. David Eckman, Heppner, 9 lb. 8 oz. boy born Oct. 2, named Robert Alan. To Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Drake, Heppner, an 8 lb. 2 oz. boy born Oct. 3, named Ernest Kevin (deceased). To Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brandt, Kinzua, a 9 lb 2 3/4 oz. boy born Oct. 6, named Clain Emmett. To Mr. and Mrs. Cecil McDaniel, Hardman, a 7 lb 6 oz. girl born Oct 7, named Maralee Virginia. To Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Beck, Condon, a 6 lb. girl born Oct. 8.

Medical—Frank Papineau, Lexington; Linda Philbrick, Condon; Belinda Meadows, Kinzua, dismissed; Charles Cunningham, Kinzua, dismissed; Donna Meadows, Kinzua, dismissed; Barbara Hall, Kinzua, dismissed; Rose Nash, Ione, dismissed; Delores Meadows, Kinzua, dismissed; Joy Ball, Heppner, dismissed; Lena Hampton, Fossil, dismissed; Brenda Hampton, Fossil, dismissed; Francis Murphy, Dallesport, Wn., dismissed; Erma Murphy, Portland, dismissed; Clyde Richards, Portland, dismissed; Mildred Richards, dismissed; Mary Cox, Heppner, dismissed; Delaware Jackson Tate III, Condon, dismissed; Karen Schaffer, Lexington, dismissed; Elbert Hall, Spray.

Major Surgery—Leona Woolman, Heppner.

Applications Due For Academy Training

BAKER—Congressman Al Ullman today stated that he is accepting applications from young men of the second district who are interested in appointments to the service academies.

For the academic year beginning next July, he will be privileged to fill two vacancies at the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. For each of these vacancies a principal and five alternates will be appointed.

Representative Ullman also announced his intention to nominate 10 young men each for the Air Force Academy and Maritime Academy competition. These nominees must compete statewide with candidates named by other Oregon members of Congress.

In making his appointments, Ullman will use the results of a civil service examination which has been scheduled for November 18. Any boy who is interested in being considered should immediately write for an application form. The address is Congressman Al Ullman, Room 323, House Office Building, Washington 25, D.C.

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Lexington News

The high school room mothers met at the C. C. Jones home on Wednesday. Plans were made for parties throughout the year at the high school and plans made for refreshments served after local ball games. Suggestions were received and read which were written by high school students as to the kind of entertainment they liked. Those present were Mrs. Gar Leyva, Mrs. Wilbur Steagall, Mrs. O. E. Laney and Mrs. Jones, and a guest, Mrs. Messenger.

Jerry Messenger, who is stationed at Oceanside, Calif., in the Marine Corps, has arrived and will visit here with his wife, Sue Laney Messenger.

Tommy Martin and Greg Leyva entertained the high school and friends at the Martin ranch Friday evening. Very clever games were played and dancing was enjoyed. The rooms were cleverly decorated in the school colors. Mrs. Roy Martin served refreshments later in the evening.

The Rebekah lodge sponsored a dance at their hall on Saturday night with a good crowd in attendance. There will be another dance Nov. 2, at the hall with Quackenbush's orchestra from Heppner. Donations will be taken at this time for the remodeling of the front room of the Oddfellows lodge.

Monument News

Grace Stirritt as reported doing fine. She is out of the hospital and is staying at the John Simas home in La Grande.

The M. M. M. club met Thursday afternoon at the Mae McWillis home.

Dinner guests at the Sam Scott home Sunday, in honor of Jessie's birthday, were her husband, Sam, son Robert, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Matteson and her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Kingman of Alturas, Calif.

September Traffic Kills 41 In Sate

Traffic accidents claimed at least 41 lives in Oregon during September, showing the state's nine-month traffic death toll to 318.

Thirty-nine were killed in September last year, and the death toll at the end of nine months in 1956 stood at only 310.

The month-by-month death figures so far this year show January with 27 deaths; February, 29; March, 36; April, 31; May, 32; June, 45; July, 30; August, 47; and September 41.

The figures are subject to revision upward if persons injured later die as a result of injuries incurred in accidents, according to the Department of Motor Vehicle's traffic safety division.

CLUB TO MEET

The Carnation club will meet Thursday, Oct. 17 at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. William Farra.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitmer Wright were in Portland on business last week and went on to Longview, Wash. to spend the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Smith and family. They came home Sunday by way of White Pass and called on Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mounts at Randle, Wash.

Wheat Movement Shows Slight Drop During September

Wheat movement to foreign ports from Oregon during September dropped below the total exported in August, according to the monthly report of T. Ralph Harry, grain division chief for the state department of agriculture. September wheat exports totalled more than 5.3 million bushels, compared with 5.7 million bushels in August.

The amounts of incoming wheat inspected in September was 7.7 million bushels or a little more than half a million bushels less than during the previous month.

More barley was exported last month than in August, but the total amount of barley imported was a little lower.

The grain branch office in Pendleton reported twice as much flour inspected during September as in August. However, pea, wheat and hay inspections at Pendleton were down. Flour inspection was also up at the Astoria branch.

The Merrill grain office, which opened August 1, reported 191 track inspections, 176 sample inspections and 35 truck inspections. During August the new branch had made 93 track inspections, 27 sample inspections and one truck inspection.

CIRCLE TO MEET

The Suzanna Wesley circle of the Methodist church will meet with Mrs. Whitmer Wright Wednesday, Oct. 16 at 2 p.m. Mrs. Lucille Owens will have charge of the program.

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Area Bank Debits Show Big Increase

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene—Bank debits in August for the Pendleton area showed an increase of 15.3 percent over July of this year and an increase of 23.3 percent from August of last year. Total bank debits for the area were \$42,117,971, with 8 banks reporting.

Bank debits for the whole state, totalling \$1,781,062,648 with 166 banks reporting, indicated a rise of 5.3 percent from July, 1957 but a drop of 21.7 from August a year ago.

Bank debits, regarded as good indicators of business activity, represent the dollar value of checks drawn against the deposit accounts of individuals and business firms. The Bureau of Business Research collects bank debits monthly.

Mrs. Richard T. Meador and Leslie Faye and Mrs. LaVerne Van Marter Jr. and LaVerne III spent Saturday and Sunday in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Lamb returned last week from a visit with relatives in Arkansas City, Kans. They were accompanied by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lamb of Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tetz and Stephen of Monmouth, Ore., were weekend guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Labhart.

Lance Tibbles, a sophomore at the University of Oregon, was home over the weekend with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Tibbles. Accompanying him were Sally Sherman, Hermiston, Sharon Cutsforth, Ione, and Alice Fay and Mary Jo Stewart of Heppner. The girls are all freshmen.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Penland were in Portland on business over the weekend.

New Law Prohibits Parking Lights Use

Oregon drivers should think twice before turning on their parking lights while driving the Department of Motor Vehicles reminded today.

A new law, which took effect August 20, makes it illegal to drive with parking lights at any time when headlights should be used, James F. Johnson motor vehicle director, said.

Headlights must be used from a half-hour after sunset to a half-hour before sunrise and at any other time when vehicles and persons are not easy to see at a distance of at least 500 feet ahead.

The new law, when before the legislature, had the support of the Oregon Traffic Safety Commission and other highway safety groups.

Driving with only parking lights in fog or during early evening hours has been a contributing factor in a number of fatal accidents Johnson said.

Mrs. Annie Healy who recently underwent surgery at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ted Palmateer at Ione.

Hunting guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Al Fetsch over the weekend were his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Fetsch and children of Salem.

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