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## We Will Vote "Yes"

Next Monday's school budget election is basically of even more importance to county taxpayers than was the first one, which was voted down. And, it should enjoy an even greater turnout of voters than did the one on May 4.

The school budget has been discussed and discussed more during the past six weeks than at any time in the memory of the residents of the county—and probably with reason, but now is not the time for voters to throw up their hands and say, "what the heck."

We must have schools next year for our youngsters. All will not be run as many persons have hoped, but a lot of sincere effort and study and work has gone into this budget and the supplemental levy which will be voted on July 11. If both are approved our schools will operate much the same as had been planned originally, and this newspaper is convinced that just about all possible "water" has been wrung out of the operation. Nobody wants to penalize the youngsters by depriving their schools of a few needed dollars just because everything that some had hoped for could not be arranged in time to get this budget on the tax rolls.

It is this newspaper's recommendation that both the regular budget and the supplemental be given voter approval. Then, let's start in to determine what we want in our school system for the following year—while we have time to give the problem real study. We will have a new school board, and it will be one that can have enough time to adequately study the overall county school problem and come up with some answers that need not necessarily be born of immediate necessity.

Should the current revised budget (and the supplemental budget) be defeated at the coming elections our entire county school system could foreseeably be forced to operate next year on a warrant basis. This could mean that we would have only a very small school tax this year (if the levy couldn't get on the tax rolls by July 15), but it would also mean that we would be faced with

practically a double levy the following year. Nobody is going to save a single nickel on that kind of an operation, even though some of us might have to lose a little face to get it back on a "pay as you go" basis.

Again, we recommend that the revised school budget be approved at next Monday's election and that the special levy be approved on July 11. If that is done we'll have a whole year to study a major school problem that deserves ample time for consideration. During that coming year, though, we'd better not just sit on our hands.

## Not Enough Rich People

Congressman Mills of Arkansas, who is chairman of the all-important House Ways and Means Committee through which all tax legislation must pass, has announced an exhaustive study of the present tax structure with the objective of reducing rates without sacrificing revenues. First step will be an intensive inquiry into the Federal income tax. Possibilities of broadening the base enough to permit real reductions in individual and corporate income taxes will be investigated. It is hoped that legislation will be ready for the consideration of the second session of this Congress.

There is plenty of room for honest differences of opinion over specific, detailed provisions of the tax laws. But it's hard to see how anyone can logically argue against a thorough overhaul of tax policy. In the upper individual and corporate tax brackets the rates reach an extortionate level. They thus prevent investment and industrial development—the kind of investment and development that is urgently needed if good jobs for our soaring work force are to be provided.

Moreover, the hard facts have proven that we can't support the government by the old expedient of "soaking the rich." The biggest part, by far, of federal revenues comes from the basic income tax rate of 20%. Only a small part comes from the progressive rates, even though they reach a staggering 91%. There just aren't enough rich people.

## From The County Agent's Office

By NELS ANDERSON

Faith, Hope and Charity have come to Oregon State College! These are the names of a third set of triplet calves that have joined the college dairy herd, the month old grade Jersey-Guernsey heifers are identical—a rarity happening possibly only in 500,000 births. The heifers will be used in milk production experiments after their first calving in about two years. They will then be placed on different energy intake rations to help determine the economy of different grain feeding levels. Since inheritance of identical triplets is the same, any differences will be due to feed or management and not to individual quirks—a factor always present when non-identical animals are used for research. The herd already includes year and a half old triplet grade Holstein bulls and an older set of triplet milking cows. The bull triplets are being used to study effective energy intake on fertility and the older triplets in milking studies.

Owners of about 14,000 live-stock brands recorded in Oregon will be called upon to renew their rights on the brand beginning July 1. Each five years brands must be re-recorded with the state department of agriculture at Salem to keep them current. The re-recording period now coming up will last for six months and applications filed now will continue legal ownership through December 31, 1964. Each brand owner on record today will receive within the next few weeks an application form on which to renew his brand. No renewal fee should be mailed until brand owners receive official

application blank from Salem. Because claims from brands will be waived if the recorded brand is not renewed within the six months recording period beginning July 1, ranchers would do well to watch the mail for these application forms. Brand owners who may have moved since their last brand recording may not get an application unless it is forwarded to them. For this reason anyone who does not get a notice of re-recording during July should notify the state department of agriculture at Salem early in August and a form will be mailed.

The annual Oregon youth range camp sponsored by the American Society of Range Management has been announced for August 3-8 to be held at Logan Valley in Grant county. This year applications will be taken from all boys over 14 years of age regardless of whether they are enrolled in 4-H or FFA. In the past selections were made here from those two youth organizations. The county has a quota of four boys. Those boys both town and country reared who are interested in spending a week in the outdoors being taught how to handle themselves as well as range and other land so that they can be of greatest value to their country are eligible to apply. Range and soil judging, plant identification, conservation, ranch organization, photography, camping, woodsmanship, sportsmanship, supervised swimming, soft ball and other sports will make up the program for the week. Application forms are available at this office.

On a visit last week to the newly built trench silo at the Steve Thompson ranch near Heppner, I saw an excellent job of silo filling. The alfalfa grass ensilage was going into the trench in just the right condition to make some top quality high protein feed for winter feeding. The alfalfa was being harvested with a heater so it did not lose moisture from being mowed and windrowed as well as saving these operations. Dump trucks made unloading easy and a small tractor with blade for leveling and packing insuring a good ensiling process. The trench located in the side of a hill adjacent to the winter feed yard makes it handy to get at them when the time for feeding comes. We are sure that Steve will like his silage about calving time next winter.

This office has a supply of the new lawn booklets just published by Oregon State College extension service. Tips for healthy, beautiful lawns are included in three pocket size booklets, Starting A New Lawn, Lawn Care And Maintenance, and Lawn Pests and Problems. You may have copies of these booklets that may tell you why the grass is greener on the other side of your fence, by calling at this office.

While reading the U S Department of Agriculture's Balance Sheet of Agriculture the other day we ran across some facts that might interest you. For one thing, you and the other five million farmers in this country now own liquid financial assets of about 14 1/2 billion dollars. This not only includes the cash in your pocket, but other assets you could turn into cash in a moment's notice—your bank account and United States savings bonds. Maybe it shouldn't have, but what surprised us most was

## WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

It would appear that the Canadians are developing another new market in the United States.

And ridiculous as it appears at first blush, that new export item is baked bread.

So far, the influx of cheaper priced Canadian bread is confined to Detroit and the adjacent areas. But the figures on the growth of this business are impressive. At the present time, the imported bread is running around 7 million pounds. On the basis of an average American family consumption of bread annually of somewhere around 440 pounds, this represents a supply for only some 16,000 families, which is not too impressive in the bread business.

But on the other hand, this business has increased 1300% in ten years, is still growing.

The reasons for this silly phenomena are quite plain. For one thing, the U. S. price support policies on wheat keeps the prices of this staple up about 30% higher in this country than across the border. In addition, whereas Detroit bakers must pay \$2.05 per hour for unskilled workers, rate in Canada is \$1.50.

Canadian bread was thus selling in Detroit for 17 cents for a pound and a quarter loaf versus 24 cents for the American product. This has precipitated a price war which has brought the American product down to around 19 cents, but Canadian bread has by the same token dropped down to a dime or less.

Here is an example not predicted on Oriental coolie labor.

Here is a nation with a high standard of living that due to American labor and farm policies can whip a segment of U. S. business to death.

Probably in a recent meeting of the Senate Small Business Committee Sen. Russell Long stated the problem in a nutshell saying "What we have to watch out for is the foreign producer who is paying 15 or twenty cents per hour for labor and who has equipment as good as ours; even buys our raw material and brings it back in here far below our production cost."

He continued by saying, "The average American tariff on goods coming in here is about 10% and that is only on things that carry a tariff. Now if you are paying a wage that is about four times as high as the other fellow, that 10% tariff is no hill for a stepper at all, he can just leap over it. I think it is factors like that where you really have a right to demand protection, rather than let some competitor get a big advantage over you and continue to whip you."

This is an interesting comment for a responsible member of Congress made in Washington D. C. where in these many years, the do-gooders, the socialistic planners, and the rest of that screaming-meemie tribe have been pushing to even further abolish the protective U. S. tariff system on the basis that this will cause everybody throughout the world to love each other as brothers.

The experience so far with U. S. tariff cutting has proved one thing about love.

Given half a chance, the foreign employer of cheap labor loves to undersell American business in America. In the meantime, American unemployment figures hold at a high rate.

to learn that more than 3 billion dollars — or roughly 35% of these liquid reserves — is in savings bonds.

Word was received at this office from Karl Beach who is attending national 4-H club conference in Washington D C that he was having a wonderful time there. Karl, selected as one of four outstanding club members to represent Oregon thanked the leaders and those who had helped him in his 4-H club work that won him this trip. He reported that he had participated in the dedication program for the new 4-H Center at Chevy Chase, Maryland and was quite thrilled to see President Eisenhower cut the ribbon in the dedication ceremony. This new center purchased by the 4-H club foundation several years ago and renovated through funds provided by friends of 4-H this year for the first time provided facilities for the conference. For the past 28 years the conference has operated out of hotels in Washington D. C. Karl also reports he had the opportunity to meet U S Senators and representatives from Oregon and on Friday was going down the Potomac by boat to Mt Vernon. Karl is the third 4-H club member in the past ten years to represent Morrow county and Oregon at national 4-H club conference. Ronald Baker, Ione and Patsy Wright, Heppner, were chosen as outstanding club members to represent Oregon in past years.

One of the perennial noxious weeds that have gained a foot-

hold in the county in the past ten years is the Canada thistle. While infestations of this weed have been known to exist in the county for many years, it has only been the last few years that it has been generally found on irrigated grounds along each of our creek bottoms and into the higher rainfall favorable sites in south Morrow county. This is a weed that everyone should become concerned with acquainting themselves with its characteristics and identification. It is a weed that will begin to show up this month as the weather warms up and its reddish purple flowers begin to bud open. When found in the stage this is the best time for control through new chemicals and soil sterilants that have been found effective against this weed. To help in identifying the thistle a new bulletin has been printed and now is available at this office. A colored illustration makes it easy to identify Canada thistle in various stages of growth. The bulletin also contains a full description of the weed, tells where it came from, and how it spreads. We have a supply of the bulletin here in the office and would be happy to visit with you on control methods.



The State Board of Control was told Tuesday that contracts for construction of the labor and industries building will be awarded in July. Freeman Holmer, director of the State Finance and Administration Department, said bids would be sought this month.

The 1957 Legislature approved construction of the building to be located just north of the state library at a cost between \$3,300,000 and \$3,800,000.

Money to meet the costs of construction is being borrowed from the State Industrial Accident Commission and will be repaid through rentals assessed against occupants of the structure, to be repaid within 30 years but 45 years were allowed under a lease with investors.

## MAY RUN FOR TREASURER

Lee Ohmart, who has a signal legislative record and piles up big majorities when he runs for office says he is "somewhat interested" in running for state treasurer next year.

The 45-year-old Salem realtor had an unusual tax schooling in Marion County tax and court

departments for eight years before serving in the Legislature, two terms in the House followed by two regular and one special session in the Senate.

No Republicans have announced their candidacy. Sen Ward Cook, Portland, is considered a probable Democratic candidate as is Sen Dwight H Hopkins, Imbler.

Sig Unander, present state treasurer, cannot run in 1960 as the constitution restricts a treasurer to two consecutive terms.

## BANK DEBITS UP

Resurgence of Oregon's lumber market last week seemed to be reflected in figures of the Federal Reserve District of San Francisco regarding bank debits.

The district report for May shows upstate Oregon cities made substantial gains. Salem led with \$119,706,000 (\$116,538,000 a year ago) Eugene was second trailing Salem by a \$34,501,000, with a total of \$95,205,000 (\$72,457,000 a year ago).

Gains were recorded in all 27 reporting cities.

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"The Darling Buds of May" has been made into a comedy of the utmost delight about the farmer's daughter, the farmer's wife, in fact, everyone including the tax collector! Don't miss THE MATING GAME, Star Theater, Sunday-Monday-Tuesday.

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Wright and many others.

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Debbie Reynolds, Paul Douglas,  
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