

Buchanan Talks On Tax Problems

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2. Inventory tax reduction program at the rate of 10% per year until a 50% goal is reached. Eventual cost of this will be \$45,000,000 by 1970.

3. Direct property relief, which has been "pumped" about \$17,700,000 into such relief in 1966.

New Formulas Proposed

One proposed school support formula would provide one local levy and one state supported amount. It would eliminate the intermediate education district and county fund levy. It would allow a school district to spend \$500 per student on operating expenses with a maximum levy at 10 mills against true cash valuation, such as \$150 on a \$15,000 home. The minimum amount of basic grant would be \$120 per student. It would also include an urban weighting factor of 10% for districts in excess of 50,000 average daily membership. This plan would require an additional \$40 million a year in school aid, or a total of \$114,000,000. However, it would simplify the formula, increase the state's share of local school expenses to about 40% and put a limit on the amount of taxes levied for school purposes, Buchanan said.

In order to reach the 50% goal of state support, which has been held desirable, it would require a broader based tax at the state level to finance it, the speaker pointed out.

"I disagree with the Oregon Tax Commission in its refusal to consider the productivity of land in assessment procedure," Buchanan said. "The legislature in the past has indicated that this was its wish but the language was vague and the Tax Commission has refused to move in this direction."

Taxing Criteria Given

Five criteria must be observed in judging any taxing system, he said: 1. Its equity, 2. Its certainty, 3. Its convenience, 4. Its economic effect (and economy in administration), 5. Its adequacy.

The Oregon Tax Study Committee has much more work to do, he declared, including consideration of new tax distribution formulas, consideration of increased school aid, and at the same time coming up with a property tax limitation so that such new and increased aid is meaningful.

Story Corrected On Easement Offer

A story in the Gazette-Times last week was incorrect in some details concerning efforts of the City of Heppner to obtain an easement from the Parker Corporation for laying a water main across property on the hill west of the city.

The story said, "The corporation has not accepted a \$400 offer made by the city, and it was decided that the city attorneys will make one more formal offer of this amount with the provision that if it is not accepted in 20 days, the attorneys will start condemnation proceedings."

Fred Hoskins, on behalf of the corporation, pointed out that a \$400 offer had not been made by the city to this time. The error in reporting came about because the council at its August meeting had authorized the city attorney "to offer up to \$400" for the easement. City Attorney Bob Abrams confirmed that he had not offered a specified sum for the easement in talks with Hoskins, following an initial offer of \$100 made earlier in the summer.

In reporting the story, the paper incorrectly assumed that the \$400 offer had been made.

The action of the council at its September meeting, however, is as was reported—that the offer of \$400 be made with 20 days allowed for its acceptance before starting condemnation proceedings.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients who were admitted to Pioneer Memorial hospital during the past week, and are still receiving medical care, are the following: Sylvia Wells, Heppner; Frances Carlson, Ione; Sarah Stewart, Fossil; Melvin Dixon, Heppner; and Jess Coats, Hardman.

Those who were given medical care, and later dismissed, were the following: Virginia Groshens, Heppner; and Marvin Skellenger, Spray.

Frances Cronin, nutrition consultant for the Oregon Dairy Council, was in Heppner two days this week consulting with schools, the hospital, the welfare office, public health office and the county extension office. She makes a personal visit to advise these institutions of nutrition information services available to them through the Oregon Dairy Council, an organization supported by the dairy industry.

Girl Has Surgery; Expected Home Soon

Miss Ginnylou Turner underwent surgery at St. Anthony hospital in Pendleton on Tuesday, September 6, after a seven-weeks confinement in Pioneer Memorial hospital.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Turner, are happy to report she is now in a wheelchair, and the family is looking forward to her return home in about 10 days.

Riverside School Bids to be Called For December 6

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Homer Hughes, who previously served on the Heppner advisory committee, was reappointed to the committee by action of the board. He returns to the board to fill a vacancy created with the resignation of Bill Scrivner.

It was announced that bids for the construction of the duplex residence in Boardman will be opened Friday at 10 a.m., and the board will meet in special session Monday at 8 p.m. to consider the bids and award the contract.

Directors approved a request of a church group to use the junior high school gymnasium Saturday night for a youth meeting. Blue Mountain section of the Assembly of God will hold a youth rally there and some 300 are expected to be present.

Directors also approved a science field trip for advanced biology class of Kirk Horn of Heppner High. Eight students expect to make the trip, which was outlined in detail to the board with points of contact set forth for the administration. Jim Marvin reported to the board on a mathematics institute which he attended during the summer at Oregon College of Education and which will continue on the basis of one Saturday per month during the school year.

The institute came about through the concern felt by parents and others in the change of trend in teaching of mathematics, he said.

The grant to the institute was given for the preparation of math consultants on the elementary level, he said. Marvin will work with administrators and math teachers in the district in a consultant capacity, and a meeting in that connection was held Tuesday.

Illness Claims E. E. Lovgren

Services for Ernest Eugene Lovgren, Sr., 80, were held at Scholls Community church in Scholls, Ore., Thursday, September 8, at 1:30 p.m.

Rev. J. H. Moore of the Scholls church officiated. Concluding services were held at Mountain-side Cemetery at Scholls.

Mr. Lovgren died September 5 at a Hillsboro nursing home, following an extended illness.

He was born near Alma, Kansas, March 3, 1886, the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Lovgren. He moved with his parents to a farm in the Eight-mile area of Morrow county in 1899. He operated a store and the post office at Eightmile, and also had a store in Hardman before moving to the Scholls and Hillsboro area.

September 16 would have been the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Lovgren. He was married to the former Bertha Stetcher September 16, 1916, in Portland. They moved to the Scholls community in 1931 where they have resided, with the exception of three years in Hillsboro. He was a farmer until ill health forced him to give up active work. He was a member of the Scholls Grange and Lincoln Lodge 161, IOOF.

Besides his widow, he is survived by two sons, Ernest, Jr., of Hillsboro, and John Albert of Tigard; one daughter, Mrs. Earl (Mary) Christopherson of Sherwood; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Relatives attending the services from this area were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lovgren, Mr. and Mrs. James Lovgren, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lovgren, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Keithley, Mrs. Harlan McCurdy, Sr., Mrs. Archie Alderman, Mrs. Robert Peterson and Mrs. Darrel McLachlan.

Suit Showing Due

John Luppert of E. V. Price & Co. will be at Gardner's Men's Wear on Monday, September 19, for an all-day showing of custom suits, outer coats and sportswear. Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Gardner, owners, announce: More than 500 of the newest suitings for fall and winter will be on display from tailor's swatches in the semi-annual showing. All those interested in seeing the new lines are invited to come to the store at any time during the day.

Mr. and Mrs. George Crimmins of Hillsborough, Calif., are visiting at the home of Mrs. Crimmins' aunt, Miss Bess Huddleston this week.

Annual Forestry Tour Next Week For 6th Graders

Nearly 220 boys and girls from the sixth grade classes of Wheeler, Gilliam and Morrow counties are expected for the 4th annual Forest Conservation Tour at Bull Prairie Tuesday, September 20, 1966, according to Morrow County Agent Gene Winters, tour coordinator.

This year the sixth grade class of Monument may accompany those from Irrigon, Ione, Heppner, Arlington, Condon, Mitchell, Spray and Fossil.

Prior to the trip, 6th grade classes are preparing for it with special work and projects on soil, water and forest conservation. Wayne French, one 6th grade teacher of Heppner Elementary school, said that his pupils are working on projects ranging from soil testing to tree identification to make the forthcoming trip more meaningful.

Buses are scheduled to arrive at Bull Prairie at 10:30 a.m. and will leave at 1:45 p.m. Following lunch on arrival, the tour of eight stations will begin at 11:30. Each group will spend 12 minutes at each station. Three minutes will be spent moving to the next station.

Persons from federal, state and local agencies, private corporations and individuals will accompany boys and girls with the forest environment.

Among those expected to man stations will be—Bob Jepsen, farmer and outdoorsman; Dick Graham and Allen Nistad of Kinzua Corporation; J. G. Stephens, Jim Hilderbrand, Jack Krueger, Robert Benson of the Forest Service; Henry Dahill, State Forestry Department; Glen Ward, State Game Department; Ralph Richards and Pat Callanley, SCS; Extension Range Specialist, OSU, Dillard Gates, and County Agents, Marks, Winters, Zinn.

All persons interested in learning more about the forest resource and modern concepts of use are invited to attend the tour.

Women Schedule BMC 'Campus Day

Campus Day for Women will be held at Blue Mountain Community College Tuesday, September 20, with a special program planned, including talks, panel discussions, tours and demonstrations, it is announced.

The Campus Day is sponsored by Blue Mountain Community College and the Division of Continuing Education of the State System of Higher Education.

Mrs. Robert Abrams of Heppner will participate in an afternoon panel discussion on the subject, "Voluntary Services for Today's Women," and her topic will be on youth. Four other women will take part on the panel.

Registration is scheduled for 9 a.m. in the student union and a fee of \$2.50 per person will include the cost of the luncheon to be held on the campus.

Dr. Wallace McCrae, president of the college, will give the welcome, and Dr. Lillian Van Loan, coordinator of Continuing Education for Women, will present an address.

Principal address of the day will be by Mrs. Samuel S. Johnson of Redmond, member of the State Board of Higher Education. Tours will include those to the new vocational-technical building, just completed.

The committee in charge is hopeful that mothers of all new and returning students will attend, as well as other women interested. The program is expected to be concluded at 3 p.m.

BMC College Set For Registration

Blue Mountain Community College will begin its second year on its new campus Wednesday (September 21) when registration gets underway for fall term.

New students will register Wednesday and returning students will register Thursday and Friday (September 22-23). Registration will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. all three days. Entrance examinations will be given Thursday and Friday.

Although college officials were unable yesterday to predict enrollment this year, they reported that unusually high interest may boost last fall's record enrollment of 648 students.

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Barratts Head South

Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Barratt left today (Thursday) for Apache Junction, Ariz., after being in Heppner for about the past two months. They expected to stop in Corvallis to visit their son, Jim Barratt, athletic director of Oregon State University, before continuing south. They recently went to Spokane to visit another son, Bill Barratt, and family, and Monday went on a tour of the Boardman area with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson to see changes and improvements being made there. The Barratts enjoyed visiting with their many friends here, and said upon leaving that they will be back next summer to continue their ties with "the old home town."

Lloyd M. Wright Dies in Portland

Lloyd M. Wright, 66, who was born and reared in the Heppner area, died in Portland on Monday, September 12, after being hospitalized for about three weeks.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus Wright and for the past 25 years had made his home with his mother and father in The Dalles.

Funeral services were today (Thursday), September 15, at the Mike Worth Mortuary, and interment was in the Veterans' cemetery in The Dalles.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Lulu Wright; a brother, Russell Wright; and two sisters, Mrs. Della Matlock and Mrs. Mabel Gale.

Dixon Hospitalized From Light Attack

The Rev. Melvin Dixon was admitted to Pioneer Memorial hospital Tuesday morning for medical attention, following a light relapse Monday night of a week-end illness, but was expected home today (Thursday) after showing good improvement.

A light heart attack early Saturday evening kept Rev. Dixon from his pulpit at the Methodist church on Sunday morning. Lynn Pearson presided in his absence.

Dr. Gene Albertson, a district superintendent of the Oregon conference, will be present Sunday, September 18, as guest speaker at the morning worship service.

300 to Attend Youth Rally Here

Three hundred persons are expected to attend the youth rally of the Blue Mountain section, Assembly of God, in Heppner Saturday evening, the Rev. Billie Alsop, sectional youth representative and pastor of the Heppner Assembly of God church, announces.

The rally will start at 7 p.m. and will be held in the gymnasium of the Heppner Junior high school. The Heppner church will be host for the meeting.

To be featured on the program is the Rev. Duane Parrish, evangelist and youth specialist. He and Mrs. Parrish will also present special music.

This is the first of a series of monthly rallies to be held in various Assembly churches of the Eastern Oregon area. Young people attending will compete, on a point system, for a trophy that is based on attendance, growth of each local organization and participation in church affairs. The Heppner church youth currently hold the trophy having won it last year.

Special choir music from the local church will be presented and a Bible scripture contest will be held between the Heppner church youth and the Heppner church youth.

While the meeting is slanted to youth of the high school age level, persons of all ages will be in attendance, the Rev. Alsop said. The public is cordially invited to the rally.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hughes, worthy patron and matron of Ruth Chapter No. 32, Order of the Eastern Star, presided over their first stated communication Monday, September 12, at 8 p.m. in the Masonic Hall. Refreshments were served following the meeting.

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4-H's Win Honors in Gilliam County

Several 4-H club members who live just inside Gilliam county over the Morrow county line and others who live in Morrow county won honors at the recent Gilliam county fair.

Brock Linnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Linnell of Ione, had the reserve champion Angus steer and champion Angus cow in the fair. An eighth grader, Brock also was reserve champion beef showman in the fair and won the Western States Angus auxiliary trophy.

His sister, Marcy, a fifth grader, won the Barnett ranch Hereford award for the best polled Hereford and also won the American Hereford Pollette award.

Jeri Snow, also an eighth grader and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Snow, had the grand champion prime market lamb and the champion ewe lamb.

Marianne Pettyjohn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pettyjohn, had the reserve champion stallion in the open class and took first place in junior barrel racing. She also won first place in junior pole bending.

Her sister, Patti Pettyjohn, who is a freshman at Oregon College of Education, won first in the cow cutting contest and also rode in the Gilliam county derby race with her team winning second.

A third sister, Nancy Pettyjohn, who is attending the University of Oregon, took first in senior barrel racing.

Mrs. Mattie Green has been ill at her home the past week with sciatic rheumatism.

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