

TAXES NOT A OF STATE INCOME

Salem, Or.—Contrary to the popular impression taxes constitute only a minor portion of the monies necessary to finance the numerous functions of Oregon's state government.

A survey just completed by State Treasurer Walter E. Pearson shows that of the more than \$137,000,000 collected and disbursed by the treasury department during the 1937-38 biennium only \$35,900,000 came from taxes—property, income, inheritance, gift and gasoline. Property taxes collected by the state during the two-year period amounted to only \$1,084,717 or approximately one per cent of the biennial budget. The remaining \$101,100 came from fees, fines, interest on loans and bank deposits, contributions by the federal government, proceeds of bond sales and profits of the state's liquor monopoly.

Carlin Is "Taken Care Of"

John H. Carlin, former state tax commissioner, has been "taken care of" with a position in the public utilities commission. Governor Sprague in confirming the report of Carlin's employment explained that he felt Carlin's experience on the tax commission would make him a valuable addition to the staff of the public utilities commissioner.

New Parole Board Complete

In G. W. Mason, Paul R. Kelly and Roy S. (Spec) Keene it is generally agreed, Governor Sprague has found an unusually strong personnel for his new parole board. Kelly, former editor of the Portland Oregonian, now retired, lives at Lafayette, and Keene is coach at Willamette university, Salem. The board will meet soon to organize preliminary to the selection of its staff which will include a parole officer, assistant parole officer and four field men. Headquarters of the new parole organization will be maintained in Salem with a branch office in Portland.

Sprague Drives Own Car

Governor Sprague will not drive his own car but he will do his own driving. Both of Sprague's predecessors, Governors Meier and Martin, employed chauffeurs and rode about the state in cars of expensive make. Sprague continues to get around in the same car he has driven for the past three years which he declares is still good enough for his needs. A bill introduced in the recent session authorizing the purchase of a car for the use of the governor was allowed to die in committee when Sprague opposed the move. He employed a combination chauffeur and messenger during the legislative session but this week dispensed with his service and proposes to "drive his own" for the remainder of his term.

Milk Control Act Debated

At last the fight for repeal of the milk control act is about to be carried to the voters. Senator Thos. R. Mahoney of Portland, one of the most active advocates of repeal of this act at the recent session, has filed a preliminary petition with the state department for an initiative measure repealing the entire act. If the requisite number of signatures are secured the measure will go on the ballot at the general election in 1940.

American Legion Makes Plea

A delegation from the American Legion appeared before the state board of control this week to renew their demand for preferential consideration of war veterans in filling state jobs. O. E. Palmiter, former state commander of the Legion, explained that they were not asking that all jobs be filled with war veterans but that they be given a fair share of the jobs. A recent survey, he said, showed that some state departments have no war veterans at all on their payrolls while others are employing a number of veterans. Palmiter said that Legion leaders were opposing the move for a general pension for veterans of the World War, preferring to find jobs for these men if possible.

State Fair Asks For Grant

The state fair manager has asked the Works Progress Administration for a grant of \$103,808 to finance construction of a central power plant, a new entrance, a restaurant building and other improvements on the fair grounds.

P. E. X. EXHIBITION TO BE GIVEN AT HIGH SCHOOL FRIDAY

QUEEN CORONATION TO BE HIGHLIGHT

The third annual Hermiston high school Physical Education exhibition, better known as the P. E. X., will be staged in the local high school gymnasium Friday, May 5, beginning at 8:00 o'clock. The affair has been given the last two years and this year's show promises to be another highlight of the school year. Both the boys' and girls' gym classes participate in the program. The climax of the evening will be the coronation of the May Queen and a Maypole dance, followed by the May Queen's ball honoring Queen Eleanor and her court.

The exhibition has been divided into four parts. The first section will be a presentation of various activities taken up in class and consists of a drill by the girls' P. E. classes. The boys' P. E. classes, under the direction of Jack Hodgson, will present group calisthenics and rhythmic dance steps, pyramids and tumbling. Phyllis Sires and Claudine Hale will be presented in a tap dance.

The second part is a pantomime which represents a dream of two little girls, entitled "Dream Express to Healthland." In this will be seen the little girls as they retire—the trio sings them a lullaby and soon they are in the land of sleep. The elves sneak in and discover the tots and they immediately call out the fairies who do a "Deep Purple" dance in lovely costumes. Soon the fairy godmother appears with a scroll which she touches with her magic wand. The elves come upon it and as they read it, the rules in actuality appear—thus the eight health rules pass by. A cock crows to announce the coming of dawn and the elves scamper away.

The third part of the P. E. X. is the coronation of the May Queen who will be attended by six ladies-in-waiting and their escorts. There will be a profusion of spring flowers; pages will announce her Majesty's arrival and flower girls will strew blossoms in her path. It will be climaxed by a Maypole dance. A dance will follow the coronation of the queen. A 35c admission includes the entire program and dance. The exhibition is under the direction of Miss Lavina May Lynch.

Missionary Society to Meet

The Union Missionary Society of the Christian church will meet in the basement of the church on Wednesday, May 10.

HERMISTON GARDEN CLUB FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, MAY 8TH

The Hermiston Garden Club will sponsor a flower show Monday, May 8, at the Legion hall. Rules are still available at the Hermiston Drug Store or at The Herald office. A keen interest has been shown and it is expected that a large crowd will visit the exhibits. Invitations have been sent to other towns and the public is cordially invited to attend.

The following is an article written by the Garden Club and is published as written:

What does the show offer? The ideal of the flower show is to show ordinary materials extraordinarily well grown; to show new varieties; to demonstrate the best decorative use of cut flowers for the home and of growing plants for garden use and to encourage the flower-loving public to have gardens by creating for them concrete pictures of flowers and shrubs correctly named.

There is no amateur flower-grower who will forego the chance to have some of his questions answered so the committee has appointed Mrs. H. K. Dean to be on hand to answer questions on any phase of gardening.

Three important things to have with you when you visit a large show are pencil, notebook and comfortable shoes. A notebook is the best means of keeping information at the flower show.

The showings will be scaled by the judges on artistic perfection of flower arrangement, color and texture harmony of all accessories and flowers, proportion and originality.

PROGRAM FOR NATIONAL MUSIC WEEK SCHEDULED

Hermiston will honor national music week, May 7 to May 13, with a program of music selections presented by pupils of Miss Gilda E. Mumma and the girls' chorus and sextet of the high school, under the direction of Miss Gwendolyn Ross. The program will be given Tuesday, May 9, at the high school building beginning at 8:00 p. m. Music week was first started in 1924 and has been observed each year since that date.

The following is a tentative program of the recital:

The Moon Rocket, Rolfe, by Ellen Hammill and Juanita Mitchell.

The Scissors Grinder, Erb, and My Basket Party, Emerson, by Lois Dean.

Little Drummer Boy, Emerson, and Criss Cross, by Bobby Yeager.

Circus Days, by Kenneth Dean, Lois Dean and Bobby Yeager.

The Little Cadet, Band Is Playing Dixie, Whiting, by Kenneth Dean.

Floret, Emerson, by Barbara Todd.

In Merry Mood, Anthony, by Barbara Connor and Jean Hardie.

Selected—Girls' sextet.

Mountain Bells Schottische, Hinkel, by Zella Curtis.

La Cascade, Heins, by Marian Ott.

Chimes At Evening, Heins, by Betty Goff.

Haymakers Dance, Wilson, Alma Laird, Betty Goff and Lucille Jones.

O Gypsy Maiden I, by Ellen Hammill.

Serenade, Schubert, by Bob Jackson.

Valse Op. 64 No. 2, Chopin, and Glissando Mazurka, Bohm, by Lucille Jones, Irrigon.

Selected—Girls' chorus.

Twittering Of Birds, Billema, by Alma Laird.

Comrades At Arms, by Alma Laird and Betty Goff.

MANY REGISTER FOR DERBY SHOW

A total of 70 head of horses have been registered for the Hermiston Derby Show to be held May 27 and 28, according to the Derby committee. Reservations, however, are still open for more entrants.

The next Derby dance will be held May 13 at the Hermiston park floor. The proceeds will go towards defraying preliminary expenses of the coming races.

The announcement that the Hildebrand carnival attraction will show on the same dates near the fair ground will tend to increase the interest and increase the crowds in Hermiston on those dates.

NEW TURKEY PLANT TO BE READY FOR TURKEY POOL MAY 12

BUILDING RATED AS MOST MODERN

Workmen are putting the finishing touches to Hermiston's newest commercial plant, the Eastern Oregon Turkey Growers' building. It is anticipated that the building will be completed by May 12 when the first shipment of turkeys will be made. Turkey pools of breeder stock are planned for May 12 and 15 when birds will be dressed and loaded for shipment at the plant. One car will be loaded on each date.

The building has a floor space 85 by 64 feet with cement floors in the rooms where the dressing will take place. Two cold storage rooms have been installed to care for birds after they have been dressed and await shipment. It is planned to load out of one locker while the other is being filled with new turkeys. This will speed up operations and facilitate the handling of the dressed birds.

The room where the picking will take place has a cement floor and is painted with aluminum paint to withstand water and steam. A cement wall is being poured so that

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COUNCIL ALLOWS \$50 TO SCOUTS

A request for \$50 for the Hermiston Boy Scout troop was allowed by the city council Wednesday night at a regular meeting in the city library. The request was made by Dr. F. B. Belt and will go towards Boy Scout dues to the district council.

Jim Todd, representing the American Legion, asked for free irrigation water for the Hermiston Legion lot and was granted the request.

A motion to grant a 2-year franchise to the Hermiston Light & Power Co. to operate and maintain electric lines in Hermiston was passed for the first reading and will be taken up at a later date.

The Hildebrand Shows were given permission to run a carnival near the fair grounds for a five-day stay beginning tentatively May 24 to continue to May 28 to run for two days during the Derby show which will be held May 27 and 28.

TRAPPERS BAG 13 COYOTES

Bert Barnes, government trapper, and Bill Shipley of Hermiston, bagged 13 coyotes last Sunday to establish some sort of a record. Eight coyotes were killed out of one den and five out of another.

Mr. Barnes killed 70 coyotes during the month of April and will probably rank high among trappers of Oregon. The men made the kill south of Echo.

PRINEVILLE SCHOOL RAZED BY FIRE

Hermiston residents read with interest that Prineville's new \$100,000 grade school was destroyed by fire early Friday. R. H. McAtee, former Hermiston superintendent of schools, is now in charge of the Prineville school system. Mr. McAtee went to Pendleton from here and is now in his second year at Prineville.

The building was fully insured but all school records and equipment were lost. The building was completed last September and had been in use only eight months. Vacation began early for 460 pupils who were dismissed for the summer due to the fire.

Cars Scrape Fenders Saturday

Cars being driven by Mrs. Alma Greaves of Hermiston and Charles W. Taylor of Eugene scraped fenders Saturday morning near O'Grady's Service Station on the south city limits. Mrs. Greaves is a teacher in the local schools and was en route to Pendleton. No serious damage resulted.

Tennis Team Breaks Even

The Hermiston tennis squad played a 3-3 tournament at Heppner Monday. Most matches were close with a tie score resulting from the six events played.

STANDARD OIL CO. ERECTS THREE TANKS AT UMATILLA

HERMISTON SCORES WIN OVER HELIX

By Stearns Cushing.

The Hermiston Bulldogs journeyed to Helix Monday afternoon to win a well played baseball game over the Helix high school team by a score of 5 to 2. Behind the fine three hit hurling of rookie pitcher, Don Cellers, the local team played errorless ball. Getting only six hits off the offerings of Newton, Helix's pitcher, Hermiston showed some high class base running.

The Bulldogs got off to an early lead in the first when Binder muffed Tiller's fly ball. He advanced to second on a walk to Crampton and took third on a wild pitch. Knox popped out for the first out. Tiller came in for the first run on sacrifice by Rankin. There was no scoring then until the last half of the third when Helix put two of their three hits together to account for their two runs. Lahue, first batter, got a single, but the next batter went down swinging at Cellers' slow-breaking curve. With the count three and two, Tullis got hold of a fast one and drove it deep into center field for a three-bagger and scored on the throw-in. Cellers then settled down to turn the Helix batters back in order except for a single in the fourth. On the next play Crampton came up with a sparkling stop and a fast throw to force the runner at second.

In the Hermiston half of the fourth the Bulldogs went into the lead again. Rankin, lead-off man, connected for a single. Stealing second, revealed the catcher's weak

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GRASSHOPPER PEST PROBLEM DISCUSSED

Assistant County Agent M. E. Knickerbocker and farmers of this district have been busy the past week planning a campaign to reduce the grasshopper damage which is threatening various portions of eastern Oregon. The United States government is cooperating with county officials in furnishing bait free to farmers who are interested in the campaign.

Mr. Knickerbocker stated Wednesday that farmers who are planning to begin operations should keep in mind that bait is most effective in the early mornings when the temperature is between 70 and 90 degrees. It takes approximately 10 pounds of poison (sodium arsenate) to an acre. It is best to attack the grasshoppers when they are still young as an older hopper will not feed as readily on the poison bait.

Although the pests are not yet as dangerous as they are in other districts, it is estimated that they are thicker than in former years.

MRS. DODD WRITES OF SAN FRANCISCO

Treasure Island, San Francisco—Former residents of Hermiston and vicinity who visited the Fair and Oregon Exhibit last week were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones, former reclamation engineer; Dale Spinning, a grandson of Harry Spinning; E. T. Erickson, reclamation engineer; Mrs. Cella Moore Gilmore and her sister, formerly Mabel Moore, of Butter Creek. Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Kellogg, now of Sacramento, are expected this week end. Many other people from the Pacific Northwest visit the Oregon department and are complimentary of its originality and completeness.

Miss Brierley Has Freak Rose

Miss Jessie Brierley of Hermiston was displaying a freak rose Thursday which she picked from one of her bushes. The rose is an Austrian Copper briar and comes in two different shades. Half of the rose is yellow and the other half red. The yellow petals are yellow throughout while the red have a pink back. Although the flower is very beautiful she would rather disown it as it is of a freakish nature.

OTHER COMPANIES SURVEY LOTS FOR BUILDING PLANS

One heavy steel tank, 60 feet in diameter and 41 feet high, with a capacity of almost a million gallons of gasoline, has been erected at Umatilla by the Standard Oil Company. Two other tanks are in course of erection. One will hold 85,000 gallons and the third one, 30,000. The first tank will be used for regular Standard gasoline, the second for Flight gasoline and the third for Ethyl.

On the top of the large tank work of laying a heavy steel girder roof and welding of the joints of bands of steel is in progress. The two smaller tanks will be completed soon and the plant is expected to be in operation by June 1. In addition to the tanks three heavy steel pipelines are being laid to the mooring dock on the river bank from where gasoline will be pumped from boats and barges. The construction of the mooring dock will be delayed on account of high water but temporary arrangements will be made for the transfer of the gas from the boats to the tanks.

Besides the tanks and pipelines a loading station 30 by 70 feet is being built and an office 12 by 24 near the tanks. It is expected also that the company will need to build housing quarters for the men to be employed at the plant.

The appropriation for the various structures was \$37,000 besides the mooring dock. From this station the Standard Oil company will transport gasoline east through Pendleton, La Grande, Baker, Boise and farther points east, north and south. A large part of this will be done by trucks, but provision may be made for a track from the O & W lines on which tank cars may be loaded, which is expected to be built.

Because of this improvement on the Columbia, the heavy trucking from Portland for 200 miles will be saved through river transportation.

It is reported that the Union, Richfield, Associated and Shell oil companies are interested in making provisions at Umatilla for the handling of their products, and that the Asbury transportation company will also set up its facilities for handling gasoline into Eastern Oregon and Southern Idaho.

J. I. Isola of Portland is superintendent for the Standard Oil Co., and the Portland Steel & Pipe company is doing the tank construction work. About 25 men are employed on the present construction.

NEW FIRM TO BE INLAND CO-OP.

A new cooperative concern was established Monday night at a meeting held in the old Grange building. The new concern will be known as the Inland Cooperative, and will handle hardware and other similar merchandise. Guy Shaw was named as manager and will be in charge of the business. Rebecca Pierson has been employed as secretary.

A similar plan as used in other cooperatives will be used whereby a director will be chosen from each district connected with the concern. A. E. Hensel has been elected chairman with the board of directors not all chosen at the present time.

It was voted at the meeting Monday night to keep all business of the concern on a strictly cash basis in order to reduce overhead expenses.

May Day Baby Arrives

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Idler of Hermiston received a May Day basket in the form of a baby boy born on May 1. He has been named Donald Eugene and was born at the Hermiston General hospital. Rev. Idler is pastor of the Hermiston Pilgrim Holiness church.

Baptist Church Completes Roof

The shingling on the Baptist church has been completed the past week, according to Rev. Kenneth B. Daniels, who has acted as supply pastor here the past month. The ladies will serve a dinner for those who aided in the project one day this week.