

# BARNES HOPEFUL SALES TAX BILL WILL BE ADOPTED

To the Editor:

There was a public hearing last Monday evening before the taxation and assessment committee of the legislature on house bill 38, which provides for a sales tax for shelter tax exemption.

The committee room was packed with a delegation of "taxpayers" from the city of Portland, headed by Mr. Gill, large seed and feed merchant of Portland, and a delegation of real estate men from Portland, large owners of Portland real estate.

Mr. Nichols of Douglas county was chairman, and gave us every opportunity to explain the bill. Outside of the committee, only five or six legislators attended the meeting, as most of them were busy on other committees. We had an attentive hearing and I found, when I visited the capitol the next morning, that the sentiment was, unquestionably, for the bill. I met several of the committeemen and three of the legislators who had attended the meeting. They were all for the proposal. They all believe we must have a sales tax and the greater part of the revenue derived from this tax must go to our counties and should finally appear on some home owner's tax receipt and not be used for general tax reduction as proposed by the Portland Realty Board. They realize the burden of care of the unemployed falls upon the various counties, and they must have cash to take care of the emergency.

The opposition, in speaking at the committee hearing, seemed to me to have prepared their talks before they had an understanding of the proposal. I think our conclusion will stand, that it is more a family affair. The families of the state will pay the sales tax and should get the benefit of a tax credit on their homes, as we have provided, or if unemployed, as direct assistance, first as relief and finally as a measure to assist the unemployed in getting employment and homes for themselves.

There will be a joint hearing in a week or ten days, at which the committee on taxation and revenue will attend. When this hearing is held, every citizen of Jackson county who can go to Salem should attend this meeting. The information the governor and the legislators want to have is whether or not the "folks back home" will support this proposal if it is referred to them. If we could get 50 citizens from Jackson county to attend this hearing it would impress the legislators with the sincerity of the advocacy of Jackson county for this measure. Especially should the county court, the directors of the Chamber of Commerce, the Realty Board, the members of the Grange and merchants of Jackson county attend this hearing.

Now a word in regard to the constitutionality of this measure. This measure was submitted to the leading attorneys of Medford, and they are of the same opinion. "A man's handstand can be exempted from taxation." We are changing the wording of the bill, upon suggestions made by the attorney-general.

Day, Kelly and Dunn are working hard for this bill, and are making friends for it every day. When once our people fully realize the economic error of taxing a man's shelter, the correction certainly will be made. I hope it will be made in Oregon at this time. I am certain of the final outcome.

J. C. BARNES.

## Meteorological Report

January 26, 1933.

Forecasts.

Medford and vicinity: Snow or rain tonight and Friday. Not much change in temperature.

Oregon: Show east and snow or rain west portion tonight and Friday. Not quite so cold, extreme east portion tonight.

Local Data.

Lowest temperature this morning, 27 degrees.

Temperature a year ago today: Highest, 89; lowest, 31.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1932, 0.94 inches.

Relative humidity at 5 p. m. yesterday, 91%; 5 a. m. today, 100%.

Sunset today, 5:18 p. m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7:29 a. m.

Sunset tomorrow, 5:10 p. m.

Observations Taken at 5 a. m., 120 Meridian Time.

City	Wind	Temp	Humid	Clouds
Boston	42	38	01	Cloudy
Chicago	46	38	04	Cloudy
Cheyenne	36	20	T	Snow
Eureka	46	38	16	Rain
Helena	34	20	T	P. Cdy.
Los Angeles	52	44	20	Clear
MEDFORD	38	27	04	Snow
New Orleans	70	56		P. Cdy.
New York	49	34	16	Snow
Omaha	48	34		P. Cdy.
Portland	38	34	16	Snow
Reno	30	16	14	Clear
Salt Lake	34	18	28	Clear
San Francisco	52	42	06	Clear
Seattle	38	34	T	Cloudy
Spokane	34	22	02	Clear
Walla Walla	40	28	01	Cloudy
Washington, D.C.	32	40	174	Cloudy

## MEDFORD BRANCH GREATER OREGON HEAR ADDRESSES

(By Jane Snedecor.)

The Medford branch of the Women's Greater Oregon association held an important and interesting luncheon meeting in the clubrooms at the city hall, January 23.

Mrs. Glen Fabrick presided and introduced the three guest speakers, Mayor E. M. Wilson, heartily endorsed the work of this association, and outlined plans by which local products may be brought to the attention of the public and our home industries promoted. He suggested that more local merchants be encouraged to feature Oregon products.

W. A. Bolger, president of the Medford Chamber of Commerce, was next introduced and stressed the Chamber of Commerce's appreciation of the work this association has done under the leadership of Mrs. Fabrick. He pledged the support of the members of that organization in carrying on the work of the Women's Greater Oregon association, and gave valuable suggestions for future activities.

C. L. MacDonald was the third speaker, and he spoke in the interest of the plans which are being worked out for the celebration of Oregon's 75th anniversary of statehood and Medford's 50th anniversary.

A business meeting was held later in the afternoon and plans for the coming month discussed.

Mrs. Fabrick tendered her resignation as president of the Medford branch, because of other important obligations which she has had to assume. It was with many regrets that her resignation was accepted and Mrs. Terril I. Deak was elected to the office of president.

The date of meeting was changed to the second Monday afternoon of each month, and hereafter the meetings will be held in the clubrooms in the city hall.

Mrs. Laura West was appointed program chairman for the remainder of the year and Mrs. E. F. Platt chairman of the telephone committee.

## RECOGNITION FOR SOVIETS ANOTHER PROBLEM FOR F. R.

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It may prove impossible to get the majority required by the Interstate Commerce commission to assent to a compromise.

The Chicago & Northwestern situation could lead to an old-fashioned receivership. Radical government action may have its roots here.

Whatever differences of opinion the Democratic leaders may have they are united on one thing. They are agreed that Mr. Roosevelt shall be given complete authority and responsibility for carrying through his economy plans in the administrative departments.

Final analysis of the election by counties shows an amusing sidelight. Hoover carried only one county on the entire Pacific coast. That was Benton county in Oregon—named for one of the most active Democrats of history. Incidentally, this is two less counties than Hoover carried in the state of Georgia.

New York hears rumblings that drastic debt legislation is on the way from the legislatures of several western states. Specifically there is a report that Iowa may declare a general moratorium on all long term debt. The financial district is watching developments closely as such action would have deep repercussions.

Local business men are still counting on a shortage of processed goods to bring about a trade revival this year. Normally six billion dollars worth of industrial equipment is ordered each year. The figure dropped to one billion in 1932. This does not include automobiles, radios or other articles for domestic use.

Mr. Roosevelt was "shocked" recently over the sales tax, because he has that earmarked for use by the states. He is understood here to think it will enable development of lower real estate and other taxes. Later on it might become a source for federal revenue also, as with the gasoline tax.

## 608-POUND WOMAN BURIED FROM TRUCK

FRANKLIN, Ind., Jan. 26. — (AP) — Private funeral services were held today for Mrs. Graham Smith, 40, who at the time of her death weighed 608 pounds.

A special casket was built for her and a portion of a wall of her home was removed so the casket could be brought into the house.

The casket was taken to the cemetery on a truck and lowered into the grave by a derrick.

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## GLEEMEN GOING TO JACKSONVILLE FOR GRANGER MEETING

Headed by a musical program provided by the Medford Gleemen, with James Stevens directing and Sebastian Apollo at the piano, a delegation from the Medford Chamber of Commerce will attend the meeting of the Jacksonville Grange on Friday evening of this week, according to information released today by G. L. MacDonald, chairman of the publicity committee of the chamber, who will be in charge of arrangements for the trip.

The program will include, in addition to a half-hour of music by the male chorus, two short addresses by prominent Medford business men, together with a message of good-will from chamber officials. The visit to the Jacksonville Grange is the first of a series to be sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce in the interests of a better understanding between the country and city people, and to explain the plans for the proposed Diamond jubilee celebration, scheduled for 1934.

The Gleemen held their final rehearsal for the event last evening in the courthouse, and Director Stevens has promised a fine program. Practically all of the 50 members of the Gleemen will make the trip to Jacksonville. It was reported, and all members of the organization are requested to meet at the Jacksonville courthouse at 7:45, promptly. Speakers scheduled to appear on the program include W. S. Bolger, president of the Chamber of Commerce; C. A. Gates, chamber director, and C. L. MacDonald, chairman of the publicity committee.

Business men of the city are urged to make the trip to Jacksonville with the chamber delegation and the Gleemen, if possible, and those expecting to go are asked to communicate with the Chamber of Commerce before Friday night.

## National Guard Bulletin Board

Some \$1500 will be given out when the quarterly pay roll arrives. It was a little behind schedule, but will be a welcome sight to our marchants.

Federal inspection, which comes March 14, is causing quite a bit of polishing and cleaning around the armory now. It is hoped that a "very satisfactory" rating can be gotten this year. With the present enlistment it should be fairly easy.

The new drill which became effective a few weeks ago is being grasped by the men very readily. Officers and non-coms are burning the midnight oil to keep a step ahead of the men. In all it is a simplification of the old drill, and does away with a lot of unnecessary movements and commands.

"A" company came up the ladder of percentage this last quarter to sixth place from next to last. Several 100 per cent drills were met just before the holidays. It is hoped that everyone will "hit the ball" and keep up this record. It has been years since every man was present.

The corporals have new lockers in the sergeants' room. This will give every enlisted man a locker. Before some had to double up and there was not enough room in some of the lockers for all the clothes worn during the cold weather.

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## In Japan Riot



Alvin K. Aurell, formerly of Richmond, Va., is head of the Yokohama branch of the Singer Sewing Machine company which was attacked and badly damaged by a Japanese mob. (Associated Press Photo)

## HUNTER FELL OFF PRECIPICE IS FEAR

GRANTE PASS, Ore., Jan. 25.—(AP) — Fear that Clarence A. Cline of San Francisco may have lost his way in a recent blizzard and dropped to his death over a cliff, was expressed by friends today after they had searched unsuccessfully since Dec. 24 when the young sporting goods salesman disappeared.

Cline and Manfred Liebisch were hunting near Cline's Bear Basin camp near Crescent City. They separated and Cline did not return. After a long search Liebisch found Cline's knapsack but no trace of the man. Liebisch returned to town and a searching party was organized. Members of this party said today they believed Cline had fallen over a bluff.

## Sleepers Escape Death Under Tree

ST. HELENS, Ore., Jan. 25.—(AP) — Their dwelling crushed by a tall tree which was blown across it, Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Williams and their two small sons narrowly escaped death or injury yesterday. The tree struck the roof within two feet of the bedroom in which Mr. and Mrs. Williams were asleep. The dwelling was all but cut in two.

## Olympic Club To Name Grid Coach

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26.—(AP) — Joseph R. Hickey, Olympic club athletic commissioner, today said the club will name a new football coach within a week to succeed its retiring non-paid coach, Nick Busch. Prominently mentioned in possibilities are Clarence "Nibs" Price, California basketball mentor, and Jimmy Needles, United Athletic club sports director.

## Farmers In Plea For Freight Cut

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—(AP) — A plea for lower freight rates on basic commodities was filed with the interstate commerce commission today by the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America, the National Grange, the National Coal association and the National Lumber Manufacturer's association.

## FEDERAL INCOME TAXES FOR 1932 ANNOUNCED DUE

Federal taxes on incomes for 1932 are now due and payable, according to Earl Foy, local deputy collector, and will continue payable until the end of the filing period on March 15.

Many thousands of new persons will come under the arm of the federal income tax this year who have not paid the tax before, Foy said, because of the reduced brackets in the 1932 revenue act. Exemptions for married persons were reduced from \$3500 to \$2500, and the exemptions for a single person from \$1500 to \$1000, Foy said.

Two persons, living as husband and wife, who have a net joint income of \$2000, or a gross income of \$5,000 or more are required to file income tax returns. A single person having a net income of \$1000 or more, or a gross income of \$2000 or more is required to file a return according to Foy.

Deputy Collector Foy said that all returns must be filed by March 15, and that anyone having any doubt as to whether or not he or she should file a return, the person is advised to get in touch with the local office in the federal building, and receive information.

Blanks will be mailed to all persons who have filed returns in past years, Foy said, but the new 1932 act takes in many who have not filed before. Blanks are mailed only to those who have previously filed returns. Others coming under the new act must obtain the blanks from Foy.

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Friday.

8:00—Breakfast Broadcast of News.

8:05—Musical Clock.

8:15—A Peerless Parade.

8:30—Shopping Guide.

9:00—Friendship Circle.

9:30—Today.

9:45—Morning Melody.

10:00—U. S. Weather Forecast.

10:05—Meeting of the Martha Meade Society.

10:15—Homemakers' Bureau.

10:30—Morning Comments.

10:45—Shoppers' Digest.

11:00—Radio School of Cookery.

11:15—Traumerei.

11:30—Song and Comedy.

12:00—Mid-day Review.

12:15—Popular Vocalists.

12:30—News Flash, Mail Tribune.

12:30—Populartia.

12:45—Marital Music.

1:00—Neapolitan Nights.

1:15—Dreaming the Waltz Away.

2:00—Dance Matinee.

2:30—Hollywood Snapshots.

3:00—KMED Program Review.

3:35—Music from Yesterday.

4:00—Across the Sea to Hawaii.

4:30—Masterworks.

5:00—Popular Parade.

5:45—News Digest.

6:00—Dinner Dance Music.

6:30—Vignettes.

6:45—Chandu the Magician.

7:00—Modernists.

7:30—The Dressmakers.

7:45—Sweetie.

8:00—Rogue River Cowboys.

8:30—8:35—Cross Cut from Log 'C' Day.

## Roxy Ann Grange Will Meet Friday

A special meeting of "Roxy Ann" Grange has been called for Friday, January 27, at the school house at 8 p. m. Several important matters are to come before the grange, and all members are requested to be present.

## DEMOCRATS DECIDE ON GAS TAX CONTINUANCE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—(AP) — The democratic members of the ways and means committee today decided at an executive meeting to continue the one cent a gallon gasoline tax for another year. Expecting to return \$187,000,000 in the coming fiscal year Chairman Collier said the committee would hold hearings on the measure tomorrow.

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