

STATE SALES TAX ADVANTAGES TOLD BY REP. EARL DAY

Joint Meeting of Ashland and Medford Kiwanis With Phoenix Grangers Given Concise Explanation.

By IRVA FEWELL. Declaring that most published articles concerning the state sales tax are half truths, of which "this county has had plenty," Jackson County Representative Earl B. Day of Sams Valley gave a concise and highly explanatory address on that subject at the joint meeting of the Medford and Ashland Kiwanis clubs with the Phoenix grange at the Phoenix grange hall last night.

Pointing out the advantages of adopting the two per cent sales tax "which is so low that it is not felt," and is a substitute tax, Mr. Day brought clearly to his listeners the merits of the measure which was adopted by the state legislature at its last session, and will be on the ballot in July for the people of Oregon to accept or reject.

Mr. Day was a member of the assessment and taxation committee at the last legislative gathering, and took an active part in the presentation of the measure. He related the reports current at that time about the "theoretical" state deficit, which led to sponsorship by that faction of the repeal of the state millage tax, amounting to three mills.

State bankers refused money to the legislative body to meet its expenses during the session when the millage tax was repealed, stating that no other security was available. It then became evident that the millage tax must be restored, Mr. Day said, and such action was taken. He added that otherwise it would wreck all governmental functions of the county and there would be no schools, no government—just chaos. We had to do it.

The representative stated that for the past year, tax delinquencies reached between 40 and 50 per cent, with a number of counties in eastern Oregon having a per cent as high as 75. He made it plain that state taxes, under the Oregon law, must be paid by the county, one hundred cents on the dollar, regardless of the amount of money taken in. He mentioned that several county treasurers from eastern Oregon had intimated they would refuse to follow this procedure, but upon failure to do so, the official automatically loses his position, according to law.

Sales Tax Inevitable. "The sales tax was inevitable from the first of the session," Mr. Day declared. "Tangible property makes up only one-third of the wealth of the state, but never-the-less bears practically all of the tax burden."

Many millions were assessed for veterans' loans, but the property continues to be sold, adding that landowners are now broke, removing possibilities of the county paying taxes, however, continue from five to ten times as high as when property owners had an income, due to the increased demand for public service.

"Unless relief is provided wholesale confiscation would be necessary, which the public will not allow to come about," he continued.

Only farmers who retail their own

ECONOMIC ENVOY FROM ITALY



Guido Jung, Italian representative, came to America to confer with President Roosevelt, declaring that Premier Mussolini is ready to "give all the cooperation in his power" in an attempt to attain the economic goals set forth by the President. He is shown as he arrived in New York. (Associated Press Photo)

produce, directly to the consumer to the amount of \$50 monthly, will be assessed the two per cent sales tax, the legislator's explanation revealed, as the tax applies only to retail merchants. This tax, of which the stores are collectors, eliminates all assessments on tangible and personal property, and will provide funds for relief and the veterans' commission.

The returns, Mr. Day said, are divided equally between the state and the county. This is a consumers' tax.

Practicability Pointed. The three mill tax, which at the present time is in effect in the state, will be eliminated, should the sales tax be adopted in July. Some merits of the sales bill voted by Mr. Day were that the revenue would go to offset the levy on the personal tax bill; that it is altogether a substitute tax, and that the practicability of the measure was shown by the adoption since January first, of a similar sales tax by seven other states.

An article appearing in the Oregon Grange bulletin which said that six million dollars was added to the tax load by the last legislative body was attacked by Mr. Day. "We tried to reduce the load that much to the farmer," he stated. The story also said that taxation exceeded the total requirements set forth in the governor's recommendation by \$281,000. This statement was branded by the Sams Valley orchardist and dirt farmer as "a half truth." He pointed out that the governor had recommended a slash of between three and four million dollars of the appropriations made during the last two years.

"Editors of the prominent newspapers in the state gasped at the audacity of the governor's suggestion of a reduction to about half of the state's expenditures, or four million dollars. The program suggested by him would eliminate the normal schools and the extension service, both of which he knew could not be eliminated," Mr. Day said.

Must Face Tax Situation. "This was a good gesture, he knew," the representative said, "and all the papers knew it could not be done. He went on to relate how a million dollars was eliminated from the budget outlay by reduction in salaries

ranging from five to thirty per cent. There were no exceptions, reaching as high as the governor's chair.

If the sales tax does not pass, the governor will call a special session to meet the tax situation in the state. Such a problem could be met in Oregon would be by eliminating the normal schools, universities, and public schools reduced to a third or one-half time, and some not operating at all, unless someone volunteers his services. "We want instructions from you before we go in there," Mr. Day added.

General property tax reduction under the proposed taxation will be about seven per cent, Mr. Day stated. This takes in farms, city property, business houses, office buildings, etc. Jackson county's average tax reduction will be 8.7 mills, or about 19 per cent, Mr. Day said that about \$68,000 will not have to be turned over to the state for taxes from Jackson county if the two per cent sales tax passes.

Arnsperger Reads Item. Preceding Mr. Day's address, Olin Arnsperger read a short article on taxation.

The evening's session following dinner was in charge of Mr. Arnsperger, the meeting having been turned over to him by O. C. Maust, master of the Phoenix grange. The "Oregon State song" and "Swing Along" were sung by a quartet from Medford, members of which were J. W. Kirkpatrick, Victor Tengwald, A. J. MacDonough and I. E. Foy.

H. M. Bieberstein of Central Point "where Rogue River cheese is made," told of the thousand pound daily output of cheese at the factory.

About 150 Kiwanians, grangers and their wives were in attendance, and during the program club members and officials present were called upon for introductions. B. E. Neelon introduced himself as "county commissioner; not duly elected."

Much praise was voiced by the Kiwanians, for the lovely dinner served by ladies of the grange, and the dance which followed. Master Maust expressed the hope that the gathering be an annual affair.

BUSINESS OF STORES SHOWS UPTURN SAYS J. C. PENNEY CHIEF

W. S. Bolger, local manager for the J. C. Penney Co., returned this morning from Portland, where he has been attending a meeting of managers for the Penney company for all northwest stores.

The firm conviction that business is now on the upturn, that a demand for goods is increasing, and that the stocks of wholesalers and the shelves of retailers are empty, indicative of a return to better times, was brought back from Portland by Mr. Bolger.

"We will have to pay more for the goods we buy from now on," Bolger said, "and we will be lucky if we can buy what we want. Every store in the northwest will be faced with short stocks this summer, because people are buying again and the stores haven't the goods to supply the demand. Wholesalers can't supply the stores, and the manufacturers can't supply the wholesaler without putting more men to work and increasing production. It looks as if we had reached the bottom of the business cycle and had turned back up," Bolger said.

Quits As Missionary



Because of a controversy over her doctrinal views, Mrs. Pearl S. Buck, author, resigned as Presbyterian missionary to China. She expects to return to China soon with her husband, an official of Nanking university. (Associated Press Photo)

Society and Clubs Edited by Eva Nealon Hamilton

Frederick Goodrich To Play Concert Here

Frederick Goodrich, president of the Oregon State Music Teachers' association, and one of Portland's foremost organists, will be in Medford and will appear in concert at the Sacred Heart Catholic church in the evening at 8 o'clock.

He has consented to make this contribution to local observance of National Music week and there will be no admission charges for the concert. Mr. Goodrich played in Medford last year at the Catholic church, which has one of the finest organs on the Pacific coast, which will again be available next week.

A luncheon in his honor has been planned for Tuesday noon at Nandina cafe. All members wishing to attend are asked to make reservations by calling Mrs. George Andrews at 731-Y, or Mrs. Rawley Moore, 952-R.

Committees Busy With Plans for Large Benefit

Women of Sacred Heart church, Catholic, are very busy these days with plans for the benefit card party to be sponsored at St. Mary's academy next Thursday, May 18, with playing to begin at 2 o'clock. Bridge, both contract and auction, and 500 will be played.

Committees for the affair are: Arrangements—Mrs. J. C. Boyle, Miss Ann Kelleher, Mrs. F. E. Bigelow, Mrs. Larry Schade, Mrs. O. M. Brewer, Mrs. J. C. Hayes, Mrs. Frank DeSouza, Mrs. J. R. Marshall and Mrs. J. C. Murray; refreshments—Mrs. Gus Weston, Mrs. Frank Applegate, Mrs. Nels Jensen, Mrs. Chas. Smith, Mrs. Billy Smith, Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. James Doo, Mrs. H. J. DeVaney, Mrs. William Fisher and Mrs. Rankin Estes.

Miss Bushell Honored At Shower Tuesday

Miss Viola Strong and Miss Marguerite Modlister were hostesses Tuesday evening at a lovely party, complimenting Miss Nellie Bushell, whose betrothal to Philip Bukowski of Cottage Grove was recently announced. The wedding will be an event of this month.

Lilacs and lilies of the valley were used as decorations for the party and many lovely gifts including a beautiful cottage, were presented. Miss Bushell, refreshments were served with a wedding cake as a centerpiece for the table.

Guests were: Mrs. Roy LePever, Mrs. Lola Chapman, Mrs. Strong, Mrs. Newell, Mrs. J. H. Elson, Mrs. J. E. McAllister, Mrs. Charlie Brown and Mrs. Maude Wilson and the Misses Ellen Lorton, Nina Blakeley, John Fitzgibbon, Ruth Adkins, Kathleen Wilson, Viola Strong, Marguerite Modlister and the honor guest, Miss Nellie Bushell.

Mrs. Gore Presents Program at Schools

Half an hour of music was presented by Mrs. R. E. Gore at the West Side and Oak Grove schools Wednesday afternoon, in observance of National Music week. Each presentation included:

- The Gilder.....Wagners
- Boy Scouts March.....Wright
- Solfeggietto.....Bach
- Docta Lee Anderson.....
- The Swallows.....Burgmuller
- Roger Otmarscheid.....
- Waltz.....Brahms
- Viennese Melody.....
- Jean Pease.....Schytte
- Dance of the Gnomes.....
- Lied.....Bach
- The Clown.....Wright
- Tango by Dent Worey and Rose Gore.....

Knight and Yeoman Pupils in Recital

JACKSONVILLE—John R. Knight of Jacksonville and Mrs. Effie Herbert Yeoman of Medford will hold a pupils' recital this evening at 8 o'clock in the Medford Christian church. Mrs. Knight will entertain with a vocal solo. Another recital will be given by Mr. Knight and Mrs. Yeoman during the last week in May, the date to be announced later. The public is cordially invited to these recitals.

Mr. Knight will give a pupils' recital in Grants Pass, May 22 at 8 o'clock. Taking part will be his pupils of Jacksonville, Medford and Grants Pass. The public is invited.

County Teachers' Chorus To Adjourne for Summer

Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock, members of the Jackson County Teachers' chorus are asked to meet at the high school for the last rehearsal preceding summer vacation. Each member is also asked to bring to the meeting whatever music she has belonging to the chorus organization. Meetings and rehearsals will be resumed next September.

Mrs. Patton Hostess To Girl Scout Committee

Members of the local Girl Scout community committee and the Girl Scout captains met at the home of Mrs. Hamilton Patton Tuesday evening for business session and social gathering.

There were about 19 present and plans outlined for the May festival and court of awards to be held Saturday afternoon at the Junior high school at 2:30 o'clock.

Altar Guild Pools Sale to be Saturday

Many members of Altar Guild of St. Mark's church, Episcopal, are very busy today with plans for the

food sale to be sponsored at the Economy market Saturday, May 13. The committee members promise that they have talked the church folk into bringing their most famous dishes and pastries to the market.

Mrs. Honeyman Feted Here at Two Affairs

Mrs. Jessie Honeyman of Eugene, who is speaking this afternoon under auspices of the Post-Delphians, was the inspiration for a charming luncheon today noon at the Hotel Medford and a reception last evening at the home of Mrs. Glen Fabric, where she is house guest while here.

Covers were arranged for about 90 at the attractive luncheon table today, where Mrs. Fabric presided, assisted by Mrs. E. E. Wilson, representing the Medford Garden club.

Mrs. Honeyman will lecture again tomorrow and men as well as women are cordially invited to hear her at the county court house auditorium at 7:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Honeyman is a brilliant speaker and a much travelled woman, who brings to this city a wealth of information regarding strange and almost forgotten lands in fascinating descriptions, which are wonderful substitutes for the visits which many people are unable to make.

Yeoman and Knight Pupils in Recital

Pupils of Mrs. Effie Herbert Yeoman and John R. Knight will be presented in recital this evening at the Christian church, beginning at 8 o'clock. The public is invited to the program, which will include many beautiful compositions, appropriate to the observance of National Music week.

Ashland Acreage To Go On Auction

Ashland Acres, 1100 acres of land adjacent to Ashland, will be sold at public auction some time between May 20 and 30, according to Walter Jones, auctioneer, who has completed arrangements with P. G. Miller of San Jose for the sale of the property which Miller acquired from the Baulfour-Guthrie company about two years ago.

The 1100 acres is divided into approximately 35 tracts and each tract will be offered separately.

Be prepared to take advantage of the bargain at the coming Land Auction Sale.

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Another out-of-town man is visiting Medford merchants, soliciting sales books, water checks, and other printing. Remember you can buy all of this printing at home cheaper than out of town, and help maintain a home parcel. Don't buy any printing from traveling men—you always pay their expenses, plus the price of the printing. Phone 75 and have a local man call and see you.

Ashland Tourist Registry Soars

Out-of-state car registrations at the Ashland chamber of commerce soared Tuesday to a new high level this year, with 56 registrations, as compared with 39 for May 9 last year. The largest number of cars registered this year before Tuesday was 51 on May 1.

Don't extend credit to Mr. New Customer until you find out from the Southern Oregon Credit Bureau how he paid the other fellow.

Leather Purses of Societa Candy for Mother's day, May 14 — East Side Pharmacy.

T. P. Griffin, recently re-elected city marshal of Hearne, Tex., has held the office for 33 years.

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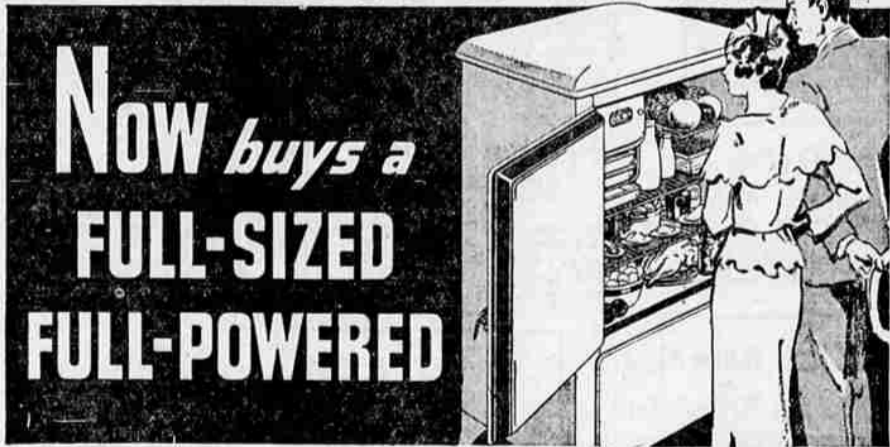
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