

TAX ON CIGARETS, PROPERTY LIKELY FOR OREGONIANS

Salem, Ore., Feb. 27—(U.P.)—A five-mill state property tax and an additional tax on cigarettes appeared a possibility in Oregon today after the decision of the joint legislative Ways and Means committee to give "do pass" recommendations to the plans.

The money, an estimated \$14,000,000 for the biennium, would go for school and institutional support.

The potent financial committee decided also that schools should get a total of \$8,000,000 of surplus income tax money. At present they get \$5,000,000.

Of the total amount raised the expected \$10,000,000 raised by the property tax during the biennium, plus the \$2,000,000 yearly from tobacco, would go for the building program of the State Board of Higher Education, institutional building, and needy school districts.

The tobacco tax, of two cents on a cigarette package, was defeated recently by Oregon voters. It would be on a permanent basis, although the property tax levy would be for two years only.

Both proposals would have to go before the people for support by popular vote, and referendum clause is attached. Sen. Dean Walker, Independence, chairman of the Senate Ways and Means committee, originated the suggestions.

ARMY CONSIDERS EASING PENALTIES IN LOOTING CASES

Paris, Feb. 27—(U.P.)—American army authorities are considering clemency for many of the almost 200 members of the 716th "millionaires" railway battalion who were convicted and sentenced to long prison terms recently for looting military supply trains, it was learned today.

The judge advocate's office will file formal clemency petitions with Maj. Gen. Pleas B. Rogers, commander of the Seine base section, on behalf of an undisclosed number of the GIs now serving sentences ranging from two to 50 years.

Eager For Service
The clemency recommendations are being made at Rogers' request after consultation with Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's deputy for morale, who has had several talks with the convicted soldiers.

It was understood the men told Lear they were eager to return to active service. Some of them requested permission to join the paratroops or front-line infantry outfits, but the majority wanted to rejoin the army railway service.

The United Press informant said the men whose sentences are commuted will be given six months' probation and offered a

chance to join another battalion. Their general attitude as well as the offenses for which they were convicted will be taken into account.

This informant said clemency recommendations probably will not be made for the two convicted officers of the 716th, Lts. John Springer and Norris E. Loop, who were found guilty of receiving cigarettes and food from their men.

NEW GRAND JURY OUT FOR RECESS

The new grand jury, Victor Bursell, Central Point, foreman, recessed yesterday following investigation of accidental fatalities in this section the past two months. The district attorney said they would be called in mid-March to probe a number of criminal matters, including the sidewalk stabbing altercation at Gold Hill early this month resulting in the death of Percy Harold Ijames. Fred A. Wolf, 63, is held in the county jail for the offense.

The petit jury was excused to meet again next Tuesday and Judge James W. Crawford warned attorneys to be prepared to go to trial with cases, or face dismissal of their actions. A number of the civil actions have been pending for some time.

Judge Crawford will hold court at Grants Pass Thursday and Friday of this week, according to present plans.

GENERAL SNOW FALL IN SOUTHERN OREGON AREA

Snow fell generally throughout the hills regions of Jackson county last night with an inch and one-half reported at Prospect and light falls reported from other sections, to the California-Oregon Power company today. A light covering of snow was on the ground at Ashland this morning. Skiffs of snow also fell in this city and Eagle Point but melted immediately. The snow extended farther down on the surrounding foothills than at any other time this winter. Snow also fell in the Siskiyou and in the upper Applegate hills.

Enlisted soldiers are excluded from the franchise in Brazil under its present government.

Daily Weather Report

Forecasts
Medford and vicinity: Showers tonight and Wednesday with snow on mountains. Little change in temperature.
Oregon: Scattered showers tonight and Wednesday with snow flurries above 2,000 feet. Little change in temperature.

Local Data
Temperature a year ago today: Highest 64 degrees, lowest 25.
Total monthly precipitation 3.90 inches. Excess for the month 2.01 inches.
Total precipitation since September 1, 1944, 11.77 inches. Excess for the season 2.9 inch.
Relative humidity at 4:30 p. m. yesterday 78%, 4:30 today 92%.

Tomorrow

Sunrise 7:46 a. m., sunset 7 p. m.	Part 24 hours	High	Low	Prec.
Boise	46	32	Trace	
Boston	48	18	Trace	
Chicago	43	18	Trace	
Denver	38	16	Trace	
Eureka	50	43	Trace	
Havre	45	19	Trace	
Los Angeles	58	43	Trace	
Medford	51	34	Trace	
New York	55	4	Trace	
Ottawa	38	4	Trace	
Phoenix	64	39	Trace	
Portland	67	39	Trace	
Reno	54	21	Trace	
Roseburg	49	36	Trace	
Salt Lake	40	19	Trace	
San Francisco	54	42	Trace	
Seattle	44	37	Trace	
Spokane	38	34	Trace	
Washington, D. C.	61	41	Trace	
Yakima	48	32	Trace	

FARM AND LABOR SAVING DEVICES WILL BE SHOWN

Forty pieces of equipment and exhibits will be included in the farm and home labor saving demonstration to be held at the Central Point Grange Hall, Thursday, beginning at 10 a. m. According to Marian Farrell, home demonstration agent, visitors will see what can be done at home in making the kitchen sink unit, the mixing unit, or the storage unit more efficient. Or they can see the utility table and lap board, laundry cart, wide ironing board including a demonstration on ironing a man's shirt, how to prepare and pack lunches, sewing aids, including a compact folding sewing kit, exhibit of work clothes for women, a portable wood box and a number of other items of interest.

These homemaking exhibits are only half of the demonstration, however. Farm equipment, which can be made by farmers or local mechanics, will be shown, such items as a buckrake, manure loader, post-hole digger, tilt-top trailer and smaller pieces of equipment. A fence post exhibit, showing results of 17 years of experiments with treated fir posts by the O.S.C. school of forestry and another exhibit of new types of rust-preventive compounds for farm machinery are included. Models of cattle guards and sheep feeding equipment are also included. Detailed plans for constructing the equipment will be available.

The exhibit and demonstrations will run continuously from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. and the ladies of the Central Point Grange will serve lunch at noon. The demonstration is sponsored by the extension service in cooperation with R. G. Fowler, county agent and his staff and local farmers and homemakers.

OBITUARY

CLAUDE DURHAM
Claude Durham, 65, who for many years was a piano tuner in this community, passed away suddenly Monday in Artesia, N. M. The remains will be returned to Medford for services and interment. Arrangements are in care of Conger-Morris Chapel.

THOMAS J. COOK

Services for Thomas J. Cook, of Gold Hill, who passed away Monday, will be held in the Conger-Morris Chapel 2:30 p. m. Thursday with the Rev. Milo Ross officiating. Interment will be in Jacksonville cemetery. He was born in Lane County, Ore., Nov. 2, 1880. When a small boy he moved to Applegate with his parents, then lived for a short time on Footh Creek, finally settling in Gold Hill. He belonged to the IOOF Lodge, Gold Hill, for 46 years. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Jane Cook, Gold Hill, and three children; Mrs. R. McGarvie, Oceanside, Calif., Mrs. W. D. Curl, Jacksonville, and Jake at home.

WEATHER

Northern California: Partly cloudy today and tonight; scattered showers extreme north portion; showers Wednesday; warmer interior valleys tonight.

HARRY YOUNG TO BE AD MANAGER, COPCO ANNOUNCES

Appointment of Harry A. Young as advertising manager of the California-Oregon Power company was announced today by A. S. Cummins, president of the company. Young assumes his new duties March 1.

In placing Young in charge of all company advertising and publicity Cummins stated "We intend to keep our customers fully informed on postwar developments in electric service, and the important part electricity can play in making their homes more livable and convenient. People of this territory enjoy one of the lowest electric rates in the nation and we feel it is our duty, as a public service company, to help them obtain the maximum benefits from their electric service."

Young has been associated with Copco since 1934. He first served as local sales manager and later was placed in charge of the company's dealer development program. Always active in civic affairs, Young is, at present, commander of Medford Post No. 15, of the American Legion.

ASHLAND LIEUTENANT IS KILLED ON LUZON

Ashland, Feb. 27—Mrs. B. H. Crosby has received word that her oldest son, Lt. Robert W. Riddle, was killed in action on Luzon February 6. No details were given in the official message, Mrs. Crosby said.

Lt. Riddle enlisted at Sand Point, Ida., and was originally with the 41st Field Artillery. He has been overseas nearly three years and has had no leave to come home during that time.

REOPEN RADIO TO MANILA

New York, Feb. 27—(U.P.)—Press Wireless, Inc., has re-opened its Manila station which had been out of service since December 31, 1941. Press Wireless said operations were resumed at the Manila station Sunday, and all forms of radio communications between that Philippine city and the United States are available.

SONS OF REVOLUTION OFFICERS ARE LISTED

The following officers were elected February 22 at the annual meeting of the Southern Oregon Chapter of Sons of the American Revolution: president, A. E. Voorhies, Grants Pass; first vice president and registrar, E. M. Hussong; second vice president and secretary-treasurer, Frank L. Applegate; third vice president, Clarence A. Meeker. Albert V. Muchmore is retiring president.

The official roster was incorrectly reported in the February 25 issue, due to a typographical error.

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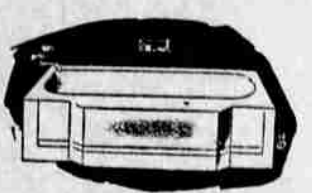
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