

### Oklahoma Experiment To Live Within Budget Said Working

Oklahoma City—UPI—Eighteen years ago, Oklahoma began an unusual financial experiment of living within its income.

That was 1941, when the public debt had grown to \$40 million because the legislature kept voting to pay out more money than Oklahoma was taking in.

What stopped this practice was a constitutional amendment prohibiting deficit spending.

Since then, all but \$10,000 of the 1941 indebtedness has been paid off. (And that's only because the state can't find the bond holder.) Every budget has been balanced. Furthermore, taxes have not been increased since World War II, and, in fact, they were cut a third in 1947.

**Two Bars**

The "budget-balancing" amendment put up two bars against debt. First, the legislature is prohibited from appropriating more than estimated revenue. Second, if revenue falls short of the estimate, every government department will be cut on a pro rata basis.

This has never had to be done, though, thanks to inflation, an expanding economy and conservative estimating.

The estimate is made by a State Board of Equalization, which must base its figure on average revenue for the past three years although it can make allowance for changes in tax rates or in economic conditions.

The 1941 amendment made two exceptions to the rule against indebtedness. The state can borrow money in case of insurrection, invasion or war, or the people can approve a bond issue.

Since then, the citizens of Oklahoma have voted twice for college and mental health building bond issues. These totaled \$51 million.

What would happen if an emergency made an unusual expenditure necessary? The legislature maintains an emergency fund to be spent at the direction of the governor. If there wasn't enough money in the fund, the governor could call a special session of the legislature to raise taxes. This has never happened.

**Effect Said Good**

Gov. Howard Edmondson said the effect of the 1941 amendment has been "very definitely good."

"I don't think there is any doubt but what it has held the line on tax increases. Proof of that is Oklahoma is one of the few states that has not increased taxes since World War II."

Oklahoma, like many other states, faced what seemed to be a budget crisis during the 1959 legislative session. Fund requests from various agencies topped revenue by almost \$200 million. Under the budget-balancing amendment, the lawmakers had only two choices: raise taxes or cut spending. They cut spending.

How does Oklahoma's tax structure, per capita income and services compare with those of other states?

**Taxes**—30th nationally in rate per capita. The average Sooner pays \$153.71 a year in state and local taxes. In the ratio of taxes to income, Oklahoma ranks 15th.

**Welfare**—Second in nation with annual payments of \$46.70 per capita. Financed with Federal funds and a two per cent state retail sales tax.

**Education**—Per capita expenditure of \$48 per student annually, which is 11th nationally, 27th in school teacher salaries with \$4,525 a year. This does not reflect recent raises.

**Highways**—13th in nation at \$50.82 per person a year.

Congressional hearings last year showed Oklahoma ranked fourth in interstate mileage under construction, exceeded only by Texas, North Carolina and Iowa.

**Mental Hospitals**—41st in expenditures per patient, 7th in ratio of "cures" to patients admitted.

**Per Capita Personal Income**—38th with \$1,619 a year, compared with \$2,027 national average. Increase 256 per cent from 1950 to 1957.

**Unemployment Compensation**—Maximum of \$35 per week for 39 weeks. Compares favorably with national average.

Oklahoma has a public debt of \$35.3 million, resulting from the 1949 and 1955 college and mental health building bond issues, but the current interest is only \$60,000 a year. This is because the state itself holds \$32.3 million of the indebtedness, purchased with idle funds on deposit in the state treasury.

Treasurer Bill Burkhardt says the other \$3 million, which is held by private investors, will be paid off in 1961. It is drawing two per cent interest.

While public debt against the state is small, several millions in self-liquidating bonds have been issued to finance such projects as college dormitories, state park lodges and turnpikes. These are to be paid from the agencies' own revenues rather than from taxes. Opponents have charged that this practice is an evasion of the budget amendment, but the courts have upheld its constitutionality.

### Church Publishes Teen Magazine

Washington—UPI—A major Protestant denomination is sponsoring a new magazine for high school boys and girls.

Called "Hi Way," it will be published monthly by the United Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A.

Its credo, voiced in an editorial in the first issue, is that "there is nothing wrong with being young."

"You will see that Hi Way is not a 'religious' magazine as you usually think of one," the editors promised. "Nor is it a far-out teen magazine with a chip on its shoulder for anyone over 20. It's a general interest magazine for young, intelligent Christians."

The first issue featured an article on "Why I'm Heading Into Space" by one of the seven U.S. Astronauts; a text-and-pictures report on "New Fall Clothes" for the senior high set; "How to Size Up A Used Car," and an article by a psychiatrist warning teenagers against the pitfalls of "trying too hard to be popular."

### SELL CANNED CLOTHES

Washington—UPI—Sale of "canned" clothes in supermarkets has proved successful, the American Can Co. said today, and housewives may soon be able to pick up canned panties, socks, bras, diapers and men's shirts in their local supermarket.

### Cub Pack Holds Meeting Monday

The committee and Den Mothers of Cub Pack 14, Roosevelt school, met at the home of Cubmaster Mike Morris Monday evening.

Dens and Den Mothers present included Den 2, Mrs. Norma Foland, and Assistant Mrs. Jane Little; Den 3, Mrs. Jo Ella Thompson; Den 8, Mrs. Katherine Brown; Den 9, Mrs. Mary Bertrand; and Den 10, Mrs. Arthur Savard.

The next pack meeting will be held Monday, Nov. 2, at Roosevelt school. All parents and Cubs and prospective Cubs are urged to attend, officials said.

### Frisky Buck Makes Way Back To Woods

Wayland, Mich.—UPI—Floyd Hall of nearby Green Lake had to pass the buck to state police when they answered his emergency call.

It all started when Hall heard his dog chasing a large buck deer in the front yard of his cottage. When he went out to investigate, the deer turned on him and he headed back for the house.

The buck followed him into the cottage but calmed down when he offered the animal some sugar. But the buck grew frisky again after Hall slipped a rope around his neck and tied the other end to a tree outside.

Hall said he made the mistake of leaving the rope too long and the buck chased him back into the cottage. That's when he put in his call for help.

By the time police arrived, they found Hall hanging on to the antlers of the buck. The animal shook himself loose, snapped the rope and headed for safety in the woods before the officers could do anything about it.

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**REUNITED**—Actress Ingrid Bergman escorts her three children, Robertino (left), 9, and 6-year-old twins, Isotta and Isabella, to the airport in Rome, Italy, after they were finally turned over to her by their father, Italian producer Roberto Rossellini. They missed the plane however, because Rossellini was late in producing the children as directed by a court order. Miss Bergman and her children expect to fly to Paris from Rome.

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London—UPI—It's a good idea to see your accountant before getting married in England because in many cases two definitely cannot live as cheaply as one.

The British tax system makes the difference. Married couples often lose allowances to which they're entitled as single persons.

Laments a 68-year-old man who married four years ago: "It was foolish of me not to consult an accountant before getting married. We might have elected to remain single."

## HOT OR COLD

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