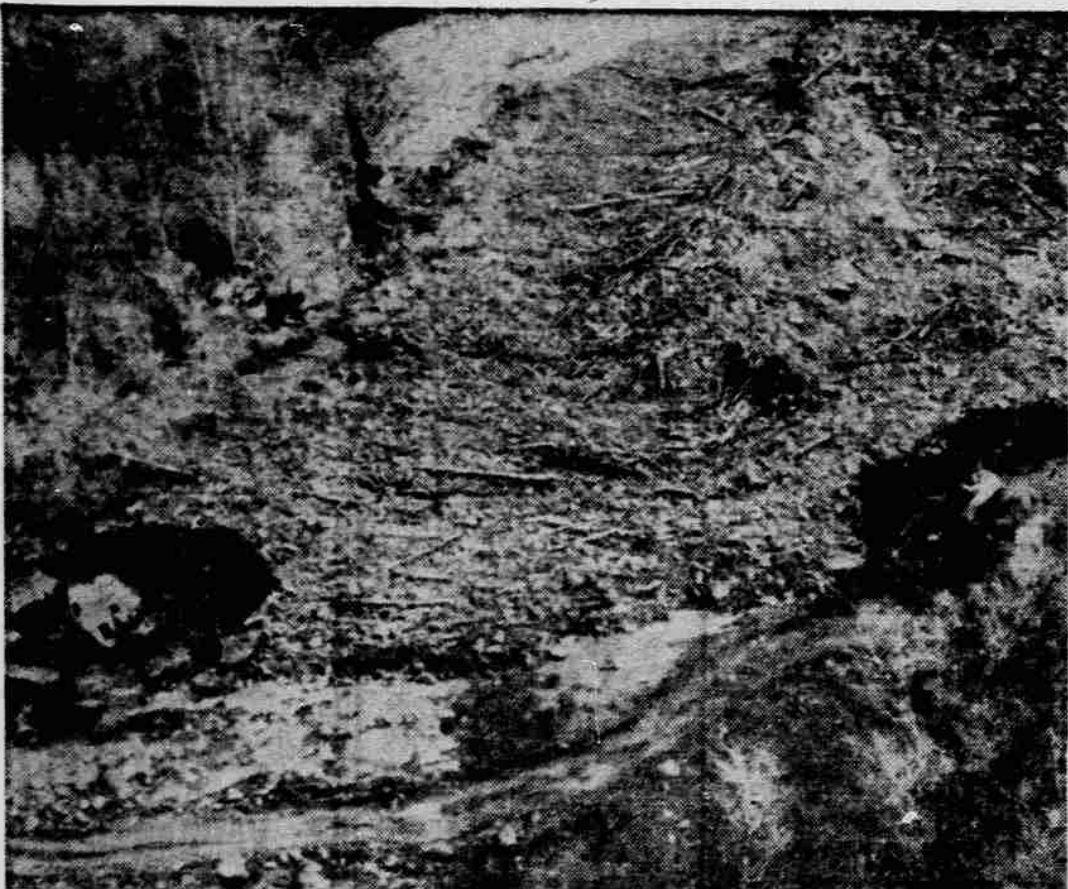




ROCK SLIDE—A rock slide blocks off a debris rumbled down 5,249-foot Mt. Lafayette across the highway. Shown are shovels and trucks working toward each other clearing the highway. There were no injuries, which swelled rivers. Tons of rocks and

First Income Tax Bite, Taken In 1913, Far Cry From Today's

New York—Forty-six years ago this month we got our first income tax bite—a little nip that took only \$35 million.

It took a constitutional amendment to permit taxation on incomes—the 16th Amendment, effective Feb. 25, 1913.

Why did the good citizens back then ever permit that amendment to pass?

They just sat back and laughed and said they wished they made enough money to pay income taxes. The politicians had revealed the rates they expected to levy.

The ywere right about ability to pass taxes. The first tax bill allowed an exemption of \$4,000 for a married person and \$3,000 for a single one. The taxpayers were the ex-

ceptions, for the average wage of those days was about \$12 a week. Twelve a week is \$624 a year, so who's afraid of a tax that has \$3,000 to \$4,000 in exemptions.

Big Fellows Hardly Touched
Also the bite on the big fellows was a tiny one contrasted with the carnivorous crunch of today. Back then, there were additional taxes starting at \$20,000 and running to \$500,000 and up that added a few per cent to the one per cent normal tax of the day. The highest rate including the normal tax was 7 percent. Today's top is 91 per cent.

As if to celebrate the anniversary of income taxes, the Tax Foundation calculated that the government in all of 1913 collected \$67 in income taxes a minute. Now \$35 million is collected in about four hours and 29 minutes.

Today's income tax smash of \$68.4 billion amounts to a collection of \$130,000 a minute.

In 1913 all federal government tax receipts (including individual income taxes) amounted to \$662 million and the collection of that amount

worked out at \$1,260 a minute, according to the Tax Foundation figures.

In fiscal 1960, the foundation estimates the total federal tax receipts will amount to \$89,800,000,000 or \$170,852 a minute.

Roswell Magill, president of the Tax Foundation and former under secretary of the

Four Letter Words Cause Disrurbance

Milford Haven, England.—Mrs. Rita Poole had to face up to the fact Sunday that her 3-year-old son's use of four letter words caused the neighbors to give him the cold shoulder.

Kevin let go with a burst of profanity on neighborhood children Sunday in Haverford West, where he and his mother are vacationing.

Adults within earshot were aghast.

So was the town's housing inspector George Davies.

Public pressure compelled Mrs. Poole to confine Kevin to the house lest "he get into more trouble."

She said that she had pleaded with him not to use such language but that he ignored her.

"He did not pick it up at home," she said.



by Alice Brooks

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Interesting Desk

London—UPI—The Sunday Pictorial noted Sunday that Lord Hailsham, Britain's science minister and in charge of outer space experiments sits at a desk.

—Lit by three incredibly old-fashioned candlestick lamps.

—Entangled by looping wires plugged into sockets on the desk top itself.

—Looking out of a window at a sign saying "this balcony is dangerous."

Grange Notes

Bellview Grange
Master Lloyd Hoodley presided at a meeting of the Bellview Grange this week.

Final plans for a rummage sale were announced by Mrs. Ralph Laidlow. The sale will be held in the Knox building Saturday, Oct. 24, starting at 8 p.m.

Frank Malin announced plans for the Night Owl square dance at the Grange hall Oct. 31. Breakfast will be served by the Grange.

Pomona Grange will be held at Shady Cove on Saturday, Oct. 24, beginning at 10 a.m.

During the lecturer's hour, Mrs. Ross Applegate spoke on fall planting of bulbs and how to care for them. A question and answer period followed.

Guest at the meeting was Mrs. Maude LaPorte of Eugene. A social hour followed with refreshments being served by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hodgins, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Helms and Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hill.

Court Records

DISTRICT COURT
James E. Allen, violation of basic rule, \$15.

Kenneth R. Dunlap, violation of basic rule, \$15.

Norman D. Hutchinson, overlord, \$30.

Charles L. Ford, improper muffler, \$15.

Donald D. Brabbin, violation of basic rule, \$15.

William Ronald Doyle, passing with insufficient clearance, \$15.

Alon Isaac White, failure to stop, \$10.

Cicero M. Medcalfe Jr., truck speeding, \$15.

William Richard Rapp, failure to stop, \$10.

Raymilt T. Reneau, no chauffeur's license, \$10.

David P. Grove, failure to stop, \$10.

Iva I. Badger, driving with suspended license, \$105.

James Maynard, shooting from highway, \$30.

Lytle R. Brown, failure to transfer title, \$5.

John C. Johnson, failure to tag deer properly, \$30.

Reginald G. Cox, overweight, \$15.

Jess D. Jansen, improper brakes, \$10.

Melvina E. Buttram, no operator's license, \$10.

Marion F. Walters, overlord, \$48.50.

Earl L. Stephenson, overlord, \$30.

Byron E. Stronquist, overlord, \$47.

John J. Paudols, improper clearance lights, \$10.

Frances A. Shults, no operator's license, \$15.

Richard R. Callender, failure to stop, \$10.

Michael C. Shreeve, failure to stop, \$10.

Lawrence R. Mangold, failure to stop, \$10.

Bernice R. Kassner, violation of basic rule, \$15.

Robert A. Morrison, improper lights, \$10.

Norman L. Courtright, improper lights, \$15.

Clarence W. King, overlord, \$97.

Harold Knips, violation of basic rule, \$15.

Edward C. Fogel, improper lights, \$10.

Lavonne B. Truax, overlord, \$113.

MUNICIPAL COURT
Gary Gene Settle, violation of basic rule, \$10.

Richard Padgett, following too close, \$25.

Clarence A. Hagglund, failure to leave information at scene of accident, \$50.

Franklin Allen Elrod, Jr., inadequate equipment, \$240.

Gart Leavern Pool, no operator's license in possession, \$5.

Carl John Johnson, Jr., violation of basic rule, \$15; expired vehicle registration plates, \$5.

Rena Mable Welde, improper turn, \$5.

Amy Alma Moore, failure to yield right of way, \$25.

Richard Mace Griffin, no driver's license, \$10.

Albert V. Langston, disobeyed traffic sign, \$5.

Shirley Ann Hatcher, disobeyed traffic sign, \$5.

Delbert Francis Walker, operating on wrong side of street, \$10.

Elmer Leslie, disobeyed traffic sign, \$10.

Clayton Douglas Batten, violation of basic rule, \$10.

Lewis Ace Stratton, no operator's license in possession, \$10.

Robert Carral Davis, no operator's license in possession, \$5; disobeyed traffic signal, \$10.

DISTRICT COURT
Joe R. Oliver, overweight, \$15.

Glenn L. Riggs, route 1, box 385H, Medford, reckless driving, \$105.

John E. Bowman, failure to dim, \$7.50.

Ira Ralph Lacy, overweight, \$15.

CIRCUIT COURT
Joseph A. Patella vs. Rose Ann Patella, divorce complaint.

Elvarene Reedy vs. Eugene Douglas Reedy, divorce decree.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION
Glenn Donald German Jr., Grants Pass, and Dorothy May Bushnell, Grants Pass.

Oregonians Lead Nation As Taxpayers, Census Indicates

By A. ROBERT SMITH
Mail Tribune Washington Correspondent

Washington (Special)—Oregonians pay substantially more taxes to state and local

government than the average American taxpayer, but Californians and residents of four other states pay even more.

In one respect at least, Oregonians lead the nation as taxpayers. They have the highest state income tax in the country.

These tax figures are revealed in the U.S. Census Bureau's latest Compendium of Government Finances covering the fiscal picture for all the states in 1957.

For that year, the average amount paid by Oregonians in all forms of local and state taxation came to \$200.56, compared with \$169.22 for the nation. Californians were the heaviest taxed citizens that year, paying \$238.57. The other four states with higher taxes than Oregon were: New York \$230.58; Nevada \$230.01; Massachusetts \$210.86; Connecticut \$209.60.

Washington state residents paid \$188.60, and taxes in Idaho were below the national average, \$155.53.

Taking the state personal income tax alone, Oregon led the country with a per capita tax of \$52.92. The national average is \$10.30, a figure that is pulled down by the fact that 15 states have no personal income tax. Those closest to Oregon in this category were Alaska \$33.49, Delaware \$33.34 and Washington, D.C., \$31.94.

The income tax for Oregon's neighbor states for 1957 was: California \$10.33; Idaho \$15.63; Washington and Nevada, nothing.

Corporation income taxes, however, are not as high in Oregon as in several other states. For Oregon they were \$11.88, compared with \$5.78 as a national average.

Highest Tax Average
New York has the highest corporation tax average, \$15.56. Pennsylvania is next with \$14.90. Then comes Wisconsin \$14.41, Connecticut \$13.12 and California \$12.06.

Sales taxes figure big in the revenue picture of many states. Oregon is one of 13 states which do not collect

sales taxes. The national average is \$23.66, and Washington leads the nation with per capita receipts from its sales tax with \$72.64. California ranks second with \$54.52.

Oregon's property taxes run somewhat higher than the national average but well below those in some other states. The average per capita property tax payment in Oregon ran to \$85.08, compared with \$75.54 for the nation. Massachusetts led with \$122.29 and California was second with \$112.67.

Other highs were registered in Montana, \$109.49, New York, \$109.94, and New Jersey, \$112.92.

Washington state property taxes average out to \$55.84, in Idaho they came to \$78.07, and in Nevada they were \$83.

Functions of State
In the matter of spending for highways, education, other functions of state and local government, Oregon puts out more than the average state—but not as much per capita as its neighbor states of California and Washington, according to the Census Bureau findings.

In total expenditures for education, Oregon ranks 10th in the nation, paying \$105.38 per capita. Washington state spends \$108.49, California \$119.43 and Wyoming \$119.87, which is tops in the country.

Oregon's education spending is divided, \$19.27 for state institutions of higher learning, and \$83.91 for local schools, with the balance for other forms of education.

School Spending
Washington state spends \$19.33 for its state universities and \$87.57 for local schools. California spends

\$19.16 for its colleges and \$98.22 for local schools. Idaho, which spent a total of only \$81.62 on education (national average is \$83), divides it, \$13.69 for state colleges, \$65.93 for local schools.

Idaho spends more for roads than the Pacific coast states. Oregon spends \$57.90, Washington \$57.23, California \$47.15 and Idaho \$59.93.

In the area of public welfare and health and hospitals, Oregon spending drops below the national average, the report showed.

Total Oregon spending for public welfare was listed as \$18.70, compared with a national average of \$19.99. In California the amount was \$29.99 and in Washington state \$30.36. Idaho spent \$17.17.

Below Average
For hospitals, Oregon spent \$10.61 against a national average of \$15.55. California spent \$19.77 and Washington state \$14.61. Idaho spent \$12.93.

For other health purposes, Oregon spent \$5.20 compared with \$3.24 for the national average. California spent \$4.45 and Washington \$7.93. Idaho spent \$3.27.

Among all the states, Oregon ranks 10th in expenditures per capita for education, 19th in spending on roads, 29th in spending for public welfare and 30th for health and hospitals.

The average per capita income for Oregonians for 1957 was \$1,914, which ranks the state 21st in the nation. California ranked fourth with a per capita income averaging \$2,523. Washington state ranked 13th with \$2,128. Idaho was 36th with \$1,630.

High School Boy Commits Suicide

Calabasas, Calif.—UPI—A 17-year-old high school boy committed suicide apparently because he felt he was a "social outcast," sheriff's deputies reported today.

James F. Ford, a junior at Canoga Park, Calif., High school, was found by his father, Samuel, in a closet with a clothes line knotted about his neck. He was hanging from a rod in the closet at the family home.

Sgt. H. W. Haussner said the family could not understand why James felt he was unpopular with his fellow students.

Benson Admitted to Army Hospital
Washington—UPI—Agriculture Secretary Ezra Taft Benson, admitted to Walter Reed Army hospital Saturday with "abdominal complaints" will remain there for an indefinite period for observation.

Benson, 60, entered the medical center only 16 days after he returned from a tour of Russian and European farms.

FIRE KILLS FOUR
Franklin, Tenn.—UPI—Four small Negro children died Sunday in a fire which destroyed their home.

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Alcoholics Said on Increase in Country

Saratoga Springs, N.Y.—UPI—An official of the national Women's Christian Temperance Union today said unpublished statistics from the federal government show that the number of alcoholics committed to mental wards is increasing by about 10,000 a year.

Mrs. L. G. Rowley of Water, Mich., vice-president-at-large of the WCTU, told a convention of the New York branch that the latest figures, tabulated in 1956, also showed that more than 7,000 persons received permanent brain damage from alcohol.

Republican Governors Plan Conference

Los Angeles—UPI—The six western Republican governors and some 1,500 GOP leaders will hold a four-day conference in Los Angeles starting Nov. 12.

Edward S. Shattuck, California Republican National Committeeman, said the conference would be aimed at drafting a "bold program to attain a sweeping victory for the Republican party in every western state in 1960."

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