

The Legislature—II

Lesson of 1955 Recalled During Fight on Taxes

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House Minority Leader F. Montgomery termed the tax package a "paste pot and scissors job."

The need to increase taxes haunted the session. The state's surplus had run out. There was no way to avoid a tax increase.

Everyone spoke in terms of a referral election. Legislators began talking of referral even before the tax hike was drafted.

The war over the tax increase wasn't a Democrat versus Republican affair. It was every man for himself.

Each remembered the nightmare of 1955 when the Republican-dominated legislature adopted a 45 per cent surtax.

The voters reacted so violently that Democrats were swept into office, gained a 15-15 split in the Senate, and a strong working majority in the House.

It was a lesson that no lawmaker can forget.

Special Session Seen
On the final night of the session, Sen. Walter Pearson (D-Portland) voted against pay hikes for state employees and educators and warned his colleagues "it's about time we shed a few tears for the taxpayers. They are the ones paying the bills."

"We have passed a tax increase the voters will not accept. We will be back here (in special session) in October."

So many different tax proposals were drafted that most taxpayers had no idea what the final result was — except they know their taxes are going up.

The following table was prepared by the Tax Commission to show what the out-of-pocket increase would be:

-\$1,000 income: Single person up \$2, couple up \$10, family of four up \$10.
-\$3,000 income: Single up \$17, couple up \$9, family of four up \$18.
\$5,000 income: Single up \$33, couple up \$28, family of four up \$28.
\$7,000 income: Single up \$43, couple up \$43, family of four up \$55.
\$9,000 income: Single up \$46, couple up \$56, family of four up \$74.
\$15,000 income: Single up \$84, couple up \$83, family of four up \$115.

Ability To Pay
The House and governor wanted "tax reform" and "base broadening" based on the ability to pay theory.

The Senate demanded a program which included base broadening, but also hit hard at large families on the theory that education accounted for more than half of the state's spending.

The voters have until Sept. 2 to make up their minds. If 23,185 of them sign a petition, a special election will be held in October.

Idaho Power's Plan Criticized

Portland — (UPI) — Idaho Power company's proposal to write off the salmon run above its dams on the Snake river was criticized Wednesday as being premature and based on insufficient evidence.

L. Edward Perry, director of the Columbia River Fisheries program for the U. S. Bureau of Fish and Wildlife, told a Federal Power Commission hearing he still has hopes for the salmon run.

Perry said he felt the company should be required to continue its fish passage program and improve it so that it would reserve the natural production of salmon and steelhead above the Brownlee dam.

A spokesman for the company testified Tuesday that its fish passage facilities were a failure despite a \$10 million outlay. Perry said some of the failures were a result of operating and maintenance difficulties.

The hearing is expected to continue for the rest of the week.

New Dictionary Lists

Space Age Terminology
New York — (UPI) — A new dictionary makes it possible for youngsters and adults as well to understand science—from medicine to space physics, rockets to atoms.

The book — "Compton's Illustrated Science Dictionary" — accomplished this by providing the vocabulary. It defines and illustrates words used in modern science. And each work is employed in a sentence, the context of which clarifies the word's meaning.

Black Hole of Calcutta

Travel Service Receives Rough Handling by House Subcommittee

By DICK WEST
Washington — (UPI) — Capitol Hill is a major tourist attraction, but I doubt it would currently be recommended by the U. S. Travel Service.

Six officials of the service made a trip up the Hill recently to testify before a House appropriations subcommittee.

Judging from the transcript of the hearing, which was released this week, I imagine

they now regard the place as having something in common with the Black Hole of Calcutta.

The Travel Service, created within the Commerce Department to attract foreign visitors to the U.S.A., is seeking a \$4.2 million appropriation to carry on this work in fiscal 1964.

However, there appeared to be some question in the minds of the subcommittee members as to whether the program thus far had operated with optimum results.

Service director Volt Gilmore was barely two paragraphs deep in his prepared

statement, or travelogue, before he was interrupted by subcommittee chairman John J. Rooney, a far-flung Democrat from New York.

Did Gilmore, asked Rooney, spend \$60,000 to open an office in Tokyo after being advised by the U. S. Embassy there that prospects for increased Japanese travel abroad were rather slim?

"Yes, sir," said Gilmore. And did the number of Japanese traveling to the United States then drop from 19,872 to 17,972? Gilmore confirmed that it did.

The subcommittee next trod heavily and at length upon a

\$1,860 carpet purchased in Hong Kong for the Tokyo office.

"Is this carpet red?" inquired Rooney. "It sounds like a real red carpet."

The color was not established, but since it was selected by an interior decorator, who received a \$32,140 fee, we may assume that it blended well with the other furnishings.

Rep. Frank T. Bow (R-Ohio) wanted to know whether anyone spilled champagne on the carpet at a reception marking the opening of the office. Gilmore assured him that it was unstained.

It next developed that the travel service printed 50 manuals of operations, 25 in gold-stamped binders, at a cost of \$202 per copy.

They were sent to overseas directors, but Gilmore conceded that some had never read it.

The subcommittee likewise took a keen interest in the 200 sets of \$10 cuff links that the service purchased for good will gifts to persons of influence abroad.

Rooney figured out that if the expenses of the travel service were matched against the increase in foreign visitors it would amount to \$33 a per-

son. Perhaps it would be better, he said, just to give them \$33 apiece and let them spend it themselves.

Portlander Bids Low

On Santiam Project

Portland — (UPI) — Carl M. Halvorsen, Portland, was low of seven bidders at \$914,534 for the first major work on the Foster dam project on the South Santiam river, Army Engineers said.

The contract involves relocation of two miles of the Quartzville road and construction of two concrete bridges.

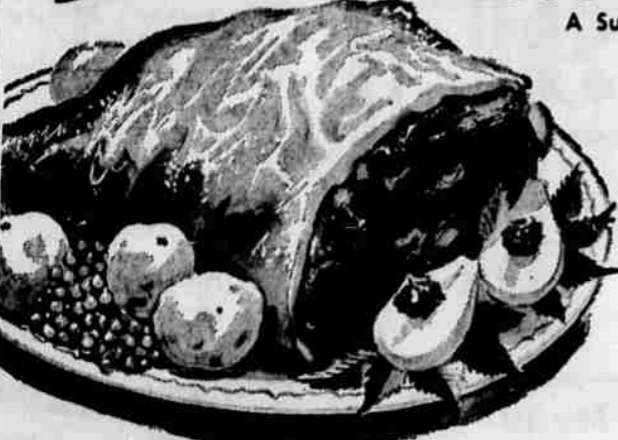


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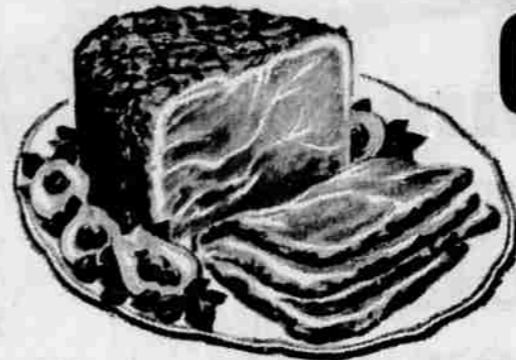


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