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## Salem Scene

by Robert H. Elsner

**State Tax Base Broadening "Long Overdue" Says Senate President**

Senate President Ben Musa has some definite thoughts on state government, taxes, and other problems facing Oregon's Legislature. He discussed some of them earlier this week, for "Salem Scene" readers.

Although his personal legislative goals for the 1963 session are limited, he strongly advocates a broadening of the state income tax base. "It's long overdue," he claims. "We've simply got to have it, to get more people paying taxes."

Musa says the Legislature's overriding problem is to "get enough money to pay our bills." But he doesn't feel the best answer is Governor Hatfield's "net receipts tax," which seems to have healthy bi-partisan support. Democrat Musa, a certified public accountant in The Dalles, has an alternative proposal for broadening the tax base to cover more taxpayers.

It was introduced in the House by his wife, Rep. Katherine Musa, (D-Hood River and Wasco Counties) early in the session. Commonly called the "Musa plan," it has three basic elements: (1) Reduce personal exemptions from \$600 to \$500; (2) remove the Federal income tax as a deduction on state returns; and (3) create a minimum filing fee, ranging from \$5 to \$7.50.

Unlike the "net receipts tax" bill, which would bring in more than \$30 million in additional revenue, Musa's proposal would raise considerably less—an estimated \$4 to \$6 million in new tax money.

"We're not shooting for more than that," Sen. Musa explained. "Natural growth would increase revenues in future years, as more people come to Oregon."

He emphasized that the "Musa plan" (H.B. 1014) "has no intent" of raising the rates of present state taxpayers. "And if it did somehow raise their taxes, we would recommend a corresponding rate reduction," he added, in explaining that the primary purpose of his bill is to get minimal taxes from wage earners who now pay nothing. The proposed filing fee would accomplish much of this. "Oregon will eventually have a cigarette tax," Musa predicted, "because we simply have to raise the money." He supports it now, but feels that it should include all tobacco products, and not just cigarettes, as has been advocated.

Musa admits that a tax referendum is quite likely with any tax program the Legislature adopts. But he doesn't believe in "threatening or holding a club over the electorate" in warning them that if they turn down a tax increase, it will mean a big cut in basic school support.

"But if the referendum is invoked, we'll have to come back and cut-down somewhere," Musa added. "If we do find it necessary to curtail the education budget, it would simply pass the buck back to the already-overburdened property owners."

Musa feels that some cut, if required, should also come out of the welfare budget.

"I can't go along with the governor's claim that hiring more welfare workers is going to reduce the budget in that area," he opined.

The Senate President opposes the bill which would reduce

state gasoline taxes. "They should stay the same," he said. "This is one place where we really get our money's worth. Why, I can remember—not many years ago—when it used to take hours to drive a distance that modern highways make possible in just minutes now."

We asked Sen. Musa for his views on a possible tax election, which would let the voters decide on the type of new tax they would prefer—it any. He is against this he explained, "because we should have the courage to do what we're being paid for, and not shove our responsibilities off on the voters." He also questions the legality of an election which would let the people vote on various tax alternatives, "particularly if no proposal received a simple majority of all votes cast." He does feel that a flat "yes-or-no" tax election might be legal, however.

Musa said the legislature should take a "long, hard look at Oregon's unemployment compensation program. Proposals to expand benefits and broaden coverage will have a "tough time" in the Senate, he feels, unless some provision is added which would get employees to share in unemployment tax costs. These are now paid fully by employers, and Oregon has one of the five-highest rates in the nation.

Reorganization of Oregon's 50-year old workmen's compensation program is "long overdue," Musa said. "There are too many theorists running a practical business. My first concern is for the injured workmen, and a reorganization should be to his benefit."

He also feels that the whole state government structure is "over-bureaucratic," which is somewhat along the lines of Governor Hatfield's thinking that there is room to reconsolidations in some areas.

the stairway? This area is a potential closet.

For families who live in rented houses, apartments or trailers, there are solutions to space problems, too. Make present closets hold more by using accessories such as portable shelves, shoe bags, and racks and special hangers.

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Another rate reduction for long distance telephone calls will become effective April 1. The FCC has approved special rates for station to station calls made between the hours of 9 p. m. and 4:30 a. m. Only calls of over 221 miles are included but a saving of 50% will be made on some calls. Under this new rate a three-minute station call can be made to anywhere in the United States during these special hours for \$1.00 or less.

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## Mrs. Bickett's Mothers Breaks Leg in Fall

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bickett received word Sunday that her mother, who is 76, had fallen at her home and broken the large bone in her leg, just above the knee.

The elderly woman was taken to the Lebanon hospital for treatment. She was suffering considerably from shock and was placed under oxygen. Mrs. Bickett said she seems to be responding to treatment at the present time.

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