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TIME TO CUT DOWN



CURB FEDERAL SPENDING

There have been many panaceas proposed to curb inflation, but the No. 1 solution seems to have eluded some of our national leaders. It is, of course, to cut federal expenditures.

Official Washington might well be particularly receptive to this method, for the cost of living seems to be getting out of hand in the nation's capital. The Labor Department report that while the national cost-of-living index was up 3.6 per cent in August as compared to the same period in 1968, it rose 6.7 per cent in Washington, D. C.

While the Administration is attempting to hold down federal spending, calling for a \$5.9 billion surplus in 1970, the House of Representatives appropriation bills in the present session are exceeding the budget by \$231,021,000 and the Senate has exceeded the budget by \$632,627,000. The House is also considering legislative bills with spending authorization exceeding the budget by \$267,019,000, while the Senate has bills exceeding the Administration's budget by \$222,375,000. This means that with the bills now under consideration, Congress could exceed the budget by at least \$1.353 billion.

It is hoped that this tangible evidence of these figures, as well as rising living costs, will influence the members of Congress and the Executive branch to insist on an effective reduction in federal spending to help halt the ever-rising inflation.

MEHAMA

Mrs. John Teeters
 Mr. and Mrs. Mel Pankratz and Betty Sue visited with relatives and friends here on November 4. They have just recently moved back to Oregon from Salt Lake City, Utah

where they have been for some time.

Mrs. Deloras Eason and son, Ronald, of North Bend, came November 5 for a visit here.

Guests Sunday morning at the home of Mrs. Art Andersen were Mr. and Mrs. Orville Oederman of Gold Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Matthis were in Portland Saturday and Sunday to attend the annual show of Oregon Pheasant Breeders at the Memorial Coliseum.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Phillips were hosts at their home for the monthly meeting of their pinocle club Saturday evening. The group had dinner at the Riverview then spent the evening in cards and visiting at the Phillips home. Members present were Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bowes, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rienke, Mr. and Mrs. Giles Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Taylor and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips.

Mrs. Donald Teeters and Mrs. Harold Longfellow visited Sunday at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Ellen Good in Salem and also with other relatives there.

The committee in charge of the cake walk and bazaar held Saturday evening at the fire report that it was a successful event.

Mrs. M. V. Frame returned home Friday from Eugene where she spent several days visiting relatives and friends.

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Salem Technical College May Use Four Mobile Units For Classrooms

The immediate physical and educational needs of Salem Technical Community College were spelled out to its newly formed board of directors by President Paul F. Wilmeth Wednesday evening.

Wilmeth made recommendations to the seven-member board urging that action be taken at the earliest possible date to set in motion plans for the 1970-71 school year.

The Mid-Willamette Area Education District and its governing board were established by voters September 23. The new district includes Marion, Polk, Yamhill and the north end of Linn County.

In pointing out the physical needs of the college, Wilmeth told the board that a total of 12,700 square feet of classroom

and office space will be needed by next fall to accommodate students, faculty and administration. He said that nine 24 by 60 foot mobile units will be necessary to meet this need.

The school presently has permanent classroom facilities for only 250 full-time students with 774 full-time day students enrolled this term. Additional students are now accommodated in four mobile units with eight classrooms.

Wilmeth said that of the nine needed units, three would be used for classroom space. He estimates an increased enrollment of full-time day students to a total of 950 by next fall.

Normal campus growth will account for some of the stu-

dent increase and the expanded site of the district is expected to bring another 100 students, he said. The college formerly encompassed Salem School District 24J only (greater Salem area).

Three mobile units are needed for student lounge area, one for a counseling and guidance office, one for an administrative office and another for faculty office area.

Estimates are being obtained on leasing the nine mobile units and the costs of furnishing and equipping them for next fall.

The college officially remains under the Salem School District until July 1, pending a budget election. The board will select a budget committee at the next board meeting, November 20.

The immediate educational needs recommended by the president include the expansion of the adult education program to a district-wide service, the expansion of the business education curriculum to a two-year format, and the addition of a nurses' aide program which has been requested by local health organizations. The president urged a grad-

ual phase-in of a liberal arts program beginning in the fall of 1971. He urged continual development of the occupational programs.

A resolution was received from the State Board of Education naming the length of terms of district board members.

Serving four-year terms will be J. Earl Cook, chairman; George G. Strozut, vice-chairman; three-year terms Art Hebert, Sheridan, and Frank Crow, Jr., Stayton; two-year

terms Henry Tiano, Salem, and Ray Welch, Woodburn; and one-year term Mrs. Anne Bell, Rickreall. In the future all board members will serve 4-year terms.

In other action the board: —Set in motion plans for acquisition of the present college campus from Salem School District 24J.

—Unanimously adopted the bylaws and internal board operation regulations for the new district.

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