

# DETROIT IDANHA

**By Boots Champion**  
Henry Hiebert was elected president of the Deanha Parent Teachers Club at a recent meeting of the group. Other officers elected for the ensuing year are: Mrs. Jerry Lynn, vice-president, Mrs. Arthur Whiteley, secretary, Mrs. Harold Hills, treasurer. Retiring president is Mrs. Arthur Whiteley.

Mr. and Mrs. John Estey received word that their granddaughters husband, Frank Workman of Vancouver, Wash. was recently involved apparently in a car accident and was found unconscious at the scene of the accident. He was released from a Vancouver hospital and is now recuperating at home from a lacer-

ated leg and torn ligaments in his knee.

Many homes in the upper North Santiam Canyon were the setting for family gatherings on Easter Sunday, while others traveled to mid-valley towns to observe the day with members of their family or with friends. Members of the Clyde Storey family gathered at the home of their son-in-law and daughter the Earnest Emersons at Sheridan in observance of the Easter Holiday. In attendance besides Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Storey were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Storey of Forest Grove, Mr. and Mrs. Steven Storey and Miss Nancy Storey of Salem, and Mr. Emersons parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kindred of Aumsville.

The seasons baseball games began Monday with Detroit playing Eddyville there at 3:00 p. m. Wednesday Valseltz played Detroit here.

An Oregon Association of School Administrators Conference is scheduled Thursday, April 2nd at Corvallis which Ron Wilkerson school supt. plans to attend. Administrators Conferences were also held in Salem on Monday and Tuesday.

A music festival is slated at Colton on Friday April 3rd at 7:30 p. m. It is not known at this time if Detroit school will participate.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Beachy and family of Smithers, B.C., arrived here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David White Easter Sunday were they have been guests for a couple of days. An open house at the White home was held from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. on Mon-

day for their many area friends. The Beachys formerly lived at Idanha when he was way Department for a number employed by the State Highways before moving to B.C. They left here Tuesday morning for Pacific City for a visit with relatives there and in Sheridan before returning to their home.

## Field Burner Tested On OSU Campus

OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY—A stationary field burner, tested on the Oregon State University campus, has showed it could reduce open field burning pollution by more than 90 percent.

In May, a second burner—with six wheels and powered by a modified grain combine—will be tested at the Jackson Experimental Farm near Lebanon where ryegrass straw will be scattered on the ground.

The two burners were developed by Russ W. Bonlie, OSU research engineer. After testing the stationary model, Bonlie said the goal of providing a workable machine to the farmer for about \$15,000 looks possible.

A problem is capacity of the incinerator.

Bonlie said the stationary test model could handle 150 to 200 pounds of straw an hour. The mobile unit, he estimated, will move about one mile an hour—burning a 12-foot swath—pick up about 60 percent of the straw and burn the rest as it passes over it. In acreage, he said, the incinerator should be able to handle about 14 to 2 acres an hour.

The real test will come in mid-July when the machine goes into Willamette Valley grass fields to work on a problem—getting rid of straw without open field burning, a customary practice since the 1940's, particularly in fields of ryegrass. Oregon produces 99 percent of the annual ryegrass in the U.S. and 80 percent of perennial ryegrass.

Field burning is the only effective method of control ergot and blind-seed disease (caused by fungus) and is the best way to control grass-seed nematodes.

**The Old Timer**

"A real test of willpower is to have the same ailment some person is describing—and not mention it."

## Announces Candidacy



Linn County Representative William F. (Bill) Gwinn announced today his candidacy for the state legislature.

Now in his fourth term in the House of Representatives, Gwinn served in the current session as Chairman of the House Committee on Local Government and, in addition as a member of both the Highways and Elections Committees.

He is currently serving on the Interim Education Committee and as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Election Laws.

Prior committee service has included Legislative Fiscal, Financial Affairs, Fish and Game, Alcoholic Control, Rules, Legislative Counsel and Planning and Development.

Active in numerous local affairs, Gwinn is a member of Crowfoot Grange and a director of the Willamette Valley Rehabilitation Center. He is currently serving on the steering committee of the Upper Willamette Resource Conservation and Development Project and a member of the Town and Community Planning Committee. He is a past president of the Mid-Willamette Young Mens Christian Association and is currently serving as chairman of the tourist promotion committee for the Linn County Chamber of Commerce. Gwinn and his wife Marjell reside in Albany where he is engaged in the securities business, farming and property development. They have one daughter in high school, a son at Linn-Benton Community College and two daughters at OSU.

Gwinn cites urban and rural problems, education, traffic safety, crime prevention, tax reform and the orderly and intelligent development of our soil, water, timber, recreational and human resources as matters of highest interest and concern. He stated that he would continue to insist that legislation must meet the test of fairness to all and as in the past would continue to consult with citizens of the county on matters of interest.

Gwinn said that he would file with the Secretary of State later in the week.

## One Payment For Two Taxes Can Lead To Erroneous Bills

Anyone planning to pay two Federal taxes at the same time should use separate checks or money orders to avoid possible billing errors, Mr. A. G. Erickson, District Director of Internal Revenue for Oregon, said today.

Under the IRS system which has a different processing cycle for each type of return, the entire payment could be credited to one tax and a bill issued for the other.

Mr. Erickson said, "If one check or money order covers a 1970 estimated tax payment and a 1969 tax balance due, for example, when the returns are separated for processing, the entire payment might be credited to one tax, leaving the other tax unpaid." In such a situation, one tax would be overpaid and a refund issued, while on the other tax a bill would be sent, Mr. Erickson explained.

Taxpayers should put their Social Security number on all checks or money orders sent to IRS, to make sure the payment is properly credited. Business taxpayers should put their Employer Identification number on the check.

If the number following your name on The Enterprise label reads 4-70 it's time to send a check for renewal.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

A number of persons have called the school district office in recent weeks, with questions concerning salary increases for school district personnel. There have been enough questions asked that we feel it wise to explain the situation in full.

The consultation teams representing the Board of Education and the Teachers' Committee held numerous meetings during the winter months prior to budget preparation. Proposals and counter-proposals were presented and after several meetings, an agreement was reached. The initial proposal by the Teachers' Group was openly publicized, but at no time was even tentative agreement to the proposal granted. The final agreement allowed a 5 percent cost-of-living increase, with no changes in fringe benefits or extra-duty schedules.

The 5% increase agreed upon is quite low, when compared with increases in other districts of the same size and class in Oregon. The local salary schedule for teachers will be highly competitive, but certainly not the top schedule in the state.

W. E. Lewellen, Adm. 129J

March 30, 1970  
Mill City Enterprise  
Mill City, Oregon  
Dear Editor:

Taxes in general, and school taxes in particular, seem to be a primary topic of conversation in the Mill City area. New assessments, and visions of what they could possibly do, seem to have everyone a little edgy.

Before we throw the baby out with the bath, we had better count our blessings. Property taxes in general, and school taxes in particular, in our area are among the lowest in the State of Oregon. You just have to travel ten miles east or west, and tax bills increase tremendously.

Our local schools are rated among the best in the State of Oregon—fully standardized and fully accredited. I feel most people in our area are proud of this fact, and would not wish to weaken or curtail the school programs. Our schools must have a budget to operate.

Increased assessments are intended to equalize the tax load, so that everyone pays his fair share. Generally speaking, as assessments go up tax rates tend to go down. Just because your assessment is up, does not mean your taxes will raise proportionately. Marion County assessments were raised last year, whereas Linn County assessments have not changed appreciably in the past five years. Taxes are a headache for all of us. But did you ever stop to think that local property taxes are the only taxes that are spent for the exclusive benefit of our community? The lion's share of our property tax bill stays at home, and really represents only a small portion of our total federal, state, and local tax picture.

Very truly yours  
JOHN LENGACHER

## OBITUARIES

### DONALD A. SIEG

Rosary for Donald A. Sieg, 36, 1260 E. Jefferson St., who was killed Saturday when struck by a car while bicycling near Stayton, was at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Weddle mortuary. Mass was at 11 a. m. Wednesday at Stayton Catholic Church with interment in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Authorities Sunday identified driver of the car as Charles Edward Creswell, 17, 1136 Westwood Drive, Stayton. He was not cited.

A native of Minnesota, Sieg lived several years in Lyons before coming here 14 years ago. He was a dairy truck driver.

Surviving are widow Lucky; parents Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sieg, Lyons; sons Patrick and Todd and daughter Kathryn, all at home; brothers Edwin and Erwin, both Lyons, and Albert, Minnesota; sisters Verne Jefferies, Lyons, and Laraine Sieg, Minnesota.

Mrs. Sieg is the former Lucky Christensen, who attended school here when her parents lived in Mill City.

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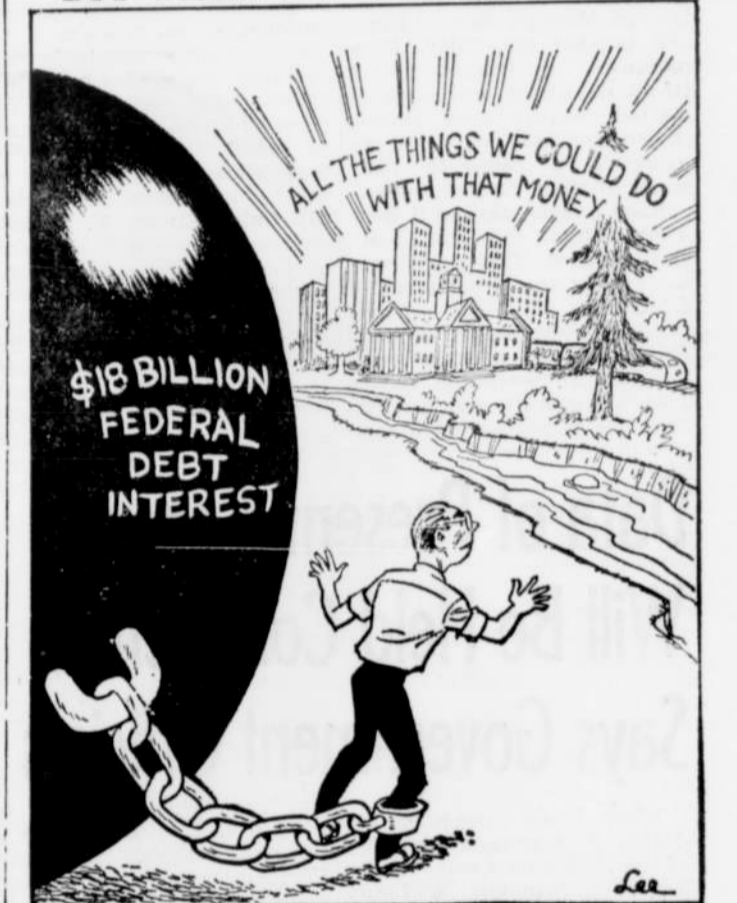
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## BUT WISHING WON'T MAKE IT SO!



### IT'S YOUR MONEY

If you would like to have something really big to stew over, why not consider the federal debt, which now stands at \$277 billion. If that is too overpowering, take the annual interest on the debt alone—approximately \$18 billion dollars.

Suppose that we had no national debt, and that the huge sum we pay in annual interest could be put to a really constructive use.

For example, President Nixon has proposed that an additional \$10 billion be spent for municipal waste treatment plants, over the next five years. If the \$18 billion now going to interest were available, the entire project could be under way this year!

Stewart Udall recently said that it would take about \$100 billion until the end of the century to restore the water, land and air to its natural quality. Again, if that \$18 billion didn't have to go for debt charges, pollution might be controlled in a half-dozen years instead of thirty.

Well, you may say, all this is useless speculation because the debt is there—all \$277 billion of it—and we have to pay the interest were available, the entire project could be under way problem should show the folly of ever again having an unbalanced federal budget except in a national emergency. During the past five years alone interest costs increased by some 70 per cent. Isn't it about time for all of us to do more worrying and begin to apply the brakes on government spending?

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