

AMENDMENT WOULD DROP TAX LEVIES

PORTLAND, Ore., July 29. (Special)—County tax levies for all purposes for 1937 are expected to drop about 10.007 per cent from the 1935 base levy established by the proposed tax limitation constitutional amendment, if that amendment is adopted by the people at the November election.

According to a study of its expected operation made by L. B. Smith, tax authority and general counsel of Oregon Business and Investors, Inc.

This 10.007 per cent in levies in all Oregon counties is the difference between the \$12,159,000 total for 1935 to the possible levy of \$10,934,000 for 1937 under terms of the tax limitation amendment.

Oregon's 1937 assessed property valuation, under possible conditions, will be about 11.2 per cent or \$106,264,000 less than the 1935 total property valuation. A part of this reduced valuation will be represented by probable declines in present valuation of city income, business and manufacturing properties, although an upward trend in assessed valuation of many farm and residential properties is possible, since in some sections of Oregon these classes of property have been assessed below 50 per cent of "true cash value," as required by the proposed tax limitation amendment.

The Smith report issued by Oregon Business and Investors, Inc., states that the 50 per cent of "true cash value" assessment requirement will make necessary practically complete reappraisal and reassessment of the entire state. An example of this reappraisal is indicated by expected net reduction of about 8 per cent or \$20,000,000 in assessed value of public utility property, which valuation would increase in Clackamas, Deschutes and Polk counties, and decrease in all other counties except Klamath and Washington.

Using the tax limitation amendment's decreasing maximum limits on total tax levies down to 1942, the Smith study set forth an expected average decrease of 28.06 per cent in total county levies for 1942, using 1935 as a base. This average includes total levy decreases for 1942 of 9.1 per cent in Clackamas, Deschutes and Polk, to 47.4 per cent in Jefferson county.

High education's portion of the total levy for state purposes for 1937 will be about \$177,000 less for 1937 than 1935, if the 1937 state valuation approximates the \$337,340,000 estimated to a total based on the 50 per cent of true cash value assessment formula. The Smith analysis pointed out that the tax limitation's 6 mill allowable limit for tax levy for state purposes cannot be utilized in full either by the state or three counties, due to operation of the present 6 per cent limitation.

Approval of new issues of tax-supported bonds will be materially checked, due to the obvious necessity of approving the necessary tax levy for the bonds. The over-all limitations established by the proposed amendment for 1937 and succeeding annual tax levies, includes existing mandatory levies for bond redemption and interest.

For that reason tax levies for future bond issues, in excess of the maximum levy, must be simultaneously approved with the proposed bond issue, else the bonds will not have the tax support necessary for marketability.

County courts, faced with tax levies made mandatory by constitutional and statutory provisions, will find the proposed over-all tax limits a complicating factor in preparation of annual budgets.

The Smith report concluded with the observation that many existing statutes relating to property assessment and tax levying practice must be revised or repealed if considerable conflict in procedure is to be avoided in administration of the proposed tax limitation amendment.

New Hope Held For Missing Motorship

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., July 29. (UP)—New hope that the long missing motorship *Nunoca* still may be afloat with 22 men, women and children aboard developed Tuesday on basis of reports from Vera Cruz, Mexico.

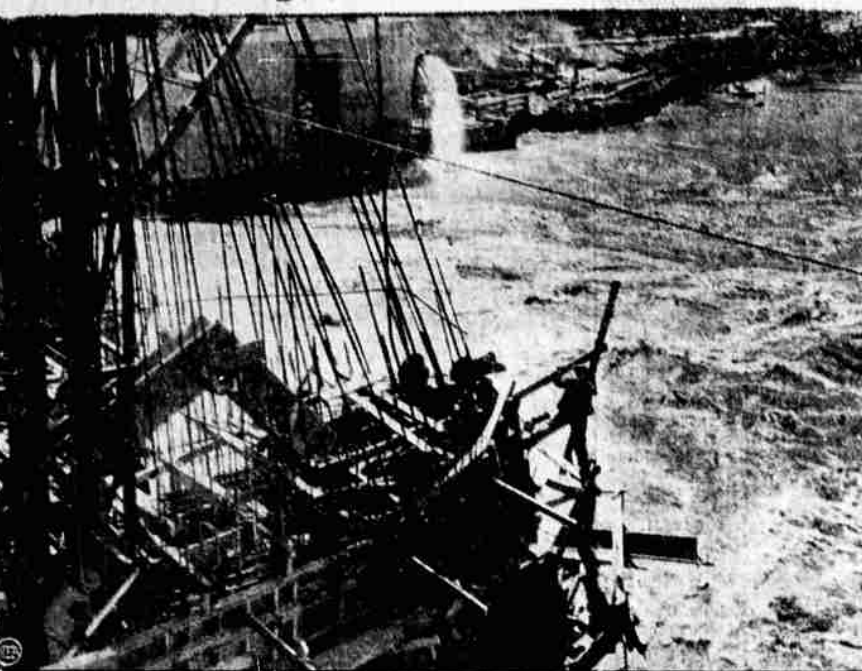
The port captain of Vera Cruz informed coastguard headquarters here that a disabled vessel has been sighted off the Campeche banks, west of Yucatan.

After a bystander pulled a gun, King Edward rode on calmly. But anyone who would keep on riding a horse, after his experiences, wouldn't mind a mere bullet.

A Spanish noble is looking for a throne. If he comes to America, he might some day be king, which Rev. Gerald K. Smith hopes to make every man.

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Rivermen Charge Bonneville Halts Salmon Runs



Shown here is the eddy below Bonneville Dam, the huge hydroelectric project on the Columbia River, where migrant salmon, it is charged, are being halted on their way upstream. The Columbia Rivermen's Protective Association has charged Government officials with having violated an agreement to allow salmon upstream passage, thus threatening one of the Pacific Northwest's important industries. Thousands of salmon mill blindly around in the eddy, unable to find the way through the swift water upstream.

TULELAKE HOTEL STRUCTURE RISES

TULELAKE, July 29.—Tulelake's largest hotel, now under construction by Clyde Barks, proprietor of Clyde's hotel, will be completed by September 10, Barks said today.

Work on the concrete steel reinforced vault which is to be placed in the quarters leased by the Glanville banking interests of San Francisco, will be started this week under the supervision of Karl Gentry. The vault will require a floor space of 133 by 55 feet.

The lobby, with a floor space of 104 by 21 feet, will face on Front street. It will be flanked by office space, windows for accommodation of customers and a dining room. The entire interior arrangement is in accordance with specifications sent from San Francisco and is an exact replica of other banks controlled by the company. This system of arrangement is said to eliminate confusion in transferring officials and others associated with the banks.

The space leased to the Columbia Utilities company for the local telephone exchange is to be completed this week and an early move is contemplated by the operators.

The reception room and switchboard are located in the front of the building and compact, modern living quarters consisting of bedroom, bath and kitchenette have been finished in the rear.

H. Wescher, proprietor of the Wescher clothing store, will occupy the third space. He plans to remodel and enlarge the space now occupied by his business in the corner of the building.

Partments in the rear of the building are to be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Wescher.

The added hotel rooms will occupy the second floor. They will be entirely modern with large windows and will flank the lobby.

The exterior of the building is of stucco and the structure is being put up at an approximate cost of \$11,000.

PINE GROVE
PINE GROVE.—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Arant of Ashland were weekend visitors at the Early Arant home.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Shields have moved to the Merrill community.

George Oley, Bobby Bunnell and Tom and Philip Blackman left Tuesday for a three-day camping trip.

Mr. and Mrs. John Richerson were visiting their daughter in Homedale Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Icenbice and son Cal, Mrs. Bessie Dixon and daughter Henrietta, and son Irving, were dinner guests at the Lyle Redfield home in Klamath Falls Sunday.

R. S. Bunnell has just completed a storage house for ice, and the people of this community will be able to purchase ice without a trip to the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson

WISCONSIN YOUTH CHANGES STORY ON MURDER OF FRIEND

TACOMA, July 29. (UP)—LaVerne Marks, 23, Wisconsin minister's son who told Tacoma police he shot and killed his boyhood friend in their fishing camp two weeks ago, Tuesday changed his story and moved the alleged hiding place of the body 200 miles.

Marks, arrested here on an automobile theft charge, said he killed Robert Bernstein, 24, near Clintonville, Wis., July 13, and buried the body in the brush.

Advised that Wisconsin authorities, following his instructions, were unable to find the body where Marks said he hid it, the youth replied:

"Well, that wasn't the place, anyway. I wrapped the body in a blanket and put it in the back of the car and drove up north, to a place near Bruile state park."

He buried Bernstein's body in the park, a short distance east of Lake Superior, Marks said. That is about 200 miles north-west of the place where he said he killed his friend.

**Love Quarrel Ends
With Knife Slaying**
LOS ANGELES, July 29. (UP) Mrs. Dorothy Corcoran, 29, was slashed to death with a 10-inch butcher knife as the asserted climax to a love quarrel, police reported Tuesday.

Tom Hefflin, said to be the girl's sweetheart, was taken into custody.

Officers arriving at the girl's home found her body on the floor, her throat cut. Police reports said Mrs. Raymond Adler, the girl's mother, said her daughter and Hefflin had quarreled.

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SOUTHEAST FARMERS BATTLE WEED PEST

MALIN, July 29. — Approximately 75 per cent of the farmers in the southeast are applying every effort to cope with the noxious weed situation that will rapidly get out of bounds unless diligence is practiced, according to Merle Loosley, southeast weed inspector, yet the remaining 25 per cent are proving a menace to those putting up a fight for clean land.

Small patches of white top are increasing, Loosley said, and will continue to increase with continuing irrigation unless strenuous measures are employed. Property valuation in districts where the weed is prevalent is decreasing even though some land is clean.

A crew of several men from CCC Camp Klamath near Merrill are at work on a weed eradication program on drainage main canals and laterals with several also detailed to cut thistles.

White top is being cut below the ground surface and then salted. A few scattered patches are being sprayed with fuel oil as an experiment.

Ohio police are investigating charges that a mother beat her daughter with a frying pan. If she's an old-fashioned mother, what's unusual about that?

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LAVA RED DANGER POINT DYNAMITED

TULELAKE, July 29.—More than half a ton of dynamite used under the direction of Henry Glandelli, foreman of road improvement at the Lava Beds civilian conservation corps camp in the national monument has eliminated a huge cliff in the Devil's Homestead area, opening a wider passage in the narrow road at the point on the north and south highway through the district that in past years has been a driving hazard.

The project is part of the road improvement program under way to improve the roads in the monument. With the completion of a 3 1/2-mile stretch near the Mammoth crater an important connecting link with Medicine lake is now open. A second strip just finished leads to the formerly almost inaccessible Fleenner's chimneys. Byron Elch has been in charge of both these projects.

Boundary lines of the monument have been laid out by William Davidson, engineer foreman, and his assistants, and the line is now marked at intervals of 500 feet to prevent encroachment by hunters.

The camp personnel is carrying on a strenuous work program during the summer months, supplemented by a varied academic program directed by John Blanchard, educational advisor, and Lieutenant Maurice M. Radcliffe, welfare officer.

Large classes are being held in typing, cooking, photography, physiology and boxing, with smaller units studying science, surveying, history, journalism, astronomy and geology. Correspondence courses are also being offered and accepted without charge from the California extension division.

Men have been detailed to work on Murray field, an athletic arena located south of the camp. When completed the field will include a quarter-mile running track enclosing volleyball and tennis courts, horizontal bar, flying rings, rope climb, jumping pits, boxing arena, horse-shoe pits, shot and discus ring and a softball diamond. A baseball diamond is located north of the camp.

The camp, situated at the historic site of Colonel Guillermo Modoc war camp, is under supervision of Captain John R. Murray and has one of the highest rankings in the Medford district. The personnel has been almost entirely recruited from the fifth corps area in Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and West Virginia. Twenty-eight new replacements arrived from Fort Knox, Ky., on July 15.

Four of the CCC men have been detailed as guides for tourists visiting the monument. Chosen on the basis of character, personality and education, they are Anthony Petershousky, Larry Bennett, Shirley Evans and Chester Webster.

**Men's Group Tops
University Grades**
UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, July 29.—Alpha Hall, of which Walter Van Emom of Klamath Falls is a member, ranked first in grade standings of living organizations at the University of Oregon for the spring term. It was announced here recently by C. L. Constance, assistant registrar.

Men students for the first time in many years, placed both first and second in the scholastic standings of living organizations. Alpha Hall, men's group, for several terms at or near the top, held the lead with the remarkable high grade point average of 2.715 or a "plus 3" rating. Pi Kappa Alpha, men's fraternity, was second, and in the "plus 2" class with an average of 2.685. Three women's groups, Alpha Xi Delta, Women's Co-op, and Phi Beta Phi, ranking third, fourth and fifth, were also in this class.

The all-women's average, however, was higher than the men's class since the women attained an average of 2.474, to place between the 10th and 11th house groups, the men fell to 2.329, down between the 22nd and 23rd groups.

Van Emom is a freshman in lay at the university.

**SILT BLOWN OUT
OF WELL SHAFT**
TULELAKE, July 29.—Lake bed silt is occasionally being blown out of the depths of the water well now being drilled by the Tulelake water commission when pockets of gas are drilled into by the big bit that has gone down over the 1000-foot depth.

Work continues at the well site approximately 15 hours a day under direction of George Hartley of Bonanza.

An intensive drive for funds to complete the well is to get under way in the near future. To promote interest in the project, the commission plans to give away a popular model sedan, an electric refrigerator, radio and other articles on the closing date of the drive scheduled for early October.

The commission is working on tentative plans for various forms of entertainment during the drive. A dance in the Legion hall will feature the last day.

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MERCHANTS JOIN IN BIG PRIZE CONTESTS

Several merchants of Klamath Falls are joining in offering to the girls and boys who are willing to lend their time and effort the opportunity of winning a new Ford V-8 touring sedan and numerous other prizes free, among which are 10 bicycles, one to be given away each week, a Leonard refrigerator, a power tool set, a Johnson outboard motor, cash prizes, etc.

The contest, details of which will be announced in tomorrow's Evening Herald and Friday's Klamath News, will run over a period of 10 weeks, officially opening Saturday, August 1, and closing Saturday, October 10. Competition will be open exclusively to girls and boys between the ages of 10 and 22 years. Place of residence is not restricted and a special invitation is extended to girls and boys residing outside the city.

Complete details and information may be obtained at contest headquarters, located at 1210 Main street in Klamath Falls, phone 474. Don't miss the Evening Herald this Thursday or the Klamath News Friday.

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