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## Lack Of Interest

By FLOYD L. WYNNE  
WITH ALL THE TALK I hear these days about taxes, spending and more spending, it came as something of a surprise to find less than a dozen persons present for the discussion of the budgets for KUBS and the elementary schools.

The hearings on both budgets were held Monday night at the KU cafeteria, and outside of identifiable teachers and board members, there were probably less than half a dozen other persons present for the hearing.

MORE THAN 2 MILLION dollars was being discussed, and yet interest was at just about an all time low.

The elementary budget for 1960 amounts to \$1,283,573 and the KUBS budget to \$448,097.

The combined budgets are equal to about \$60 for every man, woman and child in Klamath Falls and suburban area (presuming the total population to be about 35,000).

For the average family of four that meant \$240.

IT WAS SOMEWHAT IRONIC that while there were about six or less adults present to hear the explanation of these school budgets, there were 20 or more KUBS students visiting the city council chambers as part of a lesson on government.

One of the best lessons they could learn would have been to visit the budget hearings and find out just what it costs to run their schools, and where the money comes from that operates those schools they attend.

This, too, would be an important lesson in government.

IT MAY BE that the lack of public interest stems from the feeling that nothing can be done anyway.

Certainly, nothing can be done if people are not interested enough to find out the facts.

In this particular case, both budgets appear to be well constructed, and reflect the long hours of preparation and work that went into their production.

But, certainly, there are questions that you, the public, must have had on these budgets. Monday night was the time to get them answered.

## Circa 1906

By FLORENCE JENKINS  
Stewart H. Holbrook's "Golden Age of Quackery" brought a renewed interest in early day advertising.

Mrs. Bert C. Thomas brought in a carefully dated and catalogued scrapbook of some real old and many early 20th century advertising.

Shortly thereafter, Jim Floyd brought in two magazines published in 1906.

One was the October issue of The Delineator, published by The Rutterick Publishing Company. Subscription price was \$1.00 a year and single copy price was 15 cents.

This issue contained nearly 200 pages and ran the gamut of a family's reading interest. Three serial stories were flanked by numerous articles on sewing, cooking, home building, stage make-up and amateur theatricals and fashion.

"The Evolution of a Paper Doll" was a bright piece on educational psychology written by a mother who taught her two little girls music and art appreciation, furniture and fashion styles and even interior decorating by equipping them with scissors and newspapers and magazines from which to cut pictures and make scrapbooks.

China painting lessons were advertised and china painting is making a big comeback right now. The Bissell sweater hasn't changed much in appearance since 1906. The price in those days, however, was \$2.50 to \$5.00.

Campbell's Soups — 21 kinds — were a dime a can. And Heinz had 57 varieties in those days, too.

## Off-Beat Notes

By TOM STIMMEL

At her home in the Seychelles Islands, a British group in the Indian Ocean, Mrs. Wynne Khaw was thumbing through a magazine when she came upon a U.S. War Bond tucked between the pages. The bond was issued for \$100 in 1914, and had matured at least six years ago.

It was a happy discovery for Mrs. Khaw, who operates a snack bar on the island and decorates her shop with foreign bonds and notes. She mounted this bond in her shop. There a customer saw it, and said it was something of value.

The bond was purchased during World War II by Raymond Lee, an American GI. Named as beneficiary in case of his death was Barbara Lee Raxter, whose address shown on the bond was San Jose, California.

Mrs. Khaw's letter to San Jose was forwarded here to Barbara Lee's mother, Mrs. James Godfrey, 3826 Sturdevant Avenue.

"We didn't know anything about it," Mrs. Godfrey said. She explained that Lee was an old friend with whom the family had lost contact even before he bought the bond. He had said nothing about it.

Barbara now is Mrs. Barbara Mills, and now lives in Coos Bay. She might be the beneficiary of the bond, and she might not be. Neither she nor her family knows whether Raymond Lee is living, or where.

There the story stands—a mystery. Coincidentally, mysteries once were the business of the person who discovered this one. Mrs. Khaw, an attractive Anglo-Burmese woman, was evacuated to India when World War II began.

In Calcutta she was a secret agent for the American Army's Office of Strategic Services, the intriguing OSS. Her adventures were mentioned several times in a new book named "Undercover Girl."

## OTI Student Fund

Klamath Falls (To the Editor)—Recently published accounts of the \$1,000 contribution by Klamath County Farm Bureau to the OTI Student Loan Fund have perhaps created some desire to know further about the sources of the contribution.

For the purpose of thanking the many who contributed, as well as for satisfying public interest in the project, this is written on behalf of the Farm Bureau Women, who actively sponsored the drive for the funds.

The Farm Bureau Women conducted five fund-raising events: a tea, two food sales, a bazaar, and a rummage sale. They worked very hard and did an outstanding job, and public response was good, but it is actually very difficult for rural organizations to raise large sums in this way. Certainly the fund would have been far short of the goal in the time the drive was carried on had it not been for the memorial contributions.

When the late Henry Semon died in October, 1958, not long after our loan fund was started, it was through the graciousness of his family that contributions were directed to the OTI Student Loan Fund as a memorial to Mr. Semon, a most fitting thing to do in view of his deep interest in education, and particularly in Oregon Technical Institute. As a well known public figure, and having many devoted

friends and neighbors, he was remembered by so many, and this memorial represented a considerable part of the fund.

All of the \$223 sent directly to the school was in behalf of Mr. Semon as well as a good part of the money sent to the Farm Bureau and recently turned over to OTI to complete the fund.

Other memorial gifts began coming in, and seven people, in addition to Henry Semon, were memorialized by Klamath County people through gifts to the loan fund.

They were Lena Dennis, Danny Givins, Ronald Whittlatch, Emma Rueck, Mary Hammond, Henry Schmor and Dr. George Adler, all of whom had died in the past two years. Total of all memorial gifts received was \$630.

The memorial gifts were deeply appreciated and the Farm Bureau Women have hoped this might be a continuing source of aid to the OTI loan program, for it must be realized that \$1,000 is only a beginning. To be effective, a college loan fund needs many times that amount.

We believe honoring those we have lost, by a memorial gift can be a source of comfort, when there is the knowledge that the gift may help some young person find the financial aid to complete his education.

The loan committee, which was composed of Mrs. Wallace Thompson, Wilbur Robinette and John Kern, went carefully into the matter of administering this money. The decision was made to have the school take care of it. Now to the satisfaction of many the fund operates as an aid to any worthy student, with no stipulations or special qualifications.

Mrs. Fred Rueck, past women's chairman, remains as our special OTI loan chairman. Further questions may be directed to her. We express our sincere thanks to all.

Klamath County Farm Bureau,  
Elaine Kerns, Women's Chairman.

## Not Of Age

By BRUCE BLOSSAT  
The politician knows pressure like the farmer knows the weather. He lives with it. He cannot ignore it. Depending on his makeup and his political problems, his resistance to it will vary enormously.

Yet, at the national level, if he does not manage to fend off much of the pressure group activity, he cannot really hope for genuine stature.

A statesman is not a patchwork product of willing responses to any and all demands put upon him.

Unluckily, many who exhibit resistance to pressure find themselves assailed and sometimes victimized at the polls. Campaigns aimed at penalizing the "hold-out" can strike fear in political hearts.

Too often the pressure groups measure the suitability of a lawmaker by the number of times he voted "right" with them. Just as frequently, politicians go before the voters to boast of their "rightness" with labor, the farmer, the veteran, or whoever.

No one would argue for an instant that the needs and interests of these groups should not have the fullest consideration. But the pool of good public service is not the sum of good deeds done for those who press their case so hard in Washington.

It would be refreshing for a change to see a candidate get up and contend that he had tried for the last two or four or six years to vote "right" with the United States.

After all, that is a big part of his job. If it isn't, then he's just a water carrier for his state or district, or for whatever group can push him hardest.

Sometimes the essence of being "right" with the United States means resisting stoutly the demands of special groups, even if those they represent be counted in the millions.

This country will be moving toward real political maturity when men seeking office are judged on this broad plane, rather than by the narrow gauge of service to limited interests.

But, for the most part, neither the politicians nor the people they represent seem close today to the threshold of that maturity.

## Time Elapses

By PHIL NEWSOM  
UPI Foreign Editor

Two events of the last few days provide grim support for a United States warning that time is running out on the world disarmament conference at Geneva.

And for all his bluster and his renewal of threats against Berlin, they must have given Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev food for thought on his return to Moscow from his visit to France.

One of these events was the successful launching of the United States' weather satellite which sends back pictures of the earth's surface covering an area ranging from 30 to 800 miles, with amazing detail.

The other was the explosion, even as Khrushchev was concluding his talks with French President Charles de Gaulle, of France's second atomic device in the Sahara Desert.

Both have far-reaching implications in man's stumbling search for survival in an atomic age.

Military campaigns in the past have succeeded or failed because of weather.

And as science progresses in its ability to make its satellites perform upon command, that much closer comes the ultimate weapon — the satellite with the nuclear warhead.

It was this ultimate weapon that Frederick Eaton, chief U. S. delegate to the Geneva Conference, had in mind when he proposed international agreement outlawing weapons in outer space and the proper controls to see that the agreement was carried out.

The Communists rejected Eaton's argument that time was running out.

But just as France by its independent effort brought the membership in the atomic club to four, so, unless international agreement can be reached, eventually there must be a fifth member — and a sixth.

And as the deadliest weapons that mankind has ever known come into more and more hands, the temptation to use them must be increased accordingly.

Eaton was right. Time is running out.

## The Almanac

By United Press International  
Today is Wednesday, April 6, the ninety-seventh day of the year, with 269 more to follow in 1960.

The moon is approaching its full phase.

The morning stars are Mercury, Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn.

On this day in history: In 1830, Joseph Smith organized the Church of Latter-Day Saints, more familiarly known as the Mormon Church, in Fayette, N. Y.

In 1866, veterans of the Union Army organized the Grand Army of the Republic (G.A.R.) in Decatur, Ill.

In 1909, after 23 years of effort, Robert Peary became the first civilized man to reach the North Pole.

In 1917, the United States declared war on Germany.

## Nomination Discounted By Hatfield

SALEM (AP)—Gov. Mark Hatfield discounted the possibility that he might get the Republican vice-presidential nomination, and said Monday he thinks a Midwesterner would get it.

He said Secretary of the Interior Fred Seaton and Sen. Everett Dirksen of Illinois, Senate minority leader, have the best chances. His remarks were made at a quiz session at the Salem Chamber of Commerce.

Other possibilities, he said, are Rep. Charles Halleck of Indiana, House minority leader, and Gov. William Stratton of Illinois.

He side-stepped questions about whether he would run in 1962 against Democratic Sen. Wayne Morse, but he said he would be part of a "patriotically collective" effort to defeat him.

He termed fantastic a rumor that Republicans have a plan for former Gov. Elmo Smith to withdraw from the Senate race after the primary to let Hatfield become the GOP candidate against Mrs. Richard L. Neuberger.

Hatfield said he hopes some steps can be taken to reduce the number of counties. He noted there are seven counties within 50 miles of Salem.

He said he hopes that the 1961-62 budget for the state can be held to a small increase.

Those asking the questions were Herbert Lundy, editor of the Oregonian, Wendell Webb, managing editor of the Oregon Statesman, Salem; James Welch, managing editor of the Salem Capital Journal; and A. L. Lindbeck, former Salem correspondent for The Oregon Journal.

E. A. Brown, publisher of the Capital Journal, was moderator.

## Only 2 Ballot On Bond Issue

GALVESTON, Tex. (AP)—The two persons eligible to vote in a million-dollar bond election both voted for the measure.

They were Jesse Mendoza, a barber, and his wife, a secretary. The couple voted in their home Saturday when Mendoza got home from work.

The only persons eligible to vote were residents of the Galveston County Drainage Dist. 4 — the Mendozas. The marshy area that comprises the district will be drained with the funds approved in the election. Other persons owning land in the district plan to build up to 300 homes as soon as water can be diverted and the low areas filled.

The election was called by the drainage district. Costs of the election were reduced by directors of the district acting as vote counters.

The printed ballots will be sent to the Capitol at Austin for certification.

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CHICAGO — Former President Truman, answering a newsmen's question about the value of presidential primaries: "If it weren't for the fact they give you something to write about, they're no use whatsoever."

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## American Census Takers Circle Globe 1,000 Times

WASHINGTON (AP)—The 170,000 Americans who are taking the 1960 census are traveling an estimated 25 million miles — the equivalent of 1,000 trips around the world.

While most of the mileage is by auto, the enumerators are doing plenty of walking on their visits to an estimated 35 million households. What's more, just about everything that can happen is happening to them.

Census takers are walking in on births, deaths, and family quarrels, dealing with proposals of marriage, helping housewives hang out the wash and joining bucket brigades to fight neighborhood fires.

They are finding people living in converted chicken houses, tin huts, oil boxcars, caverns, packing crates, mine tunnels, barn lofts and old street cars.

Much the same thing happened during the taking of the 1950 census, which produced these odd experiences.

One enumerator found a family that raised pigeons that were given the freedom of the house. He took the census while a traveling evangelist knelt in prayer for him, with birds swooping overhead.

Another came upon eight people living in a windowless, one-room apartment which nevertheless boasted a television set.

A special problem was presented by a young man who was chauffeur during the week, clerked in his mother's store on Sundays, went to night school four evenings a week and manufactured toys in his spare time. The enumerator couldn't decide on the man's occupation.

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By Frank O'Neal

