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The Open Forum - -

OLEEN TELLS OF BILLS INTRODUCED

Dear Editor:

Introduced House Bill No. 37 reducing exemption and increasing the rates in the inheritance tax law, thereby increasing the revenue twenty-five per cent and the increased revenue to go into the state elementary school fund to reduce property tax levy. The proposed increase in inheritance tax should raise about \$550,000 for the elementary state school fund.

Introduced an old age pension bill reducing the age minimum requirements from 70 to 65 years and eliminated the paupers oath. \$30 a month or \$60 for husband and wife and an additional \$15 may be paid for medical care to each person.

A person may own property up to \$2000 and be eligible for pension but any net income that the pensioner may have will be deducted from his pension allowance. The pensioner will not be required to sign away his home or certify to a statement that his children are not able to take care of him.

A gross income tax of one per cent is provided to raise the fund for old age pension and replace \$3,912,300 property tax a year. A gross income of \$1500 is exempt from gross income tax for each person.

All agricultural products sold by the producer are exempt from gross income tax because the farmer now pays a property tax that amounts to 15 to 35 per cent of his gross income.

The surplus in the gross income tax fund not required for old age pension will be turned over to the county school fund by the state treasurer, and used to reduce property tax levy.

O. Henry Oleen

OLEEN WOULD OUTLAW "SKILL GAMES"

Under the sponsorship of Representative Carney, a bill has been introduced in the state legislature which would outlaw licensing of pin ball machines and other games of skill. The measure is known as Senate Bill No. 17.

Whether Oleen or Carney are activated by a desire to safeguard the morals of the people or whether they merely wish to see the law clarified on the subject of such case questionable devices, in either case the measure has much to recommend it, however, the important thing is that they have touched a subject which few legislators would care to handle.

Morally, gambling is wrong.

But it is a curious quirk of human nature that gambling to some extent cannot be prohibited not regulated. One of the bad features of the 1935 act legalizing slot machines was that it encouraged development of a human weakness. And the gambling instinct requires no tacit consent to grow and spread out of control at intervals. Particularly is this true in times of depression when there is adequate leisure to reflect on the desirability of easy money quickly acquired.

State participation in the profits of gambling, through licensing of various devices employed, may have been partially justified by the need of new sources of income to supplant those dwindling tax returns. Yet advocates of the plan who argued that through licensing the evil might be controlled and regulated were wrong. Experience has shown that gambling, whether legal or illegal, always operates flagrantly beyond the leeway given it by law.

On the other hand several district attorneys in Oregon have ruled against county licensing of the machines, indeed have outlawed entirely devices of the familiar type. If the Oleen-Carney measure accomplishes only clarification of the law that should be sufficient.

—Rainier Review

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the legal voters of School District No. 47 of Columbia County, State of Oregon, that a SPECIAL SCHOOL MEETING of said District will be held at the Schoolhouse, on the 8th day of February, 1937, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the following objects: To vote for consolidation of District No. 47 with District No. 27 in accordance with the 1931 Oregon School laws, page 35.

Dated this 26th day of January, 1937.

ATTEST: Thomas C. Graves
District Clerk
A. P. Bays
Chairman Board of Directors

Riverview

Donnie Pierce has returned home from the St. Vincents hospital in Portland, where she has been ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. Lewis Huntley is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. L. Huntley and family.

Fred Rainey has been compelled to stay home the last few days, because of a bad case of flu, but he is recovering nicely.

Mrs. A. D. Lolley entertained

Oregon Motor Stages

Leave from Bush's Cafe

5:25	12:55	7:55	Lv Vernonia	Ar 11:57	4:51	7:42
7:00	2:30	9:30	Forest Grove	10:30	3:30	6:15
7:53	3:23	10:23	Ar Portland	Lr 9:30	2:30	5:15

FARE: \$2.10 round trip, \$1.30 one way

The usual "On Call" service will continue between Vernonia and Camp 8.

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at her home Monday a few friends at a quilting party.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Shipley spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shipley, who live in Hillsboro.

Dorothy Hall has been ill with a severe case of flu.

Friends from Goble visited Miss Bobby Marshall Sunday.

Bill Buffington was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Potts Sunday.

Friends from Bradwood visited Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Lloyd Sunday.

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