

STATE CAPITOL NEWS

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"BALANCED BUDGET" QUESTIONED

SALEM—In his letter of transmittal accompanying the 1939-40 state budget which he submitted to Governor Martin this week, Budget Director Wallace S. Wharton declared that "the estimate submitted provides for a balanced budget, with a surplus of \$87,970.19 for legislative contingencies."

In the first place the budget is "balanced" only in that recommended appropriations to be financed out of the general fund have been whittled down to fit into the estimated revenues for the biennium. In order to bring about this balance the budget director has been compelled to cut to the quick in many instances with the result that the activities of some state agencies are going to be seriously curtailed during the next two years if the governor's recommendations are accepted at their face value by the legislature. Social security offers a case in point. Original estimates submitted to the state relief committee by the several county relief committees called for in excess of \$30,000,000 in order to adequately finance old age pensions, general relief, aid to the blind and aid to dependent children. The state relief committee applied its own pruning knife to these estimates and reduced the aggregate to \$25,824,500. Budget Director Wharton has still

further reduced these estimates to \$21,953,121, which, as he points out, is still 50 per cent more than the \$14,975,000 spent on the social security program in this state during the current biennium.

The other statement by the budget director deserving of serious attention relates to the "surplus of \$87,970 for legislative contingencies." These "contingencies" consist of the new demands for state aid that are always cropping out, emergency demands and special claims. During the last legislative session these non-budgeted items totalled in excess of \$1,250,000 exclusive of increased requirements for old age pensions. It is safe to assume that they will exceed \$500,000 in the forthcoming session, most of them legitimate claims for state aid. At least it can be predicted that the \$87,970 surplus will prove to be entirely inadequate.

TOUGH LIFE FOR POLITICIANS

Visitors to the executive department in the future will be greeted by the sight of a beautiful memorial table that now occupies a prominent place in the reception room of the executive suite. The table was included in the new furnishings purchased by the capitol reconstruction commission for the new capitol. Into its top of Carpathian elm and Oregon myrtlewood is inlaid a replica of the old capitol—the one destroyed by fire in 1935. More than 40 kinds of wood went into the making of this beautiful piece of furniture for which the capitol commission paid \$900. The taxpayers who helped foot the bill will also be interested in the two needle point chairs in the governor's office, billed at \$156 each. Four other needle point chairs in the governor's suite, but minus the side arms of the more expensive pieces, were billed at \$275 each. The swivel chair for use of the governor cost the state a paltry \$361 while a de luxe model waste basket in the same office was marked down to \$37.50. New rugs for the executive suite range in price from \$133 to \$889.

MONEY APPROPRIATED FOR WORLD FAIR

Oregon is at least to make a start toward a creditable agricultural exhibit at the San Francisco Worlds fair. The emergency board meeting here last week authorized the expenditure of \$15,000 in the construction of a booth to house the agricultural display. Additional funds will be sought at the hands of the legislature with which to maintain the display during the fair.

STATE LIBRARY ABOUT COMPLETED

Progress on the new state library is much more rapid than had been anticipated. Miss Harriett Long, state librarian, expects to begin moving into the new building about the middle of December. It is ex-



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pected that two weeks time will be required to move the nearly 400,000 volumes to the new stacks working crews in two shifts of eight hours each.

WARDEN HONORED

A bronze plaque honoring James W. Lewis, late warden of the state prison, will be placed in the lobby of the penitentiary administration building in a dedication ceremony Saturday morning at which Governor Martin will be the principal speaker. The plaque is being presented to the state by employees of the prison.

RICHLAND

Mrs. Jamison's 4-H club held their meeting at the Ed Henderson home Saturday afternoon.

Muriel Noels was a Sunday dinner guest at the F. A. Powell home.

Mrs. C. Bennett was sick in bed last week.

Mrs. Ed Nielson was hostess to a card party Saturday evening. The players were Mr. and Mrs. John Bartholoma and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Ford of Nyssa Heights, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Topliff of Buena Vista, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Cheldelin, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Reed, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Maw and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Adams. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Nielson, Clifford and Clifford, Mr. and Mrs. Adams won high prizes.

unice Powell has been ill in bed with the flu this week but is better. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bennett and family of Adrian were Sunday afternoon visitors at the H. V. Maw home.

Alva Goodell, Donna Goodell and Leo Udlinck called on the Maw children Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Alva Goodell called on Mrs. Homer Reed Thursday afternoon.

Alva Goodell has been threshing clover for Mr. Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson and daughters visited at the G. MacIntosh home in Owyhee Sunday.

TEN DAVIS

Mrs. Ruby Hartman was hostess Wednesday to the Social Circle with Mrs. Abbie Moss assisting. Sixteen members were present. A musical program was led by Mrs. Helen Morgan was the entertainment, a musical game was played in which Mrs. Anna Goodson won first prize and Mrs. Marjorie Rumples second prize.

At the close of the business meeting refreshments were served.

A number of old friends and neighbors of this community met in Parma and surprised Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gahley. Mrs. Gahley was presented with a lace table cloth.

Willard Bartles and daughter went to Prineville, Ore., last Saturday and Mrs. Martles returned with them Sunday.

David Bay returned home last week from California.

Ruth Bartles returned to Boise to resume her studies at Links Business college after a two weeks absence.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tucker and sons of Boise were Sunday visitors at the S. G. Tucker home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sebree and daughter were Sunday guests in the Stanley Kahan home in Caldwell.

A card was received from Mrs. Egan stating they were having a nice trip.

Alene Wilkerson of Notus spent the week end with her cousin, Beverly Sebree.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Bartles spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Shipley in Parma.

Rev. and Mrs. Herring and family have moved from the Presbyterian manse to Parma.

Mr. and Mrs. John Phitchard are moving into the manse.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Graham and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Starkey in Meridian.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sebree were business visitors in Nampa Tuesday.

The farmers have finished digging beets, the yield was good. Some fall plowing is being done, no alfalfa or clover seed has been threshed in this community.

ARCADIA

Keith Orris is on the sick list this week and also the small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Lakey.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moller returned from Arkansas after spending a month visiting with Mrs. Moller's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Long and son were dinner guests of Mrs. Long's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Bullard Sunday.

Miss Louise Orris was an over night guest of her cousins Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Vanderpool Friday.

The Sew and So club will meet with Frank Burk Dec. 1 at Fruitland.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bullard, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Bullard, George Wagner and Lee Dail returned from their elk hunt Thursday and George and Otis each kill a big elk.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Vanderpool were callers at the Chas Bullard home Saturday.

Chas. Spilawn and Lee Dillin went duck hunting Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Orris and Keith drove to Payette Saturday.

George Campbell of Boise was an over night guest at the Chas. Bullard home Friday.

VALLEY VIEW

Lester McKenna and family visited at the A. A. Bratton home Tuesday and Wednesday and his uncle C. C. Wyckoff Thursday, also friends in Nyssa the last of the week.

Chas. Wyckoff and R. D. Wyckoff visited C. C. Wyckoff Thursday then left for their home in Kansas Friday morning.

Mr. Wyckoff has been visiting his son and daughters in Oregon the last four months.

A. A. Bratton has started the foundation for a new hen house.

Gerald Goodfellow is fixing his water system.

Chas. S. Wyckoff, R. D. Wyckoff and Mrs. A. A. Bratton returned Wednesday from a trip to California.

A. A. Bratton finished digging potatoes for Tom Amidon Friday.

A large crowd gathered at the H. E. Nohs farm Saturday to witness the corn husking contest. There were 14 contestants and that many teams and drivers.

A. A. Brattons enjoyed a trip through the sugar factory Sunday.

Melvin Spitzke and Oscar Bratton took Gladys Bratton to Vale Sunday evening.

OWYHEE

The carnival held at the Owyhee school house was well attended and a success in every way. The teachers and school children held shows and plays, fortune telling, telegraph station and various other entertainments up stairs while the food counter, bingo, fish pond, turkey raffle, beauty parlor, etc were in the basement. Total money taken in was \$70 which will net around \$47 for the school.

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The Owyhee Community club held its regular meeting with Mrs. Earl Strickland on Thursday. There were only 12 ladies present, but what it lacked in numbers was made up for in an especially good time. Refreshments of sandwiches, pie and cocoa were served by the hostess and Mrs. John Strickland.

Mrs. Martha Klingback and children, and Bob Newgen, Robert Ditty and several of the children from the W. W. Deffenbaugh home were representatives from Owyhee at the achievement day program at the Kingman Colony school house, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Skinner and two daughters from Colorado are visiting Mr. Skinner's sister, Mrs. Frank Crocker and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Macy who are teachers of New Plymouth and vicinity were dinner guests of Mr. Macy's sister, Mrs. John Colley Sunday.

Mrs. Dee Harris of Polette, Texas, left for her home Friday morning after spending about 10 days visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Coulter and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Points of Meridian, Miss Lottie Phillips of Nyssa, Oscar Points of Big Bend and Mr. and Mrs. Willie McGinnis were among the callers at the O. R. Hite home. Mrs. Hite is still quite ill.

Jack Walters and Gerald Slippy spent the week end with Byrd Walters in Boise.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Walters entertained at a silver set dinner Saturday evening. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Peutz, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crocker, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Culbertson and Miss Geraldine Pearsons and Rex Walters.

The Adam Klingback family from Squaw Butte were dinner guests of Mrs. Martha Klingback and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Westfall entertained at dinner Sunday for Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Barker and children of Kingman Colony and Mr.

and Mrs. Howard Evans. Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Bigelow called at the Calhoun home Sunday evening.

Keith Kygar returned from a trip to Ogden and Devils Slide, Utah Friday where he visited his sister Mrs. Lou DeGoede and his brother, Everett. Merle Kygar stayed in Devils Slide where he has work.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Kygar and children were dinner guests of the Earl Patterson family in Emmett Sunday.

S. T. Calhoun has leased his farm to Mr. Lamb and son for next year. They are planning to put the place into potatoes and onions.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McIntosh entertained at dinner Sunday for Mr. and Mrs. G. Plaza and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Zeller and Mrs. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Uriarte and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Albape, The Ellie Walters and Charle Culbertson families were evening callers of the Franklins Thursday.

Mrs. Dalton Biggs returned to her home in Ontario Monday after visiting five days at the J. P. Dunaway home.

Mrs. Tom Lowe attended Kingman book club at the home of Mrs. R. R. Overstreet on Saturday. Mrs. C. C. Hunt finished reviewing The Citadel.

Mrs. DeArmond and Mrs. H. R. Dunlap both of Vale were week end guests of Mrs. J. P. Dunaway. Tom Lowe sold a bunch of young heifers Thursday.

At Boise Sunday—

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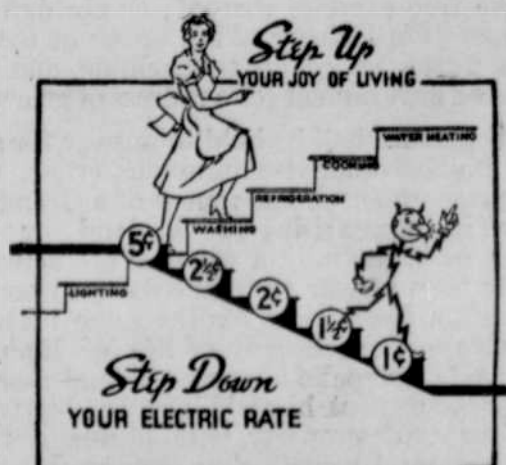
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