

State Legislators Appear Concerned Over Accomplishments in '63 Session

By ROBERT F. SMITH, State Representative

A definite feeling of anxiety is prevailing in Salem concerning accomplishments for the 1963 Legislature versus time and expense. Many legislators are discussing for the first time on what day we will adjourn and how much longer the task of legislation will take. This anxiety is not unwarranted, in my opinion, since to this 96th day the Legislature has passed nothing of significance in the way of legislation nor has it tackled the problem of the budget or revenue production.

The climate, however exasperating, is also a healthy one because legislators are extremely sensitive to increasing taxes and therefore are scrutinizing each budget increase with a wary eye and a question always as to where and how we will raise the additional money to pay for the increases.

Tax Proposals Confusing

At this point I am sure that you are all completely confused as to what has been proposed in the line of a tax package before this session and, further, what will be the probable tax program. In view of this most obvious confusion, I will list the proposed tax program by bill number as it was introduced. We will assume the premise the House Tax committee used in the matter of raising \$61 million additional revenue.

The three-legged tax program includes a four-cent cigarette tax, House Bill 1115, which would raise \$15 million. House Bill 1076, a one-shot measure, would change the method of paying withholding from quarterly to monthly, which would raise \$11 million and would apply only to employers who pay more than \$100 per month in withholding.

Net Income Tax Revised

The third leg, House Bill 1046, changes the revised net income tax, including a net receipts feature. Briefly: existing deductions and exemptions would be retained; the standard deduction would be raised to 10 percent; the federal income tax would be withdrawn as a deduction; a net receipts feature would be applied to income from between \$500 to \$16,000 at 1 percent; above \$16,000, 1 1/2 percent.

This would be paid in addition to the rate structure, which would be lowered somewhat from the existing rate structure. This bill would raise \$35 million.

The following are the other more important tax measures which have been discussed by the House Taxation committee:

House Tax Bills Listed

House Bill 1389—Requires quarterly filing of estimated tax from

Nyssa Births . . .

April 17—To Mr. and Mrs. David Westerberg of Vale, a 7-pound, 12 1/2-ounce son, Steven Paul.

April 21—To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harris of Nyssa, a 6-pound, 4-ounce daughter, Sandy Marie.

April 22—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Palmer of Nyssa, a 5-pound, 11-ounce daughter, Karen.

April 22—To Mr. and Mrs. Duane Drydale of Nyssa, a 7-pound, 10-ounce son, Gerald Duane.

April 23—To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Garza of Nyssa, a son, unnamed.

April 24—To Mr. and Mrs. James Ware of Parma, a daughter, unnamed.

Classifieds Bring Results!

self-employed, earning \$1,000 or more. One-shot revenue, \$5 million.

House Bill 1398—Changes capital gains to more nearly conform to federal. Loss of \$6 million in revenue.

House Bill 1414—Doubles tax on beer and wine. Might produce another \$3 million but could eliminate Oregon manufacturers.

House Bill 1447—Repeals present capital gains law.

House Bill 1448—Imposes 1 1/2 percent premium tax on domestic insurance companies. Could return \$1.8 million new revenue.

House Bill 1489—Property transfer tax, 55 cents per \$1,000. Would provide \$1 million.

House Bill 1612—Requires tax on gain on liquidating corporations to non-resident persons or corporations. Could gain \$2 million.

House Bill 1615—License required for miscellaneous trailers. Amendments have deleted most trailers, so little revenue in sight.

House Bill 1601—Sales tax of 3 percent, exempting feed, seed, food and others, but including lodgings. (Defeated in House.)

House Bills 1014, 1085, 1188 and 1820—All relate to income tax "reform." These incorporated into new bill, HB 1846.

House Bill 1825—Imposes 10 percent tax on lodgings.

Tax Package Passes House

From this formidable list, I think it is apparent that the entire scheme of taxation in the state of Oregon should be reconsidered and repaired. As this is being written the tax package came before the Legislature and the three-legged program to which I referred earlier has passed the House by a substantial majority.

I voted for the cigarette tax because I believe rather than to increase the income tax or burden the people with some other form of taxation, cigarettes, liquor and other luxuries should be taxed before income. I also believe that should anyone feel he is overburdened he may avoid the incidence of the tax.

However, should the \$15 million raised by the cigarette tax be placed upon the people by the income tax, each must pay his share every year without the opportunity to avoid the tax.

Votes Against Income Tax

I voted against the income tax because I believe the state should be restricted in the amount of revenue produced by this tax so that further spending could be limited. The new tax program removed the federal tax deduction and therefore will provide that people will pay a tax upon a tax in the state of Oregon.

The Senate will now receive the tax package and no doubt will make substantial changes in the House version. One thing for sure, however, is that within the next month we will have the final decision upon the new and more burdensome tax program passed upon the people by this Legislature.

Nyssa Newcomers



THIS PHOTO will acquaint area residents with the family of Robert Sherard, new manager of the meat department at Wilson's Market, Inc. Mrs. Sherard is known as Joann. They are pictured here with their two daughters, Jeanne Edrea being held by her father and Ruth Ann in the arms of her mother. The Sherards had resided in Boise for approximately a year where he was employed in the meat department of the Food King. Prior to that time he was with the A and P Grocery company in Kansas City, Mo. Sherard began his duties at Wilson's on Monday, April 15, and the family now resides at 539 North First street in Nyssa.—Journal Photo.



THIS IS GEORGE HOLLINS; his wife, Judy Ann; and daughter, Angela Rose, who recently moved to Nyssa from Boise. George is now a member of the printing staff at the Gate City Journal. He was previously employed at Nashville, Tenn., a member of the daily newspaper staff. Judy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess A. Bigger, live in Boise. The Hollins' are now residing at Ninth and Walnut streets in Nyssa.—Journal Photo.

City Librarian Reports New Volumes Available at Nyssa Public Library

According to Librarian Joy Bell, the following books have recently been added to Nyssa public library:

ADULT READING

"Captain Newman, M.D." by Leo Rosten. The psychiatric ward at Camp Colfax, an Air Corps base somewhere in the blistering Southwest desert, is the only place in the Army where "you can go around telling the truth all the time without being crucified." Under Captain Newman, M.D. the ward beyond the locked, barred door is a haven not only for men shattered by combat, but for many a strange, quixotic, rollicking personality.

"Flying Horse to Man in the Moon" by Hendrik De Leeuw. Since the dawn of history the flight of birds has captured man's imagination. The ancients spun legends of winged gods and flying horses—and prophesied that one day man too would be able to fly.

"Beyond Telepathy" by Andrija Puharich. Beginning with a familiar case of two people who call each other on the telephone at the same moment, the author goes on to an examination of the case of a man involved in a serious accident who sent a telepathic message to a friend several miles away . . . and . . .

"The Murderers" by Harry J. Anslinger. Many books and articles have been written about the operations and philosophy of the U. S. Narcotics Bureau, but only Harry J. Anslinger, commissioner of the bureau since its inception, is in position to tell the story as it should be told.

"In Brief Authority" by Francis Biddle. The man who was attorney general of the United States during World War II has had a long and varied public life. He writes of his experiences in government from the Roosevelt years to the Nuremberg trials.

"Raise High the Roof Beam, Carpenters" and "Seymour: an Introduction" by J. D. Salinger. The two long pieces in this book originally came out in the New Yorker. Whatever their differences in mood or effect, they are both very much concerned with Seymour Glass, who is the main character in the author's still-uncompleted series about the Glass family.

Robert Frost's "In the Clearing." On Jan. 20, 1961, Robert Frost recited his poem, "The Gift Outright," at the inauguration of President John F. Kennedy. This occasion marked the first time in the history of our country that a poet has been so honored; it also marked a high point in Frost's long and distinguished career.

"So You Want to Raise a Boy?"

by W. Cleon Skousen. In launching a study of this kind the author takes considerable comfort from the fact that there are no "experts" on the subject of raising boys. He comes about as close as anyone, since he is in the midst of raising five boys—and three girls. Why does he choose boys? "The plain unvarnished truth is that ten times more boys get into trouble than girls."

"Honey and Salt" by Carl Sandburg. In 77 new poems, Carl Sandburg eloquently celebrates the themes that have engaged him as a poet for over half a century—life, love and death.

JUNIOR BOOKS

"The Early Eagles" by Frank Donovan. There are no more exciting exploits in the story of man's progress than his efforts to fly above the earth to which he found himself bound. Here are tales of the first fumbling attempts of the early eagles to spread their wings, from the balloon ascent of the Montgolfiers in the 18th century to Lindbergh's heroic solo flight from New York to Paris which established the air age.

"Teenage Beauty Charm and Popularity" by John Robert Powers. For the "hep" girl of today here is how to be lovely to look at and delightful to know. Yes, true beauty is more than skin deep . . . you have within you the potential for greater attractiveness. All you have to do is learn to bring it out.

"Robert E. Lee" by Jonathan Daniels. Sitting astride his fine gray horse, Traveller, on the heights above Fredricksburg, Va., General Robert E. Lee watched the brave, blue-clad soldiers of General Ambrose Burnside charge out of the morning mists and up the slope into the withering fire of the firm Confederate lines. "It is well that war is so terrible," said Lee to one of his officers; "Otherwise we should grow too fond of it."

"The Return of Spotted Eagle" by Pearl Roam. "You will return the young braves, Richard Spotted Eagle Tacuitas and John Leaping Rabbit Aitz, safe and unharmed, in due time, under penalty of your life!" These were the words of the Nez Perce chief to the missionary, Dr. Marcus Whitman.

"The Night Before Christmas" by Clement C. Moore. With pictures especially printed for this book by Grandma Moses.

"The Youngest Shepherd." A tale of the Nativity by Hal Borland.

"Cave Man to Space Man" by Margaret Friskey.

Women's Association Officers Give Results Of Bowling Tourney

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Handicap Placings Reported

Placing in singles handicap competition were Vi Teske, second, 624; Sandy Morrison, 622; Deane Kohl, 607; JoAnn Holcomb, 598; Darlene Hamilton, 596; Dorothy Parker, 594; Nora Snodgrass, 591.

In handicap doubles, second through eighth places went to Jinny Hill and Jan Gumprecht, 1188; Dorothy Clapp and Darlene Hamilton, 1144; Claudine Garrison and Barbara Davis, 1141; Bernice Cleaver and JoAnn Holcomb, 1140; Edna Stam and Meta Kurtz, 1125; Kay Sage and Vera McCrady, 1124; Clara Rambaad and Dorothy Parker, 1118.

All events handicap cash award winners included Darlene Hamilton, second, 1754; Margaret Bracken, fourth, 1722; Dorothy Parker, fifth, 1705; Meta Kurtz, sixth, 1703; Sandy Morrison, seventh, 1701; Jan Gumprecht, eighth, 1696.

Have 200 Scratch Games

In addition to Nadene Jackson, Dorothy Clapp and Vi Teske, there were 10 others who scored 200 scratch games during the weekend event. They were Eris Bertram, 223; Arlene Zerbel, 222; Dorothy Parker, 214; Margaret Bracken, 213; Betz Purcell, 212; Teresa Lynch, 208; Thelma Toomb, 207; Deane Kohl and Wanda Trost, 202; JoAnn Holcomb, 200. They were all presented with gifts.

Eris Bertram scored the most strikes in a row, six. A tie exists for the most splits in one game.

The door prize Saturday was won by Jimmie Ann Hatch and Sunday's door award went to Aut Stedman.

Officers of the Nyssa association take this opportunity to thank all who worked so diligently in staging the first annual tournament and also express their appreciation to team sponsors and businessmen of the area for their support throughout the season and during this climaxing event which they have termed very successful.

Coming Events . . .

Today, 10 a.m.—Treasure Valley homemakers' festival in Harper.

Tonight, 7:30 p.m.—Orientation meeting for eighth graders and their parents in school cafeteria.

April 26, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.—Street maintenance levy election at city hall.

April 26, 8 p.m.—Dance recital in high school auditorium.

April 26, 8 p.m.—Keller-York quartet sacred music concert at Assembly of God church.

April 26-27, 6:30 to 9:30 a.m.—Spring breakfasts in Methodist church.

April 27, 8:15 p.m.—Concert by Boise Elks Gleemen at Parma community house.

April 27, 9:15 p.m.—Bingo party and dance at Eagles hall.

April 28, 1 p.m.—Fellowship dinner at Faith Lutheran church.

April 28, 1:15 p.m.—Western district Wesleyan Service guild meeting in Methodist church.

April 29, 7 p.m.—Father-son banquet at Methodist church.

May 1, 2 p.m.—St. Paul's guild meeting at home of Mrs. Armand Larive.

VISIT IN HARPER

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Knighten of Arlington spent a recent weekend with his parents in Harper due to illness of his father. Mr. and Mrs. Owen Gann went to Harper on Sunday to visit their son-in-law and daughter, the Wayne Knightens.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION
Upon Question of Increasing Tax Levy Over Amount Limited By Section 11, Article XI, State Constitution

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in School District No. 61 of Malheur County, State of Oregon, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. on May 6, 1963, at Adriaan Grade School in said school district, for the purpose of submitting to the legal voters of said district the question of increasing the tax levy for the fiscal year 1963-1964 over the amount limited by section 11, article XI, of the Constitution of Oregon.

The reasons for increasing such levy are:

No tax base; money needed to operate schools.

The amount of tax, in excess of the 6% limitation, proposed to be levied for said fiscal year is \$161,406.78.

Dated this 15th day of April, 1963.

Attest:
C. G. BROWN
District Clerk
CALVIN MARTIN
Chairman
Board of Directors
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Yturri Bill Rids Taxes on Claims Of Japanese Evacuees During 1942

Senate Bill 415 has passed the Senate and House and will become law upon signature of the governor, Senator Anthony Yturri announced this week in a special news release.

In 1942, for the first time in the history of the United States, the government evacuated some 110,000 people of Japanese ancestry from the west coast. At least two-thirds of these evacuees were American citizens. No precedent existed for this movement. Obviously, the evacuees lost large amount in damages to real and personal property. The Federal Reserve Bank estimated such losses to be \$400 million.

In 1948, Congress enacted legislation which permitted the persons of Japanese-American ancestry who suffered losses to real and personal property to file claims. Following submission of brief and hearings, an award was made to many of these evacuees. Total amount paid, however, was only \$38 million—approximately 10 percent of the losses which the Federal Reserve Board had estimated.

Awards Cover Only Damage

These awards were not granted for loss of anticipated profits but only for damage to real and personal property as defined by the law. The U. S. attorney general ruled that they were not taxable as income and for years this was the federal policy. In 1961, however, the Internal Revenue service sought to collect income tax on such awards paid within the statute of limitations. As a result in 1962 Congress by unanimous action of both Houses passed a law making it clear that the awards were not taxable.

Oregon's history was comparable. There were 200 to 300 persons receiving awards. These were dated from 1951 to as late as 1960. Oregon's attorney general apparently ruled that they were not taxable and the tax commission made no effort to collect taxes upon them. Again in September of 1962, however, the State Tax commission sought to collect tax on the few remaining claims.

Only Few Could Be Taxed

Many of the persons to whom awards had been made had died, many had moved out of the state and the statute of limitations had expired on all of the claims. In addition, all had long since lost their records and witnesses. Only a handful remained who could be taxed.

Yturri reported, "The State Tax commission had informed me that the remaining claims would not be processed and by administrative ruling further attempts to collect them would be terminated. I was assured of this by one of the commissioners. However, on March 20, 1963, an attorney from the attorney general's office assigned to the tax commission, advised me that these cases could

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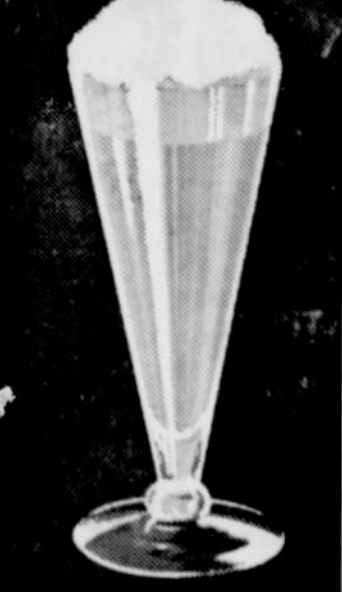
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