

Means of Raising Funds for Operation Of State Still Prolongs 1963 Session

By ROBERT F. SMITH, State Representative
A roadblock to adjournment continues to be the question of the final method adopted to raise additional funds to meet the needs of the state of Oregon for the next two years. Although many of us disagree on the amount of funds necessary, the majority here have determined that the budget will need some \$60 million additional money for the next biennium.

The House of Representatives, after lengthy deliberation and much debate, settled on a three-point program of taxation: A one-shot measure providing for monthly reporting of withholding; the cigarette tax; and a revised income tax with a net receipts feature involving 1 percent of all earnings up to \$16,000 and 1 1/2 percent above \$16,000. The Senate, however, seems to have another version.

To Raise \$70 Million

The Senate Taxation committee has indicated that they will provide a tax program raising around \$70 million. Preliminary plans call for the elimination of the federal tax; the reduction of top rates from 9 1/2 to 8 percent, with a possible reduction in the personal exemption of \$100, reducing the existing \$600 to \$500; a \$10 head tax payable by each person in the state of Oregon regardless of his income.

This program was sweetened by the addition of the federal capital gains feature within the state income tax framework. This would reduce the income feature of the tax program by \$5 million. The overall plan when finally pared down would provide \$60 million. The Senate then would eliminate the cigarette tax and the one-shot withholding tax, providing all money to be raised via the income tax.

Pay Limited to 120 Days

It is very possible that this session could be greatly lengthened as a result of a controversy between the House and Senate Taxation committees. Another factor to consider concerning the length of the session would be the 120-day limit on per diem. Under the greatly expanded salaries for legislators adopted early in the session, there was a 120-day limit for the \$20 daily expense money. Legislators in general will be anxious to go home after the 120-day limit, when they are not drawing their \$20 per day.

At this 118th day of the session there have been 330 measures

passed by both Houses. Since approximately the same number of bills have been introduced this session as last and since last session over 700 measures became law, this Legislature will have to pass on approximately 350 measures in the next week in order to adjourn passing about the same number of bills as the 1961 session.

Senate Holds Many Bills

The Senate is controlling many of the House bills which have passed and is holding many others, either for further study or for their final elimination. Concurrence between the House and Senate to date on measures enacted by one or the other has been spotty. As a result of non-concurrence, conference committees are appointed, consisting of two members from both the Senate and the House.

In most cases there has been a need for conference committees, since either the House or the Senate has rejected the other's amendments. This is a time which most legislators fear greatly because of the tremendous number of bills being considered each day and the possibility of bad legislation creeping by without notice.

Many Bad Bills Reappear

This is also a time when many bad bills which have been tabled in committee begin reappearing. In an attempt to stop this avalanche of unnecessary legislation from appearing, there will be a move next week by one of the members to pass by a joint resolution a measure which would prohibit the appearance of any House bills on the floor after Wednesday of next week.

It is expected at this time that all bills which have been discussed by committees will be out of committee and the only ones left in committees will be the undesirable. The House then would only consider Senate bills and concurrences on Senate amendments to House bills.

Sen. Yturri Amends Bill

Constitutional revision, including the oppressive apportionment plan which I discussed last week, was passed by the House by a very narrow margin. Senator Yturri has been successful in amending the bill to include an alternate apportionment plan which will make it more acceptable to Eastern Oregon members. An attempt was made this morning to pull the sales tax from the Taxation committee where it was lodged.

However, again the Democratic majority failed to allow the people of the state of Oregon to determine whether or not they should have a sales tax, offsetting property tax and therefore indirectly relieving the very distressed condition of education within the state.

It appears likely now that we will adjourn sometime within the week of May 20-26.

Yturri Leads Battle For Representation

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divisors with a provision that all major fractions would be honored.

While this is a complicated matter, the net result is that—in the Senate at least—Eastern Oregon will have a better break. Equally important is the fact that the present built-in contradiction in the present Constitution is eliminated, and the representation provision is made workable with guidelines that are meaningful. I hope that the Senate will accept my amendments and that the House will concur in them.

Deletes Lawyer Requirement

I was also successful in deleting from the House version of the Constitution under HJR No. 1, the provision that all county judges and justices of the peace had to be lawyers. As passed by the House, county judges would not have jurisdiction over juvenile or probate matters unless the judge happened to be a lawyer.

The Senate Taxation committee is working feverishly upon the tax "package" submitted to us by the House. It appears that the Senate will not consent to a cigarette tax, although I am in favor of such a tax. A tentative vote taken yesterday was 4 to 3 against this cigarette tax.

This means that all revenue required must be derived from personal and corporate income tax increases. The Ways and Means committee is nearly through with its budget, and despite earlier claims of curtailing the governor's budget, it appears that the budget will be \$405 million, and that in order to provide funds for this budget, the state will require \$60 million in new tax money. (Quite a load!)

Opposed to Net Receipts Tax

The Senate Tax committee discussions up to this time indicate that a majority of the committee is opposed to the "net receipts" tax, which would impose a 1 percent tax on all net income up to \$16,000 and 1 1/2 percent on income over \$16,000. In place of this, the Senate will probably provide for a minimum tax of \$20 on every married couple that files a return, whether any tax is due or not, and \$10 for a single person.

I am opposed to this approach but am in the minority on the committee.

Tax Relief Not Probable

Based on current discussions, it is my opinion that the Senate will NOT provide any additional capital gains tax relief and neither will it pass House Bill 1033, which would relieve tax on inventories to the extent of one-fourth of such tax.

Opposition from businesses, many corporations and professional men is strong. One senator recommends that we eliminate the tax on inventories and replace the income lost thereby with a 2 percent sales tax to be voted on by the people.

WEATHER . . .

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
May 8	63	48	.02
May 9	60	45	.06
May 10	67	43	.01
May 11	69	45	—
May 12	70	47	—
May 13	71	50	—
May 14	74	45	.02
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Group Attends Mother's Day Dinner In Boise; Five Generations Present

By Mrs. George Moeller
ARCADIA—Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Houston and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Hust and family went to Boise Sunday to have Mother's day dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Rogers.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Bud Russou and Minnie Hersey of Mountain Home, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gardner and son of Caldwell and Mrs. Alice Kilborn of Council.

There were five generations in attendance: Mrs. Minnie White of Boise; her daughter, Mrs. Minnie Hersey of Mountain Home; her daughter, Mrs. George Hust of Ontario and her daughter, Mrs. Larry Gardner and son of Caldwell.

Bill Hust, who had been employed in Eugene, arrived home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Aitken and family of Meridian visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Corn. Richard McLaughlin of Baker also visited Sunday in the Corn home.

Miss Irene Schilling of Renton, Wash., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schilling and family.

Visitors in Feik Home

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Taylor of Boise and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Everton of Nampa spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Parley Feik.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Henderson of Apple Valley were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Merilean Robbins and family.

Mrs. Alice Neiger and Janelle were dinner guests Saturday evening in the George Coleman residence.

Polar Regions Studied in New Books Available at Malheur County Library

New books going into circulation Saturday, May 18, at Malheur county library include the following:

"The Poles" by Willy Ley. A volume of the "Life Nature Library" that describes and illustrates the polar regions as they are and have been.

"The Long Polar Watch" by Melvin Conant. A discussion of the U.S.-Canadian mutual defense policy which began in 1938 and extends to 1970.

"Camp Century" by Walter Wagner. The story of our incredible polar base located below the Greenland ice cap.

"Alaska" by Sunset magazine. An up-to-date travel guide.

"Around the World Submerged" by Edward L. Beach. An account of the first submerged circumnavigation of the earth.

"Greece" by Alexander Eliot and "Scandinavia" by Ralph Hammond-Innes. The two latest volumes in the "Life World Library."

"Telstar" by Louis Solomon. An account of the launching, construction and control, and of its use in transmitting the first television communication between Europe and America.

"From Utopia to Nightmare" by Chad Walsh. Provocative reflections on the utopias and their opposite, dystopias, their likeness and contrasts and the displacement of the former by the latter in the present century.

"Colonial Reckoning" by Margery Perham. The end of imperial rule in Africa in the light of British experience.

"Portrait of a President" by William Manchester. In this detailed close-up of the president, the reader gains new insight into his early life, his family, the war years, the years in Congress and his rise to the most powerful office in the world.

"God's Masterpieces" by Grace Noll Crowell. Glimpses of God which he has revealed in the lives of such chosen individuals as Moses, Abraham, David, Esther and Hannah, are sketched devotionally by the author.

"America and the World Revolution" by Arnold J. Toynbee. Three sets of lectures delivered by Arnold Toynbee at American, Canadian and Puerto Rican universities.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Houston of Nampa visited in the Cecil Houston home one day last week. They are moving their dairy cows from Nampa to a ranch near Spokane.

Eddy Behymer of Vandenberg Air Force base in California arrived last Friday and spent the night with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bullard.

Attend Services for Cousin

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Poulton of Oakley, Idaho, spent Tuesday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brig Olsen. On Wednesday the Poultons, Olsens and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Petterson attended funeral services for a cousin, Bob Harrison in Emmett.

Mrs. Amy Stradley spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Nora Ray in Nyssa.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bullard and Eddy Behymer were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Boyack in Meridian. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jensen in Boise.

New Member Joins Club

Arcadia club met May 10 at the home of Mrs. Jasper Faries with 12 members present. Mrs. Alvin Marsh joined the club as a new member. Next meeting will be May 24 at the home of Mrs. Parley Feik.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stephenson spent the weekend in Boise with Mr. and Mrs. Art Richardson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Robbins took Mr. and Mrs. George Stockfleth to Maudie Owens cafe in Payette for Mother's day dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Llewelyn Robbins and family of Baker spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Robbins.

Students to Present Tchaikovsky's Music At Recital Set Sunday

Advanced and intermediate piano students of Mrs. James Skeen will present their annual spring recital at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 19, in the Nyssa LDS stake house.

The entire program will feature music of the very versatile Russian composer, Peter Tchaikovsky.

Peggy Moore, Patty Petterson and Linda Peine will begin the program with a group of his songs. The second group played by Marilyn Mann, Sheri Roberts, Marceal Pett, Merla Ashby and Sharon Peine will include selections of his chamber music, program music and music written for children.

Music from the "Sleeping Beauty" and "Swan Lake" ballets will be played by Kathleen Farmer and Miss Pett. Laurel Beck will present one of the themes from "Romeo and Juliet." "The Nutcracker Suite" introduced by Miss Farmer and played by Alvina Bell, Cindy Bratton, Junia Mitchell and others will be the finale.

Several special awards including one summer scholarship will be given to outstanding students. A second recital will be given by Mrs. Skeen on Sunday, May 26, with younger and beginning pupils performing.

Nyssa Births . . .

May 7—To Mr. and Mrs. John Stacy of Ontario, a 5-pound, 4-ounce daughter, Kelly Mae.

May 10—To Mr. and Mrs. James Edens of Nyssa, a 6-pound, 8-ounce daughter, Dianne Sue.

May 12—To Mr. and Mrs. Humberto Lopez of Wilder, an 8-pound, 4 1/2-ounce daughter, Olga Lidia.

DINE IN CALDWELL

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Simpson and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Simpson were Mother's day dinner guests in Caldwell. Evening visitors in the Wayne Simpson home were Clint Simpson of Ogden and Mr. and Mrs. Klair Simpson.

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Coming Events . . .

Tonight, 7:30 p.m.—Meeting of Job's Daughters in Masonic hall.
Tonight, 8 p.m.—Style show by Adrian home economics classes in high school auditorium.

May 17-18, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.—Rummage sale in Love Notes building by St. Paul's Episcopal Guild.

May 18, 8 p.m.—Concert in LDS stake house by Mormonaires.

May 19, 11 a.m.—Gospel service at Pentecostal church, 717 North Second street. Special speaker and music.

May 19, 8 p.m.—Adrian high school commencement and baccalaureate services.

May 20, 8 p.m.—Eastern Star meeting and election of officers in Masonic hall.

May 20, 8 p.m.—Class night at Adrian high school.

May 21, 8 p.m.—Meeting of Yellow Rose Rebekah lodge in IOOF hall.

May 21, 8 p.m.—Jaycee meeting in Episcopal church basement.

May 21, 8:15 p.m.—Nyssa high school award night assembly.

May 23, 8 p.m.—Amity club meeting at home of Mrs. Madge Wilson.

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