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## More Taxes Coming?

WHAT'S THE outlook? More taxes ahead, suggests U.S. News, predicting the U.S. tax burden will rise another \$50 billion at all levels by 1970—to \$259 billion—and to \$450 billion by 1980.



All of which prompted Rep. George V. Hansen (R. of Idaho) to read into the Congressional Record the other day the following poem by one of his constituents, Fred Foster of Silver City, Idaho:

Now he's a common, common man,  
 Tax him! Tax him all you can,  
 Tax his house and tax his bed,  
 Tax the bald spot on his head,  
 Tax his bread and tax his meat,  
 Tax his shoes clear off his feet,  
 Tax his pipe and tax his smoke,  
 Teach him government is no joke,  
 Tax his "Henry!" and tax his gas,  
 Tax the road that he must pass,  
 Tax the farmer, tax his fowl,  
 Tax the dog and tax his howl,  
 Tax his plow and tax his clothes.

Tax the rags that wipe his nose,  
 Tax his pig and tax his squeal,  
 Tax his boots run down at the heel,  
 Tax his cow and tax his calf,  
 Tax him if he dares to laugh,  
 Tax his barns and tax his lands,  
 Tax the blisters on his hands,  
 Tax the water and tax the air,  
 Tax the sunshine if you dare,  
 Tax the living, tax the dead,  
 Tax the unborn before they're fed,  
 Tax them all and tax them well,  
 And do your best to make life Hell!

## Salem Scene

by Everett E. Cutler

### Session, In Overtime, Caught Between Ideals

After breaking the record for length of an Oregon legislative session, solons find themselves right back where they started on the major question of property tax relief. Well, not quite, because several alternatives to high property taxes have been virtually eliminated. Including the proposal to put before the people HB 1093, a three percent sales tax which, if accepted, would raise money to offset local revenue needs.

After exhaustive Senate committee study and numerous amendments, the House-passed sales tax bill went down to defeat on the Senate floor last week by a 16-14 vote. A next-day motion for reconsideration of the vote was likewise defeated.

The dilemma posed by that action shows how easily the legislature can be caught between two working philosophies. First, if a sales tax would never win support at the polls, as some who nixed the plan contend, then the Senate vote would reflect the will of the people and perhaps save the cost of an election. They see their duty as decision-makers, sent to Salem by voters to work out solutions without referring everything back on a ballot.

Many sales tax supporters, however, think voters should at least be given a choice, and that they might just elect to pay local government costs through a state sales tax. This legislature, some say, thus will have fulfilled its responsibility by formulating an answer and offering a choice.

While both over-simplified arguments may show merit, probably neither is entirely satisfactory. It is true that Oregonians expect a lot of service out of their elected representatives. It is also true that we restrict them by denying the use of an emergency clause on tax measures, making any legislature-passed reform subject to referendum before going into effect.

In any case, lawmakers now face the prospect of additional days—maybe weeks—in Salem trying to hammer out a new plan that might serve the interests of property taxpayers, voting majorities, education and local government, and the predicted severe restrictions which might be imposed by a

## FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES

At a recent meeting of Faith Lutheran Church Luther League, election of officers was held.

Those who will serve as executives for the school year 1967-68 are Jerry Wright, president; Christy Nelson, vice president; Barbara Fangen, secretary-treasurer; Kathy Nelson, activity chairman and Linda Mechem, public relations. Incoming freshmen were also initiated into membership.

Faith Lutheran Church ALCW regular meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Monday, June 12, in the home of Mrs. Robert Fangen at 517 Maple Ave. Mrs. Walt Looney will present the Bible Study.



Miss Lois Drake, Missionary teacher in Swaziland, South Africa, will be featured speaker Tuesday, June 13 at 8 p.m. at Nyssa Church of the Nazarene.

The missionary service will feature the work of the Nazarene church in Swaziland. Miss Drake will show slides and speak on her work in this African country.

The public is invited to attend the service. The regularly scheduled Wednesday night service will be cancelled this week. Miss Drake states, "I would like to show the many opportunities we have of doing evangelistic work in our daily contacts with people and the great need for Christian education in Swaziland."

In her years of service as a missionary, Miss Drake has worked almost exclusively in the area of secondary education. During the first three years she was a teacher in the Endeigne high school. Since then she has been the principal of two high schools. Upon her return to the field in 1961 Miss Drake has been the principal of the Manzini high school and

## NAZARENE Church News

The first annual Nazarene Caravan Fair was held May 27 at Nampa on the NNC campus. The fair, under the direction of Helen Thompson, was attended by over 100 children and several churches were represented.

Those representing Nyssa church of the Nazarene were Trailblazers Rodney Rhoades, Larry Saunders, Gary Seward, Lee Ollison, Curtis Warren, Scott Jamison, Mike Fitzsimmons and their guide David Alexander.

Pathfinders attending the fair were Debbie Alexander, Annette Jamison and guide Mrs. Dean Seward. Maidens attending were Sherrie Fitzsimmons, Rhonda Rhoades and guide Mrs. Bill Fitzsimmons.

Others who went were Aleta Anderson and Trilltot guide, Mrs. Floyd Rhoades, Bill Fitzsimmons, Caravan Director, was unable to attend.

Nyssa church won Grand Prize in the booth competition due to the efforts of guides Mrs. Fitzsimmons and Mrs. Seward. Mike Fitzsimmons won first place in the Pinewood Derby and Gary Seward placed first in the sixth grade talent contest.

Various demonstrations on cooking, embroidery, first aid and camping were given at the event and a style show was held. The caravanners toured the NNC campus and played games.

The grand finale was held at the Science Lecture hall where special events awards were presented.

Members of the church session will meet this evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Witty, west of the Big Bend school house.

Vacation Bible school is continuing this week and closing exercises will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 9.

Primary classes are being taught by Mrs. Jim Miller and Mrs. Kenneth Price, with Maylene Miyasako assisting. Mrs. Gordon King is helping Mrs. Elmer Rosenkilde with preschoolers and Mrs. John Fahrenbruch is the junior instructor.

A group of women are cleaning the church, getting it ready for the 25th anniversary celebration to be held July 30. Among those assisting are Mmes. Kenneth Price, Ernest Seuell, Carl Lee Hill, Veri Bishop, Dyre Roberts, Stanley Hill, Harvey and LeRoy Bennett.

They report that the brick walls have been cleaned, and the men plan to start refinishing the floor this week.

## LETTER To the Editor

Nyssa Gate City Journal Nyssa, Oregon

Dear Sir: I would like to report a change of address so that I will continue receiving my copy of the Gate City Journal. My present address is:

5733-122 Ave. SE #145 Bellevue, Washington 98004 Thank you for your assistance. The Gate City Journal is a wonderful way to keep track of former friends when you move away. I really enjoy it.

Sincerely, Gloria Henderson

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Moncur and son returned Saturday from a trip to Nevada and Utah where they visited relatives.

## Vacation School At Conservative Baptist Church

Daily Vacation Bible school will be held from 7 to 9 p.m., June 12 through the 16th at Nyssa Conservative Baptist church.

Theme of this years DVBS is "Walking With Jesus". All area children between the ages of three and 14 are invited to attend. Those needing transportation may contact Mrs. Walter Fellows by dialing 372-3558.

The closing program will be held at 8 p.m., June 18 in the church.

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