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Holler When You're Hurt!

In a front page story last week we stated that there might be some "fireworks" at the Malheur county budget meeting on Monday of this week. The statement was based, as noted in the article, that the Farm Bureau, one of the County Commissioners (Emil Maag) and several individuals were critical of items in the document. But, according to a report in a Boise daily, only about ten persons, other than officials of the budget board attended the meeting and there was not enough opposition to any part to deter the County Court from adopting the totals as submitted. This in spite of total figures of \$1,403,601 required to operate our rural county (25,000 population) for the coming year, starting July 1. This being a raise of \$251,000 over last year and \$560,000 over that of two years ago.

We grant that there have been changes in the budget laws in that time that require all income to be budgeted and all expenses also shown. And the raise in local taxes is not nearly as great as the total raises - but the fact that a considerable amount of money comes from the state and federal government does not mean that the local citizens have not footed the bill.

We could be critical of the county farmers who have been getting less for their products and paying more for production -- and screaming about the tax load. We could be critical about the businessman who has yelped about the inventory tax. We could be critical about the self-supporting people who whine about the amount of money spent for welfare in the county.

But we don't believe any of the classes or individuals are uninterested in taxes. They just don't know what to do about them. They can read the printed budget and not understand it in most cases, and if they do, they know not what to do as it is within the 6% limitation and not subject to vote.

The story in the Idaho Daily Statesman (Tuesday, June 25) stated that County Judge Ellis White and George Russell (budget board member) said that an unappropriated item of \$41,604 was left in the budget as "good business that the county would not HAVE to vote on the budget next year."

Would it be so bad to spend an estimated \$5,000 for a county election to see if the voters approved of what was set up with all the increases set out in this year's figures. There was \$70,000 for items that did not appear in the current budget

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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We are told that the assassination of Robert Kennedy proves that ours is a sick society. The murder of a public figure or any other individual, in any society, at any date in time, is the private act of those directly responsible for the crime: it is no indication of the state of health of the society as a whole.

When so-called leaders of society, in large number, condone mob violence and arson; when religious "leaders" proclaim that honor and morality are relative terms; when high officials follow the philosophy that "The end justifies the means," when these things are done in any society that is indeed a very sick society.

When public officials who have taken a solemn oath to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States, deliberately set about warping that great document to suit their own theories of sociology; when they proclaim changes in this foundation of all our law in direct violation of lawful procedures, then these officials must bear the primary guilt for a lack of respect for law and order.

The Second Amendment of the U. S. Constitution clearly states: "A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

That is the exact wording of our supreme law of the land and it may be changed only by the people of three fourths of the states. It does not say that the right to keep and bear arms should not be infringed, it says this right shall not be infringed. (hindered, hindered, or obstructed.)

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Those who make the law should be first to observe lawful procedures. "The husbandman that laboreth must be first partaker of the fruits."

Sincerely,
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 Hermiston, Oregon 97838
 (Hermiston Herald)

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-- not mentioning increases in the other items.

Would the county court bet the citizens of Malheur county would approve the figures they have in this year's budget? Would County Judge White leave an increased salary figure for himself in it if it were subject to voter approval - especially when he will be relieved of his duties as head of the juvenile court? Or would other county officials who asked for, and are being granted salary increases do likewise?

They knew what the salary was when they ran for the office, and how long the term lasted. And if they were unable to live on the salary and could do better they would resign immediately. Nor was it anticipated that the county would pay 4 or 5 percent of their salary for retirement pay. This alone is more than the officially acknowledged annual rate of inflation.

We can tell the taxpayers to "Holler When You're Hurt", but in the meantime to cease screaming if you can't take time to be heard at the budget hearing, since you can't voice an opinion at the polls!

Dislikes Budget

Malheur County Court and Budget Committee Vale, Oregon

Gentlemen:

At its regular meeting on June 20th, the Oregon Trail Grange expressed alarm over the excessive increases in the 1968 Malheur County budget as proposed by the County Court and Budget Committee.

The Grange wished to thank Commissioner Emil Maag for his effort to hold the County tax to a reasonable figure and for his consistent consideration of the over-burdened taxpayer.

It furthermore resolved to protest the proposed budget and to "remember" its extravagant friends on the County Court at election time.

/s/ Ira W. Price, Acting Master.

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Dear Editor:

May I extend my appreciation to the Republicans of Malheur County who supported my candidacy in the Primary election. A special word of thanks should be given to Mr. Louis Wetstein, Malheur County ROOT FOR CONGRESS Committee Chairman.

May I assure you that I am working hard in order to win election in November as your Second District U. S. Congressman.

Again, thank you.
Sincerely, Marv Root.

Editor:

We moved to Spokane in December to be near a major medical center. Our ranch on Oregon Avenue is leased to Dessert Seed.

We appreciate your recent editorial on the collection and registration of firearms. Only the law abiding citizens will register them. Rioters, extreme leftists, and rightists, and criminals will certainly not comply. Every citizen will be at the mercy of any small gang of hoodlums. You aptly summarized the problem. - Very Truly, Jay N. Holliday, Spokane, Wash.

Storytime Slated

At Nyssa Library

"Storytime", a children's summer project will be held from 11:30 a. m. to 12 noon each Wednesday, beginning July 3 in the conference room at Nyssa public library.

The program is being conducted by youth of St. Paul's Episcopal church, in cooperation with library officials.

All area children, ages 4 through 8, are invited to participate. Younger ones will be welcomed, if accompanied by a parent or other adult.



INTRODUCING NYSSA'S NEW MINISTER of the United Methodist Church. He is the Rev. James Donald (Don) Crego, and is pictured with his wife, Katherine; their daughter, Annie, a high school junior; and son, David, a sixth-grade student. The Cregos

also have three other children. They are Donald Clyde who is stationed with the U.S. Army at Ft. Monmouth, N. J.; and Mrs. Vera Kenyon, whose husband is postmaster at Wilder; and Charles Crego of New Plymouth. - Journal Photo.

Rev. 'Don' Crego Named United Methodist Pastor

The Rev. James Donald (Don) Crego, formerly of Nampa, conducted his first sermon on June 23, 1968 at Nyssa's United Methodist church.

Rev. Crego has been a member of the Idaho Methodist church conference for over 19 years. He has served churches at Jerome, Paul, Wendell and Wilder, Idaho; Vale, Wallowa, and La Grande-Hendrix. While

serving La Grande the Rev. Crego conducted a program, "Religion in the News" for radio station KLBW.

Most recently he has been a supply pastor in the Jordan Valley area, while teaching social studies in the Nampa junior high school.

He is a graduate of Maryville college, in Maryville, Tenn., received his Divinity

degree at Vanderbilt university in Nashville, and while teaching in the Nampa public schools he attended the College of Idaho and the University of Idaho. He served many years on the Conference Board of Education and was president during five of those years. The new Nyssa minister has also been in youth camp work.

While in Nampa, Mrs. Crego was a junior high school instructor and girls' counselor. She has been hired by the Adrian school district to teach high school English classes, beginning this fall.

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5% Income Certificates. These pay you 5% interest which is guaranteed to the two-year maturity date of the

certificate. Interest is paid by check or deposited to your account each quarter. Or, if you prefer, you may purchase an income certificate which earns 5.22% when interest is compounded quarterly and the certificate is held to full two-year maturity.

Suggestion: Come in and we'll start something growing—your savings account. Yesterday would be a good time to start, but today is fine. **Deposits made by July 10th earn interest from the 1st.**



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