

# Salem Scene

by Jack Zimmerman

Another step was taken by the 56th Legislature in the relentless march toward reorganization of state government.

That "step" in legislative parlance was called House Bill 1059 and created the Department of Human Resources.

The new department merges as the largest in state government by almost any yardstick applied. It carries a \$600 million biennial budget, employs some 9,600 people and likely will have a direct influence on each of Oregon's two million-odd citizens.

The department's newness is mainly administrative. It is charged with coordinating and providing programs through existing agencies for public assistance, children and families, economic opportunity, aging, vocational rehabilitation, corrections, mental health and employment.

Biggest innovations within the department are creation of a Children's Services Division and Division of Health Affairs.

Putative fathers of the new department are several. Among the noteworthy are Gov. Tom McCall, Senate Pres. John D. Burns, the governor's Executive Assistant and former Legislator Bob Davis and Corrections Division Administrator John J. Galvin.

With this kind of impetus -- and considering the humanitarian nature of the department, many observers expressed surprise Gov. McCall reached into the Attorney General's office to find the new department's chief executive.

"It was a pleasant surprise for me," said Jacob B. Tanzer, Oregon's solicitor general, as he prepared to take the Human Resources Department's top job effective July 1.

Tanzer's "surprise" was short-lived however, and the surprise of others likely will evaporate shortly. The new Human Resources chief wasted little time surrounding himself with capable assistants and division leaders -- many of whom are veteran Salem administrators.

He is a native of the Northwest who attended Portland public schools, the University of Oregon, Stanford and Reed. But at the time of his appointment, his circle of intimates extended only slightly beyond compatriot members of the legal profession.

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the judiciary and newsmen. Physical appearances to the contrary, "Jake" Tanzer's nose has been so-blunted by the grindstone of various former government jobs he owned one of the Capital City's most modest public awareness profiles.

And most of his prior experience didn't seem to prepare him for the super-samaritan role surprised observers assumed would best fit the Human Resources leader.

After all, most of the 36-year-old University of Oregon Law School graduate's professional life has been devoted to honing exceptional legal talent into a fine-edged sword of justice. He was that young (27) Portland lawyer who left private practice to help Bobby Kennedy ride herd on the Mafia. He was involved in prosecuting white lawmen and Klansmen convicted for killing civil rights workers. He tried some 200 criminal cases as deputy for former Multnomah County Dist. Atty. George Van Hoomissen. He was such an outstanding prosecutor, in fact, Atty. Gen. Lee Johnson hand-picked Tanzer to become Oregon's first Solicitor General -- and has argued more cases in the Oregon Supreme Court than any lawyer in the court's history.

This is the man selected to care for the blind, the mentally retarded, the unemployed, the unwanted child, the unwed mother, the aged and the ill?

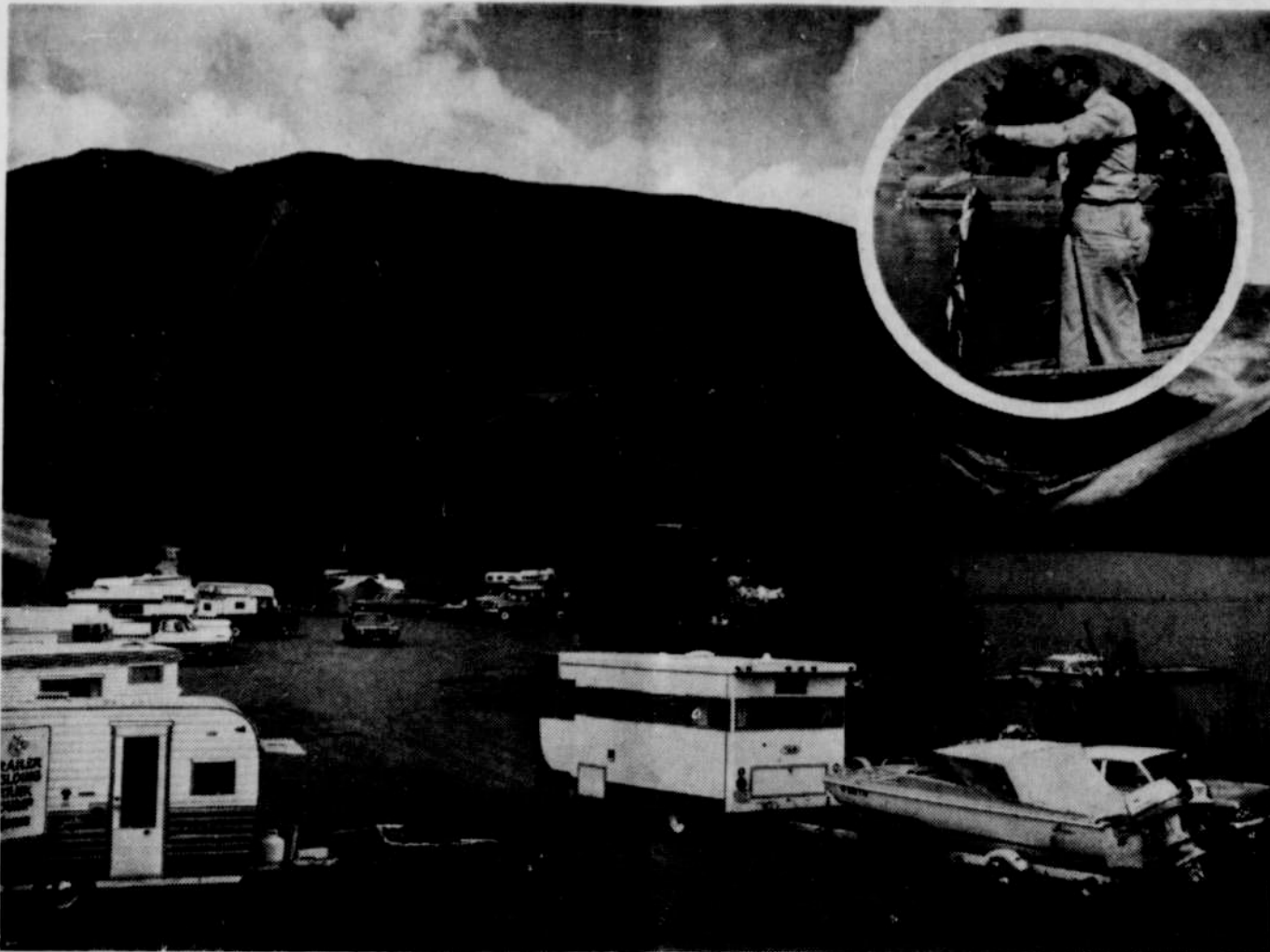
To many his nickname probably sounded more like that of someone he'd send to prison than the compassionate overseer of the state's unwanted and unfortunate.

Actually, Jake Tanzer's brimming compassion was instilled early by a Jewish father who came to this country to escape Czarist oppression in Russia. As a Portland teenager he accompanied his older brother to Salem to lobby for fair employment practices. He belongs to the American Civil Liberties Union. He spent a summer in Mississippi defending civil rights cases in federal courts. And he has spent as much extra-curricular time on crime prevention and rehabilitation as he has working with those who apprehend and prosecute criminals.

What began at his father's knee probably reached its zenith defending blacks in the Deep South. The decision to work in government was made early in his career. And experience has led him to believe government should mould itself to the human problems with which it deals.

Jake Tanzer was pleasantly surprised Gov. McCall picked him for the new job. But he wasn't surprised in the sense others were.

This Kennedy Democrat -- who buried whatever political



**BROWNLEE BACK TO NORMAL!** Idaho Power Company said Wednesday Brownlee Lake once again is up to normal elevation following annual spring drawdown for flood control. Lake's return to normal promises public full enjoyment over July 4th weekend and throughout summer-fall season of free recreation facilities--like those at popular Woodhead Park seen here--that utility first opened for use in late 1950's. Thousands of visitors have used facilities at no charge since then. Brownlee and other two Hells Canyon

development lakes have improved fishing in 100-mile reach -- as catch proudly displayed by angler in inset photo indicates--and opened area to many more sportsmen. Wendell Smith, company's environmental affairs director, says sportsmen have reported bass, catfish and trout takes ranging from "good" to "superb" throughout development in recent weeks, especially in bays and at stream mouths on Oxbow and Hells Canyon Lakes.

## NEWELL HEIGHTS ITEMS

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**NEWELL HEIGHTS** - Mr. and Mrs. Tom McKeon of Port Angeles, Wash., and Mr. and Mrs. Jim King were there to visit them. The group went to Succor Creek Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Webb and Joan and Susie Stam went to Boise with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hastriter and children to see the zoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Webb had a cook out dinner June 22. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Webb and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Stam and family and Mr. and Mrs. Tom McKeon attended.

Mrs. Chuck Brady of Ontario and her mother, Mrs. Ivin Topliff gave a bridal kitchen shower for Jane Timmerman Thursday evening. There were 14 guests. It was held in the Topliff home.

Dr. and Mrs. Hugh Eddy and family of Seattle arrived Monday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.D. McKinley. They returned home Friday. Mr. and Mrs. James McKinley and family of Albany came Tuesday to visit his parents and returned home Monday morning.

Helen Conant of Nyssa visited Mrs. R.D. McKinley Saturday evening.

Guests at a family reunion in the L.C. McDermott home Sunday were Mrs. McDermott's

brother, E.A. Jones of Cheyenne Wells, Colo.; her sisters Jessie Gilbert of Snyder, Colo.; Pearl Vartosovsky of Ponca City, Okla., and Grace Lykin of San Antonio, Texas. Other relatives attending were Charles McDermott of Nampa, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Province of Caldwell, Jerry McDermott of Meridian, Ruby Bailey of Coos Bay, Vada Scott of North Bend, Bernard and Buleah Voss of Outlook, Wash., Bill and Verla Baxter of Kennewick, Wash., Verna Johnson and family of Parma, Charles and Carol Meyers of Neotsu, Oregon, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Eason of Parma and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Robuck of Wilder.

Guests at a slumber party at the Gene Simpson home Friday evening were Cindy, Wanda, Fonda and Donna Walker, Laurie, Carrie and Marcie Fenn of Ontario, Norrie, Vicki and Teresa Savage and LaRue Smith.

Mrs. Rollo Fenn was a Sunday morning visitor in the Gene Simpson home.

David and Bill Phelps and Arnie Fenn were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Simpson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leedy of Sacramento came Wednesday evening and are visiting Mrs. Lyua Worden and his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Leedy of Huntington.

Mrs. Fred Spence and children of Boise visited Thursday morning with Mrs. Frankie



Worden and her grandmother, Mrs. Lydia Worden.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Topliff, Greg and Chuck were Sunday dinner guests of his father, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Topliff.

Arnold Fenn of Portland came Monday to visit his grandmother Mrs. Carl Fenn.

Louis Fenn of Roseburg and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fenn and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Fenn visited Mrs. Carl Fenn Tuesday.

Monday evening visitors at the Alfred Simpson home were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fenn of Eugene, and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Fenn of Albany and Louis Fenn of Roseburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fenn and Louis Fenn were Monday overnight guests in the Alfred Simpson home. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Fenn were overnight guests of Mrs. Carl Fenn.

Mrs. Dale Witt was a Wednesday luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Art Sparks in Nyssa.

Mrs. Dale Witt accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Leon Chamberlain, Cherrylee and Jed to Ontario Friday evening to attend a banquet to elect the new Dairy Princess at Eastside Cafe. Their daughter Terri was one of the contestants.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Anderson and boys of Coos Bay and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Conant were Monday evening visitors in the Bill Conant home.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Barnes went to Long Beach, Wash., where they attended a cousins picnic and later toured the Oregon Coast. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Jake Borge at Reedsport and returned Friday having been gone a week.

Mrs. Alfred Simpson visited Tuesday with Mrs. Leonard Mechem of McCall at the Ray Simpson home.

Mrs. Mary McConnell of Nyssa, Mrs. Rollo Fenn, Lula Lattig and Mrs. Richardson both of Fruitland went to Sunny Slope Sunday to find cherries and visit Mr. and Mrs. Earl Larson at Marsing.



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## BYU To Hold Summer Classes At TVCC July 9 10

BYU Education Week will be held this year July 9 and 10. This is an annual event for the Nyssa, Ontario, Weiser, Vale, Parma, and Adrian Communities in which Brigham Young University and Ricks College send various professors and instructors to our area to conduct classes on various subjects. Although sponsored by the LDS Church, participation or attendance is not restricted to anyone expressing an interest in any of the subjects presented.

This year there will be ten instructors who will conduct classes at Treasure Valley Community College from 1:00 to 9:20 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, with a concert held Friday night from 9:30 - 10:20 p.m. This concert will be by Reid Hibley who has made extensive appearances throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe and is considered one of the nations top pianists.

Some of the classes offered by listed topics are:

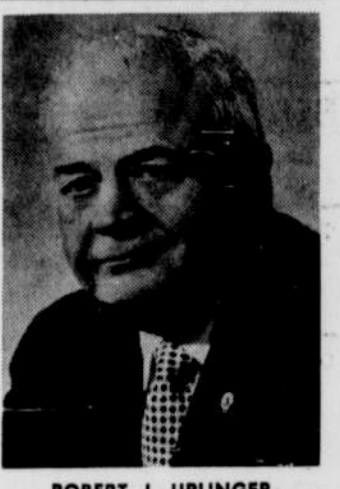
Drugs and Morals - The Absolute Solution of Personal Destruction (Is there an answer?)  
Multitude of Sounds; Do you Hear when You Listen; Getting the Most from My Parents; Popularity You Can Live With; Fashion (Sense, cents, scents); Learning Environments; Pa-

rents are People, Too!; After All is Said About Dating; How Do I Get the Phone to Ring?; Drug Use: Escape from Being Successful Communications Between Parents and Their Children in a Disturbing World; Understanding the Greatest Problem of the Teenager and Young Adult; Love, Honor, and Even Like Your Spouse and Mind Control: Drugs.

These are a few of the topics which may interest adult and youth alike which deal specifically with their problems and aspirations.

The representatives of BYU Education Week for the Nyssa and Adrian areas are Mrs. Mel Beck, Mrs. Kenneth Cottle, and Mrs. Lorin Munn.

### Lions Elect International President



ROBERT J. UPLINGER

Robert J. Uplinger of Syracuse, New York, was elected President of Lions International at the Association's 54th Annual Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, June 22-25. Serving as the 55th President of the world's largest humanitarian service organization, Uplinger leads some 960,000 members in 25,300 clubs located in 146 countries and geographic areas throughout the world.

Lions International is best known for its aid to the blind and sight conservation activities, international activities, international relations programs, and its many community service projects. "Lionism is Commitment" will be the primary theme during Uplinger's 1971-1972 Presidential Year. The development of the local Lions Clubs through the individual member's commitment to all aspects of service will be emphasized.

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