

# LEGISLATIVE REPORT

By Rep. D.E. (Denny) Jones

There have been over 400 bills introduced so far and many to come. One appropriation bill, to pay for part of the cost of the 1973 Legislature, has passed the House.

Perhaps the three bills that are causing the most discussion are the Governor's school finance proposal, the land use planning bills and the Equal Rights Amendment.

In regard to the Governor's tax proposal, the results of a poll of legislators in the form of a written questionnaire sent out about a month ago showed a majority opposed to the plan. However, this may change at any time. The chart that was prepared out of the Governor's office has some mistakes in it, and I understand it is being reprinted. I am still opposed to the plan for the same reasons I have mentioned many times.

We will still have a property tax. We will still have to have our force of office help at the county level. We still don't know what it will cost us as individuals through the raise in income tax and also the business tax. I am still working on my comparison charts of the three programs: The Governor's, the Interim Committee's, and the Stafford Hansell plan.

The land use planning bills introduced by Senator McPherson will take lots of work before I am able to understand exactly how they will affect my district. At present they don't appear to be acceptable to Eastern Oregon.

I am opposed to the Equal Rights Amendment. I feel that the women in general are giving away too much. I would like to see them remain women. However, I would support legislation on individual issues to correct discrimination as far as salaries or jobs are concerned, or problems of this nature.

We have a real good, hard working Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee. Most of the agriculture and livestock oriented bills I will try to get introduced through the Agriculture Committee. I think this is a better and more effective way to do it.

An appropriation bill of \$59,600.00 that would have funded a program of the Council of State Governments that has been in effect but has apparently not produced much benefit was defeated by a vote of 29 ayes and 28 no. (Jones, No). Immediately Rep. Keith Skelton moved to reconsider. If he doesn't withdraw his motion it will be voted on Monday.

Governor McCall is also pushing hard for a constitutional amendment to break into the Highway Trust Fund for purposes of helping fund the mass transit program. I am also opposed to this move, as we don't appear to have enough money to keep up with our highway needs as they are now.

This session the Legislature has a toll free number that anyone throughout the state can call for legislative information. The number is 1-800-452-0290.

## NEWELL HEIGHTS ITEMS

NEWELL HEIGHTS - Mrs. Marie Moore and Mrs. Tina Schiemer attended Koffee Klutch at the Sue Ashcraft home in Adrian Wednesday.

Mrs. Frankie Worden, Mrs. Lydia Worden and Mrs. Tina Schiemer attended a dinner at the home of Mrs. Marie Moore on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Luit Stam were guests for dinner Thursday at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Koopman in Ontario. It was Mrs. Koopman's birthday, and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stam were also dinner guests.

Thursday, Mrs. Carl Fenn and Mrs. Alfred Simpson attended a baby shower at the Owyhee Ward for Pam Cleaver. Friday evening dinner guests in the Alfred Simpson home were Ben Love of Provo, Utah and Alene Simpson and Gillette Scott of Ontario.

Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Marion York and girls of Valie were evening dinner guests in the Alfred Simpson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Simpson and Ben Love visited Alene and Selma Simpson in Ontario Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Edith Suter of Parma visited in the Irvin Topliff home Sunday afternoon.

Betty Jo Wenke went to Idaho City, Sunday to go tubing with the Nyssa Luther League.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. McKinley and Mr. and Mrs. John Fahrenbruck went to the Smorgasbord put on by the P.T.A. in Homedale, Saturday evening. Over 1200 people attended.

Linda Austin was a Sunday dinner guest in the Gene Simpson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Simpson helped their daughter Alene and Selma move to a new location in Ontario, Monday.

Mrs. Alfred Simpson and Mrs. Ray Simpson attended a Tupperware party at the home of Mrs. Myron Gossard in Adrian Tuesday.

Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Simpson, Mrs. Ida Fenn and Mrs. Rollo Fenn attended the Nyssa Co-op dinner at the Oregon Trail Hall. Others from this area attending were Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Topliff and Gerrit Timmerman.

Saturday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lee Hill, Lee and Terri went to Homedale to the PTA Smorgasbord and later visited in the Kenneth Price home.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lee Hill and Terri attended the 25th Wedding Anniversary open house for Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Thomas in the Friendship Hall of the Friends Church in Homedale Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lee Hill attended the TOPS Banquet at the Mirage in Adrian Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Simpson attended the Wedding Reception for Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith held at the Nyssa Stake House Saturday evening. Others attending from this area were Mrs. Alfred Simpson, Mrs. Rollo Fenn, Mrs. Carl Fenn,

## APPLE VALLEY

BY FRANCES SMALLEY

APPLE VALLEY - Mr. and Mrs. William Anders of Caldwell and Mrs. Mary Nichols of Nampa were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Smalley.

Clarence Fritts took Steve Fritts to Hermiston Thursday where he will have employment and be with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Don Fritts.

Mrs. Ruth Fritts and Mrs. Frances Smalley attended a social gathering of the Women's Society at Mrs. James Stephens Monday afternoon.

Mrs. William Knox was hostess for the Susannah Circle Thursday afternoon, with one guest present.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Sullivan attended the potluck dinner Sunday evening at the Roswell Presbyterian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Price of Arco were Saturday evening overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Bay. They were on their way to La Grande to visit other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Miller entertained Sunday afternoon for Patrick's second birthday anniversary. Their guests were

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wagner and son, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Bale and family. Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Miller and family of Middleton and Mrs. Steven Corder and family of Weiser.

Robert Rookstool and daughter were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rookstool.

Henry Edens was taken by ambulance to the Ontario Hospital Sunday evening.

The Nazarene Young Women's Bible Study Class met Tuesday morning in the Jerry Hull home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hull were Sunday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jones.

Mr. Ruben Mandez was a Tuesday evening dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hull.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Honey and Mr. and Mrs. George Griffin gave a surprise birthday anniversary party for Gene Honey and Mrs. Gary Griffin in the George Griffin home, Saturday evening. There were 38 guests from Boise, Caldwell, Homedale, Notus and Payette present.

Mrs. Pauline Boston visited Friday evening in the Gene Honey home.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Harlan were Friday dinner guests in the

## Herb Sez ..

First, I'd like to make a personal comment. Many times I've criticized the legislators for seeming to know more than the law allows. After being in the House for more than ten days, I've learned that great numbers of them are really more knowledgeable than the average person on the outside. I find it difficult to keep up with them in many instances, especially on finances.

So far there has been little action on the floor, but it takes a couple of weeks for bills to pass through the various committees. Every bill is checked and rechecked again before it is placed before the House or Senate.

Of course, the greatest point of interest to date is money. I listened to the Governor's Budget Message and am very frank to admit that I don't understand as much of it as I

Gene Honey home. Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Buell Clement of New Plymouth visited Mr. and Mrs. Gene Honey and later they all went for a drive ending at the Clement's home for an evening supper before bringing the Honey's to their home.

perhaps should. I'm not ashamed of this fact because very few of those around me are aware of the full impact it will have on various districts. From all I can observe, the counties in District 9 will take a licking. It's very possible that many counties will have to raise local taxes to take the place of the sales tax revenue to replace the inventory tax phase-out. I know that Dave Little and Warren Brown will join me in keeping an eye on what's taking place.

Education will come to the fore in the near future. Here again, small schools will be hurt in the financial pinch. When some districts gain, others will probably lose. When you rob Peter to pay Paul, I want to be certain that I'm not portraying Peter.

So, in this tax reduction business, you can't take the cash out of the till and then put more back without picking up some from the outside. The Revenue Sharing Plan to Counties and Cities is not intended to replace tax monies. It's not to be used for education and it's not to be used for paying debts.

Environmental problems are starting to come to the fore. Nobody wants to spend money or raise taxes, yet I'm continually

## Malheur Historical Society Meets Tonight

"Blacks in the Early West" is the topic of the second in an eight part series of history programs sponsored jointly by the Malheur Country Historical Society and Treasure Valley Community College. Bill Kaatz, history instructor at the college, will present the program beginning at 3 p.m. in the Weese Memorial Building on Thursday, January 25.

Television program producers have overlooked the great contribution made by blacks in the development of the West, according to Kaatz. As early as the Lewis and Clark expedition, during the first

decade of the 19th century, a black man played an important role in the success of western exploration and subsequent expansion of our country. A black slave named York was the delight of Indians who thought he had been burned. They rubbed his skin to see if the black would come off and were amazed when it wouldn't.

Many blacks served as hands on trail drives and some were foremen. Bose Ickard was one such supervisor who rode the Goodnight-Loving trail. The early settlement of the West saw G.W. Bush forced out of the Oregon Territory to the area of Tumwater, Washington and later a black named George Washington established Centraillia, Washington. The Idaho legislature, during the reconstruction days, had black representatives. Bull dogging, a favorite rodeo event of today, was invented by a black cowboy, Bill Pickett. He added a twist to the event by biting down on the steer's nose after the animal was thrown thus freeing his hands.

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The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration tested 54 different models, and found only eight that met the protective standards. Those passing the tests were two brands of thermoplastic shell helmets and six brands of fiberglass shell helmets.

Regulations requiring manufacturers to meet specific safety performance levels are now being written. Until such standards go into effect, shoppers for motorcycle helmets this spring and summer can obtain the test results showing brand names. Request NHTSA Press Release 96-72 from Transportation Department, Washington, D. C. 20590.