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### Tax Plan Vote May 1

The biggest issue to face citizens of Oregon in a long time is the controversial school finance and property tax relief plan, commonly called Governor Tom McCall's tax plan. Voters will go to the polls May 1 to vote "yes" or "no" on the constitutional amendment which, if passed, will completely change the burden of financing schools from property to income.

It does seem to be a property tax relief measure, and those who have a large property holdings will quite likely pay less tax should it pass. On the other hand, those with only residential property but a fair to good income will probably pay more tax. The Sunday Oregonian took two pages to try and explain the measure, but they pretty well summed it up in one headline, "Property Tax Down, Income Tax Up; The Variables Are Infinite."

We are making every effort to include articles both for and against the measure in these few weeks before the election, and there are some very knowledgeable and important people on both sides of the question.

Foremost in the plan's favor, of course, is Gov. Tom McCall. He has also the support of Secretary of State Clay Myers and State Treasurer James Redden. The plan is also backed by 59 senators and representatives who voted for the plan, and it is supported by the Oregon Farm Bureau, the State Grange, the League of Women Voters, and most educators.

Equally opposed to the governor's plan, are 37 senators and representatives who are now conducting a state-wide series of public forums, and included in this group are our own legislators, Senator Bob Smith and Representatives Denny Jones and Donald Oakes. The Associated Oregon Industries very strongly opposes the plan, as does most large business.

One of the results of the school finance plan that appeals to us is that it will put a stop to the endless budget elections which take the time and efforts of school superintendents and personnel for months when they should be devoting their time to more important things.

Opponents, on the other hand, state that school boards will lose control of schools when all funds come from the state. Eugene Fisher, who has had long experience on local school boards and is now on the state Board of Education, says that "Controls, follow money, the power to tax is the power to control."

Perhaps the most unfair part of the proposed plan, if passed, is that school districts who have been frugal in their operation, such as Nyssa and Ontario, who have the lowest costs per pupil in the state, will be locked in to their frugality forever. And perhaps we always will be anyway, because we are more conservative in our operations over here in most phases of the economy.

Let's compare Nyssa with Corvallis, for instance, which has a cost of \$1205 per pupil compared to Nyssa's cost of \$758 per pupil. Corvallis will continue to be provided with \$447 per pupil (or thereabouts) richer program, and individual homeowners with comparable homes in Corvallis will receive greater property tax relief. Eastern Oregon will continue to get the short end of the stick, and there's not much we can do about it.

The arguments are endless, and there seems to be grave doubts as to future performance under this plan. Some will be helped, and others hurt. We suggest you study your Voters Pamphlet and everything else you can read on the subject and then make up your own mind. Whatever the decision on May 1, we will have to live with it for a long time.

### Veterans' Affairs Grants Record Number of Loans

The Department of Veterans' Affairs granted \$31 farm and home loans in March in the amount of \$16,024,907, for the greatest dollar volume in a month in the history of the loan program. H. C. Saalfeld, Director of Veterans' Affairs, reported today.

The old record was in September, 1970, when 933 veterans borrowed \$15,843,900. March also set a new monthly record for loan applications, Saalfeld said, with 1,154 veterans applying. The previous record was 1,100 in August, 1969.

Loans for the January-March quarter totaled 2,008 in the amount of \$38,533,197. This was up \$4 million from the previous quarter when 1,889 veterans borrowed \$34,484,205, and up \$7 million from the same quarter a year ago with 1,726 loans for \$31,317,900.

Loan applications for the January-March period numbered 2,812, against 1,850 in the preceding quarter and 2,071 for January-March last year.

It is difficult to adequately express our appreciation so I will simply say "thank you"



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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor, The Journal: Open letter to our community:

I am very proud of the way you and the people of our area respond to the needs of their friends and neighbors, except we could go one step further and give of ourselves before some types of needs arise.

April 25 is the day scheduled for the first Red Cross Bloodmobile visit of 1973. During the past few years the group sponsoring the drawings have tried all kinds of ways of encouraging people to donate this vital life-saving product and still we cannot come close to meeting our quota, set up many years ago when everyone responded to the need much better than they do now.

The Hospital Auxiliary has taken on the job of conducting the drawings and not counting the people sent here from the Red Cross, there are approximately 30 Nyssa volunteers involved that give their valuable time to make this visit possible. But it makes it so much harder when we have to worry about how to inform, encourage and advertise to get people to turn out and give.

At the last drawing in December, we were fortunate to have 17 first-time donors, including students home from college for the holidays and their eagerness to enter into our program really made our day, plus the 88 regular and dedicated donors, without whom we could have no drawing.

What I'm asking of you, is this . . . "Stand up and be Counted" at the April Blood drawing and if you are unable to give encourage and remind the people around you to circle this day on their calendar, and set aside one hour or less, to help Nyssa hold her head high as the Regional quarterly letter goes around the valley notifying the sponsoring organizations how many pints each Chapter gave.

I'll close with a paragraph of a letter I received from the administrator of the Boise Regional Red Cross Blood Center. "We want you to know that the work of you and your committee and each and every donation at the Nyssa drawing was greatly appreciated, not only by us at the center but, more importantly, by the patients who benefited."

Let us strive to get into the DONOR habit.  
 —Mrs. Marie Wilson, chairman

Editor, The Journal:

I certainly want to thank you and all of your people for the exemplary support you gave the United States Savings Bonds Program during 1972. Your generous contribution of public service support to our effort was a major motivating factor in making 1972 the most successful year Oregon has enjoyed since World War II.

We were deeply concerned at the outset of the year—confronted with a \$7 million increase in quota, boosting our goal to an ostensibly insurmountable \$40 million. We were delighted when we surpassed the \$40 million mark at the end of 10 months and wound up with \$47 million in sales.

The temptation is great to say, "This was a whale of a sales effort," but realistically we know that the major contribution to our success was the unstinted support of the media people.

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### OBITUARIES

#### Harvey Lloyd Bennett

Services for Harvey Lloyd Bennett, 67, of Route 3, Parma, who died Tuesday, April 10, 1973 in a Boise hospital, were conducted at Sterry Memorial Presbyterian Church, Friday, April 13 by the Rev. Raymond Wilson. Interment was at Roswell.

Mr. Bennett was born May 7, 1905, in Tremonton, Utah and moved with his parents to the Roswell area in 1920. He was graduated from Roswell High School in 1924. He married Winifred Councilman March 26, 1932, and they moved to a farm in the Big Bend Community in 1936. They continued farming until he retired in 1965. He was a member of the Adrian Presbyterian Church, served on the Adrian Rural Fire Department many years, and on the Big Bend Irrigation District board.

Surviving in addition to Mrs. Bennett are a son, Dick Bennett of the Big Bend Community, a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Wood of Marsing, four brothers, Leroy, Marion, Ralph and Willard Bennett all of Parma; two sisters, Mrs. Blanche Stubblefield of Parma and Mrs. Mae Church of Sacramento, Calif.; an uncle, Leonard Carter, no address listed, and eight grandchildren.

Memorials may be given to the Adrian Presbyterian Church or to a favorite charity.

#### Hilma M. Ostrom

Hilma M. (Asplund) Ostrom, 88, of Tucson, Arizona, formerly of Boise, died April 13, 1973, at a Tucson hospital. Born November 13, 1884, in Kramfors, Sweden, daughter of Jonas and Dorteia (Lindholm) Asplund. She was the youngest of nine children.

She was married to John E. Ostrom, June 11, 1906, in Sweden. The couple came to the U. S., in 1906-07. All their children were born in Cloquet, Minnesota. They also lived in Watford City, North Dakota and came to Nyssa, Oregon in 1938 where they were in the retail lumber business.

They moved to Boise, in 1956 and Mr. Ostrom, died there in January 1957. Mrs. Ostrom lived in Boise until June 1971. Then with failing health went to Tucson to live with her daughter, Mrs. H. A. Boe.

She was a member of the Rebekah Lodge for many years. Surviving are Mrs. H. A. (Ruth T.) Boe, of Tucson; three sons, Edward W. Ostrom, Boise; Helmer C. Ostrom and Bartil A. Ostrom, Nyssa; five grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; a niece, Mrs. Anna Westerham, of Boise.

Two infant sons preceded her in death.

Services were held Tuesday, April 17 at the Alden-Waggoner Chapel by Pastor Robert Hermanson of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church of which she was a member. Interment was at Cloverdale Memorial Park.

#### Pentecostal Church Of Jesus Christ

SUNDAY SERVICES: Sunday School for all ages, 10 a.m.

Sunday School busing available—call 372-5078

Morning worship service, 11 a.m.

Youth Service, 7 p.m.

Evangelistic Service, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: Bible Study classes for Adults and Youth, 7:30 p.m.

and hope you will understand how sincerely we mean it.

Sincerely,  
 Robert H. Grayson  
 State Director



#### Charles G. Nevins

Charles G. Nevins, 19, Nyssa, died of natural causes Sunday, April 15, 1973 at a Boise hospital after a long illness.

He was born January 5, 1954, in Everett, Washington. He graduated from the Nyssa High School with honors in 1972 and he was on the wrestling team. He was a member of the St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Nyssa. He married Ramona Freel, January 9, 1972 in Nyssa.

He is survived by his wife, in Nyssa; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Pierce, Nyssa; a brother, Byron Pierce, Nyssa; three sisters, Lark Ferguson, Eugene, Oregon, and Laural Nevins and Roberta Nevins, at home and his grandfather, Lynn Matheny, Nyssa.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m., Thursday at the Lienkaemper Chapel in Nyssa by the Rev. Fr. John K. Worrall of the St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Interment will be in the Nyssa cemetery.

#### Carl W. Grunke

Carl W. Grunke, 75, Nyssa, died Monday, April 16, 1973 at the Nyssa hospital.

He was born September 28, 1896, in Nebraska. He was a retired employee of the Malheur Labor Sponsoring Association. He was a veteran of World War I.

He is survived by a daughter, Pattie Hulsey, Portland; two brothers, Elmer Grunke, Nyssa and Lloyd Grunke, Orange, California; two sisters Mrs. Mae Larson and Mrs. Ione German of Creighton, Nebraska; three granddaughters, Misses Carla Kilpatrick, Ontario, Tonia Elliot, Fort McClellan, Alabama, and Jamie Titus of Portland, Oregon; one nephew, Jim Grunke, of Nyssa; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife Violet in 1963.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m., Wednesday at Nyssa with the Rev. F. Robert Simard officiating. Arrangements under the direction of the Lienkaemper Chapel.

### ADRIAN NEWS

ADRIAN — Mrs. Robert Long, Mrs. Gertie Jones and Mrs. K. I. Peterson attended the Lenten Luncheon at the Presbyterian Church in Roswell Wednesday.

The "Come Double" Class of the Christian Church in Nyssa had a Palm Sunday breakfast at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mervil Hutchinson. Mr. and Mrs. K. I. Peterson of Adrian attended the breakfast.

Mrs. Edna Cowling was a Sunday luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. K. I. Peterson.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Mackey, Mrs. Minnie Mackey and Mr. and Mrs. Jim King of Ontario were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lovitt and family.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Mackey and Mrs. Oliver Freel visited Mrs. Mackey's Aunt Alice Davis in Caldwell Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Freel's son-in-law, Charlie Nevins of Nyssa died Sunday morning in a hospital in Boise.

Wanda Gregg was a Sunday dinner guest at the Bill Looney home.

Mary Looney and Carol Burroughs visited the College of Idaho from Thursday until Saturday which were Senior visitation days.

Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Myron Gossard and Mrs. Ernest Senell went to Vale to a special Home Extension meeting. They made Basque covered wagons to be used Achievement Day April 27. It will be held at Eastside Cafe. The Coffee Hour will start at 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday was Mrs. Myron Gossard's birthday. Mrs. Oliver Freel had Mrs. Gossard for coffee and cake. Other invited guests were Mrs. Vera Webb, Mrs. Mary Bicandi, Mary Morse and Micky Webb.

Latin Assembly Sunday, church activities begin with Sunday School at 10 a.m., followed by worship service, 11 a.m. Sunday night service, 7:30 p.m. Bible Study every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Royal Rangers, every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Young people's service, every Thursday, 7:30 p.m.



### Superintendents Corner

Budget time again! The Nyssa School Board adopted a budget that has been in the process of development by the Budget Board and Administration since early last fall.

Increases in this year's budget show the addition of two teachers at the High School Vocational level to carry on the program that has been financed from Title III program through the Intermediate Education Department. The construction of the house by the Vocational class at 11th and Evergood is one project that is being carried on under this present program. The Mechanics class in the building built last summer by the N.Y.C. is another opportunity for young people to learn an entry level trade. The Clerical Lab offers young people an opportunity to develop abilities to function adequately in an office.

Last year School District No. 26 bought a truck chassis and Meridean Robbins put one of the old bus bodies on the truck. This budget proposes to buy a new bus and a panel to move smaller groups.

The band uniforms included in the budget is a much needed item for our excellent band. Approximately one-fourth of the total increase is in the fixed charges. These include social security, retirement, insurance, and other costs that are difficult to control.

Money is in the budget for roof repair, blackout of elementary playground area, installing of electrical outlets in each elementary room, and four rooms of ceiling tile to repair cracked plaster.

Money included in the budget for additional transportation and added costs for Nyssa's re-entry into the Greater Oregon League is necessary if Nyssa teams are to be eligible for state competition.

Look through these items and you will see some costs that reflect the increased cost of living and others that have been put off and need to be budgeted. Nyssa school costs are the lowest in the State of Oregon. The budget is an honest attempt to do a good job at as reasonable figure as possible.

### UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

The Methodist Church will conduct a Maunday Thursday Communion Service on Thursday, April 19 in the Fellowship Hall at 8:00 p.m. The Maunday Thursday Communion Service celebrates The Last Supper. The word "Maunday" is the Latin word, "Mandatum." This word means "command" and comes from John 13:34, "A new COMMANDMENT I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another."

Following The Easter Sunrise Service will be a community pancake breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 7:30-9:15 a.m. Worship Services will be conducted at 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. During the 9:30 a.m. Worship Service, Sunday School will be held for those who wish to attend Sunday School.

### CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

SUNDAY - Sunrise Service at the Douglas Pfeiler farm, Rev. George Fikejs speaker, 6:30 a.m.

Fellowship breakfast at church, 7:30 to 8 a.m.

Special Easter program, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

Worship services, Rev. Roy Webb, speaker, 11 a.m.

Evening Services, 6 p.m. Hi/Time, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY - Prayer meeting and Bible study 7:30 p.m. Cantata practice, 8:30 p.m.

THURSDAY - Progressive dinner for Hi/Time.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends for the cards, food, flowers, memorials, visits, prayers offered and all the other expressions of kindness extended to us in this, our time of sorrow.

Mrs. Winifred Bennett Mrs. Margaret Wood & family Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bennet and family.

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### ATTEND CHURCH

#### Ministerial Association

On Good Friday, April 20 at 8:00 p.m., the Ministerial Association will conduct a Good Friday Service at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The speaker will be the Reverend Mike Bashor of The Assembly of God Church. The Reverend John Worrall will be singing the solo, "Art Thou The Christ."

Sunday morning at 6:30 a.m. there will be a community Sunrise Service at the Cemetery. The Reverend David Wiens of The Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ will be speaking. The Rev. Wiens, Charles Steffens and Duane Buchtel will present an instrumental trio, "Low In The Grave He Lay." There will be seating available. It is suggested that you bring a blanket to keep warm. The service will last about 30 minutes.

Following the Sunrise Service several of the churches will have an Easter Sunday morning breakfast at their churches. The Methodist Church will have breakfast for the community at 7:30 a.m. for all those whose churches aren't having a breakfast.

Sunday night at 7:30 p.m., Lay & Pastors Institute For Evangelism will be presenting a film at the Methodist Church. This film's purpose is to introduce The Institute For Evangelism which will be held in Ontario May 2-5. The public is invited to view this film.

#### ADRIAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

The 25th annual One Great Hour of Sharing will culminate this coming Sunday, April 22, when offerings given by members of Adrian United Presbyterian Church between March 25 and this Sunday will be dedicated in a special dedication service.

Each year during Lent United Presbyterians participate with other denominations to raise funds for emergency relief which are distributed through Church World Service and the World Council of Churches. United Presbyterians also provide money through the One Great Hour of Sharing for self-development projects to assist people in this country and overseas.

The annual observance demonstrates concern for healing breaches in the world community and in the common life of man. It answers needs of disadvantaged people to extricate themselves from situations of poverty, unemployment or lack of opportunity. It responds to disasters such as the terrible floods in the summer of 1972.

Members of the United Presbyterian Church who have not yet made a pledge toward the church's goal this year will have an opportunity to do so during services this coming Sunday.

#### NAZARENE CHURCH NOTES

FRIDAY - Noon will be special prayer time at the church. Community Good Friday Service will be held at the Episcopal Church at 8 p.m. SATURDAY - Children's program practice at 2 p.m.

SUNDAY - Community Sunrise Service at Cemetery Hill 6:30 a.m. followed by Teen breakfast together in the Fellowship Hall, 7:45 a.m.

Sunday School Easter Program, "The Music of Easter" will be presented by children, teens, and adults, 9:45 a.m.

The Worship Service including a message by Pastor Manley will be combined in the program schedule.

Devotional Service at Malheur Memorial Nursing Home, 4:30 p.m.

Family hour, 6 p.m. Evening Gospel Hour, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY - Young Women's Bible Study at home of Betty Jones in Apple Valley, 9:45 a.m.

WEDNESDAY - Mid-Week service with Caravans, Teens, and Adult Bible Study, 7:30 p.m.

Chair practice at 8:30 p.m. THURSDAY - April 26 - Golden Hour Missionary Chapter will meet with Mrs. Robert Manley at 7:45 p.m.

Let us rejoice this Easter Season for the plan of Salvation that is made possible to all because of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Plan to worship Him this Easter. You are invited to meet in any of our services.

—Rev. Robert Manley, pastor

#### FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH NOTES

Members and friends are encouraged to attend the Good Friday Community Worship service at St. Paul Episcopal Church, April 20, 8 p.m.

We will be having an all day Prayer Vigil at our church on Good Friday, 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. The church will be open during this time for prayer, with the Cross appropriately draped in black. Good Friday's Liturgical color.

Easter Sunrise (Community) Service will be at the cemetery at 6:30 a.m.

Easter Festival Worship is at 11 a.m. with special music by Nancy Ross (flute) and Dustin Kassman (trumpet). Members are asked to share their Easter lilies with the church on Easter to beautify the church for worship.

We of Faith Lutheran pray God's blessing on your celebration of Good Friday and Easter, and all invited to join us at our services, Fifth and Park.  
 —Pastor William Lewis.



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