

Most Veterans Benefits Exempt From Income Tax

Veterans' benefits, such as pensions, compensation, educational aid and GI insurance dividends, are exempt from state and federal income taxation, H. C. Saalfeld, Director of Veterans' Affairs, said today. However, interest earnings from GI dividends left on deposit are taxable, he pointed out.

For retired military personnel, there were these reminders:

—Those retired for longevity and living in Oregon get a \$2,400 state tax exemption on their retired

pay but they must be age 65 or over and the exemption is reduced by the amount of their earned income. All longevity retirement pay is taxed federally.

—Disability retirement pay is entirely exempt from both state and federal tax.

For servicemen on active duty, Oregon exempts the first \$3,000 of the military pay but the full amount is subject to federal taxation.

Servicemen, as well as veterans, must file both their state and federal tax returns by April 15.

Nyssa Agency Receives Honor

Nolan Field-Waldo Company of Nyssa, Ontario and Vale has been named to the Enumclaw Roundtable according to an announcement made by the Mutual of Enumclaw Insurance Company.

Membership in the Company's honor organization for the current year was based on outstanding performance during 1974 in such areas as sales, loss ratio, and overall premium volume. As a token of their achievement, an attractive wall plaque, suitably engraved with the agency name and year of membership, was presented to the agency.

Mr. Nolan Field of this agency will serve as a member of the Agent's Advisory Committee. This group meets periodically with Company management to review plans for new products and procedures and to offer suggestions whereby service to policyholders may be further improved.

The Department of Revenue in Salem.

People may receive refunds even though they do not have to file an income tax return, but they must file the property tax refund claim.

In order to receive a refund

people must complete claim forms. Forms are included in the state income tax packets, but additional or replacement copies are available at Department of Revenue district offices or by writing to

Senior Citizens Entitled To Property Tax Refunds

Misunderstandings about the homeowner and renter property tax refund program may deter some people, especially senior citizens, from filing refund claims, according to John J. Lobdell, director of the state revenue department.

Lobdell says some senior citizens believe these refunds will become a lien on their property and will have to be paid back later.



1975 EASTER SEAL CHILD

SEVEN-YEAR-OLD SHELLY STEPHENS of Bandon, Oregon, a victim of transverse myelitis (inflammation of the spinal column which affects the nerves), has been selected as the Easter Seal child for Oregon. She is a student at the Society-operated Children's Hospital school in Eugene, where she receives therapy as well as the three R's. Shelly is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Starrett of Bandon. The annual Easter Seal sale opens February 24 and continues through Easter Sunday.

No Shortage Of People and Telephones

There appears to be world shortages of about everything these days, with a couple of exceptions—people and telephones. Put them together and you have billions and billions of telephone conversations in all tongues from Abu Dhabi, a United Arab state, to Zaire, a republic of Africa.

Naturally, or so it seems to the parents of some teenagers, the people of the United States are the world's leaders in the use of the telephone with more than 188 billion conversations in 1973, the latest reportable year, according to a booklet just released by the Long Lines Department of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company entitled, "The World's Telephones."

The United States continues to lead the world in the number of telephones with more than 138,280,000. Japan is second with 38,

697,000. England third with 19,095,000. West Germany is fourth with 17,802,000, and Russia is fifth with 14,260,000.

Another interesting comparison is telephones per 100 population. Again, the United States ranks first with 65 telephones per 100 people. Russia has but 6 per 100, and India with 1,590,000 total telephones averages only .27 phones per 100 population.

Since the Malheur Home Telephone Company's telephones connect with more than 99.5 percent of the world's telephones, area subscribers can reach such far away places as the Fiji Islands, Liechtenstein, or with 264 other nations and areas of the world.

The global total of telephones as of January 1, 1974, was 336,297,000—a 96.5 percent increase over ten years.

Oregon National Guard Director Promoted

The United States Senate recently approved the promotion of Richard A. Miller, Adjutant General of the State of Oregon, to the rank of Major General, in the United States Army National Guard.



RICHARD A. MILLER

Governor Robert W. Straub pinned Miller's new insignia of rank to his uniform during a brief ceremony at the capitol, February 13.

Miller, appointed as Adjutant General by former Governor Tom McCall in March 1973, has been active in the Oregon National Guard since 1948. He has served as a company commander, regimental plans and training chief, personnel officer, G-3 Air and Assistant Chief of Staff for the 41st Infantry Division. Later he became commander of the Division's Engineer Battalion and executive officer of the 41st Infantry Brigade. He was promoted to deputy brigade commander in 1972.

As Adjutant General, Miller is the full-time director of the Oregon Military Department, the supervising headquarters for the Oregon Army and Air National Guard. He also administers federal money and property made available to the National Guard within the State.

Only recently, General Miller was named as a member of the Reserve Forces Policy Committee of the Department of the Army. He also is the Treasurer of the National Guard Association of the United States, serving his second consecutive term.

ARCADIA

BY NELL BOWERS

ARCADIA - Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bowers visited Saturday at the Don Bowers home in Parma.

Mrs. Ted Bowers spent Friday afternoon with Nell Bowers at her home.

Mrs. Johnny Carroll was called to Olympia, Washington Friday. Her father George Sweet is in the hospital there. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Carroll are keeping the four children until her return.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Bullard entertained at dinner for Mrs. Bullard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. "Red" McCrady of Nyssa and a cousin of Mr. McCrady, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hansen of Big Fork, Montana, Friday evening. Other guests were Mrs. Bullard's sister, Janice and son Jodi, and John Holliday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bullard returned to their home Friday evening from a long stay in California.

Mr. and Mrs. George Boyack of Meridian were visi-

Vietnam-era Veterans Eligible for New VGLI

An estimated 2.7 million Vietnam-era veterans separated from April 2, 1970, through July 31, 1974, are eligible for new low-cost Veterans Group Life Insurance (VGLI), but they must apply before August 1, 1975. The new program is designed as interim protection during readjustment to civilian life, according to the Veterans Administration.

Servicemen and women discharged since August 1, 1974, receive application forms automatically, but those discharged before the insurance became available must apply, VA said.

Nonrenewable, five-year term coverage is available in \$5,000 increments up to \$20,000. Monthly premium

for the maximum coverage is \$3.40 for veterans aged 34 and under and \$6.80 for those 35 and over.

Former servicemen and women may convert Servicemen's Group Life Insurance to VGLI without medical examination if applications are received within 120 days of separation. Applications after that time must include evidence of good health. This requirement is waived for veterans with VA-rated, service-connected disabilities.

Application forms are available from VA offices and veterans service organizations. Completed forms and premiums should be sent to the Office of Servicemen's Group Life Insurance, 212 Washington Street, Newark, N.J. 07102.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION OF DIRECTORS and SPECIAL TAX LEVY ELECTION TREASURE VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT of MALHEUR AND BAKER COUNTIES, OREGON

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election has been called to be held in the Treasure Valley Community College District on Tuesday, March 18, 1975, for the purpose of electing a director for Position No. 5 and a director for Position No. 7 and for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the Treasure Valley Community College District for their approval or rejection a proposed tax levy for the fiscal year 1975-76 in the total amount of \$829,428 to finance, in part, the operating budget previously approved by the Budget Committee of the District.

The ballot title to be submitted to the voters is as follows:

TAX LEVY MEASURE SUBMITTED BY TREASURE VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT of MALHEUR AND BAKER COUNTIES, OREGON

BE IT RESOLVED, That since the Treasure Valley Community College District has no tax base, thus requiring voter approval for a tax levy necessary to finance, in part, the operating budget for the district. The district's budget committee approved an operating budget which provides for \$193,149 increase of the 1974-75 operating budget.

That portion of the proposed budget to be financed by the levy of local taxes for the tax year 1975-76 is \$829,428, which if approved will be \$111,277 greater than that portion of the operating budget financed by local taxes for the previous year.

The Board has calculated that the tax rate per \$1,000 of true cash value, if approved, shall be \$2.75.

- () Yes, I Vote For The Tax Levy
() No, I Vote Against The Tax Levy

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the election date be set for Tuesday, March 18, 1975, between the hours of 8 A. M. and 8 P. M. Local Time.

Registered Voters resident within the District 30 days prior to the election shall be entitled to vote. The voters shall place a cross (X) or a check mark (✓) in the () beside "Yes, I vote for the tax levy," or in the () beside "No, I vote against the tax levy," whichever shall indicate his choice.

Polling places will be opened at the hour of 8:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 18, 1975, and will remain open until the hour of 8:00 P.M. local time on that date when the polls will be closed and the vote canvassed.

Voters residing within the district shall cast their ballots at the following polling places.

PRECINCTS

- Ontario - Malheur County General Election Precincts: Ontario Precincts 2, 3 and 4
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- Pioneer - Malheur County General Election Precincts: Applegate Precinct and Precinct No. 39
- Cairo - Malheur County General Election Precincts: Cairo and Butte Precincts
- Nyssa - Malheur County General Election Precincts: Nyssa Precincts 1 thru 3 inclusive; Arcadia and Owyhee Precincts
- Vale - Malheur County General Election Precincts: North Vale, South Vale, East and West Grange; and Precinct No. 35.
- Willowcreek - Malheur County General Election Precincts: Brogan and Jamieson Precincts
- Adrian - Malheur County General Election Precincts: Adrian, Sunset, Big Bend and Ridgeview Precincts
- Harper - Malheur County General Election Precincts: Jones, Ironside, Harper and Westfall Precincts
- Annex - Malheur County General Election Precincts: Snake River and Farewell Bend Precincts
- Huntington - (Baker County) General Election Precinct: Huntington Precinct

POLLING PLACES:

- Treasure Valley Community College, Administration Classroom Bldg.- 650 College Boulevard, Ontario, Oregon
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- Aiken Elementary Schoolhouse 1297 West Idaho Avenue Ontario, Oregon
- Pioneer Public Schoolhouse-- Oregon Slope
- Cairo Public Schoolhouse Cairo, Oregon
- Nyssa Primary Building Multipurpose Room Nyssa, Oregon
- Vale Elementary School 604 Cottage St. S. Vale, Oregon
- Willowcreek Public School Willowcreek, Oregon
- Adrian Elementary School Adrian, Oregon
- Harper Public Schoolhouse Harper, Oregon
- Annex Elementary Schoolhouse Oregon Slope
- Huntington Public Schoolhouse Huntington, Oregon

Dated: February 19, 1975.

/s/ Robert L. Morcom
ROBERT L. MORCOM, County Clerk.

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