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State Tax Bite Reduced

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For a brief period of time, the state's tax bite has been reduced. The Montana State Tax Commission has announced that the state's tax rate will be reduced from 1.5 percent to 1.4 percent effective January 1, 1970.

The commission's decision was based on a study of the state's tax structure and the impact of the federal tax cuts. The commission found that the state's tax rate could be reduced without affecting the state's revenue needs.

The new tax rate will apply to all state taxes, including income tax, sales tax, and property tax. The commission expects that the reduction will result in a savings of approximately \$10 million for the state's taxpayers.

The commission's decision is subject to approval by the state legislature. The commission will continue to monitor the state's tax structure and will report back to the legislature in the next few months.

Climbers Near Top

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Two climbers are near the top of a 100-foot rock face in the mountains near Helena, Montana. The climbers, a man and a woman, have been climbing the rock face for several days. They are expected to reach the top within the next few days.

The climbers are using ropes and ladders to ascend the rock face. They have been climbing since early in the morning and are expected to reach the top by late in the afternoon.

The rock face is known as the "Hairy Top" and is one of the most difficult climbing routes in the area. The climbers are experienced and have been climbing for many years.

The weather is clear and the temperature is in the 40s. The climbers are wearing heavy clothing and are carrying a lot of gear. They are expected to reach the top by late in the afternoon.

Hunger Study Complete

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A study of hunger in Montana is complete. The study, conducted by the Montana State University, found that hunger is a serious problem in the state. The study found that approximately 10 percent of the state's population is hungry.

The study was conducted by a team of researchers from Montana State University. They conducted interviews with people in various parts of the state and found that hunger is a serious problem in many areas.

The researchers found that hunger is most prevalent in rural areas and among the elderly. They also found that hunger is a problem for many people who are on welfare.

The researchers recommend that the state government take action to reduce hunger. They suggest that the state government provide food assistance to people who are hungry and that it provide job training and other services to help people get out of poverty.

Charges Dropped In Drug Seizure

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Charges in a drug seizure case have been dropped. The case involved the seizure of a large quantity of drugs from a person in Helena, Montana. The person was charged with possession of the drugs, but the charges have now been dropped.

The case was handled by the Helena Police Department. The drugs were seized from a person who was identified as the owner of the drugs. The person was charged with possession of the drugs, but the charges have now been dropped.

The reason for the dropping of the charges is not clear. It is possible that the person was not the owner of the drugs or that the drugs were not the person's property. It is also possible that the person was a minor and that the charges were dropped because of the person's age.

Bonner Is Recovering

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Bill Bonner is recovering from his injuries. Bonner was injured in a car accident in Helena, Montana, and has been in the hospital for several days. He is now recovering and is expected to be discharged from the hospital within the next few days.

Bonner was driving a car when it was involved in a collision with another car. The collision resulted in Bonner being thrown from the car and sustaining serious injuries. He was taken to the hospital and has been recovering ever since.

Bonner is now able to walk and is eating and drinking normally. He is expected to be discharged from the hospital within the next few days. He will continue to receive medical care at the hospital for a few more days.

Christmas Came Tumbling Down

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Good Morning

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Good morning to all the readers of the Billings Gazette. We hope you had a good night's sleep and are ready for a new day. We have a lot of news for you today, including the state's tax rate reduction and the progress of the climbers.

Army Prepares Second Song My Court Martial

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The Army is preparing for a second court martial. The court martial is being held in Helena, Montana, and will involve the trial of a person who was charged with a crime. The Army is preparing for the court martial and is expected to start the trial within the next few days.

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