

## WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



**LOREN STEWART** has just delivered a unit of sawdust to the home of E. J. Brophy in West Roseburg. A driver for the Roseburg Lumber Company, he worked from dawn until after dark making "dust" deliveries during the recent freezing weather, to householders running perilously short of fuel.

Mr. Stewart came to Roseburg four years ago from Oakland, Calif. He and his family live at Rose Lane on the Calkins Road.

## SECOND 100 YEARS HARDEST

### Research Into Methods Of Utilizing Wood Waste Topic Here of P. M. Dunn

By JEROME SHELTON

Research to advance the methods of wood utilization are making "the second hundred years the hardest" for the lumber industry, according to Dean Paul M. Dunn of the school of forestry at Oregon State College.

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

His messages of last week, President Truman called for more spending for MORE TAXES TO PAY FOR THE SPENDING. As nearly as can be judged from what gets into the papers, the spending part of the President's recommendations is highly popular and the taxing part highly the contrary.

HUMAN nature doesn't change much from century to century. As far back as we have any record, people have liked to see it spent but haven't liked to pungle up their share of the spending.

HISTORY adds a brutally candid footnote to the effect that heavy tax spending is ALWAYS, in one form or another, taken out of the hides of the people. The politicians tell us that doesn't have to be. Experience chimes in.

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## BILLS IN BIRTH STRUGGLES

### Legislative Work So Far Confined To Deliberations In Committee Sanctums

By ESTHER M. GEDDES

Nothing particularly astounding has taken place during the actual sessions of the Legislature, so far. It seems that a good deal is transpiring in the various committee rooms, and I intend to exercise the prerogative which I share with all of you which entitles us to sit in on any of these committee meetings and find out what goes on behind the scenes in the birth struggles of a bill.

Perhaps later on I will try to write a chronological history of some bill from the time that it is only a "gleam in its sponsor's eye" on through its various readings and amendments until it is finally accepted by both houses and placed on the statute books. It may be a long and devious path to follow but with expert guidance we can make it.

The sessions thus far have been very short and often the motion for adjournment comes about 15 minutes after the speaker has called the House to order. Then the committees go to work, and then, after the doorkeepers have opened the way into the so-called bar of the House, which simply means that portion of the hall which is sacred to legislators and other duly privileged people during session, various representatives of the public come in and start contacting key men who can help put over a certain bill, or resolution.

While idly looking over the groups of people in huddles here and there around the hall I noticed a range of people from a very smartly dressed youngish Indian, to a distinct rancher-type gentleman in a heavy wool mackinaw, to a shy looking, rather shabby elderly gentleman.

But shabby, or opulent one and all find ears to talk into. After all, each one is a constituent of the district of some representative and the voice of the people is heard through such as these. And it is listened to eagerly for it is through such channels that

the lawmakers themselves are able to sense the will of the people.

## Inner-Sanctum Maintained

I mentioned the bar of the House. Along the sides of the hall are areas devoted to use as passage ways primarily, but also available to properly recognized guests of the members who can observe the proceedings in comfort. But between these areas and that used for the desks of the legislators and their secretaries is a sort of low inconspicuous counter or bar which is passed only by way of doors which are carefully guarded.

The side doors are not opened except when the head doorkeeper unlocks the main doors at the rear of the hall. When the Legislature is in session, no one is admitted to the sacred inner-sanctum, except those members and their secretaries and a few properly recognized persons.

When for some reason a visitor is present who should be specially recognized, the motion is made

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## The Weather

Considerable cloudiness today and Wednesday. Showers tonight and Wednesday.

Sunset today 5:05 p. m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 7:41 a. m.

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## Business Tax Bill Offered At Legislature

Plan Would Repeal Levy On Personal Property; Pension Bill Prepared

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR.  
SALEM, Jan. 18.—A business tax of 1 percent of gross income and repeal of the personal property tax will be submitted to the Oregon legislature.

Rep. Giles L. French, said he would sponsor the two measures, which were given little consideration by the sales tax-minded 1947 Legislature.

The business tax measure would more than offset the loss of revenue from the personal property tax repeal.

Legislative tax experts don't like the personal property tax, which is paid by merchant on their stock on hand. They say it is easy to evade and hard to collect, pointing out that many merchants arrange to have small inventories on hand when the assessment date comes around.

Pension Bill Ready  
Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, Portland Democrat, has ready a bill for a \$50 minimum old age pension, in line with the measure passed by the voters in November. The bill also provides the pension be paid whether funds are available or not.

The Senate passed and sent to the House by a unanimous vote a memorial congratulating President Truman on his inauguration. The vote was unanimous, even though two-thirds of the senators are Republicans. The memorial praised the President's record.

Bills to liberalize farm and home loans for veterans were introduced today by two Portland Democratic representatives, Phil Dryer and Howard Morgan. They would let the state bond itself up to 4 percent of the assessed value of the state, compared with the present 3 percent limit.

They also would give the loans to any veteran who lived in Oregon for two years. Now, veterans must have enlisted in Oregon to receive a loan.

The state banking department (Continued on Page Two)

## New Frigid Wave Strikes Midwest

(By the Associated Press)  
Another batch of bad weather moved into storm-harassed mid-continent today.

An area from the Eastern Rockies to the Texas Panhandle braced for a new wave of snow, sleet, rain and cold.

Forecast for the Dakotas, Montana, Nebraska and parts of Minnesota. Strong winds and snow hit the section today and sharp drops in temperatures were predicted for tonight. Lows of 15 to 25 below were forecast for North Dakota and 15 below in South Dakota and Minnesota.

Freezing rain fell today from Northeastern Texas and Oklahoma northeastward into Southern Indiana. Sleet and snow storms were in prospect for parts of the north central and southwestern states.

Meanwhile, hundreds of motorists stranded by heavy snows in New Mexico were picked up by rescue trains. They left their cars in the huge drifts, but highway crews were busy clearing roads in the path of the heavy fall of snow which blanketed the southern half of New Mexico.

Southern California's unprecedented winter cold continued today, with orchard freezing generally in the frostbitten citrus area. The State Department of Agriculture reported yesterday that citrus crops already have suffered a 26 percent loss from prolonged freezing.

Meanwhile, Los Angeles and neighboring communities continued cleaning up debris left by the weekend gale, which felled trees, broke windows and electric wiring.

## Supreme Court Ruling Favors Ex-Bund Chief

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—On grounds that there had not been a fair trial, the Supreme Court today set aside a lower court judgment canceling the American citizenship of August Klapprott, one-time president of the German American Bund.

Justice Black wrote the majority opinion in the 5-4 decision. He was sharply critical of the handling of Klapprott's case, saying:

It is clear that for 4 1/2 years this petitioner was held in prison on charges that the government was unable to sustain. No other conclusion can be drawn except that this long imprisonment was wrongful.

## Roseburg Twin Babies Flown To Grandparents

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Jan. 18.—(AP) Eighteen-month-old twin sisters were brought here yesterday from Oregon under the care of airline stewardesses to a new home with grandparents.

The youngsters, daughters of Carlos Neal of Roseburg, Ore., were left motherless 10 months ago by the death of Mrs. Neal. The girls, Irene and Mary Neal, will be cared for by Mr. and Mrs. Frank McDonald at Moravia, N. Y.

The twins left Medford, Ore., yesterday. Ross Angier, an American Airlines official, said the father had agreed to let the maternal grandparents rear the children.

## Spring Take Of Chinooks In Umpqua Halts

Complete closure for sports fishing of spring chinook salmon in the Umpqua river is announced by the Oregon Game Commission.

Reporting that the run of chinook salmon has reached an alarmingly low state, the Commission states it is preparing to embark on an extensive program restoration for these game fish.

The Game Commission plans to seek cooperation from the Fish Commission to halt commercial trolling outside the mouth of the river. Spring chinook eggs will be brought to the Rock Creek hatchery and salmon held until they are a year old to be released in the Umpqua system. Additional law enforcement is promised, and special protection for natural spawning and reproduction are other features of the long-range plan.

## Census Shows Depletion

The Commission's action to halt spring chinook sports fishing follows three years of study by Game Department biologists, and is based upon recommendations of the Rock Creek resident biologist, who is in charge of the Umpqua survey.

Newcomb reported to the Game Commission that population census on spring chinook salmon in the Umpqua system for the past three years showed 1,947 adult salmon in 1946, 2,993 in 1947, and 2,239 in 1948. Adding chinook jack salmon made the total for the respective years 2,508, 3,810 and 2,481. The study indicates, Newcomb reports, that migratory runs of chinook salmon have dropped to such a dangerous low point that every possible protection must be given or the runs will become extinct.

During 1948 sports anglers took 514 chinook salmon, although the effort expended was 39.8 hours per fish. Newcomb contends that every adult salmon preserved is a natural asset to the restoration program. The run has been so materially reduced that even with complete closure from commercial and sports fishing it is doubtful if population can be materially improved without natural assistance.

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## Criticism Of Schools Held Very Unfair

Perfection Expected Of Teachers, Despite Low Pay, Dr. Putnam Says

By JEROME SHELTON  
As one of the greatest baseball players of all time, earning \$75,000 a year, and with his bats made to his own specifications, the great Babe Ruth had a batting average only one-third perfect. There are many people who still think that school teachers, some earning as little as \$1,000 a year should "bat one thousand percent."

This was an illustration used by Dr. Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction, in an address at the annual Junior First Citizen Banquet of the Roseburg Junior Chamber of Commerce last night, to show that the schools are "the only human agency that I know of that is expected to be perfect."

The principal speaker at the banquet, Dr. Putnam's remarks were entitled, "Education, A Success." He was introduced to his audience by the Rev. Walter A. MacArthur, who served as toastmaster of the evening.

"Education is always between two extremes," Dr. Putnam pointed out. "Many think educators should undo all that has gone before and reorganize the whole system and be 'progressive.' The other extreme is 'what was good enough in the good old days is good enough now.' There's nothing so beautiful as the generation now history, especially to those who are part of that generation still alive."

He added that the two extremes are characterized by parents who would raise their children by the book or "raise them—clear off the floor."

Supposedly, he said, education is by any means—in Oregon—above constructive criticism. It is always very sensitive to constructive criticism," Dr. Putnam said. "So far as I know, education is the only public service, or any type of service, that is supposed to be perfect."

"Some criticize education because a single child can't read—or a class, or a school system," he said. "We expect teachers, the school system, to function 100 percent and to make adequate human beings of every youngster that comes out of the classroom."

Dr. Putnam criticized a newspaper article written in 1939 by Robert Babson, the economist, who asserted that the "advances" which marked the country before 1930 resulted from the quality of the schools before 1915." Dr. Putnam then read passages written at different periods during the past century, to show what working standards used to be and to point out that at "any point . . . you find people critical of our educational system."

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## Wayne Crooch Selected As Roseburg Junior Citizen No. 1 Of 1948 at Jaycees' Banquet



WAYNE CROOCH

By LEROY INMAN

Wayne Crooch, 33, engaged in the plumbing business in this city, holds the honor of being Roseburg's Junior first citizen of 1948. Announcement of the secret committee's selection by Harold E. Schmeer, who presented Crooch with the distinguished service award key, climaxed last night's third annual Roseburg Junior Chamber of Commerce's first citizen's banquet at Kenney's Dutch Mill.

Crooch has been outstanding in civic affairs during the past year. Schmeer, a charter member of Portland's Junior Chamber, listed the activities in which the honor individual has participated. A past president of the Eugene Junior Chamber before coming to Roseburg and a past district vice-president of the state Jaycees, Crooch has played an active part in all Junior Chamber activities in Roseburg.

In addition he is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, Paul Bunyans and Toastmasters. He has participated in every major financial campaign during the year in Roseburg, and is head of the Master Plumbers Association of this vicinity.

A member of the City Park Commission, Crooch actively participated in that group's part in planning and constructing the municipal swimming pool. He was said Schmeer, instrumental in ironing out difficulties with the trades in problems involving construction of the pool.

"The secret committee's choice was not an easy one," said Schmeer. "There have been other outstanding young men in the community. But when the committee had finally made its selection, the members were very well pleased in their choice."

Crooch accepted the distinguished honor with reserve. "This is one time Toastmasters didn't tell me what to say," he remarked, and added, "I am very happy to receive this great honor."

Others Given Awards  
Two other persons also received individual awards for the part they have taken in civic and principally Junior Chamber activities. Don Forbes, past Jaycee president and currently district vice-president for the State of Oregon, was presented with the keyman award, and Charley Hart, past treasurer and external vice-president, was presented with the plaque award.

After making the Junior citizen award, Schmeer, stating that "just to prove the Junior Chamber never does things half-way," called Mrs. Crooch forward and presented her with a gift box of roses.

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## Assessments For Sewer Also Adjusted

Mayor Flegel Reviews Work in 1948, Cites Problems Lying Ahead

The new building ordinance and an ordinance establishing assessments against Kinney addition sewer costs were passed by the city council, Monday night at its regular meeting in the City Hall. Mayor Flegel announced council committee appointments and appointments to the airport zoning commission.

The building ordinance will carry a "saving clause," voted by the council, which will prevent the entire ordinance from being invalidated if certain sections are found illegal. Other minor changes recommended by City Manager Matt Slankard, were approved.

The total cost of assessments against Kinney addition residents comes to \$6,832.06. Each lot affected will be assessed \$119.86, while lot owners not adjacent to new sewer installations will be assessed \$59.93 to help defray property owner costs of installing longer sewer connections between residence and new sewer lines.

First and second readings of the assessment ordinance were made, but due to the emergency nature of the subject matter, a third reading was called for after rules were suspended, after which the council passed the measure. The ordinance becomes effective immediately.

The straightening of Terrace avenue between Lane Street south to Second avenue was discussed and referred to the city manager, who will contact Minor L. Mead and Lewis Hallet, owners of property in the affected portion of the street. It will be necessary for the city to cut through their property in order to straighten the street.

Other business conducted by the council included the appropriation of \$2,000 for use by the Park Commission. This money will come out of \$5,000 already budgeted to the Commission. An easement presented by the Roseburg Woman's Club for the installation of a storm drain was referred to the city manager.

The council asked that definite steps be taken to clarify the position maintained by popcorn wagons on the city's streets. The matter was referred to the city manager for further study.

Flegel Cites Future Needs  
In a short address given before the council last night, Mayor Flegel reviewed the work performed by the group during the past year and made suggestions for the future. He congratulated the various departments for doing an "enviable job."

He pointed out that two ordinances passed during the past year should be given further consideration by the council. The first is the ordinance requiring registration of ex-convicts. The Mayor said "competent witnesses should be asked to meet with the council for further thought concerning this ordinance."

The second item asked to be considered is the "so called peddlers ordinance." Flegel sees the need for more regulation here. He reminded the council the budget year is approaching and "radical thought" here should be avoided. "The wages paid by the City of Roseburg, compare favorably with other cities of like size in the state. Additional moneys for the Park Department, and Street Department will very likely be needed and should be granted," he said. He also told the need for additional traffic lights on Jackson street.

Turning to the influx of population in Roseburg, the Mayor said "accommodations have not kept up with growth." Sewage disposal, storm water diversion, city hall facilities, library accommodations, and the possibility of purchasing the local water system are among the problems that should be considered by the council," according to Flegel.

Committees Named  
Council committee appointments include George West, Bill Adair and Harrison Winston, aviation; H. T. Carstens, Ben Croft and Hal Ayotte, expenditure.

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## Jaywalkers Warned Of Inviting Arrest

Jaywalkers who flout the traffic code by crossing streets in the middle of the block are inviting arrest by the city police. Chief of Police Calvin Baird today announced that sections of the code providing penalties for "jaywalking" are to be enforced.

He asked the cooperation of pedestrians in crossing only at authorized crosswalks, and not to cross streets from behind parked cars or in the middle of the block. He said that such persons are endangering not only their own safety, but that of others as well.

The anti-jaywalking provisions are contained in section 21 of Ordinance 1107. City police officers have been instructed to begin its enforcement immediately. Persons arrested will be arraigned in the Municipal Court, the police chief said.

## Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reisenstein

President Truman branded the outgoing Congress as the "worst in history" and got elected. The new Congress took the hint—it voted Harry a boost in salary and expense allowance.