

Each Word Spoken In Congress Costs Taxpayers Of United States 6 Cents

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WASHINGTON—Every time a member of Congress opened his mouth on the floor during past session of Congress it cost the taxpayers six cents. Spoken words filled 15,386 pages in the Congressional Record, averaging 1,550 words to the page. The total number of words was 21,000,000. The cost of printing the Record for the session was \$1,260,000.

Newsmen in the galleries figured that the 1,340 bills passed by Congress averaged about 15,000 words each. At that rate each law would cost an average of \$900. In addition to the spoken words, the appendix of the Record, where remarks of members are extended, carried some 3,500,000 words. The cost of printing these for the session was about \$500,000.

Congressmen can ask to have remarks extended by unanimous consent and in this way include

anything they think will please the folks back home. Included in the appendix are editorials from newspapers, speeches made at conventions and elsewhere, poems and essays.

Suggestion To Poets

If you have written a poem, for instance, and can't get a regular publisher to accept it, you might ask your congressman to get it published in the nation's best seller, the Congressional Record. In the appendix of the Record

for Oct. 13 were five speeches and a prose piece on Christopher Columbus, the latter included by Rep. John J. Rooney (D-N.Y.) and taken from the New York Journal-American.

An address by Eric Peterson, general secretary-treasurer of the International Association of Machinists, at the 31st annual meeting of the Illinois State Chamber of Commerce, was included by Sen. Paul Douglas (D-Ill.). Sen. Byrd (D-Va.) inserted a speech he made before the national wholesale druggists convention at Atlantic City on "The March to Socialism." Sen. Martin (R-Pa.) included a speech made by him, but read by Dr. Raymond Kestler, at the 89th Annual Pennsylvania Sunday School Convention at Johnstown.

Rep. O. C. Fisher (D-Tex.) whipped up a piece on the centennial of the angora goat in America. He pointed out that America is the leading angora producer and that more than 80 percent of the angoras in America now make their home in the southwest Texas region he represents.



PORTLAND PRIMATE PARLEYS ON PROGRAM—Right Rev. Benjamin Dagwell, Bishop of Oregon's Protestant Episcopal church, was guest of KRNR's popular program, "Linger Awhile with Carol and Lyle," Thursday afternoon. The Oregon Episcopal head was interviewed by Carol Kerr, above left and Lyle Fenner, above right. Bishop Dagwell is studying a list of questions that were about to be put to him. The taped interview was transcribed over KRNR today. Bishop Dagwell attended Cincinnati university and Seabury Divinity school. He was elevated to the top Episcopal post of Oregon in 1936. In 1930-34, he served on the National Council of Protestant Episcopal churches. He is a member of the board of overseers, Whitman college and member of the board of regents, Reed college. Bishop Dagwell was here to head confirmation of a class at the Episcopal church last night.—(Staff photo).

"DRUNKS" PENALIZED

Justice of the Peace A. J. Geddes reported disposition of the following cases which appeared before him in Justice court: Herbert John Gross, 68, Canyonville, fined \$59.50 upon a plea of guilty to being drunk in a public place. Ernest Elver Breazeale, 46, also of Canyonville, fined \$29.50 on a like charge. Both men were released upon payment of fine.

CASE DISMISSED

Based upon the stipulation of the parties, the suit instituted by Constantino Demergasso, Clementina Demergasso, Fred Corona and Tony Fosta, doing business as Eugene Chemical works, against Lewis Seeley has been dismissed as settled by Circuit Judge Wimberly.

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