

# House Votes Alaska, Hawaii Statehood, But Senate Action May Throw It Out Once More

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON—(P)—Alaska and Hawaii have moved a step nearer statehood. That doesn't mean they'll get it, at least this year.

In a week's time the House has okayed statehood for both of them. Unless the Senate also approves, and it may not, the House action means nothing.

Next year there'll be a new Congress. And, in a new Congress, what either House did in a previous Congress doesn't count.

In that case, the two territories will have to start from scratch again. Both have been seeking statehood a long time. Here's the story on both.

The U. S. bought Alaska from Russia in 1867 for \$7,200,000. It wasn't allowed to become a territory until 1912.

A territory can elect its own legislature but the President appoints the governor.

Alaska and Hawaii are each allowed one delegate in Congress. But he can't vote even when Congress is passing laws affecting his territory.

The people in a territory pay all the federal taxes but, although they're U. S. citizens, they can't vote in a national election.

The U. S. annexed Hawaii, which was then a Republic, in 1898 and made it a territory in 1900.

**Alaska Twice Texas' Size**

Alaska, twice the size of Texas with its 385,000 square miles, has a population of about 100,000 people, which is more than many of the present states had when they were admitted to the union.

Hawaii, made up of seven islands with an area of about 6,400 square miles, has a population of 540,000, of which 86 percent are U. S. Citizens.

Hawaii's principal industries are sugar, pineapples, cattle dairy products, truck crops, fish, coffee. Alaska's chief industries are furs, lumber, mining, fishing.

The people in both territories have voted in favor of statehood. Congressional committees have investigated the problem. The Democratic and Republican parties have promised statehood for both territories in their party platforms.

Real pressure to get the job done began in the middle 1930's. First real action came in 1947. In that year the House voted to let Hawaii come in. The Senate has never voted. So nothing happened.

This year the House now has voted for Hawaii again and, for the first time, for Alaska, too.

The people in both territories argue along similar lines:

They've more than served their apprenticeship as territories. They're both mature in the experience of running their territorial affairs, but, nevertheless, Congress really runs them, and makes laws for them. Yet, the people in those territories have no voice in shaping those laws.

**Pay Federal Taxes**

Although the residents of the territories have to pay federal taxes, they don't receive the full benefits from federal laws that states get. In short, both say they no longer want to be considered colonies.

In addition, they argue that statehood would strengthen this

## Improvement Plans Curtailed By Raid On Slots

JOSEPH, Ore., March 9 —(P)—This town has given up hope of building a \$25,000 community center.

The building was to have been constructed from slot machine funds. Work would have started April 1, and the building finished in time for the Chief Joseph days celebrating July 28-30.

But state police raided Wallowa county clubs and taverns Saturday night, and warned they would enforce the state law against slot machines.

Mayor Albert Daisley said that, without the slot machine revenue, it would be impossible to build the community center. "We averaged \$700 a month, and has looked forward to a monthly summer revenue of about \$1,200," Chamber of Commerce President Chester Collinsworth said.

It was the second destruction of plans in Wallowa county because of the crackdown on slot machines. Enterprize city officials earlier reported the loss of revenue would make it impossible to go ahead with their new sewer system and fire equipment.

Law enforcement has been a lively conversation piece here since the raids but there has been no hint of their effect—if any—in the contest now looming for district attorney. Keith Wilson, the incumbent, has filed for the Democratic nomination and Edward E. Grant for the Republican.

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**Salem Florist Victim Of New Forgery Technique**

SALEM, March 9 —(P)—A Salem florist is the victim of a new wrinkle in check forgery, Salem police reported.

A man entered the florist's shop, announced he was the father of a new baby, and gave the florist a check.

Then the man ordered \$2.95 worth of flowers to be sent to his wife at the Salem General hospital.

He made out a check for \$10, and got \$7.50 change.

The florist took the flowers to the hospital, but there was no woman there bearing the name the man gave. And the check bounced, with the forger having a net gain of \$7.50 for his new technique.

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## Too Much Sugar Ruining Teeth, Dentist Warns

PORTLAND, March 9 —(P)—The Oregon State Dental association, at its convention here heard a charge that the younger generation is becoming "candybolic."

That was the term used by James Robinson, executive secretary of the Southern California Dental association, for youngsters' tendency to eat sugar—in gum, candy, soda pop—all day long.

The result, Robinson said, is bad teeth.

He criticized the oldsters, too, who "are going to the dogs. People in the United States spend more money for dog food than they do to keep their mouths healthy. They spend more annually for cosmetics than for all the medical

## SALMON PACK SLUMPS

ASTORIA, —(P)—The Columbia river salmon packing industry had its third worst year in history last year, figures released by the Pacific Fishermen's Yearbook indicated.

Only 178,122 cases of salmon were packed last year, far below the 62-year average of 292,334. Only two years—1943 and 1945—were worse.

"The frequent recurrence of such failures," said packers, "is a source of growing alarm."

Smallest fish runs, winter ice in the river, longer closed periods, and a 24-day fishermen's strike were all factors in the low pack.

## U. S. Flag Again Flies On Pearl Harbor Raid Victim

PEARL HARBOR, March 9 —(P)—The American flag flies again from the battleship Arizona, grave of 1,092 of her crew who went down with her in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

Many plans were suggested for honoring these dead. Finally a simple, shining 50-foot flag pole was ordered set upon the old ship's superstructure which still shows above the water.

Adm. Arthur W. Radford, commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet said at the flag-raising ceremony: "We are here this morning to do honor to the battle ship Arizona and her splendid crew, so many of whom are still with their ship."

From today on, the Arizona will fly our country's flag just as proudly as she did on the morning of Dec. 7, 1941."

## 26,000 4-H'ers Celebrate Week

More than 26,000 Oregon 4-H club members are joining the nation this week in celebrating National 4-H club week, according to L. J. Allen, state 4-H club leader.

Oregon club members last year participated in 35,488 projects. They completed 81 percent of them. This percentage compares favorably with the 1948 club year when 77 percent of the projects were carried through to completion. The project total also shows a gain compared with the 1948 club year when slightly more than 31,000 were carried by youngsters enrolled.

The Oregon club program also reached a new all-time high in 1949 in terms of club members. There were 3,206 clubs in 1949 as compared with 2,875 for the year preceding. The club year runs from Nov. 1 through to Oct. 31 the following year.

## PLACED ON PROBATION

Eula Osborne, 25, Myrtle Creek, sentenced Saturday to serve one year in the state penitentiary by Judge Carl E. Wimberly, following his plea of guilty to a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor child last Nov. 27, was admitted to probation and released to probation officers.

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3. Add 1/2 of flour and beat. Add remainder of flour. Do not knead this dough.
4. Take a clean flour sack or food-saver plastic bag. Dip it in cold water and wring out dry. Lay it flat on table and dust with flour. Put dough in center, bring corners of sack up and tie loosely. Leave plenty of room for dough to expand.
5. Fill a good-sized container with about 3 quarts of lukewarm water. Drop dough in carefully. Set aside to rise. It will float when ready.
6. Lift dough out of water carefully and turn it into a bowl. You will have to scrape dough from cloth. Place a spoonful of dough into greased muffin pan. Sprinkle with poppy or sesame seeds if desired.
7. Set aside in warm place to rise for about 1 hour, or until double in size.
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