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AUTO INSURANCE PROPOSAL

By George Castillo

James F. Johnson, director of the state Department of Motor Vehicles, did a strange thing this month.

To friends and foes of compulsory automobile insurance, he sent a 35-page proposed insurance law on the subject. With the obvious blessing of Gov. Robert Holmes, it appears likely the bill will be presented to the 1959 Legislature for action.

The surprising thing about the action is that it just isn't the usual procedure to let the opposition know what's in store when efforts are made to introduce controversial legislation. It's like sending the enemy the detailed plans for the next battle.

But whether it's the expedient thing to do or not, the department and the governor deserve applause.

The subject of compulsory automobile insurance likely will be one of the most controversial in the next legislative session. Debate has already gone on for several years. A proposed law on the subject never got out of committee in the 1957 Legislature.

The chances for passage of such a bill in 1959 may not be any better, but the presentation of the proposal so far in advance of the legislative session is the fairest approach that could be taken. It might give the opposition a chance to masticate the proposal to pieces, but if it does become law, every benefit and drawback will have been explored. This should lead to the fairest possible law.

Suggestions Requested

Johnson says the rough draft was sent out so that the department can receive comments and suggestions. It was sent to all state legislators, legislative candidates and insurance firms.

In essence, the proposed law would require that every owner of a car submit proof of financial responsibility before the vehicle can be registered.

This proof would be (1) certificate of insurance, (2) financial responsibility bond, (3) certificate of financial responsibility deposit or (4) certificate of self-insurance for owners of 25 or more cars.

Failure to meet these requirements could result in fines and revocation of auto registrations and driver permits for a year. Out-of-state vehicle owners would also lose their rights to drive in the state for a year. Fines of not more than \$100 could be levied.

If a vehicle is involved in an accident after its license or the operator's license has been revoked, the driver cannot get a car license for a year and he must have satisfied any judgment against him.

The bill also would require the insurance commissioner to set rates taking account of safe driving records.

'Pool' Would Be Required

Another feature of the proposed law would be to require an insurance company "pool" for drivers who cannot buy insurance elsewhere. The state insurance commissioner would establish a classification and rate system to distinguish between safe and accident-prone drivers to guide premium levels.

The battle lines are drawn. Holmes and Johnson claim 85,000 vehicles without insurance are using the highways of the state and persons involved in accidents with these vehicles have no recourse.

On the other side are some insurance companies who claim it would lead to government control and politically set insurance rates. They say it will lead to new waves of litigation and higher insurance rates.

The state now has no compulsory auto insurance law, and if the number of uninsured cars is as great as noted, then a social problem exists. Perhaps this is not the solution, but it is a real step in that direction. So, every effort should be devoted by friends and foes of such insurance to appraise the proposal and honestly evaluate both pitfalls and benefits.

—Bruce Biostat—

In the old days, rebellions were like downpours. A big storm came up fast and then it was over. Lately, however, they seem to be more like drizzles.

Run through the list. In Indonesia, antigovernment forces in the scattered islands have been pecking away for months and months. The sharp phase of the revolt, in Sumatra, may have been curbed, but the harassment goes on.

In Algeria, it is now years since the Algerian rebels began their campaign for independence. As the French mow them down, others spring up to carry on.

In Cuba, all the efforts President Batista has made have failed to suppress Fidel Castro's sustained assaults. The hold seizure of many Americans is merely the latest evidence of Batista's inability to halt the annoying drizzle.

One of the remarkable things about most of these uprisings is the way a quite small minority of dissidents can go on jabbing a government's sides for months after month without being snuffed out.

Some governments, it appears, have lost the capacity to crush even the smallest uprising. In each case, the circumstances differ, but the overall result makes a pattern.

In all these instances, the unending assaults have had a terrifying wearing effect upon the governments under siege. There is the drain of men and money, and the diversion from other vital tasks. The rebels seem to be operating

on the theory that what they cannot accomplish by great numbers in a major explosion they may achieve by an unbroken series of modest attacks, with time as their principal ally.

The probability that they may bring it off is real. Already the Algerian revolt has produced reactions that toppled the Fourth Republic. Earlier this year the Indonesian government was on the brink. Batista today faces the bitter truth that his countering moves are a failure.

The nuisance value of the tireless troublemaker never seemed higher.

Navy Has Hopes For Vanguard

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Navy, which has had trouble launching a second Vanguard satellite, hopes to put up five of the baby moons before the end of 1958.

It said the present program calls for the launching of four 20-inch satellites and then topping things off by sending up a 30-pounder. The 20-inchers weigh 2 1/2 pounds.

The 6 1/2-inch Vanguard fired into orbit last March 17 weighs about 3 1/2 pounds.

The next Vanguard to be fired already is at the Air Force missile test center, Cape Canaveral, Fla., being prepared for launching, the Navy said. Dates for the next launching were not announced.



Editorial Comment

From The Oregon Press

DIMINISHING SALMON RUNS

Grants Pass Courier

"Pretty soon there aren't going to be enough salmon left to justify commercial fishing off the Oregon coast."

The speaker was a grizzled veteran at a Coos Bay fish dock. He had stopped there to buy some fresh crabs and had lingered to visit with the silver-haired old timer. He recalled that "30 years ago" fish boats would come into Coos Bay loaded with salmon. To a day catches are sparse.

The fault lies in constantly increasing fishing pressure by sports anglers, our informant said. We know what he meant, for on the Fourth of July we had driven to Cape Arago and on to the Sunset Bay state parks. The ocean was dotted with fishing boats, most of which were owned and operated by sportsmen. Only a few commercial fishermen appeared to be active, and they probably were under charter to groups of vacationists.

"They're catching the little ones," the old fisherman lamented, holding his hands about 18 inches apart to demonstrate the size of salmon now being brought in by sportsmen. He obviously felt that it was not sporting to keep these immature fish, which would grow to 25 or 30 pounders if returned to the sea.

Fishing pressure is not only acute in the ocean and bays along the Oregon coast, but along all rivers. The mature salmon are caught as they head upstream to spawn and the immature fish are hooked—as trout—as they make their way back to the sea.

The tremendous increase in outdoor recreation in recent years is blamed for fish catches that are threatening Oregon salmon. Boating has become "big business." Hundreds of Willamette valley residents, for example, piled their boats onto trailers and headed for the Oregon coast over the long holiday week-end. Five lost their lives in the ocean, because of insufficient experience in operating small boats on the choppy Pacific. Others were more fortunate, however, and returned to harbor—usually with a number of small salmon.

What we asked the veteran fisherman at Coos Bay would be suggested as a means of preserving an important natural resource: Commercial fishing for salmon, except in the Columbia river, has been banned for a number of years in Oregon streams. Yet the salmon runs continue to decline.

"The only solution I can see is for the Pacific Coast states and the federal government to join in a massive fish propagation program," he replied.

This already is being done to a greater or lesser degree in Oregon, Washington and California, but the number of anglers apparently keeps pace with the hatchery program. One innovation, now being tried by the Oregon Game Commission, may help, however. This is late opening of the trout fishing season to permit greater escapement of young salmon and steelhead en route to the ocean.

As Cole Rivers, aquatic biologist stationed with the Game Commission in Grants Pass, repeatedly has pointed out, salmon runs cannot be built up as long as sportsmen demand the right to catch fish on upstream spawning runs and also on downstream migrations.

The recreation value of salmon, both in rivers and the ocean, hardly can be overestimated. Sportsmen will spend hundreds of dollars just to hook a Royal Chinook or a fighting steelhead. Charter boat service has become an important industry in Oregon. Resorts, motels and hotels profit handsomely from money spent by these vacationing sportsmen. So do river guides.

Of greatest importance, under the circumstances, is maintenance of the salmon runs so that people will catch enough fish to encourage them and keep them "coming back." If massive propagation programs will accomplish this, we are all for them.

MORSE COULD DO BETTER
Grants Pass Courier
President Eisenhower has made a "sorry and historic mistake" by ordering U. S. troops into Lebanon.

The speaker was not Khrushchev. It was Wayne Morse, Oregon's omniscient senator. Richard Neuberger, who long ago split with Morse, when he no longer could stomach Wayne's egotism, took a more moderate stand. Although critical of the administration's long-range foreign policy, Neuberger upheld the president's action in sending U. S. Marines into Lebanon. Other prominent Democratic senators and representatives have expressed similar viewpoints, as have Adlai Stevenson and former President Harry Truman.

Morse, in attacking Eisenhower's action, charged that "no showing has been made that aggressive forces which are pressing the government of Lebanon are part of the international communist movement."

From where does Morse think the Lebanese rebels obtained their arms, if not from Russia? From where did Nasser originally obtain the military equipment and "technical advisors" to arm forces of his United Arab Republic? What country for decades has viewed the Middle East with covetous eyes—especially since the greatest oil reserves in the world were discovered there? The finger points directly at Russia in every instance.

No shots have been fired by American troops. Indeed they have been cheered by Lebanese citizens as they pushed ashore and marched through the streets.

This certainly would seem to indicate that the people of that country are not anti-American, or in revolt against their own government. Instead, most of the rebels have moved in from across the Syrian border—standard infiltration procedure under communist tactics.

Apparently Wayne Morse would have the United States stand by and permit the entire Middle East to fall into the Soviet orbit. Presumably he is unconcerned as to what then almost inevitably would happen to the tiny state of Israel. Seemingly he does not care whether or not Europe has the oil necessary for economic survival.

His one-track mind holds President Eisenhower and Secretary Dulles responsible for everything that goes wrong with American foreign policy. Morse could do the job better. He admits it.

MEN, BEWARE!
Klamath Falls Herald And News
Designers of wearing apparel are never content to let well enough alone and for obvious reasons.

Among the unhappiest women this season, of course, are the ones who tried on sack dresses and found they fit.

Some of the men are not going to be so fortunate when they inspect new fall clothes for men because the new winter styles have actually subtracted some important inches of material to achieve a slender design.

We sort of question the working in some of the releases concerning new styles for men. For example, "Early showings of men's fall and winter clothing make it quite evident that men intend to look even stiffer and taller than ever." We think it should read that clothing manufacturers intend that men will look slimmer.

Be that as it may, the manufacturers are willing to help the not-so-slim to achieve the illusion. Conservative patterns and "strong extort overtones" with the fall color spread left to the girls, will at least make the men's suits an inconspicuous background for some of the creations dreamed up for their female counterparts.

Fabrics for men will have "a soft, luxurious hand" and some of the wool blends reported by 500 manufacturers will contain dynel. This is one of the synthetics added with the idea of helping ordinary wear wrinkles to hang out of a suit overnight.

Another aid to the illusion of slimmness will be the judicious use of stripes which every woman knows can add or subtract inches from the apparent height of the wearer.

The publicity says this neater and slimmer silhouette will further flatter the masculine figure. Designers over the years have

NEW YORK (AP)— Things a columnist might never know if he didn't open his mail: That there has been only one really indispensable man in the history of the world...who?...Adam!

That in 1885 U.S. taxes averaged \$1.08 a person. This year Americans will pay more for government than they will spend on food, clothing, medical care and taxes are now the biggest single item in the cost of living.

That 24 per cent of married women under 30 don't have engagement rings yet. (I know one who lives in my house who's been married 21 years and doesn't have one...and her prospects aren't getting any better.)

That a single gram of pure silver can be drawn out into a wire more than a mile long.

That if you could leap as well as the grasshopper you could jump 600 feet, or more than 100 times your length.

That Barry, most noted of St. Bernard rescue dogs, during his career saved the lives of 40 persons lost in the Swiss Alps. (Then he ran out of brandy!)

Don't Like Dogs
That Moslems do not like dogs... to call a Moslem a dog (even a gay old dog) is almost as insulting as to call him a pig, which he also detests as his religion forbids him to eat pork.

That dragonflies have an odd love life. They can fly up to 60 miles an hour—and they mate while in flight.

That the average man's heart weighs 11 ounces, the average woman's heart 9 ounces...and any conclusions you draw from this are strictly your own.

That it certainly is unflattering to be told you eat like a horse...

Reserves Won't Be Called Now
WASHINGTON (AP)— The Pentagon said Saturday it does not plan to call up any reserves because of the movement of U.S. military forces into the Middle East.

A briefing officer gave that reply to newsmen who asked about any plans for using reserves.

In answer to another question, the officer said portions of the national emergency order issued in the Korean war still stand, although some sections have ceased to exist.

He was asked also if the President could use the still-existing emergency provisions to call up reservists. The Pentagon spokesman said under the Reserve Forces Act of 1955, the President could call up to one million ready reservists — if he declared a new emergency.

If the President wanted to call more than that or to call up inactive reservists, he still would have to receive new authority from Congress, the officer said.

flattered women into freak diets to attain the necessary slimmness required by straight-line styles. It is our personal opinion that the health of the American male is not going to be jeopardized through starvation diets so he can reach the degree of skinniness predicted by the stylists.

At least, I foresee no calorie-counting regime in our immediate future.

Army, Navy Will Spend Huge Sum In Washington

WASHINGTON (AP)— The Army and Navy plan to spend more than 65 million dollars for construction and expansion of military projects in Washington. The two largest items under consideration are a super drydock for the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and expansion of facilities at Ft. Lewis.

In testimony made public Friday Rear Adm. E. J. Pelletier, Navy chief of civil engineers, told a House appropriations subcommittee, a contract for the construction of the 31 million dollar drydock at Bremerton is expected to be awarded early this fall.

The Navy asked an initial appropriation of \$25,438,000 to begin construction of the dock which would be the Navy's only site on the West Coast capable of handling major repairs to Forrestal class carriers.

Completion of the project is expected by September, 1961, Pelletier said.

The Army program for Ft. Lewis is estimated at more than 31 million dollars. It includes construction of post engineer maintenance shops, three new rifle ranges, a refrigerated warehouse with central meat cutting plant, theater, enlisted men's service club, motor repair and park facilities and anti-aircraft artillery facilities for the Yakima training center.

SUBMITS LOW BID
PORTLAND (AP)— Harold F. Halstead of Oakridge was low bidder at \$5,400 for excavation of six exploration trenches at Cougar Reservoir on the south fork of the McKenzie river, the Corps of Engineers reported Saturday.

The government estimate on the work was \$12,700.

Fish Farm Program Nets Big Results In Washington

OLYMPIA (AP)— The fish farm program started a year ago has produced nearly four million salmon, the State Department of Fisheries reported Saturday.

Director Milo Moore said the fish farms were established in natural bays, estuaries, lagoons, ponds or lakes.

Under the program, salmon are taken directly from fresh water pools at hatcheries and placed in the salt water bays or inlets. They are held until they reach the stage of growth where they would begin to migrate. Then they are released from the holding basins to find their way into the Pacific Coastal fisheries.

The program for the first year of operation cost \$24,870 for land, construction, feed and the eradication of predators in the holding basins. Seven lakes and lagoons were planted with salmon and fed until released during the first year. An additional 35 sites are under investigation providing funds become available for construction of control gates.

Million Chinook
Moore reported a million chinook were produced in the Capitol Lake fish farm in the shadow of the state capitol; another million silver at Cranberry Lake on South Sound; 850,000 silver on Pricketts Lake on South Sound; 800,000 pink, chum, chinook and silver at Kennedy's Lagoon on Whidbey Island; 250,000 silver at Melbourne Lake near Hood Canal; and 200,000 silver at Pleasant Lake near the ocean.

Johnson Slough on Willapa Harbor will be farmed later.

Moore said other areas under consideration for establishment of fish farms include 12 ponds in the upper Columbia River watershed in addition to Palmer Lake, Cle Elum Lake and Kachess Lake in that area. The largest area considered for salmon rearing is the 10,000 surface-acre Lake Ozette.

He said small ponds are under consideration at the Elwha River and at Epperson Springs near Port Angeles, Silver Springs near Olympia, the Mud Bay Basin impoundment near Olympia, Whidbey Island at Maxwelton, Indian Lake and Samish Lake.

Under survey prior to acquisition, Moore said, are three lagoons on the San Juan Islands; three on Bainbridge Island, one at Whidbey and one near Keyport.

MISS OREGON TO BE NAMED JULY 25-27
SEASIDE (AP)—The girl who will represent Oregon in the Miss America pageant at Atlantic City, N. J., will be selected in ceremonies here July 25-27.

Contestants are: Rose Thrush, Miss Coos County; Marsha Edge, Miss Eugene; Donna Zenzan, Miss Gold Coast; Dana Ralston, Miss Hillsboro; Barbara Melum, Miss Lincoln County; Harriette Fromong, Miss Pendleton; Sandra Wheeler, Miss Portland; Raymond Snyder, Miss Springfield; Helen Hinton, Miss The Dalles; and Mary Vinton, Miss Yamhill County.

Judges for the contest will be Miss Virginia Kempston, Eugene, dean of women at Oregon College of Education; Electra Galles, Portland; Mrs. Ulah Rios, Roseburg; Miss Gail Leitch, Lawrence; D. Woodworth, Kent, Washington; and Maurice Brennan, Salem associate professor of music at Willamette University.

Contestants will be judged on beauty, talent, poise and personality.

A total of \$2,000 in Pepsi-Cola foundation scholarships will be awarded to contestants. The winner of the Miss Oregon title will receive a \$1,000 scholarship.

TRAFFIC DOWN
SALEM (AP)—Oregon's highway traffic in June was 1.3 per cent less than in June, 1957, the Highway Commission said here.

During the first six months of this year, rural traffic was 7 per cent greater than in the similar period of last year, while urban traffic was 2.1 per cent higher.

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way of constructive and decisive action from United Nations. It's a rather weak reed to lean on — unfortunately.

I suppose you've noted the anti-American "demonstration" in Moscow.

An "angry" mob of Russians gathers in front of the American embassy and screams "GET OUT OF LEBANON" and throws stones and ink bottles. Russian troops are called and quiet the mob of some 20,000 persons after all the windows in the first three stories of our embassy building were smashed.

Don't pay too much attention to that as a sign of American unpopularity. It's a part of the communist war of nerves. It wasn't spontaneous. It was PUMPED UP for a purpose. The communist authorities passed the word to their stooges to go and do it, so they went and did it.

Dedicated communists are disciplined and obedient. Therein lies a lot of communist Russia's power to do mischief in the world.

What is it all about? It's a tangled mess. But here are the fundamentals: Russia's purpose is to conquer the world for communism.

Our purpose is to PREVENT the communication of the world. We want to live in a FREE world. We'll fight, if we have to, to keep a free world to live in.

There are minor complications. Khrushchev is a big Caesar. He wants to STAY big. Tito and Nasser are little Caesars. They want to get bigger. If it will serve their purpose, they will throw in with Khrushchev. Or, if they think it will serve their purpose better, they will throw in with us.

Our NATO allies want to remain free but with the possible exception of Britain they would like for us to do the bulk of the fighting to keep them free.

That's about the size of it.

BUSINESS PICKS UP
MILWAUKIE, Ore. (AP)—The Oregon Saw Chain Co. says business has picked up enough to rehire half of the work crew laid off last spring.

Eighty men will go back to work immediately and the remainder will be re-hired in the next few months, the firm said.

Science Shrinks Piles New Way Without Surgery Stops Itch—Relieves Pain

New York, N. Y. (Special)— For the first time science has found a new healing substance with the astonishing ability to shrink hemorrhoids, stop itching, and relieve pain—without surgery.

In case after case, while gently relieving pain, actual reduction (shrinkage) took place. Most amazing of all, results were so thorough that sufferers made

astonishing statements like "Piles have ceased to be a problem!"

The secret is a new healing substance (Bio-Dyne)—discovery of a world-famous research institute, whose assistance is now available in supplementary or over-the-counter form under the name Preparation H. At your druggist. Money back guarantee. *Reg. U.S. Pat. Off.

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