

Revised Oregon Constitution Ready For Initiative Petition

SALEM (UPI) — A new Oregon constitution, which would make the secretary of state first in line of succession to the governor, was prepared Wednesday for submission by initiative petition.

The document was prepared by nine members of the 17-member Constitutional Revision Commission which voluntarily reactivated at the request of the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Revision.

The citizens plan to spearhead the initiative drive.

Still unresolved is the legal question of whether an entire constitution can be initiated.

The citizen's committee decided to try, and to fight the battle in the courts if necessary.

Amendments Adopted

At Wednesday's meeting, the amendments in the original draft which had been approved by the House during the 1963 legislative session.

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The most significant changes approved Wednesday dealt with the secretary of state, and legislative apportionment.

The group voted to depart from both its original plan, and the House version, and to adopt the "Alaska System."

Under this system voters would elect the governor and secretary of state as a team, just as the president and vice president are selected in national elections.

At present, the president of the senate is first in line of succession to governor.

Commissioners felt the successor should be elected on a statewide basis, and that the governor should have the assistance of a constitutional officer who was elected as part of his team.

The third constitutional officer would be the controller.

Solves Problem

Adoption of the "Alaska System" would solve the highly controversial plan originally proposed by the commission.

which would have vested all the executive power in the governor.

In the heated apportionment issue, the commission went along with the Senate plan which slightly favors the thinly populated areas of the state, and sets maximum house membership at 65, and top Senate membership at 35.

Dropped as unnecessary was a sentence inserted by the House which asserted "the people have at all times a right to alter, reform or abolish the government in the manner they think proper."

Mention of the death penalty was taken from the constitution, and left up to the legislature. It is expected the final draft will be ready in December.

The legal test may come if the secretary of state refuses to accept the initiative filing, or if it is questioned later.

Rotarians Hear Health Official

"Advances in psychiatric care are now saving Oregon taxpayers over \$3 million per year."

So stated Dr. Joseph H. Treleven, administrator of the Oregon State Division of Mental Health, at a Rotary Club luncheon today in the Umpqua Hotel.

Dr. Treleven's topic was "The Cost of Mental Health Services."

"If we hospitalized patients at the same rate as we did in 1953, we would now have 5,000 patients in Oregon hospitals instead of the present 3,600 and the cost to the taxpayer would be three and a third million more dollars per year," he said.

The state official is scheduled to make a second Roseburg talk tonight at 8 at Roseburg Woman's Club, 747 SE Mosher. The topic will be "Revolutionary New Concepts in the Field of Mental Health." This meeting is sponsored by the Mental Health Association of Douglas County.

Treleven told Rotarians "providing adequate mental health services is basically an individual responsibility which must be carried out at the community level. The main job of a state mental health agency is to point out the problems and to assist local groups in developing adequate services."

As administrator, Treleven is responsible for all state mental hospitals, the home for the retarded and the Alcohol Studies and Rehabilitation Center. He also has some responsibility for the 17 mental health clinics throughout the state.

Tonight's meeting at the Roseburg Woman's Club is open to the public. There is no admission charge and free literature is available, associations officials said.

SHRINE EVENT SET

Nativity Shrine No. 10, Order of White Shrine of Jerusalem, will hold a Mexican supper and fiesta on Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Masonic Hall in Ashland. Members are asked to bring "white elephants" (wrapped for gifts at various games. All sojourners, master Masons and their families are invited.

City Police Probe Tavern Burglary

Roseburg City Police are investigating a burglary at the Idle Hour Tavern, 216 NE Jackson St., sometime in the early hours of Wednesday morning.

Approximately \$80 was taken from coin boxes of shuffleboard, music and cigarette machines, which were forced open by means of a screwdriver. A box of cigars also was missing.

The burglary took place sometime after the tavern closed about 2 a.m. Wednesday. It was discovered when the business was re-opened that day.

The culprit or culprits left a trail of blood, apparently from a cut of some nature on window glass broken to gain entry.

The tavern was entered from the adjoining Loggers' cafe which, in turn, had been entered through a window which was broken. Evidence showed glass in a door to the cafe, at 218 SE Jackson, had been broken, but entry there was unsuccessful because of wire mesh inside.

Then glass in a window had been broken to enter the cafe. The tavern was entered through an interior window between the two places of business. Blood was found on the coin operated machines and elsewhere in the building.

Steve Skenzick Named Newsboy For September

Steve Skenzick, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Skenzick of 502 NE Hewitt Ave., Roseburg, was selected News-Review "Newsboy of the Month" for September. Young Steve has route 22, serving

Tristan Islanders Reject Comfort To Return Home

SOUTHAMPTON, England, (UPI) — A party of 198 men, women and children turned their backs today on the comforts of modern England to return to the rugged, simple life of Tristan de Cunha island in the South Atlantic.

They were scheduled to start the long voyage to "the loneliest island in the world" aboard the chartered Danish ship Bornholm.

The group was the main body of the island's total population, which was removed two years ago when a volcano eruption forced them to leave their tiny British-administered island.

Two advance parties totaling 64 men have gone ahead to prepare the island to be lived on again, now that the volcano has subsided.



STEVE SKENZICK top carrier

the Clover Lane-Russell Avenue, Kerr-Stephens street area.

Customers in this area are evidently mighty pleased with their service as not one complaint was voiced during the 30-day period, thus entitling Steve to 50 points a day toward his impressive total of 9,200 points for the month. Selection of "Newsboy of the Month" is based on a point total and entitles the winner to a cash bonus.

During September, Steve increased his route from 88 customers to 95 and with all this collecting to do, had his books in order and his bill paid by the fifth of this month. Points are given for good service to customers, increasing of routes and prompt paying of bills.

National Newspaper week recently concluded had special significance to young Skenzick as it was during this period he was notified of his selection as the top carrier of the month.

Robert Wayne Prall, 19, formerly of Eugene, has been returned to Roseburg on release from the Oregon State Penitentiary to face a charge of burglary not in a dwelling.

Prall is accused in connection with a burglary at the Derrick Service Station No. 2 here about a year ago. He and a companion were returned here from Las Cruces, N.M., to face the charge, but was released to Eugene at that time to face action on a Lane County warrant.

The sheriff's department reports the arrest of James Wayne Hollingworth, 18, Rte. 1, Box 260, Myrtle Creek, on a charge of giving liquor to a minor.

Harry Lester Shippen, 36, Canyonville, is being held on a charge of assault and battery. Ruby Junior Seroggins, 19, Winston, is booked for disorderly conduct, on arrest by Winston police.

Released From Prison, He Faces New Charge

Tristaners learned to eke out a living by fishing, raising sheep and growing potatoes. The modern developments of 160 years passed them by and until they arrived in England they had never seen such things as television, automobiles, trains, neon lights, cement sidewalks, movies or nylon stockings.

When experts declared Tristan de Cunha once again safe for occupancy, the islanders voted overwhelmingly to return and the British government stated making the necessary arrangements.

Eleven Tristaners chose to remain in England. Five others died here, mainly of pneumonia and related ailments attributed to the harsh winter weather. Eight babies were born during the islanders' stay in England.

Victor Rogers, 50, his wife and their three children are among the islanders who chose to face the cold weather and complexities of modern life in Britain.

"We are happy to stay," Rogers said. "My younger children will get a better education. Life is much easier on Tristan."

The rocky island was inhabited in the early 1800's by fishermen, shipwrecked seamen and other persons who arrived by chance at the isolated spot off the normal shipping lanes and lacking a harbor.

Driver Found Guilty

Lewis C. Moseley, 55, Eugene, was found guilty by District Court Judge Gerald R. Hayes of drunken driving on trial Wednesday. He was fined \$50 and \$5 costs and sentenced to 30 days in the county jail. However, he was given credit for two days served and the remaining 28 days were suspended.

Crash Claims Woman

PORTLAND (UPI) — A two-car crash east of here Wednesday night killed Mrs. Bertha Arnold, 77, of Portland.

Delbert E. Mitchell, 63, of Brush Prairie, Wash., died Monday at a Roseburg hospital after a lengthy illness.

Mitchell was born Aug. 31, 1900, in Kansas. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Army. He had worked as a logger and had never been married.

Survivors include one brother, Lewis Mitchell of Golden, Colo.; two sisters, Mrs. Donald Martin of Coeur D'Alene Idaho and Mrs. Vern Norlinder of Portland; and two half-sisters, Mrs. Lee McKay of Amity and Mrs. Carmie Miller of White Salmon, Wash.

Graveside funeral services will be held at the cemetery of the Veterans Administration Hospital at 10 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Verne Robinson, chaplain, officiating.

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Sutherland Church Begins Revival

The First Church of the Nazarene in Sutherland is currently presenting a Fall Revival series which will end on Sunday, Nov. 3. The series started on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., time for each of the evening services.

According to Bernard E. Longenecker, last pastor, the evangelist-singer team comprised of the Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Geeding of Fletcher, Mo., will be featured for most of the series. On Friday night of this week, the Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Cook, missionaries recently returned from Trinidad, will speak and show colored slides of Trinidad. All services are being held at the church located on Branton Ave. at 6th St.

The Rev. and Mrs. Geeding are ordained evangelists in the Church of the Nazarene who give their full time to the work of evangelism. Mr. Geeding has pastored in the denomination for the past 19 years. Mrs. Geeding plays the piano and piano accordion, leads the singing and sings special numbers. The Rev. Mr. Geeding is a chalk artist of rare talent and presents beautiful hymn illustrations throughout the revival services, Longenecker reports.

The Geedings have toured the North American Indian District and usually devote one service during the revival period to the cause of missions, emphasizing the cause of world evangelism. The public is invited to attend any or all of the services.

Closed Fire Season Ends On State Lands

The closed fire season has been ended for forest lands in Douglas County.

State Forester Dwight Phipps Wednesday announced the termination of closed fire season in all areas west of the summit of the Cascades. Also included is that portion of the Rogue River National Forest east of the summit and also all of Wasco County.

Umpqua National Forest and Douglas Forest Protective Association offices at Roseburg were notified that the termination would go into effect at midnight Wednesday.

The state forester's order means that building permits are no longer required and state regulations covering forest operation permits are lifted.

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Bonneville Energizes New Gardiner Station

The Bonneville Power Administration this week closed the switches energizing its new substation at Gardiner.

The substation is rated at 30 million volt-amperes and will transform electric power from the new 115,000-volt transmission line serving the area down to 13,800 volts.

This power is then transferred to the new Central Lincoln PUD substation at Gardiner which will serve the International Paper Co. complex in that area.

The PUD's new substation is a 5 million-volt-ampere station transforming power from 13,800 volts to 12,470. It has been constructed to supply power for the new paper mill at Gardiner as well as the plywood plant, sawmill and unloader which make up the International Paper Co. forest products complex in Gardiner. In addition, the new PUD substation will also serve the residential and commercial loads of that community and will be capable of serving a portion of the Reedsport area in cases of emergency. The station will supply power as far north as Tahkenitch Lake and will include International Paper Co.'s water pumping system in that area, PUD officials said.

No Sustained Blow Expected

According to the Weather Bureau station at the Roseburg airport, no sustained "big blow" is expected in the area today despite reports of gale warnings on the Oregon and Washington coasts.

Gusts of 32 miles per hour were experienced in Roseburg around 8 o'clock this morning and gusts up to 40 miles per hour are expected here later in the day. Winds of 80 miles per hour on the Washington coast and 50 miles per hour on the Oregon coast were recorded this morning but there is no way of predicting when following gusts will hit inland, Weather Bureau officials report.

In any event, there is no indication of a need to "batten down the hatches" at this time, according to the bureau. Any high winds are expected to be in the form of gusts only.

Smith Pleads Innocent To Disorderly Conduct

Bruce Linell Smith, 18, of 1167 NE Walnut St., Roseburg, pleaded innocent to disorderly conduct and his trial was set for Dec. 11, on appearance before Roseburg Municipal Judge Warren Woodruff Wednesday.

A companion, Edward Lewis Thomas, 19, of 1581 SE Hope St., Roseburg, pleaded guilty to the same charge and was fined \$35 and \$5 costs. He was committed in lieu of bail. The pair was arrested at a local restaurant on a private complaint, when they allegedly refused to leave the premises when requested to do so.

Laura H. Barnett

Laura H. Barnett, 79, of North Myrtle Road, Myrtle Creek, died Wednesday morning at her home after a short illness.

Born Oct. 14, 1884, in Joplin, Mo., she had resided the past 12 years in the Myrtle Creek area, coming there from Cave Junction. She was married to P. J. Barnett Oct. 10, 1934, at Fort Morgan, Colo.

Surviving are her husband; two sons, Theodore S. Smirl, Portland and Ehrman F. Smirl, Winston, and one sister, Mrs. Mary Gale of Harper, Ore.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at the chapel of Ganz Mortuary, Myrtle Creek, with the Rev. Don Boldt of the Tri-City Conservative Baptist Church officiating. Interment will be in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery at Myrtle Creek.

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