

# Oregon Governor Mark Hatfield Takes 'Pause That Refreshes'

SALEM (UPI) — Oregon Republican Gov. Mark Hatfield paused today to take a look at the first year of office behind him.

He liked what he saw but said there is much more work to be done.

In an exclusive interview, he listed what he considers the top three accomplishments, so far, of his administration.

They are: (1) The economic upswing in the state; (2) Reorganization of state government to date; and (3) Acceleration of a program to attract outstanding citizens to government service, both Democrats and Republicans, from all walks of life.

He said the state now presents a picture of "favorable business climate, a stepped up program."

**Institutions Cited**

Hatfield also was very pleased with major developments in state institutions. He said that, for example, when he took office there was a waiting list of about 400 for Fairview home for the mentally retarded here. He said that in a few months, there will be no waiting list.

Improvement of existing facilities and establishment of Mid-Columbia home at The Dalles were factors.

Hatfield said that his biggest problem in the first year as governor was the 1959 Legislature. He ran up a record for vetoes.

The biggest disappointment in the Democratic-run body was "its inability to develop a tax program," he said. Hatfield had urged the Legislature to broaden Oregon's tax base with either a net receipts tax or a sales tax but neither materialized.

He added he has "great expectations" for a Republican Legislature in 1961.

**Image Not Clear**

Hatfield said in some areas of the nation the image of Oregon "is not too clear."

"In fact," he added, "the farther east you go, the less clear it is." He did say that Oregon does project some very favorable individual images and cited education, business, politics ("an image of independence"), state beauty and sports achievement.

"One of the less favorable images is taxation," he said. "There is an unfounded image that Oregon has the highest personal and business taxes in the country. This must be dispelled."

"Another image that must be changed, also unfounded, is one involving climate. You hear it said that it rains too much here. Well, for instance, the average rainfall in Washington, D. C. is greater. We must also dispel that image."

**"Only Beginning"**

The governor said that state government, as he promised, has become more efficient.

He cited these: Wiser spending

in welfare, a half a million dollar saving in the second quarter of 1959 over the same period of 1958; paying of the National Guard budget by \$90,000; elimination of 45 positions in the Tax Commission, reorganization of the Employment Department with reduction in employe numbers by 65, and also one administrator in lieu of a three-member commission; simplification of the state tax form, a saving in printing costs of \$7,000. These are examples, he said, not totals.

"This is not the end, this is only the beginning."

Not that his administration hasn't been criticized by the public. According to the trend of his mail, the biggest complaint in 1959 was his recommendation of repeal of the 1953 anti-picketing law. The Legislature repeated it.

**Neuberger Race Out**

Hatfield also took time out to put down talk that he might bid for the seat of U.S. Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) next year. "I have no plans for entering that race," he said.

One of his biggest projects is to bring new industry to Oregon, with an eye to creating more jobs. "This is the key to everything, to a diversified economy. It is the very life of the state."

Another step in that direction is a trip to Chicago, Boston and New York next spring for personal meetings with industry leaders. He will head a delegation of Oregon business leaders.

Looking toward the sixties, he declared, "the stage has been set. We must accelerate what has been started. In this way Oregon can and must expand and grow for the benefit of all its citizens."

# Bedtime Snack Enjoyed By Duo Wed 81 Years

FAIRVIEW, Utah (UPI) — A bedtime snack of a piece of candy and a breakfast of meat and potatoes is part of the daily regimen of the long-lived Peter Petersons, believed to be the nation's longest-married couple who observed their 81st anniversary today.

It's a formula that has worked. For Peterson, 99, and his wife Celestia, 98, fully expect to "be around for a while longer so we can both live together when we pass the century mark."

"We're in better health now than we were a year ago, and it looks like we're going to make it," Peterson said.

A year ago the Petersons' 80th anniversary turned into a community celebration at Fairview, a central Utah farming community where the couple has lived all but 10 years of their lives.

Today, their anniversary celebration had "much less fuss." It was confined to only most of their 257 descendants!

# Market Quotations

By United Press International

PORTLAND DAIRY	NEW YORK STOCKS
PORTLAND (UPI) Dairy market:	NEW YORK (UPI) — Stocks came under pressure in generally routine first hour turnover today.
Eggs—To retailers: Grade AA extra large, 48-51c; AA large, 45-48c; A large 43-44c; AA medium 40-42c; AA small 39-33c; cartons 1-2c additional.	The market displayed scattered strength in a firm opening, but many issues fell from their best levels in subsequent trades, especially in the rail and steel sections.
Butter—To retailers: AA and grade A prints, 72c lb.; carton, 1c higher; B prints, 70c.	Steels dipped on the suspension of steel negotiations and losses ran to more than a point in Youngstown and a half or more in Bethlehem and U.S. Steel. Republic was unchanged after a firm opening.
Cheese (medium cured)—To retailers: A grade cheddar single daisies, 43-51c; processed American cheese, 5-lb. loaf, 43-43 1/2c.	In the rails, Southern Railway, Pennsylvania and Union Pacific gave up fractions.
PORTLAND LIVESTOCK	Electronics had some good gainers. These included Ampex up more than 2 and Zenith ahead more than a point.
PORTLAND (UPI) (USDA) — Livestock:	Ford was up 1/4. Other motors were firm.
Cattle for week 2575; few lots choice fed steers 25.50-26.75; mixed good-choice under 1100 lb. 26.25-26.50; good under 1100 lb. 23.50-25.50; fed heifers standard-good 21-23.50; canner-cutter cows 10.50-12; cutter-culler bulls 16.50-20.50.	PORTLAND GRAIN
Calves for week 300; good-choice vealers 26-32; few to 33; standard 20-27; cull-utility 11-20.	Coast Delivery Basis
Hogs for week 2175; 1 and 2 butchers 180-235 lb. 14.25-14.50; two lots 14.75; mixed 1, 2 and 3 at 13.50-14; sows 300-500 lb. 9-11.50.	White wheat 2.00
Sheep for week 2225; good-choice woolled lambs 16.50-17.50; shorn 15.50-16.50; good-choice feeder lambs 14-15.50; cull-good ewes 3-6.	Soft white hard applicable 2.00
Flynn's Widow Lists	White club 2.00
Theft Of Gold Bracelet	Hard red winter, ordinary, 2.00
LAS VEGAS (UPI) — Patrice Wymore, widow of the late Errol Flynn, reported to police Thursday that someone stole from her Desert Inn dressing room a \$700 gold bracelet and a \$1,200 check.	Hard white baart, ordinary 2.95
Miss Wymore currently is appearing in a singing and dancing act at the desert resort nightspot.	Oats no bid
	Barley 45.00.
	Hospital Doll Funds
	For Elevator Motor
	A beautifully-garbed doll, the size of a two-year-old tot, will be given away Dec. 23 by the Sisters of St. Francis at St. Joseph's Hospital here.
	The doll's complete wardrobe was made by the hospital seamstress, it was said.
	Funds raised from sale of tickets on the doll will be used to purchase a new motor for the hospital elevator.

# French Songbird Edith Piaf Prefers Singing 'To Death'

PARIS (UPI) — "If I stop singing I die."

The words were those of Edith Piaf, 44, the frail and tiny singer whose nightly appearance on a tour of provincial music halls is a nightly brush with death.

Doctors and friends plead with her to halt the tour before she collapses and ends forever the haunting voice that has enchanted her fans on both sides of the Atlantic. But still she goes on.

Paris newspapers pleaded with her in their editorial columns today to take a rest before she kills herself. The tabloid Paris-Jour, favorite of the French capital, headlined an article in Thursday's paper: "Edith Piaf Must Stop."

It published a photograph of her showing her haggard face. She was holding onto the hands of two friends as she left a theater early this week where she came close to collapsing on the stage.

"It is a tragic combat, with its alternatives of brutal defeats, of uncertain victories," Paris-Jour said. "But no one has ever seen the face of Edith Piaf's adversary. It is death which she confronts each evening with song."

She is suffering from a recurrence of the general fatigue and illness that plagued her during her U. S. tour last spring, possibly the lingering effects of a major operation she underwent at the time.

Her famous voice falters and she clutches the stage piano but to an audience in Evreux she asked: "Have you come to see me collapse on the stage? Then you've come at the wrong time. I'm in top form."

She sang then, with heartbreak in her voice and a desperate kind of glory in her eyes, songs which she has made her trademark around the world. It was not the voice of old, but it was the tremendous acclaim of old.

# City Considers Reappointments To Local Boards

City commissioners last night considered the reappointment of 14 La Grande residents to eight commissions and boards for a new term beginning Jan. 1, 1960. Formal action, however, will not be taken until all the members up for reappointment have been contacted.

Only one new name was proposed as a replacement on the various groups.

Herman Skala was recommended by Commissioner Bill Herrmann as a candidate for the Civil Service Commission. The appointment would be for six years.

Mrs. Henry (Roberta) Bates was listed for reappointment to the Library Board on the recommendation of board members. Mrs. Bates was appointed to the board to fill out a term that was vacant.

Other commission and board members whose terms will expire are: Planning Commission, Dr. Roy L. Skeen and Lynn Anderson; boxing commission John R. Garrity, Dr. Fred Otten, Grant Millering, E. R. Quinn and Don Ragsdale; airport commission, Norman Daniels; Civil Service Commission, Walter R. Parker; Budget Committee, A. B. Olson and C. Powell Graham; Board of Adjustment, J. L. Sinden; and Gas Board of Examiners, Ralph Jones.

# Lyndon Johnson Offers Oregon Aid

PORTLAND (UPI) — Senate Majority Leader Lyndon Johnson (D-Texas) has offered to work with Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) in establishment of national seashore parks in Oregon and Texas, Neuberger said today.

The Senate Interior Committee plans to hold hearings on the proposed Padre Island National Park this month in Corpus Christi, Tex. The park is included in the administration's bill for creation of three national seashores.

"We feel about Padre Island as you do about the Oregon Dunes," Johnson said, "and I welcome the opportunity to work with you in a parallel effort toward these ends."

# Mailman Arrested For Failing To 'Deliver'

NEW YORK (UPI) — Mailman Horace W. Carpenter, 44, was arrested Wednesday and charged with throwing 15,000 letters and other pieces of mail into the trunk of his car instead of delivering them.

Officials said some of the letters bore postmarks a year old. They said Carpenter, who has been a mailman for 14 years, complained his route was too long and his feet hurt.

# Yes, It Happened At Circus; Man Run Over By Bear

MIAMI BEACH (UPI) — Walter Klausner was run over by a bear Wednesday night.

The Ringling Bros. Barnum & Bailey Circus trainer was struck from behind by one of his not too well trained bears at a performance here.

The bear was riding a motorcycle around the circus ring when he veered into Klausner, sending him to a hospital with leg abrasions. The bear was unhurt.

A national television audience also saw the spill.

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# U.S. Commies Meeting Behind 'Closed Doors'

NEW YORK (UPI) — Behind closed doors in the ballroom of the Theresa Hotel in Harlem, delegates to the 17th national convention of the Communist party U.S.A. today grappled with problems ranging from ways to rejuvenate the party to the "struggle for world peace."

The proceedings were carried on more or less in secrecy. Reporters were barred from the ballroom. The 225 delegates and alternates showed green identification cards containing a number, but not a name, as they were admitted.

**FIRE REPORTED**

BEND (UPI) — A woods fire, a December rarity, which covered about a quarter of an acre in the Deschutes National Forest three miles south of Chemult was reported this week.



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