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Changes in the Legislative Procedure

The Oregon legislative interim committee, created by the 1951 Oregon state legislature, has come up with 13 proposals to remedy long legislative sessions and to expedite the making of bills. The committee has held two meetings, one in Salem on March 7 and one in Portland on November 17. Long sessions are not only a financial burden on members of the legislature, but are hazardous so far as wise measures are concerned, because in the rush to end a long session, the chances are enhanced for unwise legislation.

The proposals listed by Thomas R. Mahoney, state senator include:

- (1) Limitation of legislative consideration to only those committee bills submitted by the rules and ways and means committee;
- (2) Creation of a joint house and senate tax committee;
- (3) Provision for an enlarged staff of attorneys and bill draftsmen to expedite the preparation of bills;
- (4) Provision for a calendar announcement three days in advance of each committee hearing on a controversial bill;
- (5) Adoption of uniform house and senate rules, with emphasis on a uniform deadline for introduction of bills;
- (6) Emphasis on joint ways and means committee efforts to settle upon blanket salary-adjustments early in the session, instead of near the close;
- (7) Reduction of the number of general sessions of both houses to allow more time for committee meetings;
- (8) Adoption of a schedule to limit Senate general sessions to the morning and house general sessions to the afternoon (or vice versa), so as to enable members to familiarize themselves with activities of the other chamber and to procure more uninterrupted time for committee meetings;
- (9) Arrangement of a more equal distribution of the workload among members, with a particular view of lightening assignments of members of the joint ways and means committee;
- (10) Inflexible enforcement of a rule restricting the introduction of bill in behalf of state departments to 20 days after the convening of the Legislature;
- (11) Provision for an unofficial meeting of the ways and means committee in advance of the convening date of the legislature, and
- (12) Provision for elimination of actual roll calls on unimportant or non-controversial measures, unless the roll call is demanded by at least two members. (It is envisioned that merely the first and last names would be called, as is frequently done under suspension of rules, with the journal to show the roll call.)

Not Getting Picture of Korean War

Despite the fact that many thousands of American boys have been called to serve on the Korean front, the American people have never gotten a true picture of the situation there, which is largely the result of unwise army censorship. We don't get the straight news because we are told the army does not want to give any aid and comfort to Russia, but if the American government has not given the communists plenty of aid and comfort since 1943, when we accepted Russia as our so-called ally, we don't know what we are talking about.

News sources and newspapers have repeatedly claimed that those who are usually appointed censors have no newspaper background and don't know a news story, unharmed as it may be to the cause we are fighting for. This is one of the reasons we would go along on the desirability of the coming visit of President-elect Eisenhower to the Korean front. We hope that whatever Eisenhower finds wrong, that he will return to tell the American people as the head of any democracy should do.

We have heard that those who have been discharged after fighting on the Korean front are required to sign a form before their release. And this form swears the ex-soldiers to secrecy regarding any military failure, or military operation. This charge has been printed in the newspapers and if there were not something wrong with the situation over there, why would the returning boys be required to sign such a release?

It is understandable why certain military operations cannot be reported, but we believe as others that the individual has a right to condemn the failures and the busts that have been made.

It seems to us that signing such releases is unconstitutional because it denies the right of free speech. Yet we find those who are risking their lives for a cause they have to guess about, being denied the right of free speech by the military. If this condition prevailed anywhere outside of a democracy we could understand it. All of which makes us wonder, if in the cold war we are not aping some of the tactics of the dictator controlled countries.

Our losses over a two year period have passed the 120,000 mark. We think it is high time the American people be told the truth.

Traffic Lights

Proper use is not being made of the traffic lights installed a couple of years ago at the intersection of Main and the highway. Only half of the lights are being used and the situation is particularly hazardous to pedestrians trying to cross the highway. In walking across the longest intersection, going toward the SP depot, one has to more or less guess and take chances in crossing the highway. Even in crossing the shorter side of 9th or the highway, the pedestrian has to guess more or less when it's safe to cross.

The auxiliary lights installed at the side of the highway are not being used. Motorists have to depend on the overhead lights, but even then car drivers can proceed with less chance of an accident than the pedestrian.

To Avoid Power Rationing

If the Northwest is to avoid power rationing at a later date, which seems inevitable unless warm rains fall, it is essential that the public start conserving power. The neon signs at night do not reflect any effort to cut corners on the power situation, but some attention should be given saving power, even in small amounts.

In driving home from Portland Saturday, there was no evidence that any Oregon community was trying to save, so far as turning off neon lights was concerned.

If we don't conserve now, we might face a critical situation later.



MENU

A CABIN IN THE WOODS

Would you come with me a hunting
To a cabin in the woods?
We will leave life's cares and troubles,
Other people and their moods.

We will find it calm and peaceful
In this life without a care;
We will know a different sunshine
And a cleaner, fresher air.

There we'll spend our time a hunting
Or just sitting in the sun,
For we'd not spend all our time
By hunting with a gun.

You'll find content and happiness
For which we always strive;
You'll forget your trials and troubles
And be glad that you're alive.

There will be no need for stimulants
Like whiskey and its kind;
For you'll thank your stars o'er
And over

For a healthy, stronger mind.
For me it's not just the hunting
Or perhaps the trophy gain;
But to stop to think and ponder
And consider the inner man.

And when our vacation is over
We'll carry with us a dream
Of a little cabin back in the woods
By a sparkling mountain stream.

—Emery Harris

Pinkies, Kindness

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Christmas and was planning to give him a tool set. The parents in the film had taken away tools from their child.

He admitted, however, there was a stopping place, and this came when his girl liked to use him for a "rug."

(What he probably meant was that at the right time scolding a child is important and with the proper reasoning.)

When Hubbard's girl came up from behind and hit him and said, "Daddy, I don't like you, you're naughty," he said he replied, "Well you're not such a gem yourself."

(The pinkies, in case anyone wants to know, is an old fashioned case of pressure applied at the right spot at the right time.)

On the subject of marital relations, he warned women against marrying "mama's boys" and men against marrying "man haters." He admitted it was difficult, however, to find these things out before marriage.

The Dad's Night program was planned by Norman Richards, husband of the PTA program chairman. Other dads who participated were Milt Turay, regular president, and Richard Kensit, acting as secretary. The dads also served refreshments following the meeting.

Music for the meeting was provided by an all-girl French horn quartet from the University of Oregon music department. They played Handel's "Largo" and a number called "Little Bells."

No December meeting will be held due to holiday activities. Next meeting is set for January 26.

Norway, Denmark and Sweden have statutes providing for the conscription of citizens for civil defense.

The Freedom Bell, hung in Berlin by the Crusade for Freedom, can be heard 10 miles.

Heart Attack Fatal To Jesse G. Denney

Jesse Glenn Denney, 52, passed away suddenly as the result of a heart attack Saturday, November 22, at his home at 321 North Tenth street. Mr. Denney had been a resident of Cottage Grove for the past 26 years and signal maintainer for the Southern Pacific Railroad.

He was born at Alton, Mo., October 30, 1900, and was married to May Mistoe at Albany, Oregon, January 4, 1924. Mr. Denney was a member of the Presbyterian church, Lodge No. 51, AF&AM and RAM.

Surviving are his widow; one daughter, Marjorie, at home; one sister, Mrs. Esther Deere, Cottage Grove, and one half-brother, Ralph Sheary of Dunsmuir, Calif.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 25, at Mills Mortuary, with the Rev. D. Hugh Peniston officiating. Burial was in Rest Haven Memorial Park, Eugene.

Dora Jane Rigby Dies in California

Dora Jane Rigby, for many years a resident of Cottage Grove, passed away in Los Angeles on November 25, 1952. She was born August 23, 1870, in Poquegon, Mich., and was married in 1886 to James H. Rigby in Iowa. He passed away in 1932. The family moved to Oregon in 1920 from Colorado. Mrs. Rigby was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church.

Surviving are three daughters: Edith Turner of Los Angeles, Lillie Schrapnack of Omaha, Nebr., and Violet Fine of Oakridge; two sons: Fred Rigby of San Diego, Calif.; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be announced later by Mills Mortuary. Interment will be in the Silk Creek cemetery.

Pius Anlauf Dies Resident 80 Years

Pius Anton Anlauf, 84, a resident of Cottage Grove for the past 80 years and son of the man who founded the Anlauf community, passed away Saturday, November 22, at the home of his daughter.

Mr. Anlauf was born December 29, 1867, at Marathon, Wis., and was married to Jessie May Stong September 21, 1903 in Douglas County. She passed away in 1947. He was a member of the Christian church and a retired logger.

Survivors include two children: Ercell Anlauf and Mrs. Doris Bricher, both of Cottage Grove; four grandchildren; two brothers: Frank of Cottage Grove and Joseph of Myrtle Creek, and one sister, Mrs. Bertha Berg of Los Angeles.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, November 26, at Mills Mortuary with interment in the IOOF cemetery. F. Sherwood Smith officiated.

CHUTE PACKERS BET LIVES THEIR JOB IS PERFECT

The most popular soldiers in any Army airborne division are the parachute riggers—for the paratroopers' lives depend on them.

Known as Quartermaster Parachute Maintenance Companies, these small units pack and repair the nylon or muslin umbrellas used in airborne operations.

True to the riggers' code, every rigger stands ready to jump any parachute he has repaired, packed and certified ready for jumping.

Hospital Directors

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from unpaid pledges. The government still owes the hospital \$12,000 and the directors have borrowed \$17,000.

Administrator's Report

F. L. Morris, hospital administrator, made a very fine report showing that the hospital was still operating in the black despite the fact that the institution has never turned away a patient, regardless of his or her financial circumstances. A worthy project for the hospital visioned by Morris is the addition of a wing to take care of many of our older people. Morris said he personally knew of at least a dozen old people who needed hospitalization and medical care.

Blood Bank Depleted

The hospital walking blood bank is almost depleted and new blood is badly needed, Morris reported. Since the start of the hospital, the hospital has been able to obtain its blood supply thru the walking bank, but many of the original donors have moved away, leaving the blood supply dangerously low at the present time. The supply has been furnished without cost to local patients.

More Being Built

In the initial part of his report Mr. Morris said there are now 8,000 hospitals under construction over the nation, that 93 percent of the patients over the U.S. are treated in the 5,600 general hospitals, many of them as small or smaller than the local hospital. Hospitals are the fifth biggest business in the nation today. While the cost of hospitalization has gone up with all other commodities, it's still as cheap as baby sitting. Doctors have gradually reduced the time of hospitalization, with 1948 hospitalization reduced to an average of eight days compared with 15 days 50 years ago. The average daily stay in the Cottage Grove hospital has even a better record, four and a half days, he said.

A total of 2,066 patients have been treated at the local hospital since starting in April 1951 with 340 previous admissions making a total of 2,406 patients. At the same time the births numbered 703 and 396 surgical operations. The average number of patients has also shown an encouraging increase since the start of the hospital. In October of this year the average was 22.6.

AIR FORCE RESERVISTS TO UNDERGO INVENTORY

The Air Force's personal inventory of reserve personnel in the Pacific Northwest will begin in Seattle January 19 and continue thereafter in Oregon and Idaho, Col. Earl E. Holt, commanding officer of the 968th Volunteer Air Reserve Training Group in Seattle, has announced.

Portland reservists will be screened from February 23 thru March 27. A team will work in Salem from March 30 thru April 9 and in Eugene April 13 thru April 22. A mail survey of other Oregon Reservists starts this month.

Home is the dearest spot on earth, and it should be the center, though not the boundary of the affections.

—Mary Baker Eddy

Jalopy vs. Fence Ruffles Feelings

A jalopy that crashed a fence, police and angered neighbors provided humorous results and ruffled feelings among friends over the week end.

Dr. Stanton Oberg ran outside to find out about a crash in his yard in the 300 block on Madison Sunday afternoon and at the same time yelled to his wife to call the police. He yanked on the occupant of the car only to find it was his friendly neighbor, "Doc" Scholl. A "bewhiskered" gentleman sat beside "Doc," who was also a nearby neighborhood friend, John Schaffer.

Doc was driving a jalopy, it turned out, while his own car was being repaired. The clutch or something slipped and he lost control of the car. It careened over neighbors' property and almost laid flat a fence in Dr. Oberg's yard.

Police arrived about two minutes after the call. Neighbors apologized, some felt the police should have been left out. But what would you have done, anyway. A jalopy and a "bewhiskered" gentleman crashing into your yard?



Well, the government in Washington isn't due to change hands until after the first of the year... but we hear that a lot of job holders are anticipating the big shuffle. They're packing their household goods and Washington souvenirs and heading for the hinterlands like the swallows migrating from Capistrano.

Whenever a new party comes into power a political appointee can see the handwriting on the wall without bothering to squint. It's as obvious as a thumb in the eye. If a fellow isn't in a Civil Service rating he's pretty sure he won't be needing a new desk calendar. He's had his day.

If you like turkey, this Thanksgiving ought to be a break for you because your turkey will come 4 to 6 pounds cheaper than last year. Most of us have forgotten that Thanksgiving is what it means: a time for Thanksgiving. It's also a time for a feast and a time for family gatherings and in the family gatherings you get a chance to get acquainted with your mother-in-law.

A Chicago man who was picked up for stealing a \$6,000 sable cape said, "I wanted it for my wife... she catches cold very easily." Looks like a chilly winter ahead. Did you ever think of buying your car a ring... piston rings, that is. It has the same magic effect on a car as with a girl... it gives it new pep and power. Your car will run smoother, cooler and save you money on oil. Let our expert mechanics install a set for you soon at HANSEN BROS., 5th and Washington... Phone: 760.

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To my many friends and patrons for their help and continued interests during and following my recent accident.

—WOODY

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