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And what a week last week was. Because of the holiday Wednesday, the News was put to bed Tuesday afternoon, which meant a much enjoyed day of rest on the usual publishing day... something almost unheard of in this business... a Wednesday off.

But the time was well spent soaking up some sun at Butler Bar and barbecuing some hamburgers. Even took a late afternoon dip in Elk River... after the water had warmed up enough for my tender hide. That was the good part of the week.

Then came Friday.

And that was a horse of a different color. Second daughter got her head together with Monty Montgomery's second daughter, and decided, in the afternoon, that they would sure like to float the Sixes River in a rubber raft from the bridge to the Hughes Ranch. The plan was o.k. 'cept they didn't get started on the big journey until after 8 p.m.

Which meant that darkness fell upon them about half-way to their destination and forced them to walk a good share of the way. And that, of course, made them long past due at the ranch.

When they hadn't shown up by 10:15 p.m. bride figured I'd better be a-lookin' for them. I got to the ranch and found that Gary and Norma Doran, who live in the old home-stand (now a state park, as you know) were also looking for 'em. We joined forces and drove over to the Steve Arnet's place on the Pattison ranch where we could drive down to the river. Steve very kindly pulled himself out of bed and offered to drive us in his Bronco rig. After checking several spots and doing a considerable amount of yelling and whistling, we figured to go back to the house and call back to the Doran house and see if they'd shown up yet.

The meadow grass was wet and I was wearing an old pair of slick-soled house slippers. I started to climb into the back seat of that ol' Bronco and just as I got my weight off the ground and fully supported by my right leg my foot slipped. This allowed both of my shins to come in direct contact with the sharp metal edge just below the vehicle's door, skinning them to a fare-thee-well, let me tell you. Big knots began swelling up and huge quantities of blood was welling to the surface... trying its best to ooze right on through the battered ol' hide.

But after more than a normal amount of moaning and groaning and tippy-toeing amongst the thistles I got back in the rig and we called from Steve's to learn that the daughters had finally arrived at the Doran's place about midnight. O.k. they were, just mighty wet and tired. I was the one in pain.

Both legs were still swelling by the time I got to bed... and turning all kinds of funny colors and throbbing. However, I toughed out the night and discovered I could still walk the next morning so I went into town to check the mail and do a little work at the office.

I shoulda stayed in bed. Saturday morning saw the complete and total shattering of a 30-year driving record. I know I ain't old enough to be bragging about driving legally for 30 years, but I have been if my ciphering is correct. What happened away back when was that I got a driver's license early so I could drive a truck to deliver groceries. O.k., so it was a restricted



Salem Scene

by Jack Zimmerman

Busy Interim Indicated For Oregon Legislators

Even as the State Legislature finally ground to a halt in Salem last week, speculation was prevalent concerning official activities that will occupy lawmakers during the interim prior to next session.

The period of time between adjournment of one regular biennial session and the beginning of the next has become increasingly busy for the 90 men and women who serve. Succeeding Legislatures have had a tendency to create heavier interim work loads -- devoted primarily to studies of subjects requiring future legislation.

The precedent-setting 57th session appears to have been no exception. The exact number of interim studies and the actual make-up of both House and Senate early in the session expressed a desire to continue the work of standing committees during the interim.

Machinery implementing this desire is outlined in House Joint Resolution 11, which empowers the House Speaker and Senate President to direct interim activity.

In essence it calls for appointment of some seven joint committees -- in addition to such standbys as committees for Interstate Cooperation, Executive Appointments, Legislative Counsel, Legislative Administration and the Emergency Board. During session the House had 13 standing committees and the Senate had 15.

Several of those -- such as Rules and State & Federal Affairs -- will not be continued into the interim. For practical purposes Ways & Means becomes the Emergency Board. In all cases except for Senate Elections and the Upper Chamber's Economic Development Committee, companion panels served in each house. It appears likely now that some of those companion committees will be juggled somewhat, combined with others here and there and redefined to create seven joint bodies. The work of each will become apparent as each evolves, according to broad subject titles. But enabling legislation indicates study will not be undertaken until chairmen can convince legislative leadership of its necessity.

It's also likely membership of the interim committees will vary somewhat from the com-

license... I never said it wasn't, did I. Anyway I started driving early and been driving a long time... all over the country and even on foreign soil. (I was in the Navy, George.)

So what happens Saturday? Well there I was driving back to the funny farm, feeling happy despite my battered limbs, when I look in the rear-view mirror and see this white car with flashing lights all over it tagging right along behind me... like he was trying to stop me or something. He was, and he did... as quick as I realized who he was and what was goin' on. What was goin' on was that he was writin' me a little ol' ticket for mobbing a might too fast. He didn't even care 'bout my 30 year record.

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Well, George, I knew if I didn't say another word about it that it would finally happen. My Goode neighbor, Lloyd, casually came calling the other day... mainly to sneak a peak behind my rickety ol' fence and eyeball my lil' ol' garden patch.

He didn't say much and the sight didn't seem to shake him to any great degree... but I did notice him (finally) out in HIS garden putting around between them funny looking straight rows he's growing. Isn't it really sad when that ol' debil jealously keeps eatin' away at a man's pride?

bined rolls of the session's standing committees. All this will be ironed out by Senate President and House Speaker before summer ends.

Observers believe most interim panels will begin deliberations in late summer or early fall.

An experiment launched following the 1969 session probably will again be adopted calling for a "legislative week" once monthly when most interim bodies will attempt to schedule meetings in Salem. Because the Emergency Board meets the third week of each month, that week likely will be the time other committees meet, too.

At this point it is not definite exactly how many interim committees will be studying possible new legislation. In addition to standbys and those designated in HJR 11, other legislation emerging from this session calls for studies on specific subjects. One is scheduled on foreign trade. Another is due to study Workmen's Compensation Insurance. Still another will probe land use. Another is timber taxes, and so on.

House Speakers and Senate Presidents in recent years also have invoked special task force bodies to examine issues that might arise during the interim that possibly don't fall under the regular purview of an existing committee.

Indications at session's end were that interim committees would serve even an additional purpose prior to convening of the 58th session on Jan. 13, 1975. Those close to leadership say interim panels will be expected to continue the legislative education of the assembly's newer members.

Whatever finally evolves, this interim will be busier than most and there will be fewer empty offices. A special session has been decreed in early 1974 to settle fiscal problems that could not be resolved during the regular session. And if the special session is permitted to tackle subjects other than those involving budgets, some interim panels might accelerate their work to prepare measures for introduction then.

At the same time this legislature has beefed up considerably the fulltime staffs of leadership in both majority and minority parties. And a \$214,185 budget provides for sustaining the legislative research pool with at least six employees.

Viewed with alarm by older and more conservative members of the assembly, this proliferation of interim activity sort of makes moot the question of whether Oregon retains its biennial legislative status, opts for annual sessions or decrees a fulltime continual session.

Lawmakers last interim complained they spent a lot of their time between sessions in Salem or traveling to and from the Capitol. Boosting the time spent on legislative matters even more tends to make the biennial-annual argument only a technicality.

Annual sessions are a concept Oregon voters are not yet ready to embrace -- at least they weren't ready at the polls last year. But the press of upcoming interim activity just may preclude the will of the people.

If the trend continues, adjournment sine die will fade from legislative lexicon and become about as significant as a recess for refreshments.

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Humdinger Says 'Thanks'

To The Editor:

On behalf of the several hundred children who will once again enjoy Camp Humdinger, we wish to publicly thank all those organizations and individuals who have generously donated both time and money toward the success of the Camp. This concern for children is another example of the community spirit pervasive throughout Coos, Curry, and Douglas counties.

Children who wish to attend Camp, but who have not registered, may enroll for one or more of the sessions listed below by telephoning Mrs. Helen Cruickshank at 267-7949 or the Neighborhood Facility Building at 888-3291.

Dates for the summer sessions are:

July 7-16 - Coos Bay, North Bend, Lakeside, Reedsport.
July 18-27 - Coquille, Myrtle Point, Powers, Bandon.
July 30-August 8 - Curry County.

August 10-19 - Coos Bay, North Bend, Reedsport.
August 21-29 - Catchall.

"Open House" for this summer will be held on August 18, all of you are cordially invited to the campsite on the Sixes.

Thank you, everyone, for your help.

Cordially,

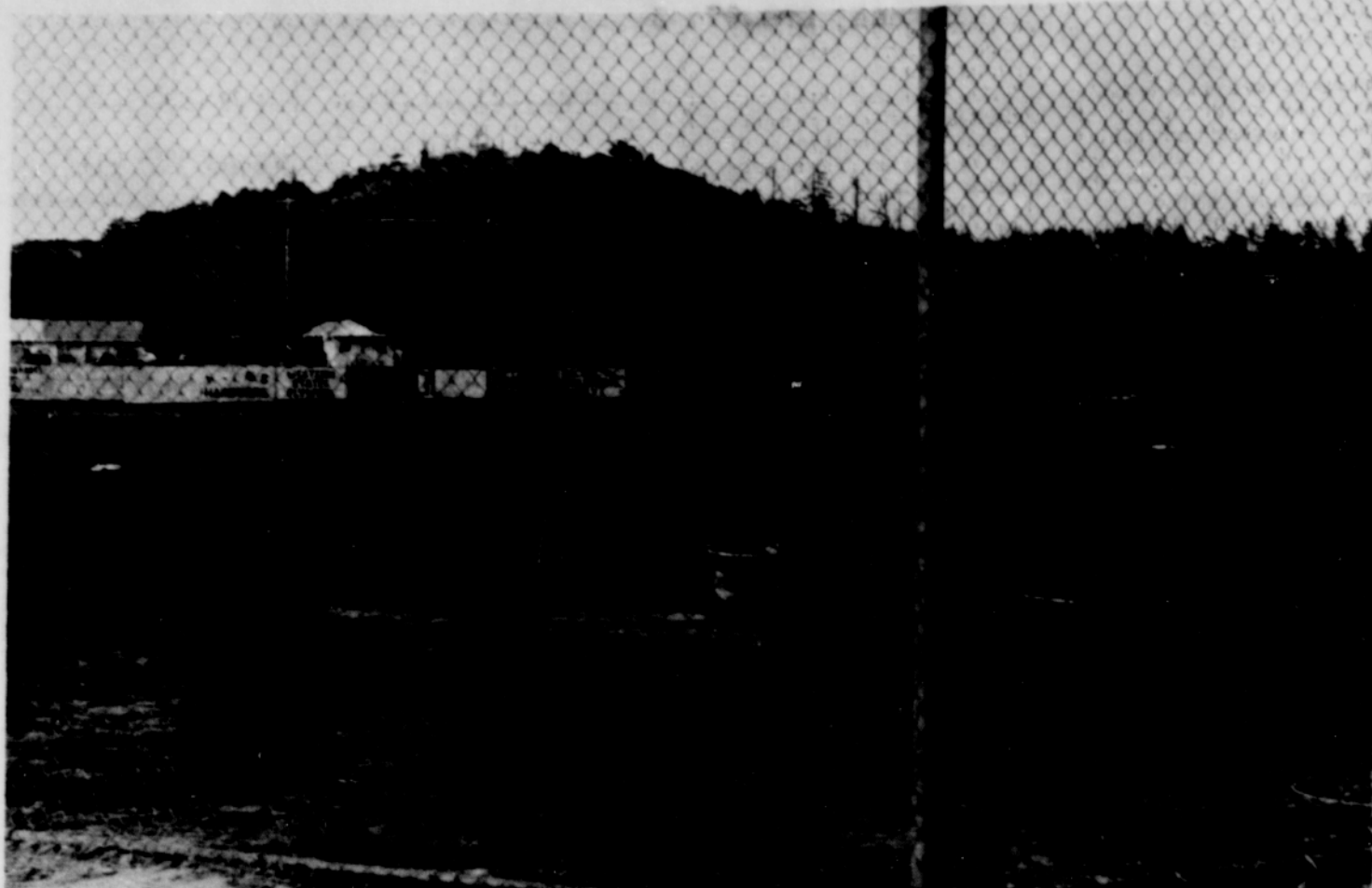
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Chairman, Camp Humdinger

Justice Court

June Cases

Don Robertson, failure to dim headlights, \$17, forfeited, Marshall Pender, failure to dim headlights, \$17, forfeited, John Wahl, DUI, \$305 fine, three months suspension of operator's license, Robin Banducci, VBR, \$27, Alice Hollis, VBR, \$27, Norvel Phillips, failure to drive right side of highway, \$17, Bruce Slocum, expired vehicle license, \$11, Ken Elliott, attempting to elude police officer, \$305 fine, suspension of driver's license for three months, Jacq. Barr, VBR, \$17, James Conrad, VBR, \$27, Roy Lagg, VBR, \$105, three months suspension of operator's license, 30 days in jail, conditional, Joe Tonsich, VBR, \$27, Jerry Boles, improper turn, \$11, Anthony Matzo, false application for angling license, not guilty, Anthony Matzo, no operator's license, \$27, Charles Hornberger, VBR, \$27, John Hall, VBR, \$17, Rich Greene, disobeyed stop sign, dismissed, Keith Rowling, defective equipment, \$11, Cary Bickler, no operator's license, \$11, Robin Sell, VBR, \$27, Sterling Blades, truck speeding, \$27, Dyonia Potter, improper passing, \$17, Craig Lannom, switched plates, dismissed, William VanPelt, no operator's license, \$11, Anthony Matzo, excessive noise, tires, \$6, Henry Reust, unsafe lane change, \$17, Anthony Roe, defective equipment, \$11, suspended, James Kirchgesler, disobeyed stop sign, \$6, Sam Bowser, VBR, \$32, Lilly Meserli, improper turn, not guilty, Steve Ritchie, failure to control vehicle, \$37, Pete Lenihan, careless driving, \$32, Jesse Matthias, disobeyed operator's restrictions, \$11, Jim Holt, no operator's license on person, \$17 suspended, Albert Jolly, driving with suspended license, \$305, Robert Bernsdorf, VBR, \$17, Ralph Barnes, inadequate brakes, \$11, Cliff Drescher, defective equipment, \$11, Bev. Childers, void foreign plates, \$11, suspended, Bonnie Wagner, VBR, \$27, Joyce Rose, no muffler, \$11, suspended, Margaret Meyer, expired vehicle license, \$11, suspended, Scott Mecum, expired vehicle license, \$11, suspended, Thomas Young, VBR, \$27, Ray Foster, defective equipment, \$11, suspended, Eva Stocks, failure to yield right of way, not guilty, Virginia Parsons, improper lane change, \$17, forfeited, Mark Coffield, no operator's license, \$27, Mary Kern, defective equipment, \$11, Dick Ashard, VBR, \$17, John Forty, disobeyed stop sign, \$6, Cliff Sweeney, failure to appear in court, \$17, Kenneth Crowl, illegal possession of deer, jury trial, \$216, Robert Ludwig, illegal salmon, \$27.



dellenback Report

BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHN DELLENBACK

ENERGY: WE ALL HAVE A STAKE

As Congress continues to look for ways to battle the energy crisis, a major goal should be to help every American recognize the fact that he has a major stake in the challenge. Only through a collective effort to conserve our natural resources will we be able to continue to develop the nation's potential and to provide for our citizens.

When we consider the demands that have been made on our energy supply in recent years, it is really no wonder we are suffering from an energy shortage. Although the United States has only about six percent of the world's population, we consume about one third of the world's energy. In the past five years this country's demand for petroleum has risen almost six percent, yet our refineries have increased their processing capacity by only three percent. The refineries' lack of capacity and limited supply of crude oil have resulted in the shortages we are experiencing today. The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs has become more and more deeply involved in seeking relief from the energy crisis. The committee has held hearings on a bill to provide extensive research in the development of alternate fuel sources. The Administration has lifted oil import quotas, encouraged the development of outer-continent resources and implemented a volunteer program to allocate crude oil and refinery products. These programs should help to redistribute the current supply more evenly and save Americans extra dollars.

But the efforts of Congress and the Administration will not be enough. Efforts in Washington, D.C. will not resolve this dilemma unless each one of us comes to grips with his responsibilities in the face of this crisis. Here are a few of the tips on fuel conservation suggested by the Department of Interior:

- Encourage mass transportation. In metropolitan areas, people could be encouraged to use buses and trains, to form car pools.
- Reduce speed on all highways. This could save 11% of fuel when driving 50 instead of 60 mph and 25% of fuel when driving 50 instead of 70mph.
- Keep car engines in top shape. A poorly tuned engine reduces mileage by 10%.
- Plan trips to stores -- combining visits to cleaners, drug, department and grocery stores.
- Use car air conditioners sparingly. This could save as much as 10% on fuel consumption.
- Keep tires properly inflated. Under-inflated tires affect gasoline mileage by approximately one mile per gallon.
- Walk more.
- Take vacations by train or bus.
- Lower house thermostat setting by two degrees in winter and raise air conditioner setting in summer.
- Minimize recreational driving, flying and boating.
- Keep a safe distance from the car ahead. Constant breaking and acceleration use more gasoline.
- Avoid unnecessary idling of the engine.

It is my personal concern that our energy problems are only beginning. An ever-present supply of energy, limited only by our ability to pay, is something we in this nation have come to take for granted. But this cannot continue. I hope all Oregonians will recognize the urgency of the need to conserve our fuel resources and will begin to take the matter into their own hands.

Legislative Log

NEWS FROM COOS-CURRY LEGISLATORS

Sen. Jack Ripper

Rep. Ed Stevenson

Rep. Bill Grannell

In a late night meeting on Friday, the Senate voted to approve HB 2398 to establish a housing finance fund, appropriating One hundred thousand dollars from general fund monies for the Housing Division of the Department of Commerce for implementing the program. The bill authorizes the Housing Division to carry out the program for construction, rehabilitation, purchasing, leasing, and financing of housing projects to provide residential housing for families of lower income. The law would authorize loans similar to FHA or Oregon veterans' loans, and will limit the amount of outstanding bonds which the State could allow, to \$200,000,000.

The proposal would make needed financing available to replace urban housing lost in condemnation for freeway construction, and will give a shot in the arm to Oregon's lumber and construction industries.

After a resounding defeat of

a measure which would legalize the use of marijuana, the House and Senate both passed a proposal which will reduce the classification of the crime of possession of less than one ounce, to a fine of \$100.

The effect of this change in the law will be to keep young people who have experimented with the drug from carrying a criminal record. The present arrests show that fines seldom exceed \$100, and the user is usually set free. The criminal arrest remains on their record and ruins young lives. The new law makes use or possession illegal, and a \$100 fine will be made, but will prevent the young person from being treated as a criminal through life.

Two parts of an important package of Economic Development bills passed the Senate this week. The first step, SB 224 is to set up a State Economic Development Commission, whose responsibility will be to encourage dispersment of

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BACKSTOP for the city park baseball field was moved from the Rotary Field location by volunteers Saturday, and part of the outfield fence was installed. Ed Orr, reporter for boys summer baseball league, is shown here early Tuesday morning raking rocks from the diamond area.

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