

and Lynn Holladay; Capital Chapter, Elsie Barnard, J. B. Joung; Siac Chapter, Claude A. McPherson, Mrs. Kathleen M. Caplan; Library Chapter, Winston Purvine, Barbara Ortman; Willamette Chapter, Maxine Rasmussen, John H. Carkin; Salem Chapter, W. O. Widows, F. B. Crandall; Forestry Chapter, Lynn F. Cronemiller; Oregon Chapter, John Anning, E. C. Payne.

The appointment of the Laws and Legislation Committee was completed and approved as follows: C. T. Terril, chairman, E. E. Stream, B. A. Martin, E. E. Johnston, and E. F. Chidsey.

The president reported that the committee appointed at the last General Council Meeting consisting of Renshaw, Gemmell, Query, Jones and Erickson had not been activated during the legislative session; that no one of the members wished to accept chairmanship and that Resolutions 9 and 10 of the General Council Meeting of December 2-3, 1944 had been forwarded by the Executive Secretary. The president read a letter written by the budget director in reply to General Council Resolutions No. 9 and 10.

Newspaper clippings were exhibited relative to increases in State employee payrolls authorized by the legislature through appropriations in the new budget. Due to the lack of definite information it was agreed that the president appoint a chairman for the above committee and that this committee assemble data on: (1) salary and wage scales in various state departments institutions in Oregon (2) salary and wage scales in neighboring states (3) working hours and overtime pay in various Oregon departments and in other states (5) the rise in the cost of living.

It was ordered that in order to clarify the confusing newspaper reports that inquiry should be made of the budget director and of department

heads relative to wage and salary increase plans of various departments.

A committee to prepare proposed constitutional amendments was appointed and approved as follows: Max Rogers, chairman, Virgil O'Neil, and Miss Loretta Fisher.

Mr. Clymer suggested uniform chapter dues as desirable and beneficial. It was pointed out that each chapter was self governing and could levy chapter dues as it sees fit. A constitutional maximum was suggested but the matter was left for consideration of the General Council.

Mr. Query stated that a dividing of District 2 making Yamhill, Marion and Polk counties one district and Clatsop, Tillamook, Lincoln, Benton and Linn another district was being discussed. No action was taken.

By motion the Board of Directors extended a vote of thanks and appreciation for work and effort in behalf of the Retirement and Merit System bills to legislators, editors and others as follows, and ordered a letter of appreciation to each:

1. For work in behalf of the Retirement bill: Senator Paul Patterson, Representative Frank Van Dyke, Fred Inkster, President of the League of Oregon Cities, Dr. Carl Kossack, Professor of Mathematics, University of Oregon, Herman Kehrl, Director of Bureau of Municipal Research, W. M. Sylvester, President of the Oregon Municipal Finance Officer's Association, and J. W. McArthur, Supt. of the Eugene Water Board.

2. For work in behalf of the Merit System Bill: Representatives Alex Berry, Paul Hendricks, Earl Hill, Manley Wilson, Riddell Lage, Pat Lonergan; Senators W. E. Walsh, Coe A. McKenna and the Oregon League of Women Voters.

3. For work in behalf of both bills: Ex-governor Charles Sprague, editor of the Oregon Statesman, C. C. Chapman,