

The President's Message

By BJARNE ERICKSEN

Every Oregon State Employee Association member should become conversant with our legislative program which is very ably summarized elsewhere in this issue by V. G. O'Neil, Public Relations Director. It was adopted at the General Council meeting after careful consideration of the policies involved.

We sincerely believe that it merits favorable consideration by the legislature as it is constructive, progressive and reasonable. We feel certain that it will receive the unqualified endorsement of every state employee as its objectives are to secure the adoption of principles and practices which have proven to be beneficial to employees of other states and private business.

At the legislature your Association will be represented by our Legal Counsel, F. Leo Smith, and by our Executive Secretary, Forrest V. Stewart. They will be available to answer any questions the legislators may ask about our legislative program and to see that they are correctly informed about it. They

will also be alert to detect and inform the members about any legislation which would be detrimental to the welfare of state employees.

Your Director of Laws and Legislation, I. A. DeFrance, and his committee will keep in close touch with the progress of our program. This committee is charged with the duty of assuming jurisdiction over legislative matters and will act in an advisory capacity. We are very fortunate that our legislative program will be in the hands of such sincere, capable and experienced persons.

The benefits to be derived from the efforts of the Association will be enjoyed by every employee in the State service. You should, therefore, contact non-members and secure their active and financial support through membership. I sincerely believe that every constructive thinking state employee would be anxious and proud to affiliate with the Association if he were informed about our policies and objectives. Make a special effort to contact that non-member today.

Board of Directors Meeting

DECEMBER 8, 1946

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Oregon State Employees Association was called to order by President Bjarne Ericksen. L. R. White, Secretary-Treasurer, called the roll. Those present were: Ericksen, Query, Glenn, White, O'Neil, Johns, DeFrance, Murphy, Leary, Hall and Chidsey. Absent were Cooper and Scharffenberg. Also present were Forrest V. Stewart, Executive Secretary; Jean Brimacombe, Secretary; F. Leo Smith, Legal Counsel; Betty Dotson, Billy Wilson and C. C. McKinney, visitors.

The minutes for the meeting of November 11, 1946, were approved as published.

The purpose of this meeting, as

outlined by President Ericksen, was to formulate a legislative program, the pattern of which must conform to the resolutions passed by the General Council. The legislative program appears in full elsewhere in this issue.

At this time Mr. Forrest Stewart informed the Board members that he was going to attend a meeting of the Board of Control, December 13, 1946, on the proposed 40 hour week and would again present our resolution on this matter.

Mr. Leo Smith, Legal Counsel, briefly reviewed the contents of the 48-hour law and advised the members present which procedure might be followed in

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