

FDR's Request For WPA Pared

Group Also Revolts on Civil Service Status for WPA Heads

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he contended that was probably all wrong. He suggested the reporter check again.

In his position, the president declared, he had to think not only in terms of dollars but in terms of individual men, women and children—and he felt this was an important factor.

The WPA appropriation which the sub-committee sent to the full committee contained a provision designed to nullify an executive order which members of congress said would otherwise blanket 31,396 administrative employees of the work relief organization into the civil service on February 1.

It provided simply that the appropriation should not be available to compensate the incumbent of any position placed in the civil service after January 10.

Civil Service Order Hit by Vandenberg

The civil service order had aroused serious controversy. Citing charges of politics in relief, Senator Vandenberg (R. Mich.) declared that instead of throwing the "gangsters" out, the administration was rewarding them "by life tenure in their rocking chairs." Administration supporters, on the other hand, declared that the order was designed to end politics in relief by making any one who abused his post subject to civil service penalties.

Besides voting to block the civil service order, the sub-committee wrote into the bill a requirement that the \$725,000,000 be made to last over the full period to June 30.

Representative Taber, the ranking republican member, announced, however, that when the bill came up for consideration in the house he would propose that only enough money be appropriated to operate the WPA until April 1.

"I propose to suggest," he told reporters, "that in the meantime a complete and careful study be made of the situation and a definite program be laid out for the government to follow in providing honest and efficient, non-political relief."

Taber declared he always had opposed WPA money "because I have known always that it has been spent in an incompetent, reckless and inefficient manner." "It has been used," he added, "for political purposes; it has been used to foster communism and class hatred and to help in the hands of the people against the government."

The New Yorker favored turning control of relief spending back to the states under some system requiring them to match federal funds.

Selling of Wines Presents Problem

Law Is Abused by Minors in Purchasing Wines Easily Obtainable

Control of fortified wines is one of the most pressing problems confronting the state liquor control commission, according to its annual report filed with Governor Charles A. Sprague yesterday.

The commission said that this wine when available in half pint flasks and easily procured from licensees, was sought by many minors and common drunkards.

Abuses Are Reduced

The report indicated that this state had been reduced materially since the commission adopted a regulation prohibiting the sale of wine in flask-shaped containers containing less than one-fifth of a gallon and placing its sale under the fair trade act whereby the wholesaler could regulate the wholesale price.

The commission said it had adopted many other drastic regulations since the last legislative session.

Lengthy Petition Supports Gaiser

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ter from Dr. Ralph E. Dugdale, superintendent of the Portland schools, praising Superintendent Gaiser personally as an educator and as presiding officer at the recent Oregon State Teachers association convention in that city. Other letters and resolutions favoring him were read from the Salem Ministerial association, the Salem branch, American Association of University Women, Dr. Henry E. Dixon, Portland child psychiatrist; the Salem Lions club, Salem chamber of commerce, and Mrs. Clara E. Pomeroy, former grade school teacher here.

Appointments by FR Are Endorsed

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club; Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction; Louise Palmer Weber; Warren Erwin and Dr. Erwin; Willis West; Floyd Blyden; Col. C. A. Robertson; E. G. Neale, county democratic chairman; Tom Dell; Rep. Vernon Bull, and others who spoke briefly.

Senator Lyman Ross declared that Governor Charles A. Sprague had revealed, in his message to the legislature Monday, some of the progressive ideas the democratic party has espoused.

Avery Thompson served as toastmaster. Entertainment included accordion numbers by Florence Pelester and Patricia Scott, each aged 9.

Introducing new Governor to Oregon's Legislature on Inauguration Day



Governor Charles A. Sprague (fourth from left) was introduced to the Oregon state legislature by Robert M. Duncan, president of the senate, as the legislative session opened Monday at Salem. Left to right are Chief Justice John L. Rand of the state supreme court; retiring Governor Charles H. Martin, Senator Duncan, Governor Sprague, Speaker of the House Ernest R. Fatland, Superintendent of Public Instruction Rex Putnam and Labor Commissioner Charles Gram.—Associated Press photo.

Magyars Warn Czech Troops

Hungary to Regard Any Border Violation as Signal to March

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tion were presented by a foreign office official to the Czechoslovak legation in Budapest, the news service said.

The Hungarian foreign office negotiator was quoted as saying, "In view of the repeated attacks and the fact that regular Czech troops participated it must be assumed that the incidents were a deliberate feature of Czech policy. Should there be another armed assault on Hungarian territory will not only be repulsed by Hungarian troops but the Hungarian troops will pursue across the demarcation line into Czechoslovakia territory."

He was quoted by Informacio as adding "Hungary makes this declaration with full appreciation of the facts that its action in such an event not only would delay a restoration of good neighborly relations but would make the situation even more critical."

The Hungarian foreign office made no comment on Informacio's report, but there were no contradictions, official or otherwise.

Tax Exempt Gifts Amendment Asked

Senator Lew Wallace will introduce today a bill removing territorial restrictions from inheritance tax exempt gifts to charitable, benevolent and educational purposes and to include religious institutions.

It was pointed out that activities of the American Red Cross were not confined to any state or nation.

Wallace said many gifts to religious, benevolent and charitable institutions have in the past failed of their purpose because hedged about by restrictions which prevented trustees from meeting changed and unseen conditions.

Only when gifts are without strings can the best results be obtained, Wallace declared.

Crops for Alcohol Washington Plan

CAPITOL, OLYMPIA, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Establishment of an alcohol processing industry in Washington that will enable farmers to market excess crops and waste products is being sought by Rep. Jurie E. Smith (D-King).

Smith, liberal democratic leader, said he would introduce an alcohol blend bill providing that all gasoline used in Washington be blended with 3 percent alcohol processed from all types of agricultural products.

Smith argued this would give farmers an opportunity to sell agricultural surpluses. He said the distillation plants would put a throughout the state, "would put a lot of people to work."

Ways and Means Employs Abrams

Col. Carl Abrams, Salem real estate broker and secretary of the state board of control under the Patterson administration, Tuesday was employed as chief clerk of the joint ways and means committee.

Abrams succeeds John Schroeder, Portland attorney, who served as chief clerk of the joint ways and means committee for more than 20 years.

Announcement of Abrams' appointment was made by Chairman Renne of the house ways and means committee.

Kuhn Elected President, Art Center Association

V. E. Kuhn, former mayor of Salem, was elected president of the Salem Art Center association at its annual meeting Tuesday night. Vice-presidents elected were Mrs. J. H. Dovers and Otto K. Paulus. The list of other officers and the directorate will be announced later.

Milk Control Battle Looms

Federation of Labor not to Seek Changes in Regulatory Law

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Under a bill introduced by Rep. C. C. Chapman, Portland republican, it would be unlawful for any workers to be forced to join a labor union. The measure would outlaw closed shop provisions in labor contracts.

The house also received a joint memorial asking congress to call a constitutional convention to adopt the Townsend old age pension plan. At the November election, voters asked the legislature to adopt such a memorial.

A bill creating a three-man commission, to handle the details of the Willamette valley project is now being drafted and will be introduced later in the week, Senator Douglas McKay of Marion county, declared Tuesday.

The bill, being prepared by the attorney general, would give the commission authority to represent the state in negotiations with the federal government, which will be the largest share of the cost of the project. It also would assist in obtaining land and water clearance for the construction of seven dams.

An appropriation for expenses and mileage expenses also would be asked.

Senator McKay indicated that no additional tax levies would be necessary.

Weekend recess on Thursday probable

Reports Tuesday indicated that both houses of the state legislature would recess not later than Thursday night until next Monday. Legislators said this long weekend recess would give them ample time to prepare their bills.

Speaker Fatland said he had urged all house committees to meet as soon as possible to organize. He also has sent letters to all state departments asking them to submit their bills and amendments without any unnecessary delay.

Fatland said he was desirous of completing the work of the session within 40 days.

A stream pollution bill embodying the purposes of the legislative act were contained in a law approved by the voters at the general election.

The other vetoed bill, No. 278, would have given the clerk of the Multnomah county probate court the same powers as the probate judge, when the latter was ill or absent from his office.

"Must List" Bills Planned by Governor

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The proposed changes in school administration and raising of school funds, Sprague indicated, will be brought to legislature by the state school department.

The new governor indicated he had no program of "must" legislation. As a "freshman" in office he said he did not wish to force things through a legislature composed of men and women of long experience.

The executive said yesterday that he had asked heads of various commissions, including Chairman Arthur C. McMahon of the liquor commission, to hold their office until the close of the legislative session because they were in the best position to give advice and aid to legislators on proposed changes in existing laws.

Musica Brothers Admit to Charge

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Donald Coster-Musica's three brothers pleaded guilty in federal court today to charges linking them with the financial trickery he practiced to defraud the McKesson and Robbins drug firm of an estimated \$11,000,000 in the 12 years he was its president.

They were accused of violating the securities act of 1934 in connection with the filing of false financial statements with the New York stock exchange and the securities and exchange commission.

The charge their brother faced when he committed suicide Dec. 16 in his Fairfield, Conn., home.

The three who pleaded guilty were George E. Dietrich-Musica, Robert Dietrich-Musica, and George Vernon-Arthur Musica.

Washington Lottery Plan

OLYMPIA, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Rep. Gerald Dixon (D-Pierce) said today he would suggest creation of a Washington state lottery through introduction of a joint house resolution Wednesday.

Closed Shop Bill Placed in House

Action by Industry Would Become Illegal Under Chapman's Proposal

The closed shop in industry would be made illegal if House Bill No. 2, introduced Tuesday by Representative C. C. Chapman of Multnomah county, becomes law.

Carrying out a statement made to the press before the session convened, Chapman put his closed shop abolition measure into the legislative hopper for early consideration.

The measure would make unlawful "any contract of employment which requires employee to become or to continue members of labor unions in order to secure or return employment."

Would Force Hearing

The Chapman bill would provide that any contract in which only union men could be employed by the employer would have to be presented to the commissioner of labor who would be forced to hold a hearing on the contract. If he determined there was anything in the measure which prevented a worker who was technically qualified to hold a position, from gaining employment due to his labor affiliations, the contract would be declared against public policy and could not be entered into by employer and employes.

SB 2, by Ellis and Balentine—Eliminating pauper's oath from the old age pension act.

SB 3, by Wallace—Requiring a permit issued by the state game commission to ship or transport game birds or non-game birds, game animals, fur-bearing animals or game fish.

SB 4, by Wallace—Authorizing the game commission to revoke licenses and permits, and to refuse to issue a license to hunt.

SB 5, by Wallace—Authorizing the state game commission to issue a certificate of the loss or destruction of a license, which certificate may be used in lieu of such license.

SB 6, by Wallace—To allow an action for catfish at night in certain waters including Siltcoos Lake (Lane and Douglas counties), and Horsehoe Lake and Mission Slough in Marion county.

SB 7, by Wallace—Making it unlawful to fish in Devils lake, Deschutes and Klamath, or in the Deschutes river from headwaters to the First river, or on the Metolius river in Jefferson county and from the mouth of Lake creek downstream to bridge No. 99, in any manner other than with an artificial fly.

SB 8, by Strayer—Eliminating filing in Oregon laws relating to section fee for aliens in naturalization cases which already is contained in the federal act.

Pearson Praises Both Governors

Confidence that the administration of Governor Charles A. Sprague will be an admirable one was expressed by Walter Pearson, newly-appointed state treasurer, in an address at the Salem Kiwanis club luncheon Tuesday noon. He predicted, however, that the new governor would face problems which would "turn his hair gray" before the end of his term.

Pearson paid tribute to Charles H. Martin, who retired from the governorship Monday, as "the greatest governor of the state I have known."

The Kiwanis club passed a resolution of confidence in the administration of Silas Gaiser as superintendent of Salem schools, addressed to the school board.

Frederick Ely and Brad Collins were introduced as new members.

Murphy Approved By Senate Group

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—A senate subcommittee approved the nomination of Frank Murphy as attorney general today without a murmur of dissent and without propounding a single question on the former Michigan governor's attitude toward sit-down strikes.

A 15-minute session sufficed to accomplish what Washington had expected would be achieved only after lengthy hearings in the automobile troubles.

Senator Logan (D-Ky), chairman of the judiciary subcommittee, said he was asked for hearings and he seemed anxious to give their approval. It was learned that some republican members, realizing that senate confirmation was assured, decided to let the issue pass rather than raise it and take a beating.

Townsend Pension Amendment Is Up

The Townsend plan, visitor to the legislature in many previous sessions, came into view again Tuesday when a memorial, calling upon the United States congress to submit the Townsend amendment to the United States constitution to the 48 states, was read for the first time. Introduced by the memorial included Representatives Hillou, Miller, Wiley, Longergan, Riddle and Greenwood. Senators whose names appeared on the memorial were Childs, Mahoney, Wheeler and Booth.

Economy Goal Of Committee

Ways and Means Body to Try to Keep Expenses Within Budget

Keeping 1939-40 biennial expenses to a minimum will be the self-imposed task of joint ways and means committee, that group agreed at its first meeting of the session held Tuesday.

The committee, faced with a budget prepared by Wallace C. Wharton, budget director in the Martin administration, balanced so far as it goes but subject to question as to adequacy of many of its items, considered three proposals:

1. Whittling down the departmental budgets to take care of other demands that are certain to come in.

2. Re-examination to determine whether any error was made in the estimate of revenues available.

3. Demand for additional revenue if valid requests exceed the funds found available.

More Demands Expected

Senator Walker, chairman of the senate ways and means committee, said it was evident that there would be a lot of financial demands in addition to those now listed in the budget.

A committee composed of Senator Jones and Representative Chapman and Semon was appointed to reexamine the budget and determine whether the revenues listed therein were correct.

The necessity of more uniform salaries in state departments and institutions was stressed by Senator Jones. He said the present salary schedule apparently was discriminatory against certain state workers.

44-Hour Week Affects

Walker declared that a number of salary increases contained in the 1939-40 budget probably were due to the new 44-hour work week. A special committee composed of Senators Stadelman and Dunn and Representative Engdahl was appointed to make a study of salary requests. There would be confined largely to an investigation of salary increases provided in the budget.

Sub-Committees to Work

The committee will operate at this legislative session on a sub-committee basis, it was decided. This means that budgets of various institutions and departments will be investigated by sub-committees and not by the entire joint ways and means committee.

The possibility of changing the end of the fiscal year to June 30 also will be considered by the committee.

Another brief meeting of the joint ways and means committee will be held later in the week.

Interim Taxation Study Completed

Final Meeting to Be Held This Week and Report Presented Soon

The 1937 legislative interim committee on a state and local revenue will hold its final meeting later this week, after which a report will be drafted.

Bert McBain, secretary of the committee, said the report should be on the desks of the legislators not later than next Monday or Tuesday.

The purpose of the committee is to search for new sources of revenue.

The committee previously has held three meetings at which various groups were heard. These included members of the county judges association, municipal officials and a number of state officers.

On the conclusion of the last meeting McBain indicated that the committee would recommend an eight-point program. He refused to divulge any of the recommendations, but said there would be no sales tax.

Townsend Confers On Bill Passage

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Dr. F. E. Townsend conferred today with Senator Clark (D-Ind.) on means of effecting enactment of the revised Townsend old age pension plan as embodied in a bill now before congress.

After the conference Clark said he wished to cooperate in every way possible with Dr. Townsend and he believed the legislative act were contained in a law approved by the voters at the general election.

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Ex-Teamster Head Free at Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 10.—(AP)—Roy Cooper, 48, former vice-president of the local AFL teamsters' union, indicted a year ago on a charge of participation in the bombing of the Club cafe, was sentenced to 328 days in jail and released today.

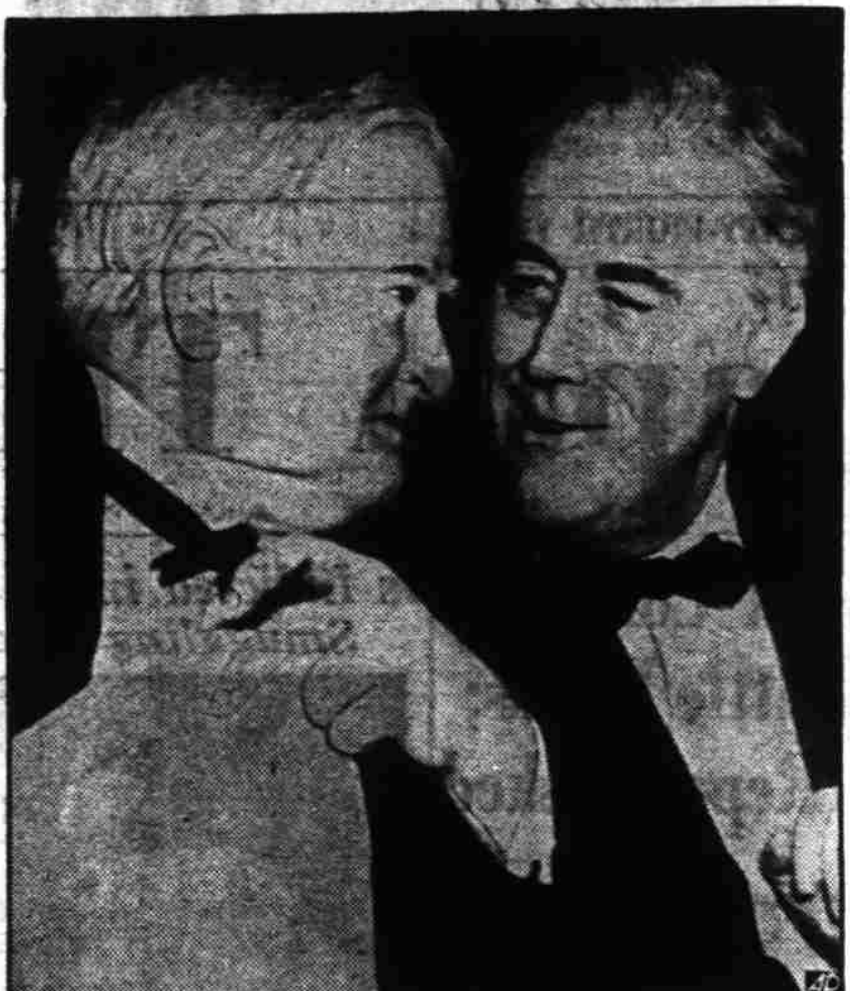
Circuit Judge James P. Stapleton pronounced the sentence when District Attorney James Bain informed him Cooper, who pleaded guilty, had served that many days.

Cooper was arrested in a statewide roundup of labor terrorists.

Relief Probe Voted

BOISE, Jan. 10.—(AP)—The Idaho senate voted today for a legislative investigation of the state's increasingly acute relief crisis which assertedly involves a fifth of the commonwealth's half million population.

Head Men Sit Down to Eat



Party harmony was the keynote in Washington when democratic chief executives headed by President Roosevelt and Vice President Garner sat down to a \$100-a-plate Jackson day dinner. Here the president and vice-president are exchanging a few quips.

Legislative Sidelights:

Here and there behind and in front of the scenes at the 40th legislative assembly.

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during this first week when a house session are glorified by the adjective "skippy." Mr. Kimberling says that in the wide expanse of eastern Oregon a day's work is a day's. The house apparently hasn't yet been touched by the influences of eastern Oregon culture.

The bright and shiny apples from one of the apple growing counties made their appearances on desks of legislators yesterday and set no few of the honorable members to munching. The ex-school teachers in the house (among whom is Marion county's own John Steelhammer) looked particularly pleased. The doctors, who since some wise guy thought up that gag about an apple a day have carried on a moral war with the fruit, were a little glum about it.

Tuesday was the 73rd birthday of Veteran "Bill" Strayer, democratic senator from Baker county. Strayer is beginning his 12th session, having served consistently since 1915. Senator Francisovich introduced the resolution which was passed unanimously in which congratulations were offered to the dean of the upper house. "I want to thank you for this resolution," Strayer responded. This year, as in times past, Strayer is a member of the important ways and means committee.

Those hardy perennials, the democrats, came in for a bit of ribbing when the Marion county Jackson day dinner, which has something to do with the anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans, was announced. When a member arose to inquire if republicans were invited Speaker Fatland dryly remarked that the announcement said legislators "and I presume that if there is a republican in the house he's invited." (There are 46 by actual count.)

No cigarette smoking allowed in the galleries and no spittoons provided. The speaker said the house had a fine carpet and so have the galleries. Members may smoke but not gallery visitors. George

Overloaded Wires Said Oldhi Peril

UCC Office Machines Are Taxing Fuses, School Board Is Told

Overloaded electric wiring is endangering the old Salem high school building, Clerk W. H. Burghardt warned the school board last night. The unemployment compensation commission, lessee of the main floor, has installed so many bookkeeping and other mechanical office machines that "fuses are burning out every day and the fuse boxes are hot," the clerk declared.

The directors took the matter under advisement when the clerk estimated cost of installing heavier wiring at \$350.

Proposal to build a track under the Southern Pacific tracks to give Parrish junior high school pupils a safe means of going to and from Olinger athletic field was renewed by Director Percy A. Copper in the form of a \$6000 WPA project. The job would cost the district \$2600, he estimated. The buildings and grounds committee was asked to investigate.

The board also took under consideration a report by a fire extinguisher salesman that there were no extinguishers at Bush school and too few at all other schools except Grant. He recommended purchase of 41 extinguishers at cost of \$342.60.

Resignation of Marie D. Smith, third grade teacher at Bush, who is taking a position in the Portland schools, was accepted.

Ex-Governor Busy At Portland Home

PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Charles H. Martin, plain private citizen today on his first day off as governor of Oregon, worked at his desk in his Portland home.

He, he said, was "sorting and filing a mass of papers that have piled up on me."

The one-time army major-general, now 75 years old, said: "I am perfectly content—I have done my bit. I feel grateful to the people of Oregon. I have no regrets and no bitterness."

However, a maid in the Martin home still was a "t" used to the transformation.

When she answered the phone today she continued to say: "Governor Martin's residence."

Winslow Knocked Down by Vehicle

Frank Winslow, former Salem police patrolman, escaped serious injury when he was struck down by High and Ferry street at 9:35 o'clock last night by an automobile driven by Carol L. Capps, route four. He complained of pains in the right leg and arm but refused assistance from the city first aid crew.

Capps, who was not held, did not see Winslow. Patrolman Walter Kestly reported.

Nose Is Cut Off Sleeping Husband

FAINESVILLE, O., Jan. 10.—(AP)—The nose of Rudolph Antos, 68, was chopped off by his wife when he slept today at their farm home on Paradise road, Sheriff James Moloney said.

Mrs. Antos, 58, was quoted as saying her husband had beaten her innumerable times—the latest last night. After brooding for hours, she obtained an ax, Moloney said, and severed her husband's nose and inflicted several gashes in his head.

Mrs. Antos was held without charge.