McKay Safety Bill Is Passed

Fixes Basic Speed Limit; Benefits Debated but Final Vote 17-10

Sen. Douglas McKay's bill fixing the speed limit of automobiles on Oregon highways at 50 miles an hour, subject to alteration by the state highway commission, passed the senate Thursday by a vote of 17 to 10.

The speed for busses and trucks would remain at 45 miles an hour as provided in the present law. Cities and towns would have authority to reduce the speed limit of 25 miles an hour in business and residential districts with the consent of the state highway department. The speed on highways abutting school properties is increased from 15 to 20 miles an

Sen. McKay said this bill was introduced at the request of the secretary of state and had received the approval of a large number of traffic organizations.

Doubt Its Benefit Sen. Lyman Ross, Washington county, objected on the ground that the bill placed county roads and city streets under the jurisdiction of the state highway commission.

Sen. W. E. Burke, Yamhill county, said he favored the bill for the reason that it would prevent "speed traps." Where is the element of safety

in this measure?" Senator F. M. Franciscovich inquired, "Instead of lowering the speed limit you are increasing the basic speed restriction five miles an hour. You Oregon state fair. also are increasing the speed limitation five miles on highways abutting school properties and in

the congested metropolitan areas." The bill also was opposed by Sen. Thomas R. Mahoney of Multnomah and Sen. W. H. Strayer,

Fif you pass this bill it will be necessary for automobile drivers to employ a guide to watch for highway signs," Sen. Strayer said. Sen. McKay replied that safety was assured for the reason that the highway commission could -cduce the speed limitations on highways where 50 miles an hour was too fast.

The senate also approved a bill by Sen. Joel C. Booth, Lebanon, increasing the salaries of Linu county officers.

A bill by Sen. W. H. Strayer and others authorizing police officers to confiscate vehicles used in livestock thefts ws passed unanimous-

Would Enlarge Board nomah, increasing the personnel of the state board of health from seven to nine members. Seven members would be physicians. Others would include a registered dentist and a member of the state board of pharmacy. The board would be appointed by the gover-

memorial by Sen. Lew Wal-Multnomah, urges the presito declare an embargo against the shipment of arms, muuitions and materials of war to

A substitute bill was introduced terminating the activities of the state capitol reconstruction commission April 1. The original bill provided that the commission would pass out of existence on August 1.

Another bill introduced Thursday carries an appropriation of \$12,000 with which to landscape the state capitol grounds here. This is a WPA project, with the lederal government furnishing all

Crafts Exhibits Interest Viewers

A small stand fashioned of 8000 lices of wood, using eight kinds or contrasts, stole the show in the wookworking and mechanical drawing section of the WPA adult ducation and recreation crafts light, held Thursday night at the thi building. This inlaid work and several wood inlaid pictures were made by P. J. Ellseth of Sa-

Particularly interesting to those who are "tool-minded" were the power routing machine for caryog out heads and the jig saw which were set up to demonstrate the type of equipment used in the woodworking classes.

US too Passive In Defense, Says

PORTLAND, Feb. 16-(P)-Bri-dier-General George Grunert, mmander of Vancouver Bareks, told a group of reserve ofers last night that America was passive where defense prob-

the general said he was not armed about large air fleets ning across the sea to attack said "we should keep what have and not leave our bor-



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INTRODUCED THURSDAY SB 381, by capitol reconstruc-tion—Prohibiting construction of any building, other than for residential purposes, within one-half block of the boundaries of the capitol group. SB 282, by capitol reconstruc-

tion—Appropriating \$12,000 for andscaping capitol grounds. SB 383, by elections and privileges committee—Relating to payment for space in voters' pam-

ties by tax foreclosure.

SB 385, by Chaney-To establish system of rotating, alternating and coordinating operations of placer mining in and along the waters of the Rogue river and its tributaries for the purpose of protecting angling and game fishing.

SB 386, by Franciscovich-To regulate the sale, licensing and other disposition of rights to publicly perform for profit in the state of Oregon any copyrighted composition of music, lyrics, verse SB 387, by Kenin-Relating to

conduct of insane hospitals. SB 388, by capitol reconstruction-To abolish state capitol reconstruction commission April 1. SB 389, by A. Dickson-Relates

health. SB 390, by Burke-Relating to creation of public utility districts. SB 391, by Balentine-Relating to operation of workmen's compensation law.

to conduct of state board of

SB 392, by Steiwer--Providing for compromised settlements of delinquent taxes.

PASSED BY HOUSE SB 79, by joint agriculture-Relating to the management of the SB 94, by Wallace-Relating to

inheritance tax exemptions. SB 125, by fishing industries-Relating to disposition of fines imposed for violation of commercial fishing laws.

SB 300, by W. Dickson-Relating to limitation of indebtedness on city and town improvement bonds.

Mill City Gravel Request Is Eyed

The county court visited the Mill City district yesterday to investigate a request from the state highway commission for use of certain gravel deposits and a petition for improvement of the main street in that community. The commission recently asked to be permitted to remove gravel for stock piles from which Among new bills introduced was surfacing material will be apolled to the Mill City-Mehams econdary highway.

A delegation from Mill City visited the court yesterday morning to report that the main street was full of chuckholes and some motorists were driving on the sidewalks to avoid them.

Eastern Oregon Jersey Club Due

Rex Ross, Mt. Angel, president of the Oregon Jersey Cattle club, reported while in Salem yesterday that eastern Oregon may have its first Jersey club this weekend. Ross has been invited and expects to be in Ontario tonight when Jersey breeders will meet to organize. The state group has nine county organizations in western

Incidentally, Ross will accompany a shipment of Jerseys to Vale, to be added to the O. E. Carman herd there. Included will be seven cows from various valley herds and a bull from the Frank Kuensting herd at Woodburn. Ross himself sold bulls to Carman about two years ago.

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Senate Bills Cities' League Bill Is Buried

Vote 42-16 Against Plea for Share of Highway Gas Tax Revenue

The campaign which the League of Oregon Cities launched many months in advance of the legisative session, to obtain a share SB 384, by Franciscovich-Re- of gasoline tax money for conlating to lands acquired by coun- struction and maintenance of streets, was brought to an unsuccessful termination Thursday when the house of representatives accepted, 42 to 16, an unfavorable committee report on the league's

Argument in favor of the bill was led off by Rep. W. H. Miller (D - Grants Pass). "Cities have contributed \$83,000,000 to the state highway fund. . . and we're demanding that the highway department turn back to the cities \$750,000 that justly belongs to them," Miller asserted. Discuss Fund Status

Speaker E. R. Fatland left the rostrum to engage in debate on this bill, declaring that "the highway commission is in no position to spend further funds on city streets." Rep. Frank Hilton (R-Portland) had declared that the highway commission was 18 months behind in matching federal funds, which Rep. Hector Mac-Pherson (R-Albany) retorted was not a serious situation because the state has 21/2 years to match Rep. J. F. Hosch (I-Bend) as- Bolvin (D) and Lonergan (R).

House Bills

INTRODUCED THURSDAY | Relating to the state tax com-HB 430, by livestock—Relating to control of Bangs disease. Appropriates \$100,000.

HB 481, by agriculture—To promote dairy industry by ex-

tensive advertising. Levies tax of two mills on butterfat. HB 432, by Rennie Appropriates \$12,000 to assist in improvement of Monroe street, Corvallis.

HB 485, by medicine—Relat-ing to court jurisdiction over violation of act covering sale of contraceptive drugs. HB 436, by Hockett and Marsh Authorises discount for pre-

payment of taxes for 1985 and prior years. HB 437, by Nash, et al-Gives Lincoln county court control over eyster beds, HB 438, by Caufield—Eliminrequirement that animal food shall be inspected.

interest bearing warrants by school districts. HB 440, by ways and means-Relating to classification of expenditures in state budget. HB 441, by ways and means-

sailed the highway commission

HB 439, by Herman-Author-

ises issue of refunding bonds and

setup as a matter of "taxation without representation." Votes in favor of the bill and the minority report were: Republicans-Chindgren, Ash, Fisher. Hempstead, Herman, Hesse, Mac-Pherson, Staples and Thomas. Democrats-Brady, Bull, Carter, Kirkpatrick, McCloskey and Miller. Independent-Hosch. Absent,

mission,

HB 442, by Nash and Herman Prohibits stock running at large on certain highways. HB 443, by Turner and Sen. Balentine—Creating a livestock

district in Jefferson county. -HB 444, by Mcallister—In-creases jurisdiction of small claims courts from \$20 to \$35. HB 445, by forestry-Relates to cost of protection of forest

HB 446, by forestry-Relates to protection of forest lands. HB 447, by forestry-Defines forest "operation area."

HB 448, by forestry—Relating to forest protection. HB 449, by Fuhrer, et al-To increase compensation of deputy secretary of state. HB 450, by agriculture-Re-

fers to sanitary regulations. HB 451, by agriculture-Relates to commercial feeds. HB 452, by McAllister-Relates to irrigation districts west of Cascade mountains. HB 453, by food and dairy products-To regulate manufac-

ture and sale of dog and cat HB 454, by Bull-Appropriates \$22,000 for operation of foreign and alien insurers. radio station KOAC.

HB 455, by ways and means— Appropriates \$35,000 for state heating plant. HB 456, by ways and means-Appropriation for state tax com-

HB 457, by ways ar ! means-Appropriates \$369,000 for prin- surance.

cipal and interest on Oregon district interest bonds. PASSED BY HOUSE HB 137, by insurance-Relat-

ing to requirement for garage buildings. HB 176, by Canaday-Authorizing dissolution of water districts.

HB 189, by Hockett and Sen. Steiwer-Relating to duties of state tax commission. HB 219, by Pier-Authorising city councils to establish set-

back lines. HB 253, by Cautield-Relat ing to taking of clams and oy-sters for commercial purposes. HB 255, by Caufield-To provide season for taking of chum

salmon commercially in Sand Lake. HB \$10, by Newbry, Riddle and Monroe—Relating to containers used in harvesting fruits and vegetables.

HB \$49, by irrigation an drainage—To permit irrigation districts to collect assessments for bonds and bond interest. HB 350, by irrigation and drainage-To authorize irrigation districts to contract with

United States government for

controlling flood waters.

HB 357, by highways-Relat ing to hours of labor. HB 382, by insurance-Relating to taxes and fees exacted of HB 388, by highways-Relat-

ing to sale of state highway HB 392, by insurance-Relating to contracts between insurance companies.

HB 393, by insurance committee-Relating to reciprocal inSteelhead Bill Is

Vote Is 24-5; Opposition Denies Conservation Aided by Measure

The Oregon senate voted, 24 to 5, Thursday afternoon to designate a steelhead as game fish or trout in all streams of the state with the exception of the Columbia river.

The bill came before the senate on a divided report of the joint game and fisheries committee. The majority report favored ciary committee today. arage of the measure.

commercial fishermen." Tourist Aid Stressed

"This legislation would add materially to the value of the sportsmen's industry and bring thousands of additional dollars into Oregon annually," Sen. U. S. Balentine of Klamath county de-

Senator C. W. Clark, Douglas county, said 101 out of 103 sportsmen's organizations in Oregon had indersed the bill.

The bill was opposed by Sen. F. M. Franciscovich, Clatsop county, on the ground that it was not | the bum again today. Police, on an a conservation measure and would order of the health bureau, evictnot accomplish the purpose for ed them and burned the squalid which it was intended.

"This bill merely will provide the state game commission with additional revenue," Senator Franciscovich said. "Did it ever Passed by Senate Franciscovich and. "Did it ever occur to the game commission to prevent sportsmen from frequenting the spawning grounds as a conservation measure? I would gladly vote for such legislation which would be in the interest of the sportsmen."

Supreme Penalty **Bill Reports Due**

Two resolutions and one bill having to do with capital punishment in Oregon probably will be reported out by the senate judi-

One resolution provides for the Senator George H. Chaney, Coos abolition of capital punishment. county, declared: "This bill is an The other prohibits the governor unjustifiable attack by the sports- from pardoning for first degree men on the commercial fisher-men . . The only argument for have twice been convicted of a this measure is that the sports- felony, without the approval of a men have more votes than the majority of the members of the state supreme court.

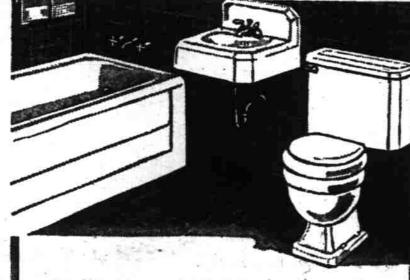
The bill provides for elimination of the lethal gas chamber which was substituted for hanging at the 1937 legislative session. All three were introduced by Sen. Ashby Dickson,

A divided report will be filed in connection with the bill to repeal the state bakery board law.

Shack Inmates Ousted

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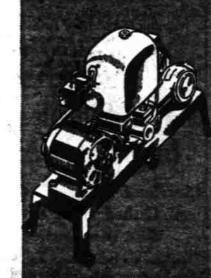
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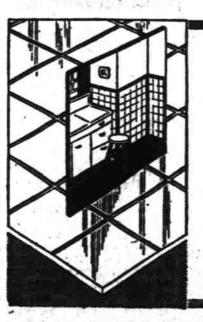
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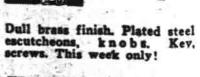






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