

Senate Favors Primary Shift

19 to 9 Vote Registered for September Date After Long Debate

After a debate which consumed virtually all of the forenoon session the senate Thursday voted, 19 to 9, to change the date of holding the primary election in Oregon from the third Friday in May to the first Wednesday after the first Monday in September.

The measure, sponsored by Senator H. C. Wheeler and others, was approved by a vote of 19 to 9. The measure was referred to the voters.

Sen. Mahoney declared that while he favored the principle of the bill, he recalled that the voters of Oregon at the 1936 general election had defeated a similar measure by a margin of almost three to one.

A motion to substitute the majority report for the minority report was voted down 22 to 7. Sen. Robert M. Duncan argued that it would shorten the election campaign, eliminate confusion and reduce the cost of running for office.

"I consider this matter a legislative responsibility," Sen. Duncan said, "and we should not shirk our duty. The average legislator knows more about the mechanics of government than the average voter."

The measure would do away with the presidential preferential primary. Delegates would be chosen two years before the convention and would be uninstructed.

A number of speakers said the bill would prevent independent candidates from filing after the September primary election. Proponents of the bill replied that independent candidates could announce their candidacies in the spring or summer.

The bill now goes to the house. Voting against the bill were Senators Balentine, Belton, Burke, Jones, Kenin, Mahoney, Ross, Strayer, and Wallace. Senators Ellis and Staples were absent.

Astoria Chinese Urge Stevedores To Quit Vessel

ASTORIA, Ore., Feb. 23—(AP)—More than 150 Astoria Chinese picketed the Japanese freighter Norway Marsu today in an effort to prevent loading of 2,000,000 pounds of scrap iron.

Delegations gathered in streets near the docks and carried banners denouncing shipments of war materials to Japan.

The picketing was expected to be renewed tomorrow, with Chinese urging longshoremen to refuse to pass lines. Longshore spokesmen said Chinese were "bouncing out" local authorities and were forming their demonstration "remonstrance of general character" instead of picketing in the sense of labor disputes.

Famed Sculptor Dies

PARIS, Feb. 23—(AP)—The French sculptor Jules Coutan, dean of the Beaux Arts Academy, died today at the age of 91. He had been a member of the academy since 1900.

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Former Salem Indian School Member, 38-Year-Old Full-Blooded Piute Is Nevada State Legislator, Word Here

News that Dewey E. Sampson, 38-year-old full-blooded Piute Indian who attended the Salem Indian school, is serving as a member of Nevada state legislature was received here this week by Fred M. Lobdell, Sampson's former school principal.

Assemblyman Sampson has gained the respect of his white colleagues as an able legislator, according to a clipping from the Minden Times received by Lobdell. He is a member of committees on roads and highways, military and Indian affairs, livestock, building and construction, elections, county and city boundaries.

"He enjoys the distinction of being the first Piute Indian to be recognized in the high councils of a Nevada legislature," according to the Minden article.

Sampson gained his early schooling at the Stewart Indian school near Carson City when Mr. Lobdell was principal and Mrs. Lobdell was an instructor there 22 years ago. He later attended the Nevada Indian school at Chemawa and public high school at Reno, Nevada.

In a letter to his former principal, Sampson says his classmates "are scattered all over the statesome in the Indian service and some making their own among our white brothers."

"A very fine young man," Lobdell commented.

Mexicans Spurn Oil - Plane Barter

(Continued from page 1) trying to arrange the plane deal in "Daniels" favor in his reported objection to the German plane deal was that Mexican army aviators preferred American planes, due to the availability of replacements and parts and the fact that many of the fliers were trained in the United States.

It was announced recently that the Canadian Car and Foundry company had signed a contract for the management of a Mexican government aviation plant here to manufacture planes.

Meanwhile, considerable interest attached to the visit on March 2 of Donald Richberg, one-time NRA administrator, in an attempt to work out a solution of the oil expropriation issue between Mexico and the United States.

It was learned that Richberg will come as a representative of all the foreign oil companies except the Sinclair Oil company which will be represented by Patrick Hurley, former United States secretary of war. Hurley is expected to arrive Monday or Tuesday.

Richberg and Hurley are coming after President Cardenas' reiterated suggestions that the companies enter negotiations to work out a method of compensation for the properties.

Hoover Advocates Strict Neutrality

(Continued from page 1) famine, pestilence and death over two-thirds of the people of the world.

In a prepared address urging national support of the smaller colleges, Mr. Hoover declared the "failure of men to maintain and develop moral standards and spiritual inspiration in pace with their increase in knowledge and power" was responsible for the world's "seething with malign forces and ferments."

"Men's dependable knowledge increases daily," he said. "Yet men still move from emotion and belief in fables. . . and it is useless to rail at the advancement of science and invention."

Attica, New York Reports Tremblor

ATTICA, N. Y., Feb. 23—(AP)—Residents of this village reported tonight they felt an earth disturbance that lasted several seconds.

In towns within a 10-mile radius—Alexander, Darien, Bennington and Varysburg—residents said their homes were shaken.

The region affected was shaken by an earth disturbance several years ago which caused considerable damage.

Country Fair Tonight At West Stayton

WEST STAYTON—The country fair is to be held at the school house Friday night, a jitney supper will be served from 8 o'clock to 3.

A three act play, "Aaron Silek From Pumpkin Creek," will be put on by a group of high school students, a small fee for grown ups will be charged and West Stayton grade children will be admitted free. The proceeds will be used for hot lunches and community club.

Elizabeth Steed, Salem, Named to University Job

EUGENE, Feb. 23—(AP)—Elizabeth Steed, Salem, was elected secretary-at-large of the Associated Women Students of the University of Oregon today. Anne Frederickson, Portland, was chosen president.

Obituary

Miss Jesse Edward Smith passed away at the residence, 557 Knapp street, February 23, at the age of 59 years. Survived by his wife Effie, his son, M. J. Smith of Salem, brother, Roy Smith of Yakima, Wash.; sister, Mrs. Fred Stokes of Ellensburg, Wash. Mrs. Mattie Moore, Cambridge, Idaho. Funeral announcements later by the Walker & Howell Funeral Home.

Office Plans Are Set Back

Joint Ways and Means Recommendation Hits Portland Building

Recommendations against the acquisition of a state office building in Portland were voted by the joint ways and means committee at a brief meeting early Thursday. The committee recommended "do not pass" on the bill of Rep. Kirkpatrick of Milwaukee appropriating \$150,000 for purchase or construction of such a building in or near Portland, and approved his own measure for repeal of the 1937 law authorizing such acquisition at a cost of \$75,000 without making an appropriation.

Among the measures receiving favorable consideration by the committee was a house bill carrying an appropriation of \$15,000 for encouragement of an Oregon exhibit at the stock show at the San Francisco exposition. This appropriation boosts Oregon's contribution toward exhibits at the San Francisco fair to \$97,500.

Favor Battleship Fund A bill appropriating \$50,000 for maintenance of the Battleship Oregon, also was reported out favorably by the committee. Similar action was taken in connection with a measure authorizing the printing of a new set of Oregon codes.

The ways and means committee will hold another meeting today when other appropriation bills will be considered.

Hospital Control By Politics Hit

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Olympia House Filibuster Is On Crown Zellerbach To Pay Dividend

CAPITOL, Olympia, Feb. 24—(Friday)—(AP)—Determined to wear down liberal opposition to the executive-sponsored social security "stop-gap" measure, conservative members of the house stuck to their guns and continued early today to beat back every attempt to amend the controversial measure.

Debate was still going strong at 1 a. m. and indications were the house would work through most of the night.

Liberals continued to offer amendments, five hours after the noisy night session started. At times the floor was in an uproar over parliamentary procedure and charges members were making political speeches instead of explaining their amendments.

Majority leaders declared they would "stick it out until we put through this bill."

Steamship Lines Quit Rate Group

NEW YORK, Feb. 23—(AP)—A long controversy over rates between the Atlantic and Pacific coast resulted today in the resignation of the American-Hawaiian and Luckenbach Steamship companies from the Intercoastal Steamship Freight association.

The association was formed in 1936 as a means of stabilizing rates in intercoastal trade and all of the major lines joined except the Shepard Line.

Shipping circles believed that the US maritime commission might step into the affair and set up a minimum rate schedule for the carriers.

Baker County Chamber Opposes Tax Proposal

BAKER, Feb. 23—(AP)—The Baker county chamber of commerce directors voted last night against a bill which would place a 2 per cent tax on gross volume of all retail business in the state and a fourth of one per cent tax on wholesale business.

Seaside Man Is Second Clatsop Highway Death

ASTORIA, Feb. 23—(AP)—A broken neck suffered Saturday when an automobile overturned on the Coast highway proved fatal to Dan O'Brien, 51, Seaside, today. His death was the second Clatsop county fatality of the year.

House Bills

PASSED IN HOUSE SB 194, by joint agriculture—Referring to disposal of dead animals.

SB 211, by revision of laws—Providing for establishment of administrative committee, for the registration and publication of administrative orders.

SB 221, by Franciscovich—Relating to commercial fishing.

SB 271, by revision of laws—To dispense with necessity of serving amended pleadings upon parties in default.

SB 313, by Duncan and others—Relating to commissioned officers of Oregon national guard.

SB 316, by Franciscovich—Relating to dealing in commercial fish.

SB 322, by W. Dickson—Relating to bonds for street and sewer improvements.

SB 345, by game—Permitting killing of one male and one female deer in a prescribed area of Grant county during 1939-1940 seasons.

SB 384, by Jones—To regulate transportation and sale of farm produce.

SB 384, by A. Dickson, et al.—Providing a raise in salary of corporation commissioner.

SB 70—Relating to practice of optometry.

PASSED BY HOUSE HB 365, by alcoholic control—Relating to wine licenses and hotel licenses.

HB 439, by Herman—Relating to bonds of school districts.

HB 445, by forestry—Relating to protection of forest lands.

HB 477, by forestry—Relating to definitions in Oregon forest laws.

HB 465, by alcoholic control—Relating to liquor control, particularly to local option.

HB 468, by ways and means—Pertaining to biennial statements and estimates of officials.

HB 479, by Bradley—Relating to Multnomah-Clackamas game refuge.

HB 84, by Fuhrer, Duncan, Steelhammer, et al.—Relating to control of fortified wines.

Charges Poured On Davis' Head

PASADENA, Calif., Feb. 23—(AP)—Stolid, poker-faced Townsend Davis heard on augh charges hurled against him today at his preliminary hearing for abducting 3-year-old Anne Louise Switzer to place him, if convicted, in prison for 100 years.

Two counts of kidnaping, one of child stealing, one of criminal attack on the child, two charges of lewd and lascivious conduct, and two counts of immoral conduct, were read to the 40-year-old gardener and church organist by Justice William Fox.

Bond was set at \$35,000 and February 28 was set for Davis to plead.

Legislative Committee Of Chamber Hits Bill

The legislative committee of the Salem chamber of commerce this week went on record as opposed to HB 240, which deals with advertising accounts for sale. The proposed bill would penalize all such advertising.

Dairymen Silent On Milk Control

Convention Closes Without Resolution Upon Law; two Bills Backed

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 23—(AP)—The Oregon Dairy Manufacturers' association declined to take a stand for or against the state milk control law at its final convention session today.

James Gosage, Portland fluid milk dealer, offered a resolution favoring the law but it was tabled. The association took the view the law affected mainly one branch of the dairy industry and the association as a whole should not express an opinion.

Kenneth Poole, Portland, was elected president; Andrew Tachella, Portland, vice president; Dr. C. H. Wilster, Oregon State college, secretary; F. F. Moser, Corvallis, treasurer; N. A. Peters, J. K. Goss, Lyle Hammack, all of Portland; U. S. Long, Tillamook; J. H. Steele, Astoria; J. H. Bigler, Mt. Angel; Percy Murray, Klamath Falls, directors.

The convention endorsed two pending legislative bills, one enacting a statewide fund, one enacting a cent on each pound of butterfat cream to be used for advertising and promotion, and another setting up new standards for ice cream manufacture.

Dickson Denies He Is Author of Bill

Sen. Ashby Dickson, Multnomah county, Thursday denied authorship of SB 396, providing an appropriation for William and Rhoda E. Richardson.

"I never heard of this measure until it was read by the reading clerk of this senate a few days ago," Sen. Dickson declared. The ways and means committee had recommended that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Sen. Dickson later moved to withdraw the bill.

Two bills were indefinitely postponed in the senate Thursday. These were: SB 223, by W. Dickson—Providing payment of claim of Ellen McIntosh on account of her husband.

SB 225, by Dickson—Providing appropriation for relief of Clifford R. Fones.

Alaska Steamship Tieup Is at End

SEATTLE, Feb. 23—(AP)—The Seattle metal trades council announced tonight settlement of all differences with the Alaska Steamship company, leaving the company's ships free to resume operation.

J. J. Featherstone, acting union secretary, said pickets were withdrawn from the company's pier and from its west Seattle yard. Settlement terms were not announced.

Officials of the steamship company said two vessels tied up by the disagreement would sail for Alaska Saturday.

Featherstone also said metal tradesmen would return tomorrow to their jobs at the company's yard, where 300 are employed.

Klamath Youths Injured

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Feb. 23—(AP)—Three Klamath Falls youths were injured today when their car struck a freight train on the Southern Pacific main line.

They were Verne May, driver, Clyde and E. Wilson.

Mark Postoffices For Marion, Polk

Silverton, Woodburn and Dallas Jobs Listed in Future Plans

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23—(AP)—The house appropriations committee announced today the treasury and postoffice departments had approved federal building projects to cost \$146,421,000 for consideration in any future building program authorized by congress.

They were not included in the \$130,000,000 public building program authorized last year, the committee said, but would constitute a list of eligible projects if congress decided to expand that program.

The projects, which could not be undertaken until congress adopted authorization legislation and appropriated money for them, included (with estimated cost)—all postoffices unless otherwise noted:

Oregon: Ashland, \$90,000; Beaverton, \$75,000; Coquille, \$85,000; Costa Mesa, \$75,000; Dallas, \$35,000; Entero, \$75,000; Forest Grove, \$80,000; Lebanon, \$75,000; Myrtle Point, \$70,000; Newport, \$75,000; North Bend, \$75,000; Prineville, \$75,000; Portland, postoffice and courthouse demolition and new building \$3,500,000; Redmond, \$75,000; St. Helena, \$80,000; Seaside, \$75,000; Silverton, \$80,000; Springfield, \$70,000; Toledo, \$80,000; Vale, \$75,000; Vernonia, \$75,000; Woodburn, \$75,000.

Carlton Seeks School

CARLTON, Feb. 23—(AP)—Petitions were circulated today for a proposed \$60,000 union high school building and a \$25,000 remodeling of the present structure.

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