

Oregon Legislative Committees Busy Despite Weekend Recess

State Hospital Budget Studied

Ways and Means Group at Work in Effort to Speed up

Legislators were scarce in the capital city on Friday but those who were here were diligently engaged in tasks which will speed up the session. They included members of the joint ways and means committee, and a few others from eastern Oregon who did not go home for the weekend.

One of the largest budgets considered by a sub-committee of the joint ways and means group Friday was that of the Oregon state hospital at Salem. The budget of this institution for the next biennium aggregates \$1,516,848 as against requests of \$2,039,815.66.

Capital outlays for the state hospital include \$325,000 for the construction of a treatment dormitory, \$20,000 for the erection of new cottages, \$75,000 to pay the state's share of the new Salem sewage system and a few other smaller items. These expenditures previously were approved by the board of control and are included in the proposed six-year building program.

Members of the sub-committee investigating the state hospital budget said that while no provision was made for furnishing the new treatment dormitory this probably could be taken care of through the hospital betterment fund and other sources not involving a direct appropriation at this legislative session.

Approximately \$14,000 also will be required to cover the cost of additional help when the new structure is completed. Legislators said this amount of money could be obtained by a shift in the budget without exceeding the total appropriation recommended by the budget director.

The state penitentiary has requested a capital outlay appropriation of \$15,000 for a new refrigeration plant while the Eastern Oregon state hospital at Pendleton has asked for an appropriation of \$20,000 for a sewage disposal plant. Both of these requests have relatively favorable consideration by the board of control.

The proposal to reduce the working hours of employees at a number of the state institutions is one of the pending problems now before the joint ways and means committee. Approval of such a plan would increase the number of institutional employees with a corresponding increase in the payroll. Officials estimated that \$100,000 would cover the cost of additional help.

Many institutional employees are now working 12 hour shifts and until recently some of them had only one day off a month. State Budget Director David Eccles said most of the \$100,000 additional funds necessary to meet the higher payroll cost probably could be absorbed by his office through increased revenues and careful scrutiny of expenditures.

Other financial demands also were expected to make their appearance during the session with the result that the budget now under consideration may be exceeded.

Among the budgets already approved by the sub-committees are those of the executive department, budget division, state treasurer, forestry department and a few of the smaller state institutions. Reports of some of these sub-committees will be received at a meeting of the joint ways and means committee Tuesday morning.

Ways and means committee members said they expected their work to be comparatively easy because of the balanced budget, and a curtailment of tax bills.

The budget presented by the state training school for boys probably will be needed.

The state relief budget was being discussed late Friday afternoon with Elmer Gandy, state relief administrator, in attendance at the conference.

Appropriations of the 1941 legislature, if held within Governor Charles A. Sprague's recommendations, will aggregate approximately \$19,000,000. Approximately \$15,000,000 of this amount is inside of the constitutional six percent limitation provision and \$4,000,000 outside.

First of the ways and means committee bills probably will be reported out not later than the third week of the legislative session.

Virtually all of the institution budgets discussed by sub-committees Friday were approved with only minor changes.

Non-Commissioned Officers Command Fort Clatsop Review of Battalion

Troops of the second battalion of this regiment experienced something different in the way of parade this evening when non-commissioned officers took over the places of the commissioned personnel for battalion parade.

Batteries of the battalion formed on the parade grounds with their respective first sergeants taking over the duties of the commissioned officers and sergeants taking charge of platoons. Movement orders were issued by Acting Adjutant Staff Sergeant Phillip Bell, and after maneuvers by the band, commanded by Technical Sergeant Bruce Barnard, the battalion passed in review before Commanding Officer Virgil Barney, Master Sergeant, Sergeant Major, and senior non-commissioned officer of the regiment, and his staff consisting of Executive Officer Robert Hulse, Master Sergeant, Sergeant at Arms, Roth, Master Sergeant; Chaplain Arthur Golden, First Sergeant of

Battery G; and Supply Officer Grant Wicklander, Master Sergeant, Sergeant Claude Miller acting as assistant adjutant for the event.

Commanding officers for the parade were: Headquarters Battery, Second Battalion, First Sergeant George Sargeant; Headquarters Battery, First Sergeant Leonard Greig; Battery D, First Sergeant Henry Scott; Battery E, First Sergeant George King; and Battery F, First Sergeant Loren Finch.

Battery F acted as color guard, with Staff Sergeant Jack Haek as Color Sergeant.

With Sergeant Bussey's 15 years of experience with the regiment, and his vast knowledge of matters military, the movements went off nicely, and the battalion moved as the well-trained outfit they are. Many favorable comments were made by the event, both by participants, and by the commissioned audience.

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Wallace Tells Defense Needs

Warns on Temptations to Speculate With Products or Land

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likelihood in agriculture for large numbers of people who can find no other work.

While making no out-right recommendations, the former secretary stressed "advantages" of the so-called "certificate plan" of boosting agricultural income to a parity with industry and labor.

Under this plan, growers cooperating with farm programs would receive certificates. Manufacturers would be required to buy these certificates, which would be used at the difference between the actual market price and the desired price. Wallace said this plan would be in effect a processing tax.

Northwest Problems Told as Report by Wallace

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Henry A. Wallace's last report as secretary of agriculture informed congress Friday that changing conditions of forest land ownership had given rise to complex problems of land use in western Oregon, Washington and northwestern California coastal areas.

His report said the condition was due to approaching depletion of forest resources, the instability of private forest land ownership and "various forces that prevent ready adjustment to new conditions."

Large areas have been left unproductive by the decline in lumber resources, much of the land is tax delinquent and the decreasing tax base and increasing demand for public services have imposed financial problems upon local governments, the secretary said.

The agriculture department, cooperating with the State college and Coos and Curry counties, Oregon, land use planning committee, has undertaken a study project to develop procedures capable of wide application.

The committee, Wallace said, were typical of the Pacific northwest coastal region and included four types of land use—forest, grazing, recreational and intensive agricultural.

In Coos county the agriculture department planning committee has urged restoration and improvement of the county's forest resources," Wallace said. "This is practicable because the resources in question are not yet ruinously depleted or exhausted."

Submitted by the legislature for a program in which the local people will cooperate with local, state and national agencies and with the private owners and operators of forest lands.

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Senate Will Get New Type Blower For Ventilation

The senate ventilating system is to be made operative through the installation of a blower, it was indicated here Friday.

Senator W. E. Burke, Yamhill county, recently called attention of the senate to the fact that there is a ventilating system in the chamber but that the blower was missing.

Senator Burke's complaint was referred to Secretary of State Earl Snell, who is custodian of state buildings and grounds.

Realty Board Plans Banquet

Annual Affair Slated at Marion Hotel Feb. 3; Trip Described

The annual banquet of the Salem Realty board will be held at the Marion hotel Monday night, February 3, it was announced at the board's Friday luncheon by A. L. N. Gaidis, general chairman.

A regional meeting of realtors will be combined with the banquet and legislators will be invited.

William McGilchrist, Jr., described his recent trip to Milwaukee, Wis., Chicago, Detroit and Port Huron, Mich., to his fellow realtors, highlights being his observation on the elaborate homes some costing half a million dollars, which have lost their salability and are used as rooming houses and music studios; and Henry Ford's Greenfield village, a huge museum of historic buildings brought from many corners of the earth.

Middle western cities are humming with defense industries and preparing to build new plants, Mr. McGilchrist reported, adding that the war seems much closer to people there than to residents of the Pacific coast, with involvement and even invasion apparently considered imminent possibilities.

Circuit Court Relief Is Sought

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would contribute a like amount. Judges who become physically disabled would be examined by a committee of three doctors appointed by the governor to determine fitness to remain on bench and if found not fit would be retired on pension. Judges reaching age of 70 and having 18 years service on the bench would be retired and pensioned automatically.

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Another error was inclusion of the so-called night club regulatory law passed by the legislature. This law also was subjected to referendum and was defeated by the voters.

These and other less important errors in the new code have been corrected to the satisfaction of the supreme court.

France Raided By RAF Planes

Great German Navy Base Bombed 41st Time by British Squadrons

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embarked from Brindisi. Italian prisoners, the spokesman added, said there were "many deserters" in the embarkation, which, he said, was followed by torpedo attacks on the two vessels.

Greeks contended today that a third of Italy's forces in Albania had been killed, wounded, captured or taken home for frostbite treatment, and dispatches from the front reported new but ill-defined gains in Greece's counter-invasion.

Newspapers estimated the Italian losses at a total of 70,000. (Officially Italy has acknowledged 12,277 casualties in the war with Greece up to December 31. The war started October 28.)

Heavy Attack Leaves Axis Airframe Burning

CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 17.—(AP)—A new and heavy British aerial attack which killed several Axis airmen erupting in the axis airframe at Catania, Italy—the nest from which Nazi dive bombers have been harrying the British Mediterranean fleet—was reported Friday by the royal air force.

The base itself was said to have been heavily damaged, a hangar left covered by a sheet of flame visible 50 miles away and the administration buildings set afire.

It is from Catania that the Germans have been springing out against British shipping on the Sicilian coast. The heaviest thrusts having been a long and violent dive-bombing attack yesterday on the British naval base of Malta.

Against this assault the British claimed a successful defense during which 10 of the attacking planes were shot down.

Informed Germans in Berlin said late Friday night the reich was using a new "all-weather bomber" for sinking British ships far at sea.

The plane has four motors and a wide cruising range, plus a heavy bomb load and "numerous machine-guns and cannon," the sources said. It carries a crew of six.

It recently sank numerous British ships far out in the Atlantic," they said.

The new plane is called the Focke-Wulf Condor, developed from the FW Condor, a commercial plane which made flights to New York and Tokyo. Few details were disclosed except that the four BMW-Bramo motors give the Condor "a high speed."

The de-icing system on the new craft, informed persons said, enables the carrying out of attacks under all weather conditions.

State Librarian Asks More Funds

State Librarian Harriet C. Long said in her biennial report to the legislature Friday that she needs a much larger fund so she may buy more books.

"In this present emergency, the library has a real opportunity to contribute to the maintenance of intellectual freedom in America," she wrote.

She also said there is need for more intensive field work to promote interest in the establishment of libraries to serve large areas.

Five Shortwave Radio Stations To Carry Speech

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Five American short-wave radio stations will be joined in a single network on Monday to carry President Roosevelt's inaugural address to Europe and Central and South America, under arrangements announced today by the National Broadcasting company.

With NBC, the General Electric Co., and the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co. combining their short-wave facilities, the inauguration ceremonies and address will be heard in five foreign languages—French, German, Italian, Spanish and Portuguese.

During the two year period 454,608 volumes were lent in 87,490 shipments. These books went through 665 postoffices in Oregon to reach ranch homes, forest lookouts, schools, villages, public libraries, grauges and other organizations.

These were 22,633 volumes placed at the disposal of state wards during the two year period, with state penitentiary demands decreasing. The state librarian said the decrease in the number of books sent to the prison probably was due to the fact that the institution expended \$1500 of its own funds for reading material.

The report showed that there are now 142 public libraries in Oregon. On January 1, 1940 public libraries owned 1,846,867 volumes which were circulated 6,022,907 times during 1939. Twenty four of these libraries serve a population of 871,401. Approximately 194,334 persons in Oregon are entirely without local public library opportunity, the report continued.

Collections of state library books, either traveling libraries or children's libraries, were found in 817 different stations in Oregon during the past two years. This means that 160,754 volumes were made available for loan by 917 volunteer agents.

Copies of Miss Long's report were furnished to all members of the legislature, the governor and many other state officials.

Reapportionment Plan Split Seen

A proposal that a senate committee handle the proposed senatorial reapportionment program and that a house committee handle the representative reapportionment program, was being considered tentatively by legislators here Friday.

The argument was advanced that this would expedite the work of the legislature.

Two reapportionment bills already have been introduced in the house.

After working out their respective reapportionment bills the house and senate committees would meet jointly and incorporate their respective programs into one bill.

Other legislators will be broached regarding the proposal on their return to Salem Monday.

Salem Ad Club Entertains Two

At the regular meeting Friday noon, members of the Salem Ad club played host to Mr. Kelmar Le Maiter and Mr. Frank McKewen of the Portland Advertising Federation.

Le Maiter, who is associated with the Oregonian advertising department, was recently elected vice president, district three, of Pacific Advertising clubs association. Both the Portland and Salem clubs are connected with this organization.

McKewen is the business manager of the Portland federation.

State Library Shelves now Have Total of 412,888 Volumes, Miss Long Reports

The Oregon state library now has a total of 412,888 volumes as against 2597 in 1907 and 386,759 in 1939, Miss Harriet Long, state librarian, reported to the state legislature Friday.

The report covered the last biennium and contained much information relative to the library's activities.

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Medford Airport Funds Allocated
WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Senator McNary (R-Ore) was notified by the works progress administration today that President Roosevelt had approved allocation of \$78,451 to improve the Medford, Ore., municipal airport.

Body Recovered From Willamette
PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 17.—(AP)—An automobile containing the body of Knute Lund, 48, missing since last Monday, was recovered from the Willamette river today.

Spokane Hotel Fire Is Fatal
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number of guests saved themselves by fleeing to the roof, then leaping to the roof of a neighboring five-story building. He said the total number of people in the building when the fire broke out was undetermined.

Many Candidates Seek New Berth
There will be no dearth of candidates for superintendent of the state training school for boys, a member of the state board of control announced Friday.

Call Board
GRAND
Today—"Arizona" with Jean Arthur, William Holden and Warren William.

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HOLLYWOOD
Today—Victor McLaglen, Jon Hall, Frances Farmer in "South of Pago Pago," and second feature.

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WILLIAM HOLDEN

LIBERTY
Last Times Today
"HEROES OF THE SADDLE"
with 3 Mosquitoes
Plus
"POP ALWAYS PAYS"
Plus
Chap. 14 Serial, "Drums of Fu Manchu"
Starts Sunday
Plus
"IRENE"
Plus "Cavalade of Academy Award Winners"