

Insurance, Optician Bills Beaten

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Debate and defeat featured Tuesday in the senate as the upper house "washed out" a bill which would have permitted the Idaho Mutual Benefit association to operate in Oregon and another under which opticians would have been licensed.

Three hours of discussion preceded the 16-13 vote by which the report on SB 135 of the minority of the insurance committee (a "do not pass" report) was adopted. Sen. Paul Patterson of Washington county and Sen. Lew Wallace, Multnomah county, comprised the minority, arguing that the type of insurance which the law change would permit is now, has been and will be undesirable.

Old line insurance companies have fenced in Oregon and now keep its residents buying insurance at rates established in 1868, Rex Ellis, the committee's chairman contended as he urged adoption of the majority report.

Specifically, the bill would have permitted "mutual benefit associations" to write policies in Oregon on an experience rating basis (with reserves equal to the amount of the previous year's mortality costs) instead of under the American plan of mortality prescribed in the law now.

Voting in favor of the minority report, and therefore against the passage of the measure, were Sens. Carson, Chessman, Cornett, Fatland, Gibson, Hilton, Moser, Paul Patterson, Rand, Stadelman, Walker, Wallace, Walsh, Winslow, Zurcher and President Howard Belton. Sen. Lee Patterson was absent.

Not much more than one hour was given to the opticians' licensing measure, which opponents declared has the support of only one optician in the state and would prohibit men now serving as opticians in the armed forces from entering that business upon their return home without five years of apprenticeship. The bill would establish another practically purpose-less commission, they contended.

Sen. Coe A. McKenna, Multnomah county, father of the measure, maintained that it would protect unsuspecting persons from fraudulent promises of the "salesmen" in the optical manufacturing business that many wearers of spectacles today would be better off without them but that they were "sold" on the necessity of eye-glasses.

Snell Wants Alien Land Law Changes

Aliens could no longer purchase property leases in the names of civilian members of their families as a method of circumventing the alien property law under a bill to be introduced shortly in the Oregon legislature.

The bill, which would also change certain procedures, is designed to bring the state's law on the matter up-to-date prior to the return of many of the Japanese to the coastal area. Gov. Earl Snell indicated Tuesday as he recommended its passage. It coincides with comparatively new provisions of the California code upon which the Oregon alien property provisions were originally modeled.

Presenting the proposed measure Gov. Snell released the following statement:

"This whole question of alien property rights is very much involved in the provisions of the United States constitution and treaties with foreign countries as well as the provisions of our own state constitution.

"Shortly after the army issued the order permitting certain Japanese to return to the west coast, I requested the attorney general to review for my information and guidance all laws bearing on the question. His suggestions are incorporated in the bill which is being presented and which will strengthen our present alien property law and bring about uniformity in such laws with the state constitution.

"It is manifestly clear that all activity and procedure must be in keeping with the constitution and laws of our state and nation. All citizens agree, I am sure, that law and order must prevail."

STUDENTS ARE GUESTS
Students of Dayton, Chemawa, Bunker Hill (Linn county) and Irvington schools were extended the courtesies of the house Tuesday.

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In the Senate

Introduced Tuesday in the senate:

SB 236—For an act to prevent discrimination between sexes in compensating for personal services and providing penalties ranging from \$25-\$100 fine and 10 days to three months in the county jail or both. Carries also a clause to the effect that a variation in wages paid men and women explainable on basis of capabilities, etc., would be permitted.

SB 240—Would increase for the coming biennium the salary of the justice of the peace of The Dalles district from \$125 to \$150 per month.

SB 241—Would generally raise salaries of officers of Wasco county.

SB 242—Providing for regulation and licensing of restaurants and sanitary inspection by state health officer, or in counties of more than 10,000 population by county health officer.

SB 243—Would place property of missing persons in custody of probate courts.

Read for second time and sent to committee: SB 236-238 inclusive; HB 227, 231, 276, 304, 18, 138 and 207.

Calendared for action today: SB 190, HB 192 and 118, all carried over from Tuesday's calendar; SB 38 amended; 234 amended; HB 25, 42 and 285 amended and SB 188 amended.

Indefinitely postponed by acceptance of "do not pass" recommendations: SB 135 and 73.

Bible Projects To Be Separate Starting in Fall

Separation of the Union Daily Vacation Bible school and the Bible in the School projects was decided upon by Salem Ministerial association at its meeting Tuesday morning. While the vacation Bible school the coming summer will not be changed in any respect, starting next fall the work of the "Bible in the School" project will be handled without reference to the vacation Bible school.

Contracts for the two teachers handling the Bible in the School project were ordered drawn by the association. These are for the year which began last September. The contracts have been delayed because of uncertainty as to the part the teachers would take in the Daily Vacation Bible school. As drawn, they assist with the work. The teachers are Miss Leora Strong and Miss Esther Guiley.

Because of time consumed with other business an adjourned meeting of the Ministerial association will be held next Tuesday to consider the city wide union church

Pasteurizing Compromise Is Discussed

Sponsors of milk pasteurization and herd testing bills met with representatives of producer-distributors of raw milk Tuesday in regard to a possible compromise on milk safeguards.

A pasteurization bill now before the house food and dairy committee would require milk from herds in which Bang's disease is detected to be pasteurized until the herd could again reach the status of a disease free herd. Bang's disease is a source of undulant fever.

Finding of the disease in one cow of the herd would be sufficient to take the herd from the raw milk market.

The compromise proposal would require that immediately upon finding of Bang's disease in a herd producing raw milk for drinking purposes the infected cow or cows would be eliminated from the herd, but that the milk from the remainder of the herd would continue to be sold as raw milk.

Albany Planing Mill Hard Hit by Fire

ALBANY, Feb. 20. (AP)—Hub City Lumber company officials today tried to estimate loss from a blaze which raced through the planing mill yesterday. The nearby resaw plant and lumber stock were saved.

survey to be made before Easter. This is to be in charge of Dr. Charles Durden, who has been conducting similar surveys in California.

Mrs. Arthur Linerode appeared before the association to display a pictured version of the scriptures.

In the House

Passed by house Tuesday:

SJM 4—asking abolishing of OPA after war (vote 31 to 21).

HB 320—authorizing probate courts to order sale of real and personal property of an estate as a unit.

HB 346—provides for services by mail of petitioners relative to locating county highways.

SB 137—provides that time served in armed forces will be regarded as applicable for recognition in regard to interest licenses.

SB 158—eliminates requirement that eclectic and homeopathic must be on state board of medical examiners.

SB 171—allows officer of armed forces to qualify as witness in making of acknowledgments.

SB 184—compels corporations to provide stockholders with yearly financial report.

Referred to committee on judiciary: SB 114.

Calendared for today: SB 63, HB 271.

"Do not pass" reports adopted: HB 293, to compel weekly reports on non-licensed coin machines.

Calendared for Thursday: SB 99.

Calendared for Friday: SB 35.

Referred to committees: SJR 12; SB 9, 149, 170, 189, 203, 204, 212, 211.

Bills introduced:
HB 380—by Balderee and Bengston and Senators Moser and Newberry—to provide for transfer from county courts to circuit courts all jurisdiction, authority, power, functions and duties in probate matters in every judicial district comprising two counties of less than 100,000 population and more than 32,000 population.

HB 381, by committee on counties and cities—relating to notice of tax levies.

HB 382, by committee on counties and cities—providing for incorporation of cities extending across county lines, and declaring an emergency.

HB 383, by committee on land use—to authorize county courts to provide funds for the employment of assistant county agricultural agents.

HB 384, by Brady and Senator Patterson—providing for the expansion of the Oregon Blind Trade school; declaring an emergency.

Lifting Benefit Limit Favored By Committee

A bill by Senator Thomas R. Mahoney, Multnomah county, under which the \$40 a month ceiling on old age assistance benefit payments would be eliminated, was reported out with a "do pass" recommendation by the joint ways and means committee Tuesday.

At a conference here last week attended by officials of the state public welfare commission and a subgroup of the ways and means committee no serious objection was voiced against eliminating the \$40 ceiling. Public welfare officials indicated at the meeting that the federal grant for old age assistance would be larger for the next biennium than during the current two-year period.

Bills Are Tabled
Bills relating to the old age assistance were tabled, including one by Senator Coe McKenna, Multnomah county, which would have increased the ceiling on old age benefit payments to \$50 a month. Committee members said a number of other measures dealing with old age assistance and the public welfare commission probably would be received later.

The committee rescinded its previous action in directing its secretary to prepare a bill directing the state board of control to take over the Oregon blind trade school in Portland. In lieu of this action the committee will send a letter to the governor and superintendent of the school suggesting a definition of policy, functions and procedure in conducting the institution.

Others Favored
Other bills reported out favorably by the committee Tuesday included one creating a revolving fund of \$100,000 for the state department of forestry with authority to purchase land and retire outstanding bonds in the amount of \$37,000. Receipts from the sale of these lands by the forestry department would be distributed on the basis of 75 percent to the counties and 25 percent to the revolving fund.

The committee authorized an appropriation of \$564,623 for the state training school for boys. The school had requested \$635,963.

A special group, headed by Representative Snyder, was appointed to consider all salary increase bills referred to the committee.

Present Laws On Liquor Held Adequate

Bills introduced by the state liquor commission were on the inactive list of the house alcohol control committee today and there seemed little chance of a two-thirds vote needed to resurrect them. Only one of a group was reported out favorably—the measure by Rep. Jack Bain of Portland making a minor guilty, as well as the seller, in a purchase of alcoholic beverages. Committee members maintained other current laws were sufficient.

Tabled were proposals to define the liquor commission's authority in regard to rationing and to prohibit gambling in places licensed by the liquor commission. The latter was objected to on the grounds it would affect clubs and fraternal organizations.

Other bills ousted would have provided for confiscation of equipment of places found in violation of the law; prevented their reopening; and raised license fees from \$25 to \$250.

Ernest Jachetta, commission attorney, told the committee the bills were necessary to give courts broadened authority to cope with Portland bootleg spots.

"Under Meier, Martin and Sprague we didn't have these illegal places running in Portland," Rep. John Hall of Portland responded. "It's only under the present commission that they've been going full blast. They could stop them if they'd do it in the right way."

Salem Student On Honor Roll

Special to The Statesman
FREEMONT, Neb., Feb. 20 — Miss Marion Horn of Salem is one of 22 students placing on the scholastic honor roll at Modland college during the first semester. Her quotient averaged 3.88. A perfect quotient averages 4.00.

The junior co-ed who is editing the 1945 Warrior, college yearbook, was chairman recently of the Warrior-sponsored Charm Revue, a traditional presentation of 12 coeds who are contenders for the title of "Charm Girl." Miss Horn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Horn, 2210 North Liberty street, Salem.

GENERAL RILEY VISITS

Brig. Gen. Thomas Riley, adjutant general of Oregon on leave in service, was a visitor at the legislature Tuesday and was extended the courtesies of the senate and house. The general has been with Gen. Douglas MacArthur's forces in the South Pacific and now is at Barnes hospital, Vancouver.

Blood Donors Give 189 Pints

A total of 188 pints of blood were donated Tuesday at the Red Cross blood bank, not quite equal to other recent donation days.

Five new members were added to the gallon club—Alice Greenfield, 421 South First st., Silverton; Mrs. Leo Reimann, 1095 North Summer; B. Erickson, 2415 South Cottage; Joseph Prange, 1945 Maple; John Miller, Lebanon.

Nine-time donors (gallon plus one) who gave Tuesday were: Judge Grant Murphy, 1525 North 18th; W. H. Barber of route five, Salem, and Thelma Brown of West Salem. Three donated for the 10th time—Lorene Hansen, 3235 Portland road; Mrs. Vida Bowers, 565 South 20th, and Capt. Walter Lansing, route two, box 57.

Giving for the 11th time was Mrs. Hazel McKinney, route one, box 220.

Traffic Victim Dies

PORTLAND, Feb. 20. (AP)—Portland counted 18 traffic fatalities this year when Henry Pfening, 53, died in a hospital today. He was injured in a head-on collision between his car and a streetcar Feb. 16.

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Downstairs Selling
- **Curtain Panels** **1.19**
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- **Men's All-Elastic Garters** **49c**
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- **Mens' Wool Plaid Jackets** **4.98**
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- **Women's Two-Way Girdles** **1.69**
All elastic two-way stretch girdles. Fine, sturdy quality. Rayon trimmed. Long length. Sizes small, medium and large.
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