

Fund Change Held Matter For Assembly

Sen. Dean Walker, chairman of the senate ways and means committee, said Saturday the speed with which the joint ways and means committee can proceed will depend largely on action taken by the tax committees and the legislature itself in connection with tax measures and the introduction of bills authorizing un-budgeted appropriations. "There apparently is one thing certain," Walker declared, "that we cannot appropriate more funds than are available. Otherwise we would create a deficit which is not wanted either by the governor or the legislature." Walker said Governor Snell's proposal that approximately \$7,000,000 of excise corporate taxes be transferred to the general fund "is a matter for the legislature to consider." Most legislators agreed that without this transfer, unless additional funds are provided, the joint ways and means committee faces the most intricate task for many years. A number of sub-ways and means committees got into action Friday and reports on several state department budgets will reach the full committee within the next week or 10 days. Several ways and means committee members made it plain they would oppose any effort to approve appropriations based on any tax raising measures which are subject to referendum by the voters, including the proposed sales tax bill which probably will be dumped in the house next week by Rep. Earl Hill of Lane county.

Jaycees Tell Of Activities

Salem's Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsored a public health and safety program and cleaning of uniforms for the school boy traffic patrol during 1946. President Irwin Wedel stated yesterday in calling attention to "Junior Chamber of Commerce week" being observed nationally January 15-22. Organizational of Boy Scout troops and of the Salem Clowd Chasers club, a group of model airplane enthusiasts, were included by Wedel in his review of local Jaycee activities. Wedel cites the Jaycees observers at all United Nations sessions and their advocacy of a world federation of nations and countries with the Jaycees has launched a national baseball league for boys under 16. Sponsored clean up and paint up programs of community face lifting that their activities include veterans' rehabilitation and measures to stamp out disease.

Payroll Figures Rise in Oregon

Oregon's industrial covered payroll for December, 1946, showed an increase of nearly \$4,000,000 over that for December, 1945, the state industrial accident commission reported here Saturday. For December, 1946, the state covered payroll was \$41,015,118, as against \$33,246,884 for December, 1945. The November, 1946, payroll was \$42,722,417. The Multnomah county covered payroll for December, 1946, was \$18,837,553 as compared to \$17,341,985 in December, 1945. The November, 1946, Multnomah county covered payroll was \$17,186,678.

Dallas Firm Gets Limestone Job

Contracts for furnishing lime to Oregon farmers in 1947 include one for Limestone Products, Inc., of Dallas, according to the state

production and marketing committee, which listed five northwest limestone suppliers under the conservation materials program. Others named in contracts for 271,000 tons of lime are Electro Lime and Chemical Co., Gazelle, Calif.; Shell Rock Products, Chino, Wash.; Silica Products, Bryn Mawr, Wash.; and Oregon Portland Cement Co., Oswego. Limestone supplies in 1947 are expected to be largest on record. In 1946 farmers were able to obtain only 30,000 tons of lime.

Infant Death Rates Among Lowest in U. S.

Infant and maternal mortality rates in Oregon have declined during the reconversion period following World War II and are now among the lowest in the nation, the state board of health said in its biennial report Saturday.

Communicable disease incidence was low with the exception of a slight increase in cases and deaths from diphtheria, the report said. The report stressed that 60 per cent of financial support for the Oregon state board of health program the past biennium came from the federal government.

"There are strong indications," the report continued, "that this federal support will be drastically curtailed. Unless state support is increased to offset the anticipated loss of federal funds, Oregon's health work will be seriously jeopardized." Special consideration of the legislature was asked in connection with additional public health personnel and more adequate systems of garbage disposal. The health board said legislation was needed to license hospitals so that Oregon may share in financial assistance offered through enactment of federal hospital construction laws.

The handicapped children's program was referred to as an outstanding project.

Progress in the control and cure of tuberculosis in Oregon also was emphasized. During the two-year period beginning July 1, 1944, the three chest X-rays units owned and operated by the Oregon Tuberculosis association X-rayed 210,843 persons.

New Basis to be Sought to Split Up School Fund

Reps. Giles L. French, Moreland E. W. Kimberling, Prairie City, said Saturday they would introduce a bill to distribute the \$15,000,000 basic school fund on an educational rather than a financial basis. They criticized the distribution method provided in a bill introduced this week by the house education committee. That bill provides the money be given to school districts on a combination of the number of pupils, teachers and need, besides taking into consideration transportation of pupils and school administration.

Red Cross Totals 1945 Contributors

Basil O'Connor, chairman of the American National Red Cross, disclosed Saturday in a seven-year report, covering the war years, that over 36,845,000 persons contributed to the American Red Cross in its peak year, 1945. O'Connor pointed out that Red Cross responsibility in military and veterans services is still large-scale and must continue for several years. Likewise, he said, the tempo of chapter com-

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community services in health, safety and disaster relief is increasing. Expenditures for veterans, totaled \$365,816,818, while total American Red Cross expenditures for the period reached \$730,749,169.

PAINT, LINEN TO BE SOLD
PORTLAND, Jan. 18.—(AP)—The war assets administration said today that \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 of equipment stripped from cargo

and troop ships at the Kaiser Vancouver shipyard would go on sale as surplus this spring. Such scarce items as paint and linen are included.

TREATIES READY TO SIGN
WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—(AP)—The Big Four foreign ministers council reported Friday that the peace treaties for Italy, Bulgaria, Finland, Hungary and Rumania

have been finally completed and are now ready for signing. Prices of U. S. farm products in 1945 were about equal to those in 1918.

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