

Plan Would Fix County Salaries According to Census Figures

A bill calling for a plan of fixing county officials' salaries according to population figures is being prepared this week for eventual introduction into the state legislature, Marion County Clerk Harlan Judd said Wednesday.

Main features of the plan, which were reported by Judd last November, are being polished and brought up to date, he said. The proposed bill would boost virtually all elected county officials' salaries and would erase existing discrepancies between salaries of various officials.

Judd stressed Wednesday that the bill was not yet ready for presentation but that "he was working on it." It is a recommendation of the Oregon County Clerks association and is endorsed, he said, by practically all the other county officials.

In this county an annual salary of \$4,800 would be paid alike to the county clerk, sheriff, assessor, school superintendent and county judge. The county treasurer and recorder would receive \$4,400 and the two county commissioners, \$3,840 each.

Present wage scales for these officials are \$3,600 for sheriff, assessor, treasurer, school superintendent, recorder, and commissioners, and \$3,840 for the clerk and county judge.

For Polk county the annual scale would be under the proposed bill, \$3,720 for the county clerk, sheriff, assessor, school superintendent and county judge. The county treasurer would get \$3,300 and the county commissioners, \$10 per day.

The proposed plan would operate on federal census population figures. In this category Marion county is in the 75,000 to 100,000 population class and Polk in the 10,000 to 25,000 group.

Larry Boulter Quits as Head of Art Gallery

Resignation of F. L. (Larry) Boulter as director of the Elfstrom Art gallery here was announced Wednesday.

Boulter, widely recognized as an Oregon artist, did not make known his plans for the future. R. L. Elfstrom, head of the store in which the gallery is located, said, "We are sorry to lose Larry, but we plan to continue the gallery." He had no announcement of plans for a successor to Boulter.

Boulter had directed the art gallery since its establishment in 1946, after Elfstrom adopted the gallery plan at Boulter's suggestion. Boulter said he has taken great pleasure in the interest of Salem youth in art appreciation and in "the building of friendships among those who realize the importance of good art in a community."

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Civil Rights Group Presents Plea to Truman



WASHINGTON—Jan. 12—A delegation from the National Citizens Council on Civil Rights poses at the White House door today after a conference with President Truman. Left to right, first row: George Field, executive secretary of Freedom House; Morris L. Ernst, attorney; Robert F. Patterson, former secretary of war, and Herbert Bayard Swoppe, chairman of the group. Second row: Monsignor Maurice Sheehy of Catholic university; Leo M. Chasne, executive secretary, Research Institute of America, and Edward McGrady, vice president, Radio Corporation of America. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman).

Baptist Minister Charged with Having Affairs With 40 Women

GLENDALE, Calif., Jan. 12—(AP)—A Baptist minister, father of four children, today blamed "disgruntled" parishioners for charges he had affairs with 40 feminine members of his church.

Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher jr., 46, pastor of the Glendale First Baptist church for 21 years and himself the son of a minister, labeled "entirely false" charges made in a suit filed yesterday in Los Angeles Superior court.

Mrs. Sadie Williams and Fletcher Edgar Maxwell said they were suing for members of the church.

Mrs. Williams and Maxwell complained that they sought to bring before the church membership evidence of "fantastic conduct" and "incredible peccadilloes" of the pastor, but that Dr. Brougher removed deacons who wanted to present the charges.

(The dictionary lists a peccadillo as a light or trifling sin.) Other allegations: "The suit alleged further that: 'In condemnation and rejection of church views and christianity, J. Whitcomb Brougher, jr., has debauched many of the women members of his congregation.'"

"He has caused disruption in the marital relations of numerous families. 'He has promiscuously osculated (kissed) young girls who are members of the congregation. 'He has openly boasted of having meretricious (vulgar) relations with over 40 women. 'He has been known to maintain a mistress and otherwise disport himself in a most reprehensible manner. 'The minister, in a statement, said the action "is only a repetition of accusations brought four years ago by a small disgruntled group of members and former members of the church.'"

"The matter," he added, "was completely and thoroughly reviewed by a committee, the board of deacons and the entire congregation, all of whom found the accusations entirely false and without foundation."

West Salem Club Rooms Newly Replanted WEST SALEM, Jan. 12 — New paint job on the city hall club rooms is nearing completion. The paint was furnished by Blue Lake cannery and West Salem Lions club and painting was done by members of Kingwood Masonic lodge. The Lions and the Masons use the club rooms and the Lions, under arrangement with the city council, several months ago, installed a water heater.

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Credit Group's Loan Volume Up 30 Per Cent

Loan volume of the Willamette Credit corporation is now \$3,365,000, which is 30 per cent above that of 1948. Phil Brandt, secretary, told the 300 persons in attendance at the annual meeting held Wednesday at Salem Chamber of Commerce rooms.

Membership, too, had increased during 1948, making a total now of 875, which is 26 per cent more than the previous year. The 1947 membership increase was 25 per cent, according to Brandt's report.

Members voted to buy additional stock so that they could retire remaining government capital within a year or two. Following this, the group decided to take subscriptions at the meeting, with 64 members signing up for additional stock and others signifying they would do so in the near future.

Ernest E. Henry, president of the Production Credit corporation, headquarters at Spokane, principal speaker of the afternoon, emphasized that the government was eager for the association to become entirely membership owned.

Claude Buchanan, Corvallis, president and introduced Noel Benning and Dean W. A. Schoenfeld, both of Corvallis, C. A. Sprague, Ben Newell and E. A. Geary who each spoke briefly.

G. H. Fullenwider of Carlton and E. A. McCornack of Eugene were re-elected directors. At a meeting of the board of directors later E. W. McMIndes, Astoria, was elected president; E. A. McCornack, vice president; and Phil Brandt retained as secretary. Named as Brandt's assistants were John Bryant and Wilma Burchell.

Navy Training Officers Named

Several training officer appointments were made at a meeting Wednesday night of the naval volunteer aviation unit 13-7 at the Salem airport.

The new appointments included Lt. Ivan J. Esau, flight training officer; Lt. (jg.) Glen Fravel, assistant flight training officer; Lt. Charles Pilette, instrument flight training officer, and Lt. Edward O. Schless, enlisted ground training officer.

About 52 members attended the meeting. The group meets again next Wednesday at the airport at 8 p.m.

A single adult female oyster will discharge from 15 to 114 million eggs at a single spawning.

Hereford Men Re-Elect Entire List of Officers

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President R. B. Sears, Salem, appointed a committee to meet with the horned Hereford breeder group here to arrange a sale for April or May. Director Paul Townsend, Gervais, was named chairman. Other committee members included Director B. O. Tom, Alsea; and Vice President R. A. Ward, Halsey, and Richard Hibbard of Imbler.

Hibbard, a national director of the American Polled Hereford association, spoke on the Hereford show and sale at Denver, Colo., last December. A total of 35,000 head of Hereford cattle were registered in America last year, an increase of 100 per cent in the past five years, Hibbard said.

Other officers elected included Ben A. Newell, Marion county agent from Salem, and Directors Roy Newton, Detroit; C. E. Newton, Corvallis, and Frank Stundnick, Scio. About 30 attended the meeting last night with 16 of them

Recruiters Sign 3 Men

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VA Approves Phone Firm Apprenticeship

The veterans administration in Washington, D. C., has approved initial two years training of world war II veterans with the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in Oregon, the Oregon state department of veteran affairs reported Wednesday.

The department indicated that efforts will be continued to seek approval by the VA of third and fourth year veterans training with the company. This would enable an additional 500 veterans employed by the company to receive subsistence payments under the G. I. bill.

Last-minute approval by the VA of the first two years' program nullifies a state apprenticeship council decision of last November disapproving the program because it did not meet state standards and assures continued receipts of the subsistence payments by nearly 300 veterans training for skilled jobs with the phone concern in Oregon, the veterans affairs department said.

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BURNED AT ALBANY

ALBANY, Jan. 12 — Dr. Louis Gray, retired Albany physician, suffered singed eyebrows and hair Tuesday night when he attempted to remove from his bed a flaming electric blanket. How the fire started was not known today.

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