

College Group For Bill Hitting Discrimination

A voluntary group has been formed on Willamette university campus to support Senate Bill 6, the bill for fair employment practice, which is now before the legislature. Carolyn Wilks of Salem was one of the moving spirits in the group. Others who are active are Jack Gunn of Monmouth, Mary Louise Lee and Prudence Craig of Salem.

SB 6 creates a commission, patterned after the one in New York state, to enforce laws prohibiting discrimination in employment on account of race, color or creed.

The Willamette group has circulated Protestant ministers over the state and is enlisting support of students on other college campuses. It hopes to build up widespread popular endorsement of the bill to obtain its enactment.

Tax Proposed On Businesses Of Churches.

A proposal to tax religious, charitable and educational corporations doing business in Oregon for profit was among recommendations handed to the legislature Wednesday by the Association of Oregon Counties. The recommendations were not in bill form, however.

Judge F. L. Phipps, The Dalles, representative of the association, said the suggestion was directed at churches and schools now operating profitable businesses without paying corporate excise taxes.

The judge pointed to one school operating a saw mill in southern Oregon in competition with private mills who are subject to the corporations levy. Similar recommendations have been turned over to previous legislatures, but no action was taken.

Another recommendation would amend all laws applying to counties of 100,000 and 150,000 population to provide that the statutes would apply only to counties of more than 200,000 population (there is only one—Multnomah).

Other recommendations included those to:

Provide that advance collections of personal property taxes by assessors shall be final and not subject to further collections and refunds based on new levies.

Make step-fathers responsible for support of step-children.

Amend to provide that property tax levies for welfare purposes shall be the same as tax levies for retirement of bonds voted by people.

Provide preferred claims against estates of deceased recipients of public welfare.

Bill Seeks to Bar Name on State Forms

A measure to ban the secretary of state's name from appearing on state booklets and forms was introduced in the senate Wednesday by Sen. Richard Neuberger of Portland.

Neuberger said his bill involves no personal feeling regarding any public official but is designed to correct misuse of long standing.

"It is merely recognition of the fact that for the past 20 years the office of secretary of state has become a vast propaganda agency," the Portland author said. "The office has used the resources of the state printing department and the state's postage bill to spread the name of one man to every nook and cranny of Oregon."

"The political impact of this propaganda has become so widespread that almost invariably the incumbent secretary of state is the leading vote getter in every Oregon election."

"The final travesty," Neuberger concluded, "is permitting the name of the secretary of state to appear on the cover of the voters' pamphlet, a publication in which all candidates are presumed to have equal space. Yet one particular candidate, the secretary of state, dominates the cover of that pamphlet."

Capitol Zone Plan Model to Be on Display

A capitol zone development plan prepared by the Salem long range planning commission will be placed on display, in model form, at the Oregon statehouse next week.

Engineer C. A. McClure of the commission said Wednesday he hoped it would attract the attention and support of legislators. The plan envisions the extension of major state buildings in blocks from the present capitol group north as far as Mill creek beyond Union street.

The building area would extend from Capitol to Winter street, with the streets in front blocks between left vacant as a park site.

Authority Asked In Power Crisis

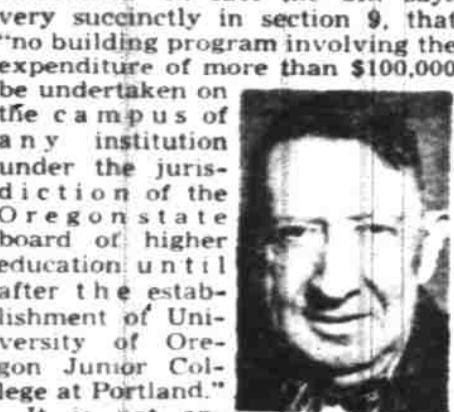
A measure to authorize Gov. Douglas McKay deal with Oregon's electric power shortage during any crisis was submitted in the senate Wednesday by Sen. Thomas Mahoney, Portland.

It would permit the governor to empower the public utility commissioner to cancel power deliveries to any person or business during the shortage.

Neuberger Plan Adds Students, Stalls School Building Projects

Senator Neuberger of Portland and Senator Holmes of Astoria, by the authority of their joint senate bill 9, are going to establish and have built the University of Oregon junior college at Portland.

It is to be a \$2 million institution and it is going to be given "priority," as they say back in Washington, D. C., over the construction of anything at any of the other educational institutions in the state under the control or administration of the board of Higher Education. In fact the bill says very succinctly in section 9, that "no building program involving the expenditure of more than \$100,000 be undertaken on the campus of any institution under the jurisdiction of the Oregon state board of higher education until after the establishment of University of Oregon Junior College at Portland."



It is not entirely plain, at least there seems to be some uncertainty about how the new college can be established, set up and got to going, ahead of all the other far-mapped building programs set out for making you stop, during the learning. At least until the proposition has been sanctioned by a vote of the people at the next general or special election. However that is a question for the attorney general, the state frontiers and finally the legislature itself to determine.

Fast Campaigns Recalled

Just thinking back, however, revives the memory of a number of past campaigns for the establishment and location of various normal schools, medical schools and what not here and there in the state from Union to Jackson counties. But whether senators Neuberger and Holmes can get their Junior endeavor over the hump of the constitution is not the main interesting uncertainty about the transaction. What is the main uncertainty is the provision of section 9 about the expenditure of more than \$100,000 per campus until after the \$2 million for the Junior institution has all been spent and the new prexy is hired and ready to ring the bell for the boys and girls to come in and get their reading, writing and what not.

Colored Oleo Again Sought By Mahoney

A bill to allow sales of colored oleomargarine in Oregon, a biennial subject of controversy, was introduced in the senate Wednesday by Sen. Thomas Mahoney of Portland.

The present state law permits only sales of the uncolored product. Housewives must do the mixing with color capsules supplied with the product.

Mahoney brought the same measure into the 1947 session and it was killed in the senate.

In the Senate

SB 45—(Rand & others)—Would clear titles to all property in Oregon questioned because of prior ownership by aliens.

SB 46—(Mahoney)—Would permit governor to regulate distribution of electric power through public utility commissioner when warranted by crisis.

SB 47—(Mahoney)—Would permit sales of colored margarine.

SB 48—(Hilton)—Would increase veterans homestead exemptions from liens and liabilities from \$3,000 to \$5,000.

SB 49—(Hilton)—To make minor changes in property settlements following divorce proceedings where the grounds are insanity.

SB 50—(Revision of Laws)—To provide persons convicted of felonies may go directly to prison unless requesting stay of sentence execution. In such cases time spent in county jails would apply against sentences.

SB 51—(Neuberger & others)—Would ban secretary of state's name from appearing on certain state documents and papers.

SB 52—(Bull & others)—Would lower legal voting age from 21 to 18.

SB 53—(Hilton)—To commend Mayor Dorothy McCullough Lee for her campaign to eliminate gambling and vice from Portland.

SB 54—(Mahoney)—To commend Sheriff Marion L. Elliott of Multnomah county for his January 18 raid on gambling outside Portland.

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Counties Move To Avoid New Classification

Marion county's legislative delegation and county court took action in a joint meeting Wednesday to prevent Marion county from automatically falling heir to Multnomah county's governmental system.

Both Marion and Lane counties have passed the 100,000 population mark, according to unofficial estimates, and therefore will be governed by many laws which have been adopted solely for Multnomah county, unless action is taken.

On a motion by Marion County Judge Grant Murphy, the delegation authorized the county court to hire sufficient legal assistance to redraft at least 19 bills dealing with Lane and Marion counties.

Marion County District Attorney Edward O. Stader, jr., was delegated to head the law revision group and will employ several attorneys to complete the work. Sen. Allan Carson of Salem told the group that it would probably require one month or more to rewrite the act.

Judge Murphy urged that the work begin immediately if the bills are to be passed during the 1949 session.

Rep. Earl Hill and Sen. Truman Chase, members of the Lane county delegation, indicated that Lane county would share costs of the revision project since their county is also vitally affected.

Unless new laws are enacted before the 1951 census is completed, Marion and Lane counties would become miniature editions of Multnomah county—complete with its laws and additional expenses.

Among other things, their county courts would be abolished. Three more district judges would replace present justices of the peace and another circuit judge would be added. A domestic relations judge and jury commission would be needed and a jury list of more than 2,000 would be mandatory.

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Hammond said reports that the liquor store employe had a long criminal offense were untrue. The records show, Hammond said, he was twice arrested for vagrancy and once on suspicion of burglary but there were no convictions, and none of this information became known to liquor control commission officials until after he was arrested at Reno last week.

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Politics, Vice Of Multnomah In Senate Dish

Politics, gambling and vice problems of Portland and Multnomah county were all mixed together in dishes served to the senate Wednesday.

Sen. Frank Hilton, Portland republican, introduced a resolution asking the legislature to commend Mayor Dorothy Lee McCullough, also a republican, for her "fearless" campaign against gambling and vice in Portland.

Sen. Thomas Mahoney, Portland democrat, immediately countered with another resolution to congratulate democratic Sheriff Marion L. Elliott of Multnomah county for his gambling raid on a roadhouse outside Portland Tuesday night.

Martin L. Pratt, former republican sheriff defeated by Elliott in November, was among officials in the roadhouse when the raid occurred.

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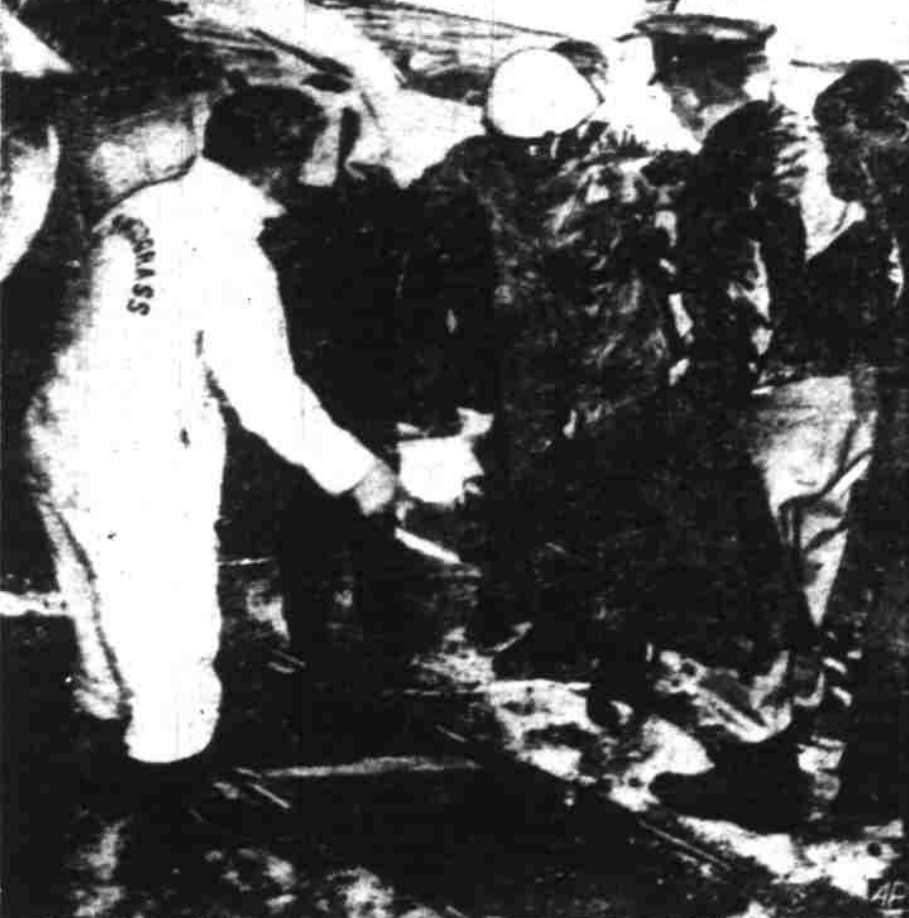
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Aided from Crashed Plane



WICHITA, Kan., Jan. 19—John Blamer, 33 (center) of Wichita, Kan., is helped to stretcher by Sheriff's Deputy and ambulance attendant (unidentified) after crash of a twin-quad experimental plane near Wichita. Co-pilot Joe Drun, 28, also of Wichita, was injured fatally; three others hospitalized in the crash. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman).

In the House

ADOPTED

SB 1—Congratulating President Truman on his election.

INTRODUCTIONS

HB 90 (Com. on Educ.)—Extends until 1951 the right of school districts to incur indebtedness up to 10% of assessed valuation.

HB 92 (House and others)—Permits county courts to fix salaries of justices of the peace.

HB 93 (Geddes and others)—Permits Douglas county court to fix salary of Reedsport justice.

HB 91 (Baum)—Lets taxpayers who are Oregon residents vote in water districts in which they own property, if there are less than 20 registered voters in district (Present law requires 50-day residence in district to vote).

HB 92 (Com. on Judiciary)—Permits summons to be served and proof of service returned by any competent person over 21.

HB 93 (Labor and Indus. Com.)—Decreases percentage of employer contributions to industrial accident fund.

HB 94 (Labor and Indus. Com.)—Changes classification of employer under unemployment act—specifying that he must have quarterly payroll exceeding \$1500 and employ four or more persons for 20 days (instead of having \$500 payroll and employing four or more in any one day).

HB 95 (Labor and Indus. Com.)—Alters provisions for seasonal workers under unemployment compensation act.

HB 96 (Labor and Indus. Com.)—Raises from \$300 to \$500 the minimum which employer must earn to be entitled to unemployment benefits.

HB 97 (Shepard, Sen. Rand)—Permits hunting and fishing without license by Oregon resident on his own land.

HB 98 (Logan, Drever)—Repeals entire milk control act.

HB 99 (Anderson and Others)—Repeals law requiring secret ballots in labor disputes.

HB 100 (Anderson and others)—Repeals law barring secondary boycotts.

HB 101 (Geddes)—Lets county surveyors have \$3000 for office expenses.

HB 102 (French, Sen. Marsh)—Would levy a 1/2 of 1 per cent tax on gross business in Oregon.

HB 103 (French, Sen. Marsh)—Would exempt tangible personal property from property tax.

HB 104 (Condit, Shepard)—Would permit purchase and sale of beaver pelts.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

HB 73 to 87, inc.

RE-REFERRED

HB 66, 57

UP FOR VOTE TODAY

HB 5, 64, 65

House resumes 10 a.m. today.

Scouts Make 'Week' Plans At Silverton

SILVERTON, Jan. 19—E. R. Ekman will show pictures Saturday at 2 p.m. at the monthly meeting of Cub pack 52 at Washington Irving building. Parents and friends have been invited to attend.

At the monthly roundtable meeting of Silverton Boy Scouts Tuesday night with Norman Naegeli as chairman and James Bonner as secretary, the group voted to accept the offer of Alfred Adams for use of the Palace theater to show "Last of the Redmen" with proceeds to go for scout work. The picture will be shown February 10. To assist in arrangement for this are Lowell Brown, sr., R. G. Smith, Olaf Paulson, Harry Sherwood, R. A. Fish and L. R. Neal. Appointed as a committee to arrange activities for Scout week, February 6 to 13, are Craig Clark, Carroll Rold, Robert Miller, L. B. Alfred, E. Z. Kaufman. Window displays will be made in local stores.

The scouts voted Tuesday night to include Hazel Green and Scotts Mills in the roundtable unit.

Reports showed that 29 tons of paper were sold from the recent drive.

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