Labor Omnibus **Bill Approved By** Committee

The house labor committee Tuesday voted to recommend passage of employer-labor "omni-bus" bill which makes sweeping changes in Oregon's unemploy-ment commention laws asked Tues-day to stop traffic of benzadrine to convicts at the Oregon state

The committee, however, turn-ed down a suggestion to change the name of the unemployment compensation commission to the employment security commission.

moloyment security commission.
 Maximum unemployment payments under the proposed bills would be boosted from \$20 for 20 weeks to \$25 for 26 weeks. The increase is expected to cost \$1,000,000 annually.
 Changes in the employers experience rate structure are expected to save about \$4,250,000 a year.
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KING COLE DRIVE IN

South Com'l. at the Liberty Y

Bar Sought to Benzadrine at Penitentiary

gon firm holds 80% or more of the voting stock. HB 421 (Van Dyke, Day)-Sets up regulations for oil-well drilling. BB 54 (Rev. of Laws com.)--Limits firemen to 72-hour weeks (vote 43-10). SB 127 (Thompson et al)--Permits trust companies and estate guardians to invest funds in stocks, bonds and corporate obligations (so-called "pru-dent man" act). SB 117 (Thompson)--Validates school districts formed in last twopyears when law technicalities were not som-pield with.

SB 177 (Thompson)—Validates school districts formed in last tweeyears when law technicalities were not som-pield with. SE 216 (Flegel)—Lets hospitals dis-pense drugs if they are compounded elsewhere by licensed pharmacists. SE 266 (Eardie te al)—Ups salaries of Wheeler county officers. SE 29 (Dunn)—Permits district school boards to contract with board of higher education to provide courses on subjects of lower college level. SE 196 (Multnomah dele.)—Raises salaries of Multnomah dele.)—Raises salaries of Multnomah dele.)—Raises is alaries of Multnomah dele.)—Raises salaries of Multnom of rural fire dis-tricts consolidated within the last two years, despite legal defects. SE 387 (Educ, com.)—Requiring coun-ty assessors to put unexpended bel-ance of old school support fund in the state and county fund. SE 345 (Educ, com.)—Allowing con-solidated school districts to pay off the indebtedness of separate districts incurred prior to consolidation. EE-PASSED of the senate, most of whom fa-Introduced by Sen. Allan Car-son, Salem, the measure would permit either party involved in an

In the House

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used the benzadrine cores from the inhalors to "go on some awful jags and cause a great deal of trouble." He explained that the convicts either chew the cores or "steep" them in water and drink

RE-PASSED SB 24. DO-PASS REPORTS ADOPTED

407, 466, 366, 336, 378

SJR 15. RE-REFERRED TO COMMITTEES SE 204, 374, 452. REFERRED TO COMMITTEES SE 20, 161, 214, 301, 504, 385, 583, 30 364, 365, 367. SJM 10. INTRODUCED

and hit another motorist guilty of having a dirty windshield, and get off without paying a cent." Sen. Frederick Lamport, Salem, said he favored the change, de-

INTRODUCED SE 262, 256, 352, EB 469 (Food, Dairy com.)—Allows producers of milk adjudged illegal (low grade) to retain same without having to add identifiable color, but bars sale within Oregon. HE 470 (Educ. com.)—Amends law affecting consolidation, of eity and county school districts; provides for petitions, effective dates, meetings. HE 471 (Rev. of Laws com.)—Ecosts selaries of district court judges from \$4500 to \$5000. HE 472 (Tax. com.)—Extends for another two years the law taxing ships. HE 25 (Doerfier et al)—Provides for interim legislative committee to study feasibility of developing botan-ical gardens as proposed by Oregon Federation of Garden elubs; specifies \$500 as maximum committee expense. HE 673 (Mays, Means com.)—Pro-vides \$10,000 revolving fund for state board of control. HE 674 (Agrl. com.)—Requires coun-ty clerks to issue collar tags with dog licenses. spite the fact that he represents more insurance companies than persons seeking to collect damages. "I have had to hold my nose

they were guilty of minor negli-**PAY BILL PASSES**

The senate passed and sent to the governor Tuesday a bill in-oreasing salaries of Tillamook county officers about \$800 a year. The senate passed and sent to the governor Tuesday a bill in-creasing salaries of Tillamook

tributory negligence law which vitally affects damage suits grow-

ing out of automobile accidents and other mishaps.

The action followed a heated

wo-hour debate between lawyers

utomobile accident to recover

damages in court even though both parties were found negligent. The person found the least negli-

gent could recover damages-mi-

nus his amount of negligence con-

Under the present contributory negligence law, neither persons involved in an accident may re-

cover damages in court when both

Carson attacked the present 80-year-old law citing that a per-son judged guilty of only one de-gree of negligence cannot collect damages in court even though the

other party is 99 degrees negligent and responsible for an accident.

Sen. Paul Patterson, Hillsboro

opposing the measure, contended

insurance premiums would go up

if persons are allowed to recover

Sen Thomas R. Mahoney, Port-

land, attacked Patterson's argu-

"Under the present law, a driver can speed 90 miles an hour

damages in court in most cases.

ments, declaring that:

vored the new proposal.

tributing to the accident.

are judged negligent.

Bill Penalizing Tax Bill Spurs Most-at-Fault Cleavage in House Debate

Rep. Howard Morgan, Portland democrat, and Rep. Ralph Moore, Coos Bay republican, tangled dur-ing debate on a corporations tax bill Tuesday. The senate, 18 to 11 Tuesday, passed and sent to the house a bill to reverse the present con-

Morgan opposed the bill, which in effect would reduce tax paid by Jantzen Knitting mills and Iron Fireman, and in so doing mentioned that the firms were "prosperous.

Moore, who had objected some days ago to Morgan taking so long on "theories of government," arose to declare he was "quite

disturbed by remarks that show a hate for the American system of free enterprise," and said the bill was based entirely on equity, not on special tax privilege. Morgan arose to answer under

"personal privilege" and when Speaker of the House Frank Van Dyke tentatively declined to let him talk because "I don't think your personal motives have been impugned," Morgan declared: "I think they have." Van Dyke said: "Do you wish

to dispute the ruling of the chair?" "That's up to you," Morgan answered.

"Do you wish to appeal (to the assembly) from the ruling?" Van Dyke asked. "I will not," Morgan respond ed. Later he observed that tempers were becoming short and that "the silly season is here."

The bill, which was passed and sent to the senate, would exempt from state excise tax the dividends paid to Oregon corporations

by foreign corporations in which an Oregon firm holds 50 per cent or more of voting stock.

Senate Honors Sen. Walsh, Wife

The senate, senate secretaries and employes presented Senate President William E. Walsh, Coos Bay, with a wrist watch Tuesday, and gave his wife a silver

tes set. CLACKAMAS BILL OK The senate passed a bill Tues-

day increasing salaries of Clacka- of their first grandson, to their mas county officers \$300 a year. It now goes to the governor.

In the Senate

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PASSED SB 256--(Carson & Hendershott)---Repeals the contributory negligence law, and enacts a comparative negli-gence law. In case both parties in-volved in an accident are judged guil-ty of negligence, the one less negli-gence. Under present law any party found negligent in any degree is bar-red from recovering damages in court. BB 352--(Rev. of Laws)--Frohibits livestock from running at large. HB 112--(Swett & Gardner)--Haises salaries of Tillamook county officials. HB 112--(Fisher & others)--Increases the pay of Douglas county officials for two years. HB 118--(Clackamas Del.)--Raises the pay of Clackamas county officials. HB 318--(Agriculture)--Allows use oto county undes to eradicate and con-trol predatory animals. INTRODUCED

trol predatory animals. INTRODUCED SB 386-(Rev. of Laws)-Exempts graduates of Oregon law schools from taking bar examinations to earn law certificates SB 381-(Med., Pharm. & Dentistry) -Makes it a crime to bring any drug into a public institution, prison, coun-ty or city jail without permission of their supervisors. Directed at persons allegedly bringing benzadrine into the state penitentiary. SB 382-(Rev. of Laws)-Sets fees for foreign insurance companies and mutual associations doing business in Oregon and places them under the insurance commissioner. EEFEREED SB 372 to 380 inc.

8B 372 to 360 inc. RB 10, 57, 182, 222, 223, 227, 233, 251, 282, 356, 429, 430, 451. TABLED

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 SB 123, 124.

 DO PASS REPORTS ADOPTED

 SB 44, 131, 132, 347, 355, 357, 361, 369.

 HB 194, 199, 365, 367.

 UP FOR FINAL ACTION TODAY

 SB 355, 357, 361, 369.

 HB 319, 322, 336, 365, 422.

 THE SENATE RESUMES AT 16 A.M.

Valley Births SILVERTON — At Silverton hospital, March 15, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. George Higley (Lois Richards); March 14, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Adach, and March 13, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Edwards of Mt.

Angel. FOUR CORNERS — Barbara FOUR CORNERS — Barbara Ann Glines, born March \$ to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Glines, 4168 Glenwood dr. The grandparens are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shrull and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frisk, all of Salem. MT. ANGEL — Mr. and Mrs.

Fred Prosser announce the birth daughter Elaine, now Mrs. Don Palmer of Tillamook.

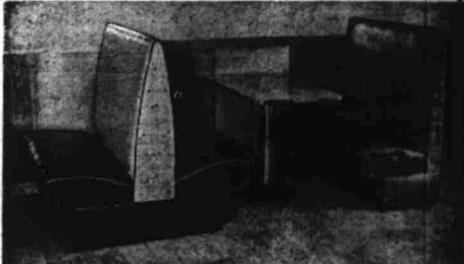
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Robert Wagers Heads Scouts MIDDLE GROVE – The regu-lar Boy Scout committee meeting for March was held at the home

for March was held at the home duck" of John Van Laanen, Present cakes.

were Deputy Council Commis-sioner Norman Frees, Chairman Robert Wagers, committeemen, William Kleen, Cleo Keppenger, Theodore Kuenzi, Jack Wikoff and John Van Leanen, and assistant

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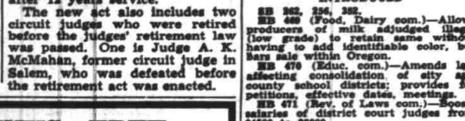
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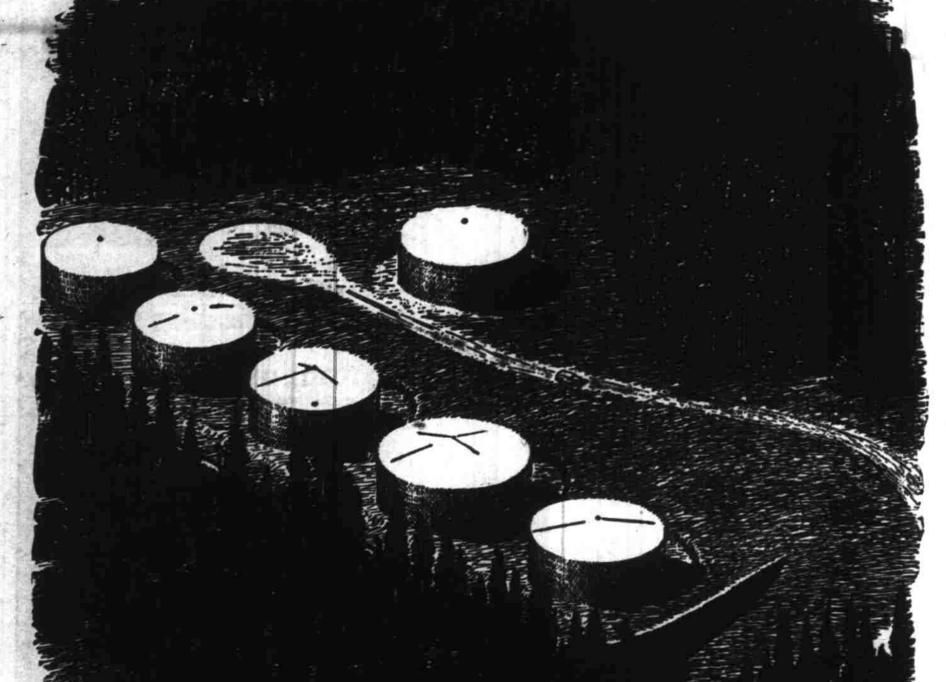
Metropolitan Reports to Policyholders on 1948 Business



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FOR FINAL ACTION TODAY 44, 11, 12, 353, 467, 448.

many times when I destroyed a perfectly sound case, brought by persons seeking damages, because



HERE IS THE Financial Statement of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company for last year. It is more than just figures, because back of them is the story of what 32,700,000 policyholders have done for their families and themselves.

The role of Metropolitan, like that of any Life insurance company, has been to help policyholders to make effective their individual plans for protection against the uncertainties of life. This Statement is a brief account of its stewardship.

The amount paid to policyholders and beneficiaries in 1948 was \$721,366,364. Of this sum, \$263,780,754 went to the beneficiaries of 235,000 policyholders; \$147,-045,672 to some 450,000 individuals for Matured Endowments and Annuities; and \$59,403,238 for 650,000 claims for Disability and Accident & Health benefits. In addition, the total paid included sums for cash surrender values, dividends, and other payments due under outstanding policies.

The total payments by Metropolitan to policyholders and beneficiaries during the

last 16 years aggregated \$9,346,330,825-a sum which has served as a stabilizing influence in homes and communities throughout the country. This total exceeds the Company's assets of \$9,125,145,007 as of December 31, 1948.

These assets are held to meet obligations of \$8,591,210,201, of which more than 90% represents statutory reserves for future payments to policyholders and beneficiaries. Over and above these obligations, there remained a surplus of \$533,934,806, which is about 6% of obligations — a backlog which must be available against the possibility of epidemics, adverse economic conditions or other unforesceable situations.

The Company's assets guarantee the fulfillment of the \$39,958,517,854 of Metropolitan life insurance in force. In addition, they assure the payment of the 448,394 annuity and supplementary contracts outstanding, and the 6,546,412 policies or certificates providing benefits in event of either accident, sickness, hospitalization, surgical or medical expense.

1948 annual statement are: the net rate of interest earned on total assets reversed the trend of many years and increased from 2.94% in 1947 to 3.03%; in line with the experience of business generally, there were some increases in expenses; the rate of mortality was slightly lower than in 1947; the lapse rate was one of the best on record; and new life insurance issued during the year was \$2,904,157,071. The amount held for lividends payable to Metropolitan policy-tolders in 1949 totals \$152,067,254.

Metropolitan Investments continued in 1948 to serve various sections of the nation and its economy. The Company is interested in making loans, irrespective of size, to either individuals or corporations, which meet the legal requirements with which it must comply.

A more complete review of the Com-pany's affairs will be found in its Annual Report to Policyholders, which will be sent to anyone on request.

STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS AND ASSETS ... DECEMBER 31, 1948 (In accordance with the Annual Statement filed with the Insurance Department of the State of New York)

OBLIGATIONS TO POLICYHOLDERS, BENEFICIARI	S, AND OTHERS
Statutory Policy Reserves This amount, determined in accordance with legal require- ments, together with future premiums and reserve interest, is necessary to assure payment of all future policy benefits.	
Policy Proceeds and Dividends Left with Company. Policy proceeds from death claims, matured endowments, and other payments, and dividends—left with Company by beneficiaries and policyholders to be returned infuture years.	
Reserved for Dividends to Policyholders . Set aside for payment in 1949 to those policyholders eligible to receive them.	152,067,254.00
Policy Claims Currently Outstanding	85,428,842.47
Other Pelley Obligations Promiums received in advance, reserves for mortality and morbidity fluctuations, reserve for continuing the program of equalization dividends on weekly premium policies, etc.	\$\$,327,132.80
Taxes Accressed . Including estimated amount of taxes payable in 1949 on the business of 1948.	18,835,395.00
Contingoncy Reserve for Mortgage Loans	21,000,000.00
All Other Obligations	21,969,435.99
TOTAL OBLIGATIONS	\$8,591,210,201.26
SURPLUS FUNDS	
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TOTAL SURPLUS FUNDS	\$33,934,805.89
TOTAL OBLIGATIONS AND SURPLUS FUNDS .	\$9,125,145,007.15

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	Mational Government Securities	LIGATIONS 83,309,342,335.38
	Canadian Government	8,548,308,170.87
	Public Utility. 1,152,792,757.79 Industrial and Miscellaneous 1,722,176,660.28 Bonds of the Company's Housing Devel- opment Corporations. 115,552,843.75	
	Stocks All but \$4,095,030.58 are Preferred or Guaranteed.	112,342,333.50
	Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	1,130,935,008.40
	Loans on Policios	\$64,480,189.90
	Roal Estate (after decrease by adjustment of \$25,000,000 in the aggregate)	889,417,875.58
	acquired for investment 8 153,465,256.63 Properties for Company use	
ð	Cash and Bank Deposits	151,886,801.05
3	Promiumes, Deterred and in Course of Collection .	151,311,713.47
4	Accrued Interest, Rents, etc	65,340,074.25
	TOTAL ASSETS TO MEET OBLIGATIONS	89,125,145,007.15

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Hidden tank farm to keep 50,000 homes warm

Deep in the firs near Puget Sound one of the largest heating oil tank farms in the West is being built ... and motorists passing by on the highway will never know it exists.

A large ring of trees has been left standing around the tanks to preserve the scenic beauty of the area; the farm itself will store 28,896,000 gallons of oil ... enough to heat 50,000 homes all winter long.

Actually, the six tanks are not needed under normal weather and shipping conditions. They're being built at a cost of more than \$1,000,000 to make certain there will be enough oil on hand to meet any emergency spell of unusually bad weather ... to make certain the homes of the people we serve always will be warm. Similar expenditures are being made constantly in the important job of serving the West well.

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