

Appear at PUC Bus Hearing



Public utilities commission hearing which started Monday on a proposed bus line from Salem to Newport by John Ratzlaff, Albany, will continue at 10 a. m. today in the Salem council chambers. Ratzlaff, standing with back to camera, is shown with one of his attorneys, Donald Shaffer, Portland, handing proposed schedules to Malcolm Jones, PUC examiner, as Chief Examiner Donald Burke looks on at right. Seated in front of restrum is Bob Frolik, recorder. (Statesman photo).

Hearing on Salem-Coast Buses Opens; Will Continue Today

Testimony favorable to establishment of a new bus service between Salem and Newport was heard Monday in the first day of a hearing before the state public utilities commission on application for a permit to operate such a route.

John Ratzlaff of Albany, who filed his application with the PUC recently, was on the witness stand of the direct bus service. Ratzlaff, if his permit is approved, would operate as Pacific Coast lines between Salem and Newport via Dallas, Valley Junction, Otis and between Otis and Newport. His proposed twice daily run from here to Newport would be on a 2 1/2-hour schedule.

Ratzlaff was formerly with the Dollar lines and Greyhound company. He now operates the Santiam stages out of Albany. He has contracted to sell Santiam Stages if his present application is approved, he said Monday.

He now has a 25-passenger bus and two more on order, he said. He said that "a personal survey of the area involved" has convinced him that another route could operate. There is now Oregon Motor Stages service from Salem to Dallas but none from Dallas to Valley Junction, he stated.

His permit is opposed by Pacific Greyhound lines, Oregon Motor Stages and the Roy East lines. The latter also has filed for a permit for a route similar to Ratzlaff's proposal.

Resolutions from Salem Chamber of Commerce and the Salem and West Salem city councils favoring the Ratzlaff permit were introduced. Salem Attorney Steve Anderson appeared in behalf of the latter.

Several coast towns between Otis and Newport were repre-

sented by a spokesman who told the commission they favored the application.

W. C. Simpson of Portland, representing West Coast Trailways company, also appeared in Ratzlaff's behalf. Ratzlaff is slated to appear again with additional information.

Donald J. Bourke, PUC examiner who is conducting the hearing, indicated that the petitioners probably would be heard until Wednesday or Thursday and that the opposition would take the chair after that.

Drill Honors Club Officer

JEFFERSON—Mrs. R. W. Curl, financial secretary for 25 years for Mt. Jefferson Rebekah lodge, was honored by a drill by 10 members at the lodge meeting Tuesday night. The drill spelled out her name. She received a corsage and was presented a pink azalea. Mrs. Curl has a record of 216 consecutive meetings.

LEAVES FOR SEATTLE FOUR CORNERS — Mrs. Grace Carter, who has been a guest of her daughter, Mrs. John Harger, for several weeks, left Wednesday to visit relatives in Seattle.

Salem Pastor To Leave for Whittier Post

The Rev. James A. Scott, pastor of Central Church of Christ for the past four years, will leave Sunday to become pastor of the Church of Christ in Whittier, Calif., congregation officers announced Monday. His successor has not yet been selected.

Scott came here from a pastorate at Long Beach, Calif., in January, 1945.

The church Men's Fellowship is to sponsor a no-host dinner and program at the church Friday evening as a farewell to the Rev. and Mrs. Scott. Paul Purvis and Cliff Long are in charge of arrangements.

The Scotts have five children, of whom two daughters reside in

Movie Used as Trial Evidence

PORTLAND, March 21 (AP)—Motion pictures have been introduced as evidence for what is believed to be the first time in a Multnomah county circuit court.

Judge James R. Bain admitted the pictures submitted by the Portland Traction company in the trial of a \$20,000 suit brought by C. A. Noble, 70.

Noble claimed he was injured in 1947 while alighting from a trolley bus, and testified he was forced to walk with his head tilted to one side. The company said the movies showed Noble walking normally.

Motion pictures have been shown before in federal court here.

Salem, Mrs. Frank McKay and Mrs. Elbert Tedrick.

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Woodburn Schools Rethire Teachers

WOODBURN—Contracts to all but two Woodburn teachers have been authorized by the local school board. No blanket raise was granted to instructors, but raises will

average \$50 under the single salary schedule adopted last year with the minimum pay at \$2,650 per year. The board took action to require all teachers to live in the Woodburn training area. A budget committee meeting will be held Wednesday night, March 23.

Unemployment Compensation Bill Approved

By Paul Harvey, Jr. Associated Press Staff Writer

The house favored overwhelmingly Monday and sent to the senate the main unemployment compensation bill.

It increases maximum benefits from \$20 a week for 20 weeks in any one year, to \$25 a week for 26 weeks. It also reduces employer payroll taxes \$4,250,000 a year, and makes it apply to all private employers, instead of the current limit of four or more persons.

The state unemployment compensation commission estimated the increased benefits would cost the unemployment trust fund \$960,000 a year, in addition to the \$4,250,000 reduction given employers and labor, and was introduced by the house labor and industries committee as a substitute for 14 other bills.

It is the first time that employers and labor agreed on the whole unemployment compensation program.

The house voted against two moves to send it back to committee with instructions to amend it.

It shouted down a move to have the law remain applicable to employers or four or more persons. And it voted 30 to 27 against making cooperatives come under the law.

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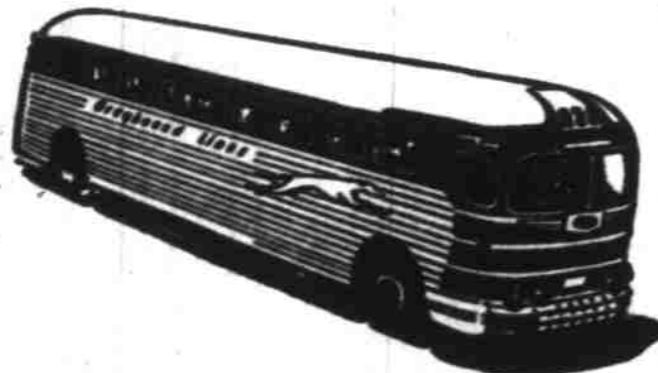


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