

# State Forestry Funds Ready For Camp Use

Cost of the proposed state forest camps can be paid out of state forestry funds, Attorney General George Neuner ruled Saturday at the request of Portland City Attorney Alexander Brown.

It previously was argued by joint ways and means committee members that funds for the project would have to come out of the general fund.

The camps, if approved by the legislature, would be established in the Tillamook burn where screened penitentiary prisoners would be employed in seeding and other forest operations. Prisoners assigned to the camps would receive a maximum of \$1 a day for their work.

## Conferees to Rule In Tax Fund Case

A conference committee to compromise senate-house differences in a bill to transfer income tax surpluses to the general fund was appointed Saturday in the legislature.

Use of these surpluses, estimated at as high as \$40,000,000, will almost balance the state budget.

The committee includes the two tax committee chairmen, Sen. Dean Walker, Independence, and Rep. Study Wilhelm, Jr., Portland, plus Sen. Eugene Marsh, McMinnville, and Rep. Giles French, Moro.

**ANNUAL PLANT SALE**  
STAYTON — The annual plant sale of the Stayton Garden club will be held May 4 and 5 at the old bank building. All choice and named varieties of bulbs and plants are to be sold in connection with a white elephant sale, Mrs. George Bell, chairman, reports.

Mrs. Robert Corey will be hostess to the recent graduates of AAUW Tuesday night at her home, 1590 North 20th street. Miss Barbara Causey will be co-hostess. The program will be on the latest methods of freezing foods.

Tri Y Mothers at a meeting Thursday at the YWCA at 1:30 will hear Miss Mary Pepper of the Oregon state employment service talk on teen age employment.

Fratern — Mrs. John Hain will entertain the Fratern-Macley Home Extension unit at her home on Tuesday at 1 o'clock. The lesson topic is family business and the law. Election of officers will be held.

## Penalty Hiked for Day Shift Burglars

Oregon burglars who plan to rob houses during the daytime, instead of at night, had better think twice in the future. In the past penalties have been stiffer for nighttime robberies. But legislative action was completed Saturday on a bill which makes them the same—5 to 15 years in prison, day or night.

## Courthouse Bid Opening Set Thursday

Bids for construction of the proposed new Marion county courthouse will be opened Thursday at 2:30 p.m. with five firms expected to seek the contract. Whether the job will be awarded depends upon the cost, since the county has accumulated about \$1,500,000 in special tax levies.

The five companies which have filed pre-qualification forms as to financial standing are Viecko and Post of Salem; Ross B. Hammond, C. M. Corkum company and L. H. Hoffman of Portland; J. G. Watts Construction company of Seattle.

Representatives of wrecking companies involved in sub-contract bidding for razing the present structure have been around the courthouse during the past week. One said he had been told it wouldn't be much of a job, but after viewing the heavy masonry and the strong beams which have stood for 75 years he agreed that it should be more like 30 days for the task.

The county court said Saturday that the statute of Justice, atop the tower, will be preserved.

If the contract is awarded as a result of bids to be opened Thursday, it was expected that all offices could be transferred to the public school office building, where the county has leased space, by June 1.

## Bill to Settle Bridge Dispute

Legislative action was completed Saturday in the house on a bill to exempt from taxation publicly-owned interstate bridges of other states, if similar exemptions are granted to Oregon bridges.

The bill will exempt the Washington-owned Longview bridge and may help settle a three-year tax dispute over the structure. Oregon levied \$180,000 in taxes on the bridge. Washington refused to pay but will pay \$70,000 of those taxes if Oregon exempts the bridge in the future. Oregon has accepted.

## Gallon Blood Club Reactivated

The Gallon club for persons giving 8 pints or more to the blood program is being reactivated by Marion county chapter of the American Red Cross starting May 3, Salem's next blood day.

The club was featured during World War II and had a long list of members. Next blood day in the county is Monday, the unit to be in operation at Union Hill Grange hall between 2 and 6 p.m. with Dr. Dean Brooks from Salem as the doctor in charge. The Union Hill community is hoping to supply 150 donors.

## McKay Backs Reappraisal Of Property

Gov. Douglas McKay indicated Saturday he was heartily in favor of the bill increasing the appropriation of the state tax commission so it can launch a 10-year property reappraisal program.

"I am satisfied that a more equitable property assessment schedule will save the taxpayers of Oregon a large amount of money and at the same time increase returns to the state," Governor McKay averred.

The task of launching the reappraisal program will be under the direction of Robert Maclean, in charge of the assessment and taxation division of the state tax commission. He said his men would work in cooperation with county assessors and the program would involve four counties at a time.

Obtaining competent men for the work will be the most serious trouble under the current manpower shortage, Maclean said.

The program will be launched as soon as the bill is signed. Legislative action was completed Saturday.

## Senate Favors West Regional Education Pact

A bill which would permit Oregon to join a western state regional compact for higher education was approved by the senate and sent to the house Saturday.

Under the compact, recommended by governors of 11 western states, special graduate schools would be open, at resident tuition rates, to students from anywhere in the west.

Resident rates are considerably lower than non-resident.

The states would contribute money to each other's graduate schools to provide fewer but better graduate courses in such fields as medicine and dentistry.

## Filipino YM Official Due Here Monday

Domingo C. Bascara, general secretary of the Philippine islands YMCA, will tell about this country and development in the annual world service banquet Monday at 6:30 p. m. in Salem YMCA.

The meeting, open to the public with dinner reservations asked by noon Monday, will launch the local YM world service campaign to raise \$2,075 by May 10. Roy Harland and Ronald Hudkins are co-chairmen.

Bascara, who just arrived in the U. S. is on a speaking tour and is to attend the international YM and Rotary conventions. He is noted as a community leader and was instrumental in organizing the Manila Community chest, which he has directed for its first two years. In the northwest he is speaking at Seattle, Portland and Salem.

Also on the program will be Dr. Stanton Turner, Los Angeles, who was general secretary in the Philippines for 25 years, to organize the YM and turn it over to native leadership. He trained Bascara.

## Investigation of Rainmaking Asked By Legislators

The old saying, "Everyone talks about the weather but no one does anything about it," may be strictly for the horse-and-buggy days as far as Oregon's legislature is concerned.

A resolution was introduced in the house Saturday calling for a two-year interim committee investigation of rainmaking.

The committee would include three representatives, two senators and two members-at-large appointed by the governor.

The resolution predicted an increase in the attempts of man to control the weather.

## \$41,236 Talled For Red Cross

A total of \$41,236 for the American Red Cross fund campaign in Marion county was checked in for the Saturday auditing. The county goal is \$48,985.

To date, Salem has \$32,804 of its quota of \$34,095 in, while county divisions have \$8,432 of their \$14,890 in.

Idanha brought in \$180 late in the week. In the city divisions, general gifts were boosted to \$1,187 against a goal of \$1,275.

Professional division is now up to \$1,860 out of its goal of \$2,100. Women's residential division has turned in \$6,325 against its quota of \$7,100.

All divisions in the campaign were making special effort to wind up solicitation to get reports in by Monday.

## Dignitaries at Final Rites for Vandenberg

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., April 21—(AP)—The late U. S. Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, who rose from a harness maker's home to influence the future of his people, was buried today.

The 67-year-old republican statesman went to his last resting place in ceremonies mingling gracefully the pomp and homage due a world figure and the simple Congregational burial rites.

In the forefront were more than 100 dignitaries of state and local government. In the background were more than 5,000 of the home-town folks who saw his rise from a boy newspaper editor to become one of the architects of the United Nations.

And, at the end, was the small tree-shaded family plot in Oak Hill cemetery where his first wife and his parents lie, their simple individual markers resting beside one plain block of marble which says only "Vandenberg."

## Medical Auxiliary To Install Mrs. Baum

PORTLAND, April 21—(AP)—The house of delegates of the Oregon State Medical society will hold a mid-year meeting here April 28.

Dr. William J. Weese, Ontario, president, said medical aspects of civilian defense would be discussed.

Mrs. W. W. Baum, Salem, will be installed as president at the auxiliary meeting. She was elected in 1950.

## Rep. Hebert to Ride Herd on Defense Costs

WASHINGTON, April 21—(AP)—Rep. Hebert (D-La.) was named today to head a house committee that will ride herd on the multi-billion dollar defense spending.

His aim, he said, will be to "keep the horse in the stable" rather than lock the barn door after the horse has been stolen.

Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) of the house armed services committee picked Hebert as chairman of the group. A subcommittee under Vinson, it will have power to investigate all purchases by the army, air force, navy and marines.

Hebert has a newspaper background. His biography in the congressional record recounts that after graduation from Tulane, he was "a newspaperman on the New Orleans States, which 'broke' the Louisiana scandal on June 9, 1930, and which paper was subsequently awarded the Sigma Delta Chi plaque for courage in journalism."

In that scandal, newspapers exposed a mass of corruption under the regime of Huey Long, governor and senator who later was assassinated.

Hebert's new assignment is somewhat like that President Truman had when he was a senator. The Truman committee dug far and wide into the handling of World War II spending and its results helped make him vice president.

## Former Salem Woman Dies in San Francisco

Mrs. Anna Mumm Griebenow, 79, former long-time Salem resident, died Saturday in San Francisco, Calif., at the home of a daughter, Mrs. E. W. Murray.

The deceased is the mother of Paul Griebenow and brother to John Mumm, both of Salem. She was born in 1871 in Minnesota. She was married there in 1891 to A. W. Griebenow, who died in Salem in 1945.

The Griebenow family came to Salem in 1920 and Mrs. Griebenow resided here until 1945. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. John Mumm, pioneer farmers who came to the Salem area in the 1880s.

Mrs. Griebenow was active here in the Christian and Missionary Alliance church. Two of her children are now missionaries in foreign lands. The Rev. M. G. Griebenow,

in Tibet from 1921 until last year, is now at Jerusalem, Israel. Mrs. Walter Post has been a missionary at Makassar, Indonesia for about the past 20 years.

Other survivors include daughters, Mrs. R. S. Haarala of San Diego, Calif.; sisters, Mrs. Fred Liesinger of Kent, Wash., and Mrs. Margaret Sherrill of Washington, and by seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are being arranged by the Virgil T. Golden chapel.

## Eggs Scrambled, Cooked in Mishap

BAKER, April 21—(AP)—When the firemen arrived, there were some 75,000 eggs—baked, barbecued, smoked and scrambled.

Many had spilled out of the 210 cases aboard a truck that caught fire as it was carrying the eggs from Payette, Idaho, to Portland.

The driver, Ken Slanery, La Grande, told firemen the blaze was going good before he discovered it. He estimated his loss at \$3,300.

## 17 Dead, 22 Lost as Tankers Head for Port

MOBILE, Ala., April 21—(AP)—With 17 dead and 22 missing men presumed dead, two tankers that collided and exploded in Gulf of Mexico headed for ports tonight.

The two tankers—the 26,500 ton Esso Suez and the 19,000 ton Esso Greensboro—collided in dense dawn fog Friday, 200 miles south of Morgan City, La.

The Suez steamed today under her own power for Mobile, but was accompanied by the Esso New York. The Greensboro was taken in tow by another tanker and headed to Galveston, Tex.

The coast guard announced an investigation of the collision would open at Mobile Monday.

One man on the Suez, First Mate Walter Brehm, of Lyndhurst, N. J., died in the crash. Another man, not immediately identified, died from burns. Three other crewmen were burned, but no other injuries were reported among the 44 men aboard.

All the other casualties were from the Greensboro. Only five of the 42 men aboard have been picked up alive. Thirteen bodies spotted from the air. Ten of them have been found so far within her burned hulk. The remaining 22 missing are presumed dead, including Capt. Cyril C. Eden of Tampa, Fla.

Marine records indicate the collision was the greatest disaster off the U. S. coast since 84 persons died in the crash of an American tanker and a freighter off the Atlantic coast June 6, 1943.

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An evaluation of America's foreign policy will be made for the Salem Chamber of Commerce by Dr. U. G. Dubach of Lewis and Clark college, Monday noon at the Senator hotel.

Dr. Dubach is professor of political science at the Portland school. He was for many years dean of men and political science professor at Oregon State college. He is widely known over the state as an educator and counselor of youth.

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