

Secretary Backs Health Clauses

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach Thursday supported health and welfare clauses in collective bargaining contracts.

"Such clauses offer an effective and flexible means of providing greater social security through collective bargaining; there is a body of successful experience in this field," he told Congress in his annual report.

The United Steelworkers, United Auto Workers and United Electrical Workers, all CIO, are demanding health and welfare clauses in new contracts now being negotiated. A similar clause, which provides a five-cents-a-ton royalty on all soft coal, is a major stumbling block to a new contract between coal operators and the United Mine Workers (AFL) before the March 31 deadline for a new strike.

Congress tried last year to outlaw health and welfare funds contributed by employers and exclusively administered by unions. President Truman vetoed the bill. Congress may try again this year.

Schwellenbach said inclusion of health and welfare clauses in collective bargaining contracts is one step toward attaining greater economic stability.

Grocery Clerks, Meat Cutters Win Raises

MEDFORD — (AP) — Meat cutters and grocery clerks in the Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass areas were granted wage increases in a new contract between employers and two unions.

Dan Hay, Portland, employer representative, said meat cutters were raised from \$52 a week to \$63 for a 48-hour week. Beginner retail clerks will receive \$36, and \$40.80 after six months, \$45.60 after a year and \$51.60 after 18 months. Both groups will receive time and a half after 48 hours.

The olive tree grows slowly and seldom reaches a height of more than thirty feet.



(NEA Telephoto) Mrs. Leely Adamson, 30, receives nasal drops containing cold virus. She and husband, David, 24, volunteered to risk induced colds in exchange for two weeks "easy living" in attractive prefabricated hut at Harvard Hospital, Salisbury, England, as medical experts seek cure for common cold.

Unhappiest Man Got Pay Bonus—But

PORTLAND, Ore. — (AP) — The city's four commissioners "complained" about their pay Thursday—three said the city failed to give them their full \$5000 annual salary in 1946 and the fourth lamented the "bonus" on his salary.

Those underpaid were short only a few cents, but Commissioner Kenneth L. Coppet said the \$5000.05 he was paid put him in a higher income tax bracket.

'Wartime Ice Cream' To Disappear June 30

SALEM — (AP) — The State Agriculture Department said Thursday that wartime restrictions on the manufacture of ice cream in Oregon will cease June 30 as a result of President Truman's proclamation proclaiming the cessation of hostilities.

This means that ice cream again will require a minimum of 12 percent butterfat, four per cent more than under the existing wartime laws.

Northwest Representatives Get Positions of Influence in House

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Pacific Northwest members of the House feel they fared well in Republican committee assignments and that they will be in positions to exert influence in behalf of projects affecting their territory.

Two of them, Reps. Horan (R-Wash) and Stockman (R-Ore), drew assignments to the powerful House Appropriations Committee, which will consider all appropriations for power, flood control, rivers and harbors and reclamation projects.

First Oregonian

Horan was a member of the committee in the last Congress but Stockman is the first Oregon representative ever to be on the appropriations committee.

On the other side of the Capitol Senator Cordon (R-Ore) is a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee and was active last session in getting approval for appropriations for Northwest matters.

Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore) was assigned to the Armed Forces Committee. His predecessor, the late Rep. Mott, served for years on the House Naval Committee. Norblad nosed out Homer Jones (R-Wash) for the place because Norblad came to Congress last year while Jones is a freshman.

Rep. Ellsworth (R-Ore) drew a place on the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee while Rep. Tolleson (R-Wash) got an equally important assignment for

his territory as a member of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee. This committee handles all fisheries problems that particularly effect the Pacific Northwest fishing industry and Alaskan fishing problems. Rep. Jackson (D-Wash) also is a member of this committee.

Rep. Jones (R-Wash) who failed to get a place on the armed forces committee, drew an assignment to the Postoffice and Civil Service Committee headed by Rep. Rees (R-Kan).

Rep. Angell (R-Ore) becomes the ranking Republican member of the Public Works Committee. Rep. Norman (R-Wash) also was assigned to this committee. This gives the Northwest states two men on this committee, which considers rivers and harbors and flood control authorizations.

Rep. Hal Holmes (R-Wash) was placed on the powerful House Ways and Means Committee which prepares tax bills.

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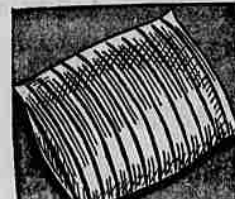
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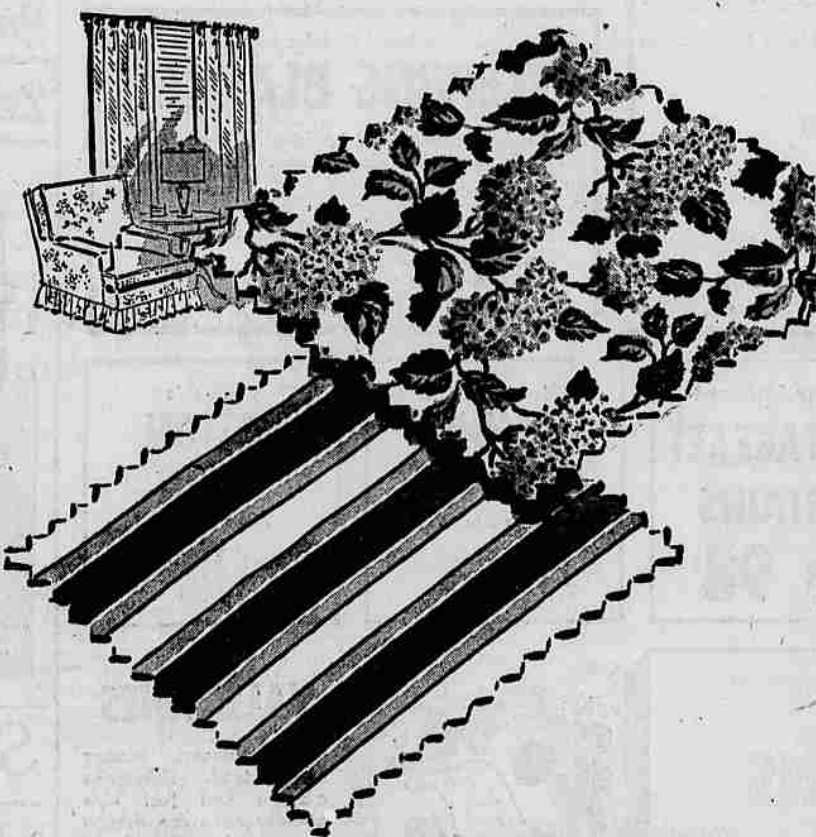
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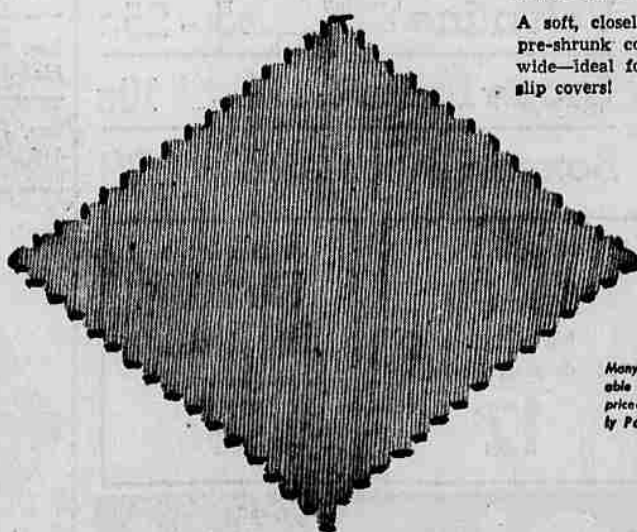
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