

Lane Young Republicans Reject Bend Bid to Ponder Candidates

Lane Young Republicans will not commit themselves by endorsing any prospective presidential candidate this early in the game, it was decided Thursday night as the local club rejected an invitation from the Bend Young Republicans to attend a meeting in that city at which backing of candidates was to be discussed.

Reading of the invitation brought immediate opposition from the floor. Ed Luckey, district attorney, and Herman Hendershott,

state representative, argued that the proposal to back any candidate at this time was against the club's constitution.

Adopted
A resolution to that effect was adopted by unanimous vote.

The rejection of the invitation followed an extensive debate on sales tax legislation due to go before Oregon voters in a special referendum. Speaking for the measure was Vern Hawn, city councilman. Against the proposal was Dr. P. W. Ellis, University of Oregon economics professor.

Principle
Hahn, speaking first, emphasized that his stand represented a sociological as well as economic principle which seemed important to him.

"I like the sales tax specifically," he said, "because people will become tax minded. If you have a little more money in the game (referring to tax revenues) you're also going to have more interest in how the game is played than if you were standing behind a chair watching the other fellow."

Hahn also pointed out that he believed the present system of taxation is discouraging the expenditure of capital.

Six Points
Dr. Ellis based his disapproval of the sales tax on six main points. "First," he declared, "the tax isn't necessary. It would not place the money where it is needed. Second, it would add one million dollars to state expenses to collect it. Also it would complicate an already highly complicated system of collection, would create annoyances for businessmen just freed from OPA forms, would relieve the rich at the expense of the poor and, last of all, it would obscure the facts as to who pays our taxes."

Following speeches by Hahn and Dr. Ellis, President Robert G. Nielson of the young Republicans threw the meeting open to questions from the floor.

Earlier in the meeting, Jane Rodman reported on a Republican convention held recently in the East. She told of an address by Alfred Landon, GOP presidential candidate in 1940.

Will of Henry Ford Filed For Probate; Value Undisclosed

DETROIT (AP)—The will of Henry Ford, noted automobile industry pioneer, was filed for probate Friday but gave no inkling of its extent.

It left the bulk of the estate, represented in non-voting stock in the Ford Motor Co. to the Ford Foundation, and all of Mr. Ford's holdings of voting shares to his grandchildren in equal shares.

Unofficial estimates of the estate's value have ranged upward of \$500,000,000.

Control of Company
Clifford B. Longley, attorney for the Ford family, said that when the will is finally cleared through probate, control of the vast Ford industrial empire will rest with the heirs of Edsel B. Ford, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ford.

The will dated Feb. 1936, left only the Ford home "Fairlane," in nearby Dearborn where Mr. Ford died April 7, to his widow along with some personal effects.

Other than the bequests to the foundation, the grandchildren and the widow there were no specific bequests.

The Ford Foundation, organized in 1936, contributes to the maintenance of Ford's Greenfield Village, the Edison Institute in nearby Dearborn, to the Henry Ford Hospital and to other institutions. In the latest report filed by Henry Ford II, its president and a trustee, it reported assets of \$109,168,005 on June 30, 1945.

Tax-Exempt
Its purpose is described as "to

receive and administer funds for scientific, educational and charitable purposes all for the public welfare." As such, attorneys maintain, it and any contributions it receives are tax exempt.

The will contained a statement by Mr. Ford that he had "heretofore provided generously for my wife, Clara J. Ford, and am satisfied that she is now in a position of complete financial independence."

Training
The military training bill is just what its name implies," Capt. Sharp emphasized. "It is training, not peacetime military service."

Under the proposed bill, every able-bodied male citizen between 18 and 20 years of age would receive one year's training. The first six months of this period would be devoted to basic training. After the second six months the trainee would be given his choice of six options. He could remain in training as a non-commissioned officer, teaching the new trainees still in their first six months; enlist in the national guard or the ORC; take special training in trade schools at government expense; take a college course and enroll in ROTC, taking a commission if one were offered; attend the United States military or naval academy; or enlist in the regular Army, Navy or Marines.

Asks Testimony
President Cliff Culp, after hearing Fred Knox's plea for really board testimony at the flood control hearing in the Armory April 24, appointed the Chamber of Commerce committee, under the chairmanship of Clarence Urey, to prepare written testimony to be presented at that time. Other members of the committee are Harvey Hilton, Wendell Gross, Frank Tashman and Fay Bennett.

E. H. Peterson asked the board to contribute \$5 per man to the Washington D.C. committee of the National Association of Realty Boards. Malcolm Anderson acted as program chairman.

Referendum Fear Halts Dam Project
BAKER, Ore.—(AP)—Work on a proposed \$20,000,000 hydroelectric plant on the Snake River at Oxbow has halted because the Idaho Power Co. fears a change in power laws. Eastern Oregon legislators said Friday.

A possible referendum on a power bill passed by the last session of the Oregon Legislature prompted the halt, said Senators Austin Dunn and J. N. Jones and Reps. R. C. Frisbie and Martin Gallagher.

The legislators added that they hoped the referendum would not be called. They had advocated passage of the bill to encourage the company to build a 125,000-kilowatt plant on the Baker County site.

Fast-Working Dyer Quickly Nabs Pair
City Police Officer Otis Dyer probably broke all records here Friday morning when he captured two young auto theft suspects within four minutes after receiving a pickup order from state police.

The call to pick up two Oakland, Calif., youths suspected of stealing a 1941 sedan from Portland was sent out at 8 a.m. At 8:04 a.m. Officer Dyer reported he had the suspects in custody.

State police were holding Glenn T. Worden, 16, and Grady McCall, Jr., 17, for Portland police.

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Bonneville Aids Power Supply

The Bonneville Power Administration Friday was taking steps to relieve a serious power delivery situation in the Upper Willamette Valley, caused by failure of a high voltage transformer bank of the California Oregon Power Co. at Dixonville, near Roseburg, during a fire which destroyed the substation Tuesday.

William E. Trommershausen, manager of the Administration's Southwestern Oregon district, said Friday that Administrator Paul J. Raver had sent an emergency construction crew to Corvallis, together with materials, to speed construction of a four-mile section of line linking Camp Adair with the system of the Benton-Lincoln Electric Coop served from Bonneville's substation at Wren.

Completion of this line will permit the co-op to take over the load at Camp Adair and permit the release of a transformer bank no longer required due to diminishing load at the camp.

The transformers which have been released to the BPA by the War Assets Administration will be leased to the OC Power Co. and moved to Dixonville to replace the damaged equipment until repairs can be made.

The company will reimburse the government for all expenses incurred in making the connection at Camp Adair and in the removal of the transformers to Dixonville. At the time of the failure, the company had no spare equipment available.

Explorer Scout Post Meets With Committee
Explorer Scout Post 115 of Springfield, sponsored by American Legion Post No. 40, shared a meeting with the members of the committee Thursday evening at the Springfield Scout house. The program was under the direction of Explorer Post Advisor William Cox and crew leaders.

A report and summary of the year's activities were made. Members of the committee who were introduced were F. B. Hamlin, John H. Barnes, Harvey N. Bainbridge, and Allan M. Craig.

Report was made on the coming summer activities and on the Senior Scout Council-wide ball to be held in Eugene in the middle of May. Colored slides and moving pictures of the Lake Malakwa advanced camp which will be operated this summer were shown by Roger L. Bales, Scout executive.

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