...islative Interim Committees ...in Work for 1951 Reports

...M, Ore.—(U.P.)—Problems ranging from streamlining the state ...nt to streamlining legislative sessions and from taxation to ... are being tackled by interim committees created by the ...islature.

...e present session authorized ... interim groups to study ...state activities through the ... and all these groups ...nized Thursday and ...d on investigation which ...ish in reports to the 1951 ...ion.

...of the most important bodies ...Hoover committee." ...study the state's adminis- ...with the objective ...ending elimination of ...ions and consolidation of ...to get greater efficiency ...ion of state affairs.

...important committee has ...00 to spend for all pur- ...including hiring an expert ...field—but is determined to ...best job of hacking away ...governmental brush it ...the money. Members in- ...Sens. Angus Gibson of ...City and Philip S. Hitch- ...Klamath Falls, and Reps. Paul E. Geddes of Roseburg, Charles K. McCulloch of Baker and Rudie Wilhelm Jr., of Portland. Senate President William E. Walsh of Coos Bay and House Speaker Frank J. Van Dyke of Medford are ex-officio members.

The interim committee on taxation will make a thorough study of Oregon's tax setup, and will attempt to determine if the state needs new sources of revenue. Lawmakers at the recent session expressed some apprehension that a slacking of business would result in some reduction of taxes from present sources and new fields would have to be explored. On the tax interim are Sens. Howard Belton of Canby and Eugene Marsh of McMinnville; Reps. Giles French of Moro and John I. Sell of The Dalles, and three members appointed by Gov. Douglas McKay, Earl Day of Medford and Mrs. Louis Humphrey and Kelly Loe, both of Portland.

The committee created to streamline the Legislature with the objective of reducing the length of sessions will study such questions as the printing of bills, journals and session laws, rules governing debate on Senate and House floors, and reduction of the large number of committees. Its members are Senate President Walsh and House Speaker Van Dyke, and Sens. Marsh and Richard L. Neuberger of Portland, and Reps. David Baum of La Grande, Warren Gill of Lebanon and William B. Morse of Prineville.

MAIL BY STREETCAR—An attendant empties a mailbox fastened on a streetcar by Hamburg, Germany, postal authorities, in an attempt to speed movement of mail through city.

Alaska Defense Strong Enough, Johnson Says

OTTAWA — (U.P.) — Defenses in Alaska are strong enough to repel an attack on this continent from the north by any potential aggressor, Defense Secretary Louis A. Johnson indicated here Thursday.

"We have no fear in our Alaskan picture," he told a press conference at the residence of American Ambassador Laurence Steinhardt. He declined to elaborate.

Johnson described his top-secret talks Thursday with the cabinet defense committee as "most pleasant and cooperative." The discussions, attended by Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent, Defense Minister Brooke Claxton and the chiefs of staff, covered the "whole field of western hemisphere defense," he added.

"It was a day of complete understanding with no misunderstanding," he said. "I never spent a more worthwhile day in my life. The discussions were frank, open, honest and with absolutely no disagreement."

Most Friendly Relations

"Canada and the United States enjoy the most friendly relations," he added. "We're in the same family and we thoroughly understand each other's government and defense-wise."

In reply to a question, Johnson said that he favored industrial integration as part of the military preparedness programs of the two countries.

All problems of standardization of equipment and weapons would be solved by Canada and the U. S. as "friends and understanding neighbors."

He was in favor of a large-scale exchange of students between the Royal Military College, Kingston, Ont., and the United States' West Point.

He was "tickled to death" with what Canada was accomplishing along defense lines.

The question of Newfoundland bases now operated by Americans would be "speedily and amicably resolved." There would be no difficulties in the matter.

Johnson, who left here by plane Thursday night for Washington, invited Claxton to visit the American capital soon.

House Hopes To Adjourn Next Week

WASHINGTON — (AP) — House members started planning hopefully today on a one-month vacation, starting possibly at the end of next week.

The word has been quietly passed around in the cloakrooms that if several major bills still on the House docket can be disposed of by August 19, the House can get out of town and let the Senate sweat it out alone.

Two Major Bills

Majority leader McCormack of Massachusetts virtually assured members of a long recess Wednesday. He did so in saying that House recesses might be in order after House passage of the President's arms-aid proposal and a bill for economic assistance to Korea.

"We are far ahead of the Senate," McCormack noted.

1st The arms-aid measure is due to come out of the House Foreign Affairs Committee late this week. So anxious is the committee to get rid of it that it held a session Wednesday night and called another early one today.

Before Committee

The Korean aid bill has been approved by the foreign affairs committee and now is before the rules committee. The House leadership expects a rules committee go-ahead for it shortly.

The two bills could be passed by the House in several days next week, along with any other measures that might be added at the last minute to the "must" docket.

House members usually vote in a hurry and forego long debate when the promise of a vacation is held out to them.

The idea of House leaders is that the House can recess from the end of next week until the latter part of September or possibly October 1. It would meet only twice a week with no legislative business to be transacted. It can't quit for more than three week-days at a time unless the Senate does likewise.

Girl Reunited Here With German Mom

PORTLAND — (AP) — An eight-year-old met her German-born mother here after two years separation with "Mommie, don't speak German!"

Mrs. Russel Sturgis, married to an Oregon serviceman while he was stationed in Germany, came to the U. S. hurriedly—when the Army had a plane seat for her—before she could get her daughter out of the Russian zone. The youngster has been learning to speak English in a New York school the past winter and then flew here to be reunited with the mother and step-father.

Medford Rents Off

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Housing Expediter Tighe E. Woods has ordered immediate removal of rent controls in Medford, Ore., and in the remainder of Jackson County in which Medford is located.

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Atomic Scientists See US Political 'Mistake'

CHICAGO — (U.P.) — An atomic scientists group Wednesday accused the Senate of "making the same mistake in approaching the scientific effort of this country as the Nazis did in Germany and the Communists have been doing in Russia."

Dr. Anthony Turkevich, a spokesman for the Atomic Scientists of Chicago, attacked a senatorial bill that would deny fellowships to students of doubtful loyalty.

Turkevich said this was aside from students working on secret material which are "rightly" investigated by the FBI. He said the bill would deny many students the chance to do non-secret research.

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Sailors Union Row Flares in Seattle

SEATTLE —(AP)— A sharp split between the Sailors Union of the Pacific leadership and the union's Seattle local flared into the open Wednesday.

A union spokesman at San Francisco said Tuesday the AFL group intends to take over the Seattle local and "put our house in order there."

Newspaper Published

A four-page newspaper, carrying the line: "Ordered published by the Seattle Branch, SUP, in defense of union rights," lashed back Wednesday at the union leaders with a charge of "dictatorial and unconstitutional action."

It declared "strong-arm squads are fanning out from Frisco to all branches on the coast in a vain effort to smother the voices of protest."

The controversy whirls around the expulsion of John A. Mahoney, active long-time Seattle union member. The union spokesman at headquarters in San Francisco said he was expelled for acting contrary to SUP policy, but that he has continued to attend union meetings with the help of friendly police and their intimidation of union members.

Union Report Printed

The newspaper issued, The Defender, included a Seattle local union committee report on the issue. It said that "it is clear that under the constitution the trial committee should have been elected and the trial held in Seattle."

The committee report said a question Mahoney asked at a May 23 union meeting, relative to AFL seamen manning ships involved in the Canadian Seaman's Union strike, "is the sole basis for charges against Mahoney."

Union headquarters in San Francisco reported Harry Lundeberg, the union chief, will come to Seattle.

The spokesman said in San Francisco: "We will use our own methods and we will act in the near future."

Spokesman's allegation that police were siding with the Mahoney supporters and that presence of two of Mahoney's brothers on the force affected the police action. The prowler car detail chief said he did not even know Mahoney was related to the two policemen, one of whom is a captain.

Thomas Archer Dies of Cancer

DETROIT — (U.P.) — Thomas P. Archer, 64, a vice-president and director of General Motors Corp., died in Harper Hospital Wednesday night, a victim of cancer.

Archer, who joined the GM organization in 1919, rose from a foreman's job to one of the firm's top executive positions. He became director of operations for the Fisher Body Division in 1929, was appointed its general manager in 1941, and became a GM vice-president in 1943.

He was stricken with cancer a year ago but had been hospitalized only since last week.

Northwest Peach Crop Estimated

PORTLAND—(AP)—Peach crops in Oregon and Washington are expected to total 5,807,000 bushels, a boost of about one million bushels over 1948.

The Federal Crop Reporting Service said the harvest may be 27 per cent above the 10-year average.

Pear harvest in the region was estimated at 12,838,000 boxes, above average and 2,500,000 boxes over last year's crop.

Creamery Concerns Grant Pay Boosts

PORTLAND —(AP)— A ten-cent hourly pay boost and a 44 hour week takes effect Monday for 450 AFL teamsters working under a state-wide agreement with creamery concerns.

The higher pay and shorter week were recommended by an arbitration board after negotiations reached a stalemate. Teamsters have been working a 48-hour week for the creameries.

The arbitration board also directed employers to make "sincere preparations" for a 40-hour week at the expiration of the new agreement, which also provides for higher overtime pay.

The agreement affects creamery workers in Portland, Eugene, Salem, Pendleton, The Dalles, Medford and Vancouver, Wash.

Crack Train Crashes Truck

RED BLUFF, Calif.—(U.P.)—The Shasta Daylight, crack Southern Pacific San Francisco to Portland streamliner, was held up for nearly an hour here after crashing into a truck and trailer loaded with 15 tons of heavy lumber.

Driver of the truck, Clarence Hinkle, 26, Red Bluff, escaped without injury. He told police he could not see the train coming because of freight cars which blocked his view of the tracks at the crossing.

Speed of the train when the accident occurred was estimated at 30 miles per hour.

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Santiam Road Ceremony Set

DETROIT — (AP) — Governor McKay and Queen Jeanne Bray will lead the caravan from Gates to Breitenbush Bridge Sunday for the dedication of the North Santiam Highway.

The caravan will be met at the bridge by a caravan from Sisters, east of the mountains. The dedication will be at 11:45 a.m. at the bridge, to be followed by the picnic dinner at Whitewater Park.

Joining with Oregon's chief and the canyon's royalty will be Patricia O'Conner, Cherryland queen from Salem, and Stella Dummer, Flax Festival queen from Mount Angel.

Leading the eastern caravan will be Beverly Krueger, Miss Oregon for 1949, and Joyce Davis, last year's Miss Oregon.

Invitations have been sent to former governors, Charles A. Sprague, Walter Pierce, A. W. Norblad and Oswald West.

Chicago Killer Gains Governor's Reprieve

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — (U.P.) — James Morelli, Chicago "mad dog" killer who was scheduled to die in the electric chair Friday had a new lease on life Thursday.

Governor Adlai E. Stevenson granted him a reprieve until Sept. 23 to allow this state supreme court to hear Morelli's claim that he was denied constitutional rights.

Morelli was sentenced for the slaying of Emil Schmeichel in a wild shooting spree in which four persons were killed.

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