

House and Senate Give Approval to Many Measures

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Salem, Ore., March 10 (AP)—Oregon's weary legislature faced a full schedule today, last of the ninth week of the 43rd session. Major issues confronting the members today included, in the house the bill to limit PUD expansion, which came out with a "do pass" report, unchanged from the way it passed the senate. Others include an alcohol control bill, two senate bills relating to the community property law, and one which would give additional funds to schools.

The house yesterday completed action on a series of bills to grant new large sums to the schools. The bills would be referred to the people at a special election in June, if another bill gets senate approval.

Barber Bill Passed
The house also passed the controversial "barber bill" and referred to the revision of laws committee senate bill 117, one of the series of alcohol control bills sponsored by the liquor commission.

The other liquor bills (SB 144-145) giving the commission greater enforcement powers were given senate concurrence in house amendments and sent to the governor.

The senate gave final passage to the Harve bill (HB 52) removing the present \$40 "ceiling" on old age pensions but turned down attempts to insert a \$40 or \$50 "floor" of minimum payments. The new law would leave payments to the discretion of the welfare commission.

School Bills Pass
The school bills passed the house with little dissent. Only incident in the debate was when some of the education leaders in the house sought to raise by \$2,000,000 the amounts provided.

The bills (HB's 415, 416, and 417) provide for a five-mill tax levy to raise \$5,000,000 for higher education buildings; change the \$5,000,000 now given schools from the income tax property offset amounts to \$8,000,000, and provide for a two-cent cigarette tax to raise \$2,000,000 and to be distributed to schools on a classroom unit basis. The bills all passed by substantial majorities.

The house killed a bill to license dental hygienists (HB 172) after Dr. William T. Johnson made a plea that it be voted down. He cited the danger of semi-trained assistants doing work which should be done by dentists.

Would Fix Prices
The "barber bill" which would allow the board of barber examiners to fix prices for haircuts in counties upon the request of 70 per cent of the barbers, passed, 40 to 17. Rep. Phil Brady said it was a bill for the "forgotten man."

The bill's constitutionality was challenged, partly because a bill similar was recently declared illegal.

Rep. W. W. Baldersee objected to it "on principles" saying that if barbers could fix prices, there is

nothing to prevent grocers or restaurants from doing the same. Senate bill 117, one of the bills requested by the liquor commission, was referred to the revision of laws committee, after its constitutionality was questioned. Rep. Alex Barry also said that it would harm the "model law," the Knox liquor law.

Objection Voiced
The bill would "mar a masterpiece" of well drawn legislation, he said.

Rep. Stanhope Pier asked for the bill's passage with the same arguments he used on other alcohol bills—"the commission has asked for them to aid in law enforcement. We should give them to the commission."

The bill was referred on a 31 to 26 vote.

Senate Revives Scrip Liquor Bill

Salem, Ore., March 10 (AP)—The Oregon senate today faced another battle over a scrip liquor bill to permit licensed clubs to pool purchases and serve by the drink after refusing to shelve the bill on the basis of an unfavorable committee report.

The vote was 17 to 13 against the report of the alcoholic traffic committee but advocates could not muster the two-thirds vote to suspend the rules for final passage, so the measure (HB112) comes up again.

Sen. Earl Newberry, of Medford, said his measure was sponsored by Elks lodges and would benefit 88 clubs now licensed by the liquor commission. He said Washington finds the law successful, because it discourages bootlegging, permits liquor to be pooled and withdrawn by a club member by means of scrip.

Bill Attacked
Sen. P. H. Stadelman, of The Dalles, chairman of the committee attacked the bill as discriminatory on behalf of club members and hailed it as "the opening wedge to selling drinks over the bar." He pictured a growth of clubs and a virtual return "to the old saloon days."

Sen. Lew Wallace, Portland, accused night clubs of fighting the bill and said liquor was now being served in the clubs anyway. Sen. Irving Rand said the principal of Oregon's basic Knox law was that no person should sell liquor, whereas the scrip law in effect permitted a club to sell drinks over the bar.

War Briefs - - -

(By United Press)
Western Front — Americans extended bridgeheads over Rhine. **Eastern Front** — Russians reported battling in streets of Alt-damm across Oder river from Baltic port of Stettin.

Pacific — Marines tighten stranglehold on two big Japanese pockets on north Iwo; American invasion forces reported battling Japanese in Zambanga on Mindanao island.

Italy — Fifth army troops take control of high ground along Reno river east of Vergato.

Liberalization of Pensions Backed

Salem, Ore., March 10 (AP)—Except for house concurrence in minor amendments, the Oregon legislature today had liberalized old age pensions by removing the \$40 per month maximum payments.

The senate passed the house-approved Harvey bill (HB52) with only one dissent—Sen. Coe McKenna of Portland who was opposed to the bill without a "floor" of \$40 for a minimum payment. The senate not only refused to put in a \$40 floor but a \$50 suggestion as well. Members of the ways and means committee said the raising of the ceilings above \$40 would increase state costs greatly and there was insufficient revenue flatly to guarantee every recipient a minimum of \$40. It was cited most cases received more than that amount on the basis of need.

Wallace Accuses Snell
Sen. Lew Wallace, state democratic chairman, accused Gov. Earl Snell of "politics" when he campaigned for more aid to the aged, which led to a flurry of hot words as the senators wrangled over the question.

Sen. McKenna deplored removal in the house of the \$40 floor in Rep. Joseph Harvey's bill and Frank Hilton, Portland, said need should be defined in the bill as a minimum payment of \$40, including outside income.

Blood Donor Trip Plans Take Shape

Twelve persons have already signed up to go to Portland to donate their blood when the Beta Sigma Phi sorority again sends a bus to the blood bank on March 16, it was reported today. And at the same time the sorority girls revealed that they had received an additional \$75.73 for use in defraying the expenses of the trip. The organization had previously sent two bus loads of donors to Portland.

Those offering to go on Mar. 16 are: Catherine Iler, Lucille Wood, Marie Ellison, Elaine Monica, Cliff Lewerenz, Edith Dart, Betty Hampson, Mrs. A. J. Chute, Leona Bryant, Eleanor Bechen, Elizabeth May and Mary Ellen May.

Mrs. Wayne Faddis, in charge of signing up the donors and receiving funds for the trips, said that 18 other persons can be accommodated on the forthcoming trip. She urged that those interested in going notify her at Wetles store.

Donors Listed
Additional donors were listed by Mrs. Faddis as follows: Lillian Tusing, \$5; Thursday Book Club, \$5; Mrs. L. A. Phelps, \$5; Mrs. Ross Farnham, \$5; Mrs. Mary Linster, \$1; Mrs. L. M. Miller, \$1; Mrs. Fred Schaffer, \$5; Mrs. George Davenport, \$7.91; American Legion auxiliary, \$25, and the High school Pep girls, \$15.82.

Schools May Get Recovered Funds

Salem, Ore., March 10 (AP)—A bill to divert into the school fund all recoveries under Oregon's gambling laws (SB165) was approved by the senate today, but may come up for reconsideration. A person may now collect double the amount he lost if gambling can be proved, which sponsors of the bill said resulted in "shake-downs". The bill would require the district attorney to institute action and all fines or recoveries would not go to the loser but to the school fund.

Sen. William Strayer, Baker, charged that the bill would encourage gambling rather than prohibit it. Many senators seesawed on the rollcall, with final passage coming on a 16 to 14 vote. Sen. Paul Patterson served notice he would ask for reconsideration.

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Elderly Suspect Outruns Officers

Los Angeles, March 10 (AP)—George Seymour gave his age as 68 today when he was booked at the Los Angeles jail as a burglary suspect. But officers didn't believe him until he produced a birth certificate. Two of the youngest detectives on the force had to chase the oldest two city blocks before they could arrest him last night.

SLASHINGS BURNED

Led by Vic Wiley, a small crew of men today began burning slashings near the Tumalo reservoir area where a recent sale of timber was made to the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Company Inc., it was reported today by Ranger Eugene Wilmoth.

Bend Brothers Meet in Italy; Both Are Warplane Pilots

15th Air Force in Italy, March 10 —Sam and Phil Peoples, of Bend, Ore., who look enough alike to be twins, but aren't, hadn't seen each other since July, 1944, until they staged an impromptu family reunion recently at Sam's P-51, Mustang fighter base in Italy. The brothers are both fighter pilots, but with different air forces based in different sections of Italy. First Lieutenant Samuel R. Peoples, Jr., is a P-51, Mustang pilot attached to a veteran fighter group of the 15th (strategic) air force. While Sam flies escort missions for 15th heavy bombers deep into nazi territory, younger brother Phillip L. Peoples, 20, flies

sortie sweeps in a P-47, Thunderbolt, in support of ground action of the U. S. 5th army in North Italy. Phil, a second lieutenant, is attached to a fighter squadron of the 12th (tactical) air force.

They are the sons of Samuel R. Peoples, 708 Riverside Blvd., Bend, Ore. Both are graduates of Bend high school where a third brother, Leonard, 17, is currently a student. While the military careers of the two brothers have been similar, they have never coincided, nor have the brothers ever been stationed at the same air field. It was while attending the California Institute of Technology that Sam, in July, 1942, enlisted

for cadet training which he began in February, 1943, getting his wings and commission as second lieutenant at Luke Field, Phoenix, Cal., Dec. 4, 1943.

Brother Phil began primary training in July, 1943, after a year at Oregon State college. He received his wings and commission at Eagle Pass, Texas, in May, 1944. It was at Abilene, Texas, where Phil was stationed after receiving his commission, that Sam visited him the last time they were together, in July, 1944.

Although Sam has a head start on Phil, in point of length of service, the two are on a nearly equal footing as concerns overseas duty. Following his graduation from pilot school, Sam did a tour of duty in the States as instructor at Minter Field, Bakersfield, Calif., arriving overseas in November, 1944. One month later,

Phil arrived in the Mediterranean theater, but the pressure of their duties prevented them from seeing each other until now.

Comparing notes here, the brothers found that both are eligible for the air medal, Sam having flown 10 missions and Phil 31. This makes their air records to date about equal as sorties in the 12th air force are more frequent and of shorter duration than in the 15th. Sam received his promotion to first lieutenant Jan. 20, 1945.

The brothers have similar post-war ambitions: they want to go back to college and complete their educations.

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