

1945 Legislative Session Longest In State History

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Salem, Ore., March 15 (AP)—The heat is on in the Oregon legislature today.

Both houses had well-filled calendars on the 67th day of the longest legislative session in Oregon's history. Every trick in the book was being put into use to finish and adjourn by Saturday at the latest.

The house and senate both ploughed through a stack of legislation, both important and trivial, yesterday. The house completed action on 35 measures, the senate on 25.

The four measures designed to grant an additional \$17,000,000 to the schools and colleges of the state during the next two years were in the governor's office for signature today, after rapid passage by the senate, and equally rapid concurrence in amendments by the house.

Snell Gets Measures
The governor received also two measures to create a 31st senatorial district, the house having concurred in senate amendments. The one creating the new seat will go before the people for a vote a year from November.

The senate passed a bill ceding for the periodic inspection of cattle for Bangs disease and tuberculosis, but the house refused to concur in amendments which changed the indemnities paid to owners of condemned cattle, and a conference committee was appointed.

A bill which would require evidence of financial responsibility before a person could get a motor vehicle operator's license was defeated and indefinitely postponed in the house.

House Kills Bill
The house killed a bill to construct a psychiatric hospital in Multnomah county, when it adopted a majority committee "do not pass" report and refused to take an anti-Japanese memorial out of committee where it has been lying, with no intention on the part of the committee to bring it out.

Two interim committees were called for in two measures given house approval yesterday—one for the study of motor vehicle taxation; the other to investigate city and county planning commissions, with an eye to drawing permissive legislation similar to that which was presumably killed Tuesday.

Youngest Evacuee



(INEA Telephoto)
Tiny, 4-year-old Olivia Jane Atwood-Pardew and her mother, Army nurse Lt. Anna Louise Bonder-Pardew, Portland, Ore., held prisoners of Japanese since war's outbreak, arrive at Hamilton Field, Calif., on one of ATC's giant air transports. Air Transport Command photo.

Smoke Bill Debated

In the senate, the cigaret tax brought the most debate among the school measures, with opponents declaring it might defeat the other election proposal because people objected to paying school costs from a tobacco levy. Final passage was 19 to 11.

Favorable vote of the senate ways and means committee sent to the floor the new public health department bill (SB 89) and measures calling for compulsory retirement system for employees of the state and public schools and optional system for employees of other state subdivisions. Sponsors of a house bill to provide pensions for firemen rapped the committee for holding up the bill.

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tax, based on an interim committee study, gave up any thought of trying to withdraw from the senate roads and highways committee the tabled house-approved bill.

Indian Pageant Aids Red Cross

Madras, March 15 (Special)—A large audience attended the pageant "Hiawatha" given at the Warm Springs Indian reservation last Saturday night for the benefit of the Red Cross. A total of \$183.11 was turned over to the local Red Cross to add to the county quota.

The pageant, based on Longfellow's poem, was effectively done in true Indian costume. The marriage scene was the most striking portion of the entire production, with a group of chiefs performing a war dance, their bodies swaying and swinging to the steady beat of the tom toms.

House Approves New Senate Seat

Salem, Ore., March 15 (AP)—The proposed reapportionment of senatorial representation in Central Oregon won an overwhelming victory in the house of representatives Wednesday, when both measures concerning it passed with almost no opposition.

Senate joint resolution 21, which provides for a constitutional amendment to create a 31st senate seat, passed with only four "no" votes. Rep. James Gleason, Portland, was the only member to speak against it, and said that it was merely "an attempt to get one more member without reapportioning the whole state."

Senate bill 313, to create a new 25th district of Deschutes, Lake, Crook and Jefferson county, leaving only Klamath county to the

17th district, also passed by the same majority.

Reps. Henry Semon, William Niskanen and William Morse spoke in favor of the measures, saying that the present representation was not sufficient for the present huge 17th district, which includes 22 per cent of the land area of the state.

Similar measures have been defeated at three previous sessions.

Coast Guardsmen Search for Body

Coos Bay, Ore., March 15 (AP)—Coast guardsmen today had ended a futile attempt to find the body of Oscar Ferris of Coquille who drowned Sunday below Catching Inlet bridge, four miles from Coos Bay.

The coast guardsmen have dragged the Coos river bottom a distance of over 4,000 feet in quest of the body. Ferris drowned when he tried to retrieve his fishing rowboat.

Bend Officer Member of Unit Fighting in High Alps of France

Fifth Army Group, France, March 15—A mule pack train, carrying supplies and artillery equipment, struggled up hazardous mountain trails to the crest of a snow-covered ridge. A short time later, front-line infantry units fighting in the high altitudes of the French Alps were given close artillery support by a veteran field artillery battalion of Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers' Sixth army group.

First Lt. Thomas A. Bott, 194 Delaware, Bend, Oregon, is a member of this unit.

Working and fighting in the bitter cold is an old story to the men of this battalion. As part of a task force which invaded Kiska island in the Aleutian chain on August 15, 1943, they landed on three different beaches, batteries of the battalion going ashore with

assault infantry waves as reinforced cannon companies. After setting up in defensive positions for three months, it was recalled to the United States to reorganize for subsequent action in the European theater of operations.

Arriving in Italy in March, 1944, the battalion spent a short period in becoming acclimated and resupplied with pack artillery equipment for fighting in the Italian mountains. In the final drive on Rome, it supplied constant artillery support to the advancing allied armies.

Shortly after the fall of Rome, it received a new assignment as a glider-borne field artillery battalion. Landing in southern France on D-day, the battalion gave artillery support to two parachute infantry regiments, pushing west along the coast and fi-

nally to the Franco-Italian border in the French Alps.

Throughout three campaigns mountain fighting, the battalion has put into practice the lessons learned during its extensive training in the Colorado mountains. The instruction is complete and exacting—even the use of skis and snow shoes teaching the battalion how to fight the elements as well as an enemy.

SECOND WAS A PLEASURE

Fort Wayne, Ind. (AP)—Jay Lamborne had the thrill of being captured twice within days—the first time by Germans and the second by his own troops. He was taken by the nazis during their recent counterattack in Belgium, and when the Americans swung back, they captured him, first thinking he was a German.

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