

### Opponents Say PUD Should Pay Full Tax

Public utility districts should be burdened with the same taxes private utilities now pay, opponents of PUD legislation told the senate's railroads and utility committee last night.

Other objectors to the Burke PUD bill, amending the present law so districts could issue revenue bonds, said the measure gave district administrators too much latitude. They said there would be no limit to indebtedness of a district and that voters should be consulted about every bond issue, not just the first.

Allan Smith, Baker attorney, speaking for seven power companies, said "It is essential that PUDs do business on a basis comparable to our own. They should be required to meet all obligations, including bond interest, depreciation and operation costs out of revenues. And they should be prohibited from taxing property to meet the costs."

The legislature should require them to pay the same taxes as we do, 13 per cent, not the 6 per cent which they offer to pay if the district so votes. They also should be required to maintain the same accounting system as we do so the public may learn at the close of each year which has the best showing. The time has not yet come when individual initiative should be sacrificed for government ownership.

"Silly and asinine" were the epithets attached to the provision that districts may set aside 6 per cent of their revenues in lieu of taxes, by James E. Burdette, McMinnville attorney. "There is no way of enforcing it," he said. He warned the state's property tax structure was in danger if districts took over private utilities without also assuming the utility tax load.

**Sprungman Entertains**  
Marion—An evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sprungman with cards played by Mr. and Mrs. George Kappauf, Mr. and Mrs. William Hardy, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Strode and Mrs. Strode's mother, Mrs. Edith Ashenfelter.



**Outlives Policy**—Brigham Bushwell (above), 96, of Seattle, won his insurance by out-living the life expectancy and receiving the \$750 face value of the 65-year-old policy. Underwriters called it a "rare occurrence." — Associated Press Photo.



**Attempted Revolution in Peru Fails**—Here are chief figures in the short-lived attempt to overthrow the government of Peru. Left to right: Gen. Antonio Rodriguez, minister of government and interior, who was killed in the attempted coup d'etat; Manuel Rodriguez, who as premier in 1935 appointed Antonio to the cabinet; President Oscar Benavides, whose departure on a holiday trip was the cue for the revolutionists to act; Dr. Carlos Concha, foreign minister who was with Benavides when the uprising occurred, and Premier Ernesto Montagne, who put down the revolt. — Associated Press Photo.

### Dodson Disappointed At Oregon Lethargy

Frankly expressing disappointment and regret that Oregon people have not taken advantage of a wonderful opportunity to capitalize on its outstanding asset, Bonneville power for industrial development, and bringing manufacturing plants and factories to Oregon, W. D. B. Dodson, executive vice-president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, told the large gathering of members of the Associated Employers of Oregon at the banquet at the Marion hotel Monday evening that the people of the state should cease caterwauling and fighting among themselves, stop the discord, get out of the f-g, and strive for industrial pay rolls.

"This water power is one of the greatest industrial assets you have or ever will have," said Dodson. "You need a constructive element here instead of a destructive one and let us go forward and build something."

Dodson, who has been interested in the power question for 20 years, recited his activities in Washington when proposals for the building of Bonneville were on. He recounted the fight made against it by Washington's representative, the late Senator Charles McNary left a sick bed in Salem to rush back to Washington and saved Bonneville, while Dodson, alone of Oregon business representatives, watched the battle against his home state in the capital and urged Oregon people to get busy.

**Could Be Like Niagara**  
"Factories of all kinds are built on top of Niagara Falls making a pay roll for 22,000 people, and why has not Oregon gone forward for Bonneville in the same way?" asked Dodson. "Don't be deceived or misled by demagogues on this power question."

"It's a natural—this Bonneville power for industrial plants—and don't let it go to waste, but get factory sites located at the dam."

Ernest P. Marsh of Seattle, federal conciliator for Oregon, urged the promotion of sound healthy employer-employee relations.

"I have very little time for any man who says there is no contact between employer and employee," Marsh declared, "and to my mind both should, with the government, put their shoulder to the wheel and strive for an enduring industrial peace."

David Eccles, state budget director, represented Governor Sprague who sent regrets that due to his recent illness he was unable to appear.

Speaker of the House Ernest Patland spoke briefly and President Robert Duncan of the senate made a short talk for the upper house.

"We are in the home stretch now and when the legislature adjourns about 15 days hence I feel that we shall have enacted a very fair, sound and constructive set of laws," Duncan explained.

In the absence of Senator Douglas McKay, the manager of the association, Dan Hay, acted as toastmaster.

The invocation was offered by the Rev. R. A. Hutchinsin.

Arthur Farmer of the Portland Chamber of Commerce was a guest.

The association elected Gilbert Madison, Salem, general chairman to succeed Carl W. Hogg, also of Salem, and named Reynolds Allen, Salem, James Rodman, Eugene, Ed Heydenburk, Grants, Pass, R. C. Denham, Marshfield, Harry Walther, The Dalles, G. W. Barrick, Tillamook, and Ralph Wilze, Bend, directors. Dan Hay, Salem, was re-appointed executive manager.

**Resolutions Adopted**  
Delegates to the convention came from Albany, Bend, Corvallis, Eu-

gene, Hillsboro, Canby, Hood River, Lebanon, LaGrande, Marshfield, McMinnville, Newberg, Oregon City, Pendleton, Salem, The Dalles and Tillamook. Numerically Corvallis made a splendid showing.

By resolutions the organization yesterday afternoon urged defeat of Senate Bill 282, providing for licensing and bonding credit reporting organizations, on grounds the bill would "impair the credit facilities of all business men in Oregon;" endorsed proposed amendments to the Wagner act; expressed gratitude to the former Governor Charles H. Martin, Sheriff Martin T. Pratt of Multnomah county, the dis-

trict attorney of Multnomah county, Special Prosecutor Ralph E. Moody and others engaged in the labor terrorism clean-up; and commended Dan Hay for his work as executive manager of the Association of Employers.

### Oregon City Loses Suit for Street Ends

The state supreme court today denied a motion to dismiss an appeal by Oregon City in the city's suit against the Security and Investment company to quiet title to street ends along the Willamette river.

The street ends, lying between Water street and the river on Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth streets, are needed for a new highway. The company, owned by the Latourrette interests, claims title by virtue of deeds from their heirs of Dr. John McLoughlin, who laid out the town and filed claim to its property in 1850.

The city was ruled against in the original suit, which was backed by the state highway commission. It was the highway commission which elected to appeal the decision. The company moved to have the appeal dismissed, and it was that motion which was denied today, in an oral order.

The only written opinion handed down today was in Samuel M. Bunnell, appellant, vs. Kenneth W. Parellius, owner of a garage at Oswego. Bunnell was struck and injured by a car driven by Kenneth W. Brown, one of Parellius' employees, and brought suit against Parellius, whose defense was that Brown was not working at the time of the accident. The lower court ruled an involuntary non-suit against Bunnell, from which he appealed. The court affirmed the lower court decision today in an opinion by Justice Belt. In writing his findings Justice Belt said: "Brown was looking for beer, not customers, when he drove to Portland," when the accident occurred.

Later, he was booked for disorderly conduct and held in \$100 bail.

Outside the Garden, 13 persons altogether were arrested in a series of fights involving the police, who refused permission of anti-nazis to picket the Garden—and the followers and opponents of nazism. The first disturbance at the meeting involved Dorothy Thompson wife of Sinclair Lewis, who is a columnist, during a speech by Kuhn. Amid shouts of "sit down" and "throw her out," a grey-shirted storm trooper and two policemen started to hustle her from the building. Heywood Brown, another columnist, ran to her rescue, telling the police her identity. She was allowed to remain upon her insist-

### Bund Stages Riotous Meeting in New York

New York, Feb. 21 (AP)—In a Nazi demonstration that filled vast Madison Square Garden last night under the sign of the swastika to denounce "international Jewry, some members of the Roosevelt cabinet, and any American alliance with European democracies."

About 1,500 police reserves stood guard over the area, while violence erupted inside the garden and out.

As Fritz Kuhn, national leader of the bund, was concluding a peroration against Jews, Leadore Greenbaum, a slight, 26-year-old hotel worker, leaped upon the great stage and ran toward the speaker.

Instantly, a dozen or more storm troopers set upon him, knocking him down and beating him as he held his head in his arms, his black wild hair flying.

A squad of police pushed the storm troopers aside, picked him from the floor of the platform, and holding him high above their heads, ran to an exit. Most of his clothing was torn from his body.

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The Oregon School for the Deaf basketball team after trailing 9 to 8 at half time, defeated Vernonia high school on the local floor last night, 23 to 14.

**OSD (23)**  
Blakely 3 F  
Torgeson 3 F  
Shaffer 3 C  
Storts 6 C  
Moxley 3 G  
S S

**(14) Vernonia**  
5 Rundell  
Baker  
3 LaPorte  
2 Killian  
2 Parcells  
2 Rooser

Referee, George Simio.

**Don Downings Move**  
Falls City—Mr. and Mrs. Don Downings and daughter have moved into the Mollie Pugh property.

### Presidential Politics in Iowa Over Hopkins

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—Secretary of Commerce Harry L. Hopkins' first formal appearance as conciliator between business and the new deal became embarrassingly involved today with 1940 presidential politics.

Hopkins left last night for Grinnell, Iowa, to remain three days before delivering in Des Moines his widely publicized first address as the representative of business around the Roosevelt cabinet table. His departure was preceded by dispatches from Des Moines that democratic state chairman, Ed H. Birmingham, has undertaken to align 1940 democratic national convention delegates for Hopkins.

The Iowa boom for Hopkins got a chilly reception here. Old line democrats, battling now with President Roosevelt for control of next year's convention, generally concede Hopkins' administrative ability but they do not want him as their 1940 presidential candidate. There have been some indications, however, that Mr. Roosevelt might like Hopkins to succeed to the White House, provided, of course, there is no third term.

With emergence of the Hopkins boom—with or without his sanction—Iowa comes up with two new dealers, either of whom probably would be acceptable to Mr. Roosevelt next year but against whom Postmaster General James A. Farley and a powerful bloc of conservative democrats would raise every available obstacle. The other Iowa is Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace.

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