

Steward to Take Ag Post at Session End

Legislator Given Short's Job as Director

Rep. Robert J. Steward (D-Baker), named by Gov. Robert D. Holmes Wednesday to be state agriculture director, will take over the post at the end of the current legislative session.

The Keating stock rancher, who is currently the house chairman of the important joint ways and means committee of the legislature, will replace James F. Short, who has agreed to stay on the job until the end of the current legislative session.

No Reflection on Short
"Replacement of Jim Short is in no way a reflection on his record of fine service to the department and to the state," Gov. Holmes said.

"We are genuinely appreciative of his fine work and the excellent cooperation he has given me and this office. I am especially appreciative of his decision to remain in the post until Mr. Steward can be freed from his legislative responsibilities," the governor pointed out.

The newly named director of agriculture has been owner-operator and senior partner of Steward & Morrissey, a range cattle operation in the Lower Powder area of Baker county for the past 11 years.

Steward, who is 46 years old, was chairman of the livestock

committee of the 1955 house of representatives and was credited with the passage of the pilot meat inspection program.

He has helped develop a series of successful producer-sponsored

Appointed



Robert Steward, Baker county cattleman and legislative member, has been appointed as director of the state agriculture department. He will assume the duty after the conclusion of the legislature.

Officials Brief House Unit on Tax Structure

The House Taxation Committee began Wednesday a series of informal discussions with state Tax Commission officials.

The purpose is to acquaint its members, five of whom are freshmen, with the state's tax structure.

For more than an hour, the committee heard Samuel B. Stewart, Tax Commission chairman, explain the origin of Oregon's tax system and the supervisory powers of the commission.

He traced the operation of the property and income tax laws, and told how the commission is working with county assessors in the property reappraisal program.

Stewart told the committee that property tax collections in the state amount to 283 million dollars during the biennium. This makes it the largest single source of revenue.

He pointed out that the income tax was designed to be a property tax relief measure, and that it didn't raise much revenue until World War II.

Under the reappraisal program, started in 1929 but then delayed until 1951, order has come out of tax confusion in many counties, he said.

Before the program started, Stewart said, county assessment systems varied widely, but now

Johnson Gets Cities League Advisory Job

Robert R. Johnson, former state director of finance and administration, was named legislative consultant for the League of Oregon Cities Wednesday.

Johnson's resignation from his state position was accepted Monday by Gov. Robert D. Holmes. Prior to his appointment as finance director, Johnson was secretary of the Interim Committee on Local Government.

Grenfell Would Copy Federal Withholding

State Rep. William Grenfell Jr. of Portland said today that he has prepared a bill for introduction in the Legislature calling for a withholding tax program for Oregon, based on the federal system.

The present state method of withholding income taxes is to take out a straight two per cent, then either return an overcharge or bill for a balance due.

much uniformity has been achieved. One important reason, he continued, is that county assessors now are required to post assessment ratios so that any taxpayer can know on what basis his property has been assessed.

Menninger to Speak Friday To Legislature

Dr. W. C. Menninger, Topeka, Kan., a leading authority in the field of psychiatry, will address the Oregon Legislature in the House Chamber Friday morning.

Dr. Menninger will speak on "Brains, not bricks," emphasizing that hospital buildings alone are not the best answer to the state's mental health treatment problems.

While here, Dr. Menninger will confer with Gov. Robert D. Holmes and heads of some state institutions.

Dr. Menninger is the administrative head of the Menninger Foundation which he, his brother and father founded. At the end of World War II, the clinic, working in conjunction with the Winter

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New PUC Chief Says He's Out of Politics

Howard Morgan, sworn in as Oregon public utilities commissioner Wednesday, told department employees that he would not use the position as a springboard toward elective office.

Morgan, who served in the legislature eight years ago, said he had no intention of re-entering politics or running for elective office again.

In discussing his policies in the conduct of the department he declared "This office shall do everything within its capabilities to meet

its full responsibility under the law."

"It is my hope that within a very short time this office will have gained the full trust and respect of the public," the new commissioner declared.

He said the general public has the impression that recent commissioners "have been content to serve merely as umpires in disputes between the utilities and the public."

Morgan declared that the public, and the legislators who wrote the law, do not think that is enough. The office is authorized by law to act on its own initiative, investigate, and dig for facts, he declared.

The new commissioner denied any intention to persecute certain utilities "to engage in circuitous and side shows for political purposes."

Morgan cited his background in the field including college studies and civil service work in Washington, D. C., prior to World War II.

Arizona's AG Fights Crosby Guilt Removal

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — The Arizona attorney general Wednesday asked the state Supreme Court to overturn a lower court order that had removed from the record a larceny conviction against Clyde C. Crosby, now a Portland labor leader.

"It would open the door to all kinds of fraud. Anyone after 20, 30 or 40 years, when the trial judge is deceased, the witnesses gone and the records in bad shape, can come back and have the complete record of a conviction and a prison sentence erased," Atty. Gen. Robert Morrison said.

Superior Court Judge W. E. Patterson of Prescott last August granted Crosby's request to remove the prison record from the books.

Crosby said at Prescott that in 1930 he was sentenced to the state prison after breaking into a house near Seligman to take food.

Crosby said he was under 18 years of age at the time and should not have been tried in adult court.

Morrison said his office and the state Board of Pardons and Paroles were not notified, and therefore he doubted the legality of Judge Patterson's action. Furthermore, Morrison said in his petition, Crosby was 19 years and 9 months old at the time.

Crosby made the request after being indicted in Oregon on a charge that he was carrying a gun, which is illegal for an convict in that state.

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