

Many Proposals Expected To Be On Oregon Ballot In November

Salem — (U.P.) — Oregonians may get a chance to vote for prohibition or for more liberal liquor laws next November. They may get a chance to vote to make horse and dog betting legal (so written into the law) or to ban all gambling, including parimutuel betting on the nags and the greyhounds. Quite a few measures have been referred to the voters by the Legislature, and these will be voted on for sure. Others Proposed Quite a few more are proposed in initiative measures for which preliminary petitions have

been filed. There are not, however, any completed initiative petitions yet filed with the State Election Bureau. But Dave O'Hara, veteran head of the bureau thinks enough of them may be filed completed to make the November ballot in Oregon almost as long as the May 16 primary ballot.

Deadline for filing completed petitions is July 3.

The 1951 Legislature referred nine measures to the voters and three legislative acts have been referred to the people through means of referendum petitions.

Would Change Education Post

One referred by the Legislature would make the post of state superintendent of public instruction appointive by the State Board of Education. It is now elective.

Another referred measure would repeal the World War I state aid sinking fund and transfer money in that fund to the State Board.

Others include: An act authorizing establishment of a mental hospital within 20 miles of Portland. Any state institution proposed for any where else than Marion county must be approved by the voters.

An act providing for the state or any political sub-division to establish a new tax base in order to eliminate special elections for authorization of expenditures in excess of the six per cent limitation provision of the state constitution.

An act extending eligibility to the veterans loans for homes and farms.

One creating a State Emergency Board. There is a State Emergency Board now, but Attorney General George Neuner has ruled that it is unconstitutional as it stands and can only recommend action to the governor. This proposal would make the emergency board constitutional and return it to the power of distributing emergency funds between legislative sessions.

An act making terms of the legislators extend to the first Monday in January instead of expiring after a general election.

An act amending provisions for titles to constitutional amendment. And an act limiting state property tax to six mills.

Truck Weight Included The three measures referred by petition include the truck weight and mileage tax which was referred under sponsorship of the big truckers, district school reorganization and a three cents a package tax on cigarettes.

Preliminary petitions have been taken out for measures making bagging on Mondays unlawful, establishing standard time, prohibiting commercial fishing on the Columbia river between sunset and sunrise, abolishing the State Milk Control Board and repealing the law requiring payment from estates for money paid to public welfare recipients.

Would Repeal Bonus Act One initiative measure would repeal the bonus act, but it will be a sort of ipso facto thing if it should reach the ballot, because most of the bonus will have been paid by then.

One act would return prohibition to Oregon. Another would allow sale of liquor by the drink.

One would put a gross income tax of 1/2 per cent on property to provide \$100 a month old age pension.

There are several others that may be voted on if completed petitions are filed.



THAT'S A LOT OF WATER — Bruce Parker, 35, and Evelyn Wolford, 21, are not too tired to flash these smiles although they spent the last 8 hours 12 minutes water skiing on the Atlantic Ocean. They traveled from the British Bahamas to Miami, Fla., 196 miles, on water skis, a new long distance world's record.

Million Dollar Trust Fund Inadequate To Rear Young Rockefeller, Mother Says

Lowell, Ind. — (U.P.) — Chunky three-year-old Winthrop Rockefeller Jr. romped in the backyard of his grandparents' home here Monday, unaware that he is one of the nation's youngest millionaires.

"Winnie" is the son of beautiful Barbara "Bobo" Rockefeller, whose storybook marriage to Winthrop Rockefeller in 1948 captivated the country with its Cinderella similarity.

"Bobo" and her husband have been estranged two and a half years and his attorneys announced in New York that a \$1,000,000 trust fund had been set up to provide the child with proper "maintenance and education."

But "Bobo" scoffed at the amount and called it "inadequate." "It doesn't mean a thing," the former model said. "It's a lot of

money if you have nothing like we have now," she said, "but it's inadequate if he's to be raised to the station of life that a Rockefeller should be."

The sun-bronzed beauty was interviewed as she cut the lawn of her parents' farm, her home since her marriage went on the rocks. Young "Winnie" played nearby.

"I have no intention of telling him about the money, not for a while anyway," she said. "I don't believe in that sort of thing and I want him to be just normal."

Under the terms of the trust fund the brown-eyed youngster will begin immediately to get \$750 a month until he's 18. Then the stipend goes to \$1,200 a month until he's 30. After that he gets the interest on the fund for the rest of his life.

But "Bobo" indicated she didn't think the sum was enough to raise "Winnie" in the traditions of the Rockefeller family.



RESEMBLING grandfather Benito Mussolini, late Italian dictator, Raimonda Clano, 18, arrives in London, hopes to study at Cambridge. (International)



PLENTY OF ROOTERS are on hand as John O'Donnell, milkman, gets bachelor of science degree from LaSalle University, Philadelphia. Father of 10 children, O'Donnell completed hard course in four years despite full time job driving truck. (International)

Wets, Drys Locked In Fight Over Rain In Rich Yakima Valley

Yakima, Wash. — (U.P.) — Rival farmers shooting counter-acting chemicals into the air in a rain war over eastern Washington kept each other and mother nature confused Sunday.

While the wheat-growing wets fired silver iodide into clouds in an attempt to make it rain, the cherry-raising drys sent up cloud-dispersing chemicals to prevent rain.

The conflict is on because soft fruit growers want sunshine, fearing rain will split the cherry harvest, and the grain farmers want rain to ripen their crop.

Showers Warded Off Each side hired mercenaries to wage the war, one to bombard the clouds and produce rain, the other to drive the clouds away before they reached the fertile Yakima valley.

Meteorologist Jack M. Hubbard, Olympia, Wash., commanding the dry forces, released this communique Sunday: "Our operations warded some heavy showers that were headed toward the Cherry Hill area Saturday night after we discovered rainmaking evidence south of Satus pass."

He said his men have found indications of silver iodide generators having been operated in the valley itself "for the purpose of inducing rainfall."

Ground Generators Used Hubbard's defensive force consists of ground generators to spray the cloud-dispersing chemicals. He does not use airplanes. He said he is fighting for time

now—until the cherry crop is in. He claimed victory so far, saying: "We have had only normal rainfall this month whereas in June a year ago the precipitation was 600 per cent above normal with disastrous results to the cherry crop."

Meanwhile, efforts were made to arrange a truce. Agreement Hoped Leo E. Horrigan, president of the Horse Heaven Water Development league, issued a statement, expressing hope that the wets and drys "can iron out their differences."

Roger Neal, official of Sunshine, Unlimited, of Yakima, voiced the same hope. There were signs of a new build-up of dry forces in the valley. Owners of pear orchards, and hay farmers indicated they might join the cherry growers in trying to ward off rain clouds.

Hapless state weather forecasters, caught in the middle, said it would be partly cloudy Monday.

DOWN THE RAT HOLE Boston — (U.P.) — Free-loading tipplers were agast for seven nights at one counter in the Union-Industry Show. A local law forbidding free distribution of alcoholic beverages forced bartenders teaching how to mix drinks to pour the cocktails down the drainpipes at the rate of \$200 worth per evening.

Dead line Sunday Classifieds is at 5:30 p.m. for following day; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; noon Saturday

House To Debate Added Insurance Benefits for Aged

Washington — (U.P.) — Election-minded House members got a second chance Monday to get on record in favor of increasing old age insurance benefits by about \$5 a month.

Both Democrats and Republicans predicted that the House will pass the bill this time, although the final vote may not be taken until Tuesday. The legislators had an agreement providing that there would be no roll call votes Monday because of the Maine primary.

Bill Defeated in May When the bill came up originally on May 19, it was defeated after the American Medical Association protested that some of

its provisions would open the way for socialized medicine. The AMA objected to a section in the bill giving Federal Security Administrator Oscar R. Ewing specific authority to select private physicians to examine disabled persons seeking to preserve their insurance benefit rights.

Democrats agreed to eliminate part of the bill to which the AMA took exception. They said Ewing already has the power which the bill originally proposed to spell out in specific terms. Would Increase Minimum The first bill, as well as the new one, would increase benefits of the 4,500,000 persons now

on the rolls by \$5 a month or 12 1/2 per cent, whichever is larger.

The minimum benefit payable to a retired person would be increased from \$20 to \$25 a month, and the maximum benefit to a family would be increased from the present \$150 to \$168 a month.

GIRL SMOKES PIPE Weymouth, Mass. — (U.P.) — Miss Carol D. Piercey, 18, of Ballston Lake, N. Y., was listed Monday as the first entrant in the International pipesmoking contest at the Weymouth Fair Aug. 10-16.

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