

Health Hazards to Oregon Residents from 'Measly Meat' Described for Committee

Testimony Heard at Hearing on Planned Inspection Program

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Salem — (U.P.) — Health hazards to Oregonians who may inadvertently eat so-called "measly meat" were described in graphic terms here Friday by members of the State Department of Agriculture urging a compulsory meat inspection law for the state.

Dr. K. R. Younce, state veterinarian, and E. L. Wright, state livestock inspector, told the House Livestock committee on numerous instances of small slaughterhouses accepting after hours carcasses of meat animals that had died of unknown causes. The meat was then sold the unsuspecting public.

Meat Condemned
They recalled the case of burned meat condemned in Washington but bootlegged on the Oregon market; of an attempt to sell meat from day-old calves that had died in ship to the slaughterhouse. They said a compulsory meat inspection law would have prevented such instances.

Dr. Younce said the danger to humans eating measly meat arose from toxins in the meat of cancerous cattle and from tapeworm in the flesh of cattle that had pastured on land irrigated with sewage effluent. Thorough cooking, he conceded, destroyed tapeworm in meat, but he said it is the habit of many Americans to eat rare beef.

Department witnesses testified that the butchering of animals that have died of unknown causes before being brought to the slaughterhouse is a relatively common practice in some establishments not under some form of meat inspection—federal, city, or voluntary state inspection.

Witnesses Questioned
The committee, headed by Rep. Robert Steward (D-Keating), questioned witnesses closely about the costs of the proposed plan. Dr. R. C. Sexauer, another department veterinarian, said the plan would require approximately 57 lay inspectors and 18 state-employed veterinarians, to inspect 132 slaughterhouses in widely separated parts of the state.

The inspection plan proposed in house bill 99 would require an expenditure of some \$399,113 for salaries, about \$52,000 for administration, or a total budget of \$447,251 for the next biennium.

The committee had the bill under advisement Saturday and probably will hear further arguments for and against it before taking final action, Steward said.

NAMED ENGINEER

Portland — (U.P.) — The Portland district, Corps of Engineers, announced Saturday that Ernest C. (Bob) White, a veteran of 28 years service with the Engineers, has been named The Dalles-Celilo canal project engineer. White will report for his new duties at The Dalles Monday, Feb. 21.



ELEVATED—The Soviet Parliament, meeting in Moscow, named Marshal Gregori K. Zhukov (above) to the post of Minister of Defense formerly held by Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, the new Premier.

Thornton To Seek Opinion From Court

Salem — (U.P.) — Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton will appear before Circuit Judge William G. East in Eugene Monday to ask the Lane county Circuit Court to pass upon the constitutionality of the state board of conciliation law.

The case involves a labor dispute between the Campbell and McLean Corp. and Plywood and Veneer Workers Local 9, IWA, CIO, which began last May 29. The Eugene plywood firm obtained a restraining order from Judge East Oct. 7, enjoining the board from conducting an investigation of the labor dispute, claiming the law was unconstitutional.

Later the parties settled the dispute and entered into a new contract. But Thornton filed a cross-complaint seeking to have a court determination of the constitutionality of the law. Attorneys for the plywood firm then moved to dismiss the entire proceedings.

Remodeling Started For Beauty Salon

Remodeling is now being done in the Franklin building at 131 South Central ave. for a new beauty salon there about March 1. The new business will be known as the Modern Beauty salon. The shop is being constructed to accommodate nine operators, and it is planned that five will be employed at first.

James Paul, hair stylist from Salt Lake City, Utah, will assume the position of head stylist at the shop. Mr. and Mrs. Paul and their four-year-old son already have arrived in Medford. For the present he is at the Craterian Beauty salon.

Measure To Encourage State Junior College Plan To Be Proposed

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Salem — (U.P.) — A bill to encourage the establishment of junior colleges in Oregon, thereby relieving the load on the state's four-year institutions of higher learning, will be introduced in the Oregon House by Rep. Harvey De Armond (R-Bend).

At present Oregon has only one junior college, at Bend, and so far it has been financed entirely by Bend school district No. 1. In contrast, California has some 50 junior colleges, to ease the strain on its four year institutions.

Gives Valuable Instruction
Central Oregon College at Bend furnishes two years of college education and, its advocates say, furnishes valuable instruction to students financially unable to attend a four-year college which is remote from home.

About a fourth of the students there live outside the Bend school district No. 1, although the district pays all the bills on the courses they take except for student fees.

Under terms of De Armond's bill, which has been signed by several other legislators, the departments of higher education would pay \$1000 to the college, plus \$100 for each full-time student with a limitation to the state's contribution of not more than half the operating costs after student fees are credited against the budgets. The state would pay nothing toward construction costs.

In the case of Central Oregon college, the state's contribution would amount to less than \$10,000 a year, and similar amounts might be expected in other junior colleges created in Oregon.

Students Pay \$185
As a "pilot program" of what other communities might expect of their junior colleges, students at Central Oregon college pay \$185 a year for full-time study and proportionately less for those attending part-time. The balance of the operating cost in the case of the Bend institution is made up in the school district's budget.

De Armond said that junior colleges ease the strain on the four-year schools by giving instruction to first and second year students. He pointed out that many students drop out of the four-year schools by the end of the second year. On the other hand, junior college students who have "found themselves" in those two years of study and know in which direction they want to go, can go on to take their second two years at the four-year schools and get much more educational benefit as a result.

A second function of the junior colleges, as the Bend Bulletin recently pointed out, is to take care of the student who needs some work beyond the high school level, but does not desire a four-year course in his field. This would include such classifications as mechanics, business courses, and agricultural short courses.

Professional Foresters To Study Legislation
Salem — (U.P.) — The effect of current legislative proposals on the practice of forestry in western Oregon will be studied by 150 professional foresters here Monday night, Elmer Matson, chairman of the Portland chapter of the Society of American Foresters said Saturday.

Leading the discussion will be State Rep. Loran L. Stewart (R-Cottage Grove), chairman of the House Taxation Committee and himself a professional forester. Sen. Paul E. Geddes (R-Roseburg), chairman of the National Resources Committee, will describe pending legislation in the Senate that is of interest to foresters.

Air Force Reservists Earn Promotions
Four Air Force reserve officers in the Medford area were recently promoted from first lieutenant to captain in the 9091st Air Reserve group, according to T. Sgt. W. S. Kistner, Liaison airman.

They were Kenneth W. Harris, Merle E. McGraw, Alwin V. Miller and Worlow G. Purdin. Ten other promotions to the same rank were made within the group and two promotions from captain to major, he added. These were all in the Eugene and Klamath Falls areas.

Two reserve majors, Maxwell P. Guiley, Medford, and Andrew A. Schmidt, Grants Pass, have returned from 15 days of active duty in Sacramento where they attended a National Resources conference. New assignments to the 9417th squadron at Medford include Capt. Charles H. Lewis and 1st Lt. Allen N. Smith.

OSC To Participate In Study of Grains

Pullman, Wash. — (U.P.) — Land grant colleges of three Northwest states Saturday announced the signing of an agreement on cooperation for the development and testing of better cereal grains.

Colleges involved are Washington State, Oregon State and the University of Idaho. The agreement provides for the exchange of promising new grains, testing of the grains in the areas where they will be used and the simultaneous release in all three states.

Measure To Outlaw Salmon Derby Gets Backing in Astoria

Astoria — (U.P.) — The Astoria Chamber of Commerce, one of the traditional sponsors of the 16-year-old Astoria Salmon Derby, has voted to endorse a recent legislative proposal to outlaw such derbies.

A resolution supporting the ban was offered by W. F. McGregor, local retailer of sports fishing tackle who has been called the "Father of the Astoria Salmon Derby."

The board of directors of the chamber voted 6-5 in favor of endorsing the House bill which has yet to come up for a vote. Four directors did not vote.

The chamber's fisheries committee recommended support of the bill to the board of directors. Local opinion, reflected by the chamber decision, holds that the derby, which has become one of the Northwest's greatest attractions of its kind, was depleting the area's salmon resource.

Many local residents felt the derby was entered because of the prizes it offered, rather than because of the competition or thrill of the sport offered.

\$3,500 in Prizes Offered
Last year some \$3,500 in prizes were offered during the derby. The Warrenton and Chinook derbies in Washington, which operate in about the same area, offered \$2,500 and \$1,500 in prizes during the same period.

Some persons opposing the resolution argued that it would not be effective unless the state of Washington takes similar action against the Warrenton and Chinook affairs.

Two Bills Slated On New Hospital

Salem — (U.P.) — Two bills affecting the new teaching hospital under construction in Portland are ready for introduction in the Legislature next week, Sen. Pat Lonergan of Portland said Saturday.

One of the measures would allow only indigent patients, with rare exceptions, to be treated in the hospital. It also would forbid the charging of fees by doctors or by the Board of Higher Education for medical and surgical services at the hospital.

The second bill would set up a five-member advisory board from the State Medical Society to help in operation of the hospital and the medical school. The board would be named by the governor.

The board of higher education has opposed the principles in these bills.

Invitation To Firm Planned by Washington

Olympia — (U.P.) — The House passed and sent to the Senate Saturday a joint resolution extending a cordial invitation to the Reynolds Metals Co. of West Virginia to locate a proposed aluminum fabrication plant in Washington.

The resolution, sponsored by Reps. Julia Butler Hansen (D-Cathlamet) and Claude J. Miller (D-Kelso) said Washington has unparalleled natural resources and a constantly increasing supply of electrical energy and numerous sites suitable for establishment of industrial plants.

Richard S. Reynolds Jr., president of the firm, has announced his company intends to build an aluminum fabricating plant in the Pacific Northwest this year.

SUBMIT LOW BID

Portland — (U.P.) — The Albina Engine and Machine Works of Portland has submitted the low bid of \$134,028 for repair of the seagoing hopper dredge Biddle, the Corps of Engineers announced Saturday.

Supreme Court To Receive Pelton Dam Case March 2

Portland — (U.P.) — The Pelton dam case which has resulted in exhaustive arguments on the fishing-versus-power question for six years will go before the U.S. Supreme Court March 2 with sovereignty and not salmon the issue.

Arthur G. Higgs, deputy attorney general who will present the state's case, said the high court would determine which level of government has sovereignty in the matter.

Government Claims Right
The federal government claim the right to authorize Portland General Electric company to use Deschutes river water by virtue of federal land ownership at the proposed dam site.

The State Game commission contends that use of the waters in a non-navigable stream is a sovereign function of the states. The commission was upheld in this by the Circuit Court of Appeals.

The controversy on the Pel-

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ton dam started in 1949 when PGE applied for permission with the State Hydroelectric commission to build the structure. It has been raging since, with fishing interests especially opposed to the dam.

Grand Jury Indicts Suspect in Arson Case

Portland — (U.P.) — Donald G. Lang, 21, formerly of The Dalles, Friday was indicted on an arson charge by a Multnomah County grand jury.

Lang is charged with conspiring with Harley E. Adams, also of The Dalles, to burn a house owned by Adams here. Adams, who allegedly offered Lang \$500 to burn the building, was the subject of a felony information filed in the District Attorney's office.

The house was insured for \$8,000, and was 80 per cent destroyed by the Dec. 14 fire.

SET DEDICATION DAY
Portland — (U.P.) — The Willamette River Basin Commission has tentatively set Saturday, June 25, as date for dedication of the Lookout Point dam project on the middle fork of the Willamette river, Col. James U. Moorhead, Portland district engineer, said Saturday.

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