

Misunderstanding On Intent of Bill Leads to Referral

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Salem —(U.P.)— A measure to give justices of the peace the power to suspend all or part of sentence prescribed by law went from the Senate Highway committee late yesterday to the judiciary committee.

The impression, since the measure was referred to the highway committee, was that the intent of the law was to enable justices of the peace to suspend part of the fines spelled out by law for overloading logging trucks. The fines graduate as the overloads graduate.

Engineer Opposes

R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, appeared in opposition to the measure. He said the imposition of prescribed fines had lessened the percentage of violations of overloading, and so had lessened the wear and tear on the highways. He said since the fines were spelled out in the 1951 Legislature, violations had decreased.

A motion was made and seconded to table the House-approved bill as Rep. Loran L. Stewart (R-Cottage Grove), its sponsor walked into the room. He explained his late appearance by saying that the House had just concluded its session after discussing measures brought out by the House Tax Committee of which Stewart is chairman.

Meant For District Courts

The motion was withdrawn so that Stewart could present his case.

Then it turned out the measure, as Stewart put it, "had never been intended to be a log deal."

He said he had introduced the bill at request of the Oregon District Courts association, and it was primarily intended to apply to district courts. But the district courts got left off somewhere along the route, and the measure as it reads would apply only to justices' courts.

Sen. Charles W. Bingner (R-LaGrande) wanted to know, then, why the bill had been referred to the committee on highways instead of judiciary. Sen. Monroe Sweetland moved that President Elmo E. Smith (R-John Day) be asked to re-refer the measure to the committee on judiciary, and if he agrees that will be its next gauntlet.

The move to refer brought smiles from the audience and from the committee, because of the double-trouble four senators found themselves in for.

On the judiciary committee are these attorney-senators who also are on highways and all at the meeting: Warren Gill (R-Lebanon) chairman of judiciary; Carl Francis (R-Dayton), Phil Lowery (R-Medford) and Warren McMinimee (R-Tillamook), chairman of the Senate Highway Committee.

Two Men Killed When Small Bridge Falls

Prineville —(U.P.)— Two men were fatally injured yesterday just outside the city limits here when part of a bridge abutment on which they were working fell on them.

Charles Batson, 48, of the Portland-Beaverton area died in the ambulance. Robert Watson, 40, Prineville, died several hours later at a local hospital.

Bridge workmen said they had struck quicksand just before the cave-in. The two victims were working beneath the structure when it fell.

The bridge crosses Ochoco Creek just outside of Prineville.

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The dedication will be held at the Camas overpass on the Washington side of the Interstate bridge following a noon luncheon.

Gov. Langlie will be accompanied by Lt. Gov. Emmett Anderson; W. A. Bugge, director of highways; R. A. Mosio, highway commission chairman, and Vancouver mayor Robert S. McCall.

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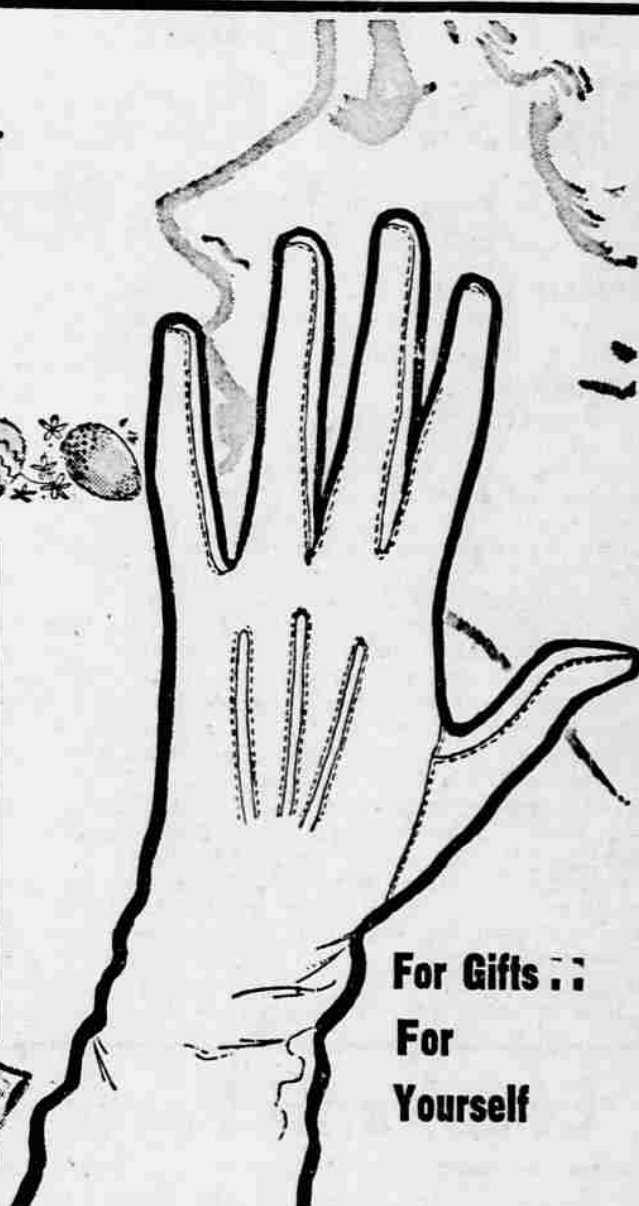
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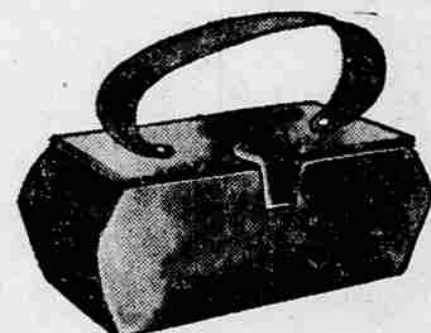


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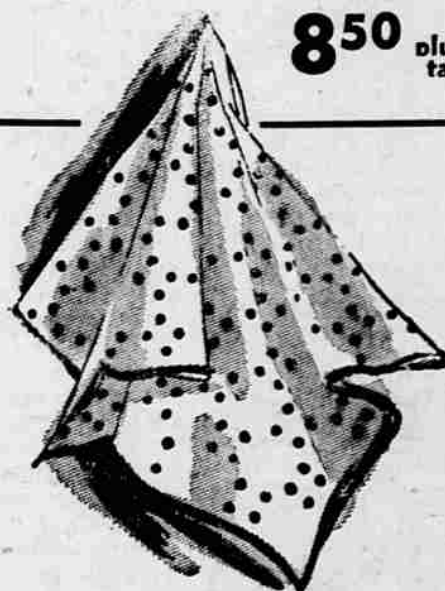
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