

# OLCC Sets Vote on Beer Container Sizes

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An OLCC regulation passed two years ago prohibited sale of beer at the retail level except in 11, 12 and 32-ounce containers.

Commissioners had the new regulation drawn up at a meet-

ing yesterday. It would allow sale of beer in almost any container weighing 32 ounces or less.

Opposition to the change came from Lew Cornelius, secretary-treasurer of local 162 of the Teamsters union. He said it would cost the Blitz-Weinhard brewery a large sum of money to meet competition of new-size containers and that it would threaten jobs of 165 men employed at the brewery.

A representative of the Joseph Schlitz brewing company asked that his firm be allowed to sell 7 and 16-ounce containers, saying these were legal in 40 states.

He asked that the public be allowed to decide what size container it wants for beer.

Commission Chairman Lester Ireland of Hillsboro expressed fear at yesterday's meeting that the OLCC might be "rushing this through a little fast."

Commissioner J. H. Sroufe said, "I'm sick and tired of trying to dictate to the buyer what he's got to buy."

The OLCC took final action yesterday on regulation changes

to allow sale of draft beer in glasses bearing the brewer's name in taverns selling only one brand of draft beer and to allow advertising of receipts for using wine.

OLCC administrator W. H. Baillie announced at the meeting that the commission had distributed a near-\$27,409,531 to cities, counties and the state's general fund more than \$2,000,000 more than last biennium.

## National Employment Reaches Record High

Washington — (U.P.) — More Americans have jobs today than ever before. But unemployment still is above the postwar low point because the labor force is growing larger.

Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell disclosed yesterday that employment last month hit

a record high, topping the previous peak of 63,700,000 persons employed in August, 1953.

He also said unemployment rose last month over the 2,500,000 jobless counted in May but that the increase was "much less than usual" for this time of year when students flood the job market.

Meriden, Conn. — (U.P.) — The Connecticut Temperance Society it would "stimulate the liquor habit in American youth."

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## Judge's Chamber Used To Test Cartridges In Overcross Hearing

Salem — (U.P.) — The chambers of Marion County Circuit Judge George R. Duncan proved an unprecedented rifle testing area last night as the state sought to overcome objections by the defense to evidence in the first degree murder trial of Casper A. Overcross.

An attempt by the state to enter a test-fired cartridge from the rifle which the state claims was the weapon with which Ervin Kaser was killed Feb. 17 was blocked by the defense on grounds the test was not made by legal standards.

**Objection Successful**

Otto Skopil Jr., one of the defense attorneys, objected successfully to introduction of test-fired bullets. He said one of the rounds fired from the 30-30 rifle which was fished out of Pudding creek on May 8, was of Winchester make and the other of Remington. He quoted Oregon law that tests must be made with material as nearly identical as possible after drawing admission from Ralph Prouty, ballistics expert with the state police crime laboratory, that he had Winchester cartridges with which he could have conducted the test.

The defense action brought a request from Special Prosecutor Charles Raymond that the state be permitted to use the evidence rifle to make tests with the similar cartridges. The permission was granted by Judge Duncan over the objections of the defense.

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**BUSINESS GETTER**

Ridgefield Park, N.J. — (U.P.) — A small department store owner has a new device for attracting business. Morris Baum attached a basket filled with pennies to his store window and hung a sign on it which said, "Help yourself, free pennies for parking."

box used at the crime laboratory for catching bullets without damage was brought to Salem from Portland and the test was made in the office of Judge Duncan's secretary, Mrs. Rose Howard.

James Gilham and his wife, Jennie Gilham, who lived about seven miles south of Silverton, testified Overcross was at their home to see Gilham's son, Daniel, the night Kaser was shot to death as he sat in his car in the driveway of his Silverton area home. Mrs. Gilham fixed the time at 11:15 a.m. by her clock "which always gains a little." It is estimated Kaser was killed about 10:45 p.m. Feb. 17.

## Degenerate Sought In Slaying of Girl

Chicago — (U.P.) — Angry police vowed today they would "get" the sex degenerate who kidnaped 8-year-old Mary Manzo, subjected her to a night of horror, and then killed her.

More than 100 policemen conducted a search for clues in the Southwest Side slum district where the steelworker's daughter lived her brief life and met death.

Mary was kidnaped Monday evening. She was on her way back from a drug store, where her mother had sent her with 15 cents to buy a nipple for her 9-month-old brother.

**BEER CONSUMPTION UP**  
Cologne, Germany — (U.P.) — West Germans drank an average of 15.8 gallons of beer each last year, it was announced today. This amount compares with an average 10-gallon consumption in 1950.

**GROUND BROKEN**  
Portland — (U.P.) — Ground-breaking ceremonies will be held at Parkrose next Tuesday for a glass container manufacturing plant to be constructed by Owens-Illinois Glass company.



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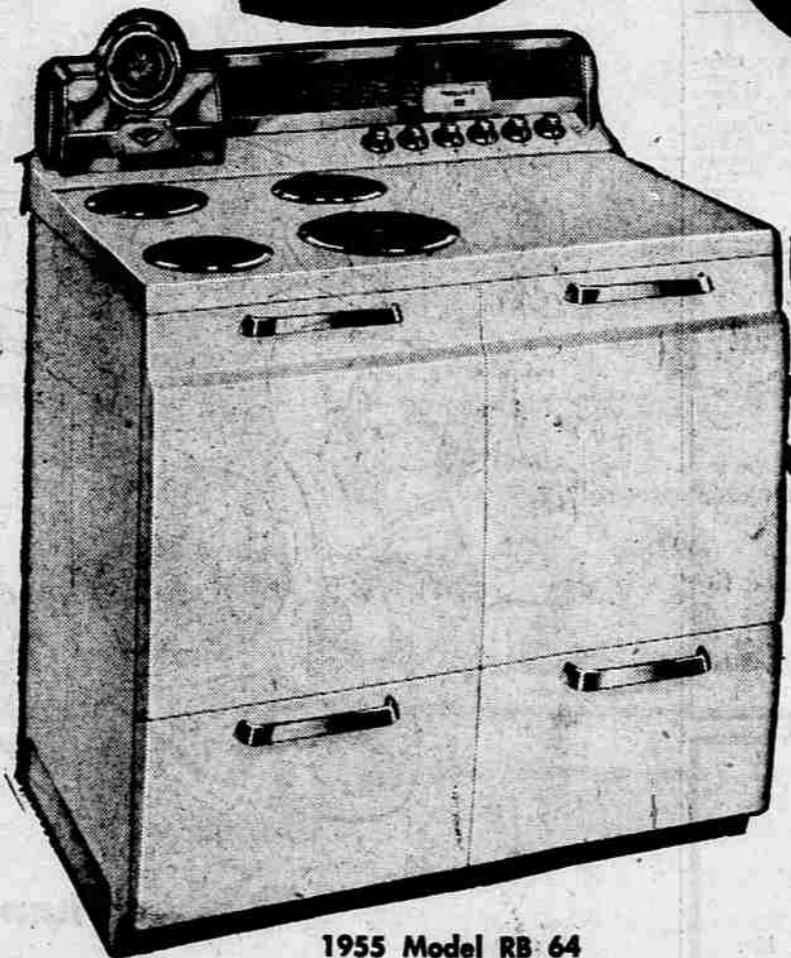
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