

Neuberger Suggests Car Lack Be Probed During Hearings Here

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) last week suggested that the shortage of lumber cars which has plagued western Oregon this summer, be a subject of inquiry during hearings of a joint Congressional subcommittee in this area in November.

The Medford hearing will be held Nov. 16. It will be one of a series held by the House Governmental Affairs subcommittee on natural resources and the Senate Interior subcommittee. Senator Neuberger is a member of the latter group.

In a recent letter to Sen. James E. Murray of Montana, Senator Neuberger pointed out the extremely adverse effects of the car shortage on the lumber industry, and suggested that the car shortage be included on the agenda when the hearings are held in southern Oregon.

He listed seven questions which he believed the committee should consider. They are:

1. How far short is the supply of cars from the demand?
2. How many new cars have been constructed by the Southern Pacific railroad in the past 10 years?
3. What is the ratio of new car construction to the increase in lumber shipping in recent

years?

Sees Legislation

4. How effective would legislation be authorizing the Interstate Commerce Commission to establish a system of per diem charges against a railroad during an emergency if it has not provided itself with an adequate number of cars or is pirating cars belonging to another road?

5. What kind of a program of construction should be instituted to meet the needs of an economy expanding at the rate of 3 per cent per year?

6. What competitive factors could be improved to stimulate those who have the responsibility of providing shipping facilities?

7. Does this point to the need for an exhaustive study of American transportation problems and the obvious lack of integration in this field?

The senator told Senator Murray his files contain letters from a number of lumbermen "who can offer cogent and pertinent testimony if the opportunity is presented to them."

Seattle, Portland Coin Machine Men Clash in US Court

Portland — (U.P.) — Seattle and Portland coin machine interests clashed in federal court here Friday when the American Shuffleboard Sales Company of Seattle filed suit charging the Portland coin machine and juke box distributors with conspiring with the Teamsters Union to keep the Seattle company out of Portland.

Clyde DeGraw, Portland tavern owner, was named co-plaintiff in the suit which charges that the union entered into an agreement with the coin machine men to prevent delivery of the coin devices to places owning and operating their own machines.

Charged with owning and operating virtually all the coin-operated amusement devices in Portland were the Association of Coin Machine Men of Oregon and W. M. Goble and Danny Martin who do business as the General Amusement company.

The union named in the suit was Local 223 of the Teamsters Union.

Portland coin machine men

Deer Outrun Cops On 'Red Hat Day'

Salem — (U.P.) — A footrace between two Salem policemen and two Salem deer ushered in Red Hat day here Friday. The deer won.

The policemen reported they chased two full-grown does from a cornfield on the north outskirts of Salem but the deer when last seen "were headed north over a fence."

The policemen were fully armed, but then, you know, the deer hunting season does not open until Oct. 1.

Mineral Policies Conference Slated

The 13 western states will be represented at a conference on mineral policies, to be held in Sacramento Nov. 7 and 8, it was reported here today. Any one interested in the mining industry can attend.

The gathering, the "Western Governors' Mineral Policies Conference," will deal with all phases of the mining industry, including such aspects as taxes, lands and water, research, mineral economics and public information.

Details and reservation forms can be obtained from the conference co-chairman, DeWitt Nelson, at 315 State Office Building No. 1, Sacramento, Calif.

Salem Man Heads Bar Association

Baker — (U.P.) — George A. Rhoten of Salem Saturday was elected president of the Oregon State Bar association.

Other officers named at the annual convention here were Moe Tonkin, Portland, vice-president; John Holloway, Portland, secretary, and Clarence D. Phillips, Portland, treasurer.

At Friday's session, the attorneys heard Melvin M. Belli, noted San Francisco trial lawyer, hit out at judges who set aside jury verdicts in personal injury cases. Belli said use of discretionary powers of the court as a device for reduction of verdicts in such cases "is a form of tyranny which is replacing democracy in too many courts of our land."

lease or rent their machines whereas the Seattle company sells its shuffleboards to customers.

DeGraw claimed that when he bought a shuffleboard for his Portland tavern from the Seattle firm, Portland interests refused to remove the board he had been renting and the union put a picket on the tavern.

Two Men Fined on Drunken Driving; Theft Charge Filed

Two men were fined in district court Friday and Saturday on charges of driving autos while under influence of intoxicating liquor. Two others were bound over to the grand jury on larceny charges.

Jack Dee Myers, 25, Shady Cove, was fined \$350 and \$5 costs Saturday on a driving while intoxicated charge, according to court records. He was also given a 30-day suspended jail sentence. Myers was arrested Friday night by state police on Highway 99 north of Medford.

Fred McCann, Colonial hotel, Grants Pass, was fined \$250 and \$5 costs Friday on a similar charge. His driver's license was taken up for 90 days. McCann was stopped Wednesday by state police on Highway 99 north of Central Point.

Car Theft Charged

Richard Ray Smith, 19, Parks Air Force base, Oakland, Calif., was arraigned Friday on the grand larceny count and waived preliminary hearing. District court records disclosed that the case involved theft of an auto from Skinner's garage here. He was taken into custody at Santa

Portland Engineers To Design Project

Portland — (U.P.) — Portland district engineers have been assigned to design North Hartland dam and reservoir in the Connecticut river basin.

Col. Jackson Graham, new district engineer, said Friday Portland was given the job because its engineers were expert at the type of dam required.

The North Hartland dam was part of a \$9,650,000 flood control project envisioned in 1940.

Rita, Calif., by a Jackson county sheriff's deputy.

Cecil Robert Thompson, 50, was arraigned and waived preliminary hearing on a larceny in a store charge involving a spinning reel at the Marshall Wells store in Ashland, court reports showed.

Liquor Charges

Bob Donald Sefarly, 19, of 903 West 11th st., and two other Medford youths, 16 and 17 years of age, were fined \$20 and \$5 costs in district court Saturday on charges of illegal possession of liquor. City police said they arrested the three at 12th and Cottage streets early yesterday.

Police reported that John Rudolph Alexandro, 21, also of 903 West 11th st., was fined the same amount as the others after being charged with furnishing beer to a minor.

but never built.

But recent disastrous floods in the New England area caused congress to allocate money for the work.

Two Portland engineers, Lewis E. Knerr, chief of design, and Paul Thurber, chief of founda-

tions and material, will leave for Boston within the next few days for conferences on the project.

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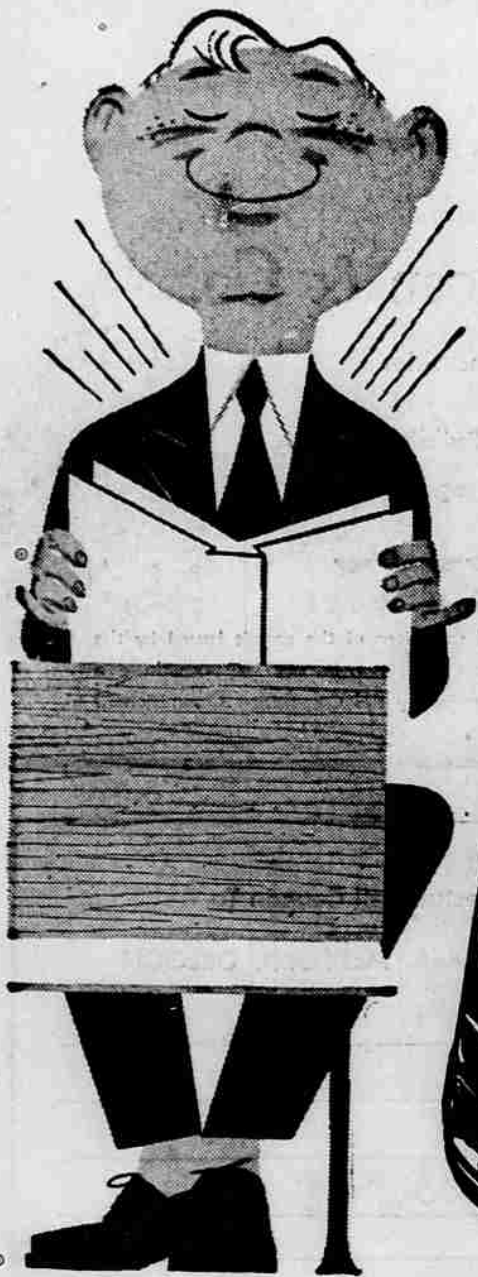
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