

13 Highway Bills Get Commission Approval For Debate in House

Salem—(U.P.)—A package of 13 bills recommended by the State Highway Commission was approved for introduction by the House Highway Committee in its first working session here late yesterday.

Most complicated of the bills recommended changes in the state throughway act to conform with federal requirements. The bill would remove a restriction that a road cannot be called a throughway if it has 10 or more commercial buildings per mile.

Would Authorize Bonds

Another important bill would authorize the commission to issue and sell \$8 million in bonds to meet requirements for full participation in the federal interstate highway program.

Other bills would:

- Permit roadworking machines to travel highways while working on projects without getting individual trip permits.
- Simplify enforcement of laws on oversize and overweight vehicles.
- Prohibit fishing from bridges and other structures under highway department control.
- Transfer control of the Pacific Ocean shore from the Highway Department to the State Land Board, which also has some authority over the beaches. The shore between high and low tide was designated a public highway during the administration of Gov. Oswald West to save it for public use.
- Give highway department some leeway in placement of stop signs at main or through highways.
- Change descriptions of state highways to conform with routes now being followed or being built.
- Give the highway department specific authority to erect necessary signs and signals.
- Authority for Permits**
- Give authority to issue permits for gas, phone, water and other lines and cables to cross highways.
- Increase the revolving fund of the state highway engineer from \$1 million to \$1.5 million. The money is used largely for immediate payment for right-of-ways.
- Amend the "turn on red after stopping" rule so that a driver could turn left on the red after stopping only from a one-way street into another one-way street.
- Give the department authority to reduce load limits on highways during floods or other emergencies.

Three Accidents Reported in Area; Woman Is Injured

Mrs. Vivian Mary Delisle, 28, of 1108 Winchester ave., Medford, suffered minor bruises about noon yesterday when the car she was operating went out of control and rolled over several times on Highway 99 near the Lithia Drive-In theater, according to state police.

She was taken to Ashland General hospital by Litwiller Ambulance service. She was treated and released, police said.

Shaken up, but not injured, in the accident were Mrs. Delisle's three children, John, 5; Joey, 2; and Mary Louise, 1, police reported.

Adjust Pillow

Police said Mrs. Delisle attempted to adjust a pillow under the baby in the back seat. The car started going off the shoulder of the highway. Mrs. Delisle turned sharply to the left, and the car went out of control and rolled over several times on the highway, police said.

Cars operated by Douglas Melbourne Stewart, 17, of North Bonaparte, British Columbia; Frank Koch, 56, First and Cedar sts., Central Point; and David William Byers, 18, of route 2, box 512, Medford, were involved in an accident on Highway 99 just north of Medford yesterday afternoon, police said.

Byers was cited for violation of basic rule, police said.

Cars driven by Walter Howard Jones, 151 Gresham st., Ashland, and Hall Gamewell Pennington, route 1, box 56, Talent, were involved in an accident on Highway 99 south of Medford, police reported. Pennington was cited for following too close, they said.

WARM JAIL PREFERRED

Paterson, N. J.—(U.P.)—William Ellis Sr., 46, a laborer, told a domestic relations judge Thursday he would rather stay in jail than face the cold winter days on a suspended sentence for desertion and non-support. Judge Milton Schamach revoked part of the sentence and ordered Ellis imprisoned for 60 days.

Willamette Man Under Arrest as Sherwood Robber

Portland—(U.P.)—A man was arrested last night and accused of last Friday's holdup of the Sherwood branch of the U.S. National Bank in which \$19,500 was taken by a gunman who posed as a prospective borrower.

The FBI said \$14,000 of the loot has been recovered.

Joseph Santoianna Jr., agent in charge of the Portland FBI office, identified the suspect as Ross Neal Porter, 33, of Willamette, Ore., a few miles south of here.

The FBI said Porter, who is married and the father of three children, was taken into custody in Portland.

Details of the investigation were not revealed immediately but Santoianna praised state police, Clackamas County Sheriff Joe Shobe and the Washington county sheriff's office for their work in the case.

Complaint To Be Filed

Santoianna said a complaint would be filed today before Mrs. Claire Mundorff, U.S. commissioner here. U.S. Attorney C. E. Luckey recommended that bond be set at \$20,000.

Porter was identified by the FBI as a canvass worker and upholsterer by trade. He operates an auto top shop in West Linn.

Santoianna said Porter also was being questioned about a supermarket holdup at Jennings Lodge last month in which \$1200 was taken.

In the robbery a week ago today a gunman entered the Sherwood bank shortly before noon carrying a cowhide satchel and asked for a loan. Then he told bank manager Lynn Judy it was a stickup.

The bandit escaped in a 1955 Chevrolet which had been stolen in Portland. The car later was found in a parking lot in West Linn.

Sport Parade



By OSCAR FRALEY
Sports Writer
United Press

New York—(U.P.)—Big time basketball in such off-campus sites as Madison Square Garden still is reeling today under the effects of the 1951 scandals but Ned Irish, the father of the commercial double-headers, isn't planning to surrender.

In the days before the "fixes," twin-bills at the Garden usually were sellouts which attracted 18,000 fans each and every time. This year the "crowds" have been averaging a mere 4,000.

Irish contends that the crowds "aren't particularly down." This is either a tribute to his gameness or a knock against his eyesight. But he does admit that "over the country the crowds are on the upswing."

Ten years ago, there were many colleges which didn't have the large field houses they have today," Irish contends. "Now they don't go on the road as much as they used to, which may be a partial answer."

Hit The Road

In other words, back in the pre-fix days, the colleges with a building program hit the road and made themselves a big reputation as well as a lot of money. This helped build—and fill—those field houses in which they sell out today.

Another influence is that after the scandals, there was a tremendous back-to-the-campus movement to remove the play-

ers from the reach of the big city gamblers. By now only the Big Seven has a ban against off-campus play and that is highly elastic in view of the fact that Iowa State uses the new Des Moines stadium and the conference tournament is held in the Kansas City Municipal stadium.

Irish sees the current stumbling block, at least as far as Madison Square Garden is concerned, in a lack of local talent.

Low Calibre Teams

"The calibre of such teams as New York university and St. John's lessened after that trouble with the boys," said Irish, who prefers not to mention the word "scandal."

"But if all those New York boys now playing for North Carolina, as example, were playing for NYU, we'd be drawing with such a team in the Garden," he added. "And if Kansas played here with Wilt Chamberlain, you'd see a capacity crowd on hand. We just don't have the teams right now."

So Irish, who started this double header business in 1934, is planning to carry on as usual in the future.

But there can be no doubt but what off-campus college play doesn't have the drawing power of pre-scandal days. And he's going to find it difficult to lure the big draws out of their own bulging field houses.

MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

Washington Huskies Gun for Lead in PCC

By NEAL CORBETT
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Most of the basketball players on the Pacific Coast will have their minds on upcoming examinations this week end, but those who do see action will be aiming at some pretty high goals.

The Washington Huskies can climb to the top of the Pacific Coast conference standings with a double win over Stanford, and Idaho can step out of the cellar with a pair of victories over Oregon.

Players at California, UCLA, Oregon State, USC and Washington State probably will find time from their other work to at least notice the results.

The present conference standings are: California 5-0; UCLA 4-0; Washington 4-0; Oregon State 2-2; Stanford 1-2; Southern California 1-3; Washington State 1-4; Oregon 0-2 and Idaho 0-5.

Broncs Meet Fresno

There'll be no action tonight in the California Basketball association, but Saturday, Santa Clara will try to extend its unbeaten string against Fresno State and Pepperdine will meet San Diego State in a non-conference game.

The present CBA standings are: Santa Clara 3-0; St. Mary's 3-1; University of San Francisco 2-1; San Jose State 3-2; Loyola 2-2; College of Pacific 1-2; Fresno State 1-3; and Pepperdine 0-4.

Washington goes into tonight's game with double victories over Southern California and Idaho. The Trojans split a pair with Oregon State, while the Vandals dropped a pair of thrillers to the champion UCLA Bruins and were edged Tuesday night by Washington State.

Four Knot In Caliente Golf Tussle

Agua Caliente, Mex.—(U.P.)—Everything is in black and white on the odds board in the \$15,000 Caliente Open Golf tournament and the bookmakers today listed these prices on the four men tied for the leadership at the start of the second round.

Defending champion Mike Souchak, 6-1; Julius Broos, Mid Pines, N.C., 12-1; Harry Weetman, Croydon, England, 15-1; and Len Kennett, Camp Pendleton, Calif., 30-1. The four shot-makers each had 68, four strokes under par on the Tijuana Country club course, but were only one stroke ahead of four others.

With gambling sharing interest with the golfing results, the bookmakers cut Souchak from 8-1, Weetman from 25-1, Boros from 15-1, and Kennett from 70-1.

Odds Cut In Four

Thursday, they paid their backers not too well. Because of the four-way tie, the odds were cut in four on each man. In other words, Weetman, at 25-1 should have paid \$52 for a \$2 bet. Instead he paid only \$13.

Regardless of the payoff, there was some brilliant golf—especially by Weetman. He had toured the first nine in a disappointing 39 when he suddenly caught fire and birdied the next six holes for a 29 on the back nine and a new course record.

Tied at 69 were former PGA champion Doug Ford, Al Besse-link, Grossingers, N.Y., Bill Bisdorf, San Diego, Calif., and a newcomer to the professional ranks, Larry Mowry of Tijuana, Mex.

There were 12 men tied at 70, including Jay Hebert, winner of the Bing Crosby event last week.

High Court Hears Pro Grid Case

Washington—(U.P.)—The Supreme Court has taken under advisement a case in which the National Football league has asked for professional football the same anti-trust immunity now enjoyed by professional baseball.

Decision on the case, stemming from a suit by former Detroit Lions tackle Mike Radovich, is expected some time before the end of the court term in June.

The court heard two hours of spirited argument on the case Thursday, much of it provoked by questions from several of the justices. Much of the argument centered on whether decisions handed down in 1922 and in 1953 regarding baseball should also apply to the pro gridiron sport.

Lower Courts Agree

Two lower courts already have returned a finding that pro football should have the same immunity from anti-trust action that baseball has, but counsel for Radovich has charged the NFL with monopolistic tactics in violation of the federal anti-trust laws.

Radovich, of Los Angeles, sued the NFL and its member teams in 1949 under the anti-trust laws, charging they had blacklisted him for leaving the Detroit Lions in 1946 to play with the Los Angeles Dons of the now defunct All-America Conference.

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Slater Martin Spurs Hawks in Pro Hoop Scrap

By UNITED PRESS

Slater Martin, a little fellow as far as professional basketball is concerned, is determined to prove that a man can still play the game and serve as coach too.

Martin, named coach of the floundering St. Louis Hawks recently, put on one of his best performances of the season in the National Basketball association Thursday night to lead the Hawks to a 106-82 victory over the Fort Wayne Pistons.

MacAuley, Pettit Shine

Sparkling play by Ed MacAuley and Bob Pettit, plus the all-around hustle of little Martin enabled the Hawks to build up a commanding lead in the first half. St. Louis easily held on to gain the win which moved it to within three percentage points of third-place Minneapolis in the Western Division.

The Lakers lost ground when Sweetwater Clifton's two free throws in the final minute of play gave the New York Knick-

Practice Shoot Scheduled Sunday

Medford Gun club members have practice shooting again this Sunday with the primary aim being to sharpen for the annual team contest on Sunday, Feb. 10.

Shooting this Sunday will open at 10 a.m. and those in charge said that whatever kind of shooting a scattershooter wants they will try to provide.

Ray Coleman headed practice gunners in two categories last week end, busting 48 to take the Ed Pease handicap and cracking 49 at 25-yards. Percy Bearden, Bert Peck and Charles Bendell broke 25-straight each at 16 yards.

The team shoot will be between the Reds and Blues. Annual meeting and dinner of the club will be on Feb. 13.

erbockers a 94-93 victory and a percentage point lead over Philadelphia for second place in the Eastern Division. The Warriors dropped a 108-103 decision to the Syracuse Nationals.

New York—(U.P.)—Dave Sime the 20-year-old Duke university track star and one of the sensations of the 1956 track season until he suffered a groin injury, will compete in the 60-yard dash event in the Millrose games at Madison Square Garden, Feb. 9.

Laszlo Tabori, the Hungarian four-minute miler, is scheduled to make his first New York start in the meet's Wanamaker mile.

Kruger national park in South Africa has more than 500,000 wild animals.

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