

# Some Legislatures Debating Bills To Curb Activities of Lobbyists

**By UNITED PRESS**  
That American institution, the lobbyist, has been getting some pretty rough treatment from the people he's supposed to be assisting.

Some legislatures are debating bills to curb lobbying, a United Press survey showed today.

Thousands of lobbyists flock to state capitols annually. They represent a wide range of interests and each attempts to educate the lawmakers on what's good for the people. They meet with varying degrees of success.

Some legislatures object to the method of education lobbyists practice.

**Wisconsin Is First**  
The Wisconsin Legislature, one of 11 that has debated or acted on lobby bills in a fight over whether lobbyists should be permitted to buy meals and drinks for the lawmakers, or to give them anything of value.

Most of the lobby legislation, however, was concerned with keeping track of the lobbyists. The survey showed that in at least 10 states lobbyists aren't required to register and nobody has any check of their activities.

In states where registration is required, the lobbyists sometimes outnumber the legislators. For example, 436 registered dur-

ing the last session of the Florida Legislature—more than three times the number of lawmakers.

**Plenty Registered**  
Only 45 registered in New Hampshire, but in Connecticut about 200 regularly show up and in California there are about three lobbyists for every legislator. Massachusetts Legislature attracts about 250. Wisconsin's more than 200 and South Dakota's drew 142 this year. About 130 were expected to sign in for the New York session.

Sometimes the registration requirement is ignored. Georgia has a lobbyist's registration law but not one has registered since 1941.

At least four bills to require paid lobbyists to register were introduced in Texas, where State Rep. James E. Cox was indicted March 1 on charges of agreeing to accept a \$5,000 bribe to kill a legislature measure.

Increased demand for regulatory legislation cropped up in the Illinois General Assembly after investigations of the \$2.5 million embezzlement scandal involving former State Auditor Orville E. Hodge turned up payment of a \$35,000 lobbying fee. But the Connecticut Legislature killed a bill to ban former

legislators from lobbying within two years of the end of their legislative terms.

**Controls Pending**  
Lobby-control legislation is pending in Missouri, New Jersey, Tennessee, Iowa, Maine, Minnesota, California, Texas, Wisconsin and Illinois. Most appears headed for the junkpile.

In the Tennessee legislative chambers, lobbyists sometimes sit with senators and representatives during discussion of bills in which they are interested.

In several states — notably Florida and Colorado — former legislators turned lobbyists can roam at will through the chambers while the lawmaking bodies transact business.

Former Gov. Edwin C. Johnson of Colorado registered as a transportation lobbyist the day after he retired from office to push for construction of a projected highway tunnel through the Continental Divide.

In many states, the survey showed little sentiment against lobbyists. Legislators emphasized that many advocates or opponents of legislation are helpful, and freshmen legislators in Olympia, Wash., said they learn more from lobbyists than they do from veteran members of the legislature.

# Tuberculosis Case Diagnosed After Chest X-Ray Survey

One case of advanced contagious tuberculosis has been diagnosed and others are under study as a result of the chest x-ray survey now being conducted in convalescent homes in the county by the case finding committee of the Jackson County Public Health association, members of the committee have announced.

The case is now under treatment in the sanitarium, according to Dr. A. E. Merkel, county health officer.

Members of the committee include Col. W. H. Bartlett, Miss Lotus Eaton, Mrs. Richard Knight, Mrs. Elizabeth Paris, director of the x-ray clinics, Glenn Jennings, Jim Rowan and Mrs. Chester Guches, chairman of the committee.

**Plans Announced**  
Plans were announced for chest x-rays for prisoners in the Jackson county jail through the cooperation of Sheriff Howard Gault and the county court.

A report of the hospital admission program made by Mrs. Guches indicated that medical staffs of local hospitals had recommended that all patients have chest x-rays as part of the routine admission program.

The admission chest x-ray has become a part of the laboratory routine of most progressive hospitals throughout the country and is of greater value than many other laboratory procedures, Dr. Merkel said.

The committee of the Health association operates the x-ray clinic at Sacred Heart hospital each Thursday afternoon using machinery financed through Christmas seals.



**LEAVE IT TO LAS VEGAS**—Setting for final play of the first national tin drum tournament is on a raft by 475 players from 38 states, Michael Nechak, 44, (left) of Hurley, Wis., beat out David Gertler, 41, New Orleans attorney, for first place and a prize of \$10,000. Gertler's second place netted him \$5,000. Watching the two players closely is Oswald Jacoby, NEA bridge columnist and nationally recognized card expert, who acted as judge. The tournament benefited five charities.

# Santoiana Speaks At Rotary Club Meeting Tuesday

Bank robberies today are committed by first timers, but in the 1930s and 1940s seasoned criminals were the chief offenders, according to J. F. Santoiana Jr., special agent in charge of the Portland FBI office.

Speaking at a meeting of the Medford Rotary club Tuesday at the Jackson Hotel, Santoiana discussed the expanding jurisdiction and functions of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, organized in 1924 with a staff of 300 employees and 7,000 other staff agents and 7,000,000 other members make up the FBI, under Director J. Edgar Hoover.

Starting in 1939, when the bureau was assigned the responsibility of internal security under the Roosevelt administration, the scope and duties of special agents expanded into fields of espionage and sabotage.

More security checks to determine the character, reputation and loyalty of employees of the Atomic Energy commission's organization and other governmental agencies were added to their duties, Santoiana said. Kidnaping, bank robberies, white slavery, inter-state transportation of money and similar important crimes lie within the scope of FBI investigations.

Since 1935, when the FBI's national academy was organized, 3,200 law enforcement officers have graduated, Santoiana told Rotarians. Medford's police chief, Charles Champin, is one of the more graduates. Officers of the Medford police department, including Chief Champin, were guests.

William Crowder, FBI resident agent here and a member of the Medford Rotary club, introduced Santoiana.

About 3.5 per cent of all children in the U.S. have divorced parents.

# Mayor's Duties Get International Flavor

Dayton, O.—U.P.—Dale Kinkley, mayor of Dayton here who is also mayor of Brookville, says he not only has to sleep on civic problems, he has to eat on them as well.

Many of his constituents are co-workers at the Dayton Rubber Co., where Binkley is a truck tire builder. During lunch our, they bring their gripes, suggestions and problems to him, but he doesn't mind.

"I give them a lot of advice, some good, some bad, but all of it objective," he pointed out. "Helps get a lot of work out of the way so I can devote myself to other activities."

Binkley ran for mayor when he became angry about his high water bill. In addition, he is state chairman of youth activities for the American Legion and headed the Montgomery County polio fund raising campaign. At one time, he had 16 non-paying jobs. Now, with morality responsibilities, he is down to a mere nine.

Binkley feels more people who work in factories are taking more active interest in civic affairs.

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**False Bomb Threats Disrupt Schedules Of Four Airlines**

New York—(U.P.)—False bomb threats disrupted flights of four airlines Tuesday at airports throughout the East.

The phony bomb warnings caused delays in flights of Trans-World, American, United and Delta airlines planes while they were searched in New York, Philadelphia, Newark, N.J., and Jackson, Miss.

Six airborne TWA planes made emergency landings at airports as far south as Baltimore and as far west as Detroit to permit searches.

No bombs were found on any of the planes.

**Anonymous Call Made**  
The excitement began when an anonymous caller, sounding like a teen-age boy, told a TWA reservation clerk: "There's a bomb on your plane. You had better get it off."

The airline notified authorities at La Guardia and Idlewild airports in New York, and Newark Airport in New Jersey to hold planes for searching.

Tuesday night, Shirley Mayfield, 25, a reservation agent for American Airlines in Philadelphia, received a telephoned threat from a woman who said she had a "grudge" against airplanes because her father had been struck by one.

"Which plane is for you to find out," she told Miss Mayfield.

**All Planes Grounded**  
A United Airlines spokesman said a bomb warning also had been received from either a woman or a child caller.

Both American and United airlines immediately grounded all their planes in the vicinity. Thorough searches were made of all aircraft but no explosives were found.

Airlines officials reported they have received about one false bomb threat a month since an airliner was dynamited in Nov., 1955, while en route from Denver to Portland, Ore.

John Gilbert Graham was executed for planting a bomb on the plane, killing 44 persons, including his mother.

Planes already in the air when the latest bomb alert was sounded landed at Baltimore, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Boston and Philadelphia.

**Gov. Holmes To Speak At Education Conference**  
Salem—(U.P.)—Gov. Robert D. Holmes said today he had accepted an invitation to be one of the featured speakers for the Western Regional Conference for the President's Committee on Education Beyond High School at San Francisco next month.

**Unique Facility Studies Tire Design**

Buffalo, N.Y.—(U.P.)—Cornell Aeronautical Laboratory has developed a unique test facility for studying pneumatic tire behavior and design.

Called a mobile dynamometer, the device provides accurate road test data under varying conditions. It was developed here under contract with the U.S. Air Force.

The dynamometer is attached to the rear of a truck with a test tire suspended from the device and brought into contact with a road surface during regular runs at up to 60 miles an hour. Such factors as load, side-force and angle can be varied while a tire is being tested. Precision instruments automatically measure each performance.

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**FRANK WOULDN'T STIR**—Policewoman Mrs. Gloria Dawson (above) has been revealed as the "sultry voice" who tried to lure Frank Sinatra out of bed into the subpoena-serving hands of two policemen. She stood with the Los Angeles officers outside Sinatra's Palm Springs home cooling pretreaties to get the crooner to open the door.

# On The Side

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O stars, you saw our meeting,  
Two hearts and one soul,  
Two hearts so madly beating  
To mingle and be whole!  
O happy night, deliver  
Her kisses back to me,  
Or keep them all, and give her  
A blissful dream of me!  
—Lowell.

Isn't the taxicab driver who gets a passenger speedily and safely to his destination entitled to a tip? Such is the question of a taxicab company executive. A very naive query. A man with the ability, courage, patience, intelligence and physical endurance to speedily and safely guide a taxicab through major city traffic is a highly skilled operator. As such he should not be dependent on tips to make it possible for him to enjoy a living wage. He should be paid a good regular salary commensurate with his ability. Why should others in the transportation field such as bus drivers, railroad engineers, passenger ship skippers and airline pilots be paid good regular salaries, sufficient for the support of their families, and a taxicab driver be compelled to depend on tips to aid in his acquisition of a living wage?

**Passing By**  
Michael Todd, the beaming bridegroom. Now the proud spouse of Elizabeth Taylor. There has been some question as to what was the original stage production of Mr. Todd. Some claim it was "Star and Garter," featuring Gipsy Rose Lee. That is wrong. Mike's first play presented in Chicago was titled "Bring On the Dames." The smash hit of this production was not a dame. It was a penguin

# By E. V. Durling

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billed as "Pete, The Personality Penguin."

**Among the Married**  
All married women should make an effort to familiarize themselves with their legal rights as wives. In some states in this country the salary of a working wife belongs to her husband. In other states, the husband has the legal right to direct how his wife should spend her salary. In still other states, a wife's clothing belongs to her husband. As for example a mink coat. If, in the states referred to, a wife couldn't leave her husband she wouldn't take her mink coat with her.

**Asides**  
It was Ring Lardner, who said, "An optimist is a woman who mistakes a bulge for a curve" . . . If your watch loses more than a minute a week it isn't a good watch . . . One out of every 57 persons in the United States lives in Brooklyn.

**Guide to Guys**  
Men born under Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) are not happy as husbands unless they can completely dominate the domestic scene. They are very partial to clinging vine type wives. They are opposed to wives having careers. They expect perfect home managing. They want all the comforts of a home plus service like a hotel. Pisces men generally do well financially. They know how to make money and how to keep it. Or, so say the stargazers.

**Character**  
A man's character can be accurately judged by the manner in which he blows his auto horn. If, for example, it is a short blast, indicating he wants to pass, it is quite probable he is a friendly, courteous and considerate fellow. A nice man to know. One who would make a good husband. A long blast reveals a man who enjoys telling people off. The type whose favorite indoor sport is ordering his wife around. The long blast plus several short blasts indicates the "Big Shot" complex. A dictator type. Also probably a blowhard with his mouth as well as his auto horn.

**RARE ROBIN**  
Omaha—(U.P.)—In the H. C. Sheridan front yard here are a couple of "extremely rare" birds—two albino robins. Audubon Society officials here said the hatching of two albinos at the same time is almost unheard of.

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