

Governor Holmes Sees Legislature Ending in May

Salem—(U.P.)—Gov. Robert D. Holmes today held his first press conference in many weeks in which he said he would be a candidate for reelection.

Answering a question as to the length of the present session, the governor said he felt it would be over around the first week end in May. He said the House Tax Committee had told him it would start formulating a tax program about April 15.

Sure To Take Long Look

The governor warned, however, that the committee might get started a little later and that the equally divided Oregon Senate was sure to take a long look at any proposed tax program.

Unless a better method of distribution of basic school funds is advanced, the governor said he favored the "key district" plan. He said the basic school law was enacted to give equal treatment to all districts.

"But we have veered from this objective and thereby rich districts have become more wealthy and poor districts more destitute," the governor said.

More Equitable Distribution

He added that he felt the House would come up with amendments to the bill that would provide more equitable distribution to the counties that might suffer loss of state funds under the proposed distribution plan.

The governor expressed confidence that most of his proposed legislative program would be enacted into law.

The new highway commissioner to be appointed by the governor will succeed Ben Chandler, Coos Bay, whose term expires March 31.

On the Fair Board, Gov. Holmes said he had three courtesy resignations and that one term is expiring. He said a fifth courtesy resignation is expected. He indicated he might accept some of the resignations and ask others to continue to serve.



THERAPY AIDS MOTION—Little Rosella of Wolf Creek, does woodworking under direction of Velda Brust, occupational therapist, at Easter Seal hospital school in Eugene where youngsters from more than 20 Oregon counties receive special education, training and therapy. Woodworking aids in developing arm motion. Hospital school is financed through current sale of Easter Seals by the Oregon Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

Radar as Speed Curb Claimed Undeveloped

Philadelphia — (U.P.) — The president of a Philadelphia motor club is not so bold on a current claim that radar is developed enough in curbing speeders to replace "tried and effective" methods.

J. Maxwell Smith, president of the Keystone Automobile Club, said, "Let's not be too hasty in adopting enforcement gadgets . . ." Smith's remarks related to a recent 10 to 7 vote by Gov. George Leader's traffic council proposing that radar be legalized for speed enforcement in Pennsylvania.

"We are not convinced," Smith added, "that the development of radar has reached a point where it can be said to fairly and accurately do the job claimed for it as a medium of speed law enforcement."

Salem Boy Narrowly Escapes Drowning

Salem — (U.P.) — A five-year-old Salem boy narrowly escaped drowning yesterday when an unidentified youth pulled him from a flooded sump hole at the public swimming pool at Olinger field in north Salem.

Dale Howe said his son, Frankie, fell into the hole and a brother, Nickie, 8, came running home to sound the alarm. By the time Howe reached the scene, however, he met his younger son heading home. He said a teen-age boy had pulled him from the hole.

Douglas Men Held For Grand Larceny

Roseburg — (U.P.) — Two Douglas county residents were ordered held and a third released after a preliminary hearing in District Court yesterday on charges of grand larceny involving wreckage of an airplane.

Woodrow K. Clarno, 39, Winston, and Francis J. Knoblauch, 39, Roseburg, were ordered held for prosecution. Released was Mrs. Virginia J. Cawse, 40, of Roseburg.

The complaint in the action was brought by A. J. Schall, Coos Bay. He charged the trio had stolen about 3000 pounds of aluminum from a C-46 airplane which crashed in the headwaters of the Coos River and he had purchased from the government.

The plane in question went down in 1945 and claimed the lives of three Army fliers.

Demos, GOP Plunge Into Showdown Fight

Washington — (U.P.) — House Democrats and Republicans plunged into a showdown fight today over conducting an investigation of the nation's economic system.

The Democrats want Congress to do it. The Republicans want the job done by an independent citizens commission as requested by President Eisenhower.

The Democrats this afternoon brought up for a vote a proposal to have a banking subcommittee conduct the inquiry. The subcommittee is headed by Rep. Wright Patman (D-Tex.)—a leading foe of high interest.

Republicans said the proposed Democratic-sponsored inquiry could shake business confidence and possibly start a recession. They offered a compromise plan calling for a 16-man bipartisan commission appointed by the President and Congress.

The outcome of the fight was in doubt.

Carpenters To Seek Hiring of State Men

Ontario — (U.P.) — Charles Anderson, business representative of the carpenters union in the Snake River valley, said today that an effort will be made to get the Oregon legislature to pass a bill which would ensure the hiring of state residents for the constructing of government financed projects.

Anderson made the statement after Malheur county carpenters had expressed displeasure over hiring of an Idaho concern to do repair work on flood damaged bridges in the county.

Anderson said that both Idaho and Washington have legislation which insures work on any government financed project will be done largely by residents of the state. He said at the present time Oregon does not have any such protective law.

Resources Board To Hear Idaho Appeal

Salem—(U.P.)—The State Water Resources board will hold a hearing in Portland April 30 on applications by Idaho Power company for preliminary permits and a license to construct three dams on the Snake river.

The company is proceeding with construction under a license granted by the Federal Power commission.

John D. Davis, Stayton, chairman of the board, said the state applications had been referred to the board by the Oregon Hydroelectric Commission as a result of protests filed by the Oregon State Grange, Oregon State Labor council, Oregon Farmers Union, Oregon REA Cooperative association and the Hells Canyon Development association.

Washington Union Not To Be Assessed

Seattle — (U.P.) — Teamsters Union Joint Council No. 28 said today it will not make special assessments or increase members' dues for a fund to defend four union officials under indictment for contempt of Congress.

The council is comprised of secretaries and business representatives from the 39 Teamsters' locals in Washington state.

The council issued a statement warning members to refuse to contribute money to anyone soliciting for a "defense fund" and asked them to report solicitors to their local unions.

The statement said: "There seems to be a lot of confusion and misconception going on in the minds of the rank-and-file. No defense fund through special assessment or increase of dues has ever been contemplated. Any assessments or change in dues structure must be voted by the individual unions."

Eugene Seeks To Keep Television Channel

Eugene — (U.P.) — The Eugene school board, faced with the threat of losing its television channel reserved for educational use, has taken steps designed to hold onto the channel.

The school board notified the Federal Communications commission it is launching a thorough study of the use of educational television in the Eugene school system.

A three-man corporation late last week announced it would ask the FCC to change the allocation of channel 9 in Eugene from educational to commercial use.

Plans Completed for Speaking Contest

Final plans were completed Monday at a meeting of Talisman lodge 31, Knights of Pythias, for the Jackson county high school student public speaking contest in the cafeteria at Crater High school in Central Point at 8 p.m. Thursday.

The committee, of which Don Lacy is chairman, pointed out that the event is open to the public.

Chancellor Commander James O'Duane called attendants to a picnic dinner for Boy Scout Troop 16, sponsored by the local lodge Knights of Pythias, at the Pythian building at 6:30 p.m. today.

The dinner will be followed by a court of honor and presentation of service pins to boys and participating adults.

Lecture Series to Start Tomorrow

The first of a series of five lectures on the native wild-life flowers of the Siskiyou region will start at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 28, in room 217 at Medford High school. The sessions are being sponsored by the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce.

Registration fee for the five-lesson course will be \$10 per person or \$15 per husband and wife. Registration will be Thursday at the high school before the class is held. The five lessons will be held on succeeding Thursdays.

Marcel Lepiniac, formerly a feature writer on native plants and rock gardens with the New York Herald Tribune, will conduct the series of lectures. He also has been a lecturer at the Rutgers university extension division.

The area of the Pacific ocean is about the same as the combined area of the Atlantic, Indian and Arctic oceans.

SHADY COVE-TRAIL Services Set This Week

By EVALYN P. WATSON
Shady Cove-Trail — The Rev. Floyd Fradenburg of Eugene will be guest evangelistic speaker at meetings each evening this week at the Trail Community church. He returned to Eugene last week end due to illness of his wife but returned to conduct services the rest of this week.

Cpl. Bill Brewster of Camp Pendleton, Calif., son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brewster of Trail is due home the last of this week for a two-week furlough. Bill, who is in the Marines, is scheduled to be shipped to Korea for duty there.

Mrs. Claude Hunt of Shady Cove has been ill at home.

Friends in the area have heard from Mrs. Adeline Carl, Shady Cove resident, noting that she is spending a two weeks vacation at a resort in Arizona with her brother.

Johnie Minor of Shady Cove went to Yreka, Calif., Tuesday on business matters.

Mrs. Louise Martin of Shady Cove has returned from Louisiana where she drove to take a patient whom she had been nursing.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Haynie and family of Shady Cove made a trip to San Luis Obispo and

Fire Permits Needed In Oregon on April 1

Salem — (U.P.) — Forested areas of Oregon — those under the jurisdiction of state and federal protective organizations — will be closed to unauthorized burning on April 1.

State Forester Dwight L. Phipps said that on that date permits must first be secured from a warden or a ranger if any slashings, brush or debris is to be burned within the forested areas.

Phipps pointed out that "all logging operations and other woods activities using power-driven equipment must be supplied with fire fighting tools, landings must be cleared and watchman service provided."

Riddle Voters Reject Bonds for School Work

Roseburg — (U.P.) — Voters of Riddle yesterday overwhelmingly turned down a proposed \$125,000 bond issue to finance completion of facilities at the Riddle school. Vote was 206 to 55.

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