

# Time Now Seen Right for Norblad To Introduce Bill Curbing Speed

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Washington—The fullness of time has finally arrived for Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore.) to introduce that speed limit bill that has been gathering moss on his desk for over a year.

When he announced that he favored a 70 MPH national speed limit enforced by mechanical governors on all cars, Norblad last year got letters by the hundreds from speed-fearing citizens everywhere—many more than had ever responded to his periodic economy brainstorms, such as chiding the Army for putting suspender buttons on its knicker-less britches.

No one knew just why the congressman never introduced his bill, popular as it was with the people. He said he'd get around to it but never did.

Now it's all pretty clear.

**Cop Blundered**  
As a member of Congress, he is privy to confidential information whispered by top government officials. Authoritative informed sources in a position to know, as we always say, report that the secret is out now because a blundering local cop in Rockville, Md., a law-abiding one-horse town near here, dared stop a car in the commander-in-chief's high-speed autocade to Gettysburg last week end. The incident disclosed the hitherto unknown fact that Ike likes a driver with a lead foot.

Now obviously to be fair in the great American way, the Norblad bill would have to hold down the president just like the rest of us. So imagine the pickle the president would be in, not to mention Congress, if Norblad pushed his bill.

Every bill that comes up for hearings requires a report from the president to inform Congress whether or not the purpose of the legislation is "in accord with the program of the president."

High-balling up to Gettysburg for the weekend is plainly an integral part of the president's program. And since newsmen who try to keep up with him report that sometimes his powerful limousine barrels along at over 90 MPH, holding it down to 70 would substantially impair the program.

**Grave Question**  
There is, too, a grave constitutional question. Can a governor, as the Norblad bill would

provide, in any manner restrict, limit or frustrate a president?

On constitutional grounds, the president surely would have to report adversely on the bill. If that would be bad publicity for Norblad, it would be a battle call for the states righters in Congress to filibuster against any inroads on their doctrine that the federal government has only what authority is specifically granted to it by the states. They'd secede before they'd conceded that a governor—even Norblad's mechanical one—can not tell the president when to slow down in the states.

Northern Democrats, led by Sen. Wayne Morse, who'd rather ride his horse anyway, would rally to the side of their southern brethren just for the pure love of letting some air out of Ike's tires.

**Bill Would Pass**  
Republicans, torn between their love of Ike and their fondness for farateningizing politically

with the states righters, would be hopelessly split. Those opposing the president would do so only in the name of small children and dogs, to whom speed is a tragic menace, as any mother knows.

The bill, then, would pass overwhelmingly, even over the president's veto if he tried to use it, and the auto age would finally have sanity imposed upon it.

The White House, of course, would drop the Norblads from the executive social list, stop appointing the postmasters he recommends, direct all GOP campaign groups to cut him short of funds next election, and find a likely New Republican the president could be photographed shaking hands with before he challenges Norblad for his congressional seat.

All of which is undoubtedly why Walter Norblad won't introduce his speed limit bill and ruin what was just a good gimmick in the first place.



**U. S. CUTS IRAN AID OVER SLAYINGS**—Bodies of two International Co-operation Administration officials, Kevin Carroll of Issaquah, Wash., and Brewster A. Wilson of Portland, Ore., are removed from U. S. Navy plane at Tehran after flight from Iran where they were ambushed and slain by Iranian bandits. The body of Carroll's wife, Anita, 35, has been found near the ambush site. The U. S. has shut off all aid operations in southeast Iran until the bandit gang that killed the three Americans is caught.

## Building Programs for State Institutions Cover Minimum Needs

Salem—(U.P.)—The State Board of Control has decided to inform the Joint Ways and Means Committee that its operational and building programs for state institutions covers only minimum needs.

The action was taken after Secretary of State Mark Hatfield reported on visits he made to all state institutions in Marion county.

Hatfield said inadequate care of state wards and a hazardous pile-up of building needs would result from reduction of the board's building program or operating budget requests.

**Would Delay Needs**  
"Many of the requests for increased services," Hatfield said, "occur in the mental facilities where new techniques, new drugs and more broadly trained staffs make it possible to return the patient to his community at an earlier date than was formerly possible."

"To set aside the building program for another biennium would result in the delay of a number of needs which would be more costly to construct later on," Hatfield said. He is particularly concerned about talk of foregoing a start on the Dammasch Portland State hospital, which was twice voted by the people.

Reporting on his inspection of institutions during the past 12 weeks, Hatfield said he found these needs under the Board of Control "imperative":

**A start on the Dammasch Portland State hospital.**

**Expansion of facilities at Fairview home.**

**Provision of a teen-age psychiatric facility because none now exists except in amalgamation with adults at the state hospital.**

**Alleviation of hazardous housing conditions for children at the schools for the deaf and the blind.**

**Re-evaluation of planning for MacLaren school for boys, provision of additional dormitory space, a full-time chaplain and chapel.**

**A start on the intermediate correctional institution previously voted by the Legislature.**

**Addition of geriatrics at the Eastern Oregon State hospital at Pendleton.**

**And a separate facility for women now housed in the state penitentiary and additional facilities there.**

**The United States meat industry's output is 25 billion pounds annually, the world's largest.**

## Bennett Released On Bribery Charge

Portland — (U.P.) — Former Portland bootlegger Clifford O. Bennett, 34, was free on \$1000 bail today after his arrest yesterday on a grand jury indictment charging him with bribing Mayor Terry Schruk while the latter was Multnomah county sheriff.

The bribery indictment charges that on Sept. 11, 1955, while operating an illegal establishment at 8212 North Denver ave. in Portland, Bennett offered Schruk a "gift, gratuity and valuable consideration, a sum of lawful United States money of unknown amount, with intent to influence the vote, opinion, decision, judgment and official conduct of Schruk, who was then sheriff."

The indictment followed an earlier true bill returned against Schruk by the same grand jury, accusing him of accepting a bribe from Bennett in exchange for immunity from arrest.

Both Schruk and Bennett have denied the charges. Bennett, who was indicted last week for perjury, also faces a charge in Prineville for operating a house of prostitution. He

is scheduled for trial on the Prineville charge April 16.

## New Book Available On Float Building

Participants in the Pear Blossom Festival will find assistance in float design offered by a recent addition to the Medford Public library, Miss Helen Webster, librarian, said today.

Leroy F. Vaughn, a man who has built up a flourishing business in the field of parades and floats sets down the techniques of his self-taught craft in his "Parade and Float Guide."

Beginning with a brief history of parades, he explains in detail how to stage one and how to design and build floats, Miss Webster said. While some of his floats are highly elaborate and expensive to construct, he also gives careful attention to parade problems peculiar to small towns; and the elements of the designs are so clearly outlined that they can be easily adapted to less ambitious construction, she said.

## 10 Indicted on Housing Racket

Detroit — (U.P.) — A federal Grand Jury indicted 10 persons Tuesday in connection with a veterans housing racket. Seven of the 10 had past or present affiliation with the Teamsters Union.

Six of those named in the indictments, all members of Pontiac Local 614 of the teamsters, were described as linked to the alleged frauds, but were not listed as defendants.

Assistant U. S. Attorney Dwight K. Hamborsky said the two federal indictments were not the result of an investigation of the teamsters. Rather, he said, the six union men listed are veterans whose names were used on allegedly fraudulent GI mortgage documents.

Named as defendants in the conspiracy indictments were Louis S. Linteau, Pontiac, former secretary-treasurer of Local 614; Leo Stein, 42, building company superintendent from Detroit; William N. Gilmore, 40, Birmingham real estate appraiser, and Joseph Pollina, 46, Pontiac maintenance supervisor.

## To Elect Officers

The Central Point Junior Chamber of Commerce will elect officers at a meeting at 8 p.m. Thursday evening, April 11, at the Jaycee building.

Candidates are John Smock and Homer Billups, president; Dale Bartley and Bill Esselstyn, first vice president; Bill Colley and Gay Hallett, second vice president; Chet Ayres, treasurer; and Lee Collingsworth, secretary.

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