



Interim Group Suggests Agency To Review Existing Regulations

Some type of agency should be established to make a systematic review of existing laws and prepare and submit recommendations to the legislature for revision, according to one of the suggestions set forth during a recent meeting of the legislative interim committee on judicial administration.

James Main, Jackson county district court judge and chairman of the subcommittee on trial courts, said the committee feels the agency would be of greater benefit than creation of an interim committee from time to time. The latter type of group spends considerable time in organizing and recruiting, he explained. Also, it takes some time to educate members so they become familiar with the problems under study. A temporary committee loses the benefits of that experience when it disbands.

Both Main and Frank Van Dyke, Medford attorney, are members of the trial courts subcommittee under the interim committee. Main was appointed by the chief justice of the state supreme court and Van Dyke was appointed by the president of the Oregon State Bar association.

Formulate Recommendations
A recent meeting at Gearhart was to formulate the recommendations of various subcommittees. Another meeting of the interim committee will be sometime after Sept. 1 to draw up the recommendations into a form presentable to the legislative counsel for possible enactment into state laws.

The integrated court system is expected, if adopted by the state legislature, to result in large savings through consolidation of the various courts into circuit and district courts. Main had explained earlier.

All judges would be appointed according to the Missouri plan, the interim committee recommends. All judicial officers would be appointed by the governor from a list of three persons for each vacancy. Nominations would be by a commission or committee consisting of a chief justice, a member of the house of representatives, one member of the state senate, president of the Oregon State Bar association and three of the members would be appointed by the governor, Frank Van Dyke explained.

Not more than two members of the same political party and not more than one person from any single judicial district could be on this committee or commission, the Medford attorney said.

"The voters would still have a chance to kick out any judge or judicial officer," Van Dyke said. "Each judicial officer at the end of his term would run on his record."

If rejected by the voters the judicial officer's position would be filled by a person appointed by the governor and recommended by the committee or commission, the subcommittee member said.

Ask Salary Increase

The interim committee also is recommending to the state legislature that judges' salaries be increased to attract better persons. According to this suggestion, district judges would receive \$10,000 a year, circuit judges \$15,000 and supreme court justices \$18,000.

The supreme court would administer the entire state court system, according to the recommendations of the interim committee. Recommendations would give the supreme court a right to make rules of civil and criminal procedure for all the courts in the state. Various committees would assist the supreme court in this function. Such jurisdiction would extend down through the municipal courts. The supreme court

would also have the right to obtain reports from all courts in the state, according to the recommendations.

During the Gearhart session, the interim committee spent considerable time on formulating a juvenile code. This proposes exclusive jurisdiction of juvenile matters by the juvenile court. However, the circuit court judge could enter an order to provide that all traffic offenses would be handled by traffic courts and reports on juvenile offenders be given him.

Termination of Rights
The proposed juvenile code also provides for termination of all parents' rights if a court determines that parents are unfit by conduct or the conditions in the home are seriously detrimental to the child. Abandonment of the child

also would terminate the rights of some parents over children, Main explained.

Such a code would also give the juvenile court the right to require parents or those having physical custody of the child to appear in court with the child.

An appointment of an attorney for juvenile offenders is also allowed. The code also proposes compulsory attendance of witnesses. What disposition a court can make of a child's case is also specified.

Interstate Compact

An interstate compact is included in the proposals. This would permit a child on probation to the juvenile court to reside in another state, or, a child could be kept in an institution of another state if such facilities are not avail-

Application Filed To Withdraw Land

Portland—Virgil T. Heath, state supervisor of the bureau of land management, has announced that the Army Corps of Engineers have filed an application to withdraw 139.41 acres of public land in Klamath county, southwest of Klamath Falls.

The land will be used by the Air Force for a navigational aid facility. One hundred acres of the land are re-vested Oregon and California Railroad Grant lands, and management and disposal of the timber on this land will remain under the administration of the bureau of land.

The withdrawal will preclude all appropriation of the land under public land laws, including the mining and mineral leasing laws.

able in his state.

The code also specifically provides for the amount of authority of the institution in case a child is committed.

Under the section on juvenile motor vehicle offenses, the code instructs as to the methods of handling the cases in juvenile court if they are handled there. A driver's license may be suspended and the offender ordered to attend traffic school.

Transfer of a juvenile offender between different counties is also provided. Methods by which appeals may be taken on cases also are established.

The code provides when the juvenile may be taken into custody by peace officers and what officers are required to do with the child after taking him into custody.

No child shall be kept in detention more than 24 hours except on order of the court. Holidays are excepted from this provision.

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Dr. Eisenhower Returns from Trip In South America

Washington—(UPI)—Dr. Milton Eisenhower, back from a 20-day tour of Latin America, said Friday night "the vast majority" of the leaders and peoples there are firm friends of the United States.

But at the same time the President's brother sounded a "note of urgency" in unveiling a three-point program designed to bind this country and its southern neighbors closer together.

Eisenhower, president of Johns Hopkins university in Baltimore, was greeted by the President when he arrived at the airport here Friday night.

Issues Statement

He issued a statement from the White House about a half hour later setting forth the recommendations. He made the tour following angry outbreaks of violence against Vice President Richard M. Nixon during Nixon's recent tour of South America.

He urged the United States to consider:

—"The imperative need for bankable loans—not grants—in every country visited."

—"The response which I believe the United States should make to the appeal of Latin American nations for more stable relationships between raw commodity prices and the prices of manufactured products."

—"The urgent and immediate need to bring throughout the hemisphere a clear, accurate understanding of United States policies, purposes, programs, and capabilities."

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Stump Gives Up Pacific Command

Honolulu — (UPI)—Admiral Felix B. Stump relinquished his post as Commander in Chief of Pacific forces Thursday with a solemn warning

Eugene Merchant Killed in Accident

Roseburg — (UPI)—Joe Richards, 51, Eugene clothing store owner, was killed Thursday afternoon when his station wagon veered from Highway 38 about three miles east of Reedsport, rolled over a 12-foot embankment and overturned, the sheriff's office here reported.

Richards and Dr. Max Donald Rittman, Eugene dentist, had been on a fishing trip and were on their way back from Charleston. Richards, who formerly operated a clothing store in Roseburg, was sleeping in the back seat and Dr. Rittman was driving. Dr. Rittman told Douglas county sheriff's deputies that he apparently fell asleep at the wheel. Dr. Rittman was thrown clear of the car and suffered undetermined injuries. Richards was also thrown from the car, but the station wagon landed atop him and crushed him, sheriff's deputies said.

that the world is no closer to winning the fight against the "Sino-Soviet Communist aggression" than it was when he assumed command five years ago.

Stump, in handing over the world's largest military command to Admiral Harry D. Felt, said he wished "we could look forward to a future with complete disregard to what we might do ourselves to make the future secure."

"But we can't," he said. "Each of us here today, the military and civilian, has a duty to teach others the danger to our freedoms."

Stump told his successor he wished he could turn over a list of things accomplished in the past five years which have decreased the threat of Communist imperialist aggression. "But I can't say we are safer now than five years ago," Stump said. "I think the American people know we have to take a strong position at the risk of war to prevent war."

Stump, headed for retirement, will travel by air to the mainland tonight and then will drive leisurely to Washington. There have been unconfirmed reports the 63-year old admiral will be offered a diplomatic post.

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Accident Fatal to Portland Resident

Portland — (UPI)—Donald Paul Underwood, 33, of Portland, was dead on arrival at St. Vincent hospital Friday after his new car collided with a large truck and trailer on Northwest St. Helens rd.

He was the 20th Portland traffic fatality of 1958. The city traffic division reported Friday that July was death-free, the first month in the city with no traffic fatalities since September, 1955.

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