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Oregon's Fiscal, Political Pictures Looking Brighter

Supreme Court Takes 'Quo Warranto' Case

Salem –(UPI)– Oregon's fiscal and political pictures both looked a little brighter yesterday as the secretary of state battle got to the Supreme Court and emergency measures were suggested whereby the state could pay ·ills.

The Supreme Court accepted jurisdiction over the quo warrento proceedings filed Friday afternoon by Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton and Marion County District Attorney Hattie Bratzel.

Attorneys Roy Shields and Lamar Tooze, both of Portland, filed an answer to the Thornton-Bratzel complaint an hour after the original suit was filed.

O'Hara or Appling

The suit tests whether Dave O'Hara, an appointee of former Gov. Robert D. Holmes, or Howell Appling Jr., an appointee of Gov. Mark Hatfield, is secretary of state.

The court set Monday at 2 p.m. as the time for the two sides to present their arguments. One hour will be allowed each side.

Chief Justice William McAllister, who conferred with attorneys on both sides Friday afternoon, asked both parties to present their legal points and authorities by yesterday afternoon in order that members of the court could start considering the case.

Fiscal Situation

The fiscal situation shaped up somewhat as both State Treasurer Sig Unander and three legislators jumped in with ideas whereby the state can pay its bills while the court considers who is secretary of state.

Unander prepared an emergency bill which will enable him, with legislative approval, to make advances to the state public welfare commission and the state unemployment compensation commission to meet emergency welfare claims and to pay unemployment checks.

The legislation would expire Feb. 1.

He said the state would be fully safeguarded in making these advances although he had previously held up direct payments while the O'Hara-Appling matter was being decided.

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INSPECT WAGON – When a group of Jackson county 4-H members make a covered wagon trek, pioneer style, from Jacksonville to Corvallis in June, equipment is going to have to be in top shape. Finding wagons that are sound and in good repair has been a problem for the organization because time has taken its toll on the early-day vehicles. Above, Bill Bigham, Eagle Point rancher and former team driver, inspects the wheel bearings on a wagon that will be used on the trip. The wagon is owned by Ray Inlow (left) of Ashland, whose great - grandfather was a pioneer settler here. Also pictured is Jackson county 4-H agent Glen Klein, who, along with 4-H agent Miss Marilou Garner, will be in charge of the expedition. The wagons, five in all, will be covered and outfitted with authentic pioneer gear for the 200 mile trip that will tie in with Oregon's centennial celebration this year, according to Klein.

Migratory Labor Problem Needs Increasing Attention

Each year the problem of migratory labor requires more attention, Lyle Kinney, retiring Jackson County Fruit Growers league president, told those attending the annual meeting Friday.

Because of the large amount of unemployment in Oregon, growers in the Medford pear district were required to use all available native help before they could import Mexicans, Kinney said. As a result growers wound up with a cross section of migratory labor who typified a "terrific amount of instability."

When Mexican nationals were brought in finally it resulted in high charges to the growers. The Mexicans were brought in toward the end of the season and could only work a comparatively short time, Kinney pointed out.

At the same time a number of state committees were investigating the conditions of the migratory worker. This made it necessary for representatives of the pear industry to attend a number of meetings and hearings.

All of this was a good thing, Kinney said. However, he was looking forward to meeting a committee working on improvement of the grower's conditions, he wryly added.

Kinney complimented George Huber on "being an unusually good labor camp manager," and Howard Bush on devoting so much time to his work as migratory labor committee chairman.

Bush Gives Report

In giving his report on his committee, Bush said the decision on labor policies last year was placed more on the regional level which made it more difficult in dealing with the problem. Those officials were too far removed from the local problem, he said.

Local pear growers have always tried to employ all available manpower, Bush said. Although local employment service personnel understood the growers' problems, those of the regional and state offices did not. Hiring of pickers was delayed during the critical harvest period since these officials had to be "educated."

Of 1,128 migratory workers referred to this area by state employment offices, 528 workers presented themselves and 399 stayed and worked, Bush reported. Too many of those referred as pickers did not know what to expect and were not trained to do this type of picking, Bush said. The class of work was generally unsatisfactory, he added. Before the growers could hire Mexican nationals they had to take everyone else, he added.

Finally 126 men were brought in from Nogales which cost the growers $23 a man in additional charges. These pickers could work for only five weeks and 73 Mexicans brought in from Fesno could work only four weeks. From an economic standpoint it was hardly worth it, Bush said.

This problem will become increasingly important during the next two years. Complicating the problem will be further demand for on-the-ranch housing which is not cheap, Bush said.

The labor camp operated at $3,000 less than last year, it was reported. Reasons for the savings were the little equipment and supplies purchased, the comparatively small camp population which eliminated the payroll cost and the opening at a later than usual date.

The packing school operated earlier last year, running from July 10 to July 25. Mrs. Mabel Penland was in charge and has been with the school 20 years, Charles King said. Five instructors assisted her.

The school was plagued with a shortage of wooden pears. Costs of obtaining more wooden pears was $223.57, King reported. Wooden pears are good but do not give the packers an idea of actual pear weight, King added.

Ninety-six girls were trained and the school has a capacity for 140 trainees. Eighty-one of the girls were sponsored by packing houses. Four girls dropped out, he added.

'Sound and Color' Slated for Dinner

Professor Donald Hunter, University of Oregon, will speak at the annual dinner of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Monday evening at 7 p.m., according to John Dellenback, annual dinner chairman.

Professor Hunter will present a specialty program entitled "Adventures in Sound and Color," Dellenback said.

Dellenback urged those planning to attend to purchase tickets in advance since seating is limited. He said tickets could be purchased at First National Bank, U.S. National Bank, Rogue Valley State Bank and the Chamber of Commerce office.

The program for the event, to be held at the Rogue Valley Country club, will include the installation of officers for 1959 and presentation of Business Progress Awards and Awards of Merit to outstanding individuals in the community.

Official Warns Lumbermen Face Shortage of Cars

Portland—The granddaddy of all freight car shortages faces northwest lumber shippers this summer.

K. C. Batchelder, traffic manager of West Coast Lumberman's association, has warned railroads that lumbermen are alarmed at the loss in one year of 75,000 serviceable freight cars from the nation's already short fleet.

This policy can only lead to disaster, Batchelder emphasized. We are losing 5,000 freight cars a month from the operating fleet of the Class I railroads.

Serviceable cars, he said have dropped from 1,730,000 to 1,654,369 in one year, and cars were short last year. With major commodity shippers announcing plans for increased production this year, the situation becomes extremely critical.

A year ago, Batchelder said, the naton's Class I railroads had 61,000 cars on order, but currently there are less than half that many. Bad order cars have increased to a dangerous level, with 149,583 now inoperative.

There is only one alternative, Batchelder warned. Either the railroads take immediate steps to put bad order cars back into shape and increase orders for new cars in sufficient quantily to meet shippers' needs, or the nation's shippers will suffer tremendous losses.

The freight car shortage will strike the lumber industry, he said, at the peak summer production period when the mills can ill afford disruption in shipping.

"And Then After The Budget Is Balanced He Says Maybe There'll Be A Tax Cut"

HENRYLOCK

Hoover Dedication, Open House Tuesday

Dedication and open house at the new Hoover Elementary school will be held Tuesday, Jan. 20, starting at 7 p.m., school officials have announced.

The school, which is named after the 31st U. S. president, Herbert C. Hoover, consists of nine classrooms, library, cafeteria, and auditorium.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Foggy through Monday except for partial clearing Sunday afternoon. High Sunday 48. Low Sunday night 34. High Monday 48.

	TEMP.
Tighest Saturday	43
Lowest Saturday	31
	PRECIP.
To 5 p.m. Saturday	.02

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today ..... 5:07 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow ..... 7:37 a.m.
The Moon tonight appears near the planet, Mars, and sets ..... 3:00 am. tomorrow. The light of the Moon reaches the Earth in less than two seconds; the light of more distant Mars reaches the Earth tonight in a little over seven minutes.

Ike, Mikoyan In 'Useful' Talks At White House

Big-Four Ministers Meeting Is Predicted

Washington–(UPI) – President Eisenhower and Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas I. Mikoyan exchanged cold war views for an hour and a half yesterday. Well-placed informants predicted the talks would lead to a big-four foreign ministers meeting on Berlin and German reunification.

The White House emphasized after the talks that "no new proposals" were exchanged. But it joined with Mikoyan in terming the discussions "useful" in reaching a better understanding of East-West positions.

Authoritative sources voiced belief that what Mikoyan learned in talks with Eisenhower and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles might lead to some softening of the Soviet position on Berlin, German unification, European security and disarmament.

Four-Power Talks

They said they believed this could bring Soviet acceptance of the western proposal for a four-power conference on Berlin and Germany before May 27. This is the dealine Russia has set for withdrawal of U. S., British and French forces from West Berlin.

However, these sources got the impression that there would be no summit meetings at least within the forseeable future.

Later, the Soviet embassy announced that Mikoyan has cancelled plans to vist Tampa, Fla., before returning to Moscow. It said Mikoyan decided against the trip because he was so fatigued by his tour of the country and talks with U.S. officials.

Train to New York

The embassy said Mikoyan will take a train to New York Tuesday and prepare for his return to Moscow.

Mikoyan, who has talked freely with reporters during his "unofficial" American tour, declined to answer questions after his talk with the President.

He said they exchanged views on "many matters of mutual interest." But, the Soviet official said, "we did not conduct negotiations but rather tried to find out what the positions of our countries were on various international matters."

Latham to Talk On Sly Tax Report

Gerald Latham will discuss Dr. John F. Sly's report on Oregon tax structure before the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce roundtable tomorrow noon at the Jackson hotel. The public is invited.

Latham is vice president of the chamber and chairman of its committee on governmental operations.

Dr. Sly, director of Princeton Surveys, was retained by the state last year to study and report on Oregon's fiscal situation.

Anti-American Sentiment Running Strong in Cuba

AWARD WINNERS – Jerry Lausmann, left, is shown above being congratulated by Medford City Council President James Dunlevy after receiving the Industrial Safety award presented to Kogap Lumber Industries at the annual awards banquet of the Medford Safety Council Friday night. Also pictured is Mrs. Maxine Horton, who was the recipient of the Saved-A-Life award, and Jackson county Sheriff Joseph Walsh, who accepted the Traffic Safety award presented to the Jackson county Sheriff's office. Distinguished Citizen Safety awards were presented to Mrs. James Grigsby, Jacksonville, and to Medford Police Captain Clyde Fichtner, and an Industrial Safety citation was presented to Timber Products company, Medford.

U. S. Criticisms Of Trials Brings Heated Reaction

Alarmed Clergymen Support Rebel Justice

Havana–(UPI)– Anti-American sentiment swept across Cuba yesterday in reaction to criticism of "war crimes" trials and executions by revolutionary tribunals.

Transport workers in Camaguey Province threatened to strike against an "imperialist Yankees company" running the consolidated railroads of Cuba.

The newspaper "La Tarde" blasted Rep. Wayne Hays (D-O.) for suggesting the United States intervene to stop the executions of accused henchmen of ousted Dictator Fulgencio Batista.

Fidel Castro, who led the revolutionary government into power, was arranging for a giant rally of half a million Cubans in Havana Wednesday night to protest the "insolent" foreign interference.

Four American protestant clergymen, alarmed at the developing resentment, issued statements endorsing the type of justice being administered by revolutionary courts and urging Americans to keep silent.

Indicate Softening

Despite their angry defense of the executions, the revolutionists indicated a softening and more cautious approach on handling accusations against supporters of Batista.

Castro estimated Friday night that the total number of executions would be less than 450—about double the present number.

He said this would be fewer than the number Batista agents killed in a single town in Oriente, Minas De Buyecito, where 450 bodies were discovered at the bottom of an abandoment mine shaft. Most showed evidence of torture, he said.

Out of Sickbed

Castro got out of his sickbed against his doctors orders for the second straight day and set off in a motorcade to keep a promise to visit Pinar Del Province, the only one of the six Cuban provinces he has not visited since Batista was overthrown.

As he left, Maj. Juan Nuiry, the adjutant general of the Rebel army, said trials of prisoners in Cabana prison would not be carried out for a few more days pending completion of investigations of the accused men. They had been scheduled to start Friday.

But Castro did not soften his words of Friday night when he lashed out at the United States and other foreign countries in a speech to a crowd of 10,000 assembled before the presidential palace.

Calls Demonstration

He called for Cubans to stage the biggest demonstration the country has ever seen Wednesday.

He accused the United States of "gunboat diplomacy" of trying to dictate to Cuba and trying to discredit the Cuban revolution through defamation.

"What we are going to do instead of cease shooting these (Batista) assasins is demand that the United States hand over those assassins they have there," he said at an earlier speech at a cemetery memorial service.

'Demand Dollars'

"Not only that but we'll demand that they hand over millions of dollars they stole that belong to the Cuban people."

Two American ministers at the Union Theological Seminary at Matanzas, Methodist David White and Presbyterian Raymond Strong, cabled President Eisenhower and chairmen of the Senate and House foreign relations committees on behalf of the rebels.

They urged an end to criticism of the Cuban povisional government "which has overwhelming popular support including church, civic and other democratic organizations."

Grand Jury Will Hear Mrs. Click Case Tomorrow

Evidence on the murder charge against Maxine A. Click, Ashland, will be presented to a Jackson county grand jury Monday, it was announced.

District Attorney Thomas J. Reeder said he will present the charges Monday morning if the jury is empanelled in time. Otherwise, the charges will be presented Monday afternoon, he said.

The 46-year-old Ashland woman is being held without bail in the Jackson county jail on charges of first degree murder. The mother of nine children is charged with shooting her husband in their Ashland home on Jan. 6.

She appeared Jan. 6 in district court and waived the rights to an attorney and a preliminary hearing.

Mrs. Click was arrested by Ashland police Jan. 6 after she telephoned them and said "I'd like to report a man has been shot."

Landscape Architect To Meet Tree Group

Edward H. Scanlon, Olmstead, Ohio, nurseryman and landscape architect, will meet with the Medford tree committee Thursday, Jan. 22.

Scanlon will be in Medford all day Thursday. and will show slides at a public meeting that night. Place for the meeting has not been decided yet, members of the street tree committee said.

TV Channel Contest May Result in Delay

Competition for the right to establish a second television station in Medford may cause two or three years' delay in getting it, according to a spokesman for one of the potential competitors.

The spokesman, John Williams Jr., represents TOT Industries, Inc., which announced its intentions of setting up a station last July.

This past week, Radio Medford, Inc., which operates radio station KMED here, reported it has entered the field too.

The federal communications commission is expected to decide "in the near future" whether to allocate Channel 10 for a second Medford station.

KBES-TV on Channel 5, owned by the California Oregon Television company, is the one station operating here at present.

If the FCC allocates the second channel for this area, those interested in operating on it could submit their applications after 30 days.

If competition loomed, the FCC would call for hearings to decide which concern should be granted the channel's use.

"Either side," Williams commented Friday, "could request delays at will" in presenting their cases. He said this could mean "two or three years' delay" in starting operations here.

He said that Eugene, under comparable circumstances, is still waiting after "two and a half years."

Both Radio Medford and TOT Industries are interested in affiliation with the National Broadcasting company, it is understood. KBES-TV is primarily affiliated with the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Two Medford city councilmen, Council President Jimmy Dunlevy, Ward IV, and Robert Van Sickle, Ward III, expressed interest Thursday night in the council's possibly recommending allocation of the second channel to the FCC.

They urged those interested in establishing a station on the proposed channel to present themselves to the council.

Reserve Center Bidding Scheduled

Bids for the proposed $250,000 U. S. Army Reserve Center here will be called for about Jan. 26 and opened about Feb. 24, according to a notice from the Army Engineer's district office in Seattle.

The center is to be located on an extension of Columbus ave. between West Jackson st. and McAndrews rd. It will replace the present quarters at 33 North Riverside ave.

Plans and specifications will be available from the Seattle office, the notice states.

Work is to begin within 10 days after receiving notice to proceed and to be completed within 300 days of the notice. But there has been no indication as yet of when this notice might be issued.

Kansas City, Mo.–(UPI) – A Trans World airliner Super Constellation with 28 passengers and five crew members aboard made a smooth and safe belly landing yesterday after circling for more than five hours with faulty landing gear.

New Ashland Junior High School Site May Be Revealed by Board This Week

Ashland –A 20 to 30 acre site may be purchased soon for a new Ashland junior high school, Supt. Stanley Jobe said Saturday.

"The school board will not announce the location of the proposed new site until property owners involved have been contacted," the superintendent said.

He said the announcement could be expected "probably Tuesday or Wednesday." His statement followed a special session of the Ashland district school board last Thursday.

No Conflict With SOC

The new site does not have some of the problems involved in other areas of the city, the superintendent said. It will not conflict with any site selected for expansion of Southern Oregon college. Also it will be located in the south end of Ashland –an area toward which the town seems to be growing, Jobe said.

Some of the mid-town sites which have been proposed would have involved purchase of between 30 and 40 pieces of property, most of them with residences, the superintendent said. Purchases of this type would have meant moving many families attached to their homes. The cost would have run probably to a quarter million dollars, he added. A site purchase of this type would have also meant removing considerable taxable property from city tax rolls, Jobe explained

Just For Junior High

"We will use the new site just for the new junior high school," Jobe emphasized. "We will have to buy another site for a new grade school in five or six years."

Next fall the district plans to add four or five rooms and a new kitchen onto the Bellview school at the south end of Ashland. Six rooms are being added onto the Walker school now. A year from this fall six rooms will be added to the Lincoln elementary school, Jobe stated.

"Right now the district has a school population of 2,500" the superintendent pointed out. "During just normal growth the district will pick up more pupils and will reach the 3,000 mark in five years. We gain on an average of 100 to 115 students each year."

Finance By Bond Issue

Purchase of the new site and construction of the new junior high school would be financed by a bond issue. This would be placed before the voters as soon as the site negotiations are settled and specifications and information is prepared for the bond issue, the superintendent said. Architect for the project is Wayne Struble, Medford associate of James Payne, Salem.

"The original idea when the previous bond issue was put up for vote was to have a new junior high at each end of town," but this issue was defeated," Jobe explained. "We then thought of having a new junior high constructed in the center of town. However, we don't want to interfere with SOC's plans so finally have decided on the south end of town."

Sports Bulletins

Ashland–Crater High defeated Ashland 49-47 in a Southern Oregon conference basketball game here last night. The Comets led 12-7, 30-22, and 41-37 at the quarters. Dennis Pfaff, of Crater, was high point man with 13, while Jim Bjork paced the Grizzlies with 12.

Grants Pass–The Grants Pass Cavemen bowed to the Klamath Falls Pelicans 62-46 here last night. Bob Peterson and Dean Dunson scored 20 and 19 points respectively to pace the Pelicans. Johnny Olson netted 17 points for the Cavemen.