

Hatfield Asks Game Funds Be Restored

Salem — (UPI) — Gov. Mark Hatfield today asked the Legislature to support the program of the Oregon Game Commission by restoring funds cut from the commission budget. No general fund appropriations are involved.

In a letter to Sen. Alfred Corbett (D-Portland) and Rep. Keith Skelton (D-Eugene), co-chairmen of the Ways and Means Committee, Hatfield said:

"The sportsmen of this state feel, and I believe rightly so, that their support of the Game Commission by payment of hunting and fishing license fees entitles them to expect maximum return from their investment."

A subcommittee of the Ways and Means group is holding hearings on the game commission budget.

The budget proposed by the commission totals \$9,251,956.

Possibly the oldest staircases existing are the ancient granite steps up the sacred mountain of Tai Shan in China. But, the oldest stairs, on which dates of origin have been definitely established, are stairs in Egypt which date from the second millennium, B. C.

Puffing Toddler's Habit, Tantrums Worry To Mother

Peoria, Ill. — (UPI) — Larry Smith has the cigarette habit.

As smokers go, Larry is fairly moderate. He only needs five cigarettes a day to keep him happy.

But Larry is just two years old.

His mother, Mrs. Lawrence Smith, says she doesn't know what to do with her puffing toddler.

"It's so bad now that if I or the baby sitter don't light his cigarette, he goes into a tantrum, screaming and crying and all that," she said.

Mrs. Smith, a divorcee and waitress, said she plans to follow police advice to take Larry to a doctor. But she's not sure how much good it will do.

Larry can neither light nor pronounce a cigarette — he calls them "mokes" — but he knows what he wants and how to get it.

Mrs. Smith herself a non-smoker, said Larry started smoking a month ago when a visitor left a lighted cigarette on an ashtray in the Smith home.

Larry picked it up and began to puff.

And he's been puffing ever since.



CONFRONTATION—David Porrazza (professionally known as Johnny Zorro) confronts murder suspect Robert Mason (left) at police station in Glendale, Cal. Mason is accused of having shot and critically wounded Porrazza's wife Rona, and having killed her mother, in a wild shooting affray at their home in Glendale. Mason was at one time a rejected suitor of Mrs. Porrazza's.

Children Who Saw Father Slain By Cop Reunited With Mother

Houston, Tex. — (UPI) — Two small children who saw their father shot to death by a Washington State trooper and their baby sister die of pneumonia in California mountains during a trans-continental jeep ride, were back in the custody of their mother today.

To David Craig, 3, and his sister, Wanda, 5, it meant the end of a desolate journey with their father, John Lee Craig, who had won custody of the three children last Oct. 20 in a divorce case.

Craig was shot to death in a gun battle the night of Jan. 23 with a state patrolman near Ocean City, Wash. Twenty-three days earlier, on New Year's Eve, nine-month-old Mary Craig had died of pneumonia in a cold cabin in the mountain wilderness 60 miles from Redding, Calif.

Custody of David and Wanda was awarded late Tuesday by District Judge Sears McGee to Mrs. Eileen Craig, their mother. Mrs. Betty Dawson, a sister of the children's father, also had asked for their custody.

Mrs. Dawson testified she went to Gray's Harbor, Wash., and brought David and Wanda back to Houston after their father was slain. She denied that her 26-year-old brother had quarreled with a motel owner over payment of a bill, or that the infant had died in California of neglect.

The strange story of Craig's wanderings with his children in a jeep through the west and northwest came to light

after Patrolman Howard Chapman shot him during a gunfight in a gravel pit.

Chapman, investigating a motel owner's complaint that Craig had beaten him in an argument over a check, found Craig and the two children in a jeep a few miles away.

The patrolman said Craig opened fire on him and the children, and he shot and killed Craig. Chapman was shot through the shoulder and David was wounded slightly.

A diary found among the dead man's possessions revealed that the baby had died Dec. 31 in a mountain cabin in California where their father had taken refuge from the cold.

The baby's body was later found in a dynamite box buried under a pile of rocks at China Slide, Calif.

500 Pupils Seen for Phoenix as Result Of Population Boost

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Previously, Hoffbuhler stated the Phoenix board is in favor of keeping its present boundaries and regrouping with another school district or districts later. Under the present school district reorganization law this would be possible, it was stated.

A Phoenix delegation argued that the previous opinion balloting of district residents was not accurate since some families received more than one ballot and others none.

Group Spokesman

Paul Beddoe, group spokesman, said the delegation represented "35 or so leading citizens." Through friends reorganized by the citizens, the delegation believed the majority of citizens in the Phoenix district favor regrouping with Medford. However, Beddoe admitted that the delegation did not represent directly a majority.

Following statements by a number of Evans Valley and Rogue River people, Barber said the reason the committee adjourned its Feb. 10 meeting without listening to all Evans Valley arguments is that they had all been presented before.

He urged the committee to do administrative work immediately needed to send in a tentative plan for district reorganization as required by the state board of education in two weeks. He reminded those present that the committee is already six months late with its tentative plan.

Medford Youth to Appear in Court

Grants Pass-Jay Woodford Taylor, 16, of 120 Newtown st., Medford, has been instructed by Municipal Judge Wally Martin to appear in court Friday, Feb. 27, to answer a city police citation for failure to stop at a stop sign.

The citation was issued last week end when the vehicle Taylor was driving and one operated by Dr. William Jay Moore, Grants Pass, collided.

Dr. Moore, one of the founders of the Grants Pass Clinic, suffered a broken arm, leg, right collarbone, pelvis and shoulder blade, it was reported. He is reported in serious condition at Josephine General Hospital.

According to a story in the Daily Courier, Taylor told police that he did not see the stop sign at the intersection until it was too late for him to stop.

Taylor had posted \$2 bail Sunday the Daily Courier reported, and had been scheduled to appear in municipal court Monday. When Taylor did not appear either Monday or Tuesday Judge Martin stated that he had decided not to forfeit Taylor's bail.

Tobacco is grown on one-twelfth of the nation's farms.

Negro Boy To Enter School for Pages Monday

Washington — (UPI) — Negro Jimmy Johnson Jr., whose dream of attending the Congressional Page School appeared shattered, will enter the school Monday after all.

At the same time, the 14-year-old Chicago boy will take over his duties as house messenger for five congressmen—one Republican and four Democrats.

Jimmy officially signed on as a house messenger late Tuesday after weeks of controversy. He planned to register as a sophomore at the school Thursday.

Jimmy, who says he wants to study to become a gynecologist, came to Washington last month under the impression that he had been appointed as a house page under the sponsorship of Rep. Barrat O'Hara (D-Ill.). Officials believed he would have been the first Negro page in the House or Senate.

But Jimmy's hopes were dashed. He was told on arriving that his appointment was the result of a patronage mix-up and that he did not have a job.

Under the arrangement

now completed, Rep. James Roosevelt and four other congressmen have jointly hired Jimmy at approximately a page boy's salary—\$337.26 a month.

A new super-market in San Francisco has ordered shopping carts that have an adding-machine device on which the customer can total up his bill as he puts in the groceries.

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Prison Tunnel Escape Thwarted

Walla Walla — (UPI) — State penitentiary authorities here are holding in maximum security six convicts involved in an escape plot discovered Monday night. Prison officers found a tunnel over 100 feet extending from the prison powerhouse to within four feet of the institution's north wall.

Seven prisoners had been held in connection with the escape attempt, but one was returned to his regular cell because he could not be identified with the tunneling project.

The plot was uncovered when an officer conducting a routine check of the powerhouse failed to locate three prisoners he had admitted to the building previously.

Migratory Labor Committee Voted

Salem — (UPI) — The least controversial of a package of bills dealing with migratory labor sailed through the Oregon House with only three negative votes today.

The bill establishes an inter-agency committee on migratory labor. It now goes to the Senate.

Rep. George Annala (D-Hood River) explained that the committee would serve on a voluntary basis and meet regularly to study migrant labor problems.

The other bills deal with improved housing, sanitation, education and transportation of migrants. They have not yet reached the House floor.

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