

House-Passed Bill Designates Blue And Gold as Official Oregon Colors

Salem—A House-passed bill designating the official colors of Oregon as blue and gold has passed the Senate unanimously.

The Senate passed two bills providing aid to blind and deaf students attending state institutions of higher learning.

In the case of the blind students provision is made for allocating \$35,000 out of which individual qualified blind students would be given \$750 a year.

Deaf students would receive \$500 a year out of \$13,000 allocated.

Board Provided

A board of visitors appointed by the governor is provided in Senate bill 419 which was passed.

Sen. Jean Lewis (D-Portland) said that the Legislative Interim Committee on Mental Retardations heard a number of complaints registered against Fairview home during committee hearings during the past two years.

"Some of these complaints were unjustified, I am sure," she said, and some may have been justified. It was the idea of the Committee that a group of private individuals could be named to visit Fairview home periodically and report their findings to the State Board of Control. If complaints are unjustified they can so report but if they are justified, steps can be taken to correct a situation which is wrong."

Joint Resolution
Restoration of trade and commerce with Red China is provided in a Senate joint resolution read for the first time. The resolution is sponsored by five Democrats.

As an aftermath of the controversy over Mark Hatfield's resignation as secretary of state at the beginning of the session, a bill was introduced provided that "any condition contained in the resignation of an elected official except the date and hour of the resignation, will be ineffective."

A majority of the House was on key as they tried a little close harmony on a bill to permit singing in taverns. There were 37 sweet singers and 22 who took a slightly sour view of the bill.

Rep. Shirley Field (R-Portland) sponsor of the bill, warbled that singing should be permitted during the Centennial year for the benefit of "those with gaiety in their hearts."

Would Be Protection

She pointed out that singing is permitted in night clubs and that singing in taverns would not get out of hand because there would be the protection of local noise and obscenity ordinances.

Rep. Joe Rogers (R-Independence) asked Miss Field if he would be arrested if he tried to yodel.

She replied she had never heard him yodel. As the bill was being debated, soft music flooded the House chamber. Some members objected that they couldn't hear and others cried "louder."

Rep. Norman Howard (D-Portland) was opposed to the bill.

In 1957, the greater gain in transatlantic air travel came in westbound traffic, from Europe to the United States.

An ordinary sneeze can spread droplets of infection about 150 per second within an ordinary covering range.

bill on grounds there was no great demand for it on the part of tavern owners. He said Salem owners opposed it and those in Portland were divided.

The Oregon liquor Control Commission may now suspend the license of taverns if there is singing on the premises.

The bill now goes to the Senate.

An interim committee to study legislative operations, legislators' pay and legislative reapportionment would be set up by a resolution introduced by Rep. Vernon Cook (D-Troutdale).

The measure provides for a 12-man committee on three House members and three laymen to be named by the speaker, and three senators and three laymen to be appointed by the president of the Senate. It calls for an appropriation of \$35,000.

Cook said the study was "long overdue."

Interim Study

He pointed out that the 1961 session must reapportion the assembly as provided for in the constitution and said it should have the benefit of an interim study.

Rogers called on Democratic legislative leaders to take

"immediate and imaginative steps" to get important legislation disposed of.

Rogers said the assembly had set a remarkable record for speedy introduction of bills but had a "dismal" record for considering important

legislation.

"Senate President Walter Pearson has said there will be no new taxes," Rogers noted.

"If this is a fact, not merely a political statement, when are we going to give consideration to appropriation bills. It is obvious that if there are to be no major tax revisions, we no longer must wait for such bills," Rogers said.

Today was the 60th day of the session.

USING FRONT PORCH of this modest Muncie, Ind., home as district office, Rep. Randall S. Harmon (D), Ind., is drawing \$100 per month from government as rent.

Harmon's wife, Mary, has been hired at annual salary of \$4,424.16 to run office.

Medford High School

Edited by Barbara Nulton, Reporters, De Russell, B. J. Hale, Sandy Kline, Rosemary Eismann, Connie Hinesly, Peggy Fisch, Margie Good.

Robert Allen, Jeff Barnes, Sally Maulding, Tony Monroe, and Priscilla Shafer are Medford High's five merit scholarship finalists. They recently received merit certificates from the National Merit Foundation, according to the school office.

Some 478,000 U.S. seniors took the tests. Ten thousand applicants are still in contention and 700 of these will receive actual scholarships. The winners of these scholarships will be announced in May.

Members of the Medford High choir left Friday to attend the All-Northwest music conference in Seattle, Wash.

Instrumental and vocal groups from all over the Northwest are chosen each year to represent their own particular areas.

The MHS choir was chosen from 11 other top choirs in the state to represent Oregon.

Susan Coffman and Bob Sheldon, seniors, were chosen to participate in a two-day exchange program with Crater High school on March 9 and 10. These students will attend classes at Crater while two Crater students are visiting Medford.

Tuberculin skin tests were offered free to all students who returned signed forms. The tests were given March 2. March 5 students were called back in a similar manner to check their reaction to the tests, negative or positive.

If a positive result was shown a chest x-ray was advised.

Those who missed the test on Monday can have their taken at the Public Health department any Tuesday or Friday afternoon. Either the signed request form must be presented or a parent must accompany the student in order to obtain the test.

Amid a furor of clanging typewriters, rushing personnel, and excited murmurs, the Crater, the MHS yearbook, was "put to bed" last week. The final deadline included 100 index and miscellaneous pages like vocal music, per-

sonalities, and clubs. The copy was given its final inspection and corrections were made Saturday night when the whole staff worked until the "wee hours."

The final product is due some time in the middle of May, according to Crater Editor Harlow Head.

Sue Moore, a senior, was chosen March girl-of-the-month. She was named because of her many activities. She is an active member of the First Presbyterian church, student body business manager, and she was an active worker in the senior class TAP campaign. She recently played the starring role in the senior class play, "The Diary of Anne Frank."

Students were reminded to bring their car permit slips by the end of the week. These slips are to show the reason why the student wants to drive his car to school. Students who wish to drive at noon must have their parents bring in the signed slip.

Crater High School
By Darlene Tomlinson

New members of Quill and Scroll were initiated Wednesday, March 4. New members are LaVonne LaFever, Pat Barber, Mary Howard, Sandy Renfrow, Rosalie Hewitt, Nancy Dillon, Shari Sanger, Janet Scalburg, Alice Croxton, and Priscilla Baker.

Geraldine White, advisor, spoke about the society, explaining the method of choosing the new members, among other things. Each of the new members was presented with a pin, a pen, and a tablet.

The old members are Glena Heath, Sherry Koelner, Mary Jones and Sally Carr. Quill and Scroll is an international honor society for all journalism students who meet certain requirements.

Four Crater students are to be part of an exchange program to be carried on between Crater and Medford and Eagle Point. Junior Connie McDonough and Senior Kerman Bennett will attend Medford and Junior Patsy Charley and Senior Doug Davis will attend Eagle Point High school.

They will spend March 9 and 10 at their respective schools. In turn, two students each from Eagle Point and Medford will attend Crater for

two days.

This is a project of the student council.

Freshmen girls presented the second of four special assemblies to be given at special Girls League meetings. The assembly was built around the "Phyllis Silvers Show," a take-off from the "Phil Silvers Show." Each class will present a program and the best one will be given at an all-school assembly.

Senior Sandra Smith was chosen February Girl of the Month. She is in Curtain Callers, Comettes, Future Teachers, Girls League, Girls Athletic association, Medical Mindful Maids, Torch Honor Society, Speech club, and is chairman of the Girls League class assemblies.

The Spring Formal princesses are senior, Sharon Anderson; junior Rayann Greene; sophomore, Mona Schroeder; and freshman, Vervia Beman. One will be crowned queen at the Spring Formal March 13. The Spring Formal is an annual formal dance sponsored by the Girls League.

The FFA Rogue Ramblers, a musical group of FFA members, presented a program of boogie-woogie, waltz, blues, and popular music, Thursday, March 5. Members of the Rogue Ramblers are Floyd Sherman, Dennis Fisher, Tom Samples and Leon Sherman.

Hedrick Junior High

By Mike Gannon

Hedrick's student body watched an assembly Friday morning sponsored by the California Oregon Power company. C. C. Haggard, aided by his son, Merrill, showed the students many of the benefits and some of the dangers of electricity.

Haggard also demonstrated interesting effects of electricity on people by employing several students and a teacher, Mrs. Carol Kelly. To impress upon the minds of the students how terrible electricity can be when ill used, Mr. Haggard showed slides of electrical accidents and demonstrated the dangers of handling fallen power lines or coming in contact with them.

The ninth grade basketball team ended the current season with a 42 to 40 loss to Ashland's ninth graders when the Ashlanders scored two points in the last twenty seconds of the game. The Hornets ended the season with six wins and nine losses.

In last week's Hedrick school news column, two deserving speech students were not mentioned as having participated successfully in the Linfield speech tournament at McMinnville. They were Kathy Allen and Sherry Lambert who placed second and third in oration. Hedrick and McLoughlin combined with Medford High school to win the junior division second place sweepstakes.

Progressing with enthusiastic interest and support is the current Hedrick ping pong tournament. Students from all three grades are participating.

The Hedrick library has been accentuating the Centennial with special touches. The librarians wore Centennial dresses which boasted more than 80 years of age. The library has been decorated to fit the Centennial theme. Booklists for Centennial reading were prepared and the library display cases have been attracting attention with their varied and interesting arrangements.

During the last three weeks the ninth grade physical education classes have gone bowling without charge at the Medford Bowling lanes.

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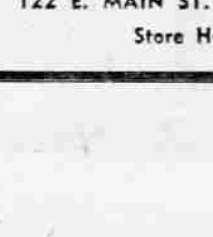
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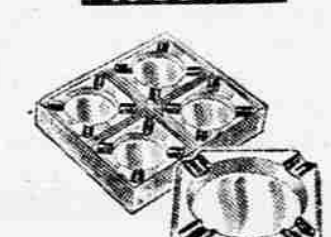
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