

Porter Waiting Hatfield's Seashore Proposals Before Drafting New Bill

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Washington (Special) — Rep. Charles O. Porter (D-Ore.) said he is waiting to receive Gov. Mark Hatfield's seashore proposals before drafting a new Oregon Dunes bill.

Porter said he has written Hatfield twice, requesting the governor's views on specific aspects of the national seashore proposal which were debated this fall during hearings held by two congressional committees. He said he has not received an answer as yet.

The Eugene congressman

said the steps to be taken from here on the controversial legislation are:

1. Get the governor's views, in detailed and specific form, concerning the provisions of any new Oregon Dunes bill.
2. Get agreement within the Oregon congressional delegation on an acceptable new bill.
3. Try to get action on the new bill by both houses of Congress.

Experts Work on Phases

Porter said he has experts of the Library of Congress working on various phases of the seashore legislation.

"I intend to push ahead on this," he explained, "but there is no sense wasting a lot of time on it if we can't get the cooperation of the governor."

Porter said he believes that unless the governor lends sup-

port to revised seashore legislation, the prospect of getting a bill enacted will be dim.

The points he raised in his first letter to Hatfield on Oct. 16 were:

1. Boundaries, specifically drawn in the bill. Porter suggested deletion of Sea Lion Caves but raised prospect of extending the southern boundary to Ten Mile creek. He left the idea of whether or not to include the Crown-Zellerbach tree farm, along with Lake Tahkenitch and other lands nearby, up in the air and asked for Hatfield's comments.
2. Rights of residents in the park area would be protected as long as they live. Children would also get life residency rights.
3. Pay in lieu of taxes any sums lost to local school, hospital or other districts because of withdrawal of lands from private development.
4. Have federal government pay all highway relocation costs.
5. Set fees for use of campgrounds and other facilities, but not for admission, so as to amortize cost of capital improvements.
6. Allow hunting and fishing under state and federal regulations.
7. Provide industrial reservations for water under the

dunes and in lakes, and an easement for a pipe across the south portion to carry effluent from a proposed pulp mill in Reedsport area.

8. Permit those residents who now rent boats or act as guides to continue in ways consistent with park purposes.

9. Continue and improve sand dune stabilization program, especially adjacent to Siuslaw river channel and near the highway.

In his second letter, Dec. 1, Porter asked Hatfield to send him his views "as soon as possible so that I can get going on my attempt to write a bill which will be as satisfactory as possible. Of course, I am counting on you telling me of any other modifications you think ought to be in the bill in addition to those I have suggested, so that I can take everything you want into account when I attempt to draft the legislation."



CHRISTMAS SPIRIT—Detective Edward Egan, disguised as Santa Claus, takes time out from spreading holiday goodwill for more pertinent police duties. Egan (right) fingerprints suspected dope peddler Fred Cotton, who himself is disguised as a woman, in a New York police station. Cotton was nabbed by "Santa" with \$30,000 worth of heroin.

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FDA Preparing List Of Food Additives Safe for Human Use

Washington (UPI)—The Food and Drug Administration has reported it is rushing to complete an up-to-date listing of food additives and other substances which are safe for humans to consume.

The agency already has given a clean bill to 150 natural seasonings and flavorings in ordinary household use, and to 182 chemicals commonly used in food. The new lists will include certain minerals found naturally in foods, certain packaging materials and some synthetic flavoring.

Candy Color Tested

Among the substances now being tested are carbon black and charcoal used to color candy.

The FDA has more time to devote to these new additives now that the cranberry scare is over. That furor resulted from the discovery shortly before Thanksgiving, that some berries contained a chemical weed killer that has caused cancer in rats.

In addition to additives, the FDA will test minerals and other substances that occur naturally in foods. "A great many seasonings, such as certain spices used for centuries, have never been studied for their possible toxic qualities," a spokesman said.

After studying a list of 188 chemical additives, the FDA on Nov. 20 declared 182 of them safer. The agency decided the other six needed further testing and has asked industry to produce evidence of their safety by March 6.

More Data Wanted

Carbon black and charcoal are among the six. The FDA also wants more information on the effects on humans of titanium dioxide, a white col-

oring used in can linings, wrapping paper and paint, and ultramarine blue, used in inks which could migrate from wrapping paper into a food product.

Also under suspicion are two substances derived from fats that are used as an additive to poultry feed: oleic and lino-oleic acids. These acids have caused death and disease in chickens when used under certain circumstances to add fat to feeds.

The cranberry scare and the resulting public interest in the question of food additives stems from passage last year of a new amendment to the food, drug and cosmetic act. This act shifted from the government to the manufacturers the burden of proving a food additive safe.

The law becomes fully effective next March 6.

Wide Range of Materials

As defined by the government, a food additive is a substance added to food either intentionally or accidentally—as in the case of the weed killer aminotriazole which contaminated portions of the cranberry crop.

The definition covers a wide range of materials added to food to preserve it, enrich it or color it. It also covers livestock feed supplements which may carry over into poultry and other meats.

George P. Larrick, food and drug commissioner, will make an announcement soon concerning a female hormone, stilbestrol, used as a poultry fattener. The hormone has been known to produce cancer and alter the sex characteristics of animals.

Nation's Schools More Fireproof, Officials Assert

Boston, Mass. (UPI)—At least 53,000 schools across the nation are more fireproof now than they were a year ago, according to the National Fire Protective association.

The association said that Our Lady of Angels school fire in Chicago, which killed 92 youngsters and three nuns, in December, 1958, awakened school officials throughout the country.

"There are 4,500,000 children now going to schools significantly safer from fires than last year and 9,700,000 other children going to schools where at least some fire hazards have been removed," the association said. The association charged that conditions for these 9,700,000 youngsters still were "below the minimum basic standard needed to make reasonably sure these children can escape safely in case of fire."

The association is an independent, non-profit technical and educational clearing house on fire safety information. "There still are 18,000,000 youngsters needlessly exposed to fire hazards," the association said.

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