

3 of 4 Oregon Representatives Favor Data on Birth Control

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 (Editor's note: This is the second of two articles on the views of Oregon congressmen on whether the U.S. should provide birth control information, on request, along with foreign aid.)

Washington—Three of Oregon's four representatives think the United States should provide birth control information to any foreign country that asks for it, but the fourth thinks it is none of our business.

Each was asked: If and when a foreign country with a population problem requests financial assistance under our foreign aid program for a birth control program of its own selection, do you believe U.S. government officials should deny or accede to such a request?

Rep. Charles O. Porter would accede.

Astounding Figures
 "Nobody is advocating any drastic or radical program. The question is whether we should encourage and finance such programs when the recipient governments are willing. Anyone who shrugs off this problem should take a look at the astounding (population increase) figures for these last few years, and the very conservative projections for the next decade," Porter said.

Porter supports free technical assistance, if requested, and feasible financial assistance, if necessary, which should be given in the form of loans, at a low interest rate.

"In Oregon we have plenty of room, but I've seen Japan recently, and I know what is happening in many parts of our own country," he said.

"It is plain to most Americans that we are a part of the world. Our business is to maintain peace, freedom and prosperity for our citizens. This can't be done without reference to the rest of the world and its problems, one of which is overpopulation," Porter continued.

The congressman feels that decisions with respect to birth control programs are the province of local governments.

Rep. Walter Norblad said, "Frankly, I do not know too much about the birth control controversy for I was out of the country on a private vacation at the time the controversy took place, and had no opportunity to read anything about it."

Each Country's Business
 It is Norblad's feeling that while overpopulation is conducive to communism taking over, such a matter as birth control is each foreign country's own business, and we should not try to force it on anyone.

"In some of my overseas visits I have felt that in many ways we had gone too far in trying to tell other people what to do and how to live, and I think this would be an extreme additional example of that," Norblad concluded.

No government official has as yet advocated initiating a so-called birth control program, or has suggested that economic aid be tied in with such a program.

The President's Draper Committee did suggest in its report dealing with our economic aid program, "that the U.S. assist those countries with which it is cooperating in economic aid programs, on request, in the formulation of their plans designed to deal with the problem of rapid population growth."

President Eisenhower subsequently said at a news conference that it was not a proper governmental responsibility or activity.

May Go To Congress
 However, the issue may be before Congress again when an economic aid bill comes up next week — especially aid to India, which is struggling to develop economically while faced with an expanding population which threatens to negate gains made.

Rep. Al Ullman said, "The U.S. is in no position either morally or legally to dictate to the world on population problems. However, upon specific and official request from foreign nations, scientific information should be made available."

Rep. Edith Green supports the use of aid funds for this purpose, but only if underdeveloped nations seek it.

Substantial Evidence
 She believes that although we are faced with vast food surpluses now, "there is substantial evidence that within the lifetime of people now alive, the capability of the presently cultivated areas of

the world to produce sufficient food to sustain the world's population will be outstripped."

The birth control controversy had its origin in various scientific world population projections for the future. In a detailed analysis of this problem, Life Magazine put it this way:

"Whereas it has taken the first 5000 years of civilization to raise man's number to a

billion, it took less than 100 years to double this to two billion, the mark reached in the 1920s. To double this once again to the four billion expected by 1980 will have taken less than 60 years. If the present rate of increase (1.6 per cent a year) is maintained, the figure will begin doubling every 40 years, billions upon billions in an explosive chain of human fertility."



EXPLOSION-FIRE FATAL — Six persons were killed and four were injured in an explosion-fire in a Wichita, Kan., residence, caused when one of the residents was cleaning automotive parts in gasoline. A Wichita fire inspector is shown inspecting a dishpan which contained the gasoline. One of the car parts is shown at lower left.—(UPI Telephoto)

Grange Notes

Lake Creek Grange
 Lake Creek Grange will meet Feb. 12 at 8 p.m. Guest speaker will be a FFA boy from Eagle Point High school. Also appearing will be Bob Lonsway, who will speak on "soil conservation." The public is invited.

Shady Cove Grange
 The Shady Cove Grange met Saturday in the Shady Cove school music room with Master Cecil Kee presiding. All officers except two of the executive committee were present.

Mrs. Beatrice Browder was given the obligation in the first and second degree.

The charter was draped for Mrs. Edwin Strother, who had died.

Mrs. Bert Clark, HEC chairman, reported on the HEC meeting of January. The February meeting will be at the Louis Dusenberry home in Trail. There will be a district HEC meeting at Gold Hill February 11.

Agriculture chairman Mrs. Ed Houston, gave a talk on planting strawberries.

Legislative chairman reported on the Rogue River Water Resources and Wild Life project.

Roads Chairman Phil Molsenbacher told of the new bridge on Long Branch. He also talked on the new taxes for house trailers and boats.

The guest book is to be taken care of by Mrs. Reed McKay and Mrs. Phil Molsenbacher.

Insurance agent Cecil Kee explained the insurance refund checks received by those who had paid their insurance. This was accomplished by the forming of the Shady Cove Fire district.

Mrs. Edward Houston was presented her pin as past HEC chairman and Ed Houston was presented his past masters pin.

The lecturer program was put on by the lady officers of the Grange.

At the March 5 meeting, the men officers are to prepare numbers for the Lecturers program.

The Feb. 20 meeting will be a practice meeting as there are a number of new officers in different stations.

Refreshments were served by Lloyd Davis, Mrs. Isabel Wanderlie and Mr. and Mrs. Travis M. Littlefield.

REALLY INDEPENDENT
 Jackson, Miss.—(UPI)—Mississippi Democrats, having already threatened a possible bolt from this year's Democratic National Convention, apparently intend to be as independent as possible. Gov. Ross Barnett has made his own arrangements for hotel accommodations for the 68-man delegation independent of National Chairman Paul Butler.

1903 Legislature Far-Sighted in Creating State Bureau of Labor

The 1903 legislature created the Oregon bureau of labor before there was any serious need for it, according to Roy Smith, southern Oregon representative for the wage and hour division of the bureau of labor.

The legislature that year was far-sighted enough to see that the labor-management problems resulting from the social-economic revolution, which were already embroiling the eastern part of the country in labor disputes, would some day reach Oregon, and it would be best to be prepared for them, Smith said.

Smith spoke to the Medford Chamber of Commerce round-table luncheon at the Jackson hotel Monday noon concerning the bureau of labor and its application in southern Oregon.

Long Been Leader
 Oregon has long been a leader in labor management legislation, Smith said, citing several examples of pioneering in this field.

"We are one of the first states to adopt an apprenticeship plan, legislate in child-labor fields, experiment with minimum wages, adopt a Fair Employment Practices act, and be concerned with migrant labor," he said.

When the bureau of labor was created, Smith said, with one employee, there were three specific laws with which it had to deal, a child-labor law, a 10-hour work day for women and a factory inspection law.

Since 1903, the department has grown to 10 major divisions regulating hundreds of different laws, he said.

However, the motto of the bureau has always remained the same, he pointed out. It is, "to promote justice, harmony and safety on the job."

10 Divisions
 The 10 divisions of the bureau are administration, apprenticeship council, boiler inspection, electrical inspection, conciliation and arbitration, senior worker, FEP, research and information, wage and hour, and the outdoor advertising division.

The division, which primarily pertains to the regulation of billboards on state highways, Smith said, was probably given to the bureau because there was no other convenient place to put it.

Smith's own division, the wage and hour division, is concerned with enforcing laws pertaining to women and minors.

Almost all law enforcement by any division in the bureau is done by education and persuasion and there are few occasions when they have to go to court to gain enforcement, he pointed out.

Probably the greatest detriment to obtaining compliance with the bulk of the labor laws in Oregon is that employers are not acquainted with them and are not really sure what they can and can not do.

Law Violations
 In the majority of labor law violations, all the depart-

ment has to do is to point out where such and such a practice violates a law, and the employer will readily comply, chances being he had not been aware he was violating a law in the first place.

One of the more important laws with which Smith is concerned is one prohibiting employers from working women and minors more than eight hours a day or 44 hours a week at regular pay.

Over these hours, the employer must pay time and a half, but even at this rate he cannot work them more than 10 hours per day or 60 hours per week.

Nor can a woman or minor work more than six consecutive days, he added.

There is some elasticity to this law for harvesters and pickers and in cases of children working for their parents, but they are the exception and not the general rule.

There are also minimum standards and working conditions which must be observed when employing women and children, he pointed out.

Smith said that not all labor law violations are by employers, because they have

occasionally found employees trying to take advantage of their employers because of the laws.

His division conducts regular studies and investigations, handles complaints, answers questions and helps the employer or employee with individual labor problems.

Welfare of Youth
 Smith said his division is particularly concerned with the welfare of the youth and is constantly on the alert for situations where they will be able to assist them.

The division has distributed a pamphlet, entitled, "Teen Wage Earner," to most high schools which helps make the students aware of what they can and can not do when working, and how and how not to seek employment under the laws of Oregon.

They have also gone to many high schools and talked with seniors about to take jobs and in this manner eliminated many misunderstandings, he said.

Although there are a few exceptions, it is generally the rule that a minor under 18 cannot be employed without a special permit from the bureau, nor may a 16-year-old youth be employed before 7 a.m. or after 6 p.m., nor may minor girls be used for curb service work at drive-ins, be peddlers, or work as maids in motels or hotels, until an investigation by the division has been made.

School in Session
 No youth under 14 can be employed during that part of the year when school is in session, except for paperboys and a few other similar jobs, he pointed out.

Smith said the division firmly believes that the youth's primary effort should be expended towards getting an education and not making money.

It is the labor bureau's attitude, he said, that economic and social progress are inseparable and it is the bureau's job to help coordinate the two when conflicts arise.

Treasury Issuing Tax Refund Checks

Washington—(UPI)—The Treasury already has started sending out tax refund checks to early bird filers.

The department reminded taxpayers that they can file returns now if they have received a W-2 form from their employer telling how much they earned in 1959.

The closer a return is filed to the April 15 deadline, the longer it takes to get a refund check, officials said.

They also pointed out that most people owing taxes for 1959 must send in a check with their returns. The only exception is the taxpayer who files the short form and lets the government compute his tax.

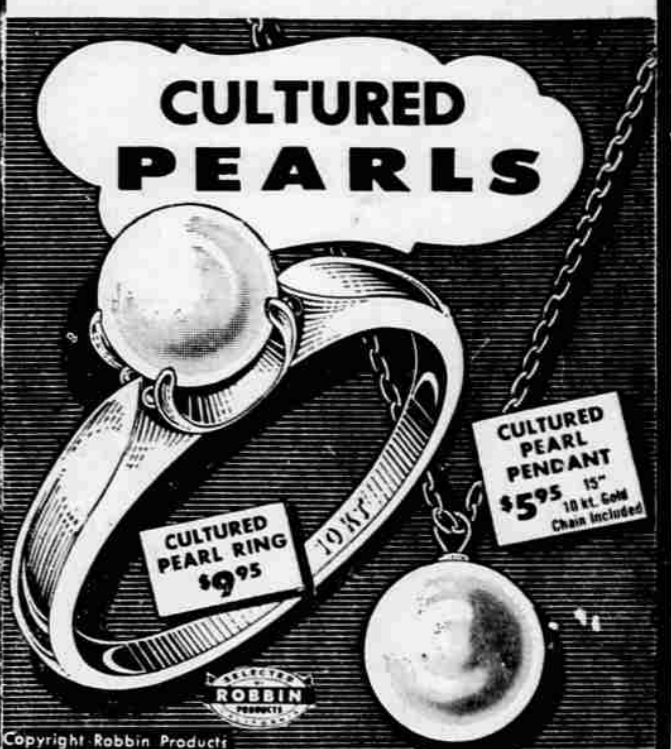
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