

District 4 Association of Counties to Meet in City

A meeting of District 4 of the Association of Oregon Counties will be held here in December. County Commissioner Chester Wendt, district chairman, has announced.

It will include the county courts of Coos, Curry, Douglas, Josephine and Jackson counties.

Wendt returned last week from a meeting of the AOC executive committee in Portland where various bills proposed for the state legislative session starting in January were discussed.

This year, the legislative committee will concentrate on a basic program, it was decided. It will decide on not more than 10 or 12 top priority measures.

"We will be called upon to favor or oppose numerous other proposals, but special efforts would be made to research, document, and effectively present the basic program to the legislature," it was explained.

To be included in the basic program will be a constitutional amendment to permit a tax base, once established, to remain available as the basis to compute a future tax levy even though more than three years have intervened since the date of the last levy.

Bancroft Bonding
A proposed statutory amendment would permit the counties to use the "Bancroft bond" method of financing street assessments as cities are now permitted to do.

Also in the program will be a proposed law to permit counties to license businesses outside cities for regulatory

purposes. A bill to delegate this authority to the counties was sponsored by Multnomah county and endorsed by the AOC in 1959.

The executive committee discussed a statute to amend the 1959 boat regulation law with respect to provisions for whistles and lights on small boats and license posting requirements, Wendt said.

They discussed a proposal to specify in the law that moneys received from the Marine Board be earmarked for enforcement of boating regulations. Wendt said he favored such a proposal, providing such enforcement would be under the jurisdiction of the county court or county commissioners.

Referred to Convention
Referred to the convention in the fall for further discussion is a proposed law to require appraisal of farm land in urban areas at its value for agricultural purposes, a proposed law to permit counties to provide certain urban services outside cities and charge the cost to the areas benefited; a law to establish a retirement system for elective county officials.

Also approved was a proposal to repeal the required \$10 per census child county school levy, Wendt said. If this law cannot be repealed, it has been suggested it should be amended to provide clear authority for offsetting the levy with a non-property source. Wendt suggested the proposal be amended making it permissible for the county to contribute.

Recommended for further study were statutory amendments to permit flexibility in establishing procedures by local welfare commissions, require a review by counties of proposed biennial monthly welfare allocations, limit state and county welfare commission members to two terms, permit local control of welfare personnel hiring, and authorize notifying credit associations that individuals are welfare recipients.

More Study Suggested
Further study was recommended also on a law to enable local governments to tax possessory interest of private companies in federally-owned real and personal property.

This legislation is needed to take advantage of some recent U.S. Supreme court decisions, and would be of special value to counties affect-

ed by the proposed missile industry developments, Wendt said.

Also recommended for further study are statutory amendments to permit spreading of county street and sidewalk assessments among properties benefited by an improvement instead of limiting the assessment to abutting properties only.

Being considered by the association, Wendt said, are: Statute to either require the state instead of the counties to pay the salaries of circuit court reporters or to permit the county courts to determine the amount of salary and fees to be paid; a law to change the county fiscal year back to a calendar year basis; a law to permit counties to bring suit to declare public ways open for public travel, especially where recreation areas are involved; a law to reduce present requirements on publication of county receipts and expenditures; a law to provide the counties with a share of the net revenues of the Oregon liquor control commission comparable to that received by cities; and a law to allow counties to pay mileage of county officials for travel between their homes and county courthouses.

Other proposed laws being considered are: a statute to require all school elections to be held on regular primary or general election days; a law permitting any county control of access on new county roads; a statute to repeal the law enacted by the last legislature which requires payment of the prevailing wage rates on public works contract jobs, and statement of amounts to be paid in the contract; a law to authorize counties instead of the speed control board to determine indicated speeds on county roads; and a law to repeal a law which enabled Malheur county to bond for its courthouse under special circumstances.

Former Prisoner Angry at State

Portland - (UPI) - Charles F. Rollo was a bit put out Saturday after being cleared of an arson charge that put him behind bars two years ago.

He complained because he was released from prison last month without a dime or the traditional suit of clothes supplied men leaving prison.

Rollo was originally convicted of setting fire to the Peyton Bag Co., in Portland in May 1958, although he claimed he only dropped a match by accident after lighting a cigarette.

The case went all the way to the Oregon Supreme Court while Rollo remained in prison. The high court finally decided he had been improperly questioned about alleged previous crimes of which no documentary proof was ever obtained.

The court granted a new trial and the District Attorney's office then dismissed the charge.

Commented Rollo: "The state owes me something for the time in which I was deprived of my freedom. They kick me out without a dime, a job or anything and yet the record shows I did nothing to even be in prison for."

'Task Forces' to Report to Group

Salem - (UPI) - Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton said Saturday current plans are for 11 "task force" groups to make recommendations to the attorney general's advisory committee on crime prevention at a general meeting the end of July.

The committee is now split up into the work groups in all parts of the state. The groups are considering crime prevention from particular professional viewpoints.

Election Turnout Close to Record

Portland - (UPI) - The May 20 election drew the largest percentage of city of Portland voters to the polls since 1948, final tabulations revealed here Friday.

Completed figures showed that 73.2 percent of the 195,196 registered Portland voters cast ballots.

In 1948, a turnout of 74.69 percent was recorded.

Meter Maids Nice As Bees Leave Car

Salem - (UPI) - Salem store clerk Frank Harrett had mixed emotions about finding the inside of his car parked downtown full of bees Friday.

He was concerned that it took three hours before an expert came and scattered the bees. But he was gratified that during that time Salem Meter Maids agreed not to ticket him for overtime parking.

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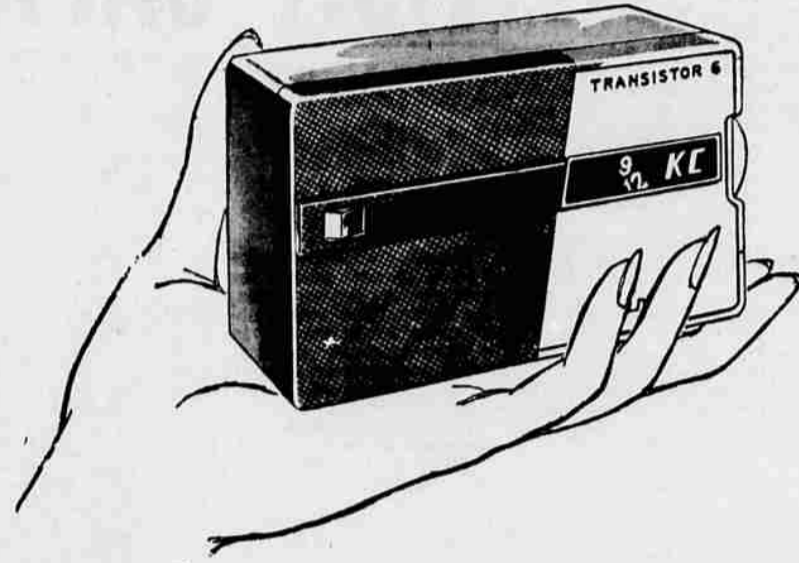
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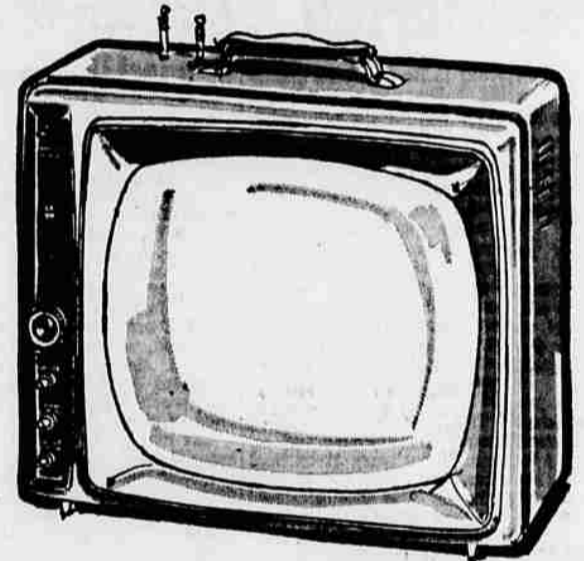
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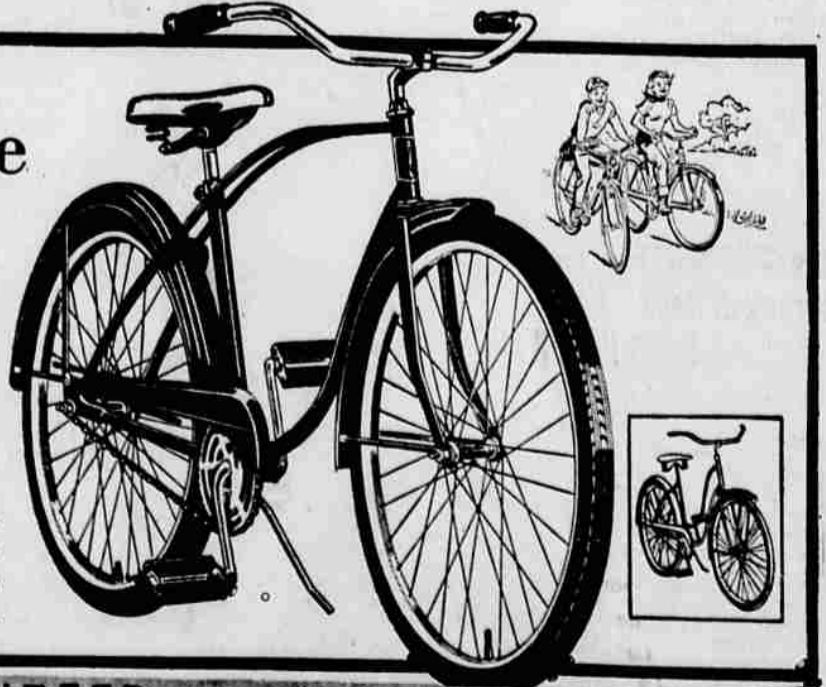
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