

Quotes From the News

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Hollywood—Singer Bing Crosby, commenting on the death of actor Barry Fitzgerald:
"He was a gentle, nice, warm human being."

New York—President-elect John F. Kennedy, refusing comment on the Eisenhower administration's breaking relations with Cuba:
"The responsibility rests with the present administration, not me."

Miami—Juanita Bercadi, member of the Cuban rum family, on his arrival in the U.S. as a political refugee:
"They have taken everything from me."

San Francisco—Zoo Director Carey Baldwin, who intervened when he saw a keeper wrestling with a monkey:
"I've been around some animals for 40 years, but this is the first time I was ever injured by a keeper."

Oregon Potato Harvest To Use More Local Labor

Salem—UPP—A survey by the Oregon Employment Department indicates that Oregon potatoes will be harvested more and more in years to come by local rather than migrant labor and by mechanized equipment.

The survey, depicting the state potato harvest picture through 1963, was conducted by the department's division of research and statistics.

Areas covered include East Central and Central Oregon and the Klamath Basin.

In Central Oregon potato production in hundredweight in 1960 increased by 12,000 over 1959 making the 1960 total 1,412,000. At the same time the total work force was increased by 100 persons.

Production Up

In East Central Oregon the survey showed that production went from 595,000 hundredweight in 1959 to 1,500,000 in 1960 with the work force decreasing from 1,150 to 860 because of more mechanization.

In the Klamath Basin production of machine-harvested potatoes dropped from 1,960,000 hundredweight in 1959 to 1,606,265 in 1960 and total workers from 1,000 to 588. About 90 per cent of the basin crop is now harvested by machine, the department said.

The department said migrant workers in potato harvest will continue to decrease because machine harvesting is more attractive to local workers.

CHEMICAL MAN DIES

Baltimore, Md.—UPP—Edward Block, 58, senior vice president and general manager of the chemical division of the Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp., died Wednesday.

Legislators' Interview

Dissatisfaction Expressed With Method of School Financing

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The new senator, a tall, slow-spoken pear grower, said "it is natural" for some people to assume that he would represent the orchardists, because he is one of them. However, Newbry said, among those who supported his appointment were an automobile dealer, attorney, insurance salesman and farmer.

He declared as one of his chief aims "at least maintaining the status quo for Jackson county property tax payers."

Both Newbry and Dellenback expressed dissatisfaction with the property tax as the main method of financing Oregon's schools.

Expresses Hope

Newbry said he hoped the legislature will "try to devise some other means of taxation for schools."

Dellenback advised that lawmakers should go back to

the basic constitutional requirement that the state accept the responsibility for education, and that counties should not be battling with each other over such responsibilities.

While Duncan has shown an at least open-minded attitude toward sharing Jackson county's O and C funds in an equalization program for school financing in the state, the two Republican legislators have expressed determination, as Dellenback said, "to protect these funds so we do not have to pay an increased property tax in Jackson county."

Duncan stated that the O and C funds are a "very small part of the over-all problem of schools." He added that he will support an increased state basic school support fund "provided the problems of a distribution formula can be worked out. And I will

work for the best distribution possible." An experienced legislator, Duncan expressed opinions on almost any legislative problem which is expected to come before the house. He is concerned with getting appropriations to at least partially cover representatives' expenses—as is Dellenback. He said he is also anxious to get the "tough nuts" out of the way early in the session, leaving the least important bills until last.

Duncan hopes for more help from the legislative council, including the fiscal officer, so an expanded staff and program will supply information enabling the legislators to cover more ground in the hectic biennial session.

The only purely local legislation he will seek would permit the city of Medford to loan water to the state game commission.

Duncan said he is eager to eliminate the inventory tax in the personal property tax procedure and to revise the timber tax to encourage sustained yield programs. Further improvements will be made in the income tax structure and "the whole deduction picture," if Duncan has his way.

The southern Oregon Democrat shows considerably more enthusiasm than do the two Republicans for Governor Mark Hatfield's proposed state government reorganization. Duncan describes the office of governor as "peculiarly impotent" and the reorganization as "based on the horizontal stratification" of state government.

"Because the state has grown from agrarian to quasi-industrial," Duncan explained, "there is a need to modify the general structure to handle the increasingly complicated problems of government."

Takes Swipe at Critics

The house speaker took a swipe at critics of the plan who blame Hatfield for a "grab for power," and asserted that the governor acted on a recommendation of the legislature and an interim committee.

Duncan plans to send all reorganization bills to a joint committee of the house and senate to get an over-all picture of the proposed legislation and to simplify committee activities.

Dellenback, who appeared cautious in expressing opinions this early in the session, said he intends "to approve anything which will cut down on expense and make for efficiency."

Plan "Sounds Good"
While Hatfield's plan "in theory sounds good," Dellenback questioned whether the state should change a system of boards and commissions "which has brought some of the most able people of the state into the government."

He also questioned the theory of a strong government.

Newbry expressed interest in the reorganization plan, but said that at the moment he has arrived at no conclusion. The freshman senator said there was one problem, the state budget, "which I know is tremendously important to this area."

Another area in which he said he had reached at least partial conclusion is the state industrial accident insurance program, in which he supports the so-called "three-way plan," which would make coverage by employers optional.

Makes Feelings Known
All three legislators made known their feelings that big problems face the state's lawmakers this session. "None is bigger than the rest, because all are important to some," according to Duncan.

Over 1,500 bills were submitted to the 1959 legislature and that many probably will find their way again into this year's hopper. All will be considered by mostly overworked, under-paid representatives.

There is some consolation they can take from the widespread opinion that such a system has still produced some of the best possible legislators, and a progressive state government recognized as such throughout the nation.

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ADMINISTERS OATH—Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn administers the oath of office to Rep. George M. Grant (D-Ala.) in Bethesda Naval Hospital. Grant underwent a gall bladder operation last week and missed the mass administration of the oath to the House members at the opening session Tuesday. (UPI Telephoto)

Water Resources Board Agrees on Round Butte Dam

Astoria—UPP—The Oregon Water Resources Board Wednesday night agreed to order the Oregon Hydroelectric Commission to grant a license to Portland General Electric Co., to build Round Butte Dam on the Deschutes river.

The board's motion was unanimous.

Board Secretary Don Lane said the license will be conditional on flow restrictions in the interest of fish life and the company's commitment to replace Cove Palisades State Park which will be inundated.

FPC Grants License
The license was ordered after the board found through investigation that "there was nothing to be gained" by re-opening hearings as requested by the Citizens Conservation Committee.

The Federal Power Commission also has granted a license for the \$73 million project.

The earth fill dam, to be 440 feet high, will be located eight miles northeast of Madras. The reservoir will extend about eight miles up the Deschutes, Metolius and Crooked rivers. The dam will generate some 246,050 kilowatts of power.

OFFICIAL DIES

New York—UPP—Edward L. Mulvehill, 59, president of the American Re-Insurance Co., died Wednesday.

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and
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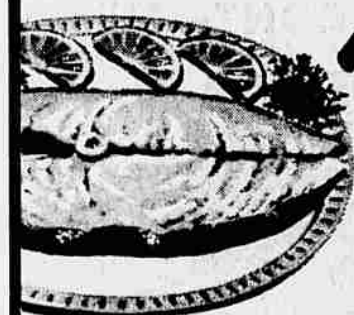
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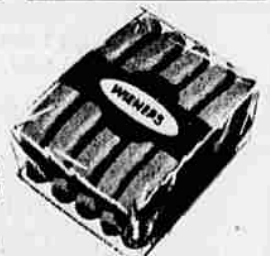
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