

# Expansion of House Rules Committee Voted

## Oregon Senate Gets Highway Billboard Bills

### One Would Ban Outdoor Signs

Salem — (UPI) — Two bills calling for regulation of billboards along Oregon highways were turned in to the Senate today.

One measure would virtually ban outdoor signs along interstate highways — qualifying the state for several hundred thousand dollars in federal bonus money. Some signs put up prior to 1956 would be exempt.

The other would set up a scenic area commission to regulate billboard advertising along state highways.

This would be done by declaring "scenic areas" where billboards would not be allowed — including park areas, locations with historical significance, and areas with a "view of unusual beauty."

### Voters Denied Ban

There was little indication whether the furor that led to final defeat of billboard regulation by voters last November would be transferred to the legislature — since billboard advertisers themselves participated in drafting the two bills.

The measures are considered a compromise with groups that want to get rid of all roadside advertising. They are being introduced at the request of the Council on Highway Regulation — the tourist and billboard groups that got together to draw up compromise legislation after the November election.

The scenic area commission would be composed of five members named by the governor — one each from the Oregon State Motor Association, the AFL-CIO, Council on Outdoor Advertising, State Highway Commission, and roadside services industries.

Billboards would be permitted in business and industrial areas. Sen. Richard Groener (D-Milwaukie) a supporter of the two bills, predicted they would pass. But Sen. Andrew Naterlin (D-Newport) whose district is seeking to build up coast tourist trade, said he opposed any billboard regulation.

## Lithia Park Deer Killed by Shot

Ashland — A tame deer was shot with a high powered rifle while standing in its pen in Ashland's Lithia park shortly before 7:15 p.m. Monday.

The incident was reported to Ashland police at 7:15 p.m. by a couple who were walking through the park. The couple said they heard a shot and then observed a car speeding away from the animal refuge park area on Granite st.

They went to the pen area to investigate and discovered the dead animal.

The couple reported the car resembled a 1954 or 1955 Ford. Its color was either gray and white or blue and white, they said. Ashland police are investigating. Anyone with information is asked by Police Chief Herb Hays to contact the police department.

## Soviet Ambassador Summoned for Talks

Washington — (UPI) — President Kennedy today summoned Ambassador Llewellyn Thompson home from Russia for consultation and announced that the envoy then would be reassigned to Moscow indefinitely.

## Prospect Couple Appears in Court

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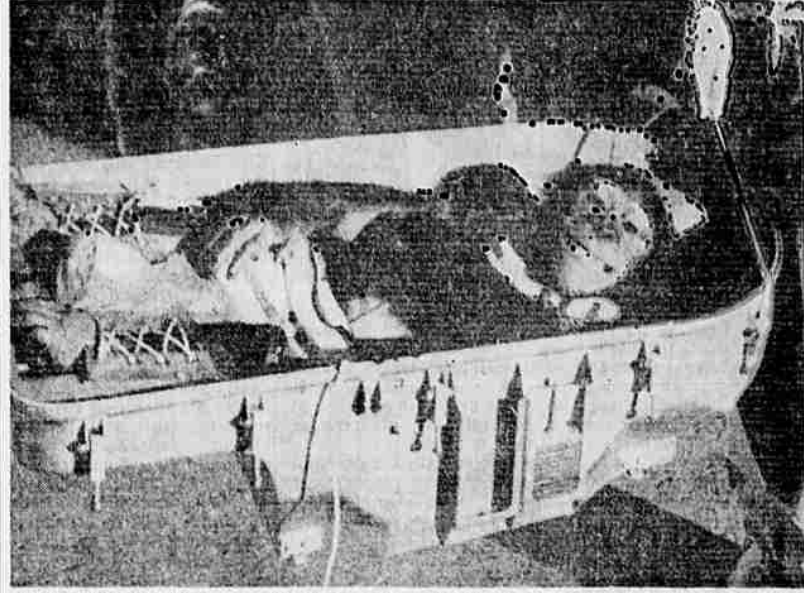
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## Potent Acid Perils Louisiana Residents

LaBarré, La. — (UPI) — Tank cars bearing potent acids were derailed here today and escaping fumes hospitalized at least 50 persons. A general evacuation of the town was ordered.



FREE RIDE COMING—A male chimp, desirous for all he's worth as he is carried to the Redstone missile which gave him his first ride in space from Cape Canaveral, Fla., today. (UPI Telephoto)

## Chimp Successfully Fired On 5,000 MPH Rocket Trip

Cape Canaveral, Fla. — (UPI) — The United States successfully sent a trained chimpanzee on a 5,000 mile an hour rocket flight over the Atlantic today in a rehearsal for a manned space flight. The rocket overshoot its target by 130 miles but scientists said the chimp was alive when its cabin hit the water and had been sighted.

The National Aeronautics and Space agency said shortly that it expected to recover the floating capsule within three hours.

The announcement said the chimp, trained for months to hit certain levers when colored lights flashed, apparently performed a task satisfactorily during the buffeting flight.

Six of the nation's seven astronauts, one of whom expects this year, observed the 15-minute flight from various vantage points. One of the astronauts was away on an official mission.

Although telemetry received from the capsule indicated the chimp was alive when it hit the water, radio telemetry circuits which receive signals from the space craft, went out when it landed and no further signals were received.

An hour after liftoff, NASA issued this statement: "The Mercury space craft in today's test reached a velocity of more than 5,000 miles an hour, a peak altitude of about 155 statute miles and landed some 420 statute miles

## Kirtley Is Found Innocent of Charge

Central Point — Edwin Kirtley, 60, of 2885 LaPine ave., Medford, was found innocent of disobeying a traffic signal in Central Point municipal court this morning.

Kirtley was involved in an accident Jan. 29 at the intersection of Pine st. and Highway 99 in Central Point. A gasoline tanker truck struck a driver training car Kirtley was driving. He is driver training instructor at Crater High school.

Judge Lyle Paul said conflicting reports on whether the traffic signal was yellow or green were given by witnesses.

## Point System Is Made Up for Roads

A point system is being worked out to establish priorities for county road construction, County Engineer Robert J. Carstensen told County Judge Earl M. Miller this morning.

A certain number of points will be given each road, according to the amount and type of traffic on it, he explained, with school bus travel, mail carrier traffic, heavy commercial travel and residential travel being considered.

This will put the county road program on a "sounder basis, according to need," the county engineer explained.

Carstensen said the Galls Creek rd. may be included in the three-year county road program now being formulated. He said he planned to take members of the county court over the road to determine need for improvement.

Inclusion in the county road program will not require completion of a road in three years, he explained. A road may only be started within the three years.

Carstensen said there has been heavier travel over the Galls Creek rd. lately than he had anticipated.

down range. Higher than normal booster thrust produced the extra velocity, altitude and range. The capsule has been sighted in the water by an aircraft. A recovery ship should reach the spacecraft within three hours. Telemetry received during the flight indicates the chimp performed satisfactorily.

Today's shot was the most important to date for the Mercury program, a \$400 million high priority dream for man's conquest of space. Scientists wanted to learn how the chimp's body and mind would stand up under the pressure and weightlessness of rocket flight.

A chimpanzee is similar to a human being in many respects.

## First Step Made For Rural School District Budget

The Jackson county rural school district committee took the first step toward formulating a new budget last night by approving a total allocation of \$40,000 under the National Defense Education Act.

The money will be used to buy instructional materials for science, mathematics and foreign language to be circulated from the county curriculum materials center.

The rural school district, which covers all county schools, will allocate \$20,000 of the total from county school funds. The federal government will provide \$20,000.

James McDonald, director of the county curriculum materials center, also requested an allocation for a vehicle to be used in a courier service to distribute films to county schools. Cost is estimated at \$2,184, license and title \$12, maintenance \$150, and gas, oil and lubrication \$1,000.

Committee Chairman Fred Bruenger, White City, appointed Don Patterson, Central Point, and Glenn Smith, Applegate, as a committee to see if school districts would finance purchase of the vehicle and its maintenance.

They are to meet with the Jackson County School Boards association as soon as possible.

No other action was taken on the rural school budget last night. The rest of the curriculum materials center section of the budget will be considered next Monday night.

Yet to be considered are the remaining budget sections on special education and the county school superintendent's office budget.

Led by Sam Harbinson, Medford attorney, and William A. Starzinger, Rogue River real estate man, the budget committee attempted to find out where the curriculum materials center was headed.

Harbinson said he wasn't criticizing the program, but wanted to know "what the obligation of the rural school board will be four years

hence." Starzinger said last year's allocation under the National Defense was a total of \$31,000. The county paid half of that. "Is this total allocation going to grow by \$1,000 each year?" he asked.

The curriculum materials center director noted that the center's circulation of materials has increased four times yet he is not asking for an equal increase in budget allocation. More materials are needed to meet the demand from the county's schools, and more personnel is needed to meet the increased demand, McDonald said.

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## Dellenback Initiated Into 'Club'; Big Butte Creek Bill Rereferred

Salem — (UPI) — A bill to let Medford permit use of extra water in Big Butte creek was sent back to committee on a technicality today — but not until after the House made full use of the occasion to give freshman legislator John H. Dellenback (R-Medford) an initiation razing.

Dellenback was about the only member of the House who wasn't in on the joke.

He made the initial motion, a routine one, to send the bill back to the state and federal affairs committee, and looked surprised when Rep. Richard Eymann (D-Mohawk) immediately protested on grounds the bill would merely give the city of Medford "the privilege to do what it wants with the water."

Dellenback spoke seriously and eloquently in defense of the bill, even after several other legislators moved to send it to other committees, then failed to vote in support of their own motions.

Votes Quickly Changed Half the House voted against Dellenback's motion in the final tally, but quickly jumped up to change their votes before the count was made.

Dellenback, who sits in front of the chamber, apparently remained unaware of chuckles and broad grins in the rear of the House.

## Kennedy Wins Roli Call Vote By 217-212 Margin

### Three Members Will Be Added

Washington — (UPI) — President Kennedy won his first big congressional victory today when the House voted to expand the Rules committee.

On a roll call vote of 217-212, the House approved a proposal by Speaker Sam Rayburn to enlarge the 12-man rules group to 15 members.

This will add three liberal members to the committee and break the conservative control that had threatened to roadblock House action on Kennedy's liberal legislative program.

Will Swing Control The added members, two of whom will be named by Rayburn, will swing control of the committee from Chairman Howard W. Smith (D-Va.) to Rayburn.

Washington — (UPI) — Rep. Edwin R. Durno (R-Ore.) today voted against any change in membership of the House Rules Committee.

Reps. Al Ullman and Edith Green, both Democrats, voted in favor of the change. Rep. Walter Norblad's vote was not available.

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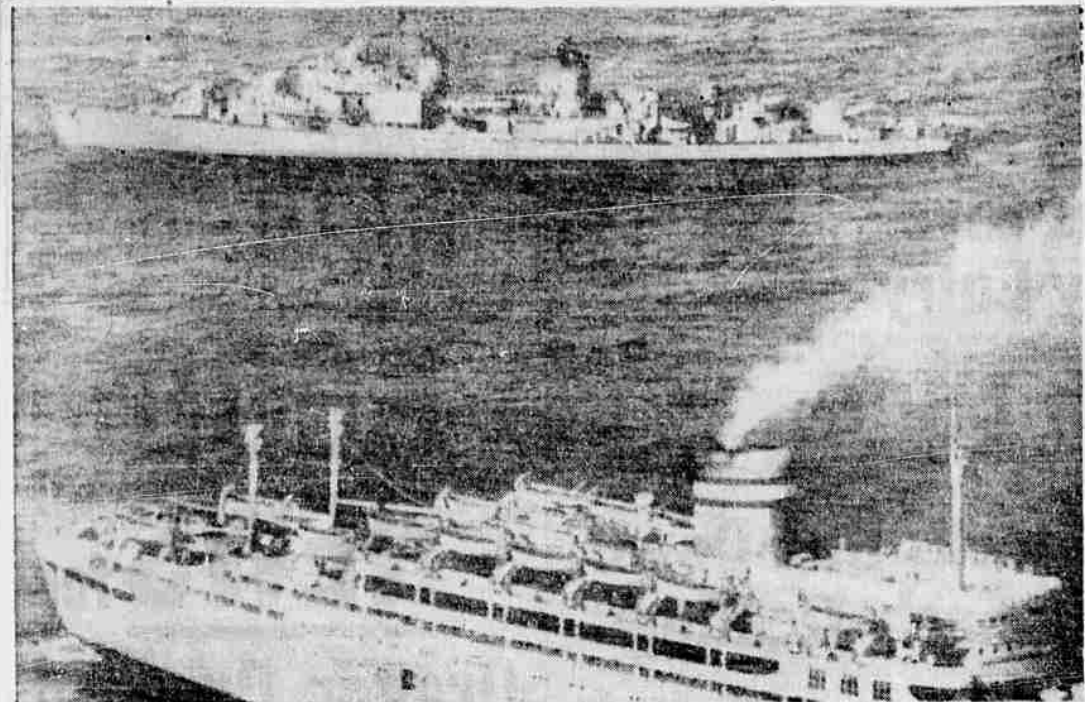
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SHIP STANDS BY—The USS Gearing DD 710 stands by the hijacked liner Santa Maria off Recife, Brazil, after Rear Adm. Allen Smith Jr. boarded the liner for talks with its rebel commander. Smith boarded the liner to negotiate with Capt. Henrique Galvao on removal of the 620 captive passengers. (UPI Telephoto)

## Net Receipts Tax Bill Debated by House Committee

Salem — (UPI) — Rep. Clarence Barton (D-Coquille) told the House Tax Committee Monday afternoon only about 35 percent of the income in Oregon is taxed by the state and HB 1001 giving the state a net receipts tax would help cure this.

The other 65 per cent, he said, escapes through various deductions and exemptions, including millions of dollars to the federal government.

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## Ship's Passengers Promised Release

Recife, Brazil — (UPI) — Rebel commander Henrique Galvao promised today to bring the 620 captive passengers of the hijacked liner Santa Maria ashore here Wednesday.

He acted after a U.S. naval commander group boarded the Santa Maria and warned Galvao it was too dangerous to free the captives on the high seas.

Guarantees Received Galvao's pledge was made in a message of congratulations to the new president of Brazil.

Services Set for Medford Lawyer Funeral services for Joseph F. Fliegel, 62, of 22 North Modoc ave., Medford, who died Sunday, will be held at Conger-Morris Funeral home at 1 p.m. Wednesday.

Mr. Fliegel was born Nov. 1, 1898, in LaCrosse Wis., and moved to Salem in 1912 with his parents, the late Joseph and Josephine Fliegel. He was graduated from Salem High school, a veteran of World War I, and completed Willamette law school in 1922.

He moved to Medford and became attorney with the Jackson County Federal Savings and Loan association. He entered private practice here in the Davis building in 1932, and had practiced continuously since that time.

Mr. Fliegel is a past commander of the American Legion post, a member of the Medford city council in 1935-36; a member of the Medford Athletic association, serving as secretary for 10 years, served on the Medford planning commission from 1927 to 1934 and 1937 to 1954.

He was married in Grants Pass June 23, 1928, to Esth Lanora VanCamp, who survives.

Other survivors include a son, Joseph Fliegel Jr., Medford; two brothers, Rudolph Fliegel and Oswald Fliegel, Portland; a niece and nephew.

The Rev. Theodore J. Ehrlich of St. Mark's Episcopal church will officiate. Past exalted rulers of Medford Elks lodge will hold services in the chapel, and at graveside in Hillcrest Memorial park.

## Welfare Crews Dig Land Fill Ditch

Jackson county welfare work crews are digging a sanitary land fill garbage disposal ditch in the Prospect area, County Judge Earl Miller said this morning.

The sanitary land fill area is about three miles east of Prospect and about a half-mile off the Red Bank rd., he said. Such a ditch has been used by Prospect residents for about a year, Judge Miller said.

The first such ditch was dug after the garbage dump maintained by the Prospect Lions club proved to be a public nuisance because of smoke from burning garbage and the forest service complained it was a fire hazard.

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QUITS NATO — Paul-Henri Spaak, above, has resigned as secretary-general of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Spaak had reportedly been under pressure from members of his party to return to Belgian politics. No mention was made of a successor, but Holland's Dirk U. Stikker and Norway's Foreign Minister Halvard Lange have been mentioned as possible candidates for the post. (UPI Telephoto)

## Accident Caused By Chewing Gum

Ashland — A small wad of chewing gum led to a two-car accident on Siskiyou blvd. in Ashland Monday night.

The Ashland police account of the accident went like this: 1. Mrs. Marbeth Embell, 430 Morton st., was traveling west on Siskiyou blvd.

2. Gerald L. Eurich, 1957 Terrace st., was stopped on Siskiyou blvd. waiting to turn onto Palm ave.

3. Mrs. Embell sneezed, and in the process swallowed her chewing gum.

4. The chewing gum lodged in her throat causing her to choke.

5. She smashed into the rear of the Eurich car.

Mrs. Embell was taken to Ashland General hospital where she was treated for a scalp laceration. No citation was issued, police said.

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