

Oregon Votes on House Affairs Expected To Have Conservative Trend

Relatively Smooth Sailing Can Be Seen in Senate

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Washington — An examination of the political attitudes of the Oregon congressional delegation goes a long way toward understanding the outlook which President Kennedy must have as he gazes hopefully toward Capitol Hill.

He can expect relatively smooth sailing in the Senate, but nothing but rough water in the House. As an old PT boat skipper, he is likely to proceed at full speed in either event.

Both of Oregon's senators have a favorable view toward the new President's legislative

program. Sen. Wayne Morse may play a key role in pressing for congressional action on one of the five points in the immediate Kennedy program — a bill to raise the minimum wage to \$1.25. Sen. Maurice Neuberger is on the committee and the list of sponsors of the area redevelopment bill which Kennedy also is urging and which the Senate Banking Committee is working on.

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Rep. Edith Green of Portland and Rep. Al Ullman of Baker, the two Democrats, are stout Kennedy supporters. Rep. Walter Norblad of Stayton and Rep. Edwin Durno of Medford, the Republicans, voted against liberalizing the Rules Committee.

Neither Norblad nor Durno is saying how he will vote when the various bills reach the House floor, but they are expressing little eagerness for the economic and welfare proposals that appear to be ahead.

Norblad thought the Kennedy state of the Union message contained too much "gloom and doom." Obviously, Norblad doesn't believe the state of the national economy is as serious as the President does. Durno shook his head over Kennedy's domestic program because he doesn't know where the money will come from to finance more federal assistance efforts.

May Be Neutralized

Unless there is some change in their outlook in the weeks ahead, the prospect is that Oregon's votes in the critical House votes will be neutralized, the Republicans and the Democrats cancelling one another out.

This means, of course, that Oregon's influence on national affairs in the next two years will be more conservative than it has been the past four years, during which Norblad was the sole Republican in the state's delegation in Congress.

This, in terms of the national political struggle ahead, is the most significant result of the victory last fall of Congressman Durno over Charles O. Porter, the liberal Democrat from Eugene.

Three Major Auto Companies Named New Heads During '60

Detroit — UPI — Three of the five major U.S. auto companies named new presidents during 1960 and two of the newcomers held the jobs for two months or less.

William C. Newberg succeeded L. L. Colbert as president of Chrysler Corp. in late April and was deposed two months later because of his holdings in two outside supplier firms.

Colbert assumed the dual responsibility of board chairman and president after the Newberg ouster.

Joined Cabinet

Robert S. McNamara was the second short-term president of 1960. He was named president of Ford Motor Co. in November and accepted appointment as Secretary of Defense in the cabinet of President John F. Kennedy in December.

McNamara sold all his stock in Ford to avoid any possible conflict of interest and resigned his auto post effective Jan. 1.

Ford, like Chrysler, returned to a common board chairman-president.

Henry Ford II was elevated to chairman of the board in July, 1960, with the resignation of Ernest R. Breech from that post, and held both the board chairmanship and presidency from July to November.

He resumed the dual responsibility upon McNamara's departure.

Studebaker-Packard Corp. named a new president in the final week of 1960.

Sherwood H. Egbert, who had been vice president of McCulloch Corp., Los Angeles, was named to succeed Harold E. Churchill at the South Bend, Ind., auto firm.

Other Changes Frequent

Top-level changes were also frequent in the automotive divisions.

Lee A. Iacocca was named vice president and general manager of the Ford division at the same time McNamara took over as president of the company. Iacocca succeeded James O. Wright who became group vice president in charge of car and truck divisions.

The Cadillac Motor Car Division of General Motors Corp. also named a new general manager, Harold G. Warner. He took over from James M. Roche who became vice president in charge of GM's distribution staff.

Dodge division of Chrysler also changed general managers during 1960. Matthew C. Patterson retired and was succeeded by Byron J. Nichols.

Two Didn't Change

GM and American Motors Corp. were the only U.S. auto firms which didn't change presidents during the past year. John F. Gordon continued as president of GM and George Romney as president of American Motors.

But GM had nine changes at the vice president level, including four new vice presidents, and American Motors named three new vice presidents.

Studebaker-Packard added four new vice presidents to its executive roster during the year. Iacocca was the only new vice president named by Ford in 1960. And Chrysler,

despite its summer-long conflict-of-interest probe, added no new vice presidents during the year.

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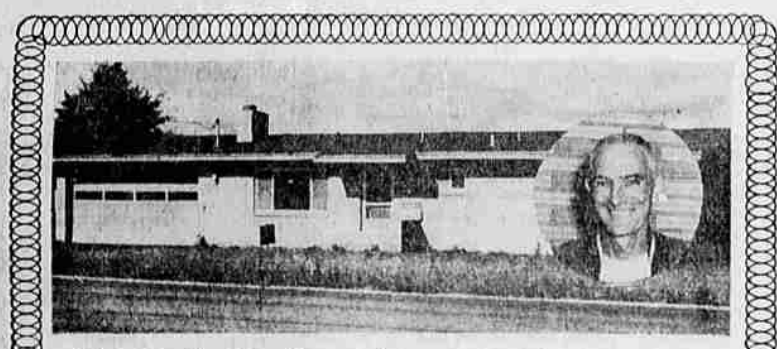
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Group To Check Research Findings

The Jackson county committee on the early detection and prevention of juvenile delinquency held its first meeting Thursday night and decided to investigate completed research findings from as many sources as possible as its first step.

The committee will also collect information from local agencies, and personnel dealing with youth problems. From this information the group hopes to be able to formulate and recommend some plan of action which would be valuable and practical for the Jackson county area or state.

Since committee members came from many organizations, further discussions covered a wide variety of problems concerning juvenile delinquency, its causes and methods of prevention. The next meeting will be held on Feb. 23.

Committee Chairman is Robert Lawrence, Ashland Lincoln school principal.

Leaflets Ask Cuban Students To Strike

Havana, Cuba — UPI — An anti-Castro plane flew low over downtown Havana Friday night and dropped leaflets calling for a Cuban students' strike "against the tyranny which oppresses us."

Militiamen on top of the presidential palace opened fire on the twin-engine Cessna that swooped down on the capital and dumped thousands of leaflets.

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