

Legislative Briefs

Salem—UPI—A bill tagged by labor as a "right to work" measure has been tabled by the House Committee on State and Federal Affairs.

The measure would prevent job discrimination on the basis of "membership or non membership in any organization."

J. D. McDonald, of the Oregon AFL-CIO said the bill went "farther than the intent."

Salem—UPI—Rep. Kessler Cannon (R-Bend) has introduced bills to establish an agricultural experiment station in Deschutes, Crook or Jefferson counties and to let voters prevent division of an irrigation district into five subdistricts.

Salem—UPI—Sen. Melvin Goode (R-Albany) has put in two repealer bills that would make it easier to recover damages against the owner of a car or plane in which a person is injured.

His bill would repeal the guest passenger laws whereby gross negligence must be proved. An injured person could then recover merely on a conviction of ordinary negligence.

Salem—UPI—The House Highways Committee has heard testimony on a proposal to require reflectorized license plates in an effort to cut down nighttime rear end collisions.

However, spokesmen for the department of Motor Vehicles said this would boost the cost of plates and that money might be better used in other traffic safety efforts. The department said of 63,464 accidents in Oregon in 1959 only 4,155 were night-time rear end crashes and only 60 of these were blamed on improper lighting.

Salem—UPI—Sen. William Grenfell Jr. (D-Portland) has introduced a bill to move the State System of Higher Education from Eugene to Salem. Grenfell said although the bill is his own, it fits into Gov. Mark Hatfield's theory that headquarters of all major state agencies should be in the state capital.

Salem—UPI—House speaker Robert Duncan said Gov. Mark Hatfield's suggestion for a welfare recovery formula to alleviate hardships and prevent accumulation of claims "is a little tardy."

Duncan said that in 1959 Rep. Grace Peck (D-Portland) put in such a bill at Duncan's request and this was put into effect.

As a result of this law and the hiring of personnel to carry it out, the Welfare Commission has been moving to become current, Duncan said.

Salem—UPI—The House has turned down, 41-18, a move by Rep. Joe Rogers (R-Independence) to prevent the House Labor and Industries Committee from retaining former State Industrial Accident Commissioner Cecelia "Pat" Galey as legal counsel.

Rogers said the committee was not authorized to hire any counsel.

House Speaker Robert B. Duncan ruled Rogers out of order, and the key vote came when the House upheld Duncan's ruling.

Students' Fathers To Be Honored, OSC

Corvallis—Fathers of Oregon State college students will be honored on campus Feb. 24 and 25 at annual Dads Week End. About 1,500 are expected.

A highlight of this year's program will be a "Meet the Deans" period in which the fathers and their sons and daughters meet with the dean of the school in which the student is registered.

The deans will discuss and answer questions on academic offerings, job opportunities, and future plans for the institution. Fathers also will have a chance to attend regular Saturday morning classes.

Other week end events will include campus tours, visits to new campus dormitories, dinner and firesides in living groups, student talent show, and basketball games with University of Southern California.

The Dads club sponsors an extensive program of scholarships for worthy students each year. Ed Lewis of Salem is Dads club president.

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