

Death of Hatfield's Reorganization Plan To Have Different Views

Editor's note: This is the third in a five-part series examining the reorganization of the 1961 Oregon Legislature.

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Salem — (UPI) — If you like fairy tales about government reorganization, you could say the dragon slew the knight in shining armor. But it depends on who is spinning the tale.

All 20 of Gov. Mark Hatfield's original cabinet system bills were killed.

He proposed a shining knight — reducing Oregon's bulky mass of boards and commissions to seven streamlined departments. The dragon that killed this was the Legislature, in the executive view. The legislative version in the months to come will be

different. Many contend reorganization failed because of the fire-breathing between Hatfield, Secretary of State Howell Appling Jr. and State Treasurer Howard C. Belton, especially the Hatfield-Appling positions.

Appling and Belton were publicly opposed to Hatfield's plan to eliminate the Board of Control. Significantly, they declined to endorse any phase of reorganization.

Lawmakers admit that pressures from those affected by changes were heavy. At every turn there was resistance.

Still others said they didn't want to put as much authority in a governor's hands as the plan would have done. It would have created departments of commerce, labor, social services, public safety, natural resources, transportation-utilities and revenue.

Reapportionment, or lack of it, barred many a fang and although the solons christened a plan, its course is toward the State Supreme court. The reshuffling of legislative seats, forced by the 1960 census, has barely a shuffle in it.

Western Oregon Democrats still yell that their more thickly-populated districts were robbed of added seats. Eastern Oregon Democrats, with less population and seats threatened, found the plan just fine, as did all Republicans.

Hatfield leans toward more recognition of the increased population factor which the plan ignores but an aide says the governor has "no choice" but to let it go through and to the high court. A veto would let Appling, a fellow Republican, have a go at it. This could be misconstrued politically, and Democrats are already preparing to take the plan to court anyway.

Stocks Move in Broad Advance

New York — (UPI) — Stocks moved into a fairly broad advance today.

Heavy industrial issues, including steels, motors and coppers were in strong demand while gains of a point or more peppered most other sections on the list.

U. S. Steel tacked on around 2. Anaconda 2. Chrysler and Ford a point or more. General Electric nearly 1 and Goodrich more than 2.

Texas Instruments paced the electronics with a rise of around 3 while IBM added 2. Standard Kollman over 1, and Magnavox 1 1/2.

Among the weaker items, Avnet slipped more than a point, Hershey sagged around 3. Norwich Pharmacal a point and Coty International nearly 1 1/2.

Hornbrook Man Back From Reunion

Hornbrook — Loren Cummins, Hornbrook, returned last week from San Francisco where he attended a reunion of former army friends of the 95th field hospital unit.

Of the 200 members of the group, all but eight now live in the eastern part of the country, and of the eight, six were present.

The 95th field hospital unit sailed from Los Angeles to the China-Burma-India theater of World War II and was attached to the company building the Burma road.

For Cummins it was the first time he had seen any of his former comrades since the unit was disbanded in Shanghai 16 years ago.

'The Owl' Banghart Gets Prison Release

Springfield, Ill. — (UPI) — Once-dapper Basil (The Owl) Banghart has won parole, becoming the last of seven prohibition-era gangsters convicted of a disputed kidnapping to be freed.

Banghart, now half-blind and ailing, will walk out of Stateville Prison a year and a half after his boss, Chicago gang lord Roger Touhy, left prison only to be gunned down on a Chicago street.

Johnson Hears 'Respectable Opinion' Of Trouble Inside Communist China

Hong Kong — (UPI) — Authoritative sources said today Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson, who is on an Asian tour, has heard "respectable opinion" that Communist China is in serious domestic trouble.

The sources said that Johnson has been given the opinion that the Red Chinese army might revolt because of unrest and malnutrition resulting from crop failures and poor management by the Communist Chinese government.

The opinion was that the situation is so serious the government might be overthrown in 12 to 18 months.

Search for Missing Airplane Fruitless

Troutdale — (UPI) — A ground and aerial search for a light plane with three Portland persons aboard proved fruitless Sunday.

A ground search was launched when tracks and sightings of wreckage were reported, but no trace of the missing craft piloted by M. E. Brewer, 44, was found.

Also aboard the white and red craft were Brewer's father, 80, and Frank Cowan, 16, Portland.

The plane disappeared a week ago today after leaving the Troutdale airport.

Oregon Records Lone Fatality

Hillsboro — (UPI) — Oregon recorded one traffic fatality during the week end.

The lone victim was Kimberly Sue Klein, 3, Beaverton, who was killed Saturday in a one-car accident three miles east of here on a Washington county road.

The girl was killed when the car driven by her father, John Henry Klein, struck a tree.

Klein, his 34-year-old wife and three other children were hospitalized here.

POISON MYTH

White potatoes were once believed to be poisonous.

CAPITAL NAMED

Annapolis was named capital of Maryland in 1694.

This view is unsupported, however, by official U.S. sources in Hong Kong who indicated that while Communist China has suffered crop failures there is no strong indication that a government collapse is imminent.

Johnson flew here today from Formosa where he cheered Nationalist Chinese officials with assurances that the United States has no intention of recognizing Communist China. Having reached midpoint in his two-week tour, Johnson planned a one-day stopover here before going to Thailand.

On the first section of his 28,000 mile Asian tour he has run into heavy, enthusiastic

crowds, almost a constant round of official functions and temperatures hovering in the 90s.

Before leaving Taipei this morning he stood beside President Chiang Kai-shek as the venerable Nationalist Chinese leader told newsmen about pledges of continued U.S. support for his regime.

He said Kennedy had promised to oppose the recognition of Peiping or the seating of Red China in the United Nations.

Chiang said this definite stand will have "a great effect on boosting morale" among the Nationalist Chinese.

Most Formosan government leaders had been extremely worried about the policies of the new administration as a result of the debate over defense of the Nationalist offshore islands during the U.S. presidential campaign.

But one high Nationalist official said just before Johnson left that the vice president's remarks during his one-day visit to Formosa were "reassuring to the republic of China and America's other anti-Communist allies in Asia."

Before going to Formosa, Johnson visited South Viet Nam and the Philippines.

Morse Subcommittee Will Call For Answers on Cuba Invasion

Washington — (UPI) — Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) said today his Latin American subcommittee will call top Pentagon officials for detailed answers on their role in the unsuccessful Cuban invasion attempt.

Morse said his group has asked Gen. Lyman L. Lemnitzer, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Assistant Defense Secretary Paul

H. Nitze to testify behind closed doors.

No date has been set but the session probably will be held later this week, Morse said.

The Oregon Democrat also said the subcommittee will hear testimony on Cuba by two American correspondents, Henry Raymond of United Press International and Tad Szulc of the New York Times.

No date has been set for their testimony.

Morse pointed the subcommittee's inquiry toward the Pentagon after a session today with Adolf A. Berle, special advisor to Secretary of State Dean Rusk and head of the Kennedy administration's task force on Latin America.

Morse said Berle referred many of the group's questions about "what actually happened with regard to the invasion" to the Pentagon for answers.

However, Morse said Berle testified that the invasion attempt had some plus factors.

Berle said it "isolated the hard core Communists in various parts of Latin America" and brought them into the open, Morse said. He also quoted Berle as saying that the situation has made the rest of Latin America aware of the extent of which Cuban Premier Fidel Castro has linked his fate to the Communist cause.

Low Level Jet Flights Scheduled in State

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Low level jet training flights in areas of eastern Oregon, Washington, and northern Nevada are scheduled to begin soon by the Navy, according to Rear Adm. Bernard M. Streen, U. S. Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island, Wash.

The flights are a result of new navigational training requirements for Navy jet aircraft assigned his command.

The navigation routes, called "Sandblower," have been carefully mapped out to avoid populated areas and airfields to insure against public nuisance and provide maximum safety, Streen said.

HONORARY MEMBER

Mrs. Tom (Carol) Schmid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Davidson, 1308 Eureka circle, is among the 22 students at Linfield college, McMinnville, initiated into the Linfield chapter of Pi Gamma Mu, national social science honorary.

Mrs. Schmid is a senior majoring in mathematics.

Edwards Lecture at Manor Wednesday

The Medford Chapter of the Oregon United Nations association will sponsor a lecture by Paul B. Edwards, United Nations director for the Philippines Islands, Korea, Formosa and Hong Kong, Wednesday at 8 p.m.

The talk will be held in the club room of the Rogue Valley Manor, and is open to the public. Those attending have been asked to use the east entrance.

Edwards, who will speak of his work in the Far East, is en route to his post after a briefing at UN headquarters in New York.

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