

Group Approves Plan to Have Governor Appoint All Judges

Candidates Step Up Campaigns as Election Nears

By United Press International
Oregon's primary election field headed down the home stretch Saturday with a stepped-up slate of appearances scheduled by most candidates during the final six days of the campaign.

In the U. S. Senate race, Republican Congressman Edwin Durno readied for a final campaign effort in the Portland metropolitan area.

Durno, who only left Washington, D. C., to start his campaign a few weeks ago, has traveled some 2,000 miles throughout Oregon in the past ten days, ranging from Tillamook on the coast to Nyssa on the Idaho border.

Generated Sparks
In the hotly contested fourth district Democratic congressional primary, where a Red China argument between Charles Porter and Robert Duncan has generated sparks this week, a third candidate spoke out Saturday at a rally in his honor.

State Sen. Robert Straub called for Medicare for the elderly under social security. He said it would "take a great burden off the shoulders, not only of the aged, but also of their children and other close relatives."

The Associated Oregon Industries came out against a proposed ballot measure to make it easier to tax above the six per cent limitation.

Portland State college announced that two major antagonists on the subject will debate Wednesday on legislative reapportionment, although that subject won't be on the spring ballot.

Taken into Account
The debaters will be Multnomah County Democratic Chairman Frank Roberts, who wants legislative representation based on population, and State Rep. George Annala, a Hood River Democrat, who wants land area taken into account as well.

Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) Saturday took credit for obtaining a large share of federal public works construction in Oregon.

The Oregon Democrat, who faces an election test this November against one of a slate of Republican hopefuls, also took sole personal credit for the beginning of construction of The Dalles dam at a time when new construction had been halted as a result of the Korean War.

Made Claims
Morse made the claims in a radio broadcast prepared for release in Oregon today.

He noted that the Army Engineers alone had spent more than \$600 million on water projects in Oregon since he entered the Senate in 1945.

Morse said that funds for The Dalles dam and for the Talent irrigation project near Medford came as a result of a conference with then President Truman in 1951.



ATTENTIVE LISTENERS - Col. John H. and Space Administration building at the World's Fair in Seattle. Sitting next to President Lyndon Johnson gives the dedication speech for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration building at the World's Fair in Seattle. Sitting next to Glenn is Joseph Gandy, president of the fair. (UPI)

Public Library Budget Not Being Favorably Received

The \$139,711 budget requested for the Public Library of Medford and Jackson County is not being received favorably by either the city of Medford or the Jackson county budget committee, it was reported to the library board Friday afternoon.

The county budget committee has not yet fully considered the \$81,735 requested of the county for its share of the overall budget, Librarian Omar Bacon noted.

The library has requested \$36,666 in the Medford transfer and the \$7,600 from the Medford tax levy. Comparable figures for the current year are \$32,666 and \$7,760.

"The printed city budget indicated the city administration recommended that no increase be allowed for 1962-63" (over 1961-62, or \$4,000 less than originally requested), Bacon wrote in his agenda sheet to the board members.

Without Consultation
"The library was not invited for an interview before this decision was made. (The county budget committee has held two interviews with the board representatives.) Estimates for the anticipated income for 1961-62 were made without consultation with the library and fall short of reasonable expectations."

Bacon Speaks at Librarian Meeting

Omar Bacon, librarian of the Public Library of Medford and Jackson County, spoke at a meeting of the Jackson County Association of School Librarians at Hoover school recently.

He told of his trip to Pendleton during the state library convention there.

New officers introduced are Mrs. Earl Rogers, president; Mrs. Alf Mckvold, vice president; and Miss Gladys Owen, secretary-treasurer.

Host for the meeting was Jerold Martin, Hoover school librarian.

Planners Continue Request by Smith
The Medford planning commission Thursday voted to continue until its next meeting June 14 a request by Benton Smith for a change of zone for property located on the northeast corner of McAndrews and Biddle rds.

Smith told the commission if the zone change is granted, he would lease a section of the four acres involved to Signal Oil company for the construction of a service station.

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Salem - (UP) - The so-called Missouri plan whereby all judges would be appointed by the governor instead of elected by the people has been approved by the Oregon Constitutional Revision Commission.

The vote was 9-6, a bare majority.

The 17 member commission is rewriting Oregon's 104-year old constitution, making it more lean and austere. It is now considered a crazy quilt document by constitutional law experts, packed with fat and archaic material.

If the new document the commission comes up with gets through the 1963 Legislature - with a two thirds vote in each house required - it will go on the 1964 ballot.

No Opposition
There are various refinements to the Missouri plan, and the one approved here would have all judges appointed by the governor, all for two year terms. Then, at a general election, the appointee would go before the voters but he would have no opposition on the ballot. The only issue would be retention of the judge, or rejection of him.

If the people voted to retain him, then the governor would appoint him for six years. The judge thereafter could stay in office ad infinitum, but facing the "yes" or "no" test at the polls every six years.

If a judge was axed by the voters at either his first election, or at successive ones, the governor would then appoint a successor.

At present in Oregon, the governor appoints a judge only when there is a vacancy between elections.

Plan Said Popular
One version of the Missouri plan creates a state law commission that gives the governor a list of names from which he must make his judicial appointments. Oregon commission didn't favor this.

Some form of the Missouri plan is being used in Missouri, California, New Jersey, Alaska, and Kansas. The commission also noted that such a plan has been approved in Iowa and that it is "becoming increasingly popular" in other parts of the nation.

Proponents here argued, among other things, that judges shouldn't be subjected to fears of reprisal by the voters for "unpopular but necessary decisions."

Former Gov. Robert D. Holmes of Portland led the proponents, saying there is no connection between a man's judicial capability and his vote-getting powers.

Leading the opposition was state Rep. Clarence Barton (D-Coquille) who favored retention of the present system.

Too Much Power
Both Barton and another

legislator - commissioner, State Rep Stafford Hansell (R-Hermiston) said many people in their areas are "alarmed" over the plan, feeling it would give the governor too much power.

Besides Barton and Hansell, those voting no were former Gov. Charles A. Sprague, Salem; William Sweetland, Klamath Falls publisher; State Rep. George Van Hoomissen (D-Portland) and State Rep. George Layman (R-Newberg).

Besides Holmes, those voting yes were: Supreme Court Justices Kenneth O'Connell and Alfred T. Goodwin; Multnomah Circuit Judge Herbert Schwab, Portland; Robert W. Chandler, Bend publisher; State Sens. Donald Husband (R-Eugene) and Thomas Mahoney (D-Portland); Mrs. Esther Lewis, Portland housewife, and Law Prof. Hans Lind, Eugene.

Items Approved
In addition to the selection of all judges by the governor, other items approved here by the Oregon commission on constitutional revision last week included:

- A new provision that would allow urban areas of the state form metropolitan districts, merging cities and adjacent unincorporated areas to provide common services

and help attack "megopolis." - Retain the state's anti-lottery law. The vote was 9-6, a bare majority. State Sen. Thomas R. Mahoney (D-Portland) led a move to delete the provision, saying it is meaningless and adding that it makes as much sense as laws forbidding any woman from prostituting herself - hard to enforce.

Dr. Stevenson Returns From Chicago Meeting
Ashland - Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson, Southern Oregon college president, has returned from the Chicago meeting of the Advisory Council of the Associated Organizations for Teacher Education for which he is national secretary.

While attending the meeting, Dr. Stevenson served as chairman for two discussion groups which were conducted on the topics of "Teaching of Values in Teacher Education," and "Education of Teachers for Teachers."



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Yreka Firm Bids High for Timber

Yreka - The J. F. Sharp Lumber company of Yreka submitted the highest bid for 1,470,000 board feet of pine and fir timber in the French Gulch unit of the Scott river working circle, Klamath National forest.

Total advertised value was \$25,919.50. The value based on the highest bid was \$34,131.20.

Other companies submitting bids were Pine Mountain Lumber company of Yreka, Reynen-Cowling Lumber Corporation of Yreka, and International Paper company of Weed.

Foreign-Bound War Surplus Planes Seized

Newark, N.J. - (UP) - Two U.S. war surplus medium attack bombers headed for "a foreign destination" have been seized by order of the State Department and two more are expected to be seized later today.

Lawrence Fleishman, supervising customs agent for New Jersey and New York, said the planes were seized to "prevent their illegal export from the United States to a foreign destination."

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