

Mountain Use Disagreements Told at Hearing

Timberline Lodge, Ore. — The attractions of high mountain areas, and some disagreements on ways to utilize them highlighted a two-day high mountain conference that ended here Monday night.

The conference coincided with the silver anniversary of Timberline Lodge, dedicated in 1937 as a depression years works project.

The U.S. Forest Service, administrator of the largest chunk of high mountain territory in the Northwest, has given recreation priority in high mountain use, along with soil preservation and water supply.

Favors Cutting

Timberman George H. Schroeder of Crown Zellerbach Corp., however, told the conference scientific timber cutting should be allowed.

Sheepman Emmet Smith, president of the Washington Wool Growers association, called for continued grazing in mountain areas.

Oregon Geology Director Hollis Dole said prospecting and mining should be permitted.

Several speakers protested damage to scenic areas through overuse. Philip Schneider, director of the Oregon Game commission, said more access roads would help break up objectionable concentrations at a few sites.

Charles S. Collins of the California - Oregon Recreational Development association predicted luxury resorts will spread to high mountain areas.

The conference was sponsored by Reed College and a Portland citizens' committee.

Higher Education Budget Discussed; SOC Plans Approved

Portland — (UPI) — A discussion of budget needs was on the agenda today as the State Board of Higher Education went into the second day of its monthly meeting here.

The budget problem includes Gov. Mark Hatfield's proposed \$45 million bond issue for higher education buildings during the next four years. The board had called for a \$47 million capital outlay in the next two years.

Board President William E. Walsh said the discussion also covered proposed cuts in operational spending. He said a preliminary review of Hatfield's proposed \$405 million budget indicates a "critical" reduction in operational expenditures.

The Hatfield budget is a record, but the higher education system is growing even faster.

The board heard an architectural plea Monday from its building committee chairman, J. W. Forrester Jr. He said he hoped the board would act to prevent future dormitories from looking like "so many concrete apple boxes."

Board member Cheryl S. MacNaughton urged a family study center at Oregon State university.

"One third of our enrollment is made up of women, and we are still educating them for men's work," she said. "It is time we did something."

The proposed \$500,000 facility would include actual living quarters for a small number of home economics majors.

The building committee approved preliminary plans for a student health service building.

Wirtz Discusses Newspaper Strike

New York — (UPI) — Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz was to meet here today with striking printers and publishers in a top-level effort to mediate a settlement of a contract dispute that has closed down the city's nine major daily newspapers for four days.

The newspapers have a combined daily circulation of 5.7 million.

Wirtz and William E. Simkin, director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, scheduled separate meetings today at the service's office with negotiators for the International Typographical Union's Local 6 and representatives of the Publishers Association of New York. The disputants met jointly Monday with a federal mediator for 40 minutes but were reported "still far apart."

Wirtz was successful last month in helping to find a settlement formula in the eight-day strike of the New York Newspaper Guild against the Daily News.

Duncan Discusses Problems of Fourth District at Luncheon

Congressman-elect Robert B. Duncan, paraphrasing 18th century English Statesman Edmund Burke, said Monday, "When you elect an official, you elect not his vote but his judgment."

Addressing the Medford Chamber of Commerce Roundtable at its noon luncheon, Duncan sketched some of the problems of the fourth district and outlined his general approach to them.

He said he has held a number of meetings all over the district in the last few weeks in an effort to get the views of his constituents on what they think should be accomplished in the next session of congress.

"This job really begins the morning after election," Duncan said, "even though the swearing in doesn't occur until after Jan. 1."

Visits Dr. Durno

He said he recently spent a "splendid evening" with his predecessor in office, Dr. Edwin R. Durno, who advised him on the present status of a number of pending matters which affect the fourth district, and offered Duncan access to his files in order to preserve "continuity of office."

Duncan said he had also recently conferred with Sen. Wayne Morse to discuss means of securing a supplemental appropriation in the next session to keep the Rogue Basin project on schedule and moving ahead.

Turning to other problems of the district, Duncan said that every port community on the coast is interested in improving its economic condition, and their community leaders have spoken to him about projects involving extending their jetties or deepening their channels in efforts to encourage sports fishing and various bargaining operations.

Economic Incentive

Some economic incentive for expanded road construction in the district, Duncan said, could be supplied by the need to increase and improve access to recreation areas. The mining industry should provide a further incentive.

"The hills and mountains in the district still contain millions of dollars worth of minerals that could contribute substantially to the economy," he said.

Duncan pointed to the general need for diversification of industry in many counties of the district, but added that some areas have already taken steps in that direction. He cited the recent construction of some metallurgical plants in the vicinity of Albany as an example.

Praises Growers

He praised area pear growers for their "aggressive" efforts to open up overseas markets to counteract the surplus of pears which has depressed the market recently. He urged rye grass growers, who have had some problems lately, to explore possibilities in a similar direction.

"As we grow more than can be consumed here in this country," Duncan said, "we must remember that there is no surplus so long as there are hungry people in the world."

Grange News

Central Point Grange

Preceding the recent meeting of Central Point Grange, HEC members presented the program. Mrs. Gaston Floux was in charge and the portion of the program were numbers from children and grandchildren of Grange members.

Karen and Diane Jantzer performed in a baton routine. John Frink read a poem, "Dear Santa Claus." Teddie Cornutt sang "Up on the Housetop." The Mexican Hat dance was performed by Cindy Gordon, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Theron Gordon.

Mrs. Walter McMannis and Mrs. James Cornutt played several piano duets of Christmas numbers. An original skit written by Mrs. O. T. Wilson was given by HEC members. A gift in appreciation of her two years' service as HEC chairman was presented to Mrs. Morris Frink from the club and Grange.

Reports were given by members and chairmen of standing committees.

The Grange Christmas party will be Dec. 21 and will be an open meeting for Grange families and friends. Families are asked to take fancy cookies, sandwiches and candy.

Candidates who are waiting for initiation will receive the first and second degrees at the Upper Applegate Grange Dec. 14. The degree team from Phoenix Grange will confer degrees.

Installation of officers will be held at Central Point Grange Sunday, Dec. 30, at 1:30 p.m.

Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ricks, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Katherman and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Tessman.

SIGN TREATY

Washington — (UPI) — The United States and Israel have signed an extradition treaty that could prevent a repetition of the Robert Soblen incident. The treaty was signed Monday by Secretary of State Dean Rusk and Israeli Ambassador Abraham Harman. It still must be ratified by the U.S. Senate and the Israeli cabinet.

He said he felt the solutions to the complex problems in the various industries in the district should originate in the industries themselves. He characterized a congressman's role as that of liaison between the people and the government.

In connection with that, he urged the people of the fourth district to feel free to use his office whenever it could be of service to them. He said he is establishing a full-time office in Eugene, and is considering the possibility of opening another office, probably in Medford, at least on a part-time basis, so that it would not be necessary for constituents to call or write Washington every time they had a problem.

In a question and answer session after his talk, Duncan reiterated his earlier position that a postmastership should be under civil service. By and large he said he was opposed to the patronage system, though cognizant of its role in the two-party political system.

The Dunes issue is still a "live one," he said. "Lack of decision on this problem has helped to cause economic stagnation in that area," Duncan said, "and some decision must be reached soon." He said he feels there is increasing support for his compromise plan.



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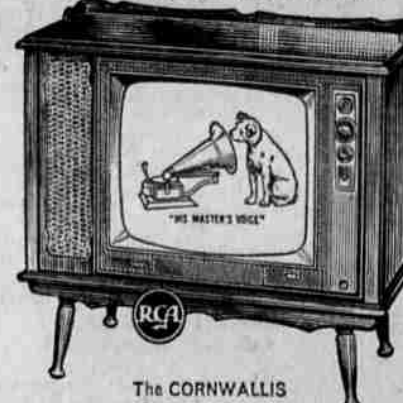
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