

Three Legislative Proposals on Highways Draw Committee Opposition

Three proposals before the Oregon legislature which would affect the state's highway program drew unanimous opposition from the governmental operations committee of the Medford Chamber of Commerce upon recommendation of Paul Rynning, chairman of the chamber's highway committee, last week.

Rynning, in recommending opposition to House Joint Resolution 13, HB 1332 and SB 227, said they "would only hamstring the highway commission, prevent orderly budgeting and planning for state highway building and improvement and put the com-

mission under pressure from pressure groups throughout the state.

The joint resolution, according to Rynning, states that the highway commission "shall construct a bridge across the Willamette river between Salem and Newberg.

HB 1325 permits the highway commission to issue bonds to a maximum of \$37 million for improvement of state highways and bridges.

SB 227 permits the state highway commission to issue bonds in maximum aggregate principal sum of \$17 million for location, relocation, improvement, construction and reconstruction of state highways and bridges, provides that the act become effective only if and when basis for computation of motor vehicle and aircraft fuel license taxes is increased to more than 6 cents per gallon or if and

when annual vehicle license fee is increased.

HB 1234, a bill relating to sale of subdivided land, was opposed by Walter Jones, committee member and local realtor, in his presentation to the governmental operations committee.

Would Regulate Sales
The bill provides for regulation of sale and lease of same by the Oregon real estate department, and issuance of a public report by the department for distribution to each prospective purchaser, and provides penalties.

Jones said the bill would not cure the evil it purports to erase and would give the real estate commissioner unprecedented power in that any real estate subdivision would be subject to the commissioner's approval.

Committee members voiced unanimous agreement with

Jones' objections to the measure.

The program for the breakfast meeting at the Medford hotel opened with a discussion of "Constitutional Revision" for the state led by Mrs. Bonnie Phillips, Medford attorney.

Reports on Constitution
Mrs. Phillips reported that the proposed constitution makes certain changes in the form of state government.

The executive branch would be made the responsibility of the governor, she said. He would be the elective official responsible to the people. The legislature could give the governor such ap-

pointive power as he would have, but whatever appointments he made would be concurrent with his term in office and the appointee would be subject to removal by him. By making all boards and commissions exercising executive power responsible to the governor, the proposed constitution would make it possible to achieve a singleness of purpose from these agencies, Mrs. Phillips maintained. And this would also encourage economy by eliminating duplication, he added.

The power to check up on the administration of state government would be lodged in a controller, responsible to

the legislature, under the proposal, Mrs. Phillips stated.

Combine Certain Functions
The controller would combine certain functions, now exercised in a limited area by the secretary of state and the attorney general. The legislature would determine whether the controller would be elected or appointed and could give him full investigatory power, if needed.

The separation of the check-up, from the operation being checked, is a step toward better management of government, Mrs. Phillips said under the proposed constitution the legislature would have annual sessions.

This would enable the legislature to keep the state revenues in line with state needs

and avoid the crises which result from having to budget two or three years in advance of needs as is done today.

Consider 2,000 Bills

The legislature today has some 2,000 or more bills to consider in a maximum of five months, usually, Mrs. Phillips added. The affairs of state would seem to demand more consideration. Annual sessions would encourage more public awareness of the operation of government, and as a result the state would be more able to care for its own affairs without federal assistance or intervention.

The state that ignores its responsibilities cannot complain if big government when its problems are taken elsewhere, Mrs. Phillips declared.

The judicial branch, the speaker said, would be chang-

ed only in that all judges would be appointed by the governor. Ninety per cent of them are now, she pointed out. Judges would be subject to removal by the people and the Supreme Court would be given the power to initiate changes in the court's rules of procedure.

In summing up, Mrs. Phillips stated that the new constitution would make the governor more responsible for the administration of the laws, and would give the legislature more power to see that he did a good job.

Would Refer To People

Asked how the new constitution would be presented to the people, Mrs. Phillips answered: "If an informed public requires it, the legislature would refer the revised constitution to the people at the next general election." Mrs. Phillips added that she

avored presenting it as a whole rather than part by part.

Robert D. Heffernan Jr., chairman of the governmental operations committee, suggested that members write to the Constitutional Revision committee, Capitol building, Salem, for copies of the document preparatory to further discussion of the proposed constitution with Mrs. Phillips.

Heffernan also announced that Clarence Young will discuss the legislature's action on taxation at Wednesday's meeting of the committee.

Gerald Latham, who recently returned from Washington, D.C., will lead a discussion of "present raids on O and C funds," and Col. W. H. Paine will report on local government, and Ken Nottingham will report on bills affecting labor and industry.



BOB FARRA
Offered Scholarship

Two Scholarships Offered Local Man

Bob Farra, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Farra, 101 South Keenway dr., Medford, has been offered scholarships to two prominently recognized law schools since announcement of results of the law school admission examination at Notre Dame.

Farra was one of two Notre Dame seniors finishing the test above the 99.6 percentile. The test was taken by 102,000 students.

The scholarships offered the Medford man are \$4,200 from Notre Dame law school and a full tuition scholarship from Georgetown law school.

Farra received his degree in business administration from Notre Dame Feb. 1 and is now attending the graduate school of business administration at the University of California at Berkeley on a teaching assistantship.

A graduate of St. Mary's High school in 1959, Farra was valedictorian of his class and a Merit scholarship finalist. At Notre Dame, he was on the Dean's list during his junior and senior years, a member of Beta Alpha Psi, national honorary accounting fraternity; the Accounting club and the International Relations club.

Happy Camp Pupils Attend Music Event

Happy Camp - A group of Happy Camp musicians went to Stockton recently to attend the 13th annual Pacific Music Clinic, in which 3,000 students participated.

It was the second year that Happy Camp students, under the direction of James Tristram, had attended the event.

Band students attending were Skip Davis, Larry Westby, Joyce Bowers, Lee Attebury, Marty Ferguson, Peter Swearingen, Linda Paul, Terry Kuehl, Elliott Steele, Sue Curtis, Kathy Meinert, Donna Pence, Susan Laughlin and Joe Kirby.

Choir students making the trip were Dian Harnden, Linda Munson, Alberta Diggle, Geni Dalton, Carol Attebury, Linda Laughlin, Devera Sasser, Dana Mills and Rosalie Charity.

Parents who made the Happy Camp participation possible, were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Westby, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cook, Mr. and Mrs. James Tristram, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Meinert, Mrs. Wee Curtis and Mrs. Rubygrace Applegate.

New Power Line Under Construction

Construction of a new direct line from the White City substation to Eagle Point is under way by the Pacific Power and Light company, Frank Benesh, district manager, reported Friday.

The line will extend 5 1/2 miles, connecting at the substation, increasing the power capacity available to Eagle Point and the surrounding area.

In addition to setting poles and stringing lines, work on the project will involve some changes in the transformer system, Benesh said. The system will be converted from 4,000 to 12,000 volts.

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