

Patterson Seeks New Constitution

By PAUL W. HARVEY Jr.
HALEM (AP) — Gov. Paul L. Patterson asked Monday for a sweeping reorganization of Oregon's state government by recommending to the Legislature that it vote for holding a convention to give the state a new constitution.

The opening of the legislative session that the state's 93-year-old constitution has been amended so much that "in some respects it is more a compilation of by-laws than a constitution."

The constitutional convention would be held in 1956, Gov. Patterson said. The Legislature would submit the proposal for the convention to the people at the next general election, in November, 1955.

Patterson, elevated from the Senate presidency to the governorship only 27 days ago, delivered his message before a joint session of the Senate and House.

He recommended that the Legislature avoid passing any increased taxes, declaring the state could live on its present revenue during "the period when national security has a rightful first claim upon tax resources."

He urged the lawmakers, however, to try to cut his \$46 million dollar budget.

"It should be recognized that the favorable financial position is largely the result of continuing high revenue from the income tax," he said.

"This, in turn, is based upon a national economy resting on the unreliable foundation of inflation. We cannot safely assume, as a basis for state planning, that inflationary trends will continue during the whole of the coming biennium."

"Budgetary planning should be based upon a realistic evaluation of probable revenues."

Gov. Patterson's other recommendations included:

Make another attempt to consolidate school districts. The people voted in November against the 1951 Legislature's school consolidation bill.

If the Legislature thinks a State Department of Revenue would save money, it should create it. This department, which would be under the governor, would consolidate the state's major tax collecting agencies.

Approve the Statute Revision Council's rewritten version of all state laws.

Make public all compromised claims allowed by the State Tax Commission. These claims, which are tax reductions ordered by the commission, now are secret.

Simplify the state's tax system by permitting direct spending of income tax receipts. These receipts now are used only to reduce state property taxes.

Provide money to let Oregon take part in setting up the proposed Columbia River Compact, under which the Northwest states hope to take over control of Columbia River Basin waters from the federal government.

Extend federal social security benefits to state employees.

Make state income tax exemptions conform with the federal exemptions. The state exemptions now are \$750 each for husband and wife, and \$300 for each dependent. The federal exemptions are \$600 for each person.

Increase slightly the state timber-cutting tax of 5 cents a thousand feet to create a state emergency fire-fighting fund.

Boost the size of the 320-man state police force to 379 men in order to control highway traffic better.



R. KENNETH EVANS has been employed by the Herald and News to conduct a survey of industrial, commercial and cultural activities in the Klamath Basin, and the first of a series of articles on his findings will appear in the paper tomorrow. The articles will be printed each Tuesday for 15 weeks, to show the stability of resources and the potentialities for future development in the Basin.

Jaycees Seek Man of Year

A Junior Chamber of Commerce secret committee is seeking Klamath County's outstanding young citizen of 1952. He is to be honored at the joint dinner meeting Wednesday evening of the Junior and senior chambers. The dinner is scheduled for the Willard Hotel Banquet hall at 6:30.

James T. Brand, chief justice of the Oregon Supreme Court, is to make an address.

The Junior Chamber's Distinguished Service Award is to go to some man who has not yet reached his 35th birthday. Only other qualification is that he be a Klamath County resident. He need not be a member of the Jaycees.

As usual, identity of the DSA winner is to be known only to the 5-man selection committee, until the moment of award presentation at the banquet.

The DSA awards are made annually by Jaycees throughout the nation. A state winner is selected from local winners and a national winner is selected from state winners.

The Klamath award last year went to Bob Smith, then registrar and now dean at Oregon Tech.

Other winners: Darrell Miller, 1950; Earl Kennerly, 1951; Chet Hamaker, 1948; James Silwell, 1947; Robert R. Walker, 1946; Karl Dehlinger, 1945; John Sandmeyer, 1944; James Kerns Jr., 1943; Ralph Wagoner, 1942; Don Drury, 1941; Martin Swanson, 1940; Clifford C. Jenkins, 1939; Charles Mack, 1938; L. Orlin Sismore, 1937; Harlan Bosworth, 1936; Percy Murray, 1935.

Senate Starts; Speed Up Workings

The House already requires approval of its rules committee before any bill can be introduced.

The House decided to streamline things by reducing the number of committees from 25 to 21.

The senators were told by Sen. Dean H. Walker, Independence, a former president of the Senate and dean of the Senate, that they could get home sooner by starting all Senate and committee meetings on time, by better preparation of bills, and by reducing the amount of horseplay on the Senate floor.

Other action at the caucuses included a pay raise for all secretaries. They will get \$10 a day, or a \$1 daily increase.

All Senate officers were re-elected. They are Mrs. Zylpha Zell Burns, Portland, chief clerk; Mrs. Christine Helland, Portland, assistant chief clerk; Mrs. Helen Rinehart, Portland, calendar clerk; Gordon Barnard, Salem, reading clerk; Vern Drager, Portland, sergeant at arms; Rex Adolph, Salem, doorkeeper; and William King, Prineville, mailing clerk.

The House re-elected Clarel Buff, Salem, chief clerk; Patricia Sherman, Salem, assistant chief clerk; and Edith Byrnes, Lew, Salem, calendar clerk.

The two new House officers elected are Joe Benninghoff, Portland, reading clerk; and C. A. Hayden, Klamath Falls, sergeant at arms.

Dunsmuir Police Break Juvenile 'Reefer' Ring

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Committee Reports Reds Fill Schools

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate internal security subcommittee today urged further investigation of Red influences in the nation's schools and colleges and said there are "many hundreds of teachers who are Communists."

The subcommittee said it has turned up evidence from all parts of the country on Communist penetration of colleges, high schools and elementary schools.

During its public hearings in New York City last September and October, the group said, it became apparent it could only survive the situation in a broad fashion and submit an interim report to the new Congress.

This it did today, in a 13-page report to its parent body, the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The subcommittee's findings seem certain to spur plans afoot in the new Republican-controlled Congress for an intensive search for subversives in the nation's schools.



SWEETHEART OF Klamath Union High School is the honor now held by pretty Mariene Howard, KU senior. She was named the winner over 13 other candidates at a ball Saturday night. Mariene is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Howard, 1116 Grant.

Chinese Fail In Effort To Dent UN Line

SEOUL (AP) — The heaviest Red assault of the new year smashed against the line of a newly activated South Korean division Monday.

The Allied soldiers held their ground, killed an estimated 213 of the attacking 800 Reds, and forced the Communists into retreat after three hours of savage close-quarter fighting.

Battles flared with renewed bitterness all along the frozen Korean front. Altogether the Reds hurled nearly 1,500 men into the fighting in bloody but futile attempts to dent the U. N. lines in pre-dawn darkness.

The U. S. Eighth Army said the main Red blow fell against the Republic of Korea 12th Division on the mountainous Eastern Front.

Gen. James A. Van Fleet announced the activation of the 12th and 15th ROK Divisions only two months ago. This was the first indication that either had seen combat.

AIR WAR

In the air war, Allied fighter-bombers reared north in follow-up raids on the vital Sinanju supply center deep in Northwest Korea. Ten U. S. B-29s dropped 10,000 tons of high explosives on rail yards there Sunday night. The trip-hammer blows are part of a concerted effort to smash the main Communist supply line from Manchuria to the front lines.

The Eastern Front fighting flared northeast of the Puchobow. North Korean Reds struck through a snowstorm with 650 men in one attack and 150 more in another assault just to the east. Both battles opened just after midnight.

The Communists stormed forward behind a curtain of blistering artillery and mortar fire. Allied soldiers met their charge with tank fire, rifles, machine guns, mortars and artillery. Both Red forces were hurled back.

At about the same time a heavy Chinese Red attack hit the Capitol Hill on the East-Central Front. Two full Chinese companies—nearly 400 men Sunday night.

The Chinese also hurled a two-pronged attack by 200 men against an Allied outpost just south of Old Baldy on the Western Front. They struck from two directions behind a curtain of mortar and artillery fire but were hurled back in about 20 minutes.

Marines Study Mystery Plane

TOKYO (AP) — The U. S. Marines today started their own "new and independent" investigation of a strafing and bombing attack that killed 14 American soldiers and nine on the Korean Central Front last week.

An Air Force statement Sunday indicated the plane was of the type used by Navy and Marine pilots may have been responsible.

The Air Force said the plane was scheduled to attack the Reds north and east of the scene on the day of the mistake.

Marine spokesmen in Tokyo said the Marine air wing in Korea sent its own investigators to the scene to question witnesses and inspect the damage.

"We're starting out from scratch," he said, "with a new and independent inquiry."

The Tokyo announcement was made after an Air Force and Army team surveyed the area, eight miles behind the front line. Orders from the defense department in Washington broke four days of official silence on the attack.

The names of killed and wounded have not been disclosed.

The Air Force said investigation established that an unexploded 500-pound bomb at the scene bore the marking "U. S. Naval Powder Magazine, Japan Bomb Ammo."

It also said experienced witnesses identified the planes as Panther jets.

No spokesman for any of the three American services suggested the attacking planes might have been Communist. Red jets rarely get close to the front, which lies about 100 miles north.

Survivors at the bombed artillery service unit told investigators they believed two or more planes hit them but they could not be sure because of the high speed of the attackers.

Spud Loadings Set High Mark

What might be a record in numbers of carloads of potatoes shipped out of the Klamath Basin in one day was marked off here Saturday when the Oregon Department of Agriculture issued certificates of inspection to 116 carloads—93 by rail and 23 by truck.

As far as local officials could recall, this is one of the highest—if not the highest—individual day shipments out of here. However, no official figures were available on this.

The Saturday's activity brought to 6,015 the number of cars of potatoes shipped out so far this season. There was estimated to be between 10,000 and 11,000 cars of potatoes grown for commercial sale in this area this year.

Tulelake Water District Protests Lease Action

The Tulelake Water District Board of Directors is to file a brief with the new secretary of the interior, Douglas McKay, objecting to the transfer of Reclamation Bureau land in the Klamath Project to the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Sam Anderson, prominent local rancher and board member, announced the action today and said eight other water and irrigation boards had said they would throw their weight behind the formal objection.

Interior Secy. Oscar Chapman, who is to be succeeded by McKay Jan. 20, has ordered that a big part of the Klamath Project land not already homesteaded be turned over to Fish and Wildlife Jan. 1, 1954. For the past few years, this rich cropland has been leased for farming by the Reclamation Bureau. It was all to have been homesteaded as soon as flood control work was completed.

Chapman's order would continue the year-to-year leasing and scrap homesteading plans.

Anderson said today the Tulelake Water District directors were basing their objection to Chapman's plan on these principal points:

They fear that lease revenues obtained by Fish and Wildlife will not be applied to the Klamath Project reclamation and irrigation expense chargeable to the homesteaders.

Fish and Wildlife spokesmen here have said all lease revenues would be turned back toward paying off the project costs but Anderson said the Water District directors feared this policy might not be followed.

The directors also fear that valuable cropland might be lost to domestic food production. Fish and Wildlife has said that all present lease land would continue to be farmed for private interests as at present. But the directors, according to Anderson, fear this policy might also be changed and some of the land used for production of wildlife food.

In their final point of objection, the directors charge that Fish and Wildlife has thus far refrained from developing other land put under its control and thus does not deserve this additional land.

Anderson said California's U. S. Sen. William Knowland and U. S. Rep. Engle had promised support of the Water District directors' objection to the Fish and Wildlife transfer.

"We're also going to try and get Guy Cordon (U. S. Senator from Oregon) to back us," Anderson said.

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Police Study Child's Death

TACOMA (AP) — City police and the Pierce County coroner's office Monday was investigating the death of four-year-old Linda Eckland who died of strangulation Saturday night after being tightly bound with a pair of elastic suspenders.

The child was taken to the county hospital and was pronounced dead on arrival. An autopsy performed Sunday by Dr. Charles Larson and Dr. Frank James, coroner, set the time of death as around 6 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Eckland told police that Linda, 4, by the name Charles, 5, had trussed her up with the suspenders while playing "cow-boy" and then evidently forgot about her and went to a neighbor's to watch a television show.

Eckland said he had left home and Mrs. Eckland said she was lying down taking a nap when it occurred. Mrs. Eckland said the first she knew of it was when Freddie, 6, an older brother ran into her room and woke her, saying: "Linda won't move."

She found Linda lying on the bed, she said, her face black. The suspenders tied tightly around her body and neck. She cut the bands and called an ambulance to take her to the hospital.

Dr. James said the evidence showed the little girl "struggled terribly" before she lost consciousness. She had a number of bruises on her head and body also, he said.

The parents said Charles admitted tying up Linda but denied putting a strand of the suspenders around her neck.

Spud Growers Start Meeting

The Klamath Potato Growers Association met in general session early this afternoon in the Merrill Recreation Hall, Tulelake. Growers Association members also met with the group.

They began drawing up recommendations to be submitted to the new federal administration in reference to agricultural policies of the Klamath Basin.

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PORTLAND (AP) — Pacific Northwest CIO Woodworkers will ask in their forthcoming contract negotiations for more pay for six hours work than they now receive for eight hours work.

The average wage of the 50,000 members of the union in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Northern California now is \$2.10 an hour or \$16.80 a day.

The union wants that same pay for a six-hour day plus a 2 1/2 cent hourly increase for the six hours, the union's Regional Negotiation Board reported Sunday.

The union, representing loggers, plywood mill workers and boommen, also will ask liberalization of the present six-day holiday clause so more workers will benefit from it, and a third week of paid vacation after five years. Workers now receive one week vacation after one year and two weeks after three years.

Contracts for most of the workers expire April 1.

A. F. Hartung, president of the union, said the six-hour work day was being sought because of unemployment throughout the industry.

WOUNDED

The Defense Department announced today that a Merrill man, Pvt. Lewis M. Maupin has been wounded in the Korean fighting. Maupin is the son of Mrs. Dorothy G. Maupin.

Students Take Reports Home

First semester report cards from Klamath Union High School were passed out to KUHHS students today to be taken home to their parents, and registration for the second semester was underway all day today.

About 1,500 student cards were being issued by the high school, officials said. Under present plans, report cards are not returned to the high school by the students after parents sign them, as has been done in the past.

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