

### Boss Slates Keynote Talk To Wool Growers Meeting

PORTLAND (AP) — Don Clyde of Heber City, Utah, delivers a key address today as president of the National Growers Association holding its 94th annual convention here.

The address by Clyde is expected to form the basis of major action to be taken at the wool meeting.

A spokesman for the group said Clyde's speech deals with the lamb market that started deteriorating early in November, but also covers other key issues.

He said sheepmen are concerned about the price of lamb, which dropped \$6 a hundredweight, partially recovered, but still is low.

The American Wool Council, which provides U.S. representation on the board of directors of Wool Bureau, Inc., re-elected J. K. Sexton of Willows, Calif., president.

Others re-elected by the group are Steve Stumberg, Sanderson, Tex., vice president; Edwin Marsh, Salt Lake City, Utah, secretary; and Edwin Mayer, San Angelo, Tex., director-at-large for the Wool Bureau.

The Wool Bureau is the U.S. branch of the International Wool Secretariat, which promotes the sale of wool and woolen products internationally.

### Former PUC Commissioner Issues Blast Against SP

SALEM (AP) — Former Public Utilities Commissioner Howard Morgan has charged the Southern Pacific with attempting to discourage passenger service in Oregon.

In a letter to Harold D. McCoy, secretary to the ICC, signed Jan. 12, the day he resigned from the PUC post, Morgan listed what he termed as 12 "salient" actions the Southern Pacific has taken to discourage patronage on its passenger runs.

This testimony is expected to be used by the PUC at Interstate Commerce Commission proceedings Feb. 10 in San Francisco on whether service in the Shasta Daylight should be curtailed. Acting commissioner Gordon Hieber said Hatfield has requested the PUC "take such steps as are necessary to protect the public interest" at the hearing.

Southern Pacific wants to reduce its daily schedules on the Portland-San Francisco train to three times a week.

Morgan said in his letter that his staff conducted a year-long investigation into the S. P. passenger service. He gave this list of items as evidence that the railroad is trying to discourage passenger patronage:

1. Removal of passenger agents who traveled on each train to render service and information.
2. Discontinuance of the public address system in Shasta Daylights to call attention to points of interest.
3. Reduction of porter service.
4. Removal of the coffee shop car from winter runs.
5. Severe reduction in car cleaning.
6. Discontinuance of ferry service across San Francisco Bay.
7. Failure to experiment with dining car innovations, and continuance of old-fashioned type of service and high prices.
8. Handling of airline passenger sales and advertising at no cost to the airlines.
9. Closing of the railroad's street-level Portland ticket office and moving it to the 6th floor.
10. Reduction in ticket office employees.
11. A sharp decline in passenger advertising.
12. Failure to run the Daylight on time. Last June, he said, the train was late arriving in Portland 60 per cent of the time.

### Middle District Judge Faces Toughest Decision

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (UPI)—U. S. Middle District Judge Frank M. Johnson Jr. faces one of the toughest decisions of his career today.

The 40-year-old jurist must decide whether to hold his old friend and classmate, former Circuit Judge George C. Wallace, in contempt of federal court.

Johnson, known as a strict disciplinarian, ordered Wallace three times to produce registration records for the Civil Rights Commission investigating alleged violations of Negro voting rights in Alabama.

Wallace refused each time to comply with Johnson's orders, the last time by turning the records over to hastily-summoned grand jurors in Barbour and Bullock counties.

Johnson ordered Wallace to show cause today why he should not be held in contempt of federal court.

Johnson earned his law degree from the University of Alabama where it is reported he gave financial aid to the struggling Wallace.

The stern jurist opened a practice at Jasper, Ala., in 1943 but soon entered the Army. He emerged as a captain after being wounded twice and earning the Purple Heart, Combat Infantry-

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### 'Oregon Voter' Publisher Sees \$315 Million Budget

PORTLAND (AP) — A state budget of 310 to 315 million dollars has been forecast for Oregon by Editor and Publisher Walter W. R. May of the Oregon Voter.

The long-time Oregon newspaper editor said Monday this would be the sum approved by the 1959 state Legislature, which he described as "generally conservative."

May predicted the budget would include some 10 to 15 million dollars in building funds and would be reached without a bond issue.

In a speech before the Portland Chamber of Commerce Forum and the Portland Women's Forum, May explained why he felt the building funds would be

### Supplies Of Grain Reach New Mark

WASHINGTON (AP)—Supplies of five grains stored in the United States reached a new record Jan. 1 the U. S. Department of Agriculture announced Monday.

The USDA said stocks of wheat were almost one third larger than a year earlier, with 1,815,757,000 bushels. And supplies of large stock feed grains—corn, oats, barley, and sorghum—were more than one-tenth above the record set Jan. 1, 1958.

In Oregon, the stocks included 44,320,000 bushels of wheat and 15,134,000 bushels of barley.

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## Economy In Government Mullied By Salem Solons

By DICK HUMPHREY

SALEM (UPI) — The Oregon Legislature, well into its second week, is starting to do some real soul-searching over the problem of economy in government.

Most legislators, both Republican and Democratic, seem to feel considerable public pressure against any new taxes which large-scale spending might entail.

This was revealed in a poll of both House and Senate members.

But the problem is not that simple. As responsible men and women they also feel the pressure to provide needed programs and services, even though they cost money. Especially is this true in fields of education, building and welfare.

Senate President Walter J. Pearson (D-Portland) stated the economy case fairly bluntly when he said "The 1959 Legislature will not be a spending Legislature."

Sen. Ben Musa (D-The Dalles) phrased it a little more ominously when he said this session "had better be economy minded!"

Rep. Clarence Barton (D-Coquille) chairman of the important House Tax Committee, saw the problem of economy was one forced upon the Legislature "of necessity" as far as fiscal matters were concerned.

The feeling of the public was remarked by Rep. Pat J. Metke (R-Bend) when he said:

"The November election was an economy mandate and responsible legislators must recognize this pattern."

Both Reps. Beulah Hand (D-Milwaukie) and Katherine Musa (D-The Dalles) came out for economy but wanted the State Legislature not to be "penny wise and pound foolish."

Sen. Monroe Sweetland (D-Milwaukie) approached the question cautiously stating that the Legislature should be economy-minded as all Legislatures should be.

"But a sort of tax-hysteria has been stimulated which has fogged the real tax situation. Along some lines Oregon should spend now to forestall greater costs later," Sweetland said.

Being asked to choose between

### Lawyers Of Star's Ex-Wife Seek Criminal Citation

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — Lawyers for Sterling Hayden's former wife today sought a criminal contempt citation against the strapping actor, believed sailing to the South Seas with his four children.

Attorneys Chester Smith and Marvin Mitchelson, representing Mrs. Betty Ann de Noon Hayden, had a date in court with Superior Judge Emil Gumpert to seek the citation.

Judge Gumpert awarded Hayden custody of the couple's four children, Jan. 15, but ruled against a sea-going movie-making trip planned by the actor in a 98-foot schooner called the "Wanderer."

The vessel left San Francisco Bay more than a week ago, ostensibly bound for Santa Barbara, Calif., but somewhere off the coast Monday at the request of singer Dick Haymes, whose son was stabbed in the arm by young Clarke in a scuffle.

Dick Haymes Jr., 16, testified in Children's Court that the stabbing was accidental. The Clarke boy had voluntarily turned himself over to police.

Haymes DROPS CHARGES

NEW YORK (UPI)—A charge of juvenile delinquency against Alan Clarke, 15, was dropped Monday at the request of singer Dick Haymes, whose son was stabbed in the arm by young Clarke in a scuffle.

Dick Haymes Jr., 16, testified in Children's Court that the stabbing was accidental. The Clarke boy had voluntarily turned himself over to police.

"economy" and "spending" rubbed Rep. Keith Skelton (D-Eugene), co-chairman of the Joint Ways and Means Committee, the wrong way.

"This is, in my opinion, a stupid question," Skelton said.

"The Oregon Legislature has always been for economy first and other things, such as progress, second," he said.

"Otherwise, why should we have to spend so much now (proportionately) to catch up with the short-sighted, penny pinching policies of past Republican administrations?"

"We are spending more now than we were, but that doesn't mean we're not interested in real economy," Skelton continued.

"Was it real economy that kept us from spending sufficient amounts in education, so that now we have to increase spending more than average growth to catch up? Was it real economy to let the employers of this state rob the unemployment compensation fund so that we now have to assess ourselves too much to keep the fund from going broke?" Skelton asked.

And as a parting shot, he added: "This may be the sort of question which will delight a Hat-

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