



QUARTER MIDGETS drew plenty of spectators as they wheeled around the track set up at the Vernonia High School parking lot.

## SALEM SCENE

Gov. Tom McCall vetoed a record number of bills passed by the 57th regular session of the Oregon Legislature.

Taken together, the gubernatorial objection to 16 new laws is considered by most observers another rebuke of activity during the six-month-long meeting of the assembly in Salem this year. And many of the same observers figure the chief executive could have vetoed 10 times the number he did without inflicting serious damage to the legislative process.

Consensus appeared to be the other 140-odd questionable measures just weren't that important.

And all this despite the fact Gov. McCall earlier declared the session was a good one and the people got their money's worth.

In three previous sessions the governor had exercised his veto power an even dozen times. Normally, measures passed are signed by House Speaker, Senate President and the chief executive before becoming law in the course of events. About the only thing the governor can't veto are measures referred to the voters for final approval.

Sometimes a governor will express displeasure with a piece of legislation by simply refusing to sign it. The Constitution provides, however, that such measures become law automatically after a specified time period. McCall style has been to either sign or veto.

The McCall veto was first exercised during the 57th session when he turned thumbs down on SB 162, requiring independent political candidates to be so registered six months before an election. Since the action was taken before the session's July 6 adjournment, lawmakers overrode the veto and the measure became law anyway.

The other 15 vetoes followed adjournment and quite likely all will be considered for action during the scheduled special session early next year. But a few gubernatorial vetoes might prompt sponsors to launch initiative campaigns to place measures before voters for approval.

Vetoes that will stick - at least until subsequent legislative action or a decision by voters - include:

SB 324 - to create a three-member public utility commission. The governor likes the present single commissioner system.

SB 491 - to create an Energy Conservation Board in the Commerce Department. McCall believes this can be accomplished in SB 73, enacting a statewide building code.

SB 715 - exempting political party organizations from filing reports of contributions and spending before primary elections. He said it would insulate candidates who received party funds from disclosing ultimate sources.

SB 841 - to reduce truck speeds to 50 miles an hour on wet road surfaces creating spray. The governor doubted enforceability and effectiveness of the act.

SB 899 - to transfer Occupational Health Section from Health Division to Workmen's Compensation Board. McCall believes this is at odds with an already federally approved health and safety plan and would lead to duplication.

HB 2242 - to award runners-up an elective office if the winner was otherwise disqualified. The governor objected to seating candidates not favored by most voters. The law now creates a vacancy and party organizations nominate someone to fill the vacancy.

HB 2529 - requiring financial disclosures by state and county officials. McCall objected to "unfair burdens" created for unpaid volunteers serving on boards and commissions.

HB 2606 - forbidding Oregon servicemen to serve in undeclared foreign wars. Citing Congressional jurisdiction in such matters, the governor cal-

led the bill "irresponsible and invalid."

HB 2625 and HB 2627 - allowing cities to exclude themselves from city-county consolidation and expand boundaries until 1979 and to avoid consolidation to preserve lower tax rates respectively also attracted gubernatorial ire. McCall termed both "piecemeal disruption of the city-county consolidation concept."

HB 2747 - requiring state agencies to retain mineral rights to state lands sold or transferred was vetoed because the state already has such powers and McCall believes it would put the state at a disadvantage in some land transactions.

HB 2751 - allowing door-to-door canvassing to register voters. The governor fears such a procedure could be used to partisan advantage.

HB 2774 - transferring assets of dissolved cooperatives to the Board of Higher Education instead of the common school fund. McCall called it an "opening wedge for other diminutions of the present requirement abandoned property be used to enhance the common school fund."

HB 2881 - creating a 50-mile offshore fishery conservation zone. The governor called it "totally unenforceable" without a naval force and actually the responsibility of the federal government.

HB 3281 - raising maximum alcoholic content of wines sold in food stores from 14 to 21 per cent. McCall objected on the basis of reduced jurisdiction for the Liquor Control Commission.

Out of so many vetoes it appears only natural some would be prompted by gubernatorial programs at odds with those favored by lawmakers. But reasons expressed for vetoing most were based on questions of enforceability, practicality and jurisdiction.

From these standpoints at least, the governor's action can best be described as a restraining rein on an otherwise over-eager Legislature.

## MVD Transfers Funds

The Motor Vehicles Division has transferred more than \$58,500 to the State Game Fund and Highway Fund for development of snowmobile facilities in Oregon. Each agency received \$29,250.

Oregon law requires the agency to determine the amount of gasoline used by snowmobiles during each fiscal year, ending June 30, and transfer the money to the two funds for placement in the snowmobile account.

The division retained \$1,900 to cover administrative costs, according to Chester W. Ott, Administrator.

The determination on gasoline used is based on more than 6,600 registered snowmobiles in the state, using a calculation on gallons consumed during the year. The agency estimates usage is limited to a 26 week period.

## Columbia County Receives Tax Funds

The Oregon Transportation Commission today announced distribution of \$6,824,188.65 in highway-user tax funds to the 36 counties of the state.

The allocation is based on the statutory 20 per cent for the period April 1 through June 30, 1973. The funds come from the following sources: motor vehicle registration and operators' license fees, gasoline tax, use fuel tax, motor carrier fees, and fines and penalties collected for violations of the size and weight statutes where complaints are made by the Highway Division weighmasters.

The allocation to each county is based on the number of vehicles registered in it. The allocations for Columbia County was \$47,832.19 with 24,392 vehicles registered in 1972.

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## Building Permits Up For Month of June

Building permits were up in Columbia County in June 1973, compared to June 1972, the University of Oregon Bureau of Business and Economic Research has reported.

In June 1973, the total was \$525,825 compared to \$304,434 in the same month last year. Building permits from 147 identical reporting centers in Oregon totalled \$79,919,746 in June 1973. This was 4.2 percent higher than in June 1972.

The state total in June 1973, included \$32,673,237 for 1,774 new dwelling units; \$38,071,795 for new nonresidential construction; and \$9,174,714 for additions, alterations, and repairs to existing structures.

For the same month last year, the \$76,692,809 total of permits was composed of \$54,170,449 for 3,841 new dwelling units; \$15,434,535 for new nonresidential construction; and \$7,087,825 for additions, alterations, and repairs to existing structures.

## Recruiters Due Here

Thursday, August 9, Sp. 4 Fischer and Sp. 4 Gregory will be at the recruiting station at Vernonia City Hall representing the Oregon National Guard from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., to interview men between the ages of 17 and 35, who are interested in training in truck driving, heavy equipment, etc.

For more information or if unable to attend during designated hours call collect, 397-0758.

## Columbia County Fair Results

### ANGUS

Red Awards: Mike Schmidlin

Junior Cow - Blue Awards: Russ Carroll, Tracy Carroll

Senior Cow - Blue Awards: Mike Schmidlin

### SHORTHORN

Junior Cow - Blue Award: Jerry Budge

### CROSSBREED

Junior Cow - Red Award: Mike Harrison

Senior Cow - Blue Awards: Gary Fleck

### DEMONSTRATIONS

Blue Awards: Vickie Pitt, Tracy Carroll

White Awards: Scott Fleck

### BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

Champion: Mike Schmidlin

Junior Champion: Tracy Carroll  
Blue Awards: Mike Harrison, Russ Carroll

Red Awards: Jerry Budge, Scott Fleck

### RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP

Red Awards: John Budge

Awards: John Budge, 1 blue, 1 white

### SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

Red Awards: Donna Willard

### SHEEP

Champion Crossbreds: Donna Willard

Awards: Donna Willard, 3 blues

### DAIRY SHOWMANSHIP

Blue Awards: John Budge

Holstein - Awards: John Budge

### DAIRY OR DUAL PURPOSE STEER

Red Awards: Tracy Carroll, Russ Carroll

### COW AND CALF

Blue Awards: Mike Schmidlin, Gary Fleck

## Ridge Riders Hold Meeting

The Vernonia Ridge Riders met at 8 p.m., July 26 at the West Oregon building. Final plans for the Jamboree parade and horse show were discussed and committees were appointed.

An overnight ride is being planned for August 18-19 to start at Anderson Park and camp at Rogers Park. More details will be published at a later date.

Approximately 30 members rode in the Jamboree parade.

## Coast Guard Warns Boaters

Most small boatmen are familiar with the term "oil pollution"—but many of them may not be familiar with federal regulations that make fines and imprisonment possible for anyone who spills even a small amount of oil onto waters under federal jurisdiction.

Rear Admiral Chester A. Richmond Jr., Commander of the Thirteenth Coast Guard District said, "Most pleasure boatmen and small commercial operators don't think of themselves as potential sources of pollution. But the owner or operator of any vessel, whether it's a supertanker or a runabout, which discharges oil is violating the law. The only exception is that an outboard engine operating properly which leaves a thin sheen of oil and gasoline on the water is not considered in violation."

The small boatman who is fueling, cleaning bilges, pumping out a flooded compartment, or changing engine oil runs a risk of spilling oil. If a spill occurs the law places several serious responsibilities on the spiller.

First, any person in charge of a vessel must immediately report any oil discharge to the Coast Guard. Regardless of the size of the spill, a prompt report must be made. Failure to notify the Coast Guard carries a fine of up to \$10,000 and imprisonment for up to one year upon conviction.

The spiller is also responsible for all cleanup that may be required. If the Coast Guard determines that the cleanup by the spiller is not adequate, it will order additional cleanup and the spiller will be billed for all costs incurred.

Finally the owner or operator of any vessel or shoreside facility which discharges oil shall be assessed a civil penalty which may range up to \$5,000 for each offense. Unlike many other laws under which penalties may be assessed, PL-92-500 provides that a fine shall be assessed when an oil spill occurs.

Levying of a federal civil penalty does not preclude state or local governments from taking additional penalty action under local laws.

Anyone who sights an oil spill is asked to report it

## Students Urged To Preregister

August 3rd is the last day students may preregister for a registration appointment time between August 20 through 24, at Portland Community College. At this time only 55 students per hour at Sylvania and 20 students per hour at Cascade will be registered. This is FCC's new registration procedure which allows students more time to meet with counselors to plan their schedules and to avoid the long lines of open registration which will be September 17 through 26.

Counselors are available during the day and evening to help students plan their programs, and an annual schedule listing all class offerings for 1973-74, is now available by contacting FCC Information Center at 244-6111.



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