

Stunz Reports No Big Legislation Has Been Passed by Either House

By Rep. Emil A. Stunz

This week I will comment, for the most part, on new legislation as the bills that I have previously discussed are in various committees. No big legislation has been passed by either House.

SB No. 447 is a bill that would distribute state aid to schools in such a way as to guarantee every school district the same amount of money per average daily membership. Every taxpayer in Oregon would contribute a uniform amount of money to education.

Counties receiving O and C funds would be required to put some of those funds into the program. In addition each county would receive state aid, which would increase on a graduated scale until 1966 when it reached 50 percent of the total. The goal of this program would be to simplify school fund distribution and to integrate all state, county and rural school district funds.

These monies could then be used to guarantee that every child, regardless of where he might live in the state, would be assured of a minimum of education. This plan for school fund distribution would be something that we could understand; the present plan is so complicated that very few people in Oregon can understand it.

Would Restrict School Bus Use

SB No. 238 relates to provisions governing motor carriers when transporting students and is now in the Committee on Highways. School buses would be used only for the transportation of students to and from school. This would necessitate curtailment of many worthwhile activities or make it necessary for private cars to be used to take students to games, etc., a practice that would involve danger and lack of control.

The bus association is sponsor of this bill and they, no doubt, would profit by its passage.

HB 1011, relating to an increase in bond limits from \$24 million to \$34 million for higher education, has passed both Houses. We voted on this measure in the November election and as you will remember the legislature would determine what portion of the increase of these liquidating bonds could be used each biennium, for the building of additional student facilities.

The Senate has oked a House passed bill changing the name of Oregon State college to Oregon State university.

Cigarette Tax Proposed

A bill has been introduced in the House which would place a three-cent per pack tax on cigarettes, the money derived from this to be used for education. Specifically, a \$10 per child increase in basic school support over and above any other increases approved by the legislature.

On Feb. 14 the largest hearing room in the capitol was packed loud speakers were placed in the hall outside to accommodate the crowd that gathered to attend the second hearing that has been conducted by the combined Public Health and Welfare and the State and Federal Affairs committee regarding the proposed abolishment of the welfare commission and the moving of the welfare headquarters from Portland to Salem.

\$100 Million Budget Involved

This welfare issue involves a \$100 million budget and is very important. It is my opinion that administrator should have a background of big business experience and should have received his experience before going to work for the welfare commission. He should have to answer directly to the governor or to the Board of Control. I think it is important that we continue with appointed commissioners and that they work with the administrator in an advisory capacity.

These commissioners are not paid a salary. As far as the move to Salem is concerned, I am going to wait until further hearings are held before I take a definite stand. I could write indefinitely on this subject of welfare but until something more definite is done, I see no reason to use this space for that purpose. I do hope that what we eventually do will bring about more efficient administration of welfare in the state of Oregon.

Local Men Oppose Marketing Bill

On Feb. 13 a public hearing was held on HB 1239, pertaining to the formation of Oregon farm marketing organizations. Several men from our area were here to oppose this bill. It was their opinion that farmers could organize on their own and make their own rules and regulations which would be much better than to have a state law tell them what they could or could not do. They cited for examples the Sugar Beet Growers, Potato Growers and Onion Growers associations, all of which seem to be doing a good job without this new law.

Furthermore, it was brought out at the hearing that regardless of whether these organizations are formed under a state law or voluntarily, they would not be able to control the nation's markets. Farmers in western Oregon seem to favor HB 1239, as they are afraid the processor would discriminate against them should they organize without the law. The bill will probably be amended to apply only to perishable crops.

Annual Permit Proposed

HB 1283, if passed into law, would make it possible to obtain an annual permit from the highway department for the moving of heavy or large equipment not ordinarily allowed on the highways. There would be certain restrictions as to the time of day that these vehicles would be allowed on the highways. At the present time a permit must be obtained for each trip. This bill passed out of the House Highway committee with a unanimous "do pass" recommendation and when I floor it next week I don't look for any trouble in getting it passed.

Food service requirements for places selling liquor by the drink would be established by a bill introduced Monday. This bill would require that 25 percent of an establishment's receipts come from the sale of food.

Visitors from home the past week included Grant Rinehart, Art Colby, Sam Hartley and Walter McPartland of Nyssa, Everett Taylor and Lauren King of Ontario. Mr. Fullerton of Vale and Henry Hartley of North Bend.

G. Wilson Graduates From Recruit Training

Gerald E. Wilson of 416 North Second street, Nyssa, was graduated from recruit training Feb. 3 at the Naval Training Center at San Diego, Calif.

Graduation exercises, marking the end of nine weeks of "boot camp," included a full dress parade and review before military officials and civilian dignitaries.

In nine weeks of instruction the "raw recruit" is developed into a Navy Bluejacket, ready for duty with the fleet.

GIRL SCOUT TROOP 81 TAKES TOUR OF HOSPITAL

Girl Scout troop 81 members are studying Girl Scout second class first aid.

On their regular meeting date Feb. 15 the group was given a tour of Malheur Memorial hospital. The tour, conducted by Chuck Smith, hospital manager, and members of the nursing staff, was held in conjunction with the first aid course of study.

The girls were accompanied to the hospital by Mrs. Wilton Jackson, Mrs. Gene Stunz, leaders, and Mrs. Lloyd Wilson, committee mother.

—Stephanie Wilson, Secretary

Arcadia Ladies Serve Luncheon At N. Hipp Sale

By Mrs. George Moeller

ARCADIA — Arcadia club met Feb. 10 at the home of Mrs. Fred Kartlever with 14 members present. Dorothy Bowers drew the door prize. Next meeting will be held Feb. 25 at the home of Mrs. George Moeller.

Club members served lunch Feb. 22 at Norman Hipp's farm sale. Arie Bakker will manage the farm this year.

Cecil Houston went to western Oregon over the weekend to visit an uncle, Tom Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Richardson and girls of Boise spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stephenson.

Oscar Robbins left last week for his home in Martin, S.D., after spending a month with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Robbins.

Mr. and Mrs. John Zittercob returned home last week after spending a month with their daughter and husband, Mr. and

Mrs. Harry Thurman in Baltimore, Md. They report lots of snow there.

Leave for California

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bullard and her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Lakey of Boise, left Monday for three weeks in California. They will visit the Lakeys' son, Lt. Jimmy Lakey and family at Monterey; their sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Davis at Hunting Beach; and other friends and relatives.

Mrs. Ethel Harris left last week for her home in Belmont, S.D., following a month's visit with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Lytle and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bowers and family and Mrs. Bowers' uncle, Frank Bell of Austin, Minn., were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Bowers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Heath of Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moeller returned home last week from a two-month stay in Tempe, Ariz., with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Norman and son.

Fred Schilling and Dick Nelson left Friday for Beaverton, Ore., to get a truck load of furniture for Mr. Nelson who bought the Swenson farm.

Journal Classifieds for Results!

4-H MEMBERS TO LEARN USE OF SEWING MACHINE

Needle and Thread 4-H club members met Feb. 14 at the Bill Hamilton home with President Karen Main presiding.

Teresa Hamilton led the flag salute and Laurel Beck was leader of the 4-H pledge.

Karen Main, Evelyn Weeks and Vickie and Teresa Hamilton reported on what they learned at the recent officers' meeting held in Ontario. Sewing books were presented to members attending.

A demonstration on how to use the sewing machine will be given at the next meeting by Marsha Savage.

Refreshments were served by Evelyn Weeks.

—Sheila Huffman, Reporter.

RETURN TO NEBRASKA

Bill Zikmund and Lillian Novotny of Ord, Neb., returned to their home Saturday following a two-week visit with their brother, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Zikmund and family.

Mrs. Nellie Blodgett recently moved to Nyssa from Seneca, Ore. She is making her home in an apartment at Carl's Doll House and is employed at Brownie's cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Richter and sons, Tony Jr. and Freddie, spent Friday evening at the Pete Richter home in Ontario. They helped Gary celebrate his second birthday anniversary.

MARY WORDEN REPORTS ON VISIT TO COUNTY SEAT

A report on her visit to Malheur county courthouse at Vale was given by Mary Worden when Dressy Jets 4-H club met Monday in the Adrian high school home economics room. With other 4-H club members Mary attended a workshop Saturday known as "Know Your County Government" day.

Mrs. Klaas Laan, leader, gave instructions to the group on how to put in a zipper at the Monday meeting.

—Mary Laan, Reporter.

BROWNIE TROOP 120 RECEIVES YEAR PINS

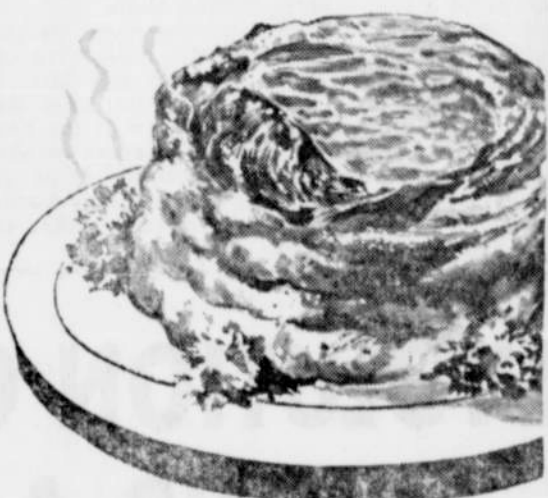
Brownie troop 120 met Feb. 15 at the Catholic parish hall for their regular weekly meeting. Eight members, Mrs. Max Jones and Mrs. Clarence Clapp were present.

Members received year pins and discussed the importance of being a Brownie.

—Joyce Jennings, Reporter.

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