



THE OREGON ARMY NATIONAL GUARD is cited for valuable assistance in March of Dimes Walkathons in Oregon this year. Colonel Richard A. Miller, The Adjutant General, represented the many Guardsmen across the state in accepting the March of Dimes Service Award. Presenting the Service Award were Mrs. Deanna Copeland of Grants Pass, (left) State Volunteer Advisor; and Miss Sue Fisher of Salem, State Teen Chairman.

The outstanding assistance and community service of the Oregon Army National Guard contributed to March of Dimes Walkathon

success in Albany, Ashland, Corvallis, Eugene, Grants Pass, Hood River, McMinville, Medford, Nyssa, Ontario, Portland, Roseburg, and Salem.

"This spirit of community service of the Oregon Army National Guard makes possible the continuation of medical service and educational programs all across the country," says Mrs. Copeland. "Here in Oregon we are fortunate to have the able resources of the March of Dimes supported Metabolic Birth Defects Center at the University of Oregon Medical School."

Hatfield Proposes Steens Mt. Legislation

Sen Mark Hatfield said today that he is proposing legislation to establish a 284,226 acre Steens Mountain National Recreation area in Harney county approximately 50 miles south of Burns.

In a letter to Harney County Judge Newton Hotchkiss, Hatfield asked that a conference be arranged in Burns to "discuss the feasibility" of the plan.

Included in the proposed area would be approximately 184,127 acres of Federal public domain under administration of the Dept. of Interior, BLM, 93,193 acres of private land and 6,906 acres of state-owned land.

Hatfield said that "Steens Mountain is one of Oregon's greatest, but least developed natural resources and should be designated a priority area of environmental concern."

"It contains some of the most spectacular scenery in the U.S. and is a unique national treasure which must be preserved for all time," he said.

"Designation and use as a national attraction should justify increased federal funding to accelerate the development of recreation-oriented facilities improvement of grazing lands for wildlife, cattle and sheep, all of which will increase the permanent economic base of Harney county," he said.

Hatfield said he wants the first hand views of local governing bodies as well as public and major private land owners, users and other who would be affected.

According to Hatfield, BLM figures for May-October, 1970 show that the area recorded one-quarter million visitor days and that the projection of twice that number by 1985 will be reached well in advance of that date.

He pointed to the "obvious potential" for increased recreation and tourist use because of its central location and proximity to the population centers of the seven western states.

Proposed area is some 400 miles from San Francisco, Salt Lake and Seattle, 300 miles from Portland and less than 200 miles from Boise.

Hatfield's proposal is larger by 90,420 acres than a "Recreation Plan" for the area developed by the BLM in January, 1972.

"The proposed area should assure ample room for major expansion of recreation-oriented activities including hunting and fishing without causing any more serious conflicts between multiple use which might exist," he said.

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Salem Scene

by Jack Zimmerman

Even as the State Legislature finally ground to a halt in Salem, speculation was prevalent concerning official activities that will occupy lawmakers during the interim prior to next session.

The period of time between adjournment of one regular biennial session and the beginning of the next has become increasingly busy for the 90 men and women who serve. Succeeding Legislatures have had a tendency to create heavier interim workloads--devoted primarily to studies of subjects requiring future legislation.

The precedent-setting 57th session appears to have been no exception. The exact number of interim studies and the actual make-up of committee personnel probably won't be announced for several weeks. But leadership of both House and Senate early in the session expressed a desire to continue the work of standing committees during the interim.

Machinery implementing this desire is outlined in House Joint Resolution 11, which empowers the House Speaker and Senate President to direct interim activity.

In essence it calls for appointment of some seven joint committees -- in addition to such standbys as committees for Interstate Cooperation, Executive Appointments, Legislative Counsel, Legislative Administration and the Emergency Board. During session the House had 13 standing committees and the Senate had 15. Several of those -- such as Rules and State & Federal Affairs -- will not be continued into the interim. For practical purposes Ways & Means becomes the Emergency Board. In all cases except for Senate Elections and the Upper Chamber's Economic Development Committee, companion panels served in each house.

Indications at session's end were that interim committees would serve even an additional purpose prior to convening of the 58th session on Jan. 13, 1975. Those close to leadership say interim panels will be expected to continue the legislative education of the assembly's newer members.

Whatever finally evolves, this interim will be busier than most and there will be fewer empty offices. A special session has been decreed in early 1974 to settle fiscal problems that could not be resolved during the regular session. And if the special session is permitted to tackle subjects other than those involving budgets, some interim panels might accelerate their work to prepare measures for introduction then.

At the same time this legislature has beefed up considerably the fulltime staffs of leadership in both majority and minority parties. And a \$213,185 budget provides for sustaining the legislative research pool with at least six employees.

Viewed with alarm by older and more conservative members of the assembly, this proliferation of interim activity sort of makes moot the question of whether Oregon retains its biennial legislative status, opts for annual sessions or decrees a fulltime continual session.

Lawmakers last interim complained they spent a lot of their time between sessions in Salem or traveling to and from the Capitol. Boosting the time spent on legislative matters even more tends to make the biennial-annual argument only a technicality.

Annual sessions are a concept Oregon voters are not yet ready to embrace -- at least they weren't ready at the polls last year. But the press of upcoming interim activity just may preclude the will of the people.

If the trend continues, adjournment sine die will fade from legislative lexicon and become about as significant as a recess for refreshments.

House Speakers and Senate Presidents in recent years also have invoked special task force bodies to examine issues that might arise during the interim that possibly don't fall under the regular purview of an existing committee.

Favorite Foods

By "Odie" Anderson

This hot weather effects the cook as well as the guests. It inspires us to look for recipes with "cool" titles. How do these sound? "Peach Pie Alaska," "Frozen Chocolate" or "Orange Baked Alaska."

I made "Peach Pie Alaska" on TV several years ago and liked it a lot. A friend said she made it, but, instead of serving it immediately, she set it in her refrigerator for a while. You guessed it! The ice cream melted!

PEACH PIE ALASKA

1 9-inch baked pie shell
2 cups fresh peaches, sliced
1 1/2 pints vanilla ice cream, hard frozen
4 egg whites
1/4 tsp. cream of tartar salt
1/2 cup sugar

Sweeten peaches if necessary and place them in cooled pie shell. Cover with slices of hard ice cream. Beat egg whites until foamy. Add cream of tartar and a few grains of salt and beat. Gradually beat in sugar, adding it a tablespoon at a time and beating after each addition until egg whites form stiff peaks. Quickly spread meringue over ice cream and peaches, being careful to cover them well at edges. Bake in a hot oven (425 deg.) until meringue is a delicate brown, about 4 minutes. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

An excellent bread to serve during the summer months and in the winter too, for that matter, is "Herb Bread Chunks." It's easy and it's good! The directions are simple. The secret is a really fresh, tasty loaf of French Bread, unwrapped, if you can get it. You

might assemble it, ready for the oven, and be all set when your guests arrive!

HERB BREAD CHUNKS

1 long loaf French bread
1 stick softened butter or margerine
1tbsp. grated parmesan cheese
1/2 tsp. mixed salad herbs

Halve 1 long loaf of French bread, then split each half to make 4 pieces, slash pieces about 1-inch apart, almost through to crust. Spread generously, with softened butter or margerine; sprinkle lightly with cheese and salad herbs. Place on cookie sheet; toast quickly in very hot oven (450 degrees) for 5 minutes, or until golden-crisp. Serve hot. 8 servings.

Ullman Dinner Friday Evening

Tickets are now available for the dinner Friday night honoring Congressman Al Ullman. The dinner is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday, August 10, at the Eastside Cafe in Ontario and tickets may be obtained at Farmers Insurance and also at Kinney Agency in Ontario. Representative Al Ullman is traveling throughout Oregon's 2nd District during the Congressional summer recess. Because of the large size of the District, Representative Ullman is rarely able to visit the entire area and places great value on his trips to the District.

Representative Ullman, the ranking member of the House Ways and Means Committee, has introduced legislation designed to control in Congress federal spending.

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