

Salem Scene

by Jack Zimmerman

Senate and House have announced membership for eight joint interim committees expected to extend the work of most standing committees that were operative during the session. All but two of the 90 men and women who served during the regular session have been named to at least one of these committees--and several serve on two or more. Those in the 30-member Senate have particularly demanding committee assignments.

Senate Pres. Jason Boe (D-Reedsport) and House Speaker Richard Eymann (D-Springfield) have said the eight committees will be especially busy between now and January readying legislation that might be introduced in the special session scheduled early next year.

And the next couple of weeks likely will be quite demanding for members of the eight committees because each panel is expected to prepare a budget and outline of projected activities to submit to the Emergency Board before work can begin. The E-Board meets next on Sept. 13-14--so there's precious little time to enjoy the waning summer.

If all this committee work and the special session weren't enough, lawmakers also have additional interim assignments to which they can look forward. Both houses are bound to name additional special committees. A certain number of Legislators will be tapped for work with various agencies and organizations of both state and federal government. And the number of special House and Senate Task Forces seems to be expanding each biennium.

Four measures passed during the regular session will appear on next May's primary election ballot and a dozen more will face voters during the November '74 general election. Proponents and opponents both will be involved in varying amounts of politicking for and against certain of these issues. Possible initiative campaigns and popular referendums also will be time consumers.

And the entire 60-member House and half the Senate must begin campaigning mighty soon for next May's primary if they hope to achieve their party's nomination and run successfully in the fall of 1974 to succeed themselves when the Legislature convenes in regular session again in January 1975.

Most Oregon Legislators have "fulltime jobs" or businesses of their own that demand a certain amount of attention. And at least some of those who were technically unemployed during the session are seeking gainful employment of some kind as an economic necessity.

Membership of the eight major joint committees reads like this:
Agriculture & Natural Resources, Environment & Land Use (combined)--Senators Thorne, Hallock (co-chairman), Macpherson, Meeker and Ouderkirk. Representatives Fa-

deley, Byers (co-chairmen), Ka foury, Whiting, C. Wolfert, Markham and Whitehead.

Human Resources, State & Federal Affairs (combined)--Senators Burbidge, Potts (co-chairmen), Mahoney, Roberts and Wingard. Representatives Skelton (chairman), Katz, Lindquist, Groener, Peck, Hanne-

man and Bazett.
Labor, Consumer & Business Affairs (combined)--Senators Groener, Roberts (co-chairmen), Hartung, Howard and Smith. Representatives Whal-

ton, Grannell (co-chairmen), Perry, Lindquist, Gwinn, Elliott, Wilhelms and R. Stults.
Transportation, Local Government & Urban Affairs (combined)--Senators Howard, K. Burns (co-chairmen), Elvers, Holmstrom and Jernstedt. Representatives Densmore (chair-

man), Blumenauer, Otto, Wil-lits, Burrows, Patterson and Morris.

Judiciary--Senators Browne (chairman), Carson, Elvers and J. Burns. Representatives Cole (chairman), Marx, Bunn, Paulus and Hampton.

Education--Senators Fadeley (chairman), Hartung, Heard, Hoyt and Stevenson. Representatives Perry (chairman), De-relli, Cherry, Fadeley, L. John-son, Oakes and Rieke.

Revenue -- Senators Cook (chairman), Atiyeh, K. Burns, Ripper and Wingard. Representa-tives Cherry (chairman) Blumenauer, Priestley, Marx, Grannell, Walden, Macpherson and Kinsey.

Economic Development & Foreign Trade--Senators Boe (chairman), Groener, Jernstedt, Newby and Thorne. Representa-tives Eymann (chairman), Akeson, Lang, Sumner, Martin and S. Johnson.

For most of those involved, the only hope for an extended vacation in the immediate future would have to involve a decision to avoid the race for re-election and abandon politics altogether.

At the rate the workload is expanding, some of those whose initial legislative commitment was based on Oregon's traditional part time concept probably will do just that--and leave lawmaking to people with more time on their hands.

The Greco-Roman style of wrestling, was developed in France and has nothing in common with the sport of ancient Greece and Rome.

"A nightclub is a place where the tables are reserved and the guests aren't." (Fred Casper)

MALHEUR COUNTY AGENT REPORTS

VACCINATING CALVES

Preconditioning of calves can save a lot of trouble during the winter months either for the buyer or for the owner who keeps his calves.

Preconditioning is best done prior to weaning to avoid the double shock of the treatment and weaning at the same time. Most operators who precondition their calves vaccinate them for red nose, shipping fever and re vaccinate for blackleg and malignant edema. Some spray for louse and warble control.

LAWN DAMAGE

Many Malheur County lawns reached their darkest hour this summer as bill bug larvae chewed their way to maturity. The little monsters responsible for the damage are small white grubs about a quarter of an inch long when full grown. Damage to lawns occurs from the grubs feeding on grass stems near the ground line. Heavily infested lawns turn brown and the damaged turf can be lifted almost as if it had been shorn at ground level.

The adult--the culprit that lays the eggs that hatch into the grubs--is a small black or gray

colored snout beetle a little over a quarter of an inch long. These insects could be seen migrating out of heavily infested lawns during warm weather the first couple of weeks of September.

Next year in May the pests will start their egg laying in lawns again. You may want to "head them off at the pass" by applying some Diazinon to your lawn in June.

These pests should not be confused with the so called "lawn moths". Some of the small triangular shaped moths found swarming around lawns are parents of the sod web worm that do occasional damage in this area. However, the larval form of the web worm is worm-like and readily distinguishable from the small grub-like bill bug larvae.

WINTER GRAIN

Research at the Malheur Experiment Station has proved that planting winter grain prior to October 30 is advisable using 70 - 90 pounds per acre and drilling into pre-irrigated soils. Significant reduction in yields were noted on grains planted after that date. 100 to 130 pounds of nitrogen in soils where no nitrogen residue was present proved most beneficial. Gains wheat has been the consistent high yields among variety trials. Luther Winter barley has proven best.



Outstanding performers for the TVCC Chukars on the gridiron this season are these former Nyssa and Adrian high school stars. Ron Moffis, 44, has been the Chukars leading ground gainer

to date in the backfield, and Rod Church, 61, and Scott Smith, 66, are playing at guard. The three are from Nyssa, and Adrian's contribution to the squad are Duncan Mackenzie, 65, and Sam Chaney, 98, linemen.

Speaking To The Consumer

A NEW NAME.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture now has a special assistant for consumer affairs. She is Mrs. Nancy H. Steorts. As the consumer's representative in the USDA, she will advise the department's agency administrators about issues and actions that have a direct bearing upon consumers.

GOOD NEWS FOR MOBILE HOME BUYERS.

Federal savings and loan associations have been authorized to extend more liberal terms on loans for purchases of new mobile homes. The maximum loan term for a mobile home with an area of 900 feet or more is now 15 years instead of the previous 12. If the home has less than 900 square feet, the limit of 12 years still applies.

COUNT YOUR LOSSES.

If you pay off an installment contract before it is due, what

happens to that finance charge included in the contract? The contract was written and the finance charge determined on the total length of the contract. Paying off before the due date may mean you are entitled to a partial refund of the finance charge. The next time you sign an installment contract, ask what happens to the unearned finance charge if you decide to pay your contract before it is due.

TAX PREPARERS.

Among new laws passed by the Oregon Legislature is one requiring that those who prepare personal income tax returns for

others be licensed by the Department of Commerce. There are some exceptions, including attorneys, registered accountants, and government employees. Effective date is January 1, 1974.

It won't be long until you start organizing records for your 1973 tax returns. If you plan to have someone else prepare those returns, be sure he is qualified--either by profession, or by license under the new law.

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