

Senator Says Legislature Sets Dangerous Precedent in USU Affair

A state senator said today the 1974 Legislature may have set "a dangerous precedent" in providing funds to cover an investment loss at Utah State University and a revenue bond deficit at Dixie College.

Sen. Merrill Jenkins, D-Plain City, expressed particular concern about the Legislature using state tax money to help Dixie College make this year's

payment on revenue bonds issued to construct student housing.

He noted such bonds are supposed to be repaid by income from rental of the housing to students.

"Are we going to do the same thing for Weber State and other colleges," Sen. Jenkins asked. "And do we fund the loss in Ogden City?"

He raised the question at a Chamber of Commerce legislative committee that heard a Republican senator toss a couple of barbs at Gov. Calvin L. Rampton.

Sen. E. LaMar Buckner, R-Ogden, charged the governor "played off the Deseret Land and Livestock purchase" against various areas of the

state in a manner that "practically assured its defeat."

"He said that if we bought the Deseret Land and Livestock Ranch we couldn't do a number of other things," Sen. Buckner said.

Sen. Buckner said each county "would lose money for important projects" under Gov.

Rampton's appraisal of the land purchase.

The senator also said Gov. Rampton "told me after the session he was quite concerned about what we did for Weber State."

Sen. Buckner said the governor was particularly critical of the Legislature funding the Weber State technical education building in

the closing minutes of the session.

The two senators and Rep. Gilbert Marriott, D-Ogden, briefed the chamber's legislative committee on the recent session during a breakfast meeting in the Mansion House.

Rep. Marriott suggested the chamber and the public "give

us your input before bills are introduced and the lines are drawn."

He also said the past session — his first — confirmed "something I'd always heard but never believed — that many people think Utah is centered around the state capital."

"There are many people who believe there's nothing north of Bountiful," Rep. Marriott said.

CLOUDS TO BRING THREAT OF SHOWERS WEDNESDAY

Skies were overcast in Ogden today and the National Weather Service said cloudiness will increase tonight, bringing a slight threat for showers Wednesday.

Temperatures were slightly warmer with lows last night in the upper 20s and tonight's minimums expected to range from 25 to 30.

Today's high was expected to be in the middle 40s, and there's a chance the mercury may go up to 50 Wednesday.

Mild, 50-degree weather is forecast for most of the remainder of the week, according to a long-range outlook.

Occasionally gusty winds are expected Wednesday, but the probability for measurable precipitation will be only 20 per cent.

Pine View Dam had 16 below zero Monday night after a daytime maximum of 23.

Ogden High Racial Problems Termed Highly 'Explosive'

Claiming that a dangerously explosive racial situation exists at Ogden High, a delegation of around 65 black residents of Ogden Monday night received a promise of action from the Ogden City Board of Education.

The delegates spent nearly two hours telling the board in a regular session held at Ben Lomond High School of its complaints.

The board promised a meeting with black residents of the city after preliminary sessions between committees from the black community and district administrators.

Dr. William L. Garner, superintendent, and Alvin R. Carter, principal, admitted that the situation has become so strained that white girls at the school say they are afraid to use the school's rest rooms.

Mr. Veasey said the tension has reached such a level that a meeting of black students and parents was held Friday at WSC at which many incidents were reported and teachers named.

He said after a second meeting Sunday, it had been decided to hold the unscheduled meeting with the board.

He said among things the black community in Ogden wants are an additional black counselor at the school, a discontinuation of prejudice, a black member of the school administration, a black teaching black history, and a serious effort on the part of the faculty to learn to work with students of different cultures.

LARGEST NUMBER

Ogden High reportedly has the largest enrollment of black students in the state, and incidents of black-white conflict have been frequent in recent years.

The most recent occurred following a basketball game, but came at Ben Lomond High.

The black group, led by Donald Cope of the Utah Department of Community Affairs, and Jess Veasey, counselor at Weber State College, claimed blacks have been the subject of physical and verbal abuse by faculty members at the school, discrimination in grading, and that whenever difficulties arise, black students invariably get the blame and the punishment.

PEAK REACHED

He said that a "peak of super-saturation has been reached" and it could be followed by greater violence and worsened problems.

Several students at Ogden High cited alleged cases of discrimination and violence and said they have been thwarted in their efforts to form a black students' union.

One claimed that in his auto mechanics class an engine he had brought to put into a car had been marked "stolen" and a paper filled out in connection with the incident had been marked "nigger."

Mr. Carter and Ralph J. Russo, assistant principal, said in most cases which are reported to them, specific names are not available. Most cases appear not to be reported at all, they said.

Dr. Garner said that one of the major reasons for holding off on the formation of a black student union had been that no sponsor is available within the school faculty at present and the administration cannot turn over such a responsibility to an outsider.

USE OF DOGS

Mr. Cope called the alleged use of dogs in the Ben Lomond incident reminiscent of the South and something he couldn't visualize happening in Ogden.

He said blacks in Ogden face "under the table" difficulties in their homes, on the jobs, and in the schools.



GLAD TO BE BACK — Snowmobilers Wayne M. Sargent Jr. and Arnold Olsen, both of Ogden examined a balky machine that caused them to spend a night in rugged mountain country south of Monte Cristo Sunday. They made their way out Monday morning.

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A LONG LINE of motor vehicle owners await their chances to pay their auto taxes for 1974 in the Weber County Assessor's office. By noon, the line stretched down to the second floor lobby, with more coming.

AS DEADLINE NEARS

Vehicle Owners Jam Tax Office

Hundreds of motor vehicle owners crowded the hallways of the Municipal Building today in a last-minute effort to register their cars and trucks before the deadline Thursday.

With two full days yet to go, the Weber County Assessor's office still had more than 20,000 vehicles to register, out of 83,000.

As of midnight Thursday, the Utah Highway Patrol and other police officers will begin checking rear license plates for 1974 decals.

FIGURES GIVEN

As of mid-morning today, the assessor's office had registered 62,798 vehicles with approximately 20,200 to go.

Huge crowds flocked into the offices Monday and parking spaces within two blocks of the Municipal Building were at a premium.

The energy crisis, which has been listed as a major cause for many late registrations this year, appeared to have been suspended this week as dozens of cars circled the block around the city-county building in search of parking spaces.

Even larger crowds are expected Wednesday and Thursday as the final deadline moves closer.

Vehicle owners must have their 1973 registration cards, their 1974 cards properly filled out and tax assessment statement in order to register.

They must also have proof that they have purchased Utah's new no-fault insurance before any motor vehicle can be registered.

A space on registration cards is provided for listing the name of their insurance company and their policy numbers.

The no-fault insurance requirement has also been identified as one of the reasons for so many late registrations this year.

Ogden Canyon Road Session Still Pending

No date has been set for a meeting involving the Weber and Morgan county commissioners and officials, of the Utah Department of Highways to determine steps that will be taken to improve U39 through Ogden Canyon.

State officials said, following two community involvement meetings in Ogden and Huntville, that the final decision will be made by the three official bodies in a special meeting.

The Utah Road Commission has been invited to hold its June meeting in Ogden and county officials are hopeful something

OFFICERS HUNT KEY WITNESS

Police are attempting to locate a key witness in an upcoming murder trial whose life had been threatened.

Patricia Ratley, an alleged witness to the shooting of Rosemary Matteucci Dec. 31, reportedly telephoned her home from a friend's residence Monday evening, saying she would be home in 15 minutes. She didn't make it, according to police officials.

Officials did not know if anything had happened to her but said they were trying to locate her.

Sportswear Firm Plans Major Plant in Ogden

Late April Opening Expected For Facility Employing 100

A large national women's sportswear manufacturer today announced plans to establish a major plant in Ogden creating more than 100 new jobs.

The Catalina division of Kayser-Roth Corp. said the facility will be located at 155 W. 31st and should be in operation by late April.

The building to house the new plant formerly was occupied by Hardy Scale Co. and is being leased by Catalina from Capital Industries Inc., of Salt Lake City.

A major renovation of the building including installation of more than one-half million dollars worth of equipment will get under way immediately.

Selection of Ogden for the site of its major new manufacturing facility was announced today by Catalina Executive Vice President Gene Faul.

The decision was based on more than a year of research and data collection by the Weber County Industrial Bureau and the Ogden Employment Security Office, primarily into the availability of the labor force required by Catalina.

Mr. Faul said all plant employees, except the manager, will be hired locally. A majority of the employees will be women.

MANAGER NAMES

Edward Mercer, a veteran Catalina production executive from Los Angeles, has been named plant manager. Mr. Mercer and his family plan to move to Ogden within two weeks.

Catalina is the second national manufacturing company planning to open major production facilities in Ogden during April.

ENGINE PLANT

The other is the White Motor Corp. which will initiate a truck assembly facility in the former Marquardt Corp. ramjet engine plant on West 21st.

White expects an initial workforce of about 160 to reach a peak of about 600 within two years.

The Weber County Industrial Development Bureau played a key role in the decision of both White and Catalina to establish plants in Ogden City.

Bureau board chairman Keith G. Jensen commended Ogden Employment Security Office Manager Harvey N. Rich and his staff for their assistance in bringing Catalina to Ogden.

MAJOR FACTOR

"Their research in identifying the availability of the sophisticated labor force required by Catalina took more than a year and was one of the major factors in the company's final decision," said Mr. Jensen who also is chairman of the Weber County Commission.

Mr. Faul complimented the Weber County Industrial Bureau for its assistance in helping "bring the Ogden plant to a happy conclusion."

"All of us at Catalina look forward to this development in Ogden and to working with your fine group in the future," Mr. Faul said in a letter to Bureau Director Nathan H. Mazer.

Headquartered in Los Angeles, Catalina is a world-wide manufacturer of family sportswear and swimwear.

It operates plants in Utah at Murray, Tooele, Nephi, Gunnison and Ephraim.

Catalina is one of the major divisions of Kayser-Roth Corp., a New York City-based firm that ranks 240th among the nation's largest firms.

ODD COUPLET

The most frequently quoted writer of English, William Shakespeare, is responsible for this often repeated line: "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet."

BUT

A realistic Italian proverb may have practical application more frequently: "Who has a bad name is half hanged."

OTHER ROUTES

One urged that other access routes besides Trapper's Loop be considered, including Avon Road into Cache County, and a six-mile connection from Snow Easin to the Gateway Interchange on I-80N in Weber Canyon.

Many suggested improving North Ogden Canyon for use during winter.

Reductions and increases in the speed limit through the canyon and widening the road over just the first mile at the west end were offered.

The state hopes to solve some of the congestion and traffic problems at the canyon's mouth by replacing a narrow bridge.

SHOULD BE HIGHER

The commissioner said he has been told by Ronald Skeen, county road supervisor, that

CONCRETE CAN BE FIRMED UP by that time.

FOUR ALTERNATES

To begin with, four major alternates were considered — do nothing, install passing lanes at three places, construct a four-lane highway on one side of the canyon, and construct Trapper's Loop.

Since the hearings, however, one suggestion is being given serious consideration — to use the old streetcar right of way on the north side of the canyon for another two-lane road.

The governments also are looking into the feasibility of widening the existing road to a broader two lanes with pulloffs for slower vehicles and for tourists who want to look at the scenery.

Other suggestions were offered by citizens in the two meetings.

IN LUMBER

Prior to his involvement in government, Mr. Belnap was engaged in the lumber business until 1931.

He is a former member of the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators and a former supervisor of the Motor Vehicle Dealers Business Administration.

A former member of the executive committee of the National County Officials Organization, he received the Outstanding Official Award in 1952.

Having been an active member of the LDS Church, Mr. Belnap fulfilled a Swiss-German mission between 1913 and 1914. He was bishop of the Ogden 20th LDS Ward for 17 years and was a member of the Ogden Stake presidency for 14 years.

A HIGH PRIEST

At the time of his death, he was a member of the Ogden Stake High Priest Quorum and the Ogden 6th Ward.

Survivors include three sons and two daughters: Gordon L.

DEATH CLAIMS FORMER WEBER COUNTY OFFICIAL

A former Weber County treasurer, Arias G. Belnap, 80, of 2236 Madison Apt. 23 died Monday at a local hospital following a short illness.

Mr. Belnap was born Sept. 6, 1893 in Hooper to Hyrum and Anna Bluth Belnap.

On Sept. 20, 1916, he was married to Mabel Harris in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. She died in 1972.

He was elected Weber County treasurer in 1934, a position he held until 1957 when he resigned to become a member of the Utah State Tax Commission. He retired in 1965.

Belnap and Donald E. Belnap, both of Ogden; Dr. Ralph A. Belnap of Dekalb, Ill.; Mrs. Eldred (Lois) Erickson of Pleasant View; and Mrs. Edward (Mildred) Evans of Cody, Wyo.; 23 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are two brothers and three sisters: Volney R. Belnap, Byron K. Belnap, Mrs. Jewel Furniss, Miss Della A. Belnap, and Mrs. Emmett (Gladys) Carwin, all of Ogden; two half-sisters: Mrs. Marion Kerr of Salt Lake City; and Mrs. Olive Jensen of Ogden.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 1 p.m. in the Larkin Chapel of the Dawn where friends may call Thursday from 6 to 9 p.m. and Friday prior to services.

Interment will be in the Ogden City Cemetery.

SIGNUP NEARS FOR POWWOW

The final day to register for the annual Boy Scout merit badge powwow will be Thursday.

Sponsored by the Brigham Young University Ogden Center and the Lake Bonneville Boy Scout Council, the powwow will begin Saturday at 9 a.m. at Bonneville High School.

It will also be held on March 9 and 16.

Scouts may still register by contacting the BYU Center. The fee is \$5.

County Sets Hearing On Marriott Mall

A public hearing on an ordinance to rezone 70 acres of land in Marriott to allow for development of a shopping mall today was set for April 2 by the County Commission.

The action also calls for amending the zoning ordinance to provide for a C3P zone, a planned commercial regulation.

Commission's action is scheduling the hearing was based on a recommendation by the County Planning Commission.

Preliminary development of the initial phase of the center, if it is approved following the hearing, will be subject to several conditions, including: —That the developer be responsible for construction of off-site traffic improvements as determined by the State Highway Department and the county.

—A final development plan including landscaping, traffic, building design, use, etc., be submitted for approval before building permits are issued.

—Zoning and preliminary development plan will be valid for 18 months with a provision for a six-month extension.

—The developer must agree to petition for establishment of two county service areas for sheriff's and fire protection and for street maintenance, lighting, planning and zoning.

—The final site development plan of phase one must contain a commitment of established leases for at least one major department store and at least 50 per cent of the commercial floor space.

—A moratorium will be placed on further zoning in that area until the master plan has been amended and until final development plans of phase one have been approved and building permits issued for the major tenant.

—Amendment of the master plan shall be in cooperation with the planning bodies of the Marriott and Slatterville areas and the people of the general area.

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