

Budget Balance Plan Readied For Legislature

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



CHUCK PLUMMER, at the left above, and Vic Sanders go into a huddle over the problems involved in making the Hi-Y paper drive to be conducted next Saturday morning a success. Vic is president of Hi-Y and Chuck is the organization's publicity man. Collection of the paper is to begin promptly at 8 a.m. The boys request all householders who have old newspapers, magazines, books, etc., which they wish to donate, to tie them into bundles and, preferably, put the bundles in cardboard cartons; then leave them at the curb in front of their houses. Groups in trucks will then collect such bundles and haul them to the concentration depot.

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43 Die In Collision Of Planes

Tragic Crash Deals Horror To Key West

Cuban Airliner, Navy Plane Meet Disaster In Perfect Weather

KEY WEST, Fla. —(AP)— Navy divers recovered more wreckage and mangled bodies today from the shattered sections of a Cuban airliner and a navy trainer plane which collided and killed 43 persons.

By 10 a. m. a total of 23 bodies had been brought to the surface and taken to morgues in this searing southernmost city in the United States. Nineteen were located Wednesday after the crash.

The four-engined transport, carrying 34 passengers and five crewmen from Miami to Havana, and the navy plane, a twin-motored Beechcraft with four aboard, collided with a noise like a bomb blast over Key West shortly before noon Wednesday.

Then, in full view of hundreds of shocked sunbathers and residents of the city, the airliner power-dived into the ocean at a speed estimated by witnesses at 600 miles an hour. It landed a half-mile offshore, not far from President Truman's "Little White House."

The navy craft, disintegrating as it fell, crashed two miles west of the transport.

Flying Weather Perfect

A naval board of inquiry was set up in an effort to determine why the planes collided in perfect flying weather, with unlimited visibility.

The airliner was on its course and flying at the prescribed 4,000 feet altitude. Its route was over a dog-leg course from Miami over Key West, then south to the Cuban capital.

The wrecking of the transport, operated by Compania Cubana De Aviacion, spoiled Latin America's proudest airline safety record. It was the first accident on the Cuban line in more than 17 years.

Capt. Javier Zayas Bazan, 51, pilot of the wrecked airliner, had a flow of the Miami-Havana run hundreds of times and had piloted about 40 transatlantic flights from Havana to Madrid.

The crash also took the life of the line's chief pilot, Capt. Orlando Salas, 37, who was aboard as an extra crewman.

Tighter Price Lids, Rent Curbs Aims Of Truman

WASHINGTON — (AP)— President Truman's program for tightening food price controls, broadening rent curbs and cracking down generally on violators of mobilization orders may go to Congress today.

Barring last-minute changes Mr. Truman is expected to ask for:

1. A one-year "freeze" on farm parity in a move to control food prices more effectively.
2. A general tightening and broadening of the rent control program covering homes. Also, control of rents for stores and other commercial places for the first time.
3. "Very much stronger" enforcement and penalty provisions covering wage-price controls and hoarding of scarce essential commodities.
4. Payment of government subsidies on some imported agricultural commodities to hold down retail prices.
5. Authority for the government to construct defense plants in cases where 100 percent of the output would go to the armed forces, and where private industry was unable to do the job.

From some sources it was learned the bill when still on a tentative basis called for:

Authority for the President to decontrol either prices or wage on a selective basis, without regard to a provision in the present law which says wage and price curbs must be removed simultaneously in any given field.

Power for the President to control commodity speculation; and credit control on the purchase of existing housing instead of only new dwellings as at present.

300,000-Man Army Swarms Toward Seoul

Enemy Paying Terrific Price In Drive To Take Capital For Third Time

By OLEN CLEMENTS

TOKYO — (AP)— A 300,000-man Communist mass swarmed toward Seoul from the north today. The Reds surged through Munsan, 21 miles northwest of the old capital. But farther east, a "wall of fire" laid down by Allied big guns blocked another 100,000 Reds trying to reach the main Seoul roads.

The entire 100-mile Korean front was littered with Communist dead. Allied commanders estimated the Reds had lost 25,000 troops in the first four days of their big spring offensive.

Munsan, recaptured by American paratroopers only a month ago, fell Thursday.

Allied troops streamed southward toward the South Korean capital. There were signs that Seoul would be abandoned to the Reds for the third time.

As GIs rolled back down the dusty roads strewn with relics of previous battles, one veteran remarked:

"Oh well, we'll fight our way back by June and then we'll retreat again in September."

Retreat Saves Lives

Front line commanders stressed again that they could wheel and halt the Reds at any time. But they said the strategy of retreat saved Allied lives and was more costly to the Communists.

United Nations forces were standing their ground in the center. Masses of Red infantry made only little headway on the Kapuwon bulge against overwhelming Allied firepower.

In the west, the Allied withdrawal was orderly.

Sudden Chinese thrusts caught some units. Most broke free. These included Turkish, Belgian and Australian units which had been fighting in the line.

Powerful searchlights and star shells light up the Communists' night movements allowing the Allied artillery to lay down a "wall of fire" defense.

Girl Of Month At R.H.S. Designated



One of the most popular leaders of Roseburg Senior high school, Dixie Gay, above, was chosen for Girl of the Month for March by the Girls League.

O. & C. Lands' Return Asked For Oregon

Memorial To Congress Approved; Tax For Oleo Registration Gets Nod

SALEM — (AP)— A memorial asking Congress to give Oregon about 2,500,000 acres of Oregon and California grant lands was passed 49 to 8 by the House. The Senate already had approved it.

The lands, in 18 counties, were given to the Oregon and California railroad in 1870. But the government took them back in 1915.

Rep. Melvin Goode, Albany, said the lands are worth a billion dollars, and are being mismanaged. He said the government gives only 50 percent of its profits from the lands back to the counties, and that a bill before Congress would cut this to 37 percent.

Goode declared the state is rightfully entitled to the lands, and that the counties now only get 4 of 1 percent a year based on the value of the land.

Oleo Registering Tax Ok'd

The Senate approved 20 to 10 a bill to tax oleomargarine manufacturers and distributors \$250 a year to register their brands.

The bill goes to the governor. Its purpose is to raise money to enforce the restaurant provisions of the new law which will allow sale of colored oleo 90 days after the legislature adjourns.

The restaurant provision requires serving of oleo in triangular-shaped patties, and makes restaurants tell their customers when they are eating oleo.

A senate-house conference committee.

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Liquor Price Hike Of 5 Pct. Major Item

Cigaret Tax Included. Also Fair Trade Proviso To Head Off Referendum

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR.

SALEM — (AP)— The joint legislative ways and means committee announced today the budget for the next two years, provided its program is approved by the legislature and isn't referred to the people.

The committee voted to ask the state liquor commission to boost its liquor prices 5 percent, to bring in \$2,500,000 more into the state general fund during the biennium, which begins July 1.

The ways and means program includes a 3-cent a package cigarette tax, to raise \$10,000,000 a biennium, and a \$7,500,000 state building program. Neither of these has been approved by the legislature yet.

The committee gave cigarette smokers another jolt by recommending passage of a senate-approved cigarette fair trade bill, which would add about 2 cents a package on top of the 3-cent tax.

This bill would stop sale of cigarettes as loss leaders. It would compel distributors and sub-distributors to charge cost plus 4 1/2 percent, while retailers would have to charge cost plus 10 percent.

Would Head Off Referendum

This bill, sought by the cigarette distributors, has an emergency clause on it, so it would become effective as soon as the governor signed it. Bills without these clauses become law 90 days after the legislature goes home.

The cigarette distributors have said that if they get their fair trade bill passed, then they wouldn't make a referendum attack on the cigarette tax bill.

The bill committee announced that the cost of the present legislative session is about \$750,000, that being the amount appropriated for the legislature's expenses.

A proposed interim committee to study the state's circuit court system, with a view to equalizing the work among the various judges, was approved by the committee.

Information, Please!

City Council Requests Reasons For Votes That Downed Proposed Budget

What was wrong with the Roseburg city budget, turned down by the voters Tuesday?

The answer to this question is what the city council would like to know. And they are going to give everyone who voted "no" on the issue an opportunity to say why.

In fact the council is soliciting constructive criticism from anyone and everyone which will guide them in re-constructing the city budget.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

I think we'll all agree that within the past week General MacArthur has done something wonderful for all of us.

What is it?

It seems to me that the amazing thing General Mac has done for us is to GIVE US BACK OUR FAITH IN OURSELVES AND IN OUR COUNTRY.

How has he done it?

The answer to that is as simple as one plus one makes two. He has given us leadership.

I doubt if it's true that our people in Washington have led us in the wrong direction. THEY JUST HAVEN'T LED US AT ALL. Without leadership, a nation is helpless and futile.

That's the way I've felt ever since Korea brought the dangers that face us into sharp focus. Helpless and futile. Like a child when

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Degenerates Resign Jobs In State Dept.

WASHINGTON — (AP)— Fifty-four State department employees resigned last year while under investigation for sexual perversion, the department has told Congress. So far this year, it said, there have been four such resignations.

Of the 54 who quit last year under investigation, he said, it was "determined" they were homosexuals. He noted the department has some 28,500 employees, and said experts have said as much as four percent of the population may be homosexual or have tendencies in that direction.

Timber Party Wows 'Em Segment Of Legislators Eases Session's Tedium With Banquet, Program

By ESTHER GEDDES

SALEM — Yesterday I discussed part of the activities of Monday at the legislature. Don't think this is typical of the routine—this much fun isn't always available.

The day, and the story, wouldn't be complete without mentioning the timber party held that night. The members from the Fourth Congressional district (including Douglas county) have been planning for weeks their entertainment of the legislature and hoping to put on a party half as good as the eastern Oregon contingent achieved. I believe they were successful. It was decided to follow the timber motif and the timber lobby assisted with preparations, and expenses—which was of great help to the financially embarrassed legislators.

The American Legion club hall was rented for the event and decorated with cedar boughs and forestry placards and little individually potted Port Orford cedar trees for the guests. A buffet supper including turkey, roast beef, ham, baked salmon, and all the trimmings decked the tables and

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Associated Press Chief In Prague Arrested

FRANKFURT, Germany — (AP)— The Czechoslovak Communist government announced today it has arrested William N. Oatis, managing chief of the Associated Press Prague bureau for "activities hostile to the state."

Four Czech colleagues of Oatis in the AP's Prague bureau have disappeared in the last three weeks. Two of them were reported to be under arrest.

The government said there were three charges against Oatis:

The first was activities hostile to the state. The second was aiding and disseminating information considered secret by Czechoslovakia. The third was spreading malicious information regarding the Czech state through illegitimate news organs for which purpose he misled Czech citizens.

Western Douglas Access Roads Are B.L.M. Proposal

Construction of access roads in the lower Smith river, Cherry creek, Middle creek and Paradise creek drainages in western Douglas county are proposed to make possible sales of timber in those areas in 1952.

Ross A. Youngblood, district forester for the Bureau of Land Management, reported the road construction proposal at a recent meeting of the Coos Bay district advisory board. The board acted favorably on a change in the 1951 timber sale plan to make available for sale approximately 22 million board feet of old growth timber in the upper Smith river drainage this year.

The board recommended that the Coos Bay district, through which Coos Bay and Oregon and California railroad grant lands in Coos and western Douglas counties are administered, consolidate isolated tracts of public domain lands in Coos, Douglas and Curry counties through exchanges with state, county and private owners, to improve administration.

Classification studies to determine boundaries between forest and grazing lands in eastern Coos county were approved by the board.

SLASH ACREAGE BURNS

About 10 acres of green logging slash in the Ray Nelson logging operation seven miles west of Eikon were burned over Wednesday afternoon. A six-man crew from the Douglas Forest Protective association went to aid firefighters in the area and brought the fire under control by evening. U. F. McLaughlin, DEFA dispatcher, reports.

The Weather

Mostly cloudy today, tonight and Friday.

Highest temp. for any April	96
Lowest temp. for any April	25
Highest temp. yesterday	72
Lowest temp. last 24 hours	47
Precip. last 24 hours	0
Precip. from April 1	Trace
Precip. from Sept. 1	38.34
Excess from Sept. 1	9.46

Sunset today, 7:08 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 5:13 a. m.

USELESS HEROISM

PARIS — (AP)— Paris newspapers tell of 50-year-old Andre Gauthier who plunged into the Seine river to save his two poodles —Toga and Mata. Gauthier drowned, but the dogs swam to safety.

Free Life Insurance For Vets Becomes Law

WASHINGTON — (AP)— All U.S. military personnel in service since the start of the Korean war are to receive free \$10,000 in life insurance.

Families of those killed in the conflict will receive benefits payable for 120 months at \$2.90 per month.

A bill providing the new insurance was signed into law Wednesday by President Truman.

Turkey Larceny Charged To Crescent City Men

John Robert Potter, 30, and Ross Lever Baxter, 26, both of Crescent City, were arrested Wednesday morning by the state police for alleged larceny of a turkey. The men were each released on \$150 bail, reports District Judge A. J. Geddes.

Potter was driving a car about four miles south of Myrtle Creek and was stopped by a policeman for reported violation of the basic rule. The officer noted the turkey in the car and investigation showed it had been stolen from W. P. Weaver of Myrtle Creek. Potter was cited for the traffic violation and both men were charged with the larceny, according to Judge Geddes.

Dedication Set Monday For New Fullerton School

"Open house" dedication ceremonies for the new Fullerton school will be staged Monday night at the school with an extensive program.

Mayor Al Fiegl will deliver the principal speech for the event, on the subject of "Education, and the Future of Roseburg."

As part of the dedication ceremony, keys of the school will be turned over to members of the school board, who will be introduced. City School Superintendent Paul Elliott will act as host and introduce the school's architects, the contractor and other guests.

Mrs. Gordon Stewart will play introductory music on the Hammond organ.

Other highlights of the program, which starts at 8 p. m., include introduction of the 15-member teaching staff of the school, and three speakers who will comment on "Impressions of the New Building." They are Mrs. N. D. Johnson, president of the Fullerton PTA; G. L. Hayes, president of the Fullerton Dads Club; and Kenneth Barneburg, superintendent of county schools.

The Fullerton sixth grade girls' choir is scheduled to present several selections. There will be a tour and inspection of the building for all interested parties. Fullerton school Principal Lyle Eddy emphasizes that everyone is welcome.

Registered students now in the building total 363 with at least 40 more scheduled to enter next year, Eddy said. Capacity of the school runs at about 400 students.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Restrain that bawl, ye alde towne hall

Will be here for some time to come,

Unless perhaps the Russians attack

And caress it with an atom bomb.



INDUCTEES—Pictured above are nine Douglas county men who left Roseburg Tuesday to be inducted into the armed forces at Eugene. Seated, lower row, left to right, are: Donald Lee Gardner, Glide; Lloyd Thomas Nelson, Camas Valley; Denver Ray Metcalf, Canyonville; and Ralph Derrold Birdsall, Roseburg; upper row standing, Earnest Alvin Long, Yoncalla; William Rayburn Erwin, Canyonville; Billy Eugene Messengale, Wilbur; Clint D. Sponsler, Myrtle Creek; and Floyd William Raper, Canyonville. They are all transfers from out of state and do not count for the county quota because their primary registration was elsewhere. (Picture by Paul Jenkins)