Neuberger Gives Impression Of White House Luncheon With President Eisenhower

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore) hit at the administration's highway program as a "bonanza" for bankers.

Neuberger said that if the administration "intends to be consistent in its economic policies," it will give its support to a proposal to raise the federal gasoline tax to finance a greatly expanded highway program.

Eisenhower's highway proposal, now being considered by the Senate Public Roads Subcommittee, calls for a 21-billion-dollar bond issue by a federal corporation to finance the major portion of a 40,000-mile network of interstate highways.

Under that plan, the interest tab over a 30-year period would amount to 11½ billion dollars.

"This interest will not build one additional mile of roadway," Neuberger said in a statement.

Neuberger, a member of the Public Roads Committee, came out for a suggestion by Sen. Edward Martin (R-Pa) that the federal gasoline tax, now two cents a gallon, be boosted by a penny to put the road program on a pay-as-you-go basis.

The Oregon senator said after the hearing closed that he will consult with House Ways and Means Committee members on legislation to boost the federal gasoline levy. All tax bills originate with that committee.

Neuberger suggested the states could raise more money for their share of an expanded program by increasing their gasoline taxes. At present, the highest state tax is 7 cents a gallon. He suggested a general level of 8 cents to cut down debt at the state level.

C. A. Stoldt, director of the Oklahoma Department of Highways told the committee he considers one of the main objections to the proposed interstate network would be overcome by dropping the word, "interstate."

"The citizens of Oklahoma do not understand the meaning or intent of the interstate system," Stoldt said.

He suggested a designation of "defense network or military highways."

Stoldt said a highway bill proposed by the committee chairman, Sen. Gore (D-Tenn) under which the federal and state governments would split the interstate road bill 2-1 would be "inadequate."

The Eisenhower proposal would have the federal government pay nearly the entire amount for the interstate roads.

"I don't believe we (in Oklahoma) could build one mile of interstate roads on a 2-1 basis with only two small exceptions," Stoldt said.

General Motors Sells Record Number Autos

LOS ANGELES (AP) — General Motors established an all-time mark by selling 280,824 new five-passenger automobiles last month, President Harlow H. Curtice reported Saturday.

Curtice also said the February record plus the January total of 261,393 gave the corporation a total of 542,078 new cars delivered the first two months. That's the highest first two months' sales in the corporation's history, he said.

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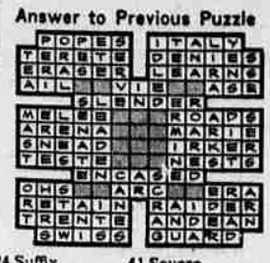

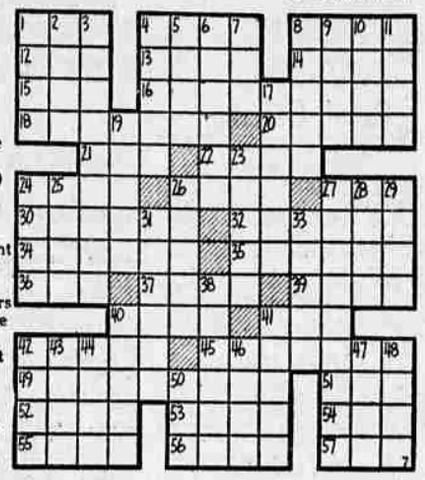

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"Work! Work! Work! Are you married to that bank, or to me?"

IN REPORTED ABDICTION—The French news agency in Paris reported that King Norodom Sihanouk, right, of the Indochinese state of Cambodia had abdicated. The agency said the 33-year-old monarch stepped down from the throne in favor of his father, Prince Suramarit, left. Only a month ago the King won an overwhelming vote of confidence. (AP Wirephoto).

Knowland Sees Nothing New In Eisenhower's Statement

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Knowland (R-Calif) said at the White House here that he sees no new policy in President Eisenhower's statement that this country is not going to be a party to an aggressive war" to recover the Chinese mainland for Chiang Kai-Shek.

That interpretation of the President's news conference remark took a place somewhere between these widely divergent views from other members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee:

Sen. Sparkman (D-Ala) - "The can now write off any possibility of Chinese Nationalist return to the mainland."

Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R-NJ) —The President was telling the world that the Nationalist army is held ready to strike if the Communists break the truce in either Korea or Indochina.

Knowland, the Senate Republican leader, discussed the subject with newsmen after a breakfast conference with Eisenhower. He said the talk over coffee cups dealt with foreign policy and the congressional legislative situation generally, but he declined to go into detail.

In his meeting with reporters Wednesday Eisenhower was told that Nationalist Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek has said he is expecting U. S. moral support and help from the standpoint of supplies for an invasion of the Chinese mainland, now held by the Communist regime.

Asked whether this government has given the Chinese Nationalists any reason to expect such support, the President replied that he feels the whole matter has been discussed so thoroughly there can be no question of America's attitude on the matter. Then he added:

The United States is not going to be a party to an aggressive war; that is the best answer I can make."

Newsmen asked Knowland whether he regarded that as an enunciation of a new policy.

"No," the senator replied. "I have never myself suggested that an aggressive war be waged. Our position out there has been thoroughly understood.

It's a defensive posture."

Sen. Humphrey (D-Minn) saw Eisenhower's statement as tacit admission of the existence of two Chinas."

Associated Press Cited For McCarthy Coverage

NEW YORK (AP) — The Associated Press has won Long Island University's George Polk Memorial Award for wire service reporting for a special series of articles on Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis).

The citation said the AP articles dealt with the controversial topic "objectively and factually."

The award cited Alan J. Gould, AP executive editor, and Don Whitehead, Saul Pett, Bem Price, Relman Morin and Jack Bell, writers of the series.

All phases of McCarthy's personality, background and controversies were covered in the 13-part series, which ran from April [illegible] to 18, 1954.

This award was one of 13 designated in the eighth annual balloting of the L. I. U. Department of Journalism faculty members. The awards are in memory of the CBS correspondent killed in Greece in 1948.

FATE PENDING

FT. SILL, Okla. (AP) — The fate of Maj. Ambrose H. Nugent, charged on nine counts of collaborating with his Communist captors in Korea, probably will be decided Monday when the general court-martial begins its seventh week.

All testimony was completed Friday, with the 45-year-old Nugent the final witness.

CAPTAIN EASY

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

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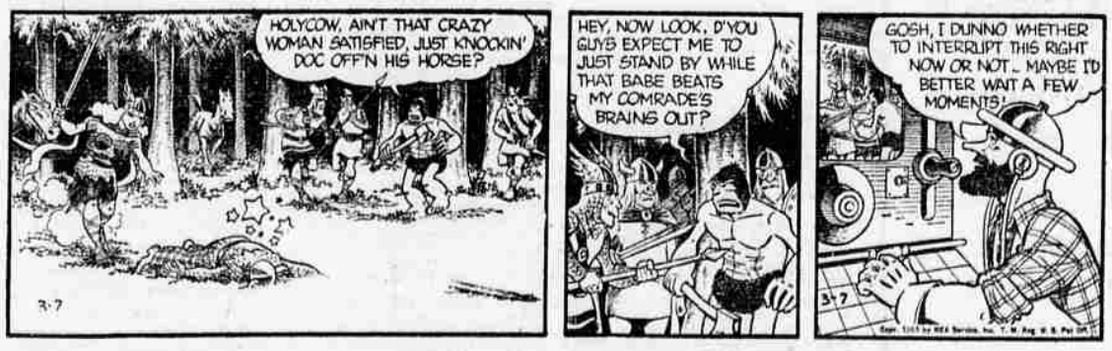

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