

## Republicans Fight Rear Guard Action Against \$2.6 Billion Works Proposal

WASHINGTON (AP)—Divided Senate Republicans fought a rear guard action today against a \$2.6 billion public works proposal they called a raid on the Treasury and a potential presidential political weapon.

The tactical difficulty faced by the six GOP members of the Senate Public Works Committee—and it was shared by most of their party colleagues—lay in opposing the administration's proposal without being tagged as against public works.

Sen. Winston L. Prouty, R-N.H., who foresaw possible effective political use of the program by President Kennedy, promised to come up with an alternative when the committee-approved measure is laid before the Senate later.

Prouty's aides said this was likely to be in the form of an amendment to limit presidentially directed expenditures to \$600 million for chronic unemployment areas and to projects already authorized by Congress.

The Republicans generally appeared willing to take the political chance of opposing a long range provision under which Kennedy would be authorized to spend up to \$2 billion on projects he would select if a recession threatened.

Committee Democrats said in a majority report there was a "real and urgent need" for such authority. But the Republicans generally felt Congress could act swiftly or be called into special session if a depression loomed.

The committee-approved bill would permit the President under the standby power to start projects not previously authorized by Congress. By certain findings he could make federal money available on a 90-10 local matching basis.

He could deal directly with cities without going through state governments. He could not spend more than 12.8 per cent of the total \$2 billion in any one state. But by the same token he could spend all of it in eight key states if he chose.

The political implications of this were not lost on Prouty, who called the proposal in a statement of individual views "the longest reach for executive power I have ever witnessed."

He said marginal districts that might go either way in a congressional election "may find themselves the sudden recipients of federal largesse at key times in key campaigns."

## Straub Blames AMA For Lack Of Decent Medical Care Bill

ALBANY, Ore. (AP)—State Sen. Robert W. Straub, D-Eugene, said Wednesday the American Medical Association must bear the blame for the delay in passage of what he called an adequate, decent medical bill.

A candidate for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the 4th District, Straub spoke before the World War I Veterans' Association.

In prepared remarks, Straub said: "During the 1930's the AMA opposed social security; they opposed extension of social security benefits to the permanently and totally disabled at age 50; they opposed elimination of the means test in the crippled children's program, declaring it to be a 'socialistic regulation'; they opposed old age and unemployment insurance."

He said that Rep. Edwin Durbin, R-Ore., is working hand in glove with the AMA to prevent enactment of the King-Anderson bill to provide hospital care under social security.

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ENGLISHTOWN, N. J. (AP)—Ira Hulsart hasn't much time for machines.

Cars may rule the highways, but there'll always be horses, he says. And he's the man to provide the harnesses.

A harness maker for 60 years, Hulsart runs his one-room shop without a single machine.

His formula for avoiding machine-age ills: "I just like to work good and hard, and when I get tired I sit down."



**TOP MECHANICS** — Victor White, left, and Donald Nielsen of Roseburg High School are shown working on a car to sharpen up their skill for the state Plymouth Trouble Shooting Contest. This week they won the state semifinal test at Grants Pass. They will meet three teams from northern Oregon in Portland for the state championship. The winning team will receive individual awards of merit and will be flown to Detroit, Mich., for the national contest. Instructor Marvin Wolff will accompany the boys to Portland. (News-Review photo)

## County's Freedom Bond Drive Goal Announced

Douglas County's goal in the 1962 Freedom Bond Drive will be \$159,000 in Series E and H bond sales.

L. J. Fullerton, chairman of the Volunteer Bond Committee, said participation of more families in a regular bond-buying program is urgently needed. Besides dollar sales, extra purchases during the drive period are necessary, he said.

He added: "Selling more bonds helps the U.S. Treasury meet the mounting costs of keeping the peace in a way that braces our economy against the strains that defense puts upon it."

## SEES SPORTS BOOM

CHICAGO (AP)—Americans are taking up sports at an all-time rate, if distribution of sporting goods is a criterion.

Richard E. Snyder, a Chicago economist, estimates that prospects for 1962 volume of consumer purchases of sporting goods will be six per cent more than the volume in 1961.

Largest gains will come in billiard and pool tables and playing supplies, inflatable athletic balls other than football and basketball, archery equipment, hockey goods, table tennis, tennis, squash and roller and ice skates.

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## Southern Solons Push Fight Against Literacy Test Bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—Southern senators pushed ahead today with their fight against the administration's voter literacy test bill after a trial by physical stamina was ruled out by Senate leaders.

"Insofar as the leadership is concerned, it expects this debate to take place within regular working hours and with the Senate otherwise functioning in a normal fashion," said Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield of Montana.

Mansfield laid out the course after he got the bill before the Senate by offering it as a substitute for a private relief bill already up for action.

He was joined in this maneuver by Senate Republican Leader Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois.

With Southern foes vowing to do all they can to prevent passage, the showdown will come when the two party leaders attempt to muster the two-thirds majority required by the rules to halt a filibuster.

Indications are, however, that a move to cut off debate will not be made for 10 days to two weeks.

The measure is aimed at use of literacy tests to keep members of minority groups from voting. Discriminatory registrars use the tests to keep Negroes from voting

in some Southern areas, the administration contends.

The bill would exempt anyone with a 6th-grade education from having to pass a state literacy test to qualify to vote in presidential and congressional elections.

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## Increase In East-West Tension May Follow New Round Of Tests

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON (AP)—Resumption of U.S. nuclear testing in the atmosphere and an expected new round of Soviet tests will cause some increase in East-West tensions, Washington officials predict.

Highly placed sources here expect that Russia will begin a new test series fairly soon, now that the United States is testing over the central Pacific.

Soviet Premier Khrushchev's declared intention to conduct more experimental nuclear blasts if the United States did so is the principal basis here say it is evident from what is known of the results of Soviet tests last fall that Russian leaders would want to hold further experiments in order to develop their findings—particularly in the field of anti-missile defenses.

## Florida Couple Eyes Roseburg For New Home

A Fort Lauderdale, Fla., couple considering retirement may choose Roseburg over the famed climes of Florida.

In a letter to the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce, Mrs. Earle D. Sylvia asks for information on the county because "we have been through Roseburg several times on camping trips, etc., and were very much attracted to that area."

She said her husband intends to retire this spring and "although Florida is considered a retirement paradise and we have lived here five years, we still think Florida should be given back to the Seminoles. Heat, humidity, bugs, thunderstorms!"

She says the couple prefers "a four-season climate."

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