

Surety Shows \$60 Million Oregon Tax Increase Measure Has Been Referred To Voters

SALEM (UPI)—The 1963 legislative session's \$60 million tax increase measure has been referred to a special election Oct. 15, a survey by United Press International revealed today.

A check of county clerks in each of Oregon's 36 counties showed more than 20,000 referendum signatures already have been certified, and more than 8,254 have been turned in but not yet checked.

A total of 3,185 signatures are needed before the special election can be called.

Anticipating a possible referral of the tax increase package, the legislature set aside \$200,000 and the Oct. 15 date for a special election before it adjourned last spring.

More Petitions Expected

Clerks in several counties said they expected more petitions to be turned in. They reported they were finding from 80 to 90 per cent of the signatures submitted to be valid.

This would mean that the 8,254 still unchecked signatures would produce more than the total needed to require the special election.

When told of the poll results, Gov. Mark Hatfield told UPI "if the remaining signatures are valid, the people will have to face the question of deciding the question of property taxes or vastly increased educational opportunities."

Circulation of petitions was begun Aug. 6 by J. Francis How-

ard, editor of weekly newspapers in Albany and Corvallis.

Deadline Sept. 1

Deadline for filing petitions with the secretary of state is 5 p.m. Sept. 1.

Educational groups, organized labor and the Associated Oregon Industries are on record as opposed to referral, and a spirited pre-election battle could result over the issue.

At the special Oct. 15 election Oregon voters would either approve or reject the legislature's tax measure. If approved it would become law, retroactive to Jan. 1, 1962.

If rejected, Hatfield would have to trim \$60 million from the state's \$404 general fund biennial budget, or call a special legislative session so lawmakers could make the cuts or enact a new tax measure.

Multnomah Leads

In Multnomah County alone more than 9,732 signatures had been certified, and more than 3,881 were awaiting verification.

Reports from other counties showed:

Baker, none turned in.
Benton, 500 verified.
Blackamas, 1191 verified, 447 still to check.
Clatsop, 180 to check.
Columbia, 350 verified, 60 to check.
Coos, 150 verified.
Crook, none turned in.
Curry, about 220 verified.
Deschutes, several petitions submitted, but total of verified signatures unknown.
Douglas, 397 verified.
Gilliam, 40 verified.
Grant, none turned in.
Harney, none turned in.
Hood River, none turned in.
Jackson, 1190 verified, 1000 still to check.
Jefferson, none turned in.
Josephine, slightly over 2,000 verified.
Klamath, 1974 verified, 2000 still to check.
Lake, none turned in.
Lane, 1,370 verified.
Lincoln, many petitions turned in, verified total unknown.
Malheur, 60 verified.
Marion, 622 verified.
Morrow, 98 verified.
Polk, 370 to check.
Tillamook, 290 to check.
Umatilla, 588 verified.
Union, none turned in.
Wallowa, none turned in.
Wasco, 1000 verified.
Washington, 431 verified.
Wheeler, none turned in.
Yamhill, 79 verified.

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'Invasion' Force Attacks Rilea

SEASIDE (UPI)—A 4,000-man "invasion" force launched an amphibious assault against Camp Rilea four miles north of here Tuesday in Operation Cascade Columbia.

Only 12 Navy frogmen made it to shore.

The other troops who left Navy attack transports circled offshore in landing craft for three hours and then returned to the fleet, where fresh troops took their place.

The official communique explained:

"Offshore bottom conditions at this location are too dangerous for an actual landing in a peace-time training operation."

The frogmen landed on a beach defended by a newspaper reporter, a photographer and several clam diggers.

Regular Army troops and Northwest reservists are participating in the two-week maneuvers. As

Johnson Sees Rapid Solution To Civil Rights Problems

United Press International Vice President Lyndon Johnson made the prediction the other day that the civil rights problem in America will be "solved with a rapidity which few people now credit."

He spoke against a record of a summer of upheaval on the racial front. Violence got the attention, but Johnson was generally on target when he spoke of solutions.

With solutions this summer came increasing pressure from organized Negro groups. They made it clear that massive demonstrations would be the answer to a refusal of their demands.

This was emphasized in Plaquemine, La., just west of the state capital of Baton Rouge.

Hundreds of Negroes marched—they were tear-gassed twice—in a protest against exclusion of Negro sections of the city in a proposed bond issue for street and drainage improvements.

Gordon Carey, national program director of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), charged the Negro areas, badly in need of street repairs and sewer improvements, had been left out purposely from bond funds.

James Farmer, the No. 1 CORE leader, was jailed in the demonstration but hopes to get out in time to help lead a Washington civil rights demonstration Aug. 28.

An entirely different approach was being used by Negroes in Beaufort, S.C., on the Atlantic Ocean. Negroes quietly asked city and county officials to consider desegregation of schools, nondiscrimination in jobs and the opening of public facilities to Negroes.

Beaufort officials, expecting no demonstrations, promised a meeting with the Negro leadership in two weeks.

The list of desegregation ad-

vances, either as a result of demonstrations, court action or voter action, was growing longer by the day. There were at least 40 noteworthy developments since July 1.

Widespread trouble over the "advances," however, prompted Dr. Joseph H. Jackson, leader of 5 million Negro Baptists, to admonish the National Baptist Convention:

"This worthy struggle must not be allowed to degenerate into a rebellion for rebellion's sake, or to become a racket without rhyme or reason."

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Assistant Defense Secretary Eugene G. Fubini has scuffed at the idea that orbiting bombs could greatly damage the earth.

Fubini, deputy director of research, said Tuesday it would take a bomb equal to 2,000 megatons of TNT to burn a frame house from an altitude of 130 miles.

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