

Administration Presses For House Passage Of \$11 Billion In Tax Cuts

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Confidence of victory, administration forces pressed for House passage today of an \$11 billion tax cut, biggest in history.

As the showdown votes approached, the tide was running against Republican leaders in their attempt to attach an anti-spending amendment to the tax-cutting bill or defeat it on final passage.

Republican forces charged that it would be fiscally irresponsible for Congress to approve President Kennedy's plea for tax cuts without imposing specific spending curbs on him.

Replying to this argument, Rep. Wilbur D. Mills, D-Ark., told the House Tuesday in almost 50

many words that enactment of the tax cut would make it harder for Kennedy to win congressional approval of new spending programs.

Appeals To Conservatives
Mills, who heads the tax-writing House Ways & Means Committee, called for conservative support of the bill on the ground that it represented "a step away from big central government."

Unless heavy taxes are reduced to let private enterprise solve unemployment problems, Mills said, "others will find an answer for it by increasing spending."

House GOP Leader Charles A. Halleck, Inc., said that if administration forces succeeded in defeating the Republican amend-

ment, the bill's chances of final passage "will be in very serious jeopardy." But few members took that seriously.

Rep. Thomas B. Curtis, R-Mo., told the House he could find no fault with Mills' argument that the nation must choose between the road of increased spending and the road of reduced taxes. Curtis said, however, that the President and his advisers want to "travel both roads at the same time."

The GOP amendment would prohibit the tax cut unless the President in his budget message next January showed spending estimates of no more than \$87 billion for the current fiscal year and \$88 billion for the next year.

With House floor amendments barred except for the one proposed by GOP leaders, the 312-page bill seemed likely to reach the Senate in exactly the same form in which it emerged from the ways & means committee 13 days ago.

The tax relief would be parceled out in two annual steps with virtually every federal taxpayer — individual and corporation — getting a share. Starting next year, about 1.5 million Americans who now pay taxes would be knocked off the tax roll altogether.

Tax rates for the 50 million other individual taxpayers would be cut by an average of 20 per cent. About two-thirds of the relief would be effective on 1964 incomes and the rest in 1965.

Myrtle Creek, Canyonville School Merger Favored

The public hearing on consolidation of the Myrtle Creek and Canyonville school districts held Tuesday night at the Myrtle Creek School cafeteria drew 32 persons, none of whom voiced a protest, according to Lorraine Birenbaum, correspondent.

A similar hearing will be held at 8 o'clock tonight in the Canyonville High School gymnasium for the Canyonville district.

Superintendent Speaks

Kenneth Barneburg, speaking for the Douglas County Intermediate Education Board which conducted the hearing, outlined the conditions agreed upon for consolidation and the steps necessary before such consolidation can be put into effect. One of the primary conditions agreed upon by both districts is

Sutherlin Educator Slated In Medford

Richard Scott, principal of East Elementary and Sutherlin Junior High schools, will travel to Medford Friday to address three educational groups on the subjects of identification and work with the creative student.

In the morning, Scott will speak to Medford administrators and supervisory personnel.

In the afternoon, he will be the speaker at a PTA meeting at Jackson School. Later in the day, he will talk with the faculty of Oak Grove school.

The invitation extended to Scott was an outgrowth of a visitation by five Medford principals to Sutherlin Junior High school last spring.

Ronald Krasky, principal of Rockaway school, E. V. Stait, principal of Garibaldi school and Mrs. Stait, a teacher in the Garibaldi system, visited East Elementary and Sutherlin Junior High schools on Monday.

The group was in Sutherlin to observe new methods and programs within the Sutherlin system, Mrs. William Blakeley, correspondent, reports.

Drain Man In Jail For Larceny Over \$75

Marvin L. Lehnber, 29, Drain, has been arrested by state police on a Marion County warrant charging him with larceny over \$75. He has been lodged in the county jail and will be released today to officers from that county.

Booked also at the county jail and released on bail is John Henry Atkinson, 26, Winston, on a bastardy proceeding.

Richard Martin Briseno, 32, Taft, was arrested by state police on a drunken driving count and lodged in jail with bail of \$300.

Solons Open Crime Probe

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A sordid story of gangland bloodbaths and how organized crime has set up its own private government — "resting on a base of human suffering and moral corruption" — was unfolded today by Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy.

Kennedy gave the account to the Senate investigations subcommittee in calling for approval of two new weapons against crime: immunity for witnesses in racketeering investigations and a broader federal wire-tap law.

Committee Chairman John L. McClellan, D-Ark., said in an opening statement that he has in mind a law that would prohibit membership in such a criminal and secret organization as "Cosa Nostra."

Both Kennedy and McClellan said the gangland organization attempts to be a form of government unto itself and outside the law.

Valachi Star Witness

The star witness at the hearings, expected to last about three weeks, will be Joseph Valachi, currently the underworld's most celebrated stool pigeon. He has been "singing" to federal authorities about Cosa Nostra and has been marked for death.

Bureau Of Land Management To Receive 887,000 Trees

Roseburg District of the Bureau of Land Management will receive 887,000 seedlings as its share of the BLM's annual forest tree seedling project in Oregon.

The planting work in this county is supported by Accelerated Public Works program, funds,

which means that employment of local labor is a condition of contract. Bids for the various seedling projects in Oregon will be opened Oct. 8 at Portland.

Bill Barker, BLM official at Roseburg, said Douglas County is receiving 764,000 Douglas fir seedlings and 123,000 Ponderosa pine seedlings as its share of the BLM's annual reforestation program to plant various portions of the public domain.

The county's seeding projects are in eight locations. They are: Upper Smith River in western Douglas County, Brush Creek (a tributary of Elk Creek west of Drain), Andrews Creek (west of Yoncalla), Scotts Valley, Dodge Canyon (northwest of Sutherlin), Reston Ridge, Canyonville, Tiller and Days Creek.

Barker said most of the work will be done after Dec. 1.

Prospectus Planned

He reported that the district is starting something new in connection with county tree planting projects. The local office will have available for contractors a prospectus of the planting proposal similar to the prospectus prepared for timber sales. Purpose is to give additional information — beyond that which is contained in the regular bid forms — and is expected to provide "better communication" between the district and contractor. Large scale maps will also be

available. Barker said these materials can be obtained at the Roseburg office. In the counties involved, the BLM is calling bids for the contract

planting of 3,561,000 two-year-old Douglas fir and Ponderosa pine seedlings on approximately 7,000 acres consisting of 53 separate projects.

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