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The Voter's Duty Is Not Done Yet

The job of the voters isn't over yet.

They left little doubt Friday that they were either: (1) Against the state budget increase of \$60 million; (2) or, against the proposed tax program; (3) or, in favor of another kind of tax — or (4) perhaps a combination of all three reasons.

That's the problem legislators and the governor face. Is the vote a mandate for slashing expenditures or changing the tax program?

That's where you, the voter, must help. It's your job now to let the legislators and governor know what you feel should be done.

State Rep. Sidney Leiken of Roseburg reflected some of the uncertainty when he said Wednesday, "I wish I knew what conclusion to draw. Does it mean the people want no increase and want cuts made or is it a mandate to come up with another tax program?"

Sen. Al Flegel insisted it was a rejection of both the tax program and the state budget. He also sees it forcing the legislature to consider the cigarette and sales tax.

He said he felt cuts would be made so the budget would remain as it was in the previous biennium. The next step, he said, will probably be the "serious consideration" of the cigarette and sales tax which would be referred to the people. He said neither of these taxes could be set up to prove of any benefit in this biennium, because they would have to be voted on at a special election (at the cost of about \$300,000) or at the November general election in 1964.

Here's where the question loomed biggest in Flegel's mind. He said he would support a cigarette and sales tax "if more people want it than don't."

"Fifty per cent of my friends want a sales tax and 50 per cent don't. And I'm for my friends."

Another question is where cuts should be made to do the least harm and please the most voters. Education, with more than half the general fund budget appears to be the area which will lose the greatest amount with a cutback in expenditures. Should the major cuts be made here or elsewhere?

The News-Review predicted a chaotic situation would occur in state government if the tax and expenditure measure were rejected. Judging from the uncertainty among legislators this has already started to materialize.

That's why the people who took the time to vote overwhelmingly "no," should now take even more time to translate their vote into explanations of positive explanations of their desires. This is the only way this chaos will be limited.

The way to do this is by direct communication to the legislators and the governor by letter, telephone or telegram. Correspondence to the governor can be sent to the state Capitol building in Salem. Leiken's address is 2230 W. Harvard Ave. and Flegel's is 1376 SE Lane St. Both the Douglas county legislators have urged their constituents to offer their ideas. The reader opinion columns of The News-Review are also open for comment from the people.

Responsible government is a government reflecting the wishes of the people it serves. The duty of the people is to make certain that government knows what the majority wants. So, it's the duty of that majority which voted with every "no" voter to let his elected representatives know what those "no" votes mean.

'That Far and No Farther!'



News Analysis



Many Problems Face Dr. Illia

By PHIL NEWSOM

UPI Foreign News Analyst

A white-haired, fragile-looking man, Dr. Arturo Umberto Illia, returned last week to constitutional government.

He is Dr. Arturo Umberto Illia, under whom Argentina returned last week to constitutional government. His chances for success will depend in large part upon the control he is able to exercise over Argentina's military factions on the one hand and the followers of former dictator Juan D. Peron on the other.

For the more than 10 years since Peron's fall, the two groups have kept the nation in an unceasing state of turmoil. From the vantage point of a recent visit to Argentina, it is possible to predict that President Illia is in for some lumps at home and at least occasional clashes with the United States.

For one thing, he has been accused of being a rabid Argentine nationalist. He already has announced plans to annul the foreign oil contracts which helped to make Argentina self-supporting in oil.

These will be taken over by the state-owned Y.P.F. Oil Company.

He also has been accused of being pro-Communist. This he denies, but he believes Communists should have the right to organize and express their views.

The Venezuelan regime of President Romulo Betancourt held similar views in its earlier days and learned the hard way that Communist expression of views comes in violence and in unceasing conspiracy against existing order.

Well, each to his own lights, but when people ask me what they can do to help make newspaper week a success I always tell them "take a newspaperman to lunch."

Newspaper week customarily brings forth many statements on the vital role that a free press plays in a democratic society. And every word of this is true.

There is, however, another aspect that I think deserves attention. I refer to the fact that the newspaper business can on occasion be a lot of fun.

Recalls Incident

As my contribution to newspaper week I should like to recount what happened one day when the telephone rang in the city room of a newspaper where I once worked more or less for laughs.

The call was from a lady who reported that she kept hearing thumping noises under her house.

What kind of noises? Thumping noises. Thump, thump, thump, under the floor.

Why didn't she report this to the police? She did. Several times. But they claimed they couldn't hear any kind of noise thumping or otherwise.

The reporter who took the call went out and interviewed the lady. Then he came back and wrote a story suggesting that maybe there was an alligator under her house.

The view is certain to bring equal the national deficit of him into conflict with Argentina around \$200 million.

Past government efforts have resulted in a reduction of railroad employees from 226,000 to around 141,000. But the system is in bad repair and Argentine farmers refuse to trust it with their crops. U.S. experts believe at least 15,000 to 20,000 miles of track should be abandoned.

The Y.P.F., in addition to its own enterprises, at present takes all the crude oil produced by the foreign companies. But it also is heavily in the red, and has been unable to pay its producers. In theory it should contribute substantially to the country's highway and power projects, but in these programs also is far in arrears.

Illia says he has a program to restore full employment within a year and at the same time protect wages and currency from inflation.

He will need to be the miracle man of the year.

THE LIGHTER SIDE:

Alligator Story

Hard To Swallow

Ike Will Visit

Abilene Monday

ABILENE, Kan. (UPI) — Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower will visit Abilene Monday to unveil a portrait of himself at the Eisenhower Presidential Library.

The former President will fly here with his son, Col. John Eisenhower, and his aide, Brig. Gen. Robert Schulz.

The portrait was painted by James Anthony Wills of Houston, Tex. It was given to Eisenhower by K. S. (Boots) Adams of Bartlesville, Okla., chairman of the board of Phillips Petroleum Co.

THIEF GETS TUXEDO

LOS GATOS, Calif. (UPI) — Gene Endsow told police he returned to his car yesterday and found that someone had stolen his tuxedo and dress shirt — and added that the thief probably won't be found wearing it.

Endsow is 6 feet 5 inches tall and weighs 265 pounds. The missing tuxedo was size 50.

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WALNUT GROVE, Calif. (UPI) — The prosecution has been having trouble keeping its star exhibits from killing each other.

The witnesses are fighting cocks, seized in a raid last month near Isleton, Calif. Possession of the birds is illegal, and the prosecutor wants to use them as evidence against George Maghoney, who is charged as their owner.

Day's News

By Frank Jenkins

From Sacramento: Horace Greeley's advice for young men to HEAD WEST may apply specifically to California in 1980 — if the young men don't mind older women.

The state department of finance predicted yesterday that there will be approximately 538,000 MORE WOMEN than men in California by July 1, 1980 — 17 years from now.

Walter P. Hollman, the finance department's population expert, says the average California lady will then be 29.3 years old, while the men will average out at only 27.6 years of age.

Hollman also forecast that California's bulging population will swell to 27.8 million in the next six years, with toddlers under five accounting for about 2,740,000, or roughly ten per cent of the total.

He adds: "At that time, there will be 14,209,000 women and only 13,471,000 men."

He goes on to say: "The currently estimated 17.3 million persons now in California will grow to 17.9 million by 1965 — a little over a year from now."

Question: What of Oregon? Are we jealous of our great neighbor's fantastic population growth?

NOT ON YOUR TINTYPE!

If within the next six years there are 27.8 million people in California, that will mean a LOT MORE CUSTOMERS for what we have to sell and a lot more tourists to come up to our glamorous wide-open spaces to get away from the mess at home.

Let's take a look at population densities.

In 1960, only three years ago, there were only 100.4 people per square mile of land area in California.

If Mr. Hollman's forecast turns out to be accurate, there will be 175 people per square mile by 1965, which is only about six years away.

In Oregon in 1960, there were 18.4 people per square mile.

Question: In 1969, how many people per square mile of land area will there be in Oregon?

Not TOO many, we all hope.

In conclusion: What about Horace Greeley and his famous advice to young men to GO WEST?

How did he come to say it? The story goes that the phrase GO WEST, YOUNG MAN was first used by John Babsone Lane Soule, a country editor in Terre Haute, Ind.

Horace Greeley, then the famous editor of the New York Tribune saw it and liked it and used it in an editorial in his paper. He didn't just crib it, as many an editor has done in the pinches. He printed it in full and gave full credit to Editor Soule.

History, however, forgot Soule and gave the credit to Greeley.

LEGAL

National Forest Timber Sale

Falls Cutoff Sale

Oral auction bids will be received by the Forest Supervisor or his authorized representative at the office of the Forest Supervisor, Federal Office Building, Roseburg, Oregon, beginning at 2:00 P.M., November 18, 1963, for all merchantable timber marked or designated for cutting on an area embracing 189 acres, more or less, within section 35, T. 26 S., R. 3 E., and Sections 1, 2, and 12, T. 27 S., R. 3 E., W. M., surveyed, and sections 6, 7 and 19, T. 27 S., R. 4 E., W. M., unsurveyed, in the Umpqua National Forest, Oregon.

The estimated volumes are: 10,500 M board feet of Douglas-fir, 1,800 M board feet of western white pine, sugar pine and ponderosa pine, and 900 M board feet of western hemlock and other species. The minimum acceptable bid per M board feet is as follows: Douglas-fir \$25.45, western white pine, sugar pine and ponderosa pine \$14.05, and western hemlock and other species \$8.30.

This includes the following rates, per M board feet for stumpage, including deposit for sale area betterment: \$3.00 base rate plus an additional \$21.95 for Douglas-fir, \$3.00 base rate plus an additional \$10.55 for western white pine, sugar pine and ponderosa pine, and \$2.00 base rate plus an additional \$5.80 for western hemlock and other species, and \$0.50 for slash disposal for all species. The stumpage rates payable for each species will be increased by the amortization rate in effect for that species when the unamortized estimated cost of the main haul roads has been amortized by timber scaled. The unamortized estimated cost is \$77,269.00.

Amortization rates are: Douglas-fir, \$7.31 per M board feet, western white pine, sugar pine and ponderosa pine, \$7.31 per M board feet, and western hemlock and other species \$7.31 per M board feet. Amortization of estimated main haul road costs is computed on 80 percent of the estimated timber volume. The prices bid for stumpage shall be considered as tentative rates subject to quarterly calendar adjustment upward or downward by 0.5 of the difference between the average of the monthly Douglas-fir region indices, as calculated by the Forest Service, or the Western Pine Association lumber price index for the three previous months, and the following base indices: Douglas-fir 104.43(C), western white pine, sugar pine and ponderosa pine 98.87 and western hemlock and other species 93.09(A). Such adjustments in the price for stumpage shall be applicable to timber scaled during the three-month period following the quarter for which the adjustment is computed.

In no event, however, shall the payment rates for each quarter be less than the base rates as stated above. When the adjusted rates by species are lower than the base rates, the difference between the total dollar value of timber cut at adjusted rates and at base rates will be recorded for each species. The stumpage rates for any species will not be increased above the base rate until the subsequent adjusted rates above base rates develop an accumulated total dollar value in excess of the recorded accumulated difference for all species. Sealed bids will be publicly opened and posted at the office of the Forest Supervisor at 2:00 P.M., on November 18, 1963. All those who submitted a satisfactory sealed bid will be permitted immediately to continue auction bidding. A money order, bank draft, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$10,700.00 must accompany each bid, to be applied to the purchase price, refunded, or retained for application to any claim for damages, according to the conditions of sale.

If requested by the purchaser, contract terms will permit felling of timber in advance of payment up to the value of the performance bond. If an oral bid is declared to be high at the closing of the auction, the bidder must immediately confirm the oral bid by submitting it in writing on a Forest Service bid form. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved. Forest Service bid forms for use in submitting sealed bids and full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale and the submission of bids should be obtained from the District Ranger, Toketee Ranger Station, Toketee Star Route, Idley Park, Oregon, or the Forest Supervisor, Roseburg, Oregon, before bids are submitted.

MONEY AUCTION PLANNED

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — San Francisco Postmaster John F. Fixa announced Wednesday that the Post Office will auction off \$280 Oct. 30—and it hopes the high bid will be at least \$1,000.

The money, consisting of 280 uncirculated silver dollars dating from 1884-92, was sent through the mail. However, the receiver rejected the coins because of scratches and the post office paid off about \$1,000.

The Editor's Corner
By Charles V. Stanton

Grass Root Swing Toward Economy Seen In Vote

What do we do now? Oregon voters were extremely vigorous at Tuesday's special election in expressing displeasure with the legislature's tax proposals. By their "No" vote they have issued a virtual mandate to the legislature to come up with something a lot more acceptable than the program which emerged from the last session.

Was this a mandate for a cutback in state services and expenses? Or, were voters demanding a form of taxation that would put extra costs on some source of revenue other than income and property? It is my opinion we can anticipate a lot of political jockeying around these questions.

We know that a good many people voted against the submitted tax issue because they favor a sales tax. They propose that income and property be given some form of tax relief and they believe a sales tax to be the answer.

Others want a cigarette tax. The cigarette tax is widely used throughout the country. It is considered a luxury tax and, as such, is favored by many. At the same time there is some prejudiced sentiment from people who don't like cigarettes and from those who feel that cigarettes are cancer breeding.

There are some people who would oppose any tax. It was very pleasing, however, to find so many voters seriously seeking to inform themselves concerning the issue. I cannot quarrel with any person because his ideas might differ from mine, provided he acts intelligently. And in this election, where we know that there was a measure of emotion and prejudice rather than reason, that formed the impression that the percentage of uninformed vote was very much smaller than it had anticipated — that a great majority of voters knew why they were voting as they did and had good reason for their votes.

Another very interesting angle to me was the editorial stand by Oregon newspapers. Nearly all city papers urged a "Yes" vote. However, virtually all weekly papers called for a "No" vote. The opposition prevailed by a wide margin.

Editors of city papers predicted the defeat of the tax measure. Had newspapers been interested in maintaining public popularity they would have gone along with what they were sure would be public action. Instead, with only two exceptions, city newspapers, while critical of the tax issue, favored a "Yes" vote pending the next session of the legislature. But weekly editors were almost unanimous in opposition.

While urban and rural areas alike opposed the legislature's proposal, which was generally

In Days Gone By
Taken from the files of the News-Review

40 YEARS AGO

Oct. 17, 1923

A spokesman for the County Court said it hopes to complete the Roseburg - Reedsport highway through consolidation of road districts in the lower Umpqua River district and the voting of a special tax. There still remained three and a half miles of road to be completed at the approximate cost of \$175,000, the U.S. government to pay \$55,000.

School District No. 58 at Curtin was arranging for the construction of a two-room building to replace the one-room school which had become so crowded that the district found it necessary to discontinue school in the building and transport its pupils by truck to Leona where a better structure was available.

The latest model Star automobile was advertised for \$488. The company claimed it was the world's lowest priced three-speed fully equipped motor car.

25 YEARS AGO

OCT. 17, 1938

Frost was predicted for Douglas County, with a temperature reading for the last 24 hours of 58 degrees as the highest and 32 degrees the lowest.

Major C. R. Moore of Portland, district engineer of the U.S. Army Engineer Corps, was to preside at a hearing on the proposed development of the Umpqua River.

With Hungary partly mobilized and her territorial issue with Czechoslovakia in suspense, Europe still wrestled with the difficult problem of readjustment to Germany's expanding power and influence.

10 YEARS AGO

OCT. 17, 1953

Edith Dunn, Oakland correspondent, reported that the Council meeting was postponed because all councilmen were hunting, and the mayor, who owns the cold storage lockers in the city of Oakland, was swamped with work cutting up venison.

Hearings were scheduled at Myrtle Creek on a bond issue which, if passed, would cover the costs of a new physical education building. Cost of the building was estimated at \$190,000. It would include a gym, three classrooms and administrative offices.

GRANT VISITS HOME

BRISTOL, England (UPI) — British-born actor Cary Grant paid a surprise visit to an old folks' home recently and was mobbed by elderly autograph seekers.

Grant, who planned to return to the United States later this week, had promised in an exchange of letters to visit the Old Aged Pensioners Club in suburban Bedminster, but his appearance came as a surprise.

The Almanac

By United Press International

Today is Thursday, Oct. 16, the 290th day of 1963 with 75 to follow.

The moon is new.

The morning star is Jupiter.

The evening stars are Jupiter and Saturn.

On this day in history: In 1777, British Gen. John Burgoyne surrendered his forces to the Americans at Saratoga, N.Y., in one of the great turning points of the American Revolution.

In 1931, bootlegger and racketeer Al Capone was convicted of income tax evasion by a federal court in Chicago and sentenced to 11 years in prison and fined \$50,000.

In 1933, Dr. Albert Einstein, a refugee from Nazi Germany, arrived in the United States and established residence in Princeton, N.J.

In 1945, Juan Peron staged a surprise coup and overthrew the government of Argentina, thus becoming the country's dictator.

A thought for the day—Dr. Albert Einstein said: "As long as there are sovereign nations possessing great power, war is inevitable."

DOD WELL

World's deepest well was drilled in Texas during 1958. Although it cost \$3 million and was five miles deep, the well yielded nothing but geological specimens.