

Pro-American Premier Wins Nippon Ballot

TOKYO (UPI) — Pro-American Premier Hayata Ikeda today won a massive mandate to run the country for another four years. He remained far ahead of the opposition Socialists and Communists despite their slight gains.

Final official returns from Thursday's election gave Ikeda's Liberal Democrats 283 seats in the 467-seat lower house, a loss of 12 from his showing in the last elections in 1960.

The main group of Socialists lost one seat, dropping from 145 to 144. But the splinter Social Democrats picked up 6, increasing their total to 23. The Communists, with 5, gained 2 seats. The rest of the seats were divided among independents.

Ikeda fell short of the two-thirds majority needed to amend the constitution, but the Socialists also failed to win the one-third they would need to block such action single-handed.

Ikeda, 63-year-old expert on finance and trade, campaigned on a platform of continued close ties with the United States. The Socialists called for a neutralist policy, withdrawal of U.S. bases, and recognition of Communist China.

Despite nearly perfect weather throughout most of the nation, the election brought the lowest voter turnout since World War II—only 66 per cent. This was far below the turnout in the 1960 election that Ikeda won, when 82 per cent participated.

The reason for the lack of interest was the lack of issues in the campaign.

The main controversies were rising prices and the proposed use of Japanese ports by U.S. nuclear submarines, which the Socialists oppose.

But these issues did not produce the fire of the last campaign, when millions of snake-dancing students and union members protested the conclusion of the U. S.-Japan defense treaty.

Fire Drill To Close Oak Ave. Span

Roseburg Fire Department officials today announced the SE Oak Avenue bridge will be closed to traffic most of the day Sunday, while the fire department is burning down the Church of Christ building located adjacent to the west end of the bridge.

Traffic will be rerouted across the SE Washington Avenue bridge, which will be converted to two-way travel throughout the day. The Oak Avenue bridge will be closed at 7 a.m. and will remain closed most of the day.

Fire department officials said there will be lengths of hose strung across SE Washington Avenue near the west end of the bridge. They said the hose will be protected by wooden planks placed across the road and added drivers should use caution when crossing the planks.

Tiller Turkey Shoot Scheduled For Sunday

The annual turkey shoot sponsored by the Tiller Trap Club will be held Sunday, at the former Scott Millsite upriver from Tiller. It will begin at 11 a.m. and is open to the public.

Officers of the club compose the committee in charge of the event. They are Argle Matthews, president; John T. Utley, vice president; both of Tiller, and Dale Rushton, Tri-City, secretary-treasurer.

It will be held rain or shine, officers said, correspondent Mrs. Milton Hammersly reported.

Permits Needed For Tree Cutting On Forest Lands

Umpqua National Forest Supervisor Vondis Miller reports that some changes have been made in this year's Christmas tree-cutting policy in the forest. Individuals must secure permits, costing \$1 each, before cutting their tree. In the past a free use permit has been issued to individuals.

Miller explained that the demand for this forest resource and the cost of handling permits were the reasons for the new policy. Permits are obtainable from any Umpqua National Forest ranger station. No permits will be issued from the supervisor's office.

Miller said several tree species are available, although the snow level may prevent getting Shasta or noble fir.

The ranger stations and types of trees available at each are as follows:

Toketee Ranger Station, Shasta, noble and white fir but no Douglas fir or ponderosa pine; Steamboat ranger station, Douglas fir and a few white fir; Glide Ranger Station, Douglas and white fir, but no noble fir or pine; Cow Creek Ranger Station, Douglas, Shasta, noble and white fir and also a few pine; South Umpqua Ranger Station at Tiller, Douglas, Shas-

ta, noble and white fir, cedar, but no pine; Layng Creek Ranger Station, Douglas fir. Ranger station offices may be closed on weekends, but station personnel will be available to issue permits.

Senate Group Favors Dunes

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Senate Public Lands subcommittee has reported out favorably a bill to establish a national seashore at the Oregon Dunes, Sen. Maurine Neuberger, D-Ore., said.

The subcommittee version trimmed the boundaries originally called for in her bill. Mrs. Neuberger said the subcommittee move cleared the way for action Friday by the full Senate Interior Committee. She described today's action as "a favorable omen" for early Senate approval of the new national park unit on the Oregon coast.

The subcommittee decided to establish the southern boundary of the seashore at Tenmile Creek and to move the eastern boundary generally to conform with terms of legislation introduced in the House by Rep. Robert Duncan, D-Ore.

The new seashore would include Honeyman State Park. The subcommittee added a provision that would allow the National Park Service to acquire contiguous property outside established boundaries that property owners are willing to sell, and if Congress provides funds.

The park service also would be given authority to acquire scenic easements for 50 feet on both sides of Highway 101.

The Senate Interior Committee is scheduled to meet in executive session Friday morning. If approval is given to the subcommittee's version, the Neuberger measure would then go on the Senate calendar, the Oregon Democrat said.

DINNER SCHEDULED

The Riversdale Grange will hold its annual Thanksgiving dinner at the hall on Thanksgiving Day, beginning at 6 p.m. The Grange will furnish the turkey, hot rolls and coffee and the rest of the dinner will be pollock. All members and their families are invited to attend. Following the dinner there will be an evening program with a variety of entertainment offered. The Home Economics Club is in charge of arrangements.



MRS. GERTRUDE C. NOVAK, blonde widow of a former business partner of resigned Senate Democratic secretary Robert G. (Bobby) Baker, leaves the Senate Rules Committee hearing room Thursday after being questioned about her husband's business relationship with Baker. Sen. Everett Jordan, (D-N.C.), committee chairman, said she was not asked about widely-reported social and "sex angles" in the inquiry. (UPI Telephoto)

Baker Expects Acquittal After Probe Dust Settles

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Former Senate official Robert G. (Bobby) Baker, target of a wide-ranging investigation of his "outside activities," was said today to feel he is going to come out "all right" when the dust settles.

This was reported in a dispatch by Kenneth Scheibel, Washington correspondent for the Puerto Rican newspaper, El Mundo, who interviewed one of Baker's close friends.

The friend, who asked not to be identified, told of a chat he had with Baker. It concerned the current investigation into Baker's outside business interests while he held the \$19,000-a-year post of Senate Democratic secretary.

Baker resigned under fire Oct. 7. Since that time he has refused to comment publicly on the reports of his many activities other than to file a formal denial in a law suit and to enter a disclaimer in an action involving his alleged non-pay-

ment of District of Columbia income taxes. "I'm in good shape on income taxes," Baker was quoted as saying. "They can't get me there." Baker has claimed he was an official of the federal government thus he did not have to pay D.C. taxes. District tax officials said Baker was a federal employe, not an official, and owed the taxes. Baker gave no clue as to whether he might "name some names" when he is called to testify before Senate investigators, but he did tell his friend, "when things unravel, I'll be all right." He also expressed the hope that he could remain in Washington.

Tests Reveal Lessening Of Toxicity At Whistlers Bend Fish Rearing Pond

Recovery of 3,222 fish from the holding pond at Whistlers Bend gives a measure of hope that the impoundment, used in the rearing of steelheads, may be utilized again.

Jerry Bauer, Game Commission biologist in charge of the Umpqua Fishery, says indications are that toxicity of the holding pond seems to be abating. Another fish plant is contemplated, he says, if research now in progress indicates favorable conditions.

Bauer reports that the Game Commission planted 70,000 steelhead fry in the Whistlers Bend pond early this year. These fish suffered a heavy loss when a pesticide with hydrocarbon base seeped into the pond. Total mortality was feared. To test toxicity remaining in the pond, 8,000 fish were planted last September.

From the first plant, 194 fish were recovered. Of the 8,000 fish planted in September it was found that 2,909 had survived. This, it is stated, would indicate that the strength the poison washed into the pond has lessened.

As the pond was drained, 3,002 fish were marked and re-

leased, 36 were lost in handling and 22 escaped unmarked.

It is estimated Bauer reports, that around 200 fish went into the small streams which drain into the pond. Some of these doubtless will drop downstream, following lowering of water level in the pond, and will escape, unmarked, to the river.

The pond, which now has been drained, will be left open for a week. It then will be closed. The pond and inlets will be treated with rotenone, a chemical which will destroy all fish life.

If this isn't done, Bauer explains, the few fish remaining in the creek will be six to 10 inches in size. When the pond then is replanted, the larger fish, being predators, will destroy a large number of the planted fish.

The pond will be permitted to refill during the rainy season. All traces of rotenone will dissipate in a relatively short time, after which a new plant of fish may be made.

Exhaustive tests are under way at the fishery research department at Oregon State University, Bauer says, to determine the amount of the poison

the fish can tolerate, also to determine the chemical content of water.

If it is found that toxicity has reduced sufficiently to permit immediate planting, steelhead fry will be placed in the pond late in January, Bauer says. If, on the other hand, a later plant is indicated, the release will be made in May.

Fish will be planted only, he says, if research shows that the toxic chemical no longer is present. If traces of the pesticide continue to show, the pond doubtless will be emptied and will not be used during the coming year.

Extensive research to determine the source of the pesticide causing the heavy losses during the past season has failed to uncover the exact area, Bauer reports. But study still is continuing to ascertain the place from which the poison came, which, if definitely located, could be sealed off from drainage into the pond.

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