

Truman Tax Office Cut Riles Senators

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman submitted to Congress Monday his plan to lift the scandal-plagued Internal Revenue Bureau out of the realm of political patronage. And he renewed his promise to crack down on wrong-doing in government.

In a message to the lawmakers, the President declared:

"The most vigorous efforts are being made and will continue to be made to expose and punish every government employee who misuses his official position."

The President's reorganization plan immediately ran into opposition in the Senate where some senators reflected dissatisfaction over Mr. Truman's proposal to cut down the number of regional tax collection offices from 64 to 25.

Fewer Offices

Several legislators noted privately that Mr. Truman's plan would leave a number of the smaller states without a regional office.

The President's program would abolish the offices of the nation's 64 politically appointed tax collectors and replace them with a new setup of 25 district commissioners under Civil Service.

Even as Mr. Truman's message reached Capitol Hill, Rep. George Meader (R-Mich.) demanded a bi-partisan investigation of "corruption" in the executive branch of government.

In the Senate, Mr. Truman said the office of tax collector has become "archaic," and he declared:

"We must correct every defect in organization that contributes to inefficient management and thus afford the opportunity for improper conduct."

Tax collectors from all over the country met here Monday to discuss the White House plan that would abolish their jobs. The President's program automatically goes into effect within 60 days unless either the Senate or House voice against it.

Bill Introduced

In the Senate, Senator Kefauver (D-Tenn.) and 23 other Senators, 12 of them Republicans, introduced a bill to retain the 64 collectors but place them under Civil Service.

Police Plan

Enforcement of Curfew Law

Take care, kids, it's later than you think.

With the approval and blessing of Circuit Judge Joseph Felton, city police are now strictly enforcing the city's curfew laws.

They say that 10:30 p. m. is late enough for kids to be out on the streets on week nights, and mid-night on Friday and Saturday.

Expected to cease are the gangs of kids who hang around downtown street corners, heckling passers-by, slow-moving cars, full of youths who have a tendency to race up and down the streets.

No vendetta on the freedom of youth is intended, Kenneth Seipp, city juvenile officer said. But as long as there's little kids can do after that hour of the night, they might just as well be home.

Not Always Enforced

The curfew has long been in effect, but has not always been enforced as thoroughly as it could be. Following some five months of handling juvenile problems, Judge Felton, who is judge of the domestic relations and juvenile court, has come to the conclusion that most of the trouble kids get into is after 10:30 at night.

"There's nothing they can do," Felton said, "except hang around town thinking up things to do. And then when they get into the scrapes that bring them eventually into my courtroom."

Parents are apt to suffer the brunt of the punishment in the enforcement of the curfew. Kids brought into the city police station won't be allowed to go home until claimed by their parents, even though it means getting a father out of bed at 2 a. m.

To Jail Parents

A second offense on the part of violation of the curfew means parents will have to post bail. And if bail isn't posted, the city charter ordinance stipulates that the erring parent spend the time in jail until bail is posted.

Seipp has enlisted the support of school officials in bringing compliance with the curfew laws. With children at home at night, parents should become conscious of the responsibility they owe their children, Felton said.

"A study of the cases I have handled indicates that the major problem in juvenile delinquency is lack of home supervision. Parents, not the police or the courts, are the proper persons to exercise authority over children."

Felton pointed out that supervision is taken out of parents hands during the day by the schools. But no similar agency can ease the parents' responsibilities during the night.

Pin Curlers

Win at School

ANTIOCH, Calif. (AP)—Pin curlers apparently became an accepted item of dress at Antioch High School Monday.

Last March Principal John Allen ruled that anyone wearing pin curlers was in a state of undress. And he sent 15-year-old Theola Barton home to get "dressed."

Mama and papa Barton refused to send her back.

The feud smoldered until last Friday. Then Mr. and Mrs. Amos Barton were haled into justice court. Judge Yates F. Hamm fined each \$10 for keeping Theola out of school.

Theola went back to school Monday. Her hair was done up in pin curlers. Nothing happened.

"Let's forget the whole thing," said Principal Allen.

Solon Asks Potato

Rollback Delayed

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Budge (R-Idaho) asked Monday that the effective date of the government's potato price ceiling order be postponed.

The Office of Price Stabilization plans to clamp on the ceiling Saturday.

Budge told a reporter he has asked Price Stabilizer Michael D. Salle to postpone the ceiling "as is necessary to correct the patent inequities and discrimination contained in the order."

Alderman Asks

Parking Limit On D Street

Limiting auto parking to one side of D Street was suggested to Salem City Council Monday night.

Alderman Thomas Armstrong called for a city manager's report on advisability of the restriction from Capitol to 21st Streets, as a move to alleviate traffic congestion.

"It now looks like a long while before D Street can be widened," said Armstrong, "and meanwhile something should be done about the traffic there."

At the Council's session in City Hall, a bid for fire protection from the Morningside district south of Salem was turned aside with indications the Council may up its rates for fire protection outside the city.

Asked Protection

Morningside, recently formed as a fire protection district without any equipment, asked for a year's contract at a price of 4 mills on the property, estimated to raise \$2,600.

But the district was told, along with a now-forming Eola district, the city would continue fire protection until March 1.

Alderman Robert F. White said he would ask the city attorney to draft an amendment to existing law so the city could charge more than 4 mills. The city has contracted with some industries and individuals, but not with large districts.

12 Mills in Salem

Alderman Daniel J. Fry said city taxpayers pay about 12 mills for fire protection in Salem.

Referred to City Manager J. L. Franzen was a complaint from Golden Rule Bible Class of First Evangelical United Brethren Church that too many liquor-advertising signs are located in Salem. As state capital, said the petition signed by 28, Salem should be a model city.

Summer Street

one-way traffic was extended, with northbound traffic only to use East Summer Street between Court and Chemeketa Streets and southbound traffic only for Summer from Center to Chemeketa and West Summer Street on over to Court Street.

Traffic Changes

Other traffic and parking changes made by the Council:

Two-hour parking on north side of Marion Street between 12th and 14th Streets; crosswalks ordered on Fairgrounds road at Academy and Columbia Streets; parking prohibited on south side of Trade between Liberty and High Streets; left turns permitted without stopping from Division into Commercial Street southbound; two-hour parking set for North Church between Chemeketa and Center Streets; alley entrance closed and replaced by nearby driveway off North Capitol Street opposite end of Union Street, the driveway to connect with the alley and parking area and the expense to be met by developers at Capitol Shopping Center; 10-ft. widening of Alice Avenue alongside Erickson Market at its expense.

The Council vacated part of an alley near Hines Street where Pacific Fruit and Produce Co. is building, and vacated part of an alley along side property of Arthur Heller between Raynor Street and Pringle Creek.

A zone change was made, enabling Dr. Edgar Fortner to build a medical clinic on State Street near 15th.

Legislation was introduced for Salem's approval of an annexation east of the city. Residents of the area will vote on the proposal if the city approves. Only question discussed at a public hearing was related to Center Street lying just outside the annexation area.

Cockfight Raid

Brings Arrests

ALBANY—Five men were arraigned at Albany today after their arrest Sunday at a farm at which police said a cock fight was in progress.

They were charged with "committing an act which grossly outrages public decency and is injurious to public morals." District Attorney Courtney Johns said he selected that charge as no other Oregon law prohibits cockfighting. The arrest followed a raid on the Carl Bridges farm near Sodaville Sunday afternoon.

Hollywood

"Your Friendly Theatre"

Ends Today — Open 6:45

"Reunion in Reno"

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