

IN ONE EAR...

By JIM WELCH

UP IN SALEM, wags are calling Gov. Paul Patterson's program for getting an extra 65 million dollars in taxes "The Great Take-Away."

OUTSIDE the House chamber Monday a PA speaker had been set for those who either couldn't squeeze into the chamber or couldn't stand the heat during the governor's address to the legislature. During Patterson's comments on taxation there were five men in a clump around the box, taking in every word and trying not to wince when property and corporation taxes were mentioned. Four of these men were impeccably dressed, and represented four of the biggest industries in the state. The fifth was a little man with a stubble of beard, wrinkled clothes, and bicycle clips around both pants cuffs.

PLANNING HELPS, and the many extra thousands of people in Salem Monday for the opening of the legislature were able to find parking within two or three blocks of the capitol. There were no traffic jams, and few overtime parking tickets, because most of the spaces near the capitol are not metered or limited in time.

Salem has another fine feature, for those who do park in the meter zone. Up and down the streets are locked boxes with slots. You drop your ticket and the four bits in and drive off. (The fine is 50 cents if paid within 24 hours, and \$1 later.) The ticket box is a handy thing, but the thought of a journey to city hall may keep some motorists from overparking. Eugene, with more cars and fewer parking spaces, has to keep vehicles moving.

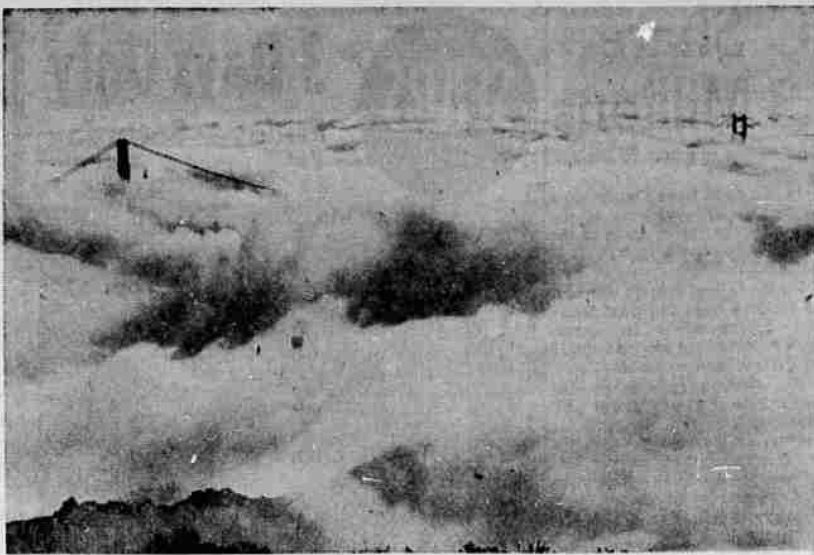
THOSE WHO get around the state a lot say that friction among law enforcement agencies is common and that the bickering revealed by the Lane County bribery trial was a mild case.

It certainly was compared to what has happened in the past in Coos County, and what appears to be on the way there now.

Sheriff Charles Strawn took office only two weeks ago, and already he has blood pressures up. Hours after he put on his badge he made a formal statement saying that "Police work from the office of the district attorney will be discontinued and such work returned to a local level, as provided by law. County-owned vehicles operated out of the district attorney's office will be returned to the county or sheriff's office where they rightfully belong."

Obviously, the Wild West begins somewhere west of Eugene.

THE MAN who signed himself "Anonymous A1" should be happy. Eugene Water and Electric Board reported this week that their crews are now stripping the wires off those pesky poles dead-center in the alley by the Bon Marche. The poles themselves may be gone shortly.



UNDER A BLANKET OF FOG—While much of the country is blanketed with snow, San Francisco (somewhere in the background) is completely hidden under billowing clouds of fog rolling in from the Pacific Ocean. Only the tops of the Golden Gate Bridge towers can be seen peeking through. (NEA)

Ike Asks Draft Extension

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of military service personnel on a selective basis.

2. A selective increase in hazardous duty pay for airmen and submarine crews and for men engaged in parachute duty, demolition work, deep sea diving and certain other specialties. He did not say how much of a raise he wished.

The President also called for these additional benefits for servicemen:

1. A "dislocation" allowance for military personnel with dependents who are ordered to a new permanent duty station.

2. An increase in the daily allowance for temporary duty travel from \$9 to \$12.

3. More housing for service families in areas where present facilities are insufficient, and authority for reduced rentals where men and their families must live temporarily in substandard housing.

4. Removal of "existing inequities" and provision for better medical care for military families.

5. Equalization of survivor benefits according to rank for active and retired personnel.

DOCTOR DRAFT

In addition to requesting a four-year extension of the general draft law, Eisenhower asked Congress for a two-year extension of special provisions authorizing the drafting of physicians and dentists. Those provisions now are scheduled to expire July 1.

Outlining his plan for bringing young men into the reserve forces after six months of training, the President said:

"At present, the reserves are composed of older men who have completed their terms of active service. For example, less than 17 per cent of the men now in

the Army reserves are under 24 years of age."

Eisenhower added that during the six months of training under the proposed program, those engaging in it would be paid \$30 a month, as compared with \$78 plus basic allowances now received by beginning privates in the regular services.

ESTABLISH QUOTAS

He said the number of men who would be accepted in this basic type of training should be subject to quotas fixed by the President "to avoid bringing the manpower pool down to an undesirable low level."

The draft extension and the plan to build up a ready reserve of civilians would require some form of active duty or military training for virtually all able-bodied young men.

Before reaching 19, or in some cases before the 20th birthday, a youth would have a variety of choices:

1. He could volunteer for the service of his choice, serving three years as a regular in the Army or Marine Corps, or four years in the Navy or the Air Force. His total military obligation including reserve service would be eight years.

2. He could volunteer to take six months of intensive military training and thereafter remain active in the National Guard or reserve for an additional 9½ years. He still could be drafted if he failed to maintain his standing in the Guard or reserves. Plans call for training 100,000 men a year under this program.

ENTER DIRECTLY

3. He could, before reaching 19, enter the reserves direct under a commitment to go on full active duty, when called, for at least 24 months in the Navy or four years in the Air Force.

4. He could wait until he is drafted for 24 months, after which he would remain in the reserves for six years.

The President's plan would permit the services to use compulsion in keeping reservists actively in training.

Rt. F Tunnel

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vantages of Rt. F will be the effect it has on timber values in the region the road will serve.

Rt. F will open up vast sections of O&C and Forest Service timber in the Siuslaw drainage area. It has been estimated, the commissioners said, that the road will increase the value of O&C stumpage in the area up to \$10 a thousand, or a total increase of 15 million.

Tied in with the Rt. F project is the proposed improvement of the port at Florence. A special committee of the Eugene and Springfield Chambers of Commerce and the county commissioners are gathering data for a campaign designed to bring federal aid for improvement of the Siuslaw River port.

The two chambers are on record as favoring a deeper channel at the mouth of the Siuslaw to encourage ocean shipping operations at Florence.

Rt. F is considered a vital link in any project to improve harbor facilities for it would shorten the shipping distance of mill products from the Eugene-Springfield area to salt water.

When Rt. F is completed, a motorist could take this route from Eugene to Florence: From Eugene to Veneta to Noti, through Walton to Richardson, up to and through the tunnel and down to Mapleton, and on to Florence.

The road is now oiled from Eugene to Noti. From Noti to Mapleton—about 30 miles—is gravelled.

It may be several years before the entire route from Eugene to Mapleton is paved and much of the oiled portion west of Eugene will eventually need rebuilding.

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Spain Seeks U.N. Position

West Expected To Approve Bid

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP)—Spain, barred from the United Nations by a General Assembly decision in 1946, is considering establishing a permanent observer at U.N. headquarters, diplomatic sources reported Thursday.

The sources, who refused to let their names be used, also said that the chief delegates of the United States, Britain and France have informed Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold they would favor such action by Generalissimo Franco's government.

REDS OPPOSED

The same sources also said that a majority of the U.N. would favor such a move—but the five-nation Soviet bloc was certain to oppose it.

These diplomats pointed out that the decision on accepting the credentials of the permanent observer to the U.N. rests with Hammarskjold but that he possibly would be guided by suggestions from various member governments.

No veto is involved. A veto can be cast only in the Security Council to bar an applicant for U.N. membership.

REGIME CONDEMNED

The Franco regime was condemned by the first General Assembly for having assisted the Nazis during World War II.

In a later action the Assembly called on U.N. members having missions in Spain to withdraw the chiefs of mission. Some did so, but this later was rescinded. Since then Spain has been accepted into some U.N. specialized agencies but the bar has remained on membership in the U.N. itself.

Chains Needed

SALEM (AP)—Tire chains are required because of packed snow on Santiam Pass and the Green Springs Highway, the Oregon Highway Commission warned Thursday.

It also advised that chains be carried at Government Camp, Timberline, Warm Springs Junction, Prospect, Willamette Pass and Austin.

Repatriation Ship

TOKYO (AP)—The Japan Red Cross Thursday notified Communist China the repatriation ship Koan Maru would arrive at Tangku, China, Feb. 15 to pick up an estimated 1,500 Japanese civilians.

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