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Court Upholds Validity Of Tax; Appeal Looms

Withholding Assessment On Wages Legal, Says Judge In State Ruling

By Eldon Barrett
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Salem, Ore., Nov. 24 (UP)—Validity of the 1947 legislative acts increasing personal income taxes and creating a one per cent withholding tax on wages was upheld today in Marion county circuit court, but the decision was expected to be appealed to the state supreme court.

Operation of the two acts automatically went into effect when the three per cent retail sales tax measure was defeated at the polls Oct. 7.

The Oregon Federation of Labor brought the suit against the state tax commission asking that the two acts be declared unconstitutional on grounds that their effectiveness was dependent upon the outcome of the sales tax vote, and their enactment was under a procedure to prevent a referendum against the two measures.

Judge George R. Duncan in his decision held that neither of the acts was dependent for its enactment upon the sales tax because both became laws July 5, 90 days after adjournment of the legislature and "there was nothing in the acts, expressed or implied" to prevent a referendum.

"Under the method used, the legislature in an alternative form merely anticipated the situation as it would be after the vote on the sales tax act was known," Judge Duncan held. The result is the same "as if it (the legislature) had waited until after the vote on the sales tax was known, and then lowered the personal exemption and provided for a withholding of the tax."

"The rule is well settled in Oregon," the decision added, "that the legislature may enact any legislation not expressly or impliedly prohibited by the constitution, and when an act is within this rule the court may not question the method used or the manner or time of operation."

James T. Marr, secretary of the labor organization, who instigated the action, had said previously that the decision would be appealed to the high court if the acts were upheld. The defendants said they would appeal if they lost the case.

Under the income tax act, taxes will be increased by a lowering of exemptions. Had the sales tax measure passed, income taxes would have been lowered by increasing exemptions. The withholding tax is applicable on 1947 earnings and applies to those who earn more than \$50 a month.

Accepts Job



(NEA Telephoto) Robert Schuman, 60 (above), financial expert of the Popular French Republican Party, accepted President Vincent Auriol's offer nominating him Premier of new French Government.

Gillis Memorial To Be Dedicated

The Bend Skyliners will participate in ceremonies to dedicate a memorial to Jere Gillis at Hoodoo bowl on Dec. 14, according to Miss Marianne Gerke, president of the local ski club.

The Gillis memorial, to commemorate the work done by him in the field of junior skiing, is being prepared by Art Clough at the Eugene Vocational school and is to be taken to the Santiam area and set up by the Willamette national forest staff.

On the same day as the dedication ceremony the Skyliners will sponsor a junior boys' meet with both slalom and downhill events.

Pioneer In Skiing
The late Jere Gillis, whose son, Gene, is a member of the U. S. Olympic ski team which will sail for Europe on Dec. 8, was one of the pioneers in skiing for recreation in the Central Oregon area. He was one of the original Bend Skyliners and had been active in skiing a number of years before the formation of the local club. Another son, Phil, a Bend high school student, is one of the best-known of Oregon's junior skiers.

The memorial at Hoodoo bowl is being arranged for by the Central Cascade Recreation council, of which the Skyliner organization is a member.

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Washington, Nov. 24 (UP)—Court martial charges are being prepared against Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers, Airforce secretary W. Stuart Symington announced today.

"The time and charges are being co-ordinated with the plans of the department of justice," Symington said.

The air force, Symington said, also has taken steps to strip Meyers of all his decorations and awards. In addition a \$549 a month disability retirement pension which he has been receiving also has been stopped.

Meyers actually has been receiving \$461 a month. In addition \$88 has been allotted to his insurance.

Portland Official To Speak In Bend

Alexander G. Brown, Portland city attorney and former member of the staff of Gen. Lucius Clay, then deputy military governor of Germany, will be guest speaker at a chamber of commerce forum meeting at the Pine Tavern Friday noon, it was announced today.

Brown will speak on "The Cold War and Germany," discussing the present conflict of ideology between the Soviet Union and the United States and its effect on Germany.

Drug Valued At Over Three Million Dollars Found In Luggage of Man Who Died On Plane

Los Angeles, Nov. 24 (UP)—Federal narcotics agents set out today to track down an international smuggling ring whose "runner" died aboard an airliner while en route to San Diego with more than \$3,000,000 worth of heroin in his luggage.

Two pounds of pure heroin were found in his luggage. Police estimated the drug would retail for \$3,135,000 when "cut." A draft card was the only identification on the body. It bore the name, Ralph Masey, 308 East 32nd St., New York City. The address was that of a dance hall whose manager said he never had heard of the dead man.

At another New York address, given by the man when he boarded the United Airlines plane in New York, 320 E. 50th St., the occupants also said they did not know him. Air lines officials said he was accompanied by the ticket office by another man who did most of the talking. The same man accompanied him to La Guardia field, they said.

Masey suffered a heart attack while the plane was flying between Denver and Los Angeles. He complained of feeling ill and the stewardess gave him an oxygen mask. She was unable to rouse him to prepare for the landing in Los Angeles.

The heroin, wrapped in wax paper in four packages of a half pound each, was found in his luggage by a Hawthorne, Calif., mortician.

Buying Curb Plan Opposed By Bankers

Restoring Of Controls Would Be Unwise, Say Association Leaders

Washington, Nov. 24 (UP)—The American Bankers association told congress today that revival of installment buying curbs, as proposed in President Truman's anti-inflation program, would only force consumers to cash their savings to buy essential goods.

Restoring controls would be "unwise" and would not deter present inflationary forces, the association said in a statement prepared for presentation to the senate banking committee.

Ready For Debate
Meanwhile, the senate settled down for debate on the \$597,000,000 bill for immediate relief assistance for France, Italy and Austria. Senate president Arthur H. Vandenberg, R., Mich., the leadoff speaker, said he hoped the bill could be passed by the middle of the week.

The house foreign affairs committee was expected to approve its version of the stop-gap aid bill by mid-week. A move was reported underway in the committee to include sizeable assistance for the Chinese nationalist government of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Contempt Charges Backed
Contempt — Rep. John McDowell, R., Pa., predicted the house would give "overwhelming" approval today to the contempt citations voted by its un-American activities committee against 10 Hollywood writers and directors.

Taxes — Chairman Harold Knutson, R., Minn., of the house ways and means committee said drafting work is already underway on his "quickie" bill to reduce personal income taxes by \$4,000,000,000.

Bond speculation — Chairman Charles Tobey, R., N. H., of the senate banking committee said his group would investigate speculation in government bonds with a view toward preventing "joyrides" from turning small investments into big profits.

Wants Curtain Lifted
Russian shipments — Rep. Karl E. Mundt, R., S. D., demanded that the administration "lift the iron curtain that hides our shipments to Russia."

Arabian oil — The senate war investigating committee asked the treasury to look into a "somewhat unusual tax situation" in which two American oil companies paid no taxes on profits totaling \$117,000,000.

Church In Bend Damaged By Fire

The Pentecostal church on Lafayette avenue was damaged yesterday afternoon by fire caused from the furnace system of the building.

Flames backfired through the cold air ducts of the furnace and made their way into the church. Damage was confined to the cold air ducts, nearby walls and floor areas. The total amount of damage has not yet been estimated.

The fire department answered the fire call on a general alarm at 5:30 p. m. and nearly an hour was needed to extinguish the fire.

Two still alarm calls were answered by the department early Sunday morning. One was a fire at 47 Hastings place and the other was burning trash at 165 Irving avenue. No damage was reported.

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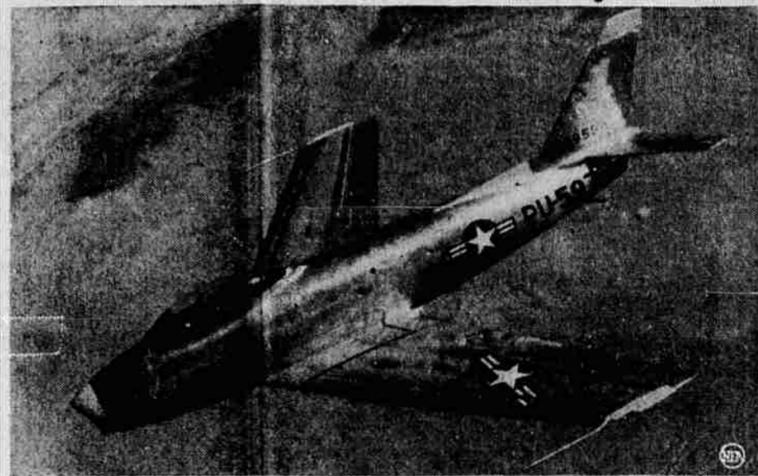
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First Aerial Photo of Newest Jet Fighter



(NEA Telephoto) North American's jet-propelled XP-86, powered by a General Electric TG-180 jet engine, makes its aerial photo debut over California's Mojave desert. The Air Force revealed its first sweptback fighter plane will attain a speed over 600 mph. The plane has a range of over 1000 miles and a service ceiling of over 40,000 feet. Exact performance is still secret.

Schenk To Leave Secretary Post

Salem, Ore., Nov. 24 (UP)—Harry S. Schenk, assistant secretary of state, today announced his resignation, effective February 5, 1948.

Schenk, who has been assistant secretary since April 1, 1943, said he had previously requested to be relieved of the position as soon as convenient.

Schenk was appointed to his post by the late Robert S. Farrell, Jr. He was reappointed recently by Farrell's successor, Earl T. Newberry.

Chief Assistant
Schenk served as chief assistant during the Farrell administration, succeeding George Flagg, who is now public utilities commissioner.

Previously Schenk was manager of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers' association and assistant professor of journalism at the University of Oregon.

He formerly served on Portland, Eugene, and McMinnville newspapers.

Schenk did not divulge future plans but said he intended to remain in Salem for the present.

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Gov. Earl Warren of California, not expected to be a candidate in the Wisconsin primary.

Up River Region Visited By Scouts

Boy Scout troop No. 24 members braved chilling November weather over the week end to join in another overnight camping award trip, after assisting in collecting playing cards and games for the veterans' hospital Saturday morning. The trip took the scouts to the Deschutes meadows. Included in the trip was a hike out over the Shevlin bridge, then up the river to the meadows.

The scouts cooked dinner Saturday night over a campfire, then planned for events to come. Dick Armony was presented in a program of harmonica music. Sunday morning the boys came into town for the 9 o'clock mass at St. Francis Catholic church, then returned to camp to cook breakfast. The group broke camp about 1 p. m.

Bill Bevans, scoutmaster, has announced that there will be no regular meeting of the troop on Thursday, Thanksgiving day. The next overnight camping trip will be made in the Redmond-Prineville district.

Toll Of Bells Brings Sheets To Repay Debt

Winchester, Mass., Nov. 24 (UP)—Lt. Col. John Hanlon said today the generosity of his neighbors would permit him to repay with 100 per cent interest his debt of 500 bed sheets to the little town of Hemroulle, Belgium.

On Christmas day of 1944, while his troops were fighting the battle of the bulge, Hanlon appealed to the Belgians for sheets to camouflage his soldiers in the snow. The mayor of Hemroulle ordered the church bells rung and asked a sheet from each family. Five hundred sheets were contributed.

Yesterday the church bells of Winchester were rung and residents brought 540 sheets to help Hanlon repay the debt. He said "ash donations would permit him to buy enough to bring the total to 1,000."

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Sportsmen Call Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Deschutes County Sportsmen's association will be held at 8 o'clock this evening in the library auditorium, at which time data and evidence will be compiled for presentation to the legislative interim committee on game problems at its meeting in Bend on December 6.

Low Wallace, of Portland, is chairman of the interim committee and William Niskanen, Deschutes county representative, is one of the members.

The legislative interim committee was created at the request of Deschutes county sportsmen and it is for this reason that Bob Wetle, president of the local association, has asked the fullest cooperation of local people in the preparation of evidence to present the committee.

Grangers Plan Holiday Dinner

Tumalo, Nov. 24 (Special)—All grangers and their friends have been invited to meet for a Thanksgiving dinner Thursday at the Tumalo grange hall. Those planning to attend should prepare their own Thanksgiving dinners and take them to the hall in time for a noon dinner. Entertainment is planned for the afternoon. A supper will be served at 7 p. m., with dancing to follow.

Father Hyland To Leave Bend

An earlier unconfirmed report that Father Edmund Hyland, pastor of St. Francis Catholic church in Bend for the past seven years, was to be assigned as pastor of the Catholic parish at Roseburg was verified here yesterday. The Roseburg parish has been officially declared vacant for the past several weeks. Reluctance of church officials to withdraw Father Hyland from his work in Bend was responsible for the late decision of his transfer to Roseburg, where he already has had several years of outstanding success.

Father Hyland, who came here from Roseburg in 1940 after serving there for three years, will resume his pastorage in the rapidly growing southern Oregon city on Sunday, Nov. 30.

Father Coughlan Coming
Father Hyland will be succeeded here as pastor of the Catholic parish by Father William Coughlan, who will come from Roseburg. Father Coughlan was formerly stationed in Bend as assistant pastor. In addition to his parish work Father Coughlan has been active in civic affairs. A native of Ireland, Father Coughlan last January returned to his homeland for a brief visit with friends and relatives.

Father Conleth Killian remains as assistant pastor of the Bend parish.

U.S.O. Moderator
During his seven years of service in Bend, Father Hyland has taken an active part in community and civic work. In world war days, he served as moderator for the Bend U.S.O. He is a member of the Kiwanis club and is a past chaplain of the Knights of Columbus council.

Father Hyland, keenly interested in youth work, took an active part in the sponsorship by his church of a Boy Scout troop No. 24, and is chaplain for the boys.

Plans for a farewell party for Father Hyland, at 8 p. m. Tuesday in the parish hall, were taking shape today, with the Catholic Altar society, O. C. Lammers of the Knights of Columbus and Mrs. Leo Herbring heading up arrangements. Refreshments will be served.

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France Faces New Troubles As Red-Led Federation Opens Drive To Blockade All Ports

Postoffice Workers Join Millions Striking Against Government; New Premier Is Facing Grave Problems; Subway Fares Are Boosted

Paris, Nov. 24 (UP)—The communist-dominated general confederation of labor started closing all French ports today and postoffice workers in Paris struck, piling new complications on the seemingly unsurmountable difficulties confronting the new premier and his government.

More than 1,000,000 workers were striking as the new government scheduled an emergency meeting, even before it was confirmed by the national assembly.

Postoffice workers voted by a narrow margin to strike. The main postoffice was closed and occupied by strikers. At least six branch offices were shut. Civil service workers in Paris were threatening to strike.

Police Take Over
Railroad officials estimated that a trainmen's strike had halted more than 80 per cent of long distance traffic. Traffic was reported normal at the Gare de L'est and Gare St. Lazare stations in Paris, but at big Gare du Nord, police chased pickets off and took over the station.

At Le Havre, 5,000 dock workers struck and government authorities said they would assure the unloading of food and perishable goods.

Dock workers at Bordeaux and La Rochelle did not report for work. At Bordeaux, they threw picket lines along the waterfront. Marseille, France's major port, has been tied up by a strike for nearly two weeks.

Fares Increased
Subway and bus fares in Paris were raised from four to five francs today. An increase in streetcar and bus fares was what the communists claimed started the Marseille riots week before last.

Robert Schuman, a popular republican who became premier on Saturday, completed his cabinet just before midnight. It has not from the assembly, but Schuman was confident that it will when the vote is taken tomorrow. He ordered a meeting today to consider the fourth republic's greatest crisis.

Deschutes Judge Heads State Unit

C. L. Allen, Deschutes county judge, was named president of the Association of Oregon Counties, at the annual convention which closed last week-end in Portland. Judge Allen served last year as vice president of the organization which consists of county judges and commissioners.

Besides Judge Allen, Commissioners A. E. Stevens and E. E. Varco represented Deschutes county.

Sessions were held at the Multnomah county courthouse, and a highlight of the three-day conference was a banquet Thursday evening at the Multnomah hotel, with Victor P. Morris, economics professor at the University of Oregon, as the principal speaker.

Highway Report

Salem, Ore., Nov. 24 (UP)—The state highway department today issued the following road report compiled at 9 a. m.:

Wapinitia pass—34 degrees; six inches roadside snow.

Santiam pass—32 degrees; half mile packed snow across summit; 18 inches roadside snow.

Willamette pass—35 degrees; icy, being sanded.

Sun Mt. pass—17 degrees; icy, being sanded.

McKenzie pass—Icy in places, but sanded.

TURKEY SHOOT HELD

More than 60 gunners were present at the Bend Trap club grounds yesterday for the club's annual Thanksgiving turkey shoot. The shoot continued most of the day, until 40 large turkeys had been awarded to winners.

Snow Blankets Central States; High Wind Hits North Dakota

(By United Press)
An all night snowfall that covered eight north central states with three to 14 inches of snow was turning into a drizzling rain today.

Another cold air mass, a "kid sister" storm to the one which passed over the middle west yesterday, was building up in the Dakotas. It was expected to move eastward across the middle west tonight and early tomorrow.

The storm was pushed along by 40 mile an hour winds.

Heaviest snow fall yesterday was reported at Aberdeen, S. D., which had 14 inches. Snows ranging from 10 to 12 inches also fell at Duluth, Minn., and Fargo, N. D. Chicago was covered with 3 1/2 inches of snow, most of which turned to slush and water as it hit the streets.

The cold wave, which swept down from the northwest late yesterday, headed east today bringing rain and low temperatures to the Ohio valley and other points to the east.

Freezing temperatures were predicted today, tonight and tomorrow for Minnesota, Wisconsin, northern Illinois, Michigan, Iowa and northern Indiana.

A 45 mile per hour wind early today whipped snow across highways and reduced visibility to zero.

Chicago-bound trains were tied up at Huron and Rapid City in South Dakota.

Kiwanis Honor Bend Gridmen

Bend Kiwanis club entertained members of the high school football squad, coaches and cheer leaders at luncheon this noon at the Pine Tavern and enjoyed a program featuring school yells and songs. Don Pritchett was in charge of the meeting for the Kiwanians.

Hank Nilson, head coach, introduced his assistants, Bud Robertson and Russ Acheson, and spoke briefly, paying his compliments to the boys who had worked under him this season. "They are excellent students and, with one or two exceptions, they trained well," he said. "They played hard ball and smart ball."

Boys Get Call
Nilson called for remarks from Bill Sheffield and Vern Clark, both of the backfield, and Wes Hogland of the line, then turned the meeting over to Kenneth Burden, Jim Ogletree, Bobby Jo Smith, Marilyn Bishop, Yvonne Parr, Mary Frances Peterson and Ella Sterling to conduct songs and high school yells.

Joe Slate, president of the athletic boosters club, spoke earlier, explaining the purposes of the recently-formed organization.

Oregon Youths Slow On Draw

Beno, Nov. 24 (UP)—Two Oregon youths were held in the Washoe county jail on a Dyer act charge today.

Henry Marcellus Winters, 23, Springfield, and Richard Artie Tanner, Junction City, Ore., were arrested Saturday near Austin, Nev., driving a stolen car, authorities said.

A deputy sheriff who arrested them said they tried to draw guns but "were a little bit late."