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Ike Denounces Farm Bill as Unworkable

\$134,000 Gas Rate Drop Set Salem Users Will Get Savings of 5-19 Pct.

By JAMES D. OLSON (Capital Journal Writer) Salem and Willamette Valley residential gas users will enjoy an annual savings of \$78,000 in rates after natural gas arrives in this area in late summer, officials of the Portland Gas and Coke company declared Wednesday. Commercial gas users will have an estimated annual savings of \$37,000 based on 1955 billings, while apartments and multiple dwellings will save an estimated \$19,000 annually. Rates filed by the gas company with Public Utility Commissioner Charles H. Heltzel, will be subject to possible revision both in charges and in timing for entry of natural gas in the area. "The proposed rates will be carefully studied by our engineers," Heltzel said, "and if we feel any public hearing is necessary, we will schedule one before passing on the rates. Further, if it appears that natural gas can be piped into Oregon in advance of the date set by the company—early next October—we will advance the date when the new rates will become effective. Save \$1,700,000 a Year Gas company officials said that the estimated overall savings of all piped-in gas users served by the company in the state would be \$1,700,000 a year. Generally, reductions will be somewhat smaller in the valley than in the Portland area, because of the longer transmission distances and wider scattering of customers, the company said. (Continued on Page 10, Col. 1)

Roden Quits GOP Job in Fund Row

Long smoldering Young Republican resentment of handling of the GOP purse strings by the state central committee flared into the open in Portland Tuesday with the resignation of Pat Roden of Salem from chairmanship of the state "first vote" program. Roden's resignation came upon receipt of news that the committee had authorized the state Young Republicans \$1,000 against a requested budget of \$16,000. "That just paid our debts and left us \$50," he said. Roden directed his criticism at the state central committee but picked out John C. Higgins, Portland attorney reputed influential in party affairs, as his main target. Higgins has been criticized by Democrats and others for his Republican conferences at Portland's exclusive Arlington Club, a residential club. "The 26-year-old Roden said, 'There are people within our party who seemingly are oblivious to the fact that the Republican Party is in competition for new registrations. I hold and charge these people with responsibility of Neuberger, Morse, and a vastly increased registration in Oregon.' He said he was 'so thoroughly

Calls for Mid-East Mediation

Ike Doesn't See Minnesota Vote As 'Revolt'

WASHINGTON (UP)—President Eisenhower denounced the Senate approved farm bill today as an unworkable measure that would do farmers more harm than good. Mr. Eisenhower strongly implied at his news conference that he would veto the bill if it reaches him in anything like its present form. He expressed hope that a Senate-House Conference Committee will change it enough to make it acceptable. The President said bluntly that he does not think the Senate passed a good bill. The measure is not workable, he said, and would bury farmers under crop surpluses which, in turn, would cause further skids in prices. He said the Senate bill started out pretty well but got into quite a jam at the end. Mr. Eisenhower avoided direct comment on Sen. Estes Kefauver's victory over Adlai E. Stevenson in the Minnesota Democratic primary. He said, however, that Minnesota is an important state and the vote is something to be studied. He was asked directly to comment on Kefauver's statement that the large vote indicates a Midwest "revolt" against the administration's program of flexible farm price supports. Without referring to or acknowledging Kefauver's statement, the President said he believes the nation's farmers understand the administration's program. He added that while he favors the basic idea of 100 per cent of parity in the market place, efforts to achieve this by law would add to farm surpluses and pileup trouble for the farmer. This was an obvious reference to the fact that the Senate in its initial votes upheld the administration's flexible price support policies, but later approved Democratic amendments intended to junk up supports on basic crops. Mr. Eisenhower said continuation of rigid high price supports would create problems the nation can't possibly solve by piling up completely unmanageable surpluses. WASHINGTON (UP)—President Eisenhower today appealed for mediation of the Middle East crisis to avoid the world tragedy of a war in that tense area. The President told his news conference that any major outbreak of hostilities in the Middle East would be a tragedy for the whole world. He said the major U. S. effort at the moment is to find some way to help Middle Eastern countries see that their best interest lie in mediation. Mr. Eisenhower underlined his serious concern over the Middle Eastern crisis and other foreign policy affairs by saying he will meet briefly tonight with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles. Dulles will return from a 10-nation Asian tour late this afternoon. The President said he and Dulles will meet at the White House tomorrow morning with Democratic and Republican congressional leaders. The group will discuss foreign affairs, including Dulles' trip. Mr. Eisenhower refused to comment on whether the administration later might seek congressional authority to act in the Middle East. All his comments emphasized that U. S. policy at the moment is based on that of the United Nations and on American-British-French cooperation in the area.

Kefauver Drubs Adlai in Minnesota Ballot Upset

The News Is Good at Kefauver's House



4 Counterfeit Suspects Held

OREGON CITY (UP)—Four persons were arrested here Tuesday night by police and Secret Service operators who took them to jail at Portland on a booking of counterfeiting. One was a one-time policeman at Bremerton and at Sweet Home. He was chief for a time of the latter department. Officers identified him as Orval Quincy Mitchell, 32, under \$3,000 bail on a bad check charge at the time of his arrest. The others jailed were Margaret Geraldine McIntosh, 18; Gordon August Bizard, 34; and Archie L. Mishler, all residents of this area. They were arrested at the Mishler home where Frank J. Kenney, Secret Service agent, said plates made from a photograph of a \$20 bill, a printing press and some counterfeit bills were found. None of the counterfeit money had been put into circulation, Kenney said.

'Plain Folk' Give Victory to Estes

Yet it is too early to pronounce the former Illinois governor dead as a Democratic presidential possibility. Other presidential aspirants. (Continued on Page 10, Col. 4)

Machine Was for Stevenson in Trial Heat

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL. MINNEAPOLIS (UP)—The "machine" was for Adlai E. Stevenson. Plain folks—including some Republicans and an important segment of the farm vote—mostly were for Sen. Estes Kefauver. There's the nutshell story of the Democratic end of the Minnesota presidential primary. Some Republicans probably were for Kefauver out of conviction and voted for him out of protest against Eisenhower administration farm policies. Others apparently voted for him with only political mischief in mind. Despite a GOP vote-for-Eisenhower drive, they jumped into the Democratic primary to embarrass Stevenson and the state Democratic organization that went all out for him. On the national level, Kefauver's underdog victory over Stevenson points to this: Stevenson came out of yesterday's primary with his political luster tarnished. And it definitely is a question whether he can burnish back some of it in the future primaries. He says he is in to stay.

7 Firms Seek Albany Lease

WASHINGTON (UP)—Atomic Energy Commission plans to reopen the government's zirconium production plant at Albany, Ore., were disclosed Wednesday by Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore.). He said he has been advised by K. E. Fields, AEC general manager, that the commission now is studying proposals submitted by seven firms to operate the plant on a lease basis. Zirconium is a metal used by the commission in its nuclear reactor program. The Albany plant, built as a pilot operation, produced 273,000 pounds in 1953, a slightly lesser amount in 1954, then closed. Neuberger said he was advised that when it was determined zirconium needs would exceed available production capacity, the commission invited 58 firms to submit proposals for operation of the Albany plant. Seven replied, and the proposals are now under study.

Tillamook and Richland Men Interviewed for City Manager

Two applicants for the office of Salem city manager were interviewed Wednesday forenoon by members of the City Council, and another will meet the council in the afternoon. Interviewed early in the day were Hans S. Paulson, now city manager of Tillamook, and T. E. Fennessy, director of the community division of the Atomic Energy Commission at Richland, Wash. To be interviewed in the afternoon is W. W. Kennedy, city manager of Bellevue, Wash. John F. Porter, city manager of Grants Pass, who was an applicant, has withdrawn. Mayor Robert F. White said Wednesday. Paulson of Tillamook told the council that among other city activities there developing municipal problems was the recent annexation of an area two-thirds the size of the city before annexation, and the city is now moving to furnish the area with city facilities, which will require a bond issue. Paulson said a new census was to be taken in Tillamook next week, which is expected to show a population of about 5200. The finances of the city are on a sound basis, he said, notwithstanding the usual problems that face a municipality. No Stranger Here He is no stranger to Salem, having been out of the Legislature a number of times on matters connected with the League of Oregon. (Continued on Page 10, Col. 4)

Estes Says He Has Turned The Tide

By JACK HAGERTY MINNEAPOLIS (UP)—Sen. Estes Kefauver jubilantly claimed today the Democratic tide had turned in his favor on the strength of a stunning upset victory over Adlai E. Stevenson in Minnesota's presidential primary. He won decisively in six of the state's nine congressional districts and held a narrow lead in a seventh where only two late precincts remained to be reported. Stevenson won one district and held an indecisive lead in another. In the Third District, Kefauver moved into a 33,890 to 33,603 lead with only two Washington County precincts unreported. It appeared possible the outcome in that district might have to await the report of the canvassing board. Snowbound roads delayed the count in some Northwestern Minnesota counties and returns traditionally come in by canoe from some precincts in the roadless wilderness area of the Northeast. Check on Republicans A flood of votes upset Stevenson in a state where analysts said he had to score a decisive victory to remain the front-runner for the Democratic presidential nomination. Stevenson backers, including almost all the top Democratic and Farmer-Labor leaders in Minnesota, said they would go over yesterday's primary returns precinct by precinct to see whether Republicans had crossed party lines to vote for Kefauver. Gov. Orville Freeman, who had feared this might happen, said the results show "a movement en masse of the Republicans into the Democratic primary." Estes Well Ahead Late returns showed Kefauver leading in the statewide balloting and in seven of the state's nine congressional districts. The statewide sweep gave him 21 of Minnesota's 30 Democratic National Convention votes, while one vote rode on the results in each of the nine districts. With 3164 of the state's 3806 precincts reporting, Kefauver had 219,818 votes to 170,002 for Stevenson. With 3111 precincts reported, Mr. Eisenhower had 182,086 votes to 3106 for Knowland. In 1952, when Mr. Eisenhower was not on the ballot, he received 108,692 write-in votes to 129,076 for former Minnesota Gov. Harold E. Stassen. In the 1952 general election President Eisenhower outpolled Stevenson 763,211 to 668,458. The Democrats won the 1954 governor election 607,099 to 532,444. Victory Celebration Kefauver told a cheering victory celebration "I believe this primary marks the turning point in the campaign for the Democratic nomination." In Chicago, Stevenson sent congratulations to Kefauver and (Continued on Page 10, Col. 2)

Thornton Says He'll Rule On Morse Friday

An answer to the summons calling for the elimination of the name of Sen. Wayne Morse from the Democratic primary ballot will be filed in the Marion county circuit court by Friday, Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton announced Wednesday. The summons and complaints served on Governor Elmo Smith and Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry, were turned over to the attorney general in his capacity of state's general. Woodrow Wilson Morse's opponent in the primary, filed the summons on the basis that Morse was "not in fact a Democrat in good faith but is instead a Republican." Thornton said Smith, a gas station operator in Hood River, is acting as his own attorney.

McKay Flying Home to Gird For Campaign

WASHINGTON (UP)—Secretary of Interior McKay is flying to Oregon Wednesday to get his campaign for the Republican senatorial nomination underway. McKay told a reporter he was paying his own expenses. The secretary said he would confer with his advisors and expects to make some appointments for his campaign organization. McKay said he plans to be back here Monday and decide by then when he will resign from the Cabinet. He said "Tuesday he may step out in time to permit him to speak to a meeting of Young Republicans in Eugene, Ore., April 13 and 14. Supporters of McKay are expected to seek endorsement of his candidacy at the Eugene meeting. But backers of Philip Hitchcock, another candidate, also are expected to ask Young GOP endorsement. The federation's College League last weekend announced it was supporting Hitchcock, a former state senator, now director of development at Portland's Lewis and Clark College.

Five-Month Strike at Westinghouse Settled

IUE Accepts Plan Proposed Two Weeks Ago

WASHINGTON (UP)—The Westinghouse Electric Corp. strike, one of the longest in the nation's modern labor relations history is over. Strikers weary of picketing idle plants for 156 days headed happily back to work Wednesday. The dispute, punctuated at times by violence—probably cost hundreds of millions of dollars in lost wages and business. Settlement came last night when the striking International Union of Electrical Workers (IUE) voted to accept a peace plan proposed two weeks ago by government mediators, but changed somewhat in the union's favor since then. The new contract gives IUE workers annual pay raises ranging from 5 to 22 cents an hour, added to their pre-strike average of \$2.10 an hour. Additional raises up to 12 cents an hour were provided for skilled workers. Pensions and insurance benefits were improved. For example, the company will take over full cost of employe insurance after November 1956. Westinghouse announced that nine of its consumer products plants will get back into production today. They are at Springfield. (Continued on Page 10, Col. 3)

Judge Hartley Hits 'Company Union' Charge

Charges that County Judge Rex Hartley and County Engineer John Anderson were endeavoring to establish a "company union" among the several hundred county employes were denied Wednesday by Judge Hartley. The accusation was said to have occurred during a public meeting Tuesday night of Local 119, Oregon Public Employees council by Leo Butts, representing the organization. The charge apparently stems from a meeting of county employes held a week ago in one of the circuit court rooms for the purpose of determining whether there was a demand for entering into an agreement with an insurance company for joint coverage. "I have no desire to enter into a controversy with union representatives or any other group," said the judge. He indicated that the matter of joining a union or remaining out of such an organization was up to the employes. Tuesday night's meeting of county road workers was attended by 25 persons, seven of whom were said to be "observers," who do not belong to the union. The group set as their goal a flat \$10 a month raise in pay and certain health and welfare benefits. The matter will probably come to a head during the annual meeting of the county budget committee several weeks hence. Union representatives appeared before the committee last year and at that time said they would "be back again." The committee, headed by County Engineer John Anderson, named by the county employes to investigate further the matter of group insurance, is not ready to report, states Anderson.

Bomb Found in Cyprus Palace

NICOSIA, Cyprus (UP)—A time bomb was found in the bedroom of Governor Sir John Harding at Government House Wednesday. Harding, who ordered the recent deportation of Archbishop Makarios, Greek Orthodox church leader of the union-with-Greece movement in this British-ruled isle, was away in Famagusta at the time. The bomb was removed and was exploded without doing anyone any harm. A Cypriot servant who joined the Government House staff six months ago, was discovered to be missing. Harding, in deporting Makarios, accused him of abetting a campaign of terrorism which has taken the lives of 22 British servicemen, including a soldier killed Wednesday.

Doug Charges Dick Tries to Trip Him Up

WASHINGTON (UP)—Secretary of Interior McKay Wednesday accused Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore.) of seeking to embarrass him at a hearing on a bill to revoke a license for Beaver Marsh power dam in Oregon. Neuberger denied it. The incident occurred when Neuberger asked McKay on what date he had written a letter to the Federal Power Commission, expressing his personal opposition to the Beaver Marsh project, which his department had endorsed. McKay said he didn't recall. "But I know why you ask it," the secretary declared. "You want to embarrass me because the letter was not sent up until after the report of the Interior Department." Neuberger said he was not trying to embarrass McKay. "You're the one who used the word 'I didn't,' the senator said. "You've been very handy at trying to embarrass me," came back McKay. "But you haven't succeeded." The exchange came at a Senate Public Works subcommittee hearing at which McKay supported a bill by Sens. Morse and Neuberger to revoke the Beaver Marsh license.

State Court Awards \$25,706 for Auto Injuries; Reverses 2 Cases

A judgment amounting to \$25,706, including \$1,000 punitive damages for personal injuries recovered by Thomas T. Falls of Portland against Elvis K. Mortensen was affirmed Wednesday by the State Supreme Court. Falls was struck and seriously injured in the early morning of April 13, 1951 by a car driven by the defendant. He was crossing S.E. Powell boulevard in Portland at the intersection of S.E. First Avenue and had passed over the yellow line in the center of the street. Justice James Brand, who wrote the opinion, said. The plaintiff charged Mortensen with being drunk and operating his car at a high rate of speed. The court said that the complaint was sufficiently alleged and the evidence showed "a wanton disregard by Mortensen of Falls' rights and the lower court's instructions to the jury to the effect that contributory negligence would not be a defense, was therefore proper. New Trial Ordered Dismissal of a damage action growing out of an automobile collision was reversed and retrial ordered for a new trial. Harry P. Kennedy, the plaintiff, was driving his car south on Highway 99W on a foggy day. A truck owned by the Farmers Cooperative Creamery of McMinnville attempted to make a left hand turn at an intersection and collided with the left front of Kennedy's car causing his injuries. On his appeal, Kennedy complained of Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker's instructions to the jury and the supreme court said that the instructions pertaining to yield of right of way to the vehicle approaching from the right was inapplicable to the facts in the case. A judgment for punitive damages amounting to \$2616 recovered in Polk county by the estate of Clare A. Lemon for alleged wrongful removal of trees, was reversed by the Supreme Court, which said that the record was devoid of evidence to establish a boundary line between properties owned by A. F. Elkins, the appellant and property in the state. As a result, the court said there was no evidence of ownership of the land from which the trees were removed. State Given Priority A decree by Circuit Judge R. Frank Peters of Washington county which held that the tax lien filed by the Bureau of Internal Revenue for unpaid taxes had a priority over a similar lien filed at an earlier date by the Oregon State Tax commission, and also a mechanic lien likewise filed at an earlier date, was affirmed. (Continued on Page 10, Col. 4)

House Votes Milk Money

WASHINGTON (UP)—The House Wednesday passed and sent to the White House legislation to provide 10 million dollars additional in school milk funds and two million more for eradication of brucellosis, a cattle disease. The money is for the fiscal year ending next June 30. The House, after an hour's debate ranging over the whole farm situation, also accepted Senate amendments to continue both programs until June 30, 1958. The extra funds were asked because a number of states have virtually exhausted their allotments under existing authorizations.

Oregon Gets Flood Grant

WASHINGTON (UP)—President Eisenhower Wednesday allocated \$700,000 to Oregon for flood damage relief. The new grant was in addition to \$650,000 previously allocated. The President authorized Civil Defense Administrator Val Peterson to provide the new money.

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday, 56; minimum today, 45. Total 24-hour precipitation: 26; for month: 3.31; normal: 1.97. Season precipitation: 30.48; normal: 23.34. River height: 27 feet. (Report by U. S. Weather Bureau)

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