

# SALES TAX BILL PASSES SENATE

## Herter Will Head American Delegation

### Acting Secretary To Be Top Man At Paris Meeting

Dulles Declared Unable To Attend

Washington—UPI—The State Department announced today that Acting Secretary Christian A. Herter will head the U. S. delegation to the forthcoming western foreign ministers meeting in Paris. He will serve in place of cancer-stricken John Foster Dulles. Officials said the decision that Dulles would not be able to attend was taken soon after the ailing secretary returned unexpectedly Sunday to Walter Reed Army Medical Center from Florida, where he had been trying to recuperate.

The department also announced that physicians who have been attending Dulles since his recurrence of cancer are holding a conference this afternoon at Walter Reed Hospital. Afterwards there will be a "further statement" on the Dulles case.

Department Press Officer Lincoln White said he could not disclose at this time whether the doctors were going to be prepared to say what new treatment they planned.

The announcement that Herter would serve as head of the U. S. delegation to Paris came soon after he had conferred with Dulles for 45 minutes at the hospital this morning.

White said "Herter and the secretary had a review of current international questions, especially the negotiations in Geneva (on nuclear test suspension) that resumed Monday and the current status of the questions of Berlin and Germany."

White's announcement about Herter came when he was asked about reports that Dulles would not attend the Paris meeting, which starts April 29. His statement did not specifically rule out the possibility that the ailing secretary might be able to be present in an advisory capacity, but other officials previously had told United Press International that this appeared impossible, according to present indications.

### 117 Appointments To Donate Blood

A total of 117 appointments had been made by noon today for the Red Cross Bloodmobile this afternoon. It will be at the Red Cross chapter house, 60 Hawthorne ave., Medford, until 6 o'clock this evening.

Quota for today's visit is 290 pints, for which 350 donors are needed, Red Cross officials said. Drop-in donors will be welcome, they said.

The Bloodmobile will be at the Ashland Elks temple between 1 and 5 p.m. tomorrow.

Augusta, Ga.—UPI—President Eisenhower resumed his golfing vacation today at the Augusta National Golf club.

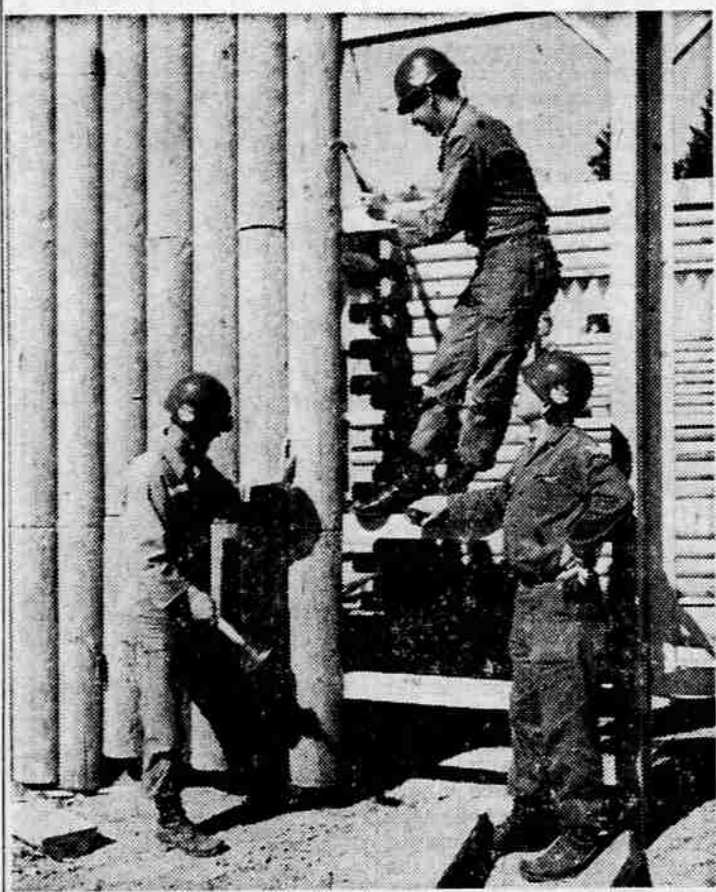
## Eugene Firm Apparent Low Bidder on Construction of Berrydale Sewer

Jeske Brothers Construction company, Eugene, is apparent low bidder at \$221,912.75 for constructing the Berrydale sanitary sewer system. Bids were opened yesterday afternoon at Medford city hall.

The Eugene firm is one of four contractors bidding below the engineer's estimate for the major part of the project.

Jeske Brothers did not bid on construction of two pumping stations, separate items in the plans. Den Herder Construction, Inc., Lebanon, was apparent low bidder for the stations at \$24,357.25 for one and \$1,483.75 for the other.

The city council is slated to consider awarding contracts at its meeting Thursday.



FINAL LOGS—Members of the 417th engineer brigade, Army reserve unit of southern Oregon, above are shown putting the final logs in place on the Siskiyou summit stockade entrance gates. Maj Harold Cooley of Glendale, construction foreman of the stockade wall, is shown directing placing logs. Other members shown are Lt. Eldon C. Everton, Grants Pass, on wall, and Pfc. Cleo H. Taylor, Jacksonville.

## Shopping Center to Provide 200 Jobs For Local People

The Medford Shopping Center on Jackson st. is scheduled to open the week of Aug. 15 to 20 and should provide about 200 to 225 jobs for local people, according to Mark Goldy.

Goldy, active in development of the center, said yesterday buildings under construction this year constitute the first phase of the center. Other buildings will be erected as the demand arises, he explained.

The Sears Roebuck store alone, Goldy told the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce roundtable, will employ from 125 to 160 persons—about 80 per cent of whom will be local residents.

Goldy said the 1 1/2 million center should be a great boon to Medford's progress as the shopping hub for those living within a 75-mile radius. He described the Sears store being erected here as about 50 per cent larger than those in Eugene and Salem.

Besides Sears, Safeway and Pay-Less Drugs, Goldy said, tenants will include a La-Pointe dress shop, a Gallen-

### Orchard Heaters Lit Long Hours Last Night

Last night saw one of the longest nights of Rogue valley orchard heating, according to the county extension office.

It was the most extensive heating this season but not on record. Orchards in some of the colder spots in the valley started heating about 11:45 p.m., and general heating began some time after 1 p.m.

The city's engineer—Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield, of Corvallis—estimated the sewer system at \$233,100 and the pumping stations at \$27,871 and \$2,400.

Other bidders for the sewer system were R. A. Heintz, Portland, \$223,326.50; P. S. Lord Mechanical Contractors, Portland, \$227,378; and Den Herder, \$230,508.

The bidding also included the alternative of using asbestos cement instead of concrete for service connections. On this alternative Jeske Brothers bid \$19,882.52 while Den Herder bid \$21,450 and P. S. Lord, \$20,812.50.

Lord Brothers, Portland, bid \$23,150 and \$1,750 on the pumping stations. But the firm's bid on the sewer system itself was \$250,148 and it stipulated "all or nothing."

Other bidders on the sewer system were Salem Sand and Gravel company, Salem \$239,103.35; F. L. Somers, Klamath Falls, \$286,115; and C. H. Strong Engineering and Construction company, Eugene, \$306,730.

Other pumping station bidders were R. A. Heintz, \$29,431 and \$2,500; and Ausland Construction company, Grants Pass, \$30,000 and \$1,560.

## Discoverer II Space Capsule Recovery Out

Timing Apparatus Failure Blamed

Washington—UPI—The Government said today it will not attempt to recover a space capsule from the polar satellite Discoverer II.

Roy Johnson, director of the Advanced Research Projects Agency, said a malfunction of the timing apparatus made impossible the planned recovery of the capsule by airplanes or supporting naval vessels.

To Test Components Johnson said, however, that a test would be made of the separation components and of the functioning of the retro-rocket and parachute of the Discoverer II.

Signals from the Air Force satellite, blasted into space Monday as part of a long-range project designed to lead to manned vehicles, were received "loud and clear" at stations in Hawaii, Alaska and here.

The launching took place at Vandenberg Air Force base about 170 miles north of Los Angeles.

An attempt at Cape Canaveral, Fla., Monday to send up two earth satellites in a single Vanguard rocket failed when the rocket's second stage did not fire properly.

The Vanguard carried in its third stage a metallic cylinder designed to collect data on the earth's magnetic field and another satellite made of inflatable plastic balloon which was to drift slowly in a descending orbit around the earth and be visible to Moon-watch teams.

Discoverer II was reported by the Air Force orbiting the earth every 90.84 minutes at a speed of more than 17,000 miles an hour. It ranges from as far as 243 miles from earth to as close as 156 miles.

## Local Man Held On Extortion

Rollin Benjamin Dexter, 49, of 12 Rose ave., Medford, is being held in the county jail on charges of extortion, Sheriff Joe Walsh said today. Bail has been set at \$1,500.

A complaint was to be signed today, and Dexter will be arraigned in district court sometime today, according to the Jackson county district attorney's office.

Sheriff's deputies made the arrest yesterday in Medford. He signed a statement admitting the charges, Walsh said.

Dale Lee Mathias, 28, of 724 Alder st., Medford, had reported to the sheriff's office of attempted blackmail.

Sheriff's deputies yesterday afternoon gave Mathias a roll of marked bills. Deputies watched from near an agreed meeting place at the First National Bank, then followed as Mathias was picked up in a car driven by Dexter, Walsh explained.

Near Mathias' home Dexter stopped the car and left Mathias, Walsh said. Mathias dropped a small letter billfold and picked it up as a pre-arranged signal to indicate that marked money had been passed. Sheriff's deputies then stopped Dexter's car and arrested him.

Mrs. Marjorie Hardwick, 58, of Grants Pass, died in a local hospital yesterday of injuries suffered in an automobile accident March 17 near Grants Pass.

Mrs. Hardwick was a case worker for the Josephine County Welfare commission. The accident occurred on Lower River rd. near Robertson bridge when she drove her car into a ditch to avoid hitting children getting off a school bus. The car went down a 20-foot embankment.

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## Voters Backing Balanced Budget Drive, Ike Hears

Survey Report Shown President

Washington—UPI—President Eisenhower greeted with enthusiasm today a report from House Republican leaders that the voters are backing his drive for a balanced budget.

House GOP Leader Charles A. Halleck showed the President a report on a survey taken among House Republicans of their Easter recess findings on public attitudes toward the four big issues—the budget, defense, Berlin, and "spend-thrift federal programs."

Halleck told newsmen after the weekly GOP leadership conference at the White House that the President looked over the report and was "encouraged" by what he saw.

Voters Back President The report said the voters are supporting the President on all four issues.

Halleck reported there also was discussion of a Senate-approved bill to create a commission to investigate unemployment problems. He said there was no inclination among House Republicans to delay action since no one has a monopoly of concern about the unemployed. But he added that he would support the resolution with "qualms" because it might mean a 60-day delay until the commission makes its report.

In a speech to the Seventh annual GOP Women's Conference Monday night, Eisenhower said government spending should be governed by national needs and not by "political opportunism."

Republican Creed The President laid down a six-point Republican creed for the 2,000 cheering GOP women. He said that he was with them "to the bitter end" in the fight for victory in 1960.

But he cautioned that the Republicans are badly outnumbered by the Democrats and said "all of us have to work hard" if the party is to retain the White House and wrest control of Congress from the Democrats.

In this connection, he spelled out the creed which he said had been "lived and expounded" by a long line of Republicans beginning with Abraham Lincoln.

Security of Nation These Republicans, he said, invariably have insisted:

(1) Upon the security of our nation; (2) upon the liberty and rights of the individual; (3) upon respect for the rights and responsibilities of the several states; (4) upon honesty in government; (5) upon fiscal integrity; and (6) upon an expanding economy, based upon a dollar that, earned today will buy tomorrow and the next day an equal amount of groceries."

## Attempts Made to Set Fires at School

Two attempts were made to set fires in Roosevelt school, 112 Lindley ave., shortly after noon last Friday, Medford police reported today.

Students are being interviewed in connection with the case, police said.

Two test papers on a second floor bulletin board were reportedly burned, in one attempt. The second attempt involved setting fire to paper towels in a container in the girls' rest room on the same floor. When the metal cover on the towel container was lowered, police reported, the flames, were snuffed out.

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## Wednesday Deadline for Federal and State Taxes

Washington—UPI—Wednesday is T-day for nearly 61 million Americans.

April 15, the law says, is the deadline for getting your income tax return into the offices of Uncle Sam's tax collectors.

That's no postmark deadline, either. Your return is supposed to arrive at the office of your district director of Internal Revenue by midnight Wednesday.

The address can be found in the instruction booklet that comes with tax return forms, available at post offices and banks.

All of which means if you wait until Wednesday to mail your return it's going to arrive Thursday-late.

What will happen then? Probably nothing—if your return is in good order and you've enclosed a check for any taxes you may owe. The tax collector usually is too busy to bother with returns that are a day—or even two days—late.

But he could charge interest figured at the rate of 6 per cent a year for every day your return and check are late.

If you're one of the estimated five million or more taxpayers filing today or Wednesday, the Internal Revenue Service offers these last minute reminders:

—Be sure to include your name and social security number. Lots of people send in perfect returns but no names.

—Sign the return at the bottom. If it's a joint filing, your wife or husband must sign too.

—Check your arithmetic. Last year nearly two million people made mistakes in addition, subtraction or other figuring.

—Include a check and money order if you owe Uncle Sam unpaid taxes.

Send the return to your district director, not to Washington.

If the above isn't enough woe for the late filer, Oregon income taxes are due Wednesday, too. State tax returns should be sent to the State Tax Commission, Salem, while federal returns go to the District Director of Internal Revenue, Portland.

## Special Meeting Of Reorganization To Be Scheduled

A special meeting of the Jackson county school district reorganization committee will be held next week to consider further a public vote on the proposed Talent-Phoenix school district consolidation, it was reported today.

The action followed a Phoenix school board meeting last night when representatives of Phoenix and the Wagner Creek area urged the board to request a vote in Talent and Phoenix districts. They objected to the reorganization committee turning down petitions last Wednesday after they requested a vote on the consolidation question.

Jack Hoffbuh, member of the reorganization committee and Phoenix school board, said this morning he had requested Committee Chairman Keith Hockmeyer to hold the special meeting. Hoffbuh emphasized any action he may have taken in the past or will take in the future as a member of the reorganization committee is not as a representative of the Phoenix school district or board. The entire county picture must be seen, he said.

Allen Harris, Phoenix school board chairman, said last night the board agreed to request a public vote on the Talent-Phoenix school consolidation question.

"We will try and get our petitions honored with the letter," Harris said. "A 60 per cent vote as required by law to turn down the reorganization plan once it is established is not democratic. It should be by a simple majority."

Mrs. Claire Sommers and Mrs. Hulda Sommers, both of Wagner Creek, led a delegation which opposes the reorganization committee's plan to remove the Wagner Creek area from the Phoenix district and reorganize it, Talent and Pinehurst with Ashland. About 100 per cent of the Wagner Creek residents favor the proposed Phoenix-Talent consolidation, Mrs. Claire Sommers argued.

Asked why the Phoenix school board did not send a letter to the reorganization committee urging the Phoenix-Talent consolidation, Curtis Barnes, board member, explained that the board should not recommend any one group—those favoring reorganization with Medford, those favoring consolidation with Talent or those wishing to remain independent.

The taxation question continually arises, he said, because a big question is whether Phoenix or Talent-Phoenix could support a high school adequate to serve the educational needs of the pupils.

Members of the Wagner Creek delegation complained of the distance for bus transportation into Ashland. One mother said it is 21 miles round trip from her home to Southern Oregon college in Ashland.

Barnes emphasized that it is impossible at this time to estimate the millage involved with the different proposals. (The county assessor has yet to determine the assessed valuations for the county on which the millage is based).

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## "Do You Have To Bring Up Technicalities?"



## IWL Not to Endorse Tentative Projects

The Jackson county chapter of the Izak Walton League refuses to endorse any tentative proposals for development of Rogue basin water resources until its terms of specific operation plans, according to Henry DeVoss, chapter member and state director of the national organization.

DeVoss' statement followed a report made to the Rogue River Basin Flood Control and Water Resources association last night.

County Judge Raymond Lathrop, Josephine county member of the association, noted that the Grants Pass chapter of the league had gone on record favoring the tentative development proposals with certain reservations.

Tentative Proposal The tentative proposal of the bureau of reclamation, the Army Corps of Engineers and the state water resources board is development of sites at Merlin and Tucker creek in Josephine county, Evans creek Copper site on the Applegate river, Lost creek and Elk creek in Jackson county.

Such single and multiple purpose dams at the sites designated should be constructed so as to "inflict the least possible damage under the circumstances on existing natural resources, the qualifying clause of the Grants Pass resolution read.

Fish propagation should be promoted according to the "most modern and accepted practices," the clause also stated.

Judge Lathrop also reported that the Illinois Valley Sucker creek project of the bureau of reclamation would place some 16,000 acres of Josephine county under irrigation. The project will have positive benefits for both fish and wildlife, Lathrop stated.

The association approved the project and directed the secretary to write the reclamation commissioner that the funds needed for bringing the feasibility report up to date be included in the federal budget.

Ben Day, attorney for the association, and Ben Hilton were authorized to speak with

the Corps of Engineers in Portland to discuss the Homestead Gulch section of the engineers report. Josephine county residents would prefer the Homestead site to the Meadows site which the corps apparently now favors, according to Bill Jess, association president.

Next association meeting will be in Rogue River May 11.

## Phoenix Man in Fair Condition

Gerald Albright, 37, of 3653 South Pacific highway, Phoenix, was reported in fair condition in Rogue Valley hospital this morning, hospital attendants said.

Albright was beaten in a fight at the Veterans of Foreign Wars hall at Rogue River Saturday and was admitted to the hospital in serious condition with head injuries, according to the Jackson county sheriff's office.

The district attorney's office state it is still investigating the case. The fight resulted from an argument over parking cars at the VFW hall, it was reported.

## Soviet Jets Buzz Yank Plane Over East Germany

Berlin—UPI—Two Soviet jet fighters buzzed an American Air Force cargo plane and forced it to reduce altitude while it was crossing East Germany on a flight from West Berlin April 3, a U. S. Embassy spokesman said today in Bonn.

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## Overwhelming Non-Partisan Vote Recorded

Bill Would Yet Go Before Voters

Salem—UPI—By an overwhelming vote the Oregon Senate today passed a three per cent sales tax bill which would be referred to the voters at the 1960 general election.

Only seven votes were cast against the measure. Voting was on a non-partisan basis with two Republicans and five Democrats opposing it. Cuts Income Tax Rolls

The three per cent sales tax would not be burdensome on persons with low incomes, Sen. Ben Musa (D-The Dalles) said on presenting the bill.

The measure would reduce the income tax on the lower levels and would take 25 per cent of the citizens off the state income tax rolls, Musa said.

In addition, he said, it would increase the basic school support program from \$105 to \$140 per census school child. This would reduce local property taxes as much as 40 per cent, Musa said.

"Don't Understand Bill" Musa told the Senate he regretted that some members of his own party were opposing the measure.

"These Democrats don't understand the bill," he declared, "and they don't know that they will have lower taxes if this measure passes."

Sen. Monroe Sweetland (D-Milwaukie) an implacable foe of the sales tax, predicted that the House would defeat the bill, but added that if such was not the case, he was certain that the voters would overwhelmingly defeat the bill "just as they defeated six sales tax proposals in the past."

Dim Picture Drawn Sen. Edwin Durno (R-Medford) drew a dim picture of the fiscal condition of the state two years from now unless the state income tax was supplemented by some other form of taxes.

"The taxpayers of this state will be faced with an income tax that will come close to being confiscatory in many cases unless we have a sales tax," he said. "With growing population, basic school support automatically increases and costs of many other services will likewise go up."

Proponents of the bill emphasized that formulas contained in the sales tax could be changed by the 1961 Legislature. If the sales tax passed the Legislature and is signed by the governor and then is approved by the people, the 1961 Legislature will enact a sales tax law.

## Two Fined \$25 on Vagrancy Charges

Two men arrested by state police Friday with Leland Duane Benson, who is charged with murder, were arraigned in district court yesterday on charges of vagrancy.

Larry Donald Miller, 35, of Billings, Mont., and Floyd William Ballantine, 32, of Yakima, Wash., were fined \$25 each. They were charged with "unlawfully and wilfully associating with a known thief and wandering about the highways late at night and at an unusual hour of the night."

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