

Senate Defeats Move To Kill Tax Program

TOUGH WEST LINE SEEN FOR GENEVA

3-Point Agenda For Presentation To Russia Agreed

Paris—UPI—The western allies have agreed to take a "tough" stand at the beginning of the Geneva foreign ministers' conference with the Soviets next month, informed diplomatic sources said today.

The western foreign ministers were said to have decided this at the first session of their planned three-day Paris strategy talks designed to bring about a solid western position of agreement before meeting with the Russians in the Swiss city.

At the same time, the sources said, the West has agreed on a three-point agenda which it will propose to the Soviet Union at the start of the Geneva talks May 11. These include: German problems, Berlin and European security.

Shield of Secrecy

The diplomatic sources provided the guidance on developments at the morning session after the foreign ministers had decided to impose a shield of secrecy around their discussions here.

Secretary of State Christian Herter met for two hours and 20 minutes at the Quai d'Orsay with the British, French and West German foreign ministers.

They met again for two hours in the afternoon. Their aim was to line up an agreed western strategy in preparation for the Geneva meetings.

Would Refuse to Bow

The "tough" western line, the sources explained, would not exclude all concessions. But it would mean that the West would refuse to bow to Soviet attempts to squeeze it out of Berlin.

It also would mean that the West would not lay all its cards on the table at the outset in Geneva.

In particular, the sources said, the western allies will take great care not to make any proposals in the early stages of the Geneva talks with which the Russians later could trip them up.

Meanwhile, the sources said, the United States, Britain, France and West Germany still are far from full agreement on details of their Geneva strategy.

Advisory Board Recommends Park

The proposed Oregon Dunes National Seashore park in the Florence area is one of the eight new scenic areas recommended by the national park advisory board to be added to the National Park system.

The announcement of the board's recommendation was made this week in Washington, D.C.

The bill recommending incorporation of the area in Oregon into the national park system was introduced by Sen. Richard L. Neuberger. The senator reported that he hoped that legislation creating the park would be enacted during the 86th congress.

Following the board's recommendation Senator Neuberger expressed his pleasure of the action, stating that the board recognized the scenic and recreational caliber of the region.

Consolidated Districts Represented for Board

Frank Bash, chairman of the Medford school board, said today that recently consolidated districts will be represented in the administration of the Medford system by advisory committees.

He said there has been some misunderstanding in some of the former districts that they would not be represented at school board meetings.

Judges Appear at Budget Meeting

Circuit Judges James Main and Edward C. Kelly appeared before the county budget committee this morning to testify on the county juvenile department budget needs.

Requested budget total for the new fiscal year is \$47,345.90, an increase of \$12,839 over the current year's budget total of \$34,506.

Much of the increase is for salaries for a \$31,048 total, an increase of \$5,784. A second boys' counselor has been requested at a salary of \$4,236 for the year. Salary increases proposed follow the recommendations of the state civil service survey, it was pointed out.

The juvenile department has also requested \$5,000 for placement of children in foster homes, since welfare budget allocations for this have been curtailed and the welfare department can re-

Reorganization Board Suggests Land Transfers

The Jackson county school district reorganization committee last night recommended land transfers and discussed scheduled reorganization public hearings in various school districts.

Approved were transfers of land from the Wards Creek area from District 6C, under which Gold Hill now comes, into Rogue River; the transfer of land between the Rogue river and a mountain from the Gold Hill area into Rogue River district; and land at the head of Foot's creek left fork into the Rogue River district from what is now the Medford district.

Each of the affected districts must now present petitions containing the names of at least three property owners to the county boundary board which must give its approval for the transfers.

Reason for the proposed changes is to straighten out school district boundaries, Mekvold explained.

The committee also discussed presentations and procedures for public hearings on reorganization for Eagle Point, May 5; Butte Falls, May 7; Rogue River, May 19; and Evans Valley, May 21.

Other hearings have been postponed pending the outcome of the Phoenix and Talent consolidation election May 20.

Van Sickle Named To Committee

Medford City Councilman Robert Van Sickle, Ward III, has accepted an appointment as the city's official representative on the Make Medford Beautiful committee, a city hall spokesman reported today.

Mayor John W. Snider, in his letter to Van Sickle, reportedly pointed out that he himself is too involved in Centennial activities to devote sufficient time to the committee's work.

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Ike Disappointed By Senate-Passed Labor Reform Bill

Hopes House Will Strengthen Measure

Washington—UPI—President Eisenhower said today he was very much disappointed by the Senate-passed labor reform bill. He expressed hope that the House would strengthen it.

The President told a news conference he felt the Senate bill did not deal properly with secondary boycotts, blackmail picketing, and the assignment to the individual states of jurisdiction in purely local disputes where the National Labor Relations Board has refused to move in.

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If a summit conference is held and Eisenhower finds it impossible to attend for the entire period, Vice President Richard M. Nixon might possibly sit in. But there is no plan for this at present, and Nixon and Eisenhower would certainly not be at a summit conference at the same time. Constitutional conditions would prohibit this.

New Atom Smasher—His scientific advisers have informed him that the new linear style atom-smasher to be built with government money at Stanford University in California will be the most extraordinary thing of its kind yet attempted. When put into operation about five years from now, it will place the United States far ahead of Russia in this technique.

He sided with the Navy in a controversy stirred up by the suggestion of an Air Force official that the Air Force should have strategic control of missiles fired from submarines.

The President firmly supported the idea of long-range American commitments for economic aid to foreign countries. He believed the American people and government must be willing to support an annual increase in the loans made to underdeveloped areas. This is necessary to serve America's own best interests in the world.

'Little Richard' Saved From Cave

Owasso, Okla. — (UPI) — Grimy rescuers freed Little Richard, the Owasso coon dog, shortly before noon today and rushed him to a veterinary hospital, where the hound was reported "in good shape."

After chipping a passage-way to within inches of the dog, volunteers set off a small charge of dynamite, dislodging a boulder in Little Richard's path.

Then a man with a jackhammer tore the boulder loose.

Little Richard, on the sixth day of his imprisonment, calmly walked out of the cave to the cheers of the rescuers.

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Ashland Firm Low Bidder on Music Facilities at MHS

Construction of a music and classroom addition at Medford High School is expected to start immediately, Frank Bash, chairman of the school board, said today.

The board accepted the bid of Wiley and company, Ashland, last night. Wiley's low bid was \$151,200, and was one of five received. Other bidders were Salter and Klein, Rogue River, \$152,449; Ausland Construction company, Grants Pass, \$153,737; Loren Ritchie, Medford, \$153,989; and H. Barnhart, Medford, \$163,818.

Bash said the board excused the bid submitted by Salter and Klein because of an error in computing it.

The music room addition will utilize the space formerly occupied by the machine shop, which has moved into the recently constructed industrial arts building.

The construction work is part of a two-year building program in the Medford district approved by voters.

Bids also were opened last night for laundry work and fire extinguishers. They are being studied by the board to determine if they meet the board's requirements.

To Open Polls—The board authorized deputy clerks at Griffin Creek, Jacksonville, Howard, Lone Pine and Ruch to open polls.

Mrs. Gustison To Be Installed

Mrs. Leigh Gustison, 54 Summit ave., will be installed tonight as president of the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers in ceremonies at the state convention in Corvallis.

Mrs. Gustison has been active in Medford and Jackson county PTA groups as well as in many local and state civic organizations.

She succeeds Mrs. Russell Case, Portland, president of the state organization for the past two years.

Medford was chosen as the site for the 1960 convention. More than 1,000 persons are attending the convention this year.

Among the speakers Tuesday was Mrs. Stephen (Evelyn) Nye, Medford, state representative, who represented Gov. Mark O. Hatfield.

Keynote speaker for the convention was Mrs. Rollin Brown, Los Angeles, immediate past president of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers.

Upper Chamber Schedules Debate Thursday, Friday

Proposal Includes Vote on Sales Tax

Salem—UPI—The Senate today defeated an attempt to kill a tax program which would meet Oregon's proposed \$311 million budget without a general income tax hike.

The upper chamber, preparing for a full-scale debate on its Tax Committee's program (Thursday or Friday, defeated parliamentary tactics by Sen. Monroe Sweetland (D-Milwaukie) to kill the proposal.

The Senate Tax Committee Tuesday night completely revised the House-approved tax program and substituted one of its own which, among other things, would call for a vote of the people in 1960 on a three per cent retail sales tax.

Lower Credits—The only change in the present tax structure proposed by the Committee would be lowering of the personal and dependency credits by \$100.

The Senate committee amended House bill 670, the main House tax bill, to restore existing personal income tax features including federal income tax deductions, personal deductions, split income provision, optional standard deductions and existing rates.

The Committee also lowered exemptions and dependency credits from \$600 to \$500 for a single individual; from \$1,200 to \$1,000 for a married couple filing a joint return, and from \$600 to \$500 for each dependent.

Estimated additional revenue in the 1959-61 biennium is \$11.4 million.

The committee also amended House bill 508, the cigarette three-cents-a-pack and tobacco tax, to include a three per cent general retail sales tax. This would be referred to the people for approval in the November, 1960, general elections. If approved it would go into effect on Jan. 1, 1961.

The Senate committee amended House bill 670 further to provide that personal exemptions on income taxes would be increased from \$500 to \$1,500 for a single individual; from \$1,000 to \$3,000 for a married couple filing a joint return, and from \$500 to \$600 for each dependent for tax years beginning Dec. 31, 1960—contingent upon approval and enactment of a three per cent general sales tax.

Vote Due Soon—Another amendment of the same bill would provide that any additional resources in excess of the 1961-63 general fund requirement would be used to increase basic school support, not to exceed \$149 per census child. The basic school support levy is now based on \$105 per census child.

Sen. Ward Cook (D-Portland), chairman of the committee, said he expected the Senate tax program would come to a vote on the Senate floor not later than Thursday.

Should the Senate approve it and the House refuse to accept amendments, then a conference committee would be named to try to iron out the differences.

Salem—UPI—The Senate has passed and sent to the House a bill providing that all turkeys offered for sale must bear a label on which will appear words and figures relating to the grade of the bird.

Foreclosure Sale Conducted Today

Seventeen of 27 pieces of property acquired through tax foreclosure were sold at public auction on the Jackson county courthouse steps this morning, according to Sheriff Joe Walsh.

Largest bid price received was \$1,450 for property which had a minimum price of \$100. Walsh said. Second highest range was from \$50 to \$670.

The property was acquired through tax foreclosure and the county took title to it, Walsh said.

Montgomery Arrives for Talks With Khrushchev

Moscow—UPI—Britain's Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery opened do-it-yourself summit talks with Premier Nikita Khrushchev today despite a campaign in the British press for him to leave diplomacy to diplomats.

Lord Montgomery, retired deputy supreme commander of NATO, met Khrushchev in the Kremlin for a private survey of cold war issues. Monty had asked for the invitation and got it despite criticism at home.

Had Blessing—Before leaving Britain, Montgomery conferred with Prime Minister Harold Macmillan and apparently had his blessings for the informal talks he hopes will ease cold war tensions.

The crusty field marshal arrived Thursday and was greeted by some of his old comrades of World War II. Since it was not a formal visit, no formal talks with Khrushchev were scheduled. But observers expected his encounter with Khrushchev to live up to both men's reputations for frank, outspoken opinions.

Leadership Criticized—Montgomery's fame for speaking his mind was enhanced Tuesday in the United States and Britain with the release of a filmed interview that criticized American leadership and wartime conduct and the present state of NATO.

There was no indication he would cover this ground with Khrushchev. In any case, the field marshal has warned in

Interim Financing Arranged for New Manor Structure

Bids To Be Opened At Office May 6

Interim financing for Rogue Valley Manor, the \$5½ million retirement home to be built in Medford, has been arranged, thus assuring immediate construction of the manor, it was announced today.

M. N. Hogan, president of the board of trustees of the non-profit, church-affiliated corporation, said the First National Bank of Oregon has entered into a loan agreement, covering financial needs of the Manor during the construction period.

The agreement was signed at a recent meeting of the Manor executive committee, and bank officials, including Elwood Hedberg, Portland, vice president; C. E. Zollinger, bank attorney from Portland, and Joe Moore, manager of the Medford branch of the bank.

Opening Scheduled—Bids for construction of the manor will be opened on May 6, Hogan said, and construction will get under way as soon thereafter as possible.

Seventeen contracting firms from all parts of the Pacific Coast have requested plans and specifications, and most of them are expected to enter bids, Hogan reported.

In addition, 9 firms have plans and specifications for the mechanical contracts, and 12 others have them for the electrical contracts.

Architect John Maloney, Seattle, has estimated the overall bid total will be in excess of \$4½ million. Another estimated \$750,000 will go into furnishings, equipment, and associated costs.

The bids will be opened at 2 p.m. May 6, at a meeting of the Manor's board of trustees. Contract award will be announced as soon thereafter as practicable.

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