

President Outlines Program for Congress



WHITE HOUSE MEETING—President Eisenhower confers with his press secretary, James Hagerly, at the White House this morning prior to reading his special message to Congress. The message contained a wide-ranging package of legislative proposals. (UPI Telephoto)

Ike's Message Attracts Cries Of Politics

Washington—UPI—President Eisenhower's special message to Congress today drew cries of politics from the Democratic standard bearers. John F. Kennedy, Democratic presidential nominee, said the Eisenhower list of legislation that should be passed "is not unexpected in an election year."

Kennedy Challenged

Kennedy challenged the President to get at least half the Republicans to support a "responsible program" to meet the needs he outlined. He said if that is done the Democrats would do their part. The Massachusetts senator's statement followed a charge by Kennedy's running mate, Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson, that the Eisenhower program was a "panicky" attempt to embrace the Democratic platform.

No Comment by Nixon

Vice President Richard M. Nixon, the Republican presidential nominee, said he might have something to say about the prospects of the President's program later. But he would not comment on the message itself. Sen. GOP Leader Everett M. Dirksen (Ill.) said Eisenhower "properly reminded Congress in the message of the legislation he recommended last January." But he would not predict the fate of the program except for the civil rights portion. He indicated that part of the program had little chance.

Ashland Firemen Held to Fight Blaze

Ashland—Twenty-three Ashland firemen aided state forestry crews Saturday afternoon in extinguishing a 10-acre grass fire on the Ashland nine road just outside the city limits.

Firemen sent a large pump truck and a pickup with pump tank to the scene at 2:53 p.m.

Cause of the blaze, firemen said, was improper burning of trash.

A spokesman said the fire was potentially dangerous in that it could have gotten out of control in the canyon and possibly become as serious as last August's major forest fire in the same area.

Two Fires Near Klamath; Hootowl Schedules Set

By United Press International Two fires erupted in grasslands and timber near Klamath Falls over the week end as temperatures soared and the humidity dropped.

The largest fire was 45 miles east of Klamath Falls Sunday. It raged over some 2,240 acres of timberland. The second fire, seven miles north of the city, was pushed into timberland by a strong wind. About 40 acres of timber were destroyed before airmen from Kingsley Air Force Base and loggers controlled it.

Fidel Castro Warns Catholic Church on Denouncing Regime

Havana—UPI—Premier Fidel Castro's regime warned the Roman Catholic church today that it would "definitely achieve nothing" by denouncing the government as Communist. The Castro-controlled newspaper Revolution drew the battle lines between the government and the church whose members heard at every Sunday mass a pastoral letter signed by Cuba's cardinal and nine bishops condemning the "increasing Communist" tendencies of the regime.

Rogue Valley May Get Natural Gas Pipeline in 1961

"It is hoped that the Rogue Valley will have natural gas available by pipeline by December, 1961," M. E. Sands, vice president and division manager of California-Pacific Utilities company's southern Oregon division here, said today. The tentative date of 17 months from now for the completion of the pipeline to the Rogue valley was set Saturday, following the Federal Power Commission's authorization Friday of the importation of nearly 600 million cubic feet of Canadian natural gas a day for the Pacific Northwest and California.

A 1,400-mile pipeline will be constructed from Canada to northern California. Pacific Gas Transmission, a subsidiary of Pacific Gas and Electric company, will build a 36-inch pipeline from Kingsgate, B.C., to 18 miles east of Klamath Falls.

The gas in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho will be distributed by El Paso Natural Gas company.

January Agreement

Last January the California-Pacific Utilities company and El Paso Natural Gas company made an agreement concerning the construction of a natural gas pipeline to the Klamath Falls city limits from the main line (approximately 18 miles). The line, to be constructed by the El Paso company, will be of sufficient size and capacity to provide the natural gas requirements of Klamath Falls, Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass, and intervening territory.

The 18-mile line into Klamath Falls is now awaiting EPC approval, Sands said. He added that the route of the pipeline from Klamath Falls to the Rogue valley has not been determined. Further action now awaits approval of the pipeline into Klamath Falls.

E. H. Mann Named To Advisory Council

Salem—UPI—E. H. Mann, Medford, was named a member of the State Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation by Gov. Mark Hatfield today. He replaces E. R. Jackman, Corvallis, who resigned.

Hammaraskjold Warns on Possibility of World War

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Drownings Take Lives of Three During Week End

By United Press International Drownings claimed the lives of at least three persons in Oregon during the week end. The victims have been identified as Linda Faye Carter, 18, Portland; Donna K. Vowell, 8, Lyons, and Albert A. Freeman, Portland.

On Family Outing

The Carter girl drowned in the Clackamas river near the Carver bridge Sunday afternoon. According to witnesses she lost her footing while wading in above five feet of water and disappeared under the water. The body was located in 10 feet of water.

Coincides With Seizure

The counter attack on the church coincided with the seizure by militiamen of the nearly \$1 billion worth of American-owned property that was formally expropriated Sunday by Castro in a bitter anti-American speech. Revolution quoted an article by French Catholic writer Claude Julian who was reported to have said that "if the church goes against the Cuban revolution the one who will lose will be the church."

Traffic Claims Three

Three persons also died in Oregon traffic accidents during the week end. Ronald Frederick Stark, 17, Sherwood, was fatally injured Sunday when his car and a freight train collided about one mile southeast of Six Corners, near Sherwood.

County's Share Of O and C Money Told

Jackson county will receive an allocation of \$2,549,345 for this fiscal year of Oregon and California money, it was learned today. The amount is \$234,675 more than last year. The amount to be received by Jackson county will be the second largest payment to be received by a county this year. Largest payment will go to Douglas county, \$4,082,529.

Hot Weather To Continue Here

Anyone who feels that Medford's streak of 100-plus degree weather is too hot for him and wants to cool off might try the South Pole. While Medford and vicinity sweltered at 104 degrees yesterday, the South Pole had a maximum of 62 degrees below zero. Its minimum was 76 below.

Mrs. Taft Freed Of Murder Charge

Pasadena, Calif.—UPI—Mrs. Martha Ann Taft, 30, a socialite, today was acquitted of a murder charge in the hammer slaying of her husband, William H. Taft, a distant relative of the late President William Howard Taft.

Sanitary Authority Asked to Comment On Creek Study

The state sanitary authority will be asked to read and comment on the Jackson county water pollution fact finding committee's recent study on Bear creek. The authority will be asked to refer its comments to the state water resources board, according to the resolution made this morning during the board's meeting in Medford.

Minimum Stream Flow

It's an error to state policy not to require a minimum stream flow for public use, but it is probably too late to correct that error now, DeForest said. A 25 cubic feet per second stream flow would help eliminate pollution, maintain a good trout fishery and allow other recreational uses, he said.

People to Serve

The problem is to find people willing to serve, DeForest replied. Aim was to get a "more or less disinterested membership without an axe to grind," the chairman explained further. DeForest said he knew of only one complaint made during the study, which accused it of being a "witch hunt."

Enforcement Problem

The big problem is enforcement of anti-stream pollution laws due to lack of personnel in the state sanitary he said. A request has been made the state legislature for two more men to cover the southwestern Oregon area for the sanitary authority, the board informed DeForest.

Van Dyke at WICHE Meeting in Seattle

Frank J. Van Dyke, Medford, past chairman of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, is attending the annual meeting of the commission now under way in Seattle. Other Oregon commissioner attending the session is Mrs. Edna Scales, Sandy. The Western Interstate Commission was set up by 13 Western states to promote interstate cooperation in higher education, particularly in graduate, professional, and technical fields and in the health professions.

New Frontier

During the two day meeting the commissioners will hear program reviews on the commission's program in the health sciences and plan for the coming year. Speakers will include Robert C. Anderson, director, Southern Regional Education Board, Atlanta, Ga., and Robert H. Kroepsch, director, New England Board of Higher Education.

Hayward, Wis. Jubel Wickheim, a "bull of the woods" from Sooke, B.C., Sunday won his fourth national log rolling championship in five years, defeating Richard Moore, Lewiston, Idaho, in the finals.

Belgian Troops Must Withdraw, Council Told

United Nations, N. Y.—UPI—Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold warned today that world war might erupt unless Belgian troops withdraw completely from the Congo as speedily as possible. Hammarskjold told a crisis session of the United Nations Security Council that the "immediate solution of the Congolese problem is a question of peace or war" and added:

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"I do not limit my perspective to the Congo."

Cooperation Lacking

Hammarskjold, who returned Saturday night from personal supervision of the U.N. operation at Leopoldville, criticized Belgium, the Congolese central government, authorities in dissident Katanga province, and "other quarters" for not cooperating with the world organization in its effort to avert a major conflict in Africa.

Wants No Interference

Although he did not mention Russia by name, he said the U.N. effort could not be helped by a threat by "one or more powers to take matters into their own hands and pursue a separate course." Hammarskjold said Belgium should order "the speediest possible withdrawal" of its troops to permit the Congolese people "to choose freely their orientation in the world of today" without interference from any quarter—East or West.

Committee Tells Exchange Plans

Tentative plans to exchange a person from Medford for a resident of Alba, Italy, were made today by the People to People committee. Members of the committee also prepared the first friendship pouch of letters to Alba for mailing.

Chamber of Commerce Sponsors Guided Tours

Ashland—The Ashland Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring guided tours of scenic Lithia park each Monday and Friday throughout the Shakespearean Festival season. Chamber Secretary Mrs. Velma Jones today termed the tours "very successful" and said an average of about 15 persons, including local residents as well as Festival visitors, have been taking the tours daily.

MAN OF YEAR—John B. H. Lyeen, (right) mayor of Rogue River, received the Man of the Year award Saturday night in Rogue River from Maxwell Thayer, originator of the trophy. Dan Smoot, (center) nationally known political commentator, was the guest speaker for the presentation ceremonies. Five persons were nominated for the award this year.



Civil Rights in Proposals Listed For Legislation

Washington—UPI—President Eisenhower asked Congress today to act on a big legislative program, at its post-convention session, including additional civil rights legislation.

The President outlined his recommendations in a special message read to the Senate, which reconvened today.

The politically touchy civil rights proposals were among 22 recommendations laid down by the President for action by the Democratic-controlled Congress in advance of the presidential election.

In presenting his "must" list of legislation, the President urged Congress to "stay on the job" until it is passed.

Help for Aged Gets High Priority "Certainly we cannot adjourn the public interest," he said in a pointed reference to the fact that this is an election year. Eisenhower gave high priority to a request for "assistance to older people to meet serious illnesses."

But the Chief Executive warned he would not hesitate to use his full powers—a veto—to block "reckless spending schemes" that would fuel the fires of inflation or throw the federal budget out of balance.

He reported that he had ordered development of a much longer range version of the Polaris missile but would need no additional defense funds. He promised a prompt request for additional funds if he should find them to be necessary.

Power To Be Kept Second To None "Once again I assure the Congress that this nation's military power is second to none and will be kept that way," Eisenhower said in a back-handed comment on what looms as one of the biggest political issues of the 1960 campaign.

In detailing his recommendations, the President said that only one major bill—dealing with civil rights—had been passed in the area of domestic affairs before Congress recessed for the national political convention.

He said even that bill omitted two major provisions which he advocated and that he hoped these provisions "will now be restored in keeping with the bipartisan support evidenced for these items last month."

This referred to the 1960 platforms adopted by the Democratic and Republican national conventions last month. The two provisions Eisenhower had in mind were proposals to provide federal grants to school districts to help in racial desegregation efforts and his recommendation to make the Committee on Government Contracts a permanent agency. This committee, now headed by Vice President Richard M. Nixon, seeks to end racial discrimination in hiring workers by companies working on government contracts.

Money for Foreign Aid Requested Other Eisenhower legislative recommendations: —The full \$4,175,000,000 which he requested for the foreign aid program. The House has voted only \$3,580,000,000 and the Senate has not completed action on this program.

—Authorization for a \$800 million program of aid to Latin America, urgently requested before the Economic Conference of American Republics meeting Sept. 7, at Bogota, Colombia.

—Federal aid for construction of facilities for public schools and colleges and universities.

—A program to help the aged meet the cost of serious illness.

—A moderate upward adjustment of the minimum wage, now \$1, and expanded coverage of the law.

—A program to help economically depressed areas.

—"Constructive measures to meet existing farm problems."

—Authorizing 40 new federal judgeships.

Seek Federal Gas Tax Increase —Financing to avoid delays in the interstate highway program, meaning a renewal of the President's request for a one-half cent increase in the federal gasoline tax.

—Increasing the aviation fuel tax to provide more funds for airway modernization.

—Removal of the interest rate ceiling on long-term government bonds.

—A postal rate increase "to avoid saddling the next administration and taxpayers generally, wholly unjustifiably, with a postal deficit nearing a billion dollars a year."

—Liberalization of immigration laws.

—Continued government reorganization power for the President.

—Senate ratification of the Antarctica treaty.