

Castro Grabs Guantanamo Water Supply Firm

GOP Vacancies On Rules Filled

Three Opposed to Kennedy's Main Measures Listed

Halleck Declines Characterization

Washington — (UPI) — Republican leaders today filled GOP vacancies on the House Rules committee with three lawmakers with records of opposition to Kennedy's liberal legislative program.

They were Reps. Katharine St. George of New York, H. Allen Smith of California, and Elmer J. Hoffman of Illinois. GOP Leader Charles A. Halleck of Indiana declined to characterize the three as conservative or liberal, saying only that "they're all good people."

Halleck rejected speculation that the three new GOP members, along with two others held over from the last Congress, might try to keep Kennedy's proposals from reaching a vote in the House.

Committee Enlarged

The House by a narrow vote decided last week to enlarge the committee from 12 to 15 members to prevent this. The action swung control of the committee from its conservative bloc to Speaker Sam Rayburn by enabling him to name two Democrats generally sympathetic to Kennedy's proposals.

Mrs. St. George, Hoffman and Smith all voted against final passage of last year's school aid and depressed areas bills.

Earlier, GOP Whip Leslie C. Arends of Illinois assured 22 Republican members who voted with Rayburn in the rules fight they would not be penalized in their assignments.

Rainfall Below Normal at Spring

Medford and the Rogue valley are well on their way to having their third dry year in a row, according to Medford Water Superintendent Robert Lee.

Lee said only 13.25 inches of rain has been recorded at the city's Big Butte springs measuring station so far during the existing agricultural year, which started in September. This is 63 per cent of the normal 20.89 inches of rainfall for this period.

In the 1959-60 agricultural year only 29.71 inches of rain fell at the station, which was 80.1 per cent of normal. In the 1958-59 year 25.27 inches of rain fell, or 68.2 per cent of normal.

Lee pointed out that the city's water system is designed to carry 26.4 million gallons of water a day, even in the driest years. This is more than enough water to serve the city, he said.

Lee said "it is possible to catch up" during the spring. He noted that last year at this time, the total rainfall was only 47 per cent of normal, but a wet spring brought the year-end total up to 80 per cent of normal.

PROGRESS OUTLINED

Ashland — Marvin Gloege will outline progress made on a city planning study at the Tuesday noon luncheon of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce. Gloege has been making land use maps and studying city development since Oct. 1. A question and answer period will be held following his talk.

EX-CURATOR DIES

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Khrushchev's Agricultural Shakeup Claims One of Closest Collaborators

London — (UPI) — Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's shakeup of top level officials in reprisal for Russian agricultural failures has claimed as its latest victim, one of Khrushchev's own closest collaborators.

He is Averki Aristov, a member of the powerful Soviet Presidium and deputy chairman of the Party Bureau of the Russian Republic. Khrushchev is the chairman of the influential bureau.

Moscow Radio said Aristov has been appointed Soviet ambassador to Poland. The appointment removes him from policy-making councils, even though he appears to have re-



GUAM GOVERNOR — Bill Daniel, above, has been appointed governor of Guam by President John Kennedy. Daniel, a brother of Texas Gov. Price Daniel, was a member of the Texas House for three terms and has been in private law practice for several years. (UPI Telephoto)

Teachers' Free Lunch Period Passes Senate

Salem — (UPI) — The Oregon Senate today passed 18-10 and sent to the House a bill guaranteeing teachers a 30-minute duty free lunch period.

Passage of the measure was stalled Friday when its sponsor, Sen. William Grenfell Jr., was unable to muster enough votes.

Those voting against it this morning were Sens. Ahrens, Chapman, Flegel, Hare, Leth, Newberry, Potts, White, Yturri and Ziegler.

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Businessmen Back Three-Way Measure

Salem — (UPI) — House Speaker Robert Duncan (Medford) said today he is not satisfied with either of the two major workmen's compensation bills to be introduced this week, the so-called two-way and three-way measures.

"But I am anxious to improve the compensation program," he said, "and hope the legislature does so by strengthening the administrative determination of claims."

The three-way bill is supported by the most businessmen. It would give employers a triple option in insuring their workers for accidents — through the state, private insurance companies — or self-insurance.

It also would repeal the employers liability act and labor opposes this.

The two-way bill is backed by Gov. Mark Hatfield. It would allow two options — through the state, or self-insurance.

Oregon now has a sort of modified "one-way program, with most employers insuring through the State Industrial Accident Commission.

As for three-way, Duncan said he would be "reluctant to make such a drastic change in one of the best workmen's compensation systems in the country." He noted that "insurance companies have the most to gain" by it.

Duncan said he would like to see claim determination separated from the administration function so that the Industrial Accident Commission "doesn't sit as judge, jury and prosecutor" on workman's compensation squabbles.

The Medford Democrat predicted that both bills would have to be amended before either could win legislative approval.

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Kennedy Calls for Action To Slash Spending Abroad

Drive To Lure Foreign Funds Told in Message

Duty Free Goods Would Be Reduced

Washington — (UPI) — President Kennedy called today for stern action to slash American spending abroad and a bold drive to lure foreign funds here in order to halt the overseas drain on U. S. gold reserves.

One of the chief weapons Kennedy proposed in a special message to Congress was to cut from \$500 to \$100 the amount of duty-free goods American tourists could bring home from other countries every six months.

The President also asked Congress to prevent American companies from using "tax havens" abroad as a means of escaping U. S. levies. But he also said he had ordered a check on whether U. S. tax laws might be driving "undue amounts" of American capital out of this country.

These were among a score of proposals Kennedy made for keeping the dollar "as good as gold" by ending the 10-year-old balance of payments deficit which has resulted from more American money going to foreigners than has come back from them.

Kennedy's program would have a wide impact on bankers, businessmen and tourists here and abroad. It also would limit spending overseas by American servicemen and their families, although Kennedy has revoked former President Dwight D. Eisenhower's order cutting the number of military dependents overseas.

The first step, Kennedy said, is to revive the U. S. domestic economy. But beyond that, he said, much must be done with "maximum emphasis" placed on expanding U. S. exports.

"Our costs and prices must therefore be kept low," he said, "and the government must play a more vigorous part in helping to enlarge foreign markets for American tourists."

"A return to protectionism is not a solution," he said. "Such a course would provoke retaliation; and the balance of trade, which is now substantially in our favor, could be turned against us with disastrous effects to the dollar."

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TIMES SQUARE NOT SO GAY — Times Square, New York's Gay White Way, is white but not so gay today. A lone policeman stands by as snow removal work goes on near the Hotel Astor. Times Square look on a morgue-like atmosphere as Mayor Robert Wagner banned all non-essential motor traffic while the city continued to dig out the snowstorm that has belted the northeast. See picture on page 2. (UPI Telephoto)

Water Storage Conditions Said To Be Not Good

Water storage conditions in the Medford irrigation district are not alarming, but neither are they good.

The storage reading at Fish Lake, one of two district reservoirs, on Jan. 30 was 3,400 acre feet compared to 3,773 the same time last year. Four Mile Lake showed 3,012 acre feet compared to 4,200 last year at the same time.

This means that the MID has accumulated 26 per cent of its capacity so far this year. Last year at this time MID had accumulated 32 per cent of its capacity, according to district reports. This means the district is running a "good deal behind" on storage accumulation, it was reported.

A snow reading taken Jan. 30 showed the Four Mile Lake area had an average depth of 36 inches, considerably below normal. Not enough snow had accumulated at the snow course at Fish Lake and Rye Springs to measure, according to the district report.

Talent irrigation district reported today that as of Jan. 30 Emigrant reservoir had 10,412 acre feet in storage. It was dry last year while the reservoir was being expanded. Its former storage capacity was 8,000 acre feet. Hiatt Lake recorded 6,328 acre feet on Jan. 31. Howard Prairie on Feb. 2, had 11,900 acre feet of water stored. On Feb. 1 the previous year it had 7,533 acre feet.

Hiatt was drained this fall to allow work on the gate. Approximately 428 acre feet a week is being brought from Howard Prairie Lake into Emigrant through the Green Springs power plant, TID reported. The rest accumulated from recent storms.

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Public Transportation Hit Hard in Big Eastern Cities

New York — (UPI) — Public transportation struggled under its heaviest burden since the World War II gasoline shortage today as millions of easterners struggled back to work through snowdrifts from the week-end storm, the worst since 1947.

Operation cleanup was expected to delay business as usual until Wednesday in cities like New York with 17.4 inches of snow; Boston, 14.4; Hartford, Conn., 14; Syracuse, N.Y., 30; Philadelphia, 10.3; and Newark, N.J., 22.6. The deepest snow accumulation in the East was 42 inches at Worcester, Mass.

Private vehicles were banned in some cities, including New York, and traffic elsewhere was seriously hampered by ice and drifts up to 10 feet. Workers left cars in garages and swarmed onto trains and buses, creating a loading problem that slowed down already curtailed transportation schedules.

Heavy Rail Traffic — The Long Island railroad reported the heaviest commuter jam in 20 years. More than 200,000 Long Islanders squeezed into the morning trains that normally carry 85,000 persons. Delays of up to 40 minutes were reported.

A ban on use of private vehicles was lifted in Boston this morning but the snow cleanup was far from complete. Parked cars blocking snow operations were tagged with \$50 fines. In New York, owners of abandoned cars were being charged \$10 for towing and \$1 a day for storage.

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Police Continue Investigation

Medford city police today are investigating what they call a "strong possibility" that the same man may be responsible for two service station robberies here during the past week.

The latest robbery occurred Saturday night when a man, armed with a knife and carrying a paper sack over his head, robbed the Cash and Save Oil company, 3602 North Pacific highway, of \$180.

The robber fled on foot. Police and sheriff's deputies followed the man's tracks through a field in back of the station, but the trail ended at Mace rd., where the robber apparently got into a car.

Police found a paper sack in the field, believed to be the one used by the robber.

Delmer Leroy Hackworth, who was working at the station at the time of the robbery, told police the man came up behind him as he was closing the station and threatened him with a knife. The man forced Hackworth into the station office, where he then made him open the cash register.

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