

McNamara Spells Out Plan for Force To Fight Limited Wars



VISITS NEW DAUGHTER—Speaker of the Oregon House Robert Duncan is shown visiting his wife and new daughter in Salem General Hospital. The sixth child in the Medford Democrat's household joined the family March 31. (UPI Telephoto)

Bridge Bill Expected To Receive Approval in Senate

Salem — (UPI) — A key Senate sponsor of the Astoria-Megler bridge said today a bill authorizing the Columbia river span has a "real good" chance of clearing its final hurdle in the Oregon Senate.

Sen. Daniel Thiel (D-Astoria) said he has heard no strong objections from any senator.

The bill was firmly endorsed Monday by the House 48-7. The bill has cleared the Ways and Means Committee. Gov. Mark Hatfield has his pen poised to sign it. Washington state has sanctioned the plan.

The bill will be sent to a Senate committee, probably

Bill on Welfare Statutes Tabled

Salem — (UPI) — The Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee has tabled a bill which would have narrowed the scope of welfare fraud statutes.

HB1131 had been sponsored by the interim committee on public welfare and was supported by the attorney general and others. It had already passed the House.

The bill would have changed the present general law to a false swearing statute.

highways, this week for final review.

Start Next Year

Thiel said final Oregon approval would mean right of way acquisition could begin this summer and actual construction next year. Planners predict the \$22 million bridge could be open for traffic in 1964.

Philippines Plan Offensive on Huks

Manila — (UPI) — Philippine security officers today planned a new offensive against armed Communist guerrillas who turned Holy Week into a nightmare of revenge slayings.

Remnants of the Communist Hukbalahaps, who were practically wiped out in the last decade, swept out of their mountain hideouts in central Luzon, the main Philippine island, last week.

Armed with machineguns and pistols, about 10 Huks invaded the rice bowl area of Tarlac, 80 miles north of Manila, and shot and killed two wealthy landowners and a 17-year-old relative of a Filipino congressman.

Philippine constabulary sources said the Huk raiders were part of a liquidation squad sent to murder anti-Communist village leaders and former Huks who surrendered and accepted a government pardon.

Secretary Tells Of Doubts About Nike Missile

Washington — (UPI) — Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara spelled out in unmistakable terms today the administration's determination to build forces that could fight limited wars without nuclear weapons.

McNamara also slapped hard at the Army's contention that its Nike-Zeus antimissile missile is ready for large-scale production. He said there are widespread doubts whether this weapon should ever be deployed.

Program Reviewed

The secretary reviewed President Kennedy's defense program in testimony before the Senate Armed Services committee.

He said use of nuclear weapons in limited wars should not be ruled out. But "the decision to employ tactical nuclear weapons in limited conflicts should not be forced upon us simply because we have no other means to cope with them," he said.

"There are many possible situations in which it would not be advisable or feasible to use such weapons," he said. "What is being proposed at this time is not a reversal of our existing national policy but an increase in our non-nuclear capabilities to provide a greater degree of versatility."

Will Be More Difficult

McNamara said that "today our strategic forces are fully adequate but as our principal antagonists acquire a large and ready force of intercontinental ballistic missiles which could be launched with little or no warning, the problem will become much more difficult."

He said the best answer is an American strategic missile force that could "ride out" a nuclear attack. Polaris submarine missiles, he said, have "the highest degree of survivability" and the Minuteman ICBM "should also have a high degree of survivability."

Better Than None

McNamara said the protection of the Nike-Zeus anti-ICBM "would be better than none at all," but ruled out an early production program.

"There still is considerable uncertainty as to its technical feasibility and there are many serious operating problems," he said.

Bomb Explodes in Paris Stock Market

Paris — (UPI) — A bomb exploded in the Paris Stock exchange building today, shattering doors and windows and injuring at least 12 persons, two seriously.

Police said the explosion occurred in a washroom on the second floor.

The bomb blew out several doors and windows and threw the neighboring business section into confusion.

The nature of the home-made bomb led police to believe it was an attack by right-wing "French Algeria" extremists angered by attempts at direct French-rebel negotiations on Algeria's future.

A series of such right-wing attacks have occurred in Paris recently. But this was the first bomb blast in the capital which caused injuries.

McCann Delayed In Homeward Trip

Hong Kong — (UPI) — Bad weather will delay until Thursday or Friday the return from Red China of Robert E. McCann, a dying American being released by the Communists, the Red Cross said today.

It had been hoped that McCann and his wife would reach here on the noon train from Red-held Canton Wednesday, but the Red Cross said the plane in which he was to have flown from Peking to Canton had been grounded by weather, delaying his arrival at least 24 hours.

If the McCanns decided to travel all the way from Peking by train, the earliest they would reach this British-Chinese coast capital would be Friday.

It appeared unlikely, however, that the American, who is dying of lung cancer, would attempt the long train journey.

Portland Drydock Bid Under Estimate

Portland — (UPI) — Gunderson Bros. Engineer Corp. has submitted the low bid for construction and mobilization of the Port of Portland's proposed 27,000 ton drydock.

Gunderson's bid of \$4,940,400 was \$142,600 below the engineer's estimate and \$209,018 below the next lowest bid.

U. S. Pamphlet Urges Cubans To Cut Link With Move Toward Communism

Washington — (UPI) — The United States said Monday night it is confident the Cuban people "will continue to strive for a free Cuba" even if Premier Fidel Castro refuses to break with Communism.

In a 36-page pamphlet, the State Department called on

Tidelands Lease Supporter Denies Scenery Jeopardy

Salem — (UPI) — The author of three bills to permit tidelands oil exploration off Oregon vigorously denied today that the measures would put coast scenery in jeopardy.

Rep. Clinton Haight (D-Baker), criticized Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton for claiming the bills contained loopholes that could permit oil firms to tie up tidelands, pollute the shore, blight the beaches and perhaps invade state parks.

Haight declared the bills contained thorough safeguards to protect the scenic natural values of the 400 mile Oregon coastline and to ensure oil exploration and development that would be most beneficial for the state.

At the same time, he said, they are bills the oil industry can "live with" instead of being so tough they would discourage oil exploration altogether.

The measures, which would empower the land board to grant leases on a competitive bid basis, are expected to come up for action in the House Wednesday.

Thornton last week attacked the measures on eight points.

More important, he said, they implied a reversal of Oregon's historic policy of protecting the irreplaceable coast against any industrial devastation.

Haight said this is not true, since oil exploration and maintenance of coastal beauty are fully compatible.

Spring All-School Orchestra Festival Selections Named

Selections for the spring all-school orchestra festival April 6 presented by the students from the 17 Medford public schools have been announced by John E. Drysdale, orchestra supervisor.

About 300 students will take part in the performance which will start at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Hedrick Junior High school auditorium. Doors will open at 7 p.m. There will be no admittance charge.

The elementary orchestra will present "On a Hike," by Isaac; "Polly Wolly Doodle," Traditional; and "Grandfather Clock," Work. "Halls of Ivy," by Matesky; "Happy Wanderer," Mueller; and "Symphonette," by Pleyel have been selected for the Hedrick orchestra.

Members of the McLoughlin Junior High orchestra have chosen to play "Larghetto," by Handel; "Ballet Parisien," by Offenbach; and "March From Athalia," Mendelssohn. Selections to be performed by the high school orchestra are "Russian Sallora Dance," Gliere; "Prince Igor Selections," Borodin; "Egmont Overture," Beethoven.

As a finale, the orchestras will present a massed rendition of "The Star Spangled Banner."

Directors include Elmer Ayres, McLoughlin Junior High and elementary; Miss Alice Saunders, elementary; Al Huntmann, elementary; and Drysdale, elementary, Hedrick Junior High, and Medford High.

Trains May Increase Speed at Rogue River

Salem — (UPI) — Jonel C. Hill, public utility commissioner, Monday approved an increase in speed of trains at the Depot st. crossing in Rogue River.

He authorized a maximum speed of 50 miles per hour. The maximum was 35 miles per hour.

One of the early — and big — users of West Coast salt were the silver refiners. Salt delivered to Virginia City used to cost as much as \$150 a ton.

Castro's regime to "sever its links with the international Communist movement."

It promised full American support for any future democratic government in Cuba — avoiding any commitment to back a democratic movement before it became the official government of the island.

In effect, the State Department pamphlet — first written policy on the matter in the Kennedy administration — appealed over Castro's head to the Cuban people.

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Stock List Firm In Heavy Trading

New York — (UPI) — Stocks were generally firm in heavy trading today.

Telephone stocks again were in demand. American Telephone rose nearly a point, Pacific Tel & Tel nearly 2 and General Telephone a small fraction.

Blue chip industrials ranged to 1 1/2 higher in Du Pont and more than a point lower in Alcoa. Steels ran up as much as 2 1/4 in Youngstown and around 1 1/2 in U.S. Steel. Leading motors moved ahead fractionally.

Bills Approved By Legislature

Salem — (UPI) — Measures approved Monday:

By The Senate

SB45-Trademarks.

SB396 - Savings and loan associations.

SB521 - Negotiable warrants.

HB2037 - Budget for State Board of Cosmetic Therapy Examiners.

By The House

HB1013 - Causes of action from injury or death.

HB1018-Highway 42 bonds.

HB1175 - Investments.

HB1303 - Protection of forest land from fire.

HB1457 - Astoria-Megler bridge.

HB1559 - Tax refunds on certain fuel.

HB1663 - Prohibits export sale of timber from state forest land.

Signed by the Governor:

HB1273 - Public roads.

SB22-Private carriers.

SB130-Election boards.

SB131 - Counting absentee ballots.

SB144-Meat and meat products.

SB171-Loans.

SB286-Corporations.

SB293-Relating to the legislature.

SB306 - Commercial fisheries.

SB332 - Motor carriers.

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High Number of TB Cases Reported in County This Year

An unusually high number of confirmed new cases of tuberculosis in Jackson county have been reported during the first three months this year, according to Dr. A. Erin Merkel, county health officer.

In addition, there are a number of unconfirmed cases still under investigation, he added.

There have been 11 new cases, some of whom are children, confirmed so far in 1961, and all 11 are now under treatment, he said. This compares with 16 for all of last year, and 11 for 1959.

Ages for the patients range from 8 months to 78 years, according to records at the health department, with some of the disease discovered by private physicians, and some at the chest x-ray clinic operated at the Sacred Heart hospital by the Jackson County Tuberculosis and Health association.

This brings to 158 the number of tuberculosis cases in Jackson county on the case registry of the health department. Because tuberculosis is a communicable disease, the health department is charged with its control.

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It said the Castro regime "by completing its purge of the judiciary, has perfected its control over all organized institutions of political power. Justice is now the instrument of tyranny."

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Reports reaching New York said the Cuban gunboat was forced to withdraw by the U.S. naval forces from Guantanamo Bay.

A State Department spokesman said the United States had demanded a full explanation of the incident from the Cuban government. The demand was delivered to the Swiss government, which represents U.S. diplomatic interests in Cuba.

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Market Curtailed

The Senators pointed out: "For the last several months the lumber market has been severely curtailed, particularly that of the Douglas fir industry... the recent decline, with attendant and substantial unemployment, has been a cause of real economic distress."

"We are confident that the use of indices to reflect the wider fluctuations in forest products prices would help achieve not only greater production stability in the nation's most important timber producing region, but also in low market periods it would tend to reduce unemployment and the economic hardships it produces."

The Senators called upon the two Secretaries to act in concert to institute devices which will promote economic health.

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