

AMA To Answer Kennedy's Medical Care Plea

Candidates Criticize Ruling on Nationals

Labor Official Meeting Sought By Senator Morse

Fisher Calls Ruling 'Arbitrary' Decision

Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) and Carl Fisher, Eugene, Republican candidate for Congress in the Fourth district, spoke out today about the U.S. Labor department's decision prohibiting the use of Mexican nationals in harvesting the Medford area pear crop.

In Portland Sen. Morse requested an early conference to iron out difference regarding the use of the Mexican nationals. In Medford, speaking at the Medford Chamber of Commerce roundtable at noon, Fisher sharply criticized the decision, calling it an "arbitrary ruling."

Morse, who was renominated for the U.S. Senate last Friday, said that as soon as he reached Washington, D.C., he will ask Labor Secretary Arthur Goldberg to make his officials available to meet with a delegation of pear growers from Medford.

Minimum Wage
New department regulations require a one dollar minimum wage to all workers, and deny use of Mexican nationals north of the California border.

Morse said he believed that "once the department of labor officials hear the views of the pear growers, they will agree with me that some changes in the department of labor policies are called for in fairness to the Oregon growers and the orchard workers as well." He said that he would work with Raymond Reter, Medford pear grower, to set up a delegation.

Sufficient Wage
Morse said pickers working "at a fair pace of production" now make well over one dollar an hour at the present piece rate, but that many women and children "pick fruit intermittently and leisurely with no intention or desire to maintain a fair production pace."

He said it was unfair to require growers to pay one dollar an hour for such work and that production at an adequate piece rate should determine the wage.

Morse said he considered denial of use of Mexican nationals to Oregon growers "an unfair discrimination in contrast with policies extended to California farmers."

Searching Questions
Fisher said that "if even a portion of the Rogue pear crop is lost as a result of this ruling, the department of labor can count on being asked some very searching questions about their use of administrative powers."

"Mexican nationals have been used by the Rogue area growers for years," Fisher said, "and it appears they are now being singled out for some unknown reason by the department of labor. There is cause for concern when an administrator in any federal department is endowed with arbitrary life and death powers over an industry which plays such a vital role in the economy of not only southern Oregon, but the entire state."

Fisher noted that "this is apparently not a matter of protecting local workers, the problem is lack of workers at the end of the season."



MAJ. GEN. ALFRED HINTZ
Heart Attack Fatal

Maj. Gen. Hintz Dies Following Graduation Rites

Oregon City — (UPI) — Maj. Gen. Alfred E. Hintz, the adjutant general of the Oregon National Guard, is dead at the age of 56.

Hintz, described as a "soldier's soldier," died at a hospital here Saturday evening following a heart attack.

He suffered the attack at Camp Withycombe near Clackamas after speaking at the graduation exercises of the state National Guard officers' candidate class.

Division Commander
Hintz also was commander of the 41st Infantry Division, which is composed of Oregon and Washington National Guard units.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday morning at the Salem Armory. He will be buried at the Willamette National Cemetery in Portland.

Gov. Mark Hatfield, who appointed Hintz as state adjutant general in June of 1959 and five months later named him commander of the 41st division, said "he gave totally of himself in war and peace."

High Recognition
He said: "His leadership of the Oregon National Guard and the 41st division in the past three years has earned high recognition for Oregon. He was a soldier's soldier. A grateful state extends its greatest sympathy to his family."

Hintz joined the Oregon National Guard in 1933. He served in the South Pacific during World War II and was assigned as 41st division artillery commander and assistant division commander before being appointed adjutant general.

Hintz is survived by his widow, Rae, and a son, Wayne.

Indonesians Land On West New Guinea
Hollandia, West New Guinea — (UPI) — Dutch officials reported today that more than 400 Indonesian soldiers and paratroopers now have landed on West New Guinea and that a combined air, land and sea attack would be launched against them within 48 hours.

The Dutch were reported considering bombing Indonesian island bases.

Tentative County Budget Set; Items Discussed Today

Public Hearing To Be Held June 25

A total of \$4,293,135.98 was set for the Jackson county budget for the new fiscal year starting July 1, when the county budget committee met briefly this morning.

A public hearing on the proposed county budget will be held in the courthouse auditorium on Monday, June 25.

The request for a teacher at the juvenile detention home was definitely turned down, a spokesman for the budget committee said this morning.

Members of the committee discussed erection of a public health clinic building at the fairgrounds. So far the proposed site remains at the south end of the new extension building, it was reported. However, a survey of the proposed fairgrounds site will be made this afternoon. The Jackson county extension service has protested that its proposed arboretum site is in the same general area.

Salaries Increased

During other business, the committee raised the salaries of most county officials. Salary of the county judge was increased from \$7,072 to \$7,492. No raises were given the county commissioners since the budget committee felt the county judge has a more responsible position as chairman of the commission.

Other raises were given to the sheriff, \$6,940 to \$7,072, to the county clerk, \$6,940 to \$7,072 and to the county treasurer, \$6,454 to \$6,586.

A blanket motion was made to definitely approve all budget items tentatively agreed upon.

Superintendent's Office Ransacked

Eagle Point — The office of Superintendent Glenn D. Hale at Eagle Point High school was broken into early this morning, according to sheriff's deputies. Apparently nothing was taken, but considerable damage was done to the office and its contents.

School officials this morning found that the sliding doors to both the superintendent's outer and inner offices had been pried open. Filing cabinets also had been pried open and the entire office had been ransacked.

The break-in is believed to have occurred after 11 p.m. Sunday, because a faculty member went to the school at that hour and saw no evidence of an entry.

The burglar probably was looking for money, officials said, but added that none is kept in the superintendent's office.

The point of entry to the school was not established. Construction currently is in progress at the school and officials theorized that something might have been left open.

James F. Harris To Oppose Ringuette

Grants Pass — James F. Harris, one of the backers of a proposed Peoples' Utility district in Josephine county, will face incumbent Louis Ringuette in the county commissioner election this fall.

Harris won the Democratic nomination over three other candidates in Friday's primary election.

Harris polled 1,006 votes for a close margin over Justin V. George, who had 916. Trailing behind them were Herbert Beard with 607 and Joe Shaw with 398.

Ringuette ran unopposed for the Republican nomination and received 2,931 votes.

Burglars Take Cash From Local Tavern

Burglars broke into the North Riverside Tavern, 1701 North Riverside ave., sometime Sunday night, Medford city police said today.

Approximately \$48 in cash was removed from a money container in the tavern, police said. The burglary was discovered and reported about 3:05 a.m. today.

Senate Probers Start Inquiry Into Estes Case

Agriculture Employee Called

Washington — (UPI) — Senate investigators began their inquiry into the Billie Sol Estes case today, calling as one of the first witnesses an Agriculture Department employee who has charged government favoritism toward the Texas tycoon.

First stages of the investigation were held in the office of Sen. John L. McClellan (D-Ark.), chairman of the Senate's special investigating subcommittee. Among those in on the session was N. Battle Hales, who transferred to a field post after charging that the Agriculture Department was partial to Estes in cotton allotment awards.

Closed Session

The subcommittee scheduled a closed afternoon session to begin looking into information on the case. No witnesses were announced in advance.

Earlier, Democratic Whip Hubert H. Humphrey urged the Senate not to become involved in the Estes investigation in its consideration of President Kennedy's farm program requests.

He made the plea as the Senate prepared to take up its version of the President's proposals.

The Minnesota Democrat conceded that the Estes case probably "will be part of the social environment in which the farm bill will be discussed." But he reminded that the Senate was a legislative rather than an investigative body.

Straub Pledges Duncan Support

Eugene — State Senator Robert W. Straub, one of the Democratic candidates for Congress, sent a letter of congratulations to House Speaker Robert B. Duncan (D-Medford) on his victory in the Democratic primary in the Fourth District race.

"Now that you have been chosen to be our candidate, I wish to both congratulate you and to pledge my active support in your forthcoming campaign."

"The vital interests of the Fourth District require the election of a Democrat who will represent us in Congress to work with President Kennedy in support of the great programs that he is trying to enact."

"I am confident that the Democrats who worked loyally in my behalf and all of those who voted for me will now line up solidly behind you," Straub wrote.

Straub said he wished to thank his many friends and supporters who worked so hard in his campaign, and he wanted to ask them now to give their support to Robert Duncan in this important race.

Pearson Not To Assist Thornton

Portland — (UPI) — State Sen. Walter J. Pearson said today he does not plan to campaign for the Democratic nominee for governor, Atty. Gen. Robert V. Thornton.

Pearson was defeated by Thornton last Friday.

"I am through campaigning for anybody," Pearson said. "I have too much else to do."

Pearson said the refusal of Democratic party workers to endorse him had nothing at all to do with his defeat.

"The people apparently want to spend money," he said, pointing to the nomination of Thornton and Gov. Mark Hatfield.

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Rogue Project Included in Morse-Neuberger Request

Senators Seek Public Works Appropriations

Amount Totals Over \$93 Million

Portland — Public works appropriations of over \$93 million for Oregon in fiscal 1963 have been requested by Sen. Wayne Morse and Sen. Maurice Neuberger in testimony before the Senate Subcommittee on Public Works.

The amount exceeds by almost \$11.6 million the \$81.4 million included in the administration's budget.

In his statement before the subcommittee, Morse said the increases were justified because "each project is really a capital investment, each is wealth-producing, and because it will not only provide an economic stimulus during the period of its construction, but it will create additional job opportunities for the state and nation after it is finished."

Rogue Project Included

Sen. Morse's and Sen. Neuberger's requests for the Rogue River Basin project. Also included is \$65,000 for the Rogue river at Gold Beach. These include \$150,000 for Applegate Reservoir, \$150,000 for Elk Creek Reservoir, and \$230,000 for Lost Creek Reservoir.

By far the largest project request is \$43 million for construction of John Day Lock and Dam upstream from The Dalles. At completion, estimated for fiscal 1969, it will provide 2.7 million kilowatts of power, 500,000 acre-feet of flood control storage and irrigation water, and 76 miles of reservoirs for creation and smooth-water navigation.

Major Willamette River Basin and related projects in the Morse-Neuberger request call for \$25.1 million distributed among Green Peter Dam on the Santiam River (\$11 million), Cougar Dam on the McKenzie (\$9.1 million), Fall Creek Reservoir on the McKenzie (\$4.0 million) and Blue River Reservoir on the McKenzie system (\$1 million), a new start.

This total is \$8 million above the administration's requests for \$9.1 million on Cougar, \$6.1 million on Green Peter, \$1.9 million on Fall Creek and none on Blue River.

Biggest Projects

The biggest Columbia River projects sought by Morse and Neuberger total about \$104 million with \$3,838,000 for operation and maintenance on the Columbia and Lower Willamette below Portland-Vancouver; \$2 million each for rehabilitation of the Columbia at its mouth for operation and maintenance at Bonneville Dam; and \$1,650,000 each for operation and maintenance at McNary Lock and Dam and at the Dalles Lock and Dam.

This represents \$1,738,000 more than the budget calls for which the administration has asked \$2.7 million.



BACK AGAIN—Robert E. Webster, who renounced his U.S. citizenship three years ago to live in the Soviet Union, is shown being questioned by reporters after landing at Greater Pittsburgh Airport. Webster left the airport in a taxi on his way to Zelienople, Pa., to see his family. The story is on page 2A. (UPI)

IOOF Convention Activities Start; 1,200 To Attend

Spokesmen for the Independent Order of Odd Fellows expect approximately 400 more people to register today for the state convention under way in Medford.

Approximately 340 delegates registered Sunday as the 108th session of the Grand Lodge of Oregon started with a flag raising ceremony in front of the Public Library of Medford and Jackson County.

E. W. Pease, 130 Vernada place, Medford, general chairman for the convention, said he expects about 400 to 500 to register tomorrow. A total of 1,200 should be registered at the peak of the four day convention, it was predicted.

"We have plenty of rooms for all those attending the convention," he said.

The opening session was held at 9 o'clock this morning in the IOOF Temple. It was to continue at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. The Patriarchs Militant banquet is to be held at 6 o'clock tonight in Kims Restaurant on the South Pacific highway south of Medford and evening ceremonies will be held in the National Guard Armory. The military ball will start in the armory at 10 o'clock tonight.

Annexation Failure 'Simplifies' Budget

The failure of the southwest annexation measure at last Friday's election has greatly "simplified" the city's budget problems for the coming fiscal year, City Manager Robert Duff said today.

The measure failed by a margin of 702 to 201 Friday. Had it passed, several city departments would have been forced to expand their personnel or operation in order to provide service for the territory, Duff said.

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Giant Rallies Held on Behalf Of Finance Plan

Bill Said To Give 'Dangerous Power'

New York — (UPI) — The American Medical Association was set to slug back today at the Kennedy administration's Sunday punch on the hot issue of medical care.

President Kennedy and other top administration officials threw the punch Sunday at giant rallies across the nation in behalf of his plan to finance medical care for the aged through the Social Security program.

Kennedy, in a speech to 22,000 persons in New York City's Madison Square Garden and a nationwide television audience, went over the head of the AMA to appeal directly to doctors to support his program — the King-Anderson bill.

The AMA, bitter opponent of the administration plan, announced it would reply to Kennedy at 4 p.m. (PST) on a nationally televised program.

Issues Statement

Dr. Leonard W. Larson, AMA president, said in a statement on Sunday night that giant rallies could not conceal that the administration measure "would force an immediate 17 per cent payroll tax increase on workers earning \$5,200 or more and their employers. These taxes would be used to provide health care for millions of others financially able to take care of themselves."

Larson said the administration plan would give the federal government "dangerous power to control medical practice in hospitals. The quality of medical care would suffer." He said the medical profession is "for the Kerr-Mills law to help those who need help."

The Madison Square Garden rally where Kennedy would be one of 33 held throughout the country. Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson and several Kennedy Cabinet members spoke at the meetings.

Appeals to Doctors

The President asked physicians to write directly to him for information about the administration-backed bill rather than rely on the AMA for it. He said he could not recognize the bill as explained by the AMA Journal.

Kennedy rejected the idea that medical care financed through Society Security taxes would sap the traditional American quality of self-reliance.

He said that nothing could possibly destroy self-reliance more than the burden of massive medical bills being passed on from patients to other generations.

"Nobody will be getting anything for nothing," Kennedy said. "They will be paying for it."

Kennedy said that a "busy organization" was lobbying against the bill. He cited a heavy volume of mail against the measure that has been received by Congress and the White House.

But Kennedy, often interrupted by shouts and cheers of encouragement, said the people will support the bill, "one by one, thousand by thousand, million by million."

PRESS CONFERENCE

Washington — (UPI) — President Kennedy will hold a news conference Wednesday at noon (PST), the White House announced today.

NEWS BRIEFS

STORM THREATENS CARPENTER LAUNCHING
Cape Canaveral, Fla. — (UPI) — A new storm moving out of the west threatened today to force still another delay in plans to send astronaut M. Scott Carpenter into orbit Thursday morning.

KENNEDY ASKS FOR AEC MONEY
Washington — (UPI) — President Kennedy asked Congress today for an additional \$210,800,000 for the Atomic Energy Commission next fiscal year, partly to reimburse it for funds being spent on its current test series.

THAILAND BUILDUP NEARS GOAL
Bangkok, Thailand — (UPI) — The United States military buildup in Thailand neared its 5,000-man goal today and American officials expressed satisfaction with their speedy deployment to defense positions.

Miss Rogue Valley Pageant Set

Eleven Rogue Valley girls will compete in the Miss Rogue Valley pageant sponsored by the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce at the Oregon Shakespearean Festival theater, Ashland, June 2.

They are: Mary Jo Batzer, Betsy Beck, Janice G. Campbell, Judith Head, Diana M. Hunter, Beverly Kay, Myda McCabe, Virginia Rausch, Linda Ray, Gay Schwiabert, and Marty Wyatt.

The contestants will appear in talent, formal wear and swimsuit competition before five are selected to answer two unrehearsed questions. Judges will select one of the final five to be Miss Rogue Valley, and represent this area in the Miss Oregon contest at Seaside in July.

Following the pageant, a ball will be held at the Mark Antony hotel, Ashland, honoring the Miss Rogue Valley contestants, and the crowning of Miss Rogue Valley.



Mary Jo Batzer, who is sponsored by Tau Kappa Epsilon of Southern Oregon college, was the 1961 Queen of the Crater Lions Sportsfair. She is 5-5, and weighs 120 pounds. Her favorite sport is tennis and her chief hobby is knitting. She plans to teach in elementary school upon graduation from SOC. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Batzer, Medford.

Traffic Signs Are Installed in Medford

Public works department crews have completed installation of three new traffic signs at intersections on Fourth st., according to Vernon Thorpe, Medford, public works director.

The newly adopted 24 by 30-inch rectangular signs bear the legend, "Yield to Oncoming Traffic." The words are lettered in black over a white background.

Thorpe said the signs were placed on Fourth st. at Jackson st., and Riverside and Central ave. in response to complaints by motorists who have experienced some difficulty with regard to left turns in front of oncoming traffic. The signs give priority to through traffic over left-turn traffic.

The signs are a new type developed by the Oregon state highway department and will be standard throughout the state, Thorpe said.

