

Morse Says GSA Not To Sell Tongue Point To Astoria Group

California Solons Study Report on School Spending

Sacramento—(UP)—A report came before the legislature today showing that a California school district was spending nearly \$60,000 annually on a personnel director and five consultants for fewer than 200 teachers.

The report, filed by the district under requirements of a controversial state law, was presented to Sen. Stanley Arnold (D-Susville), chairman of the Senate fact find-

ing committee on governmental administration.

Arnold, whose committee has regularly sought to limit school spending for administrative purposes, said after seeing the report that it was "further evidence that school districts are wasting money on non-essentials at the expense of classroom instruction."

The district filed its report with the state department of education as part of its request for exemption from the two-year-old law. The measure, currently under attack in the legislature, requires elementary districts to spend 60 per cent of their incomes on teachers' salaries, high school districts 50 per cent and unified districts 55 per cent.

The author, Assemblyman Charles G. Garrigus (D-Reedley) said that he believed the schools were underspending for teachers, not because of a fund shortage, but because they were spending too much on administration.

The district in question sought an exemption on grounds that the Garrigus law would cause it "hardship." It said it had not met the percentage requirements and listed the following annual costs:

- \$10,800 for a personnel director.
- \$4,900 for the director's secretary.
- \$39,710 for five consultants.
- \$3,500 for teacher recruitment trips over the nation.

The district had an enrollment of 6,000, an average class size of better than 32 students, and 182 teachers. The department granted the exemption.

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Public Sale of Abandoned Base Said Due June 24

Salem—(UP)—Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) says the General Service Administration does not plan to sell the Tongue Point Naval Station to an Astoria group for slightly under \$1 million.

Morse addressed some 300 Democrats Saturday night. The Oregon Democrat said he was informed in a letter from the GSA that the agency now intends to put the abandoned \$14 million naval station on public sale about June 24.

To Continue Battle

Morse said he will continue to battle for a federal use for the property and buildings. He served notice that he will carry his fight to the floor by trying to attach riders to appropriations bills calling for new buildings where Tongue Point might be used instead.

He said the GSA told him that it felt it would be abusing its authority by selling Tongue Point to Astoria for \$920,000 since the city intends to relay it immediately to a private group.

Delay Bought

Morse said he will try to postpone the June 24 date for public sale in order to "exhaust all possibilities for federal use."

In reply to some criticism, he said he has been active in the Tongue Point situation from the beginning.

Morse said "any time it is proposed to dispose of a \$14 million property for less than \$1 million, there exists the ingredients of a scandal."

Mistake Conceded

He said he has been informed that Commerce Secretary Luther H. Hodges conceded the station should have been used by the Coast and Geodetic Survey, which finally located last year at Seattle.

"The administration has admitted that it made a mistake last year in not locating the oceanography program of the geodetic survey at Tongue Point," he said. "I think it deserves a chance to rectify that mistake. I think it deserves a chance to make a new effort to utilize Tongue Point."

Stocks Continue To Climb Higher

New York—(UP)—Stocks continued to work higher today.

Most groups showed gains running fractions to a point. Aircrafts and electronics were among the pace setters. McDonnell and Bendix tacked on about 1 apiece in the aircrafts while IBM featured in the electronics, up more than 3/8. Cenco, also in this section, rose roughly 1/4.

Du Pont shed around a point in a mixed chemical group but Chrysler rose nearly 1 in a firm auto section. Steels and oils held firm. Norfolk & Western led the rails with a jump of over a point.

American Broadcasting-Paramount, Distillers Corp., Marlin-Rockwell, Haves, Interstate Department Stores, Xerox, Vornado and U.S. Smelting rose a point or more. Both American Telephone and Procter and Gamble rose around 1 each in the blue chip section.

Shetland Circus Ponies Electrocuted

Eugene—(UP)—Seven Shetland ponies at the Ken Jensen Circus at the Lane county fairgrounds were electrocuted Saturday evening.

Police said the ponies were standing in a large puddle of water and chained to a metal trailer which contained an elephant.

The trailer had a 110-volt line plugged in and it apparently shorted across the metal trailer and grounded through the animals, a spokesman for the circus said.

An eighth pony standing on a bale of dry hay was not hurt. The elephant also was not injured.

News About Servicemen

CANNONEER

Army Pvt. William C. Feeler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Feeler, 284 Palm St., Ashland, recently completed eight weeks of training as a cannoneer at the Artillery and Missile Center Ft. Sill, Okla. Feeler was trained as a crewman for field artillery gun or howitzer units. He entered the Army last November and completed basic combat training at Ft. Ord, Calif. He attended Naylor High school, in Missouri.

Western Governors Warned on 'Crazy Quilt' Traffic Laws; Hatfield Keeps Name in Vice Presidential Race

Phoenix—(UP)—Western governors were warned today they must act to straighten out a "crazy quilt" of traffic laws or face federal "incursions" into the field.

The warning came from Robert Montgomery Jr., Washington, D. C., executive director for the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Laws and Ordinances before the opening session of the three-day 1963 Western Governors' Conference.

Governors, individually and collectively, must assert more affirmative leadership in traffic safety efforts, particularly in the field of uniform traffic laws," Montgomery told the 11 state executives.

Gov. Grant Sawyer of Nevada, another opening day speaker, called for federal legislation to open federal land readily to take care of expanding urban and suburban areas and for private industrial and agricultural development.

For the past two days, as the governors arrived at the conference site at nearby Scottsdale, they talked politics—particularly about the possible 1964 Republican presidential nominee.

Oregon Gov. Mark Hatfield, a youthful Republican often mentioned as a vice presidential candidate, met newsmen Sunday to say that New York Gov. Nelson Rockefeller

would probably be the nominee—if the election were held now.

However, he said Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona was the "No. 1 preference" of party leaders. He refused to dismiss the chances of Michigan Gov. George Romney and Pennsylvania Gov. William Scranton.

He called his chances of being a vice presidential nominee "moot" but did not remove himself from contention. "I would give consideration to any invitation given by anyone to serve," he said.

Alaska Gov. William A. Egan, a Democrat, put himself on record complaining about defense of Alaska from the possibility of nuclear war.

He called upon the United States to shoot down Soviet planes that fly over the nation's territory or over U. S. aircraft carriers anywhere in the world.

Conceding that shooting down Soviet planes over aircraft carriers could be considered an act of war, Egan defended the action by saying the fly-over "would be an unfriendly act."

"I can't see how we can avoid taking drastic action," he said. "I'm sure that would happen on the other side."

Egan said two Russian fighter planes that flew over off-coast islands of Alaska March 14 did so on purpose.

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Foreign Briefs

ISRAELI PRESIDENT TAKES TURN FOR WORSE

Jerusalem, Israel—(UP)—Israeli President Izhak Ben-Zvi, 78, reported suffering from lung cancer, is "growing weaker" following a night during which his condition took an "alarming" turn for the worse, it was announced today.

A medical bulletin released this afternoon said, "He's growing weaker." A special medical consultation was scheduled for Tuesday morning to consider the president's case.

FLOWER-CARRYING PLANE HITS MONASTERY

Padua, Italy—(UP)—A plane carrying two men scattering flowers onto a newly married couple leaving a church crashed into a monastery during the week end.

Pilot Otello Garbo, 39, was not seriously injured. His passenger, Ubaldo Gallo, 40, was reported in critical condition.

CASTRO TO VISIT ALGERIA IN MAY

Algiers, Algeria—(UP)—Cuban Premier Fidel Castro, already set for a trip to the Soviet Union in the near future, will visit Algeria next month.

Premier Ahmed Ben Bella said Sunday night Castro would arrive in this newly independent nation in May. He gave no further details.

CYCLONE TOLL IN INDIA PLACED AT 130 DEAD

Calcutta, India—(UP)—Officials estimated today that 130 persons died, 700 others were injured and 22,000 were left homeless in a cyclone which tore a narrow path of destruction in the Indian states of West Bengal and Assam last Friday.



REUNION—Holmes E. Dager of Arlington, Va., who has been trying for 20 years to bring her mother to the United States from Soviet controlled Latvia, is shown reunited with her mother, Mrs. Bronislaw Benecka, right, one of the few people permitted to leave the Soviet Union in recent years. (UPI)

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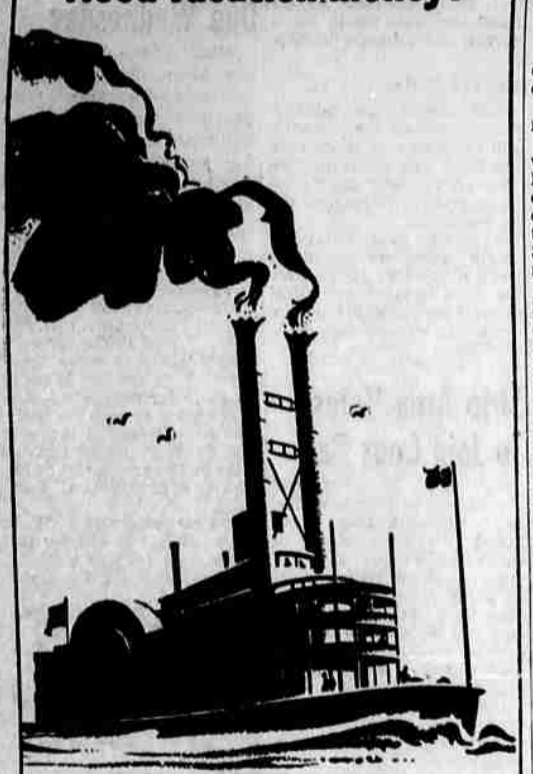
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