



INTERCHANGE BEAUTIFICATION—Crews are busy planting shrubs and trees at the Crater Lake highway interchange of Interstate 5. Landscaping at the interchange is under contract to the Aichele Landscaping firm of Portland. Among shrubs being planted are Chinese and macrantha azaleas, tamarix and anadonna creeping juniper, glossy abelia; H. E. Beall, King George spring and golden fitzer heather; Katherine Dyke's, common bluebeard and war-minister broom. Trees include silk, ponderosa pine, honey locust, scarlet oak, morine honey locust, and Portuguese laurel cherry. Part of the area will also be in lawn, according to state highway department officials. The entire planted areas have underground sprinkler systems, which have already been installed. (Knackstedt photo)

# Senators Turn Down Tax Plan

Salem—(UPI)—The Oregon Senate today defeated a proposed cigarette tax by a vote of 24 to 6.

Salem—(UPI)—The Senate today rejected the compromise income tax package, 27-3, dashing hopes for early adjournment of the legislature and throwing the dispute into its third Senate-House conference committee. The key Senate vote came on the modified net receipts income tax bill. The Senate still had to vote on a 4-cent per pack cigarette tax. The only senators voting for the compromise income tax plan were Donald Husband (R-Eugene) and Glen Stadler (D-Eugene) who were members of the second conference committee, and Ward Cook (D-Portland). A new tax conference committee was expected to be named later today.

## Constitution Supporters Eye Ballot Effort

The first deadlock over a program to raise \$60 million needed to finance a \$405 million general fund budget for the next biennium lasted 10 days. The first conference committee deadlocked after four days, then a second compromise group was named. The second group reached agreement Monday.

Salem—(UPI)—The groups that want a new constitution for Oregon may try to bypass a balky legislature. Disappointment—and hope—were expressed by the same people Tuesday after the Senate voted 17-13 for the measure, leaving it three votes short of the two-thirds it needed.

It had passed the House earlier in a slightly revised fashion. Sen. Walter Pearson (D-Portland), who has worked on the document since its first formal start, said its supporters now may try to get a new constitution via an initiative on the ballot.

Mrs. Jacqueline Benjamin of the League of Women Voters bore this out. "If this legislature will do nothing, we will consider either an initiative calling a convention, or, if possible, an initiative putting a constitution before the people," she said.

The strongest friends of a new constitution have been the league, and the recently organized Citizens' Committee for Constitutional Revision. Twice Rejected

There was a little talk of seeking Senate reconsideration—again. But the document has twice been rejected by the Senate. A compromise on legislative apportionment won some new supporters after the first vote, but it still went down over provisions for a strong executive.

Tuesday's defeat brought some comments that the 1963 legislature, already under no little criticism, had passed by its one big chance to leave a record of positive achievement. Those who worked on it during the past two years, first on the revision commission, and then in legislative committees, insisted the work was not wasted. Their studies, and drafts of a new document remain as a foundation for future efforts.

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The case had been pending since March 8, when Phoenix Police Chief John Atehon cited Rhodes, charging that he was driving 65 miles per hour in a 30 mile per hour zone. The case was heard by Judge Wayne Romans of Phoenix municipal court. Attorney for Rhodes was Sidney Ainsworth, Phoenix city attorney E. R. Bashaw represented the city.

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RACIAL BEATING—Memphis Norman, 21, Negroes, besides the Wiggins, Miss., student, is shown as he was kicked and beaten by a man identified as Benny Oliver, a former policeman, after he was dragged from a lunch counter in Jackson, Miss. Two other Negroes were also beaten. Negroes were expected to test park facilities and other areas in question in Jackson's segregation dispute. (UPI)

# Pope Rallies Slightly From Night of Internal Bleeding

## Cyclone Leaves Estimated 1,000 Dead in Pakistan

Dacca, East Pakistan—(UPI)—A vicious cyclone with winds up to 140 miles an hour smashed across 5,000 square miles of the East Pakistan coast today, killing an estimated 1,000 persons and causing tremendous property damage. First sketchy reports indicated that wooden houses and huts in the region were destroyed by the thousands. Telephone poles were uprooted by the winds. All communications between the city of Dacca, capital of East Pakistan near the Bay of Bengal, were cut off.

## Metropolitan Area Recreation Center Plan Is Discussed

A meeting on a proposed metropolitan area recreation center will be held soon with city and county representatives, County Judge Earl M. Miller told a group of citizens this morning. Fifteen people, most of them of the Jackson County Horsemen's association, held a preliminary meeting with the county court this morning. Purpose is to hold a meeting of all groups interested in developing a more adequate fairgrounds. Possibility of an open class fair was mentioned only briefly.

## Outlook Remains Grave, Informed Sources Declare

Vatican City—(UPI)—Pope John XXIII rallied weakly today from exhaustion after a night of internal hemorrhaging and painful nausea. An early afternoon Vatican bulletin reported a "distinct improvement" in the Pope's condition at 2 a.m. (PDT), but informed sources emphasized that the outlook remained grave. Responsible Vatican sources indicated that the last 24 hours almost proved fatal for the 81-year-old pontiff who is suffering from a stomach tumor that may be cancerous.

Commercial airline pilots asked to check the disaster area were unable to land because of floodwaters that swept over airport runways in the path of the storm. The control tower at Dacca airport failed in all efforts to contact the city of Chittagong by radio. Chittagong is in the center of the cyclone-struck area.

Development of a fairgrounds would be secondary, Hugh Jennings, chairman of a committee concerned with the area's development, explained to the county court this morning. The group merely wants the area's development considered in over-all joint city-county planning which would provide space for all activities, including horse club activities, he said.

There are 90 acres of undeveloped city-county land near the south city limits which might be used in the present fairgrounds area, Judge Miller pointed out. Unless city property is included, any fairgrounds development should be referred to the fair board first, County Commissioner Donald Faber emphasized.

A pilot of a Pan American World Airways Boeing 707 jet en route from Bangkok to Calcutta reported that he also had been unable to contact Chittagong radio while flying overhead. Telegraph wires between Dacca and Chittagong also were reported to be useless.

A group of interested persons toured the county's recently acquired government surplus property across from the city garbage dump on Table Rock rd. yesterday. Two buildings there could be used for horse activities, he said. One building, 250 by 78 feet, could be used for an indoor arena and a second building could be connected to it with a canopy and used for stalls.

The doctors worked through the night on the weakening patient, administering transfusions without any apparent result. Only at 10 a.m. this morning did the pontiff rally from the depths of exhaustion, the sources said.

Program Scheduled In Ashland May 30

Ashland—A Memorial Day program will be presented at 11 a.m. in Mountain View cemetery, Ashland, at the scene of the American Legion monument under auspices of the Guy Applewhite Post No. 14. The Rev. James Sinclair will give the invocation and the principal address of the day will be by Dr. Vaughn Borne of Southern Oregon college. Participating in the ceremonies will be the National Guard firing squad and Color Guard. Music will be played by the Ashland High school band.

Manhattan, Kan.—(UPI)—"Don't panic," the first sergeant yelled just before the huge troop transport plane smashed to the ground. "Now, unfasten your safety belts and get out."

The plane already was in flames as the 64 soldiers escaped safely from the wreckage of a Standard Airways Constellation which crashed while landing Tuesday at Municipal Airport, according to some survivors. Only five of the 69 passengers and crew members were injured, none critically.

Capt. David Brown, the pilot, said the craft lost power while he approached for a routine landing. It crumpled to the ground short of the runway and burned for more than three hours. The soldiers, returning from maneuvers in California, said the plane was burning when they jumped to the ground and fled to safety.

At 6:30 a.m. (PDT) the Vatican issued a communique which said: "At 2 a.m. (PDT) today, a distinct improvement was noted in the general condition of the august patient..."

The official announcement said the Pope spent "a night of quiet rest." This presumably referred to the hours immediately preceding the 2 a.m. medical observation and not to the activity reported earlier in the night.

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### NEWS BRIEFS

BRITAIN, RUSSIA ASK LAOS CEASE FIRE  
London—(UPI)—Britain and the Soviet Union today jointly appealed for an effective cease fire in Laos, the Foreign Office disclosed.

NAVY DENIES CHARGES BY CUBA  
Washington—(UPI)—The Navy today denied a Cuban charge that a U.S. plane fired on an island where Cuban and Soviet technicians were working. But, it said there apparently was gunfire from unidentified sources in the vicinity.

TITAN-2 ROCKET EXPLODES  
Cape Canaveral—(UPI)—America's mighty Titan-2 rocket, the powerplant for future orbital voyages of U.S. astronauts, blew up in a spectacular ball of smoke and flame today shortly after launching.

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## Welfare Budget Sent To Governor

Salem—(UPI)—A \$106.7 million public welfare budget cleared the legislature Tuesday and went to the governor. It will cost the state about \$41.9 million, the federal government about \$49.8 million, and the counties \$13.8 million. It provides for 128 additional caseworkers.

## Gladden To Remain Past Retirement Age

Salem—(UPI)—Warden Clarence Gladden of the Oregon state penitentiary will be able to stay on this year past his retirement age under a bill signed Tuesday by the governor.

## Decrease in School Tax Rate Is Voted

Hornbrook—Voters in the elementary school district here yesterday voted to decrease the maximum school tax rate from \$1.30 to 80 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

The tax reduction proposal carried by a vote of 68 to 24. About two years ago the voters approved an increase from 80 cents to \$1.30 with the understanding it could be removed when the increase was no longer deemed necessary.

District residents who felt that time had come circulated petitions to call yesterday's special election.

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The bill sparked considerable controversy in the House Agriculture Committee. It was opposed by organized labor and most social welfare organizations. It had the reluctant backing of the administration, provided amendments were adopted tightening the rules governing use of the migrants. The committee reported a simple extension, with no changes from the present law. Backers of the measure contend importation of braceros is necessary for harvesting crops requiring stoop labor. They say American farm workers will not take such jobs.

U.S. District Judge H. H. Grooms ruled that the Justice Department was "without authority" to seek integration in Huntsville and surrounding Madison county white schools. Other racial developments: Washington: President Kennedy called a meeting next Tuesday to discuss racial matters with a group of about 100 business executives whose firms have interest in theaters, hotels, variety and drug stores. Kennedy said in a telegram the difficulties experienced by minorities in employment and equal access to facilities "merit serious and immediate attention..."

Paris: Rep. Adam Clayton Powell, New York Negro congressman, predicted in Paris that American Negroes will win equal rights this year. "We will see this year tremendous changes take place," Powell said, "besides, next year is an election year."

There were Negro demonstrations Tuesday night in Raleigh and High Point, N.C. A federal judge ordered the enrollment of a second Negro at the University of Mississippi. And a group of hotels at Knoxville, Tenn., agreed to drop racial barriers.

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