

Negro Leaders Urged To Attack Educational Handicaps Of Race

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WASHINGTON (Special)—Negro organizations could better spend time lobbying state and local politicians to get more money for education and pay higher teacher salaries than to simply protest de facto segregation in schools in Portland and other metropolitan areas, according to a Fund for the Republic authority on Negro problems.

Joseph Lyford of New York, testifying before a Senate labor and education subcommittee which is examining the social roots of unemployment, claimed that Negro leaders are "short-sighted" in failing to attack the educational handicaps of their people in poor neighborhoods.

Portland Leaders Criticized
In a subsequent interview, Lyford was critical of Negro lead-

ers in New York, Portland and elsewhere for seeking to have Negro children taken by bus to suburban white schools because this only attacks the symptoms of racial segregation. He thinks the Urban League, CORE and the NAACP have missed the main point.

"The problem is related to the general unemployment picture, and related specifically to the fact that the Negro, because of the deprivation of educational opportunities in the past, would not be able to find employment now even if all racial barriers were suddenly lowered," he said in testimony.

Joining other witnesses in protesting discrimination in business and labor unions, Lyford maintained that the technological revolution was the larger problem and that the uneducated would not find jobs.

He said that while he believes

in Negro demonstrations, that underlying the demonstrations, "you have to be ready with something" and he thought the Negro organizations had failed to have the people ready and waiting to take advantage of job opportunities after denouncing firms and unions for not hiring, and this means educated, skilled people.

He was equally blunt on the Negro organization protests against new public housing in Portland's Albina area saying it "fixed patterns of segregation" which forced city officials to shelve their plans.

"The leadership of the Urban League and the NAACP has become so middle class in their whole orientation," he maintained, "that they have completely gotten away from the needs and wants of the Negro families who are in the very greatest need—those with low incomes, little education, living in a rotting, roach-infested place where a child sleeps four in a bed, where he has no place to study."

"To have these Negro leaders oppose a public housing project because 'it fixes segregation patterns' to me is a betrayal of their people."

"If anybody wants to find out what people think, all they have to do is go and ask them! One thing public housing does, it gives stability to the life of the people in it. Then people don't move around every few weeks. A child can go to bed in a bedroom instead of being forced to stay up with adults in the one room with lights blazing. He has some place to study besides the bathroom. The family has a little more money to spend on things the family needs instead of paying too much rent for a hole."

"But even if you accept the argument against fixing the

ghetto it still is fraudulent. Even if you move the Negro out of his ghetto, where is the low income family to go without public housing? Into another black slum, just so long as he is impoverished and unemployed. And all the fancy talk about integrated housing means absolutely nothing unless he is able financially to move out of these communities."

And to Lyford education for better employment which would afford better housing would open doors quicker.

Democratic Party Throws Support To Save Tax Bill

PORTLAND — The Democratic party in Oregon will join its forces with other groups in an all-out effort to save the tax bill passed by the 1963 legislature, according to E. D. Spencer, state chairman.

At their September meeting the state executive board of the party instructed Spencer to encourage Democratic County organizations throughout the state to participate in a program to tell the public what defeat of the tax measure would mean to Oregon.

"If voters are to mark their ballots in their own best interests on October 15," Spencer said, "it is our responsibility to give them enough information to make this decision wisely."

Material is being mailed to all Democratic County Chairmen this week. The State Headquarters will schedule speakers and other well-informed speakers into any counties where public meetings can be set up before the election, he said.

Any group interested in hearing the tax problem discussed was urged by Spencer to write or call the state office, giving as much advance notice as possible.

This will be one of the main items of business at the next State Democratic Central committee meeting which will be held in Salem on Oct. 6, according to Spencer.

4 Portland Peace Corpsmen Assigned

PORTLAND (UPI) — Four Peace Corps volunteers from Portland have been assigned for service in Thailand and Liberia.

Patricia Harn and Brent Richards will leave Sept. 19 for Thailand. Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Marxer have already arrived in Liberia.

Malaysia Federation To Be Born Monday Amidst Controversy

KUALA LUMPUR (UPI) — The controversial Federation of Malaysia will be born Monday amid eye-catching pageantry, the explosion of thousands of fire crackers and some nagging worries about Malaysia's unpredictable neighbor, Indonesia.

Prime Minister Tengku Abdul Rahman, the architect and driving force behind the federation, will declare the union of the ten million people of Malaysia, Singapore, North Borneo and Sarawak at one minute past midnight, Malaysian time (12:31 p.m. EDT Sunday) with a special message.

The birth will be solemnized at the inaugural ceremony beginning at 9:30 a.m. in Kuala Lumpur's oval-shaped Merdeka (Freedom) stadium. As thousands of well-wishers including invited guests from more than 35 countries look on, an army officer will hoist the red, white, blue and yellow flag of Malaysia.

Indonesia Opposed
The only discordant note of the celebrations is likely to be the continued opposition of Indonesia to the federation. For a variety of reasons, the government of President Sukarno has opposed the Malaysia concept for the past nine months, proclaiming a hostile "confrontation" policy which stopped just short of war.

Attorneys Claim Trial 'Irregular'

VALE, Ore. (UPI) — Attorneys defending an accused murderer have charged again that trial proceedings are irregular.

Atty. William Schroeder and Don Denning, defending Encarnacion Mata, 21, accused of shooting to death Juan Jimenez, 26, on Aug. 26, charge now the Malheur County Court was illegally selecting jurors for the circuit court trial.

The attorneys charged earlier this week that Mata's constitutional rights were violated when the grand jury indicted him from a jury panel which excluded persons of Mexican origin.

The attorneys charged yesterday that the jurors had not been selected at random by being drawn by "lots." They charged the court has screened its prospective jurors.

The first charge the attorneys made included a motion for dismissal which was denied. No date has been set on the attorneys' second charge and motion for dismissal.

Funds Allocated For Projects In Forests

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Oregon congressional delegation announced Saturday that \$750,000 of accelerated public works funds have been allocated for work in Oregon national forests.

The work is to include improvement of timber stand reforestation and construction of campgrounds and roads.

Funds include: Fremont National Forest, Klamath county, \$50,000; Siuslaw National Forest, Lincoln county, \$100,000; in Yamhill county, \$60,000; Umatilla National Forest, Morrow county, \$70,000; Willamette National Forest; \$140,000; in Linn county, \$100,000; Winema National Forest, Klamath county, \$100,000; Siskiyou National Forest, \$50,000; Siuslaw National Forest, Coos county, \$30,000; and Umpqua National Forest, \$50,000.

Homer Moore Given Testimonial Dinner Upon His Retirement

Homer Moore, 2800 Highway 99 South, was given a testimonial dinner at the Rogue Valley Country club Friday night to mark his retirement from the Talent Irrigation district board of directors after 25 years' service, many of those years as board president.

At Moore's request, there were no speeches and no presentations, "just a good visit." About 40 people representing the boards of the three irrigation districts, Rogue River Valley, Medford and Talent and some of the TID employees and their wives were present.

Moore's service on the board spans the history of the irrigation district development. Managed Three Districts
He joined the district in 1938 when Olie Arnspeger was manager of all three districts. Following his death, it was decided it would be too difficult to find a man capable of managing all three districts so separate managers were established in each. Bob Kent followed Arnspeger at TID. Doug Stedman, at Rogue River Valley, and Ed Judd at MID. Moore's original board was E. T. Newbery, president, and Ed Robinson.

"I really believe Homer's success on the board is due to his fair-mindedness. He was absolutely fair with everyone. He had to be to stay on the board this long," TID Manager Walt Hoffbuhr commented.

Since Moore joined the TID board, the district gradually has been paying off its refinancing bonds acquired after rebounding during the depression years. The Talent division of the Rogue River Basin project was completed. Emigrant reservoir was expanded from a storage capacity of 8,000 acre feet to over 40,000 acre feet. The district also has a radio system now.

Irrigates 15,000 Acres
The Talent system now provides water for 15,000 acres compared to the former 10,000 acres.

When Moore joined the board, the system had all wood flumes and siphons. Now all siphons are underground and concrete. All the flumes also have been replaced with siphons.

In the district's early days (it was founded in 1916) each ditch rider had a ditch walker assigned to him. This man walked the 25 mile long canal banks since they were not accessible by car. Now the ditch riders cover the canals as part of their work.

In the early days of the TID board's history, directors were primarily concerned with water shortages. Now there is ample water and problems revolve around excessive run-off.

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Legislature's Bill Includes Good Tax Reforms—Barton

By ZAN STARK
United Press International
SALEM (UPI) — The 1963 legislature's tax increase bill includes "a lot of tax reform we have been trying for years to achieve," says House Speaker Clarence Barton.

Sitting in the governor's chair he might someday campaign to occupy, the Coquille Democrat cited the graduated rates, unlimited medical deductions, and the tax credit parts of the bill as major reforms.

Barton, serving as governor while Gov. Mark Hatfield is out of state, said the \$60 million revenue increase measure included some features — such as the \$5 minimum filing fee — which he did not like. But he termed the compromise a better bill than most people realize.

Barton told United Press International a defeat of the measure at the Oct. 15 referendum could lead to "frenzied basic school support cuts that could be compounded on the next property tax billing."

"Because of this new tax measure school taxes in my district were reduced six per cent. If we have to cut basic, my taxes could go up 18 per cent next year."

He said he would speak whenever asked to defend the tax measure and to outline the fiscal crisis that faces the state.

He said if the bill is defeated, and Hatfield calls a special session, the governor would be required by the state's constitution to recommend a program to the legislature.

"We don't know whether a defeat of this measure would be a mandate to cut back, or whether new revenue sources should be explored, or whether we should use a combination of cuts and new taxes," Barton explained.

Barton repeated his support for a cigarette tax. He said if a special session this fall it could raise about \$8 million during the rest of the biennium. He said a one-shot speedup of withholding collections could bring in another \$12 million. This would mean only \$40 million in cuts would have to be made to keep the budget in balance.

"If we run out of money, we would have to levy a state property tax to keep up payments on the state's debts, but I don't think that would be a very popular move."

Barton said he strongly opposed any increases in college tuition fees. "Tuition is too high already," he insisted.

Father And Son Finish Among Top 3 In Steer Roping At Pendleton

PENDLETON (UPI) — A father and son finish among the top three competitors of the steer roping competition highlighted rodeo action at the Pendleton Round-Up Friday.

So did the continued presence of Harry Charters as a strong contender for his third all-around cowboy title here.

Dewey Lee David, Riverton, Wyo., held the best time in the steer roping competition at the end of the second go-round. He roped two animals for a combined 41.1 second total. His father, Dewey David, also of Riverton, was third in the event at 42.3 seconds.

Les Kamm, Pendleton, was in second place between the two Davids. His time was 41.9.

Charters, the big cowboy from Melba, Ida., roped his calf in 15.5 seconds in the afternoon's go-round to give him a two-calf total of 34 seconds flat. He was second to Dale Smith, Chandler, Ariz., with a total time of 31.8 seconds for two calves.

Jerry Anderson, Ellensburg, Wash., was third at 37.1 seconds.

In steer wrestling, Walter Wy-

Land Promoters Have Other Worries

MINNEAPOLIS (UPI) — Two men under indictment in Oregon for fraud in a land subdivision promotion near Burns, Ore., received 10-year prison sentences each here Friday for taking funds from the Sister Kenny Foundation.

Sentenced were Abraham Leonard Koolish, 70, and his son, David Koolish, 43, both of Winnetka, Ill.

In addition to the prison sentences both men were fined \$17,500 each.

The two are among seven men under federal indictment in Oregon charging mail fraud and conspiracy in connection with the Harney County Land Development Corp., which promoted Lake Valley subdivisions near Burns.

Tuberculosis Group Picks Portland Man

PORTLAND (UPI) — Dr. James Speros of Portland was elected president of the Western Tuberculosis association at the close of the organization's 11th annual meeting Friday.

Dr. Speros, director of the division of tuberculosis control for Portland, is immediate past president of the Oregon Tuberculosis and Health association.

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