

OREGON TEACHERS IN SHORT SUPPLY

Total Welfare Budget Cuts Top \$4 Million

Editor's Note: It's relatively easy to bow to the voters' wishes and order budget cuts, but what happens to the people in state institutions, and the thousands who are on the welfare rolls? Fourth of five.

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SALEM (UPI)—"I shall not be a party to any action which would move aged and sick and infirm people into the streets of our state," Gov. Mark Hatfield said as he ordered austerity cuts after the Oct. 15 tax referendum.

"We have an obligation to the aged, infirm and to welfare recipients... we will make cuts where we can make them with the least harm resulting," the governor explained.

The \$49.8 million Board of Control budget for the state's hospitals, detention homes and prisons was trimmed \$2.9 million. State funds totaling \$1.6 million were stripped from the welfare budget. Because matching funds were involved, the total welfare cuts came to more than \$4 million.

There are about 10,000 state wards in Board of Control institutions. They still eat, need medicine, hospital care, clothing—or in the case of confinement institutions, guarding and supervision.

Some Control Over Population

The state can exercise some control over the populations of some of its institutions. Hospitals can refuse admittance, or can release patients early.

But the state has a constitutional duty to provide detention for prisoners, and cannot control the rapidly expanding population at Oregon State Penitentiary and Oregon Correctional Institute.

Staff cuts were made. Mental hospitals and institutions for the retarded institutions laid off 24 workers and left 27 vacancies unfilled.

Patient care could suffer. Nobody can yet guess how much. The Public Welfare Department is fearful that the mental institutions and hospitals will release patients that welfare will have to place in nursing homes.

The average welfare caseload in Oregon is about 65,700 persons. This includes everything from minor grants in aid, to support of dependent children, to aid to the elderly and to full time nursing home care.

In Trouble Before Referendum

The Welfare Department already was in budget trouble before the Oct. 15 referendum. Medical, drug costs and certain types of aid were running way over budget. The austerity cuts added to the problem.

Hospitals and doctors have been on a pro-rata payment system for years. Drug payments were added to the pro-rata system last month when the bills far exceeded the money available. Some druggists refuse to go along with the system.

As part of the austerity cuts, the \$5 increase in nursing home rates, 10 per cent increase in physicians' allotment, and 4 per cent increase in hospital allotment—approved earlier this year—were wiped out.

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Membership in the state's medical aid to the aged program was frozen at 7,500. When the enrollment exceeds 7,500, benefits will be slashed.

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Monday: Where will the revolt lead?

Election Scheduled Jan. 24 for South Talent Zoned Area

An election on South Talent zoning will be held Friday, Jan. 24, County Judge Earl M. Miller announced this morning.

This is the earliest possible date due to legal requirements for advertising the election and posting it for four weeks, he explained.

Whether the vote is on interim or permanent zoning will depend on how the ballot is worded, Jackson County Planning Director George Brenner said earlier. The district attorney will have to give an opinion on this, he said. Since this comes under the new state law, no opinions are available yet.

Decides on Election

The County Court decided Dec. 5 to hold the election after considerable study of the problem. One group of South Talent residents petitioned for the election before the interim zoning ordinance would expire normally Nov. 1, 1964. Another group opposed the election at this time and asked that it not be held until the ordinance expires.

The present zoning was scheduled to be in effect for three years or until a comprehensive plan had been presented for the area. This would have meant a public hearing. However, the County Court indicated it would have called for an election to determine the wishes of the people.

The group requesting the election said the present zoning had been petitioned for by a "com-

paratively small number of people" and that it works a hardship on residents having land which they wish to sell as commercial property. The area is zoned as residential-agricultural.

Planners Continue Request to Permit Apartment Building

The Medford Planning Commission last night voted unanimously to continue action on a request that would permit construction of an apartment building north of the Hawthorne Convalescent Hospital.

The request was submitted by Medford Contractor William Brooks and concerns the property located north of the Hawthorne Convalescent Hospital and the Professional Plaza Building.

The Commission agreed that the ultimate use of the 11½-acre site for multi-family zoning would be desirable and beneficial to the city. But the Commission expressed concern about the need for an access way for vehicle traffic and city fire trucks to the area.

Brooks indicated that he had specific plans for only five and one-half acres of the proposed 11½-acre site. He assumed that the development would include

Oregon Population Reaches 1,856,190

Jackson County Has Substantial Boost Over 1962

Medford Reported To Be 26,526

PORTLAND (UPI)—The population of Oregon went up 1.7 per cent from July 1, 1962, to July 1, 1963, and rose 4.9 per cent over the 1960 federal census, the Oregon State Board of Census said today.

The population of the state July 1 was 1,856,190.

All counties of the Willamette Valley showed increases, although Yamhill County remained almost unchanged at 35,278. Jackson and Josephine Counties had substantial increase over 1962.

In eastern Oregon, Sherman and Jefferson Counties continued to increase rapidly due to construction projects.

Sherman Increases

Sherman went up 16.9 per cent during the year, and 38 per cent since the 1960 federal census. Jefferson rose 13.3 per cent during the year and 56.9 per cent from the 1960 census.

Lane County increased only 0.3 per cent over 1962, and the board said this showed a reappraisal of past trends, rather than a slowing down of the growth rate.

The coastal counties of Clatsop, Tillamook, Lincoln, Coos and Curry continued to show a loss of population. Baker County in eastern Oregon decreased substantially as result of termination of construction projects and decreased employment in the lumber industry.

Largest Gain

Portland, among incorporated cities, showed the largest absolute gain with a 1963 population of 377,191, up 6,285 from 1962, due primarily to annexation.

Eugene showed a gain of 2,725 to 58,130; Springfield was up 1,019 to 21,736; Albany up 890 to 14,378; Coos Bay up 625 to 7,709; and Medford up 607 to 26,526. Salem increased by only 230 to 50,759 due to a loss of institutional population.

The greatest gains in percentage were recorded at two so-called "ghost towns." Granite was up 200 per cent — from 1 to 3 with a new family joining the lone resident. Shaniko jumped 62.9 per cent, from 35 to 57.

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Principals To Ask More Information On Work Program

The Jackson County Secondary Principals' Association will ask County Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman Laurence V. Espey to his Jan. 8 meeting to explain his proposed youth work program in county recreation areas, it was decided at a meeting yesterday.

The high school principals discussed the proposed program as presented to them earlier, but felt they must learn more about it.

They generally agreed that it should include more of the low-grade and problem students than Espey had included in his original plan presented them.

Espey has suggested that a crew of high school students could be used for basic park and recreation area development during the summer. The students to participate in the program, new to this county, would be selected by their high school principals. They would work under a strict set of rules.

The principals also discussed a new reallocation of high schools to the various competitive athletic districts. The districts now established by the Oregon Schools' Athletic Association set B class or district schools as those having less than 100 school population. A schools at 500 or more students and A2 schools as having 150 to 500 students. New increases in school populations necessitates a reclassification of some high schools, it was noted.

The group also voted to have the Jackson County Intermediate Education District maintain a set of records implicating those of Jackson County school districts.

SOC Differences To Be Ironed Out

ASHLAND — "Immediate and appropriate action" is being taken to iron out differences between members of the physical education department at Southern Oregon College, President Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson said today.

Dr. Stevenson said the dispute is being considered an "internal affair."

The differences came out into the open earlier this week. Dr. Alex Petersen, chairman of the college's physical education department, accused his own school of two violations of the Oregon Collegiate Conference athletic compact. Other department members denied them. (Details of the dispute appear in a story on the sports pages of today's Mail Tribune.)

"Although other statements may be made in relation to this matter," Dr. Stevenson said about noon today, "this (that it is an internal matter) is the official position of the college at this time. The college administration regrets that certain incidents have occurred on campus and offer which have incited undue publicity in the matter."

"In all fairness to all concerned, I must repeat that this is an internal affair and will be handled accordingly," he said.

One of the "incidents" to which Dr. Stevenson referred occurred on the campus last night between 10 and 10:30 p.m. A group of about 35 students (other reports placed the number at 150) hanged Dr. Petersen in effigy.

Money Taken from Ashland Gas Station

ASHLAND—A total of \$151.79 in cash was reported missing this morning from a service station at 275 Lithia Way, Ashland. Police said someone apparently broke into the building during the night and took the money.

A possible break-in also was reported at Selby Chevrolet, East Main Street and Pioneer Avenue. A window was found broken, but there was no immediate indication that anything had been taken.

SALEM (UPI)—State Conciliator Paul P. Tinning has been re-elected secretary-treasurer of the International Association of Labor Mediation Agencies.



SUSPECTED HIDEOUT—FBI agents appear to be making plaster casts of either tire tracks or footprints in the yard of an abandoned house at Canoga Park, Calif. The place is suspected as the hideout of the kidnapers of Frank Sinatra Jr. The agents also dug up a tin box from the yard in search for the \$240,000 ransom money. (UPI)

'Development' Near in Sinatra Kidnaping Case

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—The FBI said today, "We're hopeful there will be a development soon" in the kidnap-ransom case of Frank Sinatra Jr.

The announcement came shortly after J. Edgar Hoover released serial numbers of \$240,000 in ransom bills delivered to the abductors late Tuesday night. The FBI director, who is personally supervising the case, flashed the numbers around the country and asked citizens to watch for them.

The Los Angeles FBI agent, first to speak out in the mystery shrouded case, was asked if his announcement meant a major break in the case. He said "I can't say that. I can only say at this point that we are hopeful. That is all."

The list of serial numbers, which are not in sequence, runs 41 pages. FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said the money included 700 \$100 bills, 700 \$50 bills, 4,000 \$20 bills, 4,000 \$10 bills and 3,000 \$5 bills.

With the exception of the \$5 bills, all the money is in federal

reserve notes, Hoover said. The \$5 bills included silver certificates, United States notes and federal reserve notes.

Frank Sinatra Sr. was reported by a close friend to have seen pictures, taken with a telescopic lens and infra-red light, and recognized two of the suspects.

The friend, a director of one of the San Francisco Bay area's largest liquor distributors, asked that his name not be used. He and a Bay area

night club owner, who corroborated the story, said they wished to remain anonymous because of the delicate nature of the search and to protect the ones who gave them the information.

The FBI refused to comment either about Sinatra's identification or the possibility Atty Gen. Robert Kennedy had left Washington. The agency has held steadfast to its policy of making no comment to newsmen or local police officers throughout the case.

Request for Sign At Safeway Store Denied by Group

The Medford Planning Commission last night denied a request from Safeway Stores, Inc., to erect an "identification" sign by their new supermarket at West Main and Hamilton Streets.

The request will appear on the agenda at next week's meeting of the Medford City Council for final action.

Medford Lawyer Ronald Ricketts, representing Safeway, told the commission that the proposed sign would be 10 feet high and would have a 6-foot disc at the top bearing the store's emblem.

Ricketts argued the sign was necessary to identify the supermarket and to attract both foot and vehicle traffic. He said an identical sign had been erected at the firm's store in Grants Pass.

Ricketts said the sign was "not very bright" and would not constitute a nuisance to nearby residences.

However, Commission President Elwood Hedberg countered that people would still be able to recognize the supermarket without the sign. He said he felt it would be undesirable to rent the store's area.

Store officials told the commission that no other location for the sign would be feasible.

At first, Ricketts said the disc at the top of the sign would revolve, but he was reminded later that moving signs are prohibited in the store's zone. He said it could be kept stationary.

Commissioner Larry Hertel moved the request be denied and his motion passed by a 5 to 1 vote.

Red Satellite Launch Revealed

MOSCOW (UPI)—The Soviet Union tonight announced the launching of another unmanned space satellite and said all systems were functioning normally.

Moscow television said that Cosmos 23 was launched and put into orbit today.

The Cosmos series consists of unmanned earth satellites which the Russians say are designed for space research.

Testifying at the inquest in addition to Mr. and Mrs. Christie were five other persons who were at the accident shortly after it occurred.

Dellenback Seeks Post As Republican Delegate

SALEM (UPI)—Rep. John R. Dellenback, R-Medford, has filed as a Republican candidate for delegate to the Republican National Convention from the Fourth Congressional District.

WEATHER

Sunset today 4:39 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:33 a.m.
Moonrise tomorrow 6:09 a.m.
New Moon Dec. 15
Shooting stars should be more numerous than usual tonight. Most of them will be of the Geminid meteor shower and are white in color.

Our Skies Tonight

FORECAST: Fair and smoky, except night and morning valleys fog. Low tonight 25. High Saturday 46-45. Temp. Highest Yesterday 44. Lowest This Morning 20.



FOUR DIE IN LANDSLIDE — The above picture shows the damage caused by a series of landslides at St. Joachim de Tourelle, Que., killing four persons and injuring many others. At least six houses and a bridge were washed away into a

huge crater, shown in the background. More landslides were feared in the small community, located some 600 miles north-east of Montreal. (UPI)

NEWS BRIEFS

SENATE APPROVES FOREIGN AID BILL. WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Senate today approved 61-26 and sent to President Johnson a badly-battered \$3.6 billion compromise foreign aid bill to authorize another year of economic, military and technical assistance overseas.

LIGHTNING POSSIBLE AIR CRASH CAUSE. WASHINGTON (UPI) — Investigators said today they have evidence indicating a lightning strike and a fuel tank explosion in the Pan American World Airways jet that crashed Sunday night killing 81 persons.

RED CHINA DENIES SOVIET STATEMENT. UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (UPI) — Sino-Soviet relations worsened today with Communist China's denial of a Soviet statement that China demanded a U.N. seat as a price for expanding U.N. councils to meet Afro-Asian demands.

9 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

CHRISTMAS SEALS fight TB and other RESPIRATORY DISEASES