Senator George Loses Out In Fight To Delay Slash In Taxes Till January 1

WASHINGTON, May 10 (AP)—Senator George (D-Ga.) declared today a $4,000,000,000-a-year income tax cut approved by the senate finance committee would leave no surplus to pay on the $258,000,000,000 public debt.

The measure, slashing levies 30 to 10.5 per cent, was voted over George's protest that action should be delayed until congress has a better idea what next year's government spending will be.

It would be effective July 1 instead of retroactive to last January 1, the date fixed in the house bill, and would limit the cut on incomes in the range of $79,728 to $302,396 to 15 per cent instead of the house version's 20 per cent.

George was defeated in a motion to delay the effective date until next January 1 and finally joined the committee's seven republican members yesterday in voting to send the bill to the floor, where he reserved the right to oppose it.

The other five democrats on the committee voted against the bill.

The measure is an amended version of house bill No. 1, which started out as a 20 per cent across-the-board reduction sponsored by Ways and Means Committee Chairman Knutson (R-Minn.) The house finally approved a bill with graduated reductions ranging from 30 to 10.5 per cent, and retroactive to last January 1.

Date Delayed

The most important change made by the senate committee was delaying the effective date six months.

New withholding rates would take effect July 1 if the senate version becomes law. The withheld tax for most wage and salary earners would go down 30 or 20 per cent then, depending on the income bracket. On next March, when the taxpayer makes out his return for calendar 1947, he would find his cut over the whole year figures out only 15 or 10 per cent.

In his return for 1948, however, he would get the full 20 or 30 per cent benefit.

This is the schedule of rate cuts voted by the senators:

Thirty per cent off for persons with net incomes, after exemptions and deductions, of $1000 or less; 30 to 20 per cent on incomes from $1000 to $1396; 20 per cent on incomes from $1396 to $79,728; 15 per cent on incomes from $79,728 to $302,396; 10.5 per cent on all above $302,396.

The senate committee wrote in the 15 per cent bracket. The house had spread the 20 per cent reduction over all incomes between $1396 and $302,396.

In addition, taxpayers over 65 years of age would get an extra $500 exemption, regardless of whether they had income, such as social security benefits, otherwise exempt from tax.

Phone Service Row Continues

ALTURAS, May 10 — When a committee from the chamber of commerce met with the manager of the local phone company regarding the poor service Alturas and surrounding towns have been getting they were told that owing to the fact the company had been unable to purchase cable, that orders had been in for some time, but no assurance as to date of delivery had been made.

Told by a member of the committee that if given the size and amount of cable wanted, he would promise to locate a market, the manager accepted the challenge.

A few days later, a long distance phone call to the manager in Susanville informed him of three places where the much wanted cable could be secured, at once. The manager replied that he would have to contact the San Francisco office before making any purchases. To date nothing further has been heard from the company, and the poor phone service still remains.

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Parkers Open Crater Home

Thomas C. Parker, assistant park superintendent at Crater lake, has opened his park home and moved there for the summer. He will spend the first three days in the Medford office and the remainder of each week in the park.

Mrs. Parker and Tommy will join him in the park as soon as school is out and other arrangements made.

A 25-man insect control crew is expected to start work in the Lost Creek area about May 15, and work of opening the east road from park headquarters for this purpose is being done now. This will be the earliest opening for that road, Parker said, and besides its use for transporting the insect crew to work will be a help in fighting fires and visitors can also visit that part of the park.

Group Urges Memorial

LAKEVIEW, May 10—The force of public opinion was moved into the county court chambers Wednesday morning to indicate the widespread desire for a Pioneer and Veteran memorial built separate from the courthouse.

A group composed of a joint veterans committee, the chamber of commerce veterans affairs committee and other interested parties met with the county court and the court's recently appointed memorial building committee.

The court was asked to execute a resolution setting the fund aside once more, start creating plans and drawing up estimates of cost, and audit the memorial fund so that if it does not provide sufficient money other means can be provided to raise the necessary money.

Farm Plan Sign-Up Payments Ended

LAKEVIEW, May 10—Farm plan sign-up payments under the AAA conservation program closed May 1, according to W. P. Vernon, county chairman. According to the figures on file in the county agent's office 329 Lake county operators signed up for soil and water conservation practices eligible for a total of $300,000.

Since the county share of the state funds has been announced as $65,000 it seems likely that the payments earned will be reduced according to the actual needs at the end of the year.

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Schools Near Closing Time

MALIN, May 10 — Elementary schools in Klamath county are busy working toward closing programs now. Malin will have achievement day on Tuesday, May 13, in the high school gym, at 1 p.m.

First and second grades will present rhythms with walking, prancing, running, skipping and a circus parade. Barbara Cornett and Patti Smith will demonstrate how to trace a pattern on cloth.

The rest of the program will include a song, "Sweet and Low," by the fifth grade; violin solo by Ronald Bunnell accompanied by Elizabeth Bunnell; 4-H club national song, fifth and sixth grades; a skit, "Mellow Drammer," 4-H members; folk dance, "Gustaf's Skoal," third and fourth grades; song, "Island of My Desire," sixth grade; style revue, by clothing 2 and 3 classes; folk dance, "Norwegian Fountain March," fifth and sixth grades; presentation of 4-H awards made by Francis Skinner, 4-H club agent; song, "Keep Oregon Green," fifth and sixth grades.

An exhibit of school work will be on display at the grade school after the program. The public is invited to attend.

Solons Vote Tabulated

WASHINGTON, May 10 (AP) — Pacific Northwest legislators voted as follows yesterday:

On the senate's 62 to 28 rejection of an amendment to permit individual employers to seek injunction against jurisdictional strikes or secondary boycotts—republicans for: Cordon; republicans against: Cain, Morse; democrats against: Magnuson.

On the senate's 65 to 26 approval of an amendment permitting employers to sue unions for damages resulting from jurisdictional strikes and secondary boycotts — republicans for: Cain and Cordon; republicans against: Morse; democrats against: Magnuson.

On the house's 287 to 107 passage of a measure authorizing a $400,000,000 loan to Greece and Turkey—republicans for: Holmes, Horan, Jones, Norblad and Tollefson; democrats for: Jackson; republicans against: Stockman.

Pomona Grange Ponders Rates

Pomona grange in a meeting today at Shasta school is considering the action of the Shasta View grange in passing a resolution in support of the Klamath Basin Rates bureau.

The resolution being considered states that the grange recognizes the inequality in freight rates in Klamath county and the hinderance to Klamath growers and shippers caused by these rates, also that the grange recognizes the fight being put up by the rates bureau to remedy the situation.

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Republican Leaders Gather To Discuss Current Topics

INDIANAPOLIS, May 10 (AP)—Republican leaders from 17 Midwest and Far West states moved today from informal overnight lobby talk about a 1948 presidential candidate into a closed business session for a discussion of current issues in congress.

Spokesmen for the group's policy committee predicted resolutions would be adopted before nightfall on such timely questions as tax reduction, budget-cutting, labor legislation and aid to Greece and Turkey.

The group, comprising GOP state chairmen from 13 Midwestern states and four Rocky mountain states, has been influential in party policy planning in the past.

Harry Crane of Topeka, acting state chairman for Kansas, a member of the Midwest group's policy committee, said there would be no formal views expressed on a presidential candidate for 1948.

But there was plenty of speculation about 1948 among the members in hotel rooms last night. Two names that cropped up, in addition to the most-mentioned "big four" of Gov. Thomas Dewey of New York; Senators Robert A. Taft and Arthur H. Vandenberg and former Minnesota Governor Harold F. Stassen were General Dwight D. Eisenhower, army chief of staff, and Rep. Charles Halleck of Indiana, republican leader of the U. S. house of representatives.

Most of the larger states had their favorite sons and if all those mentioned go to the convention wire at Philadelphia a little more than a year from now there will have to be considerable jockeying to get a winner.

It was Crane who brought up Eisenhower's name. He told a reporter that if the Kansas-born general would be available the Kansas delegation would strongly support him. Eisenhower has said on several occasions that he does not wish to be considered for political office.

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