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Voters Of Little Rock Take Big Step Saturday

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP)—Little Rock voters tomorrow take their next critical step in the nation's white-hot integration controversy when they register their preference between integration or segregation of the school system.

The referendum results and steps expected to follow are critical for those Southerners who consider a private school plan the last-ditch maneuver to keep Negroes out of all-white schools.

Gov. Orval E. Faubus, who ordered the referendum, says he will open the four high schools he closed Sept. 12 regardless of the ballot outcome.

He has said that if integrationists win he will permit all Little Rock schools, with their 20,308 students, to desegregate without further interference.

If segregation forces win, the next step in Faubus' plan is to open the high schools as private institutions with a corporation operating them on a segregated basis. The high schools had an enrollment of 3,698 before students began transferring out of the district.

Regardless of the balloting results, immediate court challenges are expected.

The ballot reads: "For racial integration of all schools in the Little Rock school district."

"Against racial integration of all schools in the Little Rock school district."

The referendum will not instantly solve some problems. For instance:

What does the losing faction plan to do next?

And exactly how many voters reside in the school district?

W. H. Laubach, Election Committee secretary said, "We won't make an exact count unless the governor requires it." Presumably Faubus would call for a total only if the referendum results are close.

This could become a necessity because of the law setting up the referendum.

It reads: "If a majority of the qualified electors of the district..."

Most referendums require only a majority of those voting to decide an issue.

Should the integration forces cast the larger vote tomorrow, they will have to go to court to win because of the "qualified electors" restriction on deciding the victor.

A recent Arkansas state court ruling has an apparent direct bearing. A judge held that a majority is sufficient to decide an issue, and that any "majority of qualified electors" restriction is not legal. The ruling involved a local option election on dog racing.

The School Board, fearing federal contempt action against its members, sought a decision from U.S. Dist. Judge James E. Miller on whether it can legally lease the schools. Miller refused to rule, saying it involved constitutional questions requiring a three-judge tribunal.

State laws leave responsibility for school leasing to the School Board, not the governor. And the Little Rock board has shown signs of balking at Faubus' program.

Assuming the private corporation obtains a lease from the

School Closing Scored By President Eisenhower

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower says the closing of some schools to avoid integration has dealt a material setback to "a fundamental human right—the right to a public education."

Eisenhower also said yesterday such school closings in Virginia and Arkansas have set back progress toward achieving the "ideal of the equality of man."

"I fervently hope that soon the schools will reopen and that progress toward our goal will resume," the President added in a letter to J. Albert Rolston, head of a group working to reopen schools in Charlottesville, Va.

Virginia's Gov. J. Lindsay Almond Jr. commented that he wished Eisenhower had "considered the disastrous consequences of the tragic situation" before the Supreme Court ruled. The federal government supported arguments for integration before the court.

Eisenhower's letter was in reply to a telegram sent by Rolston seeking an expression from Eisenhower.

Schools in Charlottesville and Front Royal Va., and Little Rock, Ark., have been shut down in conformity with Virginia and Arkansas state laws requiring school closings to avoid integration under federal court order.

Eisenhower told Rolston, chairman of the Charlottesville Committee for Public Education, he deeply regrets these school closings.

The direct consequences to the children in those schools and the eventual consequences to our nation could be disastrous," he said. "Their education seemingly has no present prospect of early resumption. For this cessation, they

are given a reason which is contrary to one of the generally accepted basic ideals of our country. "Most of us in the United States, as part of our religious faith, believe that all men are equal in the sight of God. . . . Just as we strive to live up to our fundamental convictions, we constantly strive to achieve this ideal of the equality of man."

"We had been making progress—substantial progress—toward that goal. The closing of the schools, however, represent a material setback not only in that progress, but in what we have come to regard as a fundamental human right—the right to a public education. . . ."

UP AGAIN, DOWN AGAIN ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP)—Five-year-old Jackie Garcia was crossing a street near his home. A car knocked him down. Jackie got up, and another car knocked him down. Again he got up. This time he ran into the side of a parked car and fell. Jackie is in a hospital, recovering from minor cuts and bruises.

CHERRYVALE, Kan. (AP)—Mrs. Barbara Morris of Cherryvale and Boyd Oliver of Elk City, Kan., plan to marry in December although both will spend the rest of their lives in wheel chairs.

Mrs. Morris, divorced mother of three children, was stricken with polio in October 1952. Her children are 6, 7 and 9 years old.

Oliver was paralyzed by injuries suffered in an automobile accident 15 years ago.

They met while attending a trade school and rehabilitation center at Okmulgee, Okla.

Oliver, an accountant, works for an insurance firm and commutes daily 29 miles from Elk City in a specially equipped car.

KOREAN STUDENTS REXBURG, Idaho (AP)—Korean diplomat Yung Han Choo says the United States should adopt a policy barring Korean students from becoming permanent residents of this country. "We are losing too many of our Korean students from the homeland," he said. Han Choo was here for a talk today before Korean students at Ricks College.

The society will hold a meeting on Thursday, October 2, at 8 p.m. at the Camp Fire Girls office, 325 Main Street, for the purpose of organizing this bird watching project and in addition will view a wildlife motion picture.

The society invites all bird watchers in the Klamath Basin to participate in this Basin-wide project. Check lists are available for those who wish to assist in the eight-day bird check.

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Government Set To Borrow \$3.5 Million To Pay Debts

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government wants to borrow another \$3.5 million dollars to pay its mounting bills. To get the money, it's willing to double the interest it offered just seven weeks ago.

The rise in interest rates reflects a return to tighter money conditions—a move spurred by the Federal Reserve Board in hopes of keeping inflationary pressures at bay.

The Treasury announced the terms on which it will borrow money needed to boost its supply of ready cash. The latest tabulation shows an operating cash balance of about four billion dollars—less than a three weeks' supply.

Officials said they will need to raise still more money late in November or in December—perhaps another three billion dollars. Over the full 1959 fiscal year which ends next June 30, the Treasury will have to finance a predicted deficit of more than 12 billion dollars.

On Monday the Treasury will offer to the public:

1. About a billion dollars of 13-month Treasury notes, to be sold at par and carry interest of 3½ per cent.

2. About 2½ billions of 219-day special Treasury bills, to be sold at a fixed price of \$980.23 per \$1,000 of face value. On that basis, the bill will yield 3½ per cent a year.

Some Wall Street experts said they were surprised by what they called the generous terms offered by the government. They suggested the result would be a general increase in yields on short-term securities.

Interest rates on comparable government issues reached a peak of 4 per cent in August 1957. Rates later dropped sharply as the Federal Reserve Board eased restraints on the money supply to fight the recession.

On Aug. 6, of this year, the Treasury sold an eight-month tax anticipation certificate yielding 1½ per cent.

Since then, the Federal Reserve has reversed its easier policy on credit and there has been added

evidence of an economic recovery.

"AW DAD, I'd rather wear a red hat," 7-year-old Bob Leslie told his father, Art Leslie, manager of Drews Town & Country menswear store, as they posed for a Herald and News photographer to show the latest in yellow caps and hats for the hunter. The store more than doubled the size of its sales area this fall and followed the local trend by ordering a few more dozen yellow hats and caps this year. The week before the October 4 opening of the deer season is still known as Red Hat Days. Klamath Falls Postmaster Chester L. Langslet is Klamath County Red Hat Days chairman.

PENGUINS SOUGHT By Zoo Director PORTLAND (AP)—Portland Zoo director Jack Marks was authorized by the City Council Thursday to proceed with his plans to hitch rides in government planes to the Antarctic for more penguins.

He was given a leave of absence and \$1,000 for expenses. He will try to get enough penguins to have some for trading from May 15 to Sept. 20.

REBEL DEAD ALGIERS (AP)—Reports by official sources claimed today that 13,700 rebels had been killed or made prisoner by French forces from May 15 to Sept. 20.

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