

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
Let's talk today about "day-light" time. It's at least an interesting subject, because a proposal to have it for at least a little while—constitution or go constitution—turned out to be the hottest issue that so far has faced the Oregon legislature, which faces a lot of really weighty problems.

This is the situation:
The constitution of Oregon, as amended by a decisive vote of the people not too long ago, specifically forbids "fast" time anywhere in the state. Cities are forbidden to adopt fast time. Counties are forbidden to adopt fast time. The language of the amendment is clear and definite.

Its purpose is to prohibit fooling with the clock in the state of Oregon.
But—
Somebody got an idea.
The idea was that SOMEHOW fast time would help the Oregon Centennial. So a scheme was dreamed up. The scheme was to adopt a legislative act PERMITTING fast time. The emergency clause was to be attached to the act, so it couldn't be held up by referendum.

The thought was that it would take the courts some time to pass on it, and by the time the courts got around to a decision the Centennial would be over.
The legislature failed to go along with the project—for which it is to be commended. Fast time may be all right, but throwing monkey wrenches into the constitutional wheels certainly isn't a practice to be commended. It smacks too much of thimblin'.

At that, it was a narrow squeak. The proposal was defeated by a motion for indefinite postponement, which carried by a majority of only three votes.

Personally, I can take fast time, or I can leave it. Speaking as an individual, what I'd like is for EVERYBODY TO HAVE THE SAME TIME. That goes particularly for our mythical State of Jefferson, where half of us for half the year have been living by one time while the other half lives by another time.

It's a mess.
You call up somebody on the other side of the dividing line and make an appointment for lunch. When lunch time comes, it turns out that you thought YOUR TIME was meant while the other fellow thought it was HIS TIME.
Result—
GRIEF.

You want to take a train, or a plane.
What time do you leave? Your time, or somebody else's time? You have a favorite radio or TV program. When does the darned thing come on? This time? Or that time?
Result—
MORE GRIEF.

For Pete's sake, let's SOMEDAY agree during the summer months on WHAT TIME IT IS.

Landing Gear Caresses Top Of Automobile

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (UPI)—Reginald Hawkins, 58, said he was driving his car and minding his own business yesterday when "I felt a bump on the top of the car and saw an airplane skid off the hood."

A single-engine private plane, out of fuel, smacked onto the top of Hawkins' car as the pilot, his engine dead, tried to land on the street.
None of the four persons aboard the plane was injured nor was Hawkins. Said the motorist after the freak mishap:
"First accident I've had in 35 years of driving."

Pile Drivers Strike Idles Some Projects

PORTLAND (AP)—A strike by the Pile Drivers Union continued to idle some construction projects in Oregon and Washington today. About 600 union members in the Portland local walked off jobs Thursday throughout the Willamette Valley and in Eastern Oregon.

It was not learned immediately, however, whether similar action was taken by smaller locals in Longview, Wash., and Coos Bay and Reedsport, Ore.

The Pile Driver pickets appeared after a meeting in the office of Gov. Mark Hatfield failed to resolve a contract dispute between the union and management.

"We came to an apparent impasse. . . . We have declared it a complete strike," said Leo Neal, a union spokesman.

The Pile Drivers held another meeting Thursday night in Portland, and Neal later commented: "The situation has not changed." The appearance of the pickets stopped work on an interstate bridge over the Columbia River between Portland and Vancouver, Wash.

The dispute also shut down construction at the John Day Dam on the Columbia River, and on bridge projects throughout the Willamette Valley.

After the strike began, a management committee issued a statement which said:

"The action of the Pile Drivers is the most wanton disregard of the public interest in the memory of every member of the industry's negotiating committee."

"We are at a loss to understand why these union leaders refuse to submit our latest and very generous offer to the members of the union for their vote."

Terms of that offer were not disclosed.

The strike by Pile Drivers did not affect many big construction projects in Oregon and Southwest Washington.

However, the Portland local of the Carpenters Union, the parent body of the Pile Drivers, has said it will strike April 1 unless agreement is reached on a new contract.

Carpenters locals, though, in the rest of Oregon and in Southwest Washington have submitted management's offer to a vote by union members.

Crash Kills College Pupil

WEED—A one-car accident on Highway 99 north of here yesterday morning claimed the life of Richard A. Lawson, 19, a student at Willamette University in Salem. Lawson, who was a passenger in a car driven by Harry C. Coolidge, 19, also a student at the university, was on his way home to Oakland, California for spring vacation when the accident occurred at 4:45 a.m. Thursday morning.

Authorities report that the driver apparently went to sleep and the car, a convertible, went out of control, veering off the highway, and overturned. Lawson was pinned in the car, but Coolidge, who suffered minor cuts, was able to crawl out of the wreckage.

The Weed Community ambulance took both young men to the Mount Shasta Community Hospital where Lawson died at 4:50 p.m. from head injuries suffered in the accident. Coolidge has been released from the hospital.

Lawson was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lawson of Oakland, and Coolidge is the son of Glenn Coolidge, a California state assemblyman of Penton.

Lawson's body is being sent to Truman's Mortuary in Oakland.

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Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.

Loss Of Life Said Heavy In Revolt Against Reds

TOKYO (AP)—Maharaja Kumar of Sikkim said today that loss of life in the Tibetan revolt has been very heavy but as far as he knows the Dalai Lama escaped from the Chinese Communists.

Although the maharaja said this action occurred on Tuesday, reports reached Kalimpong, on the Sikkim-Indian border, last Sunday that the two monasteries were burning.

The prince said the Chinese reportedly hold only a narrow strip through the eastern center of Tibet, from the Chinese border to Lhasa.

"The Khampa rebels (a Tibetan tribe), who do not like Chinese of any kind, red, white or blue, have been fighting now for three years," he said.

"It is claimed that they hold the entire southern area of Tibet, a section about 400 miles long and 150 miles wide, as well as various centers in the north also."

On Formosa, meanwhile, Nationalist China's Parliament, unanimously adopted a resolution urging Chiang Kai-shek's government (1) to provide the Tibetan rebels with arms and supplies, (2) to send high officers and senior Tibetan-born officials to Tibet to help the rebels, (3) to send Nationalist troops if necessary, and (4) to report to the United Nations on the Tibetan situation.

Nationalist officials refused to comment on reports from Hong Kong that Nationalist planes had dropped supplies to the rebels.

In contrast with reports in India that fighting in Lhasa had subsided over the weekend, the maharaja said fighting in and around the capital "was particularly violent" on Tuesday.

"After taking the palace," he

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Increasing cloudiness with a little rain late tonight and Saturday, clearing late in the afternoon. Low tonight 28-34; high Saturday 32-37.

High yesterday 49
Low last night 31
Precip. last 24 hours 0.03
Since Oct. 1 4.09
Same period last year 13.73

Northern California—Light rain from Eureka northward Friday night and scattered light showers from Santa Rosa and Chico northward Saturday, but otherwise fair through Saturday. Northwest wind 10-20 miles an hour near the coast. Partly fair Sunday.

CRATER LAKE
High yesterday 31
Low last night 16
8 a.m. today 10
New snow 2
Snow depth 96
Last year 165

Chains were advised for travel in the park this morning, but the rangers said it was a beautiful day with warm sunshine and blue sky and chain requirements might be removed by afternoon. Wind was calm and skiing expected to be good. The warming hut will be open Saturday and Sunday.

TORNADO STRIKES
PELHAM, Tenn. (UPI)—A small tornado ripped through here Thursday night, tossing a fertilizer truck 1,000 feet down a road. No serious injuries were reported, but damage was reported extensive.

Faithful Take Way Of Cross

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
The faithful of the Christian world followed the Way of the Cross on this Good Friday.

In the Jordan section of Jerusalem, pilgrims and tourists of many lands attended services at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher.

Hundreds trailed up Jerusalem's narrow streets on the way to the Cross on Calvary where Jesus Christ was crucified.

Tenebrae services marking the death of Christ drew thousands of pilgrims to St. Peter's in Rome. Pope John XXIII, after taking part in services at Rome's Santa Croce Church, finished work on his Easter message, to be delivered to the world Saturday night.

Good Friday services were held in thousands of Protestant and Roman Catholic churches in all Christian countries.

American evangelist Billy Graham delivered a Good Friday message to 8,000 persons standing in the rain on a beach at Broadbeach, Australia.

Eleven Injured In NY Tragedy

NEW YORK (AP)—A 10,000-gallon water tank collapsed Thursday atop a six-story loft building and dropped through three floors. Eleven persons were injured, at least two of them seriously.

Three iron workers were repairing the tank supports at the building on West 29th street when it came crashing down. It had been declared defective.

Western Nations Termed Favorable To American Plan

WASHINGTON (AP)—Britain, France and West Germany were reported generally favorable today to a U.S. master plan for negotiations with the Soviet Union on the future of Germany.

The aim of the plan is to achieve the unification of West Germany and Communist East Germany in stages over a period of years. This would begin with creation of a loose federation and end with the conclusion of a German peace treaty.

Limitations on forces in central Europe and an end to the division of Berlin also are envisioned as the plan progressed.

The foreign ministers of Britain and France are to discuss the program with Acting Secretary of State Christian Herter here next Tuesday.

West German representatives will join the talks Wednesday in advance of broader discussions among foreign ministers of all the North Atlantic Treaty powers meeting Thursday for a NATO 10th anniversary session.

The preliminary discussions are pointed toward an East-West foreign ministers meeting in Geneva May 11 and a later summit conference, as proposed to the Soviet Union by the Western powers Thursday.

It is an open question whether the U.S.S.R. would be interested in any part of the U.S. plan or in any other which the Western powers might suggest.

Some officials say there is at least a slight possibility Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev may be seriously interested in negotiating an acceptable German settlement.

Others say that whether or not Khrushchev is interested, the Western powers must go into the negotiations with the Soviets prepared to put on the table a set of reasonable proposals which would dramatically demonstrate the willingness of the Western powers to make agreements with the Soviet Union on fair terms.

The detailed program which has now been worked out would begin the merger process by increasing direct contacts between East and West Germany in all sorts of practical ways in such fields as commerce and travel.

A temporary all-German group, possibly to be known as a council, would be created by representatives from the traditional 15-German Länder (states) of which 10 are in West Germany with its population of 52 million and 5 in East Germany with its population of 17 million.

The new all-German group would have only limited powers and functions. Its main task would be to pull the two sides of Germany progressively closer together and to ease the shock of social, political and economic adjustment created by changing the conditions which have existed in Germany since the end of World War II.

Meanwhile in further international negotiations, the Soviet Union and the Western powers would work out detailed arrangements for the limitation and eventual reduction and withdrawal of foreign forces on German territory. In addition there would be limitations on native military power in Germany, Poland, Czechoslovakia and possibly Hungary.

An all-German government would be brought into being by free elections throughout Germany after a period of several years.

A peace treaty establishing complete German sovereignty would then be negotiated and signed with that government.

Officials said such problems as East Germany's membership in the Warsaw Pact and West Germany's in the NATO Pact could be dealt with at advanced stages of the program.

Both regimes would maintain their present alliances until all sides could see how the business of unification was progressing. Eventually, however, the pact tie would be broken and it would be up to the government of a reunified Germany to make its own decisions on the kind of association it wanted with other nations.

MECHANICVILLE, N.Y. (AP)—A force of 200 striking paper workers battled salaried employees and police in front of a struck West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co. plant Thursday night.

Three officials were shoved, kicked and slugged, the company said.

The free-for-all broke out as 14 policemen attempted to escort 10 salaried workers into the plant.

Moments before, Mayor Thomas Nolan pleaded with the strikers to break up the demonstration.

"This is anarchy. This is lawlessness," he shouted to the booing throng.

Hundreds of spectators crowded around the strikers' picket lines.

The United Papermakers and Paperworkers Union struck Jan. 29 in a dispute over the wording of contract clauses governing seniority, grievances and management rights. Wages are not an issue.

The plant, in this Hudson River city 22 miles north of Albany, suspended operations. A total of 940 hourly workers were idled.

The company resumed papermaking last Friday. It divided 250 salaried workers into three shifts to operate machines.

This action touched off a demonstration last Friday night. It did not reach the magnitude of Thursday night's 3½-hour melee.

When the police escort and salaried workers moved toward the main gate, the pickets met them head-on and fighting began in the middle of the street, newsmen said.

Four carloads of Saratoga County deputy sheriffs sped to reinforce city police.

The company said about 100 pickets surged inside mill property early today but left after the mayor, an Episcopal clergyman and union leaders talked with them.

The mayor said he had telephoned Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller's office to request state police aid. The governor's office said no request had been received.

Union officials could not be reached for comment.

The company said John J. Yorke, mill personnel manager and chief company spokesman at contract negotiations, was the most severely injured. His face was cut and bloodied, a spokesman said.

Roy Sharp, maintenance superintendent, was knocked to the ground and kicked, and George N. Hoover, mill manager, was pushed and shoved, the spokesman added.

The demonstration came a few hours after a State Mediation Board announcement that a panel had suspended talks with the company and union.



SONITA, three tons of elephant on the hoof, with her youngster Tona, a star in her own right. The pair is with the Exchange Club Circus due to appear in the Klamath Falls Auditorium Saturday at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. They will be accompanied by a host of other big top performers.

Tobacco, Tax Increases Pass First Major Test

By JERRY REYNOLDS
SACRAMENTO (UPI)—A cigarette tax of three cents a pack and a boost of higher level income taxes went through the first major test Thursday night without a hitch.

The Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee passed the cigarette tax 9-6 and the income tax boost 11-7—the exact vote predicted Thursday by a United Press International Poll.

"I don't think I have ever attended a meeting before which I had been asked so many times by so many people just how I was going to vote," remarked Assemblyman Bruce Sumner (R-Santa Ana) as the bills were taken up.

The measures now go to the Ways and Means Committee for technical approval and then to the Assembly floor, probably next week.

The cigarette tax bill would tax cigarettes at three cents a pack and other tobacco products at 15 per cent. It would bring in 60 million dollars in new revenue to the state in the next fiscal year.

The income tax increase also would bring in about 60 million dollars in its first year. Committee Chairman Thomas J. MacBride (D-Sacramento) said two-thirds of this vote came from persons with annual incomes over \$25,000 and the average family of four with income less than \$10,500 actually would pay less state income tax than now.

MacBride, author of Gov. Edmund G. Brown's entire tax program, said he felt he had enough votes on the floor of the Assembly

to get the two bills through with a 41-vote majority. Only the proposed bank and corporation tax boost, still pending before the committee, require a two-thirds vote of both houses.

MacBride said nobody wants the state to go into deficit financing or cut out present state services, so "the only alternative is to raise the means by which we can live. All of us must pay our fair share, and we also can share the grumbles."

Opposition to the cigarette tax was led by C. J. Haggerty, executive secretary-treasurer of the state AFL-CIO.

Haggerty said consumer taxes now make up two-thirds of the total tax load and a cigarette tax would be "painful only to the well-off."

He said the tax would place a burden "10 per cent higher on the group with incomes of less than \$10,000 than it would the group of over \$10,000 a year income."

Tobacco industry representatives also opposed the tax strongly, claiming much of the tax would be absorbed by the industry instead of the consumers and that the cigar industry in California probably would be driven out of business.

The committee beat down on a voice vote an attempt by Assemblyman Charles H. Wilson (D-Los Angeles) to have the cigarette tax increased to five cents a pack. He argued that if the tax is raised only three cents, vending machine operators would boost the price five cents on cigarette machines and keep the other two cents.



BIDS WERE ADVERTISED Thursday for the construction of the College of the Siskiyous in Weed. They will be opened April 10. Dr. M. C. Greenhields, president of the college, is shown at the site of the college, which is scheduled for opening September, 1959. The buildings will be under an austerly plan at an estimated cost of around \$100,000. The college has been estimated at roughly \$200,000 to build and equip and for site preparation. On Saturday, volunteer labor under the sponsorship of the Weed Chamber of Commerce cleared the property under the direction of Elmer Zimmerman, logging superintendent; B. O. Miller, assistant logging superintendent, and Lawrence Stenfonson, logging foreman, from the International Paper Company, Weed branch, Monday night, the Shastina-Weed Volunteer Fire Department burned the debris. Bids will also be advertised for the construction of a wall and other work around the site.

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