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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

From Pasadena: Police reported this morning that Bruce Thomas, age 23, demonstrated to two friends how to play Russian roulette.

He put one cartridge in the chamber of his revolver, placed the weapon against his head and pulled the trigger.

He died instantly.

It's tragic—and I'm aware that tragedy should never be treated flippantly or cynically.

But—

When people insist on doing things like playing Russian roulette, and LOSE—isn't it perhaps just as well, everything considered?

Agricultural note: The European corn borer destroyed more than 100 million bushels of the 1958 corn crop, according to an estimate of the U.S. department of agriculture.

The corn borer loss in 1957 was 180 million bushels.

Hmmmmmm. Let's be openly cynical this time:

Is the corn borer a pest? Or—in these days of subsidized over-production designed to win corn belt votes—is it a BLESSING?

Let's close this regrettably sarcastic screed with a thoughtful look at the financial plight of the state of Michigan.

Michigan has no money on hand with which to pay its bills. So, this morning, Governor Williams held up about 325 checks totaling more than \$100,000 for payment of the salaries of the members of the legislature, the justices of the supreme court and the judges of the circuit courts.

He said the \$5,000,000 payroll scheduled for May 7 for 28,000 other state employees, including himself, will not be met unless emergency funds are provided.

Where could the emergency funds come from?

Well, there was a plan to convert the veterans trust fund—out of which veterans' pensions and other benefits must be paid. IF PAID, into cash to meet the state's fiscal crisis.

The legislature declined to do that. So the payroll can't be met—unless some other source of "emergency" funds can be found.

What's wrong?

It's quite simple.

Michigan has been spending too much and taxing too little—so the inevitable time has arrived when the state has NO MONEY with which to pay its bills.

Michigan's plight at least drives home the lesson if you're going to SPEND you've got to TAX. Government - provided services don't come for free.

Solons Vote Erasure Of Exposition Fund

By JAMES C. ANDERSON
SACRAMENTO (UPI) — The Assembly voted 56-20 today to wipe out the automatic 20 million dollar a year fair and exposition fund.

The vote was a victory for Gov. Edmund G. Brown who supported the bill introduced by Assemblyman Thomas M. Rees (D-Los Angeles). The measure now goes to the Senate for further consideration.

"This is a good bill for fiscal responsibility," Rees said. "It does not destroy the fair system but it does say that the Legislature shall pass on their appropriations."

The only argument against the measure came from freshman leg-

islator Paul J. Lunardi (D-Roseville), whose Assembly district contains nine state-supported fairs. Lunardi argued that the 77 district and county fairs had been doing a good job.

The fairs and exposition funds is dear to the hearts of many legislators in both houses because it provides from horse racing revenues a guaranteed \$65,000 a year to 72 district and county fairs plus larger amounts to four other fairs and \$30,000 to the Cloverdale Citrus Fair.

In many cases, the fairs have not been able to spend all the money they get. At the end of the fiscal year, the Department of Finance estimated the 77 fairs would have cash reserves totaling \$7,801,963.

Under the Rees bill, the automatic handout would stop in 1960. The fairs would hang on to their cash reserve and would get the \$65,000 in the fiscal year starting July 1.

But in 1960, they would have to come before the Department of Finance and the Legislature and justify their budgets. And with the state in a period of deficit financing, many fairs would probably have a tough time getting \$65,000 from the lawmakers.

Although his bill has run into some strong opposition, mostly from so-called "cow county" legislators, Rees insists it will not hurt the fair program.

"My bill in no way will hurt any legitimate, well-run fair," he said.

"But the governor and we are saying that fairs should come to the Department of Finance and the Legislature the way all other agencies do and justify their budget."

"Some of the present practices of fairs are shocking, especially when you consider they're spending the taxpayers' dollar."

Brown, in his budget message to the Legislature, urged abolition of the fairs and exposition fund.

"The fund is perhaps the outstanding example of the effects and dangers inherent in the special fund method of financing," he said.

In addition to the \$65,000 a year guarantee to 72 fairs, the Cow Palace in San Francisco gets \$250,000 as does the Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona. The National Orange Show in San Bernardino receives \$150,000, the 38th District Fair in Los Angeles is down for \$125,000 and the Cloverdale Citrus Fair receives \$30,000.



PHIL QUISENBERRY

Copco Boosts Lakeview Man

The promotion of Philip C. Quisenberry to the post of district manager of the Lakeview-Alturas district of California Oregon Power Company is announced by Copco headquarters at Medford. He fills the vacancy created by the recent death of A. B. Wilson of Alturas.

Quisenberry, whose home is in Lakeview, will remain there and district headquarters will be Lakeview instead of Alturas as it was previously. Norval E. Estlin of Alturas has been promoted to the position of assistant district manager and he will be in charge of the Alturas office.

Another change involves Leonard B. Vertrees, district accountant at Alturas, who is being transferred to Medford as a traveling accountant.

Quisenberry was born at Medford and started his career with Copco 24 years ago in Klamath Falls as a powerhouse operator, service dispatcher and estimator.

Following service in the Navy from 1944 to 1946, he was transferred to Lakeview in 1947 as assistant manager of the district. He has been active in civic affairs and is a past president of Lake County Chamber of Commerce and has been named as first senior citizen by that group. He has served as president of the Lakeview Rotary Club, was for three years with the Community Chest and last year served as Chief Whitehall of the Order of the Antelope. He is currently chairman of the Lake County School Reorganization Committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Quisenberry have two daughters, Susan, a freshman at Oregon State College, and Felice, a senior at Lakeview High School.

The Lakeview-Alturas Copco district serves 3,500 customers in Southern Oregon and Northern California and the new district manager will divide his time between Lakeview and Alturas.

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BULLETIN

OWASSO, Okla. (AP) — Little Richard, coon hound imprisoned nearly six days in a narrow crevice of a limestone bluff, was reported rescued alive today.

There was no immediate word on his condition or details of the rescue.

Firms Make Rival Claims

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Pacific Gas & Electric Co. and the California Oregon Power Co. are making rival claims for use of McCloud River water for electric power developments today at a state Water Rights Board hearing.

Both contended they need the water to meet requirements for additional power in the areas they serve. California Oregon Power Co. operates in Southern Oregon and parts of Northern California, PG&E in California.

The hearing was expected to continue several days, after which the board will take the dispute under submission. A decision will come out of the board's headquarters in Sacramento.

California Oregon Power Co. proposes to construct a series of dams, conduits and powerhouses on the McCloud River system. PG&E wants to divert water from the McCloud to the Pit River and run the water through its powerhouses on the Pit.

Both rivers are in Siskiyou County, tributaries of the Sacramento River, above Shasta Dam.

Both power company applications have been protested by local interests.



AN EMERGENCY SHIPMENT of 50,000 board feet of lumber is being loaded here by Consolidated Freightways for shipment to Portland. Monday, an urgent call went to members of the industry for donated materials to complete the monster exposition building of the Oregon Forest Products Association at the Centennial grounds. Klamath Basin Pine Mills, Modoc Lumber Company, Ellingson Lumber Company and Weyerhaeuser responded in this area, donating the lumber, while Consolidated agreed to furnish transportation to Portland. Les Springer of Consolidated Freightways, shown operating loader, reports the shipment left Monday evening and arrived Tuesday morning at the pavilion site. The entire structure is being constructed of laminated one by fours.

President's News Conference

Clamps On Senate Labor Bill Requested By Chief Executive

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower called on Congress today for tightening of the Senate's labor control bill at three points. Eisenhower told his news conference that the measure passed by the Senate has very definite weaknesses.

He said he is very disappointed with it.

The President said he believes the House should write in amendments to (1) curb secondary boycott, (2) outlaw blackmail picketing and (3) clarify the no-man's land area where the authority of the National Labor Relations Board and that of the states is cloudy.

Eisenhower was asked if he feels it necessary to have such amendments in light of the bill of rights for rank and file labor that was voted into the Senate measure.

Eisenhower replied that as it first was offered by Sen. John McClellan (D-Ark.), he thought the bill of rights proposal was a fine thing.

But he said a compromise which finally was adopted was not a real substitute for the kind of thing that should have been done.

The substitute was sponsored by Sen. Thomas Kuchel of California, the assistant Republican leader, and backed by a group of Republicans who have been regarded as friendly to organized labor.

This was Eisenhower's first Washington news conference since March 25. He dealt with these other topics:

Herter-Dulles—Eisenhower said that from the onset of John Foster Dulles' illness last February, both he and Dulles were in agreement that Christian A. Herter should be named secretary of state if it became necessary for Dulles to resign.

When Dulles was forced to resign earlier this month because of cancer, Herter, who had been serving as acting secretary, was his immediate choice for the job, the President said, provided his health was up to the burden.

Eisenhower reported his views on this matter when told there had been some speculation that Herter was his reluctant choice and that Herter's prestige had been damaged because the President had waited four days to appoint him after Dulles stepped down.

Eisenhower remarked there had been a lot of unnecessary and un-

profitable speculation. He added that he wanted to announce the appointment of Herter a day earlier, but that Herter was traveling and the announcement had to be put off 24 hours. As for the talk of delay, Eisenhower noted Dulles' grave illness. He said that when you are losing a public servant of Dulles' stature you don't try to hold a wedding until the other man—in this case Dulles—has left the house.

Iraq—The United States is very concerned about Iraq and the possibility of complete Communist domination of that Mideast country, Eisenhower said he doesn't know whether he agrees with Allen W. Dulles, chief of the Central Intelligence Agency, that the situation in Iraq is the most dangerous in the world. But he added it certainly is not an easy situation.

Nixon-Summit — He and Vice President Richard M. Nixon never would attend any summit conference with the Russians simultaneously, Eisenhower said. That wouldn't be feasible because of the nature of the American government and the necessity for the President to avoid being out of the country for any length of time.

In reply to another question, Eisenhower said he had not meant to imply any probability that Nixon might take over for him during part of any summit meeting. There are no present plans for that, he said.

Montgomery—As for remarks by his old comrade in arms, Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, that the American leadership under Eisenhower has become suspect, the President suggested to newsmen that they read today's British newspapers on that matter.

The American spokesman told newsmen at a briefing session that the four-power working group of experts will meet tonight to review certain sections of their original proposals to their chiefs. The revised sections are to be ready for further discussion by the ministers when they meet Thursday. There were no details on what sections are to be changed.

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Weather

Northern California — Fair through tonight except overcast on the north coast; cloudy in the north with occasional light rain near the coast from Fort Bragg northward and over the interior from Redding northward Thursday; slightly cooler inland. South-westerly and westerly winds, 12-25 miles an hour, Point Reyes northward tonight and Thursday.

Klamath Falls and vicinity — Mostly cloudy and mild through Thursday. Highs 58-64; low tonight 36-42.

High yesterday 64
Low last night 28
Precip. last 24 hours 4.68
Since Oct. 1 4.68
Same period last year 14.33

Visit To India Nixed By Puppet

TOKYO (AP)—Red China's puppet ruler of Tibet, the Panchen Lama, today rejected an invitation to visit India for peace talks with the self-exiled Dalai Lama.

Indian Prime Minister Nehru, who granted the 23-year-old Dalai Lama asylum after his flight from the Chinese Communists, had suggested the meeting as a move to end the Tibetan rebellion.

The Panchen Lama stood by the claim of the Chinese overlords that his holy colleague had been kidnapped.

Nehru has branded as a lie Communist claims that the Dalai Lama is a captive.

Ministers Report Solidarity

PARIS (AP)—The four Western foreign ministers, meeting to unify their positions before the coming East-West conference, reached "large areas of agreement" in today's opening sessions, an American spokesman said.

The spokesman said the sessions went smoothly, although minor areas of disagreement cropped up.

He told newsmen that on the basis of progress shown today, U.S. Secretary of State Christian A. Herter may move up his departure for Washington from Saturday night to Friday night.

"In fact," the spokesman said, "we covered more ground than we expected."

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Action Finished On Oretech Bill

SALEM (AP)—The Senate completed legislative action Tuesday on a bill appropriating \$2,412,836 to operate Oregon Technical Institute during the next two years.

The amount is \$500,000 less than was recommended by ex-Gov. Robert Holmes. The cut was made because vocational courses will be eliminated, and OTI will become strictly a technical school.

It cost \$2,300,000 to operate the school in the present biennium.

Three Per Cent Tax Set For 1960 Ballot

SALEM (AP)—Oregon's Senate Taxation Committee voted Tuesday night for a three per cent sales tax that would be referred to the people at the general election in November, 1960.

It also scuttled House-passed proposals for a tax of three cents a package on cigarettes and 15 per cent on other tobacco.

And it rejected the House bill to revise income tax rates and eliminate most deductions. Instead, the Senate committee amended the present income tax law by merely reducing the \$600 personal exemption to \$500.

Four members of the committee favored the plan. Sen. Monroe Sweetland (D-Milwaukie), the lone dissenter, said he would fight the plan on grounds it violates the constitutional provision that revenue bills must originate in the House.

The Senate plan provides that if the people vote for a sales tax, then the personal income tax exemptions for single persons would be increased to \$1,500, and for married persons to \$3,000. The exemption for dependents would then go back to \$600.

The sales tax revenue would be used for general fund purposes, with any surplus being used to increase basic school aid to local districts to a maximum of \$140 per census child per year. Basic school aid now is \$105.

The people have rejected sales tax proposals six times, the last time having been in 1947.

The Senate income tax proposal would amount to a 10 per cent average increase. The House bill would achieve a 9.6 per cent boost by eliminating all deductions except for medical expenses and contributions.

The House bill also would have adopted a rate schedule of one to seven per cent. The Senate version would retain the present three to 9.5 per cent schedule.

The House also did and the Senate Committee did not approve Gov. Mark Hatfield's plan for a one per cent tax on gross income in order to bring in many taxpayers who now pay no tax.

The committee did not take final action on the bills, as it wants to get them printed first. Committee members voting for the amendments are Chairman Ward Cook (D-Portland), Boyd R. Overholser (D-Madras), Donald R. Husband (R-Eugene), and Harry D. Bolvin (D-Klamath Falls).

Absent were Ben Busa (D-The Dalles) and Anthony Yturri (R-Ontario), but both were reported to be in favor of the plan.

The sales tax measure was placed by amendment into the House cigarette tax, except that the cigarette tax was removed.

This originally was Gov. Hatfield's cigarette tax bill, and it still bears the legend "at the request of Gov. Hatfield," even though it now is a sales tax bill that Hatfield vigorously opposes.

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ROLLAND (BUD) RILEY

Fire Chief Said Better

WEED — Rolland (Bud) Riley, 47, fire chief of the Weed Shasta Volunteer Fire Department and Weed police commissioner, was reported to be in satisfactory condition in Mount Shasta Community Hospital this morning according to his physician.

Riley received second degree burns over one-fourth of his body in a switchboard explosion at the Weed Branch of the Long-Bell Lumber Company about noon on Monday. His face, hands, arms, neck and right side were burned.

Harvey E. Gilman Jr. was also burned in the explosion but was released from the hospital.

Riley, Gilman and two crewmen were working on the switchboard during the Monday noon plant shutdown and were attempting to dismantle one of the main switches in the power plant when the explosion occurred. Riley is an electrical foreman with the Weed division of the paper company.

Schools Note Flu On Wane

Attendance in schools throughout the city is moving back toward normal following a severe outbreak of influenza during the past three weeks.

At its peak, the epidemic caused 880 elementary school students to miss classes last Friday and nearly 700 Klamath Union High School students to stay home one day a week earlier.

By Monday the figure had dropped to 508 for elementary schools and 230 for the high school. The district office is no longer compiling the daily figures since indications are the crisis is well past.

But at a joint meeting of the boards of directors of School Districts 1 and 2 Monday, officials said they expect a lower than average attendance for sometime to come as a result of late flu cases.



STUDENT BODY OFFICERS for the fall term at Klamath Union High School are, from left, Bobba Taylor, yell leader; Mikel Thurston, president; Jerry Wickersham, secretary; Dave Saks, second vice president; Francis Kenyon, business manager; Rod Sparlin, third vice president, and Steve Binney, first vice president. They were elected from a field of 20 candidates during elections Thursday and Friday.



RESULTS OF MANY MONTHS WORK is proudly displayed by Tex Harvard of McCloud. He and his wife, Marian, have worked since last November on this amphibious trailer house. When completed and furnished it will weigh 2,700 pounds. It is 22 feet long, eight feet wide, with the hull of 14 gauge metal. Bolted gusset will operate the refrigerator, stove and lights. The interior is constructed of maple plywood panels. Tex designed the trailer, and hopes to complete it in time for his vacation. — Photo by Dan Kettler