

\$10 Million Tax Boost Facing Beer Drinkers

By JAMES C. ANDERSON
SACRAMENTO (UPI)—Fresh from voting to raise bank and corporation taxes by \$58,000,000 a year, the Assembly turned its attention today to the governor's bill to tax beer drinkers an extra 10 million dollars annually.

Up for final action was AB1171 by Assemblyman Thomas J. MacBride (D-Sacramento). It would increase state taxes on beer from two cents to seven cents a gallon.

Gov. Edmund G. Brown said originally when he proposed his \$56 million dollar tax program that he hoped the beer industry would absorb the tax without passing it on to the consumer. But lobbyists for the industry made it clear in committee hearings that if the Legislature approves the tax, the price of beer will go up.

The Brown administration scored a major victory in the lower house Monday when it obtained passage of the bank and corporation tax increase. Needing 54 votes to get the bill over to the Senate, Brown's Democratic floor leaders finally were able to muster 55 votes after an hour of arm-twisting and arguing.

The final vote was 55-22 in the Assembly with 12 Republicans joining the Democrats in voting "aye." Only two of the 47 Democrats voted against the bill—Assemblyman Rex Cunningham of Ventura and Clayton A. Dills of Gardena. Two other Democrats were absent.

Here is the present status of the governor's tax program with less than three weeks left in the session:

Income tax increase of \$71,000,000 on the governor's desk awaiting his signature.

Cigarette tax, a new levy of \$60,750,000 a year, in a conference committee of the two houses. It is certain to be approved in a form calling for a three-cent tax on each package of cigarettes but there are differences whether cigars and tobacco products also should be taxed and whether the tax should be collected by the stamp or invoice method.

The proposed severance tax on oil and gas has been killed by an Assembly committee but Democratic leadership in the Assembly may try to revive the \$28,500,000 measure later in the week.

A bill increasing horse racing taxes by \$10,500,000 a year is pending in the Senate. So is the governor's inheritance tax proposal which would produce eight million dollars more a year.

One bill, which advances the collection date of the insurance tax to net 55 million dollars for one year only, already has passed both houses and been signed into law.

Other developments in the Legislature:

Junior colleges: Assembly Ways and Means, pleading lack of funds, killed a bill to set up a 30 million dollar state aid program to help junior colleges build new plants. The bill by Sheridan N. Hegland (D-La. Mesa) was sent to interim committee for two years.

Narcotics: Four measures to increase the penalty for narcotics offenders were killed by an Assembly committee. One of the bills dumped by the Crime Committee in its original form would have increased the penalties for narcotics peddlers to a minimum of 30 years.

Water: Brown, on the eve of a meeting of Southern California assemblymen, once again defended his proposed water program as a plan with "basic soundness and fairness" to all parts of the state. The northern Senate adopted the program 25-12 last weekend and it now is pending in the Assembly, dominated by southerners, to take final action on the bill.

Unemployment: An Assembly committee approved a bill increasing maximum unemployment benefits from \$40 a week to a top of \$55 at a total increased cost to employers of 48 million dollars a year. The committee voted to exclude public employees and employees of non-profit institutions.

A controversy between the Teamsters Union and the AFL-CIO broke out at the committee hearing with teamsters charging the AFL-CIO negotiated with employers without consulting them.

Highway funds: The Assembly Transportation Committee on a voice vote sent to the Assembly a bill for a two-year study of a bill by Assemblyman Thomas M. Rees (D - Los Angeles) which would change the present split of highway funds between north and south. The formula now gives the south 55 per cent and the north 45 per cent. Rees' bill would have tipped the south's share to 60 per cent.

back to the Middle Ages. Cole points out there is nothing magic in the number "four," particularly since less than 40 per cent of all college entrants graduate in four years.

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MT. SHASTA, DORRIS AND YREKA High Schools were represented by winners of a recent Bank of America Awards contest. These students each won \$100 for outstanding scholarship and participation in activities. From left they and their fields are Jere Melo of Mt. Shasta, fine arts; Patricia Martin of Yreka, science and mathematics, and Nancy Wemple of Dorris, liberal arts. The student at right is Albert Finch of Los Molinos.

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CLEAN UP MONTH has been declared for the city of Chiloquin. Here, boys from the newly formed dens of Cub Scouts show their willingness to help with the campaign which runs during the month of June. Left to right, Daryl Hale; Douglas McIntyre, Charles Kirkpatrick and Larry Peters remove the debris after a group of picnickers have left. The boys are from two dens.

—Photo by Ellis

Basin Briefs

Home—Sharon Ann Bray, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bray of Yreka, who recently underwent surgery, is now at home and reportedly recovering very satisfactorily.

Meeting—Shasta Valley Community Club will hold regular meeting in the club room of the Montague auditorium tonight, June 2, to complete plans for the eighth annual junior rodeo and barbecue to be held on Sunday, June 21 at Montague.

Garden Club—Shasta Valley Garden Club will hold its meeting at the home of Mrs. Henrietta Terwilliger in Little Shasta, on Wednesday, June 3 at 2 p.m. The meeting date has been set up from the regular date of June 5.

Houseguests—At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Williams in Little Shasta were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boyce and son, Richard, from Quincy. The visitors arrived on Wednesday, May 27, and remained over the weekend.

In Hospital—Mrs. Ruby Stafford of Montague is at present a patient at the Siskiyou County Hospital at Yreka.

Vacation—High school pupils home for summer vacation at Fort Rock include Clinton and Joan Perry, Roger and Marian Miles, Sullivan Zvir and Teresa Ward.

Holiday Guests—Of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Klerk, Fort Rock, were Mr. and Mrs. John Klerk of Beaverton. They were Memorial weekend visitors.

Weekend Guests—at the Maurice Ward ranch were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stingley, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Loosington, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Holtman and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Peden and daughter all of Riddle. The group includes members of "Carol's Country Cousins" dance orchestra, providing music at the Fort Rock Grange Hall Saturday night. Stingley is Mrs. Ward's uncle.

Prosperity To Be Byword Of Republicans In 1960

WASHINGTON (AP)—It's official now. The Republicans are going to run on prosperity in 1960.

That was the word passed to party workers Monday by Sen. Thurston B. Morton (R-Ky.), the Republican national chairman.

"The recession beat us in 1958," he said, but added "the prosperity of 1960—an awesome challenge for the Democrats when coupled with the peace we established and maintained—can and will elect us."

But while Morton was predicting that the national output may hit a half-trillion dollars, Democrats were forecasting dire happenings in the politically potent arm belt.

Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.), a potential candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, told his colleagues farmers are going to produce so much corn this year there won't be enough bins to store it.

An over-supply of corn traditionally is followed by low grain prices. It was this sort of situation, combined with the Republican 80th Congress' refusal to vote funds for storage bins, that was credited with helping President Harry Truman win reelection in 1948 with surprising backing in the farm belt.

Humphrey and Sen. Paul H. Douglas (D-Ill.) blamed the policies of Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson for the prospective corn glut. Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.) voiced the opinion Benson is out to prove price supports won't work "if it costs 20 billion dollars to do it."

Humphrey said Benson and — by inference — Republican candidates are in for trouble if something isn't done about low egg prices. He said egg returns on the average farm represent "mamma's money" and when mamma gets mad the politicians had better look out.

Morton didn't mention the farm situation in a glowing report on the economy sent to Republican party workers. He said the economic recovery demonstrates that GOP policies are right and shows the Democrats were "wrong on every major economic decision."

"What all this means politically is crystal clear," he said. "In 1960 on all levels from the big race to local elections we Republicans will come before the people urging a Republican-made and Republican fostered and Republican-protected era of our greatest prosperity."

Coed Awaits Full Vision

COLORADO CITY, Tex. (AP)—A coed seared by silver nitrate in a college prank May 14 is waiting to see whether an operation will be needed to restore full vision to her right eye.

Sheila Rene Nelms, 20, returned to her home here after being discharged from a Denton, Tex. hospital. She had been a patient since another North Texas State College student threw the caustic on her as she left a party.

Miss Nelms has regained vision in her left eye and has escaped in the threat of scars which doctors said might result from the searing liquid.

Tommy Ray Lester, 21, who said he threw the caustic as a joke, was expelled from the college and charged with a misdemeanor.

Swiss Millionaire May Wed Star

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Wedding bells may be in the future for Rhonda Fleming and Felix Foaie, a Swiss millionaire the screen beauty dated while in Europe recently for the Cannes Film Festival.

"We have talked about being engaged, but we are not yet," the actress said. She has an interlocutory divorce decree from Dr. Lew Morrill.

Negro Pupil Graduates

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP)—Gus Roberts, 17, Monday became the first Negro to graduate from Central High School.

He entered the school two years ago when token integration began here and at Winston-Salem and Greensboro. Eleven Negroes attended previously at all-white schools in the three cities this year.

Gus' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Roberts, and the boy's two sisters and a brother attended the graduation exercises. His younger sister attended previously at all-white Piedmont Junior High School this year.

There was no segregated seating in the auditorium. "Everything was real nice," said Gus' father.

DIE IN CRASH

YUMA, Colo. (AP)—Four Nebraska men died Friday in the crash of a single-engine plane into a field about 150 yards from a farmhouse, near the Nebraska border.

23 Years Ago

Monday, May 31, 1936—Frank P. Drew, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Drew of Klamath Falls, was selected as a member of the directing board of the University of Oregon cooperative store. The store is located on the Eugene campus.

Tuesday, June 1, 1936—Mrs. Dena Bockus, active member of the B and PW club of this city, was elected to the office of treasurer of the Oregon Federation of Business and Professional Women at the state convention of clubs held in Roseburg. Mrs. Isabelle Brinker, also a prominent member of the local club, was appointed state program chairman for the year.

Wednesday, June 2, 1936—Phyllis Collier of Riverside school has been announced as winner of the \$5.00 prize offered by Veterans of Foreign Wars in their poppy poster contest. Second prize went to Sammy Reddy, also of Riverside School.

Thursday, June 3, 1936—Dr. Neil Black has accepted the post of Klamath County health officer. Mrs. Twyla Ferguson, secretary of the county health board, received a wire from Dr. Black to that effect. Dr. Black was elected by the board Friday.

Friday, June 4, 1936—Ashland High School's new coach and athletic director will be Forrest "Skeet" O'Connell, former Oregon State College basketball star. O'Connell, former Portland athlete, was coach at Woodburn, Ore., High School the past school year.

Saturday, June 5, 1936—Cal-Ore on the Weed-Klamath highway near Dorris, will be the scene of a meeting of the Siskiyou County council of the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland on Thursday. Klamath County members of the association have been invited to attend. William Hagelstein, vice chairman of the Siskiyou council of Dorris, is arranging the meeting.

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Gifted Student Program Moves From High Schools Up To University Level

By G. K. HODENFIELD, AP Education Writer

WASHINGTON (AP)—American universities, traditionally slow to change their ways, are being caught up in a space-age controversy: what to do about the gifted student?

Ever since you-know-who sent Sputnik I into orbit 20 months ago, the nation's brightest kids have been in the spotlight. They are the leaders of tomorrow, goes the refrain, and we must cultivate them as we do rare plants.

Mostly the arguments about gifted students have centered around their high school education. Now the fuss and furor have reached the collegiate level. Around the country, a number of plans are being tried out.

The most popular seems to be advanced placement—giving college freshmen credit for college-level courses they took in high school. Honors programs, wherein the brightest students progress at a much faster rate than their fellows, are also popular. So is the idea of independent study for those able to handle it.

A few years ago, "early admission" was being touted as the coming thing in higher education. It is still being used, but more and more schools are deciding that it just doesn't work out to let even the brightest students skip their last year or two of high school.

The University of Chicago, under President Robert Hutchins, pioneered many radical innovations in collegiate education about 30 years ago. Many of Hutchins' programs, all geared to the brightest students, are dead or dying on the Chicago campus, but versions of them are still popping

up elsewhere.

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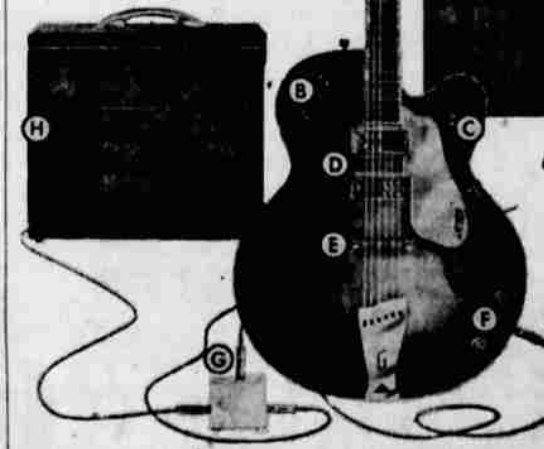
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