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In The Day's News

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In California, Governor Brown loses his battle to levy a two per cent severance tax on oil and natural gas taken from the ground, with an equal levy on imports. The reason for the equal levy on imports is obvious. Otherwise over-the-boarders gas and oil products would have been given a market advantage in California, which is now an oil and gas importing area.

It is obvious that with the import tax added the levy would have amounted merely to a selective sales tax on gas and oil. Its result would have been to make gas and oil products more costly in California than elsewhere.

One could lecture on that point at considerable length. Gas and oil are basic raw materials. Through the processes of chemistry, they are sources of a wide range of commercial products. They are basic sources of power. To the extent that a tax on power increases operating costs of industry, such a tax would tend to limit industrial expansion in the state levying it. That, in turn, would tend to limit employment.

The same is true of a tax levied on basic raw materials.

So—

It could be argued—

The result of the proposed severance tax on gas and oil would have been to lower the profits of industrial concerns in California, thus handicapping their expansion and causing them either to cut down their production or to go to more costly automatic processes in an effort to meet the price.

That would tend to REDUCE JOBS and job opportunity in California and to build up other states not subject to such added costs. Thus California development would be handicapped.

That, however, is not the purpose of this piece, which seeks merely to point out FACTS. One of the facts of life is that NOBODY can permanently dodge taxes. Nobody can permanently shove his share of the tax burden off onto somebody else because taxes are a part of the cost of doing business and so have to be added to prices. Since we all have to BUY THINGS, we all in the long run pay our share, according to our means, of the tax burden.

The hard truth is that the only way in which taxes can be reduced is to reduce the COST OF GOVERNMENT—in other words, to spend less for government. What we need to do, above all else, is to reduce the WASTE in government spending.

Government is inherently wasteful.

Let's put it this way: You and I would be wasteful also if when we ran out of money all we had to do was to reach into the people's pockets and take out what we needed.

And—

We shouldn't be too rough on our representatives in the state legislatures and the congress. They think that in spending recklessly they are doing just what we want them to do. They have reason to think that—the reason being that for decades the spenders have tended to be elected and the economizers have tended to be defeated in elections.

As long as that goes on, government spending will tend to be reckless.

WRONG DREAM

BRISTOL, Conn. (UPI)—After Elmer Madsen lost his wallet containing \$10, he dreamed it was lying in a parking lot. Next day, he went to the lot where, sure enough, he found a wallet—but it wasn't his.

RR Worker Sires Quads; Problems Just Starting

EAST ORANGE, N.J. (AP)—Ciro Bravata's quadruplets and their mother are doing fine in East Orange General Hospital. But the proud papa admits "I've got troubles"—another family in New York City.

Bravata became the father of a girl and three boys Saturday. Sunday he admitted he was married to another woman and had two children by her.

"Oh, he's a fine one," moaned Bravata's wife, Grace, 38, as she lay in bed under sedation after hearing of the quads.

But Bravata, 39, a railroad freight conductor, said the quads' mother, Louise Stroblin Bravata, knew all along he was married.

"Louise couldn't be happier," Bravata said.

As for Grace: "I have no desire to talk to her. I never did. She's been giving me a hard time since the first day I married her."

Bravata said his lawyer, Herman Caponi of New York, "has got the case."

Caponi said Bravata and the mother of the quads had never been married, that legal action the wife Grace had started never had been put on a court calendar and never "brought to termination."

The only thing legal about the separation, Caponi said, "is that it's mutual."

However, Caponi said that under a court order, Bravata was required to pay \$40 weekly in support of Grace and their two children, a girl and boy, now 13 and 12 years old.

Grace at her home in Hollis, Queens, New York City, said her husband's support payments had been an on-again-off-again thing and that he owes her \$900.

"I suppose he's proud of himself with his picture in the paper, grinning with that other woman," she said.

Several years ago Grace underwent a delicate heart operation. "My relatives lent him money to pay most of the hospital bills," she said, "then he goes and buys a new car."

Bravata, who makes \$115 a week as freight conductor of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and Louise have been living here for more than two years in a five-room apartment.

Bravata spent two hours at the hospital Sunday visiting Louise and the quads. Then he had two aspirins and went to bed.

He will be 40 years old on Father's day.

Debt Ceiling Hike Asked

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower today asked Congress to scrap the interest ceiling on government bonds, both long and short term. He also called for an increase in the national debt ceiling.

In a special message, Eisenhower said such steps are necessary for successful management of the public debt, now a record 286 billion dollars.

He said the Treasury Department will formally put before Congress requests for:

1. Removal of the current 3½ per cent interest ceiling on savings bonds.

2. Elimination of the present 4½ per cent interest limit on marketable bonds of more than five years maturity.

3. A hike in the permanent national debt ceiling from the current 282 billion dollars to 388 billion dollars, plus an increase in the temporary limit from the present 288 billion to 295 billion.

In the savings bond field, Eisenhower said the Treasury Department plans a new interest rate of 3½ per cent on all series "E" and "H" bonds sold beginning June 1. The "E" is an interest hike of a half of one per cent.

Eisenhower said further the Treasury Department plans an "improved interest rate" on all series "E" and "H" bonds now outstanding, as well as improved extension terms for outstanding "E" bonds when they mature.

"The public debt must be managed so as to safeguard the public credit," Eisenhower told Congress.

"It must be managed in a way that is consistent with economic growth and stability."

The President cited reasons why he believes removal of the interest ceiling on government bonds is necessary at this time.

Rapid growth in borrowing demands of corporations, individuals, state and local governments tends to diminish the amount of funds available for investment in direct federal government securities, he said.

Christian Demos Losing In Italy

PALERMO, Sicily (AP)—A Christian Democratic rebel and his supporters of the Communist left were running far ahead of Christian Democrats today in early returns in Sicily's crucial legislative election.

Christian Democrat regulars, whose party holds the reins of government at Rome, had the biggest single total.

With about 60 per cent of the ballots counted, returns showed the Christian Democrat rebel Silvio Milazzo, the Communists and Socialists together had about 44 per cent of the votes.

World News In Brief

United Press International

GERMANS—Moscow—East German delegation headed by Red party boss Ulbricht and Premier Grotewohl is flying in today for talks with Khrushchev that may spell the fate of the Geneva conference.

GAS—McRae, Ga.—South Georgia town of 3,500 facing evacuation following derailment of freight cars carrying chlorine gas.

NICARAGUA—Managua—National Guard commander says invaders breaking up and fleeing; guard now engaged in police action.

STEEL—New York—Steel wage negotiators meet again today; in background is steelworkers union policy meeting scheduled Friday.

ADENAUER—Bonn—Adenauer's Christian Democratic party meets with opposition Socialists in debate over Adenauer decision.

Reds Trying To Press West For Quick Pact On Summit

GENEVA (AP)—The Big-Four conference went into its fifth week today amid signs that the Soviet Union would press the Western powers for quick agreement on a summit conference.

Foreign ministers of the United States, Britain and France met with the Soviet's Andrei Gromyko at his headquarters here in late afternoon after holding a strategy conference among themselves.

They were reported gloomy about prospects for a Berlin agreement after a weekend declaration by Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev that he would not accept any arrangement which would "perpetuate" the occupation regime in West Berlin.

This seemed to rule out a formal accord sought by the West to guarantee the Western position in the Red-encircled city. Some diplomats thought it would not necessarily bar an understanding that the Soviet Union would refrain from any threat or use of force to try to squeeze the Western powers out of Berlin.

Khrushchev said in Budapest before returning to Moscow that East-West "accords" undoubtedly will be reached at the summit, even if no agreement is achieved by the foreign ministers.

The Soviet premier displayed confidence a summit meeting will materialize by advising the governments of Finland, Denmark, Sweden and Norway that he may have to postpone the Scandinavian tour he is scheduled to make in August.

Stefan Heymann, chief information officer of the East German government, told a group of Western newsmen flown to East Berlin from Geneva that the issues of Berlin and Germany "can only be solved at the summit."

"There can be no concrete agreement of any kind in Geneva," Heymann said.

It was the threat of a new blockade cutting traffic to the isolated city that made the Berlin crisis acute last year and forced the calling of the foreign ministers' conference in an effort to avoid a military showdown.

U.S. Secretary of State Christian A. Herter, Britain's Selwyn Lloyd and France's Maurice Couve de Murville seem to have run out of fresh ideas to propose to the Soviets, Gromyko hasn't come up with anything acceptable to the West.

Eastern diplomats in Geneva began taking an optimistic line over the weekend, talking of a quick, successful conclusion to the foreign ministers' talks with a summit conference to follow.

Western diplomats stuck to their reports that secret talks of the last 10 days have made little or no progress on Berlin. They are keeping a weather eye on talks opening in Moscow today between Khrushchev and East German leaders. They could provide a guide to Soviet policy at Geneva.

Portland Girl Wins Contest

SEASIDE, Ore. (AP)—Karyln Mattsson failed to win any of the prelims but still walked off with the main event Sunday in the Miss Oregon contest here.

The 34-23-36 brunette from Portland took no first places in the go-rounds in bathing suit, evening gown and talent competition.

But Miss Mattsson, 18, wowed the judges in the Sunday finals and was named Miss Oregon. As such, she will represent the state in the Miss America contest and be the official hostess for Oregon's Centennial celebration.

In addition to the title, Miss Mattsson, who is 5-6½ and weighs 120 pounds, also picked up \$1,200 in scholarships and a trip to Hawaii.

She said she wants to enroll at the University of Oregon next fall and study psychology.

Second place in the contest went to Miss Salem, Thelma Mae Masserdotti, an 18-year-old from Alhambra, Calif., who is studying at Willamette University.

Miss Masserdotti won the talent competition.

Third place went to blonde Rose Thrush, Miss Coos County, a 19-year-old from North Bend, Ore., who is a junior at Brigham Young University.

Trophies in the swim suit and evening gown competition went to Joan Burgoyne, Miss Corvallis.

In all, 20 girls entered the contest.

Israel-Arabs Wage Air Battle

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP)—Israeli and United Arab Republic planes fought a five-minute air battle Sunday. Israeli and Arab military spokesmen disagreed whether the clash occurred over Israel's Neguev Desert or Egypt's Sinai Peninsula.

First Manned Space Ship Successful In Glide Test

EDWARDS AFB, Calif. (UPI)—The rocket ship X15, America's first manned space vehicle, was dropped without fuel from a bomber high in the sky over Mojave Desert today and glided successfully back to earth.

The experimental craft rolled to a landing on the Rogers Dry Lake runway of this base four minutes after it was dropped from the B52 jet bomber "mother ship."

Test pilot Scott Crossfield, 37, of North American Aviation, sat at the controls of the multimillion dollar X15 as it was carried 38,000 feet high in clear, crisp weather to set one of the mileposts of the National Advisory and Space Administration's program to get man to the fringe of space.

The first drop without the space craft's own rocket power being ignited was accomplished at 8:45 a.m. p.d.

The B52 carried the X15, slung to a pylon beneath the bomber's right wing, as high as possible to give pilot Crossfield a brief but maximum chance to test the 50-foot long rocket's controls.

At first, the X15 fell vertically away from the mother ship and then began moving into its glide pattern at about 400 miles an hour actual ground speed.

According to plan, Crossfield had about two minutes to test responses of the X15 to its complex controls.

In one of those minutes the pilot had to bring the space ship to a predetermined spot over Edwards Air Force Base's sprawling dry-lake bed at about 20,000 feet.

Then, after making one complete circle, the X15 was guided into its landing sweep.

This was the critical moment for the X15 and Crossfield, who had practiced countless similar deadstick landings in conventional jet aircraft.

North American experts had cautioned that the first landing of the ship would be "like driving a racing car toward a brick wall at 100 miles an hour, slamming on the brakes and stopping two feet from the wall—only harder—because if the pilot 'lands' too high the X15 will drop the rest of the way into the ground."

Although the most precise instruments ever put into an aircraft have been built for the X15, North American said the landing phase was "close to the old-time seat-of-the-pants flying."

As a result, Crossfield had to use sheer judgment and depth perception to get safely down on the lake bed. The X15 touched down on its ski-type landing sliding to a halt.

The X15 has been designed to return to earth from an altitude of 100 miles after going into a ballistic arc with its 60,000-pound thrust rocket power at hypersonic speeds between 3,600 and 4,500 miles an hour.

Rocket Delivers Mail From USN Sub At Sea

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Post Office Department today announced the first successful mail delivery by guided missile.

The missile, a Navy Regulus I, was launched by a U.S. submarine in the Atlantic and landed at a port near Jacksonville, Fla.

The submarine was the Barbero, a missile vessel.

The distance the missile traveled was not disclosed. The department said only that the submarine was "somewhere at sea."

The Regulus flies around 600 miles an hour and today's run took 22 minutes, which would indicate a total flight of well above 100 miles including any changes of course and the landing maneuvers. The Regulus is controllable in flight.

The takeoff was from the missile submarine Barbero.

The event marked a long step toward regular missile mail service, a development which Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield has been confidently predicting.

A sample of the covers distributed by the Post Office Department in Washington carried a 4-cent regular mail stamp—not even air mail. The cancellation stamp carried the words "USS Barbero."

The cargo of 3,000 letters included one addressed to President Eisenhower.

Other messages in the cargo, all from Postmaster General Summerfield, were for members of the Cabinet, members of Congress, justices of the Supreme Court, the governors of all American states and territories, and the postmasters general of the 99 other nations which are members of the Universal Postal Union.

The missile was fired at 10:10 a.m. and landed safely at 10:32 a.m., the department said.

Summerfield, describing the event in a telephone conversation with the Washington Evening Star, said it was a dramatic sight.

He reported the wheeled missile made a perfect landing on the runway, trailing a parachute to slow it down.

The weight of the payload was not immediately disclosed but Summerfield said postal workers were ready for it.

They unloaded the mail, processed it and sped it on its way. Last Jan. 23, Summerfield predicted regular missile mail.

In an address to the annual awards dinner of National Business Publications, Inc., Summerfield said that before man reaches the moon mail will be delivered within hours from New York to California, to England, to India or to Australia by guided missiles.

He disclosed today's missile delivery followed an unofficial test flight with a similar Regulus I on the Pacific coast several months ago.

He called today's flight "of historic significance to the peoples of the entire world."

Today's shipment of mail by missile has given "extremely valuable information of far-reaching importance to the future of the United States Mail service," he said.

Guided missiles will ultimately provide a solution to problems of swifter mail delivery for international mails for isolated areas where other transportation is in-adequate, as well as a supplementary high priority service to big population centers, he said.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Variable high clouds but mostly fair through Tuesday; a few showers in the Cascades. Highs 60-65; low tonight 38-43.

High yesterday 68
Low last night 35
Precip. last 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 5.42
Same period last year 16.53

Northern California—Fair through Tuesday except fog on the coast from Cape Mendocino northward and partly cloudy in the extreme northern interior; little change in temperatures. Winds along the coast northwesterly to westerly, 12-25 miles an hour.

Truck Crash Kills Sixteen

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—Sixteen farm laborers were killed and 22 others were injured when a crudely fashioned bus crashed into a tree and exploded near Phoenix today.

The highway patrol, which had difficulty determining the number of charred and cremated bodies in the twisted wreckage, listed these figures as official but said there may be more dead.

All the victims were Mexican nationals.

Many of the injured were reported in serious condition with burns and broken bones.

The patrol quoted the driver, Nito Manuel Gloria Jr., as saying he dozed at the wheel. Gloria said he had been feeling sleepy and was going to stop at an intersection 100 yards ahead to turn the driving over to his assistant.

The driver escaped serious injury.

The workers were en route from a labor office at Mesa, Ariz., to garlic fields at Tolleson, west of Phoenix.

The truck, which had been converted into a bus with sides and a top, left a main suburban thoroughfare just south of the Phoenix city limits, plowed through a ditch and smashed into a tree.

Patrolmen said the head-on crash burst the vehicle's fuel line and caused an explosion.

Elmer Charbeneau, who lives near the scene, said an explosion awakened a him.

"It sounded like a loud clap of thunder," he said. "I ran to the window and saw flames spread over the entire bed of the bus. Then I heard screaming."

"By the time I got there, most of those who could get out were wandering in a nearby field or were stretched out in the ditch."

The converted truck had only one exit, a single door at the rear. Those who escaped appeared to be in a state of shock. They wandered about the field aimlessly.

Lost Tyke, 7, Found Unharmed

LAKE ARROWHEAD, Calif. (AP)—A large-scale search of the mountains around this Southern California resort area ended successfully today when a 7-year-old boy was found unharmed.

The boy, Craig Sweet, was found not far from Lake Arrowhead. He had been missing since Sunday morning. His father, Robert T. Sweet, had brought the family to the Deep Creek area, 10 miles northeast of Lake Arrowhead, on a camping trip. Craig became separated from a brother while hiking.

Sen. Collier Turns Demo

YREKA (UPI)—State Sen. Randolph Collier changed his party affiliation today to Democratic. The change was filed in District Court by the registrar of voters, Louis Sbarbaro.

Collier, the senior Republican, now will become the junior Democrat. He has been elected in the primaries every four years since 1938. Collier represents Siskiyou and Del Norte counties, both heavy in Democratic registration.

"My decision to change my registration to Democrat was not arrived at hastily," the senator said. "I feel that in the light of current governmental developments in California, my ideas and principles are more in line with the philosophy of the Democratic party than with any other political organization."

HUSBAND, WIFE ORDAINED

NEW YORK (UPI)—A 24-year-old Egyptian and his 22-year-old Chinese wife were ordained ministers and disciples of Christ Sunday. The Rev. Mina Erian and his wife, the former Sara Li, both graduates of Bethel College in Newton, Kan., plan to work as missionaries in South America.

BULLETIN

NEW YORK (AP)—The major leagues will play a second All-Star game this year, at the Los Angeles Coliseum on Monday, Aug. 3, Commissioner Ford Frick announced today.

The commissioner said it was his understanding that the game has been approved for 1959 only.

"If this second All-Star game proves successful," Frick said, "consideration will then be given to continuing it through 1960 and 1961."

This will mark the first time since the All-Star game inception in 1933 that two games will be played in a single season. The originally scheduled All-Star game this year will be played in Pittsburgh, Tuesday, July 7.

Tax Law Review Slated By Solon

State Senator Harry Bolvin will review tax legislation at a meeting of the Oregon Association of Public Accountants in Medford June 19-20.

In addition to Bolvin, Allen A. Drummond, a San Francisco accountant, will address the convention. Drummond is president of the National Society of Public Accountants.

Panel discussions will review typical tax and accounting problems confronting Oregon business, industry and agriculture, said Walt Fleet of Klamath Falls, member of the board of governors of the Oregon association.

A fun feature will be a contest on Centennial beards, a move instigated by Frederic Lawson of Klamath Falls, Fleet said.



NEW AND OLD OFFICERS of the Wead High School student body are, from the left, Joyce Linville, past vice president; Sally Welch, secretary-treasurer; Eddie Fruzze, past president; Jim Lemos, president; Gloria Acquistapaca, past secretary-treasurer, and Le Verne Solon, vice president. The new officers were elected before the end of this year's term and will take office next fall. — Photo by Don Kettler



MONTAGUE LANCERETTES are shown in drill form at the Montague Rodeo Grounds. From the left are Patricia Marty, Dorris Wheeler, Elaine Akin, Marilyn Akin, Bonnie Rowe, Diane Fehlman, Nola Wheeler, captain, Carol Patersen, Ardycce Joslin, Luthia Lacy, Nancy Robustellini and Arlene Sears. The girls were first organized in the spring of 1955 by Miller Brown. This will be their fifth year's appearance at the Montague Junior Rodeo on Sunday, June 21, and they have appeared in all county rodeos and horse shows, as well as at Redding and Klamath Falls. Kneeling in the foreground are Bob Akin, left, present adviser of the club, and Miller Brown, former adviser. — Photo by Don Kettler