



Business, President Get 'Closer' On Taxes

NEW YORK (AP)—The Kennedy administration and business are getting closer today on at least one disputed issue: Tax allowances for the wear and tear on machines and plants.

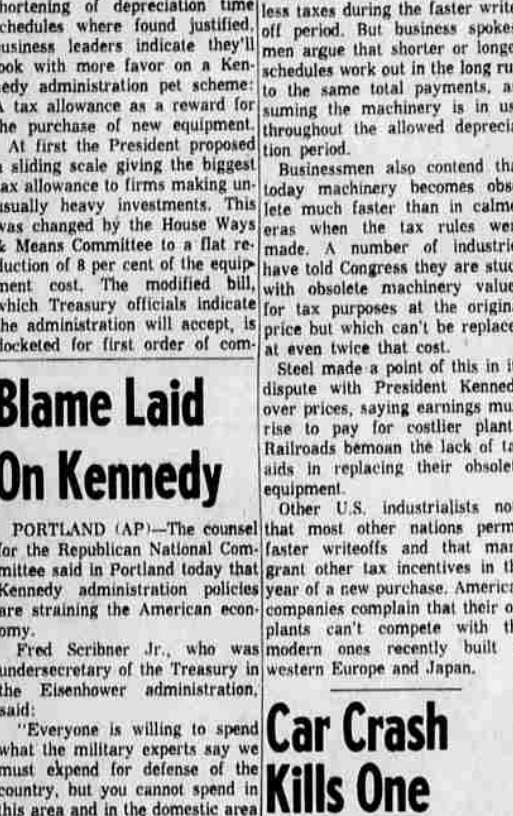
The President has been urging speedier modernization of industry to promote economic growth. Industry has been charging it is held back by obsolete tax rules.

The Treasury now indicates it will be more liberal—as many businessmen have been asking—allowing quicker depreciation writeoffs for tax purposes.

It has taken the first step by cutting the writeoff time for many kinds of textile machinery to as little as 15 years from the previous 25 years. It is studying other industries burdened with plants and machinery made obsolete in recent years by the big speedup in technology.

In return for this promised shortening of depreciation time schedules where found justified, business leaders indicate they will look with more favor on a Kennedy administration plan to propose a sliding scale to give the biggest tax allowance to firms making unusually heavy investments. This was changed by the House Ways and Means Committee to a flat reduction of 8 percent of the equipment cost.

The modified bill, which Treasury officials indicate the administration will accept, is docketed for first order of consideration.



Blame Laid On Kennedy

PORTLAND (AP)—The counsel for the Republican National Committee said in Portland today that Kennedy administration policies are straining the American economy.

Fred Scribner Jr., who was undersecretary of the Treasury in the Eisenhower administration, said: "Everyone is willing to spend what the military experts say we must expend for defense of the country, but you cannot spend in this area and in the domestic area without creating serious economic problems unless income also increases."

"There seems to be no awareness of this fact by the Kennedy administration," Scribner said that in a number of visits to colleges and high schools he has seen young people swinging to the conservative side.

"In many cases," he said, "the students are more conservative than their parents. In fact some of the areas of greatest strength for Senator Harry Goldwater are on college campuses."

Scribner's Oregon schedule includes talks at Astoria, Tillamook and Newport today, a barbecue at Corvallis Sunday and visits to Salem, Pendleton, La Grande, Baker and Ontario Monday.

At Salem he will speak at luncheon of the Marion County Bar Association.

TO VISIT ISRAEL

JERUSALEM (UPI)—Senators Hubert Humphrey, D-Minn., and Stuart Symington, D-Mo., will visit Israel as part of their study tour of the Middle East.

Humphrey will arrive here Oct. 25 and Symington is due in the early part of November.

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Castro Regime Seen U.S. Threat

WASHINGTON (AP)—The FBI said Saturday the introduction of the Fidel Castro regime into Cuba poses an added threat to the security of the United States.

"Domestic intelligence problems springing from the Caribbean area have greatly increased in the past few years with the establishment of a Communist regime in Cuba," FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said in his annual report to the attorney general.

Hoover said there are more than 100,000 Cuban exiles in this country and a number of Cuban citizenship organizations are active in their drive for independence have been a threat to the internal security of the United States for many years.

Other sections of the report detailed the FBI's participation in tracking down record numbers of criminals in several fields, including automobile thefts, bank robberies and embezzlements.

Criminal activity continued on the upswing, with a serious of sense being committed on the average of 15 seconds. Hoover reported.

Bureau agents investigated 1,813 complaints involving civil rights compared with 1,308 for the preceding year.

These did not include 743 reports of violations of federal election laws.

Tornadoes travel at speeds ranging from 25 to 40 miles per hour.

Republicans Eye Ike For Cue On Criticism

WASHINGTON (AP)—Republicans apparently are looking to former President Dwight D. Eisenhower for their cue on how far to go in criticizing President Kennedy's foreign policy operations.

At forthcoming appearances in New York and New Jersey Eisenhower will have additional opportunities to discuss international as well as domestic issues. What he says will be noted closely by other Republicans.

With former Vice President Richard M. Nixon, the 1960 GOP presidential nominee, more or less stilled by his decision to seek the governorship of California, Eisenhower has assumed greater responsibility as a party spokesman than he exercised previously.

The former president rocked the Kennedy administration with a speech last month in which he urged a "firm action."

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Russians Push Power

LONDON (UPI)—By political expansion and infiltration the Soviet Union since World War II has extended its power to seven European countries of nearly 30 million people and 393,288 square miles of territory.

This comprises the so-called satellite bloc of Poland, communized in 1945; East Germany, 1945; Albania and Bulgaria, 1946; Hungary, 1947; Czechoslovakia, 1948; and Romania, 1948.

By annexation since 1940, the Soviet Union has gained 182,000 square miles of territory and populations totaling 23,898,000. In 1949.

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Roquefort Sparks Suit

LONG BEACH, Calif. (UPI)—A small restaurant has been sued by Roquefort, France, for making "Roquefort" salad dressing with cheese that does not come from caves near that city.

"Next," mused chef Ted Koster, "maybe we'll be getting sued by the 1,000 islands."

The suit was brought against the Swiss Village restaurant in Long Beach, which has been making "Roquefort" salad dressing and an un-stated amount of damages.

The suit, naming restaurant owners Dennis R. McGarry and Herman Giesendanner, said the U.S. patent office since 1933.

"I've never heard of this city in France," said Giesendanner. "Since I came from Switzerland 13 years ago, I thought cheese was French and came from the Alps."

English Prime Minister Predicts Long Cold War

BRIGHTON, England (AP)—Prime Minister Harold Macmillan said Saturday the cold war may last another generation or longer, and Britain needs political ties with continental European nations "as just pilgrims on the road to peace and freedom."

A basic shift in British policy was disclosed with the announcement last Tuesday that Britain intends to participate fully in political as well as economic affairs of Western Europe. It joins the six-nation Common Market.

Macmillan touched on this prospective break with the past in a review of government policy before 1,000 delegates at the window of a five-day conference of the Conservative party.

The times require such a step, Macmillan said, to guarantee protection of the free way of life in Western Europe.

Among other highlights of his declarations:

THE COLD WAR. Berlin is a test case that will prove to all the world whether the Soviet Union really wants to ease international tensions. Patient diplomacy being exercised by Britain and its allies, he hopes, will provide a basis for negotiation. Nothing can bridge the gap between communism and any idealist philosophy based on belief in God. But in the fullness of time "the Communist bloc may begin to develop into more normal civilization, recovering a moral basis for their own life."

Wearing an Indian feather headdress, a bright necklace and a sunken moccasins with floral embroidery, Macmillan resumed his work on the huge pile in front of the Commons municipal office.

The cedar pole stands 33 feet tall, is three feet in diameter and weighs one ton.

Joseph is determined to complete it by Oct. 20 in time for a dedication ceremony to be held in the city hall plaza.

Hillaire arrived here last Wednesday to complete carving the totem pole which reached here Oct. 3 by ship.

Indian Chief Carves Pole

KOBE, Japan (AP)—While curious Japanese crowded around to watch a 66-year-old American Indian chief momentarily stopped his chisel to wipe the sweat from his brow.

Then he turned to his audience and said, "I'm carving a totem pole which will represent world peace and friendship between America and Japan." It is a gift from the city of Seattle to its sister city Kobe.

The Indian, chief of the Lummi tribe, was Joseph B. Hillaire of Seattle.

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Upton Sinclair To Wed Widow In Church Rites

CLAREMONT, Calif. (UPI)—The famed author and the widow of first-made known their wedding plans when they took out a marriage license Tuesday in their marriage to Mary Elizabeth Willis, a 79-year-old widow.

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Automatic Foot Wash

SPARTANBURG, S.C. (AP)—A policeman R. K. Hines made a turn around the block and came back after he saw a man putting his feet in an automatic washing machine in a 24-hour public laundry.

By the time Hines returned, the man had made a complete change of clothing too. Hines decided against making an arrest, said for the anti-war wallpaper in the White House diplomatic reception room.

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Communist Evictions Continued

BERLIN (AP)—The Communists resumed the forcible evictions Saturday of East Berliners living close to the Concrete Curtain.

Moving men accompanied by armed Vopos — people's police — appeared at Bernauerstrasse and other border streets and displaced families from numerous apartments facing West Berlin.

It was a continuation of the Red German regime's relentless program for sealing off West Berlin and barring the way to East German refugees.

Hundreds of small houses and garden plots have been wrecked on the outer perimeter of Berlin to create a "escape-proof" "death strip."

In the city center, there have been no evictions. But hundreds of families have been moved from apartment blocks on the border, and windows facing the West have been bricked up.

West Berlin police say until now only trusted Communist families were allowed to stay in apartments where they could see the gloomy, neon-lit temptations of West Berlin by looking out their windows.

Nevertheless, escapes from these apartments are reported almost daily, despite the identity checks by police of every person entering the houses from the East Berlin side.

The new evacuations indicated that not even the most reliable Communist family would be trusted to resist the temptation of living within two easy reach of free West Berlin.

A Communist newspaper said they were moved to save them from "provocation" by "revenge-seeking troublemakers."

But West German police in Brunswick said the Communists temporarily suspended evictions along the border with West Germany, presumably to free workers for the lagging potato harvest.

Disapproval Criticized

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Pamela Turner press secretary to Mrs. Kennedy, has expressed "disapproval" to the American Institute of Decorators for the "very unusual" criticism of White House decorating by its president, Milton Glaser.

Glaser was quoted in a Richmond newspaper as saying "somebody got stuck" when \$12,000 was paid for the anti-war wallpaper in the White House diplomatic reception room.

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