

By FRANK JENKINS
From Salem, as this is written: Proposed cigarette taxes and the governor's net receipts tax reform plan were outlined to the house tax committee yesterday by Representative Victor Atiyeh.

The cigarette and net receipts bills—both proposed by Governor Mark Hatfield to balance his \$405 million general fund budget—were sponsored by Representative Atiyeh.

The plan to tax cigarettes four cents a pack was approved by Cecil Posey of the Oregon Education association. Urging a five-cent tax, with one cent to go to cities, were Astoria Councilman Arnold Swanson, president of the League of Oregon Cities, Portland Mayor Schruink, and Eugene City Manager Hugh McKinley.

The cities, of course, could use the extra cent per pack income. All governmental bodies, in these days, are scraping the barrel for tax money enough to keep them going.

Not unexpectedly, the representative of the Tobacco Distributors association termed the tax discriminatory.

Representative Atiyeh said the cigarette tax, modeled after the California law, would raise \$18 million per biennium. That brings into focus this bit of incidental information from Washington:

The Commerce Department reports that cigarette smoking declined by an average of TWO CIGARETTES per person last year—the first drop since 1954. Average consumption was 199.2 packs per person in 1962, compared with 199.3 packs in 1961.

The decrease will be reversed this year, the Commerce Department predicted, with average use of the weeds rising to 200 packs in 1963.

That checks rather accurately with Representative Atiyeh's estimate as to the amount of money Oregon could expect to take in from a sales tax of five cents per pack on cigarettes.

Oregon's population is assumed to be about 1,800,000. A tax of five cents per pack on the average 200 packs each person is expected to smoke during 1963 would come to \$10 per person. At that rate, 1,800,000 persons would pay a tax of \$18,000,000.

Keep this in mind: If you are a cigarette smoker, it is going to cost you more than ten dollars a year. The 200 packs per person per year estimated by the Commerce Department is an AVERAGE. It includes infants and all other non-smokers. The average smoker will obviously plunk up more than \$10 in the course of a year.

And—Of course—If you are a smoker and resent being nicked for ten dollars a year to help balance Oregon's budget, you can always QUIT. In the case of other taxes, you don't have much choice.

Five Killed On Highways

By United Press International
Five Oregon residents lost their lives in traffic accidents during the weekend. Three were killed in the state.

Timothy DeMotts, 29, and his sister, Carolyn, both of Milton-Freewater, died in a two-car, head-on collision 15 miles southeast of Libby, Mont., Sunday.

Also killed in the accident was Margo Vogt of Stevensville, Mont., a school teacher at Milton-Freewater. The victims all were in one of the cars.

Ralph Killham, 22, Salem, died when his car went off the Pacific Freeway near Woodburn and struck an overpass pillar Sunday. He was a former Oregon College of Education track star.

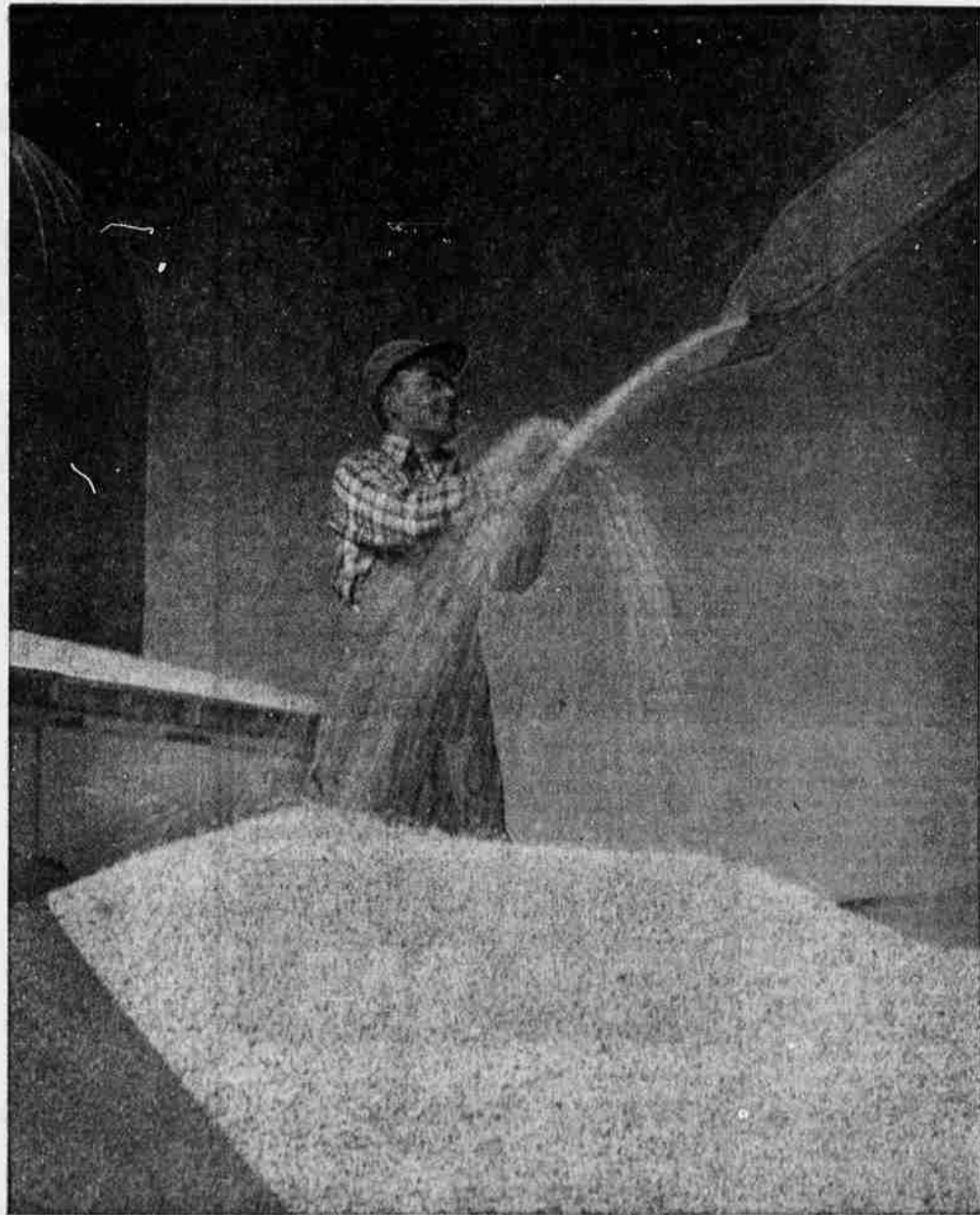
Robert Bailey, 21, Arlington, was killed in a two-car collision on U.S. Highway 30 seven miles east of Arlington Saturday.

Frank Carpenter, 24, Empire, died in a two-car crash on Cape Arago Highway between Empire and Charleston in Coos County Friday night.

MASTER OF THE HOUSE
NEW BRITAIN, Conn. (UPI)—Lawrence J. Davidson, a Republican, and Adrienne Krasofski, a Democrat, were married Sunday but there'll be no political bees in their home.

Weather
High yesterday 53
Low yesterday 34
High year ago 49
Low year ago 22
High past 14 years 67 (1951)
Low past 14 years 13 (1951)
Precip. past 24 hours .00
Since Jan. 1 1.63
Same period last year 2.51

Herald and News



AMERICA'S BOUNTY — "It's a crazy world; while most nations hear wails of hunger, while the Iron Curtain countries desperately try to cope with food shortages, we wallow in surpluses and spend \$4 billion a year to bribe farmers not to grow too much." That is the message noted agriculture expert John Strohm brings to you in a series of dynamic dispatches starting in the Herald and News today on Page 2. In the series, he offers some potent answers to "Our Crazy Food And Farm Problem."

One eyewitness estimated about 1,500 persons were killed in the initial day of the revolt. No official figures were available. Baghdad Radio in a broadcast heard here said the four "criminal traitors" were shot and killed because they "violated the people's rights and lived in corruption."

Iraq 'Dead Quiet' After Rebel Troops Smoke Communists Out Of Buildings

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — Iraq's new rebel regime executed two generals and two other officers today but travelers arriving here from Baghdad reported "dead quiet" in the capital for the first time since fighting erupted Friday.

Col. Ibrahim Kazim Al Musawi, all retired. Military units and armed student bands were reported hunting down and wiping out pockets of resistance in Baghdad to the new rebel regime. Reports reaching Tehran said fighting had erupted in the big port city of Basra in southeastern Iraq, which is considered a Communist stronghold. The reports, which could not be confirmed, spoke of heavy casualties.

Negotiations Stall In NY News Strike

NEW YORK (UPI) — Mayor Robert F. Wagner recessed marathon peace talks in the city's 60-day-old newspaper strike today and reported that "substantial differences" still exist between publishers and striking printers. Negotiators for both sides admitted they were discouraged. Failure of the so-called showdown peace talks deepened the gloom around City Hall where Wagner has tried for 17 days to end the newspaper blackout which is costing the city \$4 million a day.

for the Publishers' Association of New York City and the International Typographical Union after 19 1/2 hours of nearly continuous contract talks at City Hall. He said no further meetings were scheduled pending a report from both sides "by Tuesday at the latest."

'Fixer' Sentenced To Fifteen Years In Nation-Wide Basketball Scandal

NEW YORK (UPI) — Convicted basketball fixer Jacob (Jack) Molinas today was sentenced to 15 years in state prison on charges of bribery, conspiracy, and subornation of perjury. Supreme Court Justice Joseph A. Sarafite characterized Molinas as "a completely amoral person, who not only managed this conspiracy but also personally approached many of the players and corrupted many of them."

S. Hogan noted that its 2 1/2-year investigation has resulted in the indictment and conviction of 30 fixers, six of them former college basketball players. The investigation, according to Hogan, touched 30 cities in 17 states and involved 47 college athletes representing 27 schools. Of these, 37 admitted accepting bribes to "dump games." The other 11 athletes turned down offers but only one reported it to officials, Hogan noted.

Plane Wreck, Body Found

TIMBERLINE LODGE (UPI) — The wreckage of a light plane which disappeared earlier this month on a flight from Portland to Burns was found on White River Glacier on the south side of Mt. Hood Sunday.

He was found guilty Jan. 8 by a jury of eight men and four women.

Kennedy Official Asks End To Hassle Over Cuba Arms

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A top Republican member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee said today that despite administration explanations on Cuba "There is uncertainty that the full story hasn't been told the American people."

loaded with arms destined for British Guiana," said Foreman. He also said guerrilla bands have been sent to Venezuela. The Texas Republican said "it is high time that President Kennedy takes the bull by the horns and invokes the time-honored Monroe Doctrine."

Resolution Asks 'Kill' Of Revision

By ANN H. PEARSON
United Press International
SALEM (UPI) — A resolution asking the Senate to kill constitutional revision for this session of the legislature was announced today by Sen. Thomas Mahoney, D-Portland.

Its chances were uncertain, but it met with disapproval from three legislators who carry some weight in the Senate. Mahoney said the Senate probably will vote on the resolution in a day or so.

Undersecretary of State George W. Ball said Sunday night that it was "a little bit extraordinary that we keep on hectoring one another over this Cuban problem."

Four Missing People Found

Four people who had been reported missing while on a trip to Medford Sunday have been located near Rocky Point, the Oregon State Police reported about noon today.

No Clues Reported On Missing Tanker

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (UPI) — Planes and ships fanned out over the Atlantic today in an effort to solve the deepening mystery of a tanker missing for eight days with 39 crewmen aboard.

Rail Clerks To Decide SP Action

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — The Brotherhood of Railway Clerks was expected to make a definite move today in its oft-postponed threat to strike the Southern Pacific railroad in seven western states.

Four Little Sisters Die

BABYLON, N.Y. (UPI) — Four little sisters walking on a frozen pond near their Long Island home drowned Sunday when thin ice gave way. A fifth sister was rescued by an off-duty policeman.

Sea Death Story Told

KODIAK, Alaska (UPI) — The lone survivor of a shipwreck off Kodiak Island staggered into this small fishing town Sunday and told how two of his companions were thrown overboard and drowned.

Soviets Free Archbishop

VATICAN CITY (UPI) — Ukrainian Archbishop Josyf Slipyi, unexpectedly released from 18 years of "horrible torture" and imprisonment in the Soviet Union, met with Pope John XXIII for an hour Sunday.

Spring To Last Two More Days

PORTLAND (UPI) — The weather man said today "spring" would sound last at least a couple of more days in Oregon.

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CALLING COMMITTEE AT WORK — These members of the Republican Women's Club will be conducting a telephone campaign Monday and Tuesday, issuing invitations to the Lincoln Day Dinner which is scheduled for the Winema on Thursday, Feb. 14, at 7 p.m. Seated, left to right, are Mrs. Mary Maxwell and Mrs. Darrell Haard. Standing, same order, are Mrs. Blanche Belsiger and Mrs. George Clark. Reservations may be phoned to the Winema, TU 4-4181. John Davis Lodge will be the principal speaker.