

State May Have To Pay Uncle Sam \$40,000

SALEM (UPI) — Oregon may have to dig up \$40,000 to repay the federal government for money misused by the State Military Department while the late Alford Hintz was Oregon Adjutant General, a legislative officer said Wednesday.

The figure was given by Legislative Fiscal Analyst Cleighton Penwell as a Ways and Means subcommittee continued its review of the military department budget.

A secretary of state's audit last month put the state's liability at \$29,339. Penwell said continued investigation indicates the total may reach \$40,000.

The case came to light last year not long after Hintz died. It centered on Camp Withycombe in Clackamas County.

It initially involved what happened to surplus property from the Tongue Point Naval Station. Investigation showed \$9,398 was put into a special cash fund authorized by Hintz.

The secretary of state's audit detailed misuse of funds in the department. The items included falsified claims, sale of federal property, use of federal funds for unauthorized projects, misuse of state money, and use of paint and supplies for the general's home.

Diggers Free Buried Man

LAKE TOMAHAWK, Wis. (UPI) — A well digger trapped eight feet underground was freed by rescue workers today after spending nearly 15 hours buried to his shoulders in a sandy pit.

Rescuers worked through the night before wresting Raymond Fink, 31, Athens, Wis., from a caved-in well where he was nearly buried alive Wednesday. He was pulled from the well early today.

Fink was taken to a Woodruff, Wis., hospital where doctors said he was in good condition after his ordeal.

Fink sipped warm milk and smoked cigarettes while rescue workers struggled to free him. His brother, Lawrence, stayed at his side and when a second and third caved-in buried Fink to the neck his brother clawed away the dirt with his bare hands.

The scene is located about 100 feet from the Chicago and North Western Railway tracks and authorities ordered all train traffic halted so as not to cause another cave-in from vibrations. After hours of waiting, trains were allowed to proceed slowly.

Fink's wife was at the scene but did not speak with her trapped husband.

A Catholic priest administered the last rites of the church to Fink and told the buried man he had his rosary beads "lying" for him.

"I've got them going pretty fast down here, too, father," Fink replied.

More than 100 rescue workers, including 25 inmates of a state prison farm, worked to save Fink. A large tunnel was dug next to the well and shored up with plywood boards.

A culvert was lowered over Fink's body to provide protection against further cave-ins.

Fink was at the bottom of the newly dug 10-foot well installing a pump when the initial cave-in occurred.

—An oven, cooktop and electric hoist, bought for armories, ended up in Hintz's home, the hoist as an elevator.

—A check drawn for encampment rations was used for activities at a governor's day review and the balance turned over to Hintz.

—Sale of Tongue Point logs valued at \$13,065, for \$6,980, including moving costs.

—Use of paint purchased for armories at Medford, Dallas, St. Helens and Clackamas on the general's house.

A grand jury investigated the Withycombe affair last year, but failed to return any indictments.

Rep. Beulah Hand, chairman of the subcommittee, said in addition to the \$40,000 the situation could jeopardize other federal funds.

Legislators Talk Rules Of Driving

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — The California legislature is thinking about slowing motorists down, raising age limits for licenses and painting luminous strips down roads to keep them in the right lane.

As usual, the lawmakers are concerned with the traffic problems of the nation's driving state. And this concern stretches from the freeways to the scenic backroad drives.

Part of it is Gov. Edmund G. Brown's six-point traffic safety program but most of the bills introduced so far are creations of the individual legislators and lobbyists.

One of the first to hit the legislature would affect applicants for driver's licenses. The bill by Assemblyman Milton Marks, R-San Francisco, would require driving tests every 10 years.

The legislature's only woman, Assemblywoman Pauline L. Davis, D-Portola, authored a measure to cut the statewide speed limit from 65 to 60 miles an hour.

Drunken drivers are a major target already in the legislature. A number of bills affecting their area have been introduced by lawmakers.

Sen. Randolph Collier, D-Yreka, introduced a bill to repeal a 1961 law allowing judges to waive a mandatory six-month license suspension in hardship cases.

Assemblyman William T. Bagley, R-San Rafael, proposed two bills to curb drunken driving. One would require that all applicants in advance to submit to a blood test if arrested on suspicion of drunken driving. The other would establish a .15 per cent blood alcohol test as prima facie evidence of intoxication.

Assemblyman Joseph M. Kenick, D-Long Beach, authored an administration-backed bill to allow the highway patrol to use radar in apprehending speeders.

Weather Roundup

Temperatures during the 24 hours ending at 4 a.m. PST today.

Table with 2 columns: Location and High/Low temperatures. Locations include Astoria, Baker, Brookings, Medford, Newport, N. Bend, Pendleton, Portland, Redmond, Salem, The Dalles, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, San Fran., Washington, etc.

Ski Report: Timberline: Roads clear but icy; total snow 31 inches, no new; hard pack; Temp 20 at 7 a.m.; skiing good.

Mt. Bachelor: Temp. 24 at 7 a.m.; trace of new snow, total 31 inches; skiing good; tows operating; carry chains.



HOPEFULS — If hard work will get 41 boy and girl students of Spanish classes at Klamath Union High School to Mexico next summer, they will all get there on the double (by chartered bus). The students are selling boxes of candy at \$1 a box to raise the funds to take a 10-day trip to Mazatlan, Mexico, chaperoned by their Spanish instructor, Mrs. Beatrice Tanielian, and two others, a man and a nurse. Mazatlan is about halfway down on the West Coast. Left to right are Dennice Hall, sophomore, Charles Sanders, junior, and Mary Drace, sophomore. Interested persons may place orders at TU 4-9757.

Reluctant Income Tax Payers Applaud Repeal

SALEM (UPI) — The forces behind the "liberty amendment" applauded their spokesman on Wednesday night as he called for repeal of the federal income tax.

Nearly 300 reluctant taxpayers crowded into the House State and Federal Affairs Committee hearing to backstop Willis E. Stone, author of the proposed amendment to the U.S. constitution.

Stone said it would mean a 20 per cent increase in take home pay.

More important, he said, it would take the federal government out of some 700 activities that are in direct competition with private enterprise, and are losing money as well.

It would strip away overgrown federal powers, he said, and return sovereignty to the states and the people.

The amendment, along with repealing the tax, would limit the federal government to only those enterprises "specified in the constitution." Stone said the cutback would save \$45 billion a year.

Programs that would be eliminated include the Small Business Administration, the Tennessee Valley Authority, the Bonneville Power Administration, and the Federal School Lunch Program.

The proposal has been approved by the legislatures of Georgia, South Carolina, Louisiana, Texas, Wyoming and Nevada. If two-thirds of the states approve it, it would become a formal proposed amendment, needing final ratification by three-fourths of the states.

Several members of the committee agreed the federal government should relinquish some of its enterprises, but they balked at repealing the income tax which makes up the largest block of federal income.

Tom Scanlon of the Oregon AFL-CIO, testified against the measure.

"We see nothing desirable in it," he said. "It would leave us open to complete and easy attack," he said, "and remove the underpinnings of free enterprise to such an extent that we could have a depression like we have not had to date."

Hatfield Asks Liberal Title

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — Gov. Mark Hatfield of Oregon said Wednesday that he is generally labeled as a liberal Republican but that he would prefer "no tag at all."

"I just don't believe in labels," he told a news conference. "I don't think they're accurate."

He said that similarities between right and left wing Republicans are much greater than the dissimilarities.

Rusk Talks On Cold War

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Secretary of State Dean Rusk Wednesday night gave a full explanation of U.S. cold war tactics and continued the call for removal of all Soviet military forces in Cuba.

He reiterated President Kennedy's statement of last week that "we are reasonably certain that the offensive weapons deployed by Soviets in Cuba have been removed. But he admitted that the United States cannot be certain about this without on-the-spot inspection."

The secretary spoke Wednesday night at a dinner at the end of a daylong State Department foreign policy conference for interested citizens. About 2,400 persons attended the dinner and another 1,200 listened to various State Department experts explain foreign policy at a series of briefings.

About a dozen persons, including four members of a local chapter of the John Birch Society, picketed the Palladium. There were no incidents.

Rusk said that "the armed forces of the United States and its neighbors in the hemisphere will insure that arms in Cuba will not be used outside Cuba."

Fire Sweeps Peoria Hotel

PEORIA, Ill. (UPI) — Fire swept through the Mayer Hotel in downtown Peoria early today and firemen feared not everyone was evacuated safely.

At least eight persons were hospitalized. Many of the 130 persons fled in their night clothes. Others were taken from the five-story brick structure by ladders.

Fire Chief Lester Menace said police and firemen ran through the 200-room hotel and crashed in doors trying to evacuate the occupants. But he said they were driven back by the flames which erupted to the northwest wing of the fifth floor.

An adjoining motel, the Sango, also was evacuated, and owners of surrounding buildings stood on the roofs of their stores and watched for wind-driven sparks.

The top floor of the brick structure was completely burned and flames leaped from windows on all floors.

Fire departments from four suburbs were called into Peoria to stand by. Five ambulances also stood by.

Well-Known Square Dance Caller LATON NELSON of Coos Bay Saturday, Feb. 16 MERRY MIXERS HALL 6-10 POTLUCK EVERYONE WELCOME!

Use Of Pilot Voice Recorders Proposed To Help Solve Plane Crash Mysteries

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The mysterious crash of a Northwest Orient Airlines Boeing 720B in the Florida Everglades Tuesday will spur development of indestructible voice recorders.

Many air safety experts believe some means of recording pilot voices will help provide the key to crashes which are becoming progressively more difficult to solve. Experts believe the last words of a crew caught up in a life-or-death emergency might supply clues to the cause of the resulting crash.

All jet-powered airliners a nd some piston-engine planes now carry flight recorders. These supply data on such factors as speed, altitude, direction, G (gravity) forces encountered and attitude. They are required on high-performance airliners simply because such planes are extremely complicated—and complexity makes an accident that much harder to solve.

The flight recorder on the Northwest Orient plane has been recovered and sent to Washington for analysis which may take several days or longer. But the device admittedly is second choice to a voice recorder placed in the cockpit.

Rep. Roman C. Pucinski, D-Ill., has introduced legislation which would make installation of voice recorders mandatory on all airliners. While he has considerable support from pilots, airlines and both federal air agencies, experts point out that (1) more research is needed to perfect such a device and (2) they probably will be enormously expensive.

One estimate gives \$8,000 per aircraft as the cost of a voice recorder that would be immune from impact, fire or water damage. The tentative bill for equipping about 2,000 aircraft would hit \$16 million.

There is a third obstacle—the feeling of some authorities that the last words of a crew in trouble could mislead investigators. Pilots may not always recognize the source of an emergency and could give the wrong information. In one case on record, a crew radioed that a fire was raging in a baggage compartment. A fatal crash followed, but it turned out that the fire originated outside the baggage compartment—and the pilots' last message led investigators into a fruitless search down the wrong alley.

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