

Tax Issue Goes Before Voters Tuesday

In The Day's News

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From Salem this morning:
Oregon's voters will decide tomorrow if they want higher income taxes to maintain present state services, or if they want the state budget reduced.

The measure on the special election ballot would provide \$60 million in additional revenues to sustain a \$404 million general fund budget. It was passed by the 1963 legislature and then referred to the people by petition.

What will happen tomorrow? Well, the general expectation is that the tax bill will be defeated.

The Salem dispatch already quoted adds that even the supporters of the increase admit that they have little hope of success. Talking to people and reading taxpayer letters in the newspapers confirms that impression.

That prompts this question: If the tax bill is defeated, WHY will it be defeated?

The answer seems to be that people are getting fed up with taxes. The tax burden is getting heavy.

That prompts another question: WHY is the tax burden so heavy?

Here are some interesting figures:

According to Tax Foundation, Inc., OREGON'S share of the record \$98.8 BILLION federal budget for the fiscal year 1964 will be \$399 MILLION.

That huge sum will be paid by Oregon taxpayers IN ADDITION to their state and local taxes.

Tax Foundation estimates that Oregon's per capita share of the federal budget for 1964 will be \$462.

Which is to say:
The federal taxes paid by Oregonians comes to more than the total of Oregon state taxes paid by them.

That's the BIG reason why the tax burden is getting to be almost unbearably heavy.

How to vote tomorrow?
The answer is simple:
VOTE YOUR CONVICTIONS.
When you enter the voting booth, it will be up to YOU. Vote the way you feel about it all.

ARRIVE FOR COUNCIL

MOSCOW (UPI) — Leading Communist economic specialists arrived in Moscow today for the ninth executive session of Comecon, the Soviet bloc council for mutual economic assistance.

The Soviet news agency Tass said the session, opening Tuesday, will "review a number of important questions concerning economic and scientific-technical cooperation among the socialist countries."

Weather

Klamath Falls, Tulelake and Lakeview — Cloudy with showers through Tuesday. Gusty southerly winds. Low tonight near 46. Highs Tuesday 51 to 47.

High yesterday 47
Low this morning 32
High today 45
Low today 34
Precip. last 24 hours .00
Since Jan. 1 7.07
Same period year ago 14.34

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Mme. Nhu Raps U.S. 'Liberalism'

NEW YORK (UPI) — Mme. Ngo Dinh Nhu, defending the policies of her family in South Viet Nam, has charged that the Kennedy administration apparently "is following the new fashion of liberalism which is much closer to communism than we are."

Mme. Nhu, speaking in a television interview Sunday, said she was led to this conclusion by recent trends in United States policies in her troubled country.

She appeared on NBC's Meet the Press.

In fact, she blamed the present tension between the regime of her brother-in-law, Vietnamese President Ngo Dinh Diem, and the U. S. government on the fact that "we are more strongly anti-Communist than you are."

Mme. Nhu, 38, began the second week of her U. S. lecture tour today with three scheduled appearances. She was to have lunch at the New York Times and later fly to Boston for talks at Radcliffe College and Harvard University in Cambridge.

During the television interview, she accused U. S. government agents of making "unofficial" requests to Diem that she be exiled from South Viet Nam.

Local Team Places 2nd

TYNDALL AFB, Fla.—Kingsley Field has placed second behind Wurtsmith Air Force Base, Mich., in the F101 1963 Air Force fighter-interceptor weapons meet, according to final tabulations of the missile firing competitions which started here Oct. 7 and ended today.

The four competing F101 units finished with the following scores:

Wurtsmith AFB, 6,872; Kingsley Field, 6,499; K. I. Sawyer, Mich., 4,501; Glasgow, Mont., 4,395.

Lt. Gen. Herbert Thatcher, commander of the Air Defense Command, praised the squadrons which competed in the William Tell meet and remarked, "the winners of the competition this year were the ones who had the best advantage and the best luck during the one week of competition."

A spokesman for the Kingsley Field unit said that even the teams placing lowest are capable of handling their missions, for the squadrons which competed are among the finest in the world, it was said.

GOP Popularity Contest Ends In Draw

Goldwater Rejects Bid To Debate Party Line

EUGENE (UPI) — Western Republicans today pondered the outcome of a one-day popularity contest between the two leading contenders for the top GOP political prize of 1964—the presidential nomination.

The two front-runners—Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York and Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz.—missed a face-to-face confrontation at a weekend Western Republican Conference by 45 minutes.

But, for the first time since their unofficial campaigns were launched, they spoke to comparatively similar audiences on the same day in the same place.

Rockefeller picked the conference to challenge Goldwater to a series of debates on the "vital issues" of next year's political campaign.

Castro Sets Cuban Toll Over 1,000

HAVANA (UPI) — Premier Fidel Castro announced over the weekend that Hurricane Flora killed more than 1,000 Cubans and caused damage estimated at hundreds of millions of dollars.

In a communique published here, Castro charged that "enemies of the people" are rejoicing at the plight of tens of thousands of peasants left homeless and destitute by the disaster.

He promised government help to hurricane victims and said his regime will rebuild everything that was destroyed during the five days the hurricane lashed Cuba.

Castro, who returned Saturday from a tour of the disaster area, said central Oriente Province was flooded over a zone 25 to 50 miles wide. He said floodwaters rose suddenly to unprecedented heights, bringing devastation and death to entire communities.

"Indescribable... suffering took place," Castro said. "Entire families sought refuge in trees or on the roofs of houses where they were not totally covered. Others perished."

"Thousands of houses were destroyed. Tens of thousands of families of peasants and farm workers lost all their belongings, including crops."



NOT MUCH LEFT — Survivors search for belongings at what was the town of Longona, Italy, after Vajont Dam flood reduced their homes to rubble. With a death toll in the thousands from this tragedy, conflicting reports today indicated new landslides might cause more devastation in the area.

Conflicting Slide Reports Result In Fear, Confusion

BELLUNO, Italy (UPI) — conflicting reports of a new landslide behind the Vajont Dam today created fear and confusion among rescue workers and survivors of last week's flood disaster.

Although Osvaldo Martinelli, deputy mayor of the vacated village of Erto, had warned over an amplifying system that another slide was coming, other authorities at Belluno said there was no danger.

A UPI reporter who flew over the area in a U.S. Army helicopter said he could see a constant movement of rocks down the side of the mountain but that it was impossible to tell from the air whether there was any large-scale landslide under way.

The warning early today was that another slide was moving down Mount Toc at the rate of a foot an hour and that if it hit the water remaining in the upper part of the Vajont Dam reservoir it might cause a backwash wave similar to that which roared into the sleeping valley below the dam last Wednesday. Later, other authorities denied that a new slide had started.

An estimated 2,500 persons died in last week's disaster. Originally, officials had believed the death toll might run as high as 4,000, but it turned out that many of the listed inhabitants in the villages were in other countries as migrant workers at the time.

When the original landslide, estimated at half a billion cubic meters, hit on Wednesday, it virtually cut the reservoir in two. Some of the water still is backed up behind the dam, but another lake has been formed behind the natural dam of the landslide. The lakes are at two different levels.

If a new landslide came down, it would hit the second and higher lake. Its waters could be pushed backwards and could hit the towns of Casso and Erto, already partly destroyed by the tidal wave backwash of the original slide.

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Shooting Hours

OREGON
October 15
OPEN 6:50 a.m. CLOSE 6:30 p.m.

CALIFORNIA
October 15
OPEN 6:44 a.m. CLOSE 6:31 p.m.

Politicians Continue To Speculate On Possible Candidacy Of Nixon

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Weekend political developments increased speculation today over whether Richard M. Nixon is a candidate for the 1964 Republican presidential nomination.

Nixon, who lost a close race to John F. Kennedy in 1960, said in Hershey, Pa., Saturday that he could not conceive of himself as the GOP nominee again next year.

But the top contenders for the Republican nomination said they believed Nixon was a candidate, and political observers here refused to rule the former vice president out of the picture.

The discussion of Nixon's future shared top billing over the weekend with a new exchange between Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York and Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona, both unannounced candidates for the Republican nomination.

Rockefeller, in a speech to the Western Republican Conference at Eugene, Ore., challenged Goldwater to a series of debates "to sharpen interest in the Republican party and what it stands for."

Nothing To Be Gained
Goldwater, replying at a news conference at Eugene a few hours later, said that he saw "absolutely nothing to be gained by the proposal." He said such debates might "tend to add to what little division there is in the Republican party."

Regardless of their differences about a debate, Rockefeller and Goldwater agreed in their belief that Nixon still remains very much in the presidential picture.

Rockefeller said, "I think he's a candidate. He has been making consistent comments on international affairs and taking a greater part in national and party affairs. He sounds like a candidate."

Goldwater said he had thought all along that Nixon was in the running for the GOP nomination. Goldwater said that "any man who lost the presi-

deny by a fraction of a percentage point" should be considered a possible contender.

Political observers here felt that it still was too early to assess Nixon's impact on the 1964 presidential race. They said it would depend on whether the Goldwater boom continues.

May Turn To Nixon
If a deadlock should develop at the GOP convention and Goldwater is unable to muster enough votes to get the nomination, these observers said, the delegates might well turn to Nixon again.

Nixon's disavowal of any presidential intentions next year was supported by at least two major party figures.

Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower is understood to feel that Nixon will not be a candidate again, although his former running mate will maintain an active voice in party affairs.

GOP National Chairman William E. Miller said in Eugene that he thought Nixon "says what he means and means what he says and is not a candidate."

"As I travel around the nation I find no semblance of effort for Dick Nixon — no one is committed to him, no one is getting delegates for him and no one is raising a single dollar for him," Miller added.

Nixon, attending a birthday party for Eisenhower in Hershey, said that if his name were offered in any state primary requiring the consent of the candidate, he would not give it.

Polls Forecast Defeat Of \$60 Million Issue

SALEM (UPI)—Oregon voters today were urged to go to the polls Tuesday to determine the future of the 1963 legislature \$60 million tax increase measure.

Gov. Mark Hatfield, who is spearheading the drive to salvage the tax bill, urged Oregonians to ballot on the measure.

But he had no last minute statement on the controversial issue.

"All has already been said that can be said," Hatfield told United Press International.

Unofficial polls from throughout the state indicated the voters will reject the tax hike—the first enacted by the legislature since the 1955 surtax.

The controversial measure eliminates the federal deduction and increases state personal income tax rates about 28 percent.

400,000 Turnout Likely
Polls open at 8 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. More than 750,000 voters are registered, and a turnout of 400,000 is expected. There are 3,261 polling places.

Polling places in Klamath County will open Tuesday at 8 a.m. and remain open until 8 p.m. Complete lists of precincts and locations are printed in the lower two corners of this page.

Election day is a state legal holiday, and state and county offices will be closed Tuesday.

If the measure is turned down, immediate cutbacks in some state services are expected.

A special session of the legislature probably would be called for early in November.

The last special session of the legislature was called in the fall of 1957 to repeal the 1955 tax increase. There have been 11 special sessions in the state's history, including two called in 1933.

Because education gets more than half of the state's \$404 million general fund budget, educators have been leading the battle to salvage the tax measure.

Chancellor of Higher Education Roy Lauenen urged voters to keep an open door to educational opportunity on all levels of schooling.

"I implore those voters who recognize the great importance of a yes vote to go to the polls Tuesday. Every responsible voter must realize that his yes vote is urgently needed," he said.

Climaxed Stormy Session
The legislature's adoption of the tax increase measure climaxed a bitter 141-day session—the longest in the state's history.

Hatfield allowed the measure to become law without his signature. He said he didn't approve of the bill because it did not include the reforms he had recommended.

He is spearheading the drive for a yes vote—but on the grounds that while the tax bill is not to his liking, the money is needed to maintain state services.

The reform movement was led by Albany weekly publisher J. Franeyl Howard.

He needed more than 23,000 signatures on referral petitions. In less than a month he got 5,000 certified signatures, and thousands more which county clerks didn't have time to certify.

The legislature was so fearful of the bill being referred that Oct. 15 was written into the law as the date for a special election.

Support Heavy
House Speaker Clarence Barton and Senate President Ben Musa, both Democrats, have urged approval of the measure. But support is not unanimous. The Republican State Central Committee refused to take a stand, and some civic groups have urged defeat of the bill.

Convoys Roll To Berlin, No Incidents

BERLIN (UPI) — Three U.S. Army convoys sped along the autobahn from this cold war capital to West Germany today without challenge from Soviet control officers who last week held up one group of trucks and men for 52 hours.

Two of the convoys were small, regular supply groups from the U.S. Army garrison here. But the third included 141 men in 26 vehicles.

All three were cleared at both ends of the 110-mile highway between this divided city and West Germany "without trouble," an Army spokesman said.

The Soviet control officers made no move to repeat their last week's challenge to U. S. rights to move convoys over the autobahn.

They had held one U.S. convoy for 15 hours and another for a total of 52 hours at the checkpoints last week in a dispute which flared up to international proportions and an armed show of strength.

The Russians finally backed off their demand that the troops in the blocked convoys get out and be counted.

In return, diplomatic sources said, the United States would send several convoys through the autobahn this week which were large enough so the troops would automatically dismount according to a long-established American procedure.

'Little Shaver' Misses Boat

SOUTHAMPTON, England (UPI)—A man with a handlebar mustache strode up the gangplank of the liner Pendennis Castle recently and in a gruff voice said, "avast there, shipmate. Do you need an able-bodied hand to sail with you?"

A dock policeman standing nearby took one look, grabbed the mustache, ripped it off and arrested Chris Watkins, 14, who said he had run away from home and wanted to go to sea. Instead his parents were called and the crestfallen boy was taken home.



GOLDWATER GREETED — Barry Goldwater of Arizona received a warm welcome when he arrived in Eugene Saturday evening for the Western Republican Conference.

POLLING PLACES

SPECIAL ELECTION - OCT. 15, 1963 - COUNTY

PRECINCTS	LOCATION	ADDRESS
One	Klamath Art Center	South Riverside
Two	Conger School	California Avenue
Three	Baldwin Hotel	31 Main
Four	Mitchell-Lehmann Office	4th & Pine
Five	Mitchell-Lehmann Office	4th & Pine
Six	Presbyterian Church	6th & Pine
Seven	Episcopal Church	8th & Jefferson
Eight	Courthouse Basement	4th & Main
Nine	City Library	5th & Klamath
Ten	First Christian Church	9th & Pine
Eleven	Moose Lodge	1010 Pine
Twelve	Gospel Mission	823 Walnut
Thirteen	Buick Garage	1320 Main
Fourteen	Jim Olson Motors	523 South 6th
Fifteen	Wall's Boats & Motors	2337 South 6th
Sixteen	Sewing Machine Center	1414 East Main
Seventeen	Church of Christ Cottage	Wanland & Martin
Eighteen	Jennie Vernon Home	2126 Darrow
Nineteen	Mills School	East Main Street
Twenty	Calhoun Building	355 East Main
Twenty One	Municipal Swim. Pool	1805 Main
Twenty Two	Balsiger Motors	Main & Esplanade
Twenty Three	Ponderosa School	107 South Williams
Twenty Four	Paul Robertson Home	601 Alameda
Twenty Five	Harry Larson Home	1933 Melrose
Twenty Six	Roosevelt School	1123 Eldorado
Twenty Seven	Klam. Lutheran Church	1175 Crescent
Twenty Eight	KUHS	MonClaire Street
Twenty Nine	Fairview School	1017 Donald
Thirty	Free Methodist Church	1918 Oregon Avenue
Thirty One	Beebe Radio & Electric	1828 Oregon Avenue
Thirty Two	W. H. Harris Home	935 Front St.
Thirty Three	Shasta View Apt. Office	1627 Washburn Way