

# CIGARETTE TAX ALSO KILLED BY LATE VOTE

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sions, and 10 per cent for schools.

Sen. W. H. Steiwer (R-Wheeler), chairman of the senate assessment and taxation committee, opened the debate, but he refused to recommend it.

"Dead Rat"

Sen. W. E. Burke (R-Yamhill), opening the procession of senators who spoke against the house-approved bill, asked "why throw a dead rat in the lap of the electorate, which has defeated this measure four times already."

Most of the opposition senators contended it would be futile to pass it, because the people would kill it anyway. Several senators added that it is unfair to tax the sales made by poor people.

Sen. H. R. Kauffman (R-Lincoln) only senator to support the bill, said it is necessary to increase pensions and to give relief to property taxpayers.

Sen. W. H. Strayer (D-Baker) said the bill would hurt the farmer, and that it is unjust because it doesn't tax the persons most able to pay. He said it would drive industries from the state, and charged that Rep. Frank J. Lonergan (R-Multnomah) introduced the bill for "political purposes."

The only senators supporting the bill were Best, Booth, R. E. Jones, Kauffman, McKenna and Wiperman. All are republicans.

Cigaret Tax

The cigarette tax of two cents a package was believed dead in senate assessment and taxation committee, since it would take the votes of 20 of the 29 senators to bring it on the floor.

The house defeated 28 to 27 a bill to provide for promotion and advertising of agricultural products, while it approved and sent to the senate a resolution asking the state liquor commission to increase liquor prices as much as possible to provide more old age pension revenues.

SALEM, March 15 (P)—The road to adjournment by tonight was believed clear as the 41st Oregon legislature met early today.

A senate-house conference committee paved the way for the session's end last night by agreeing on amendments to the unemployment compensation law.

The amendments provide for payroll tax rates of 2.7 to 4 per cent when the unemployment fund is less than \$7,000,000, 1 to 4 per cent when the fund is between \$7,000,000 and \$14,000,000, and 1 to 2.7 per cent when the fund is more than \$14,000,000. This amendment is the same as that written by the senate, except that the \$7,000,000 figure was \$9,000,000 in the senate bill. The fund now totals \$11,000,000.

Seasonality Law

The house conferees accepted the senate seasonality amendment, giving benefits to most seasonal workers at any time during the year, rather than only during the seasons in which their industries operate.

The senate committee members accepted the house amendment increasing the minimum benefits from \$7 to \$10 a week, or six per cent of the highest quarter's earnings; and reducing the waiting period for benefits from three to two weeks.

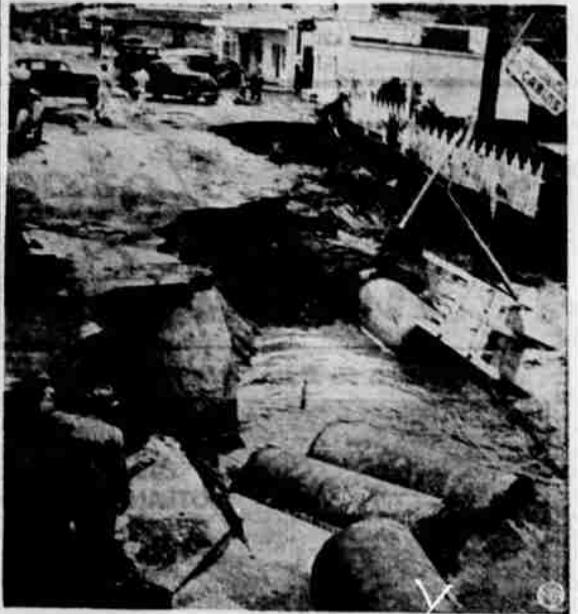
School Bill Dies

The senate voted 17 to 12 to return the administration bill to equalize school taxes on a statewide basis to the assessment and taxation committee, which means the measure probably is killed.

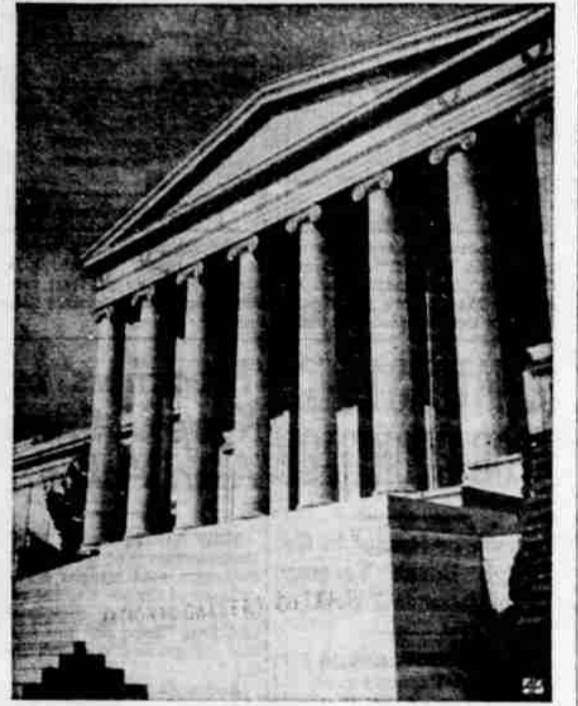
The measure will automatically die if the legislature adjourns as expected. Twenty votes would be required to place it back on the calendar, and only 12 senators voted not to return it to committee.

Sen. Rex Ellis (R-Umatilla) presented the motion to refer the bill back to committee in an effort to kill it. Eastern Oregon counties under the measure would pay more school taxes than they would receive.

## Cloudburst Hits California Countryside



Sunny southern California was stricken with new flood woes when a cloudburst in the highlands above Newport Beach, Calif., poured 4.28 inches of rain on the area in one night. Roadways were washed out and cabins swept down ordinarily dry washes as shown above.



ART FOR THE NATION—Graceful columns add to the beauty of above main entrance to the new \$15,000,000 national gallery of art in Washington, soon to be dedicated. The gallery was built with funds given by the late Andrew W. Mellon.

## GERMANS POUR EXPLOSIVES ON GLASGOW AREA

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man high command also reported air assaults on London's Tilbury docks, port facilities in Plymouth and Southampton and at targets in Leeds).

Daylight Raid

Apparently German daylight raiders attempted to or actually did reach the London area this afternoon. An alarm was sounded but the all clear was given a short time later.

More than 500 incendiary bombs dropped in one section of London last night. The Liverpool area also had a fairly long raid and a number of persons were injured in one district.

Britain's defenders claimed four more nazi night raiders brought down during attacks a communique said were "on a considerable scale and spread over most of the country."

The admiralty announced last night the appointment of Admiral Sir Percy Noble, recently commander-in-chief of the important China station, as commander-in-chief of the western approaches to Britain—making him virtually the leader of Britain's "battle of the Atlantic."

The air ministry, reporting on the night's British offensive, said that the Ruhr valley industrial district as well as Dusseldorf, Rhine port and manufacturing center, were hit in a "large scale attack."

The RAF also raided shipping, airdromes and docks from Norway to Brest, on the German-occupied French coast, the ministry's communique said.

RAF fighter planes at the same time patrolled German bomber bases to hamper attacks on Britain.

"The Ruhr was the scene of the bomber command's main effort last night," the communique related, "and, while conditions were not so favorable as on recent nights, excellent results were observed."

"A heavy and successful attack was made on the great hydro (electric) generation plant at Gelsenkirchen, where oil is produced from coal."

## Movie Lampoons Defense Program At News Banquet

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office as president, succeeding Thomas F. Reynolds of the United Press. Other new officers: Claude A. Mahoney of the Washington Star, vice president; Paul Wootton, New Orleans Times-Picayune, secretary-treasurer; Douglas B. Cornell, Associated Press, Bruce Pinter, New York Herald Tribune, and John C. Henry, Washington Star, new members of the board of governors.

Guests Named

Among distinguished guests were Vice President Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Postmaster General Frank Walker, Secretary of Navy Frank Knox, Secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard, Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones, Speaker Sam Rayburn, Justice Frank Murphy, Federal Security Administrator Paul V. McNutt, Federal Works Administrator John Carmody, Senate Democratic Leader Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky, Senate Republican Leader Charles L. McNary of Oregon, House Republican Leader Joseph W. Martin of Massachusetts, Mayor F. H. La Guardia of New York, Harry L. Hopkins, Maj. Gen. Edwin Watson, Maj. Gen. Allen W. Gullion, the judge advocate general, Chairman Emil Schram of the Reconstruction Finance corporation, Stephen T. Early, the presidential press secretary, Capt. Daniel J. Callaghan, Admiral Ross T. McIntire, and Chairman James L. Fly of the federal communications commission.

Kennerly Back In Canada to Seek Recruits

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about four months. His injuries occurred Sept. 17.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kennerly, 1135 Pine street, parents of Pilot Officer Byron Kennerly, were happy to learn their son had returned from England and was now on "this side" of the water.

The Kennerlys stated Saturday when advised by The Herald and News of their son's return to Canada, that in all probability Byron Kennerly would visit them before going back to England.

## Ski Weather

By The Associated Press—U. S. Weather Bureau

Snow is not expected in north-west winter sports areas this weekend. Fair or partly cloudy weather will prevail with temperatures slightly lower. Daytime thawing will continue.

Timberline Lodge, Ore.—Road clear. Normal pack snow, total depth 76 inches. Skiing. Chair lift and ground tow lift operating.

Government Camp, Ore.—Highway clear. Few patches of snow.

Anthony Lakes, Ore.—Chains advised. Two inches granular crust, total depth 53 inches. Skiing. Tow lift operating.

Tollgate, Ore.—Chains advised. Unbreakable common granular crust, total depth 41 inches. Skiing. Lift operating.

Santiam Pass, Ore.—Highway open. Unbreakable crust, total depth 44 inches. Skiing. Ground tow lift operating.

Skyliners, Ore.—Tumalo road muddy and rutty. Granular crust, total depth 28 inches. Skiing.

Crater Lake, Ore.—Highway road beds largely bare with scattered packed ice. Snow at headquarters 103 inches, at ski bowl 112 inches. Icy pack in early mornings and late afternoons. Medium wet during day.

Spirit Lake, Wash.—Road open to lake. Normal pack with granular crust, 36 inches snow. Skiing good.

Paradise Inn., Wash.—Roads good. Spring snow totals 63 inches. Skiing good.

## DIPLOMATS SAY TROOPS LANDED AT GREEK PORT

By ROBERT ST. JOHN

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, March 15 (AP)—Nearly 100,000 soldiers from Britain's imperial forces with shiploads of munitions, artillery, tanks and other mechanized equipment—enough for five divisions—have been landed at five Greek mainland ports, it was reliably reported today.

This report first came from neutral diplomats and then was unofficially confirmed by British diplomatic circles in three southeastern European capitals. Correspondents were told privately by the British that the reports "probably are well founded."

Denial Expected

Nevertheless it was said that an official denial from both the British and the Greeks could be expected within the next 12 hours.

Ready to blast at the British and their Greek allies, German forces in Bulgaria were reported about the same time to have wheeled out hundreds of fighters, bombers and transport planes on their new landing fields—ready for instant action.

As reports of the British landings—coupled with the belief that Britain was occupying the southern half of the Greek mainland—spread through Yugoslavia, trucks loaded with fully equipped Yugoslav troops rumbled through the streets of Belgrade and railway stations teemed with conscripts called to active service.

Stiffening Toward Nazis

Yugoslavia has been making military preparations for days while dickering over German demands that she join the axis.

The first Yugoslav reaction to the reports was a stiffening of Yugoslavia's attitude toward Germany. Government sources indicated that an attempt would be made to forestall any further pressure "until the situation of Greece is clarified."

German sources at Sofia, the Bulgarian capital, said that even if five British divisions had disembarked in Greece, the German troops in Bulgaria and Rumania outnumbered them six to one. One German said the British would be fighting with their backs to the sea, making possible "another Dunkerque."

(Berlin professed to have no confirmation of the reports that the British had landed in force on Greek soil.)

Reports of the British expedition—a vast multiplication of the aid which the royal air force has been giving the Greeks—came from neutral diplomats.

German circles here in the Yugoslav capital declared that the Balkan crisis was "reaching a critical stage."

## SENATORS EYED FOR COURT JOB

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but he declined to say who it was.

McNary Pays Tribute

In a rare tribute, Senate Republican Leader Charles L. McNary, 1940 republican vice presidential nominee, let the White House know that the 28 republican senators would be pleased if Mr. Roosevelt picked the ace democratic senate strategist, Byrnes, whose behind-the-scenes work often has reduced the opposition vote on administration measures.

The appointment will be Mr. Roosevelt's sixth nomination to the high court—all since the beginning of his second term and just four years after he asked and was refused the power to appoint six new justices if men over 70 then on the court refused to quit.

Jackson is a 49-year-old veteran of the new deal legal "brain trust," starting as general counsel of the bureau of internal revenue, moving to head successively the justice department's tax and anti-trust divisions, and then becoming solicitor general where he argued and won important new deal test cases before the high court. He was made attorney general January 18, 1940, when Frank Murphy was promoted from attorney general to the supreme court.

Byrnes, who is 62, and would be the oldest of Mr. Roosevelt's six appointments, is noted for his legislative maneuvering. He has been in the senate since 1930 and served 14 years in the house of representatives beginning in 1911.

## 'Preachers' to Keep U. S. on Alert Asked

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Rumania, Bulgaria and Greece have had to make. Each of them was guilty only of the crime of being a small country. The sacrifice which France has been called on to make was a result of more serious offenses—optimism and complacency.

Cites Figures

As evidence that Americans are "watching out," he cited these statistics assembled by the ordinance department:

Two years ago army arsenals were employing 13,000 workers. Today's figure is 25,000.

In 1939 army arsenals produced 7,500,000 rounds of small arms ammunition a month. So far in 1941 the figure is 38,000,000 a month.

In 1939 arsenals were turning out 43,500 artillery cartridge cases a month. This year the monthly figure is 560,000.

Small arms spare parts have increased from 40,000 a month to 373,000.

Artillery shell output has increased from 13,900 to 406,000.

Two years ago, 912 Garand semi-automatic rifles were being produced monthly. Today the rate is 15,000.

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## President Says Aid to Britain To Be Increased

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simo, Chiang Kai-Shek, asks our help.

"America has said that China shall have our help."

"Our country is going to be what our people have proclaimed it must be—the arsenal of democracy."

Mr. Roosevelt's address was delivered several hours after a house appropriations subcommittee had approved unanimously his \$7,000,000,000 cash request for the war-aid program. The bill is scheduled to come up for house debate on Tuesday, with passage expected on the following day.

The president departed from usual procedure when he chose the correspondents' dinner for his address, since the occasion is generally a light-hearted one in which national characters, including the chief executive, are lampooned.

He spoke after being introduced to the gathering and a world-wide radio audience by T. F. Reynolds of the United Press, retiring president of the association. Reynolds first proposed the traditional toast at the dinner: "Gentlemen, the White House Correspondents association has but one toast. Gentlemen, the president of the United States."

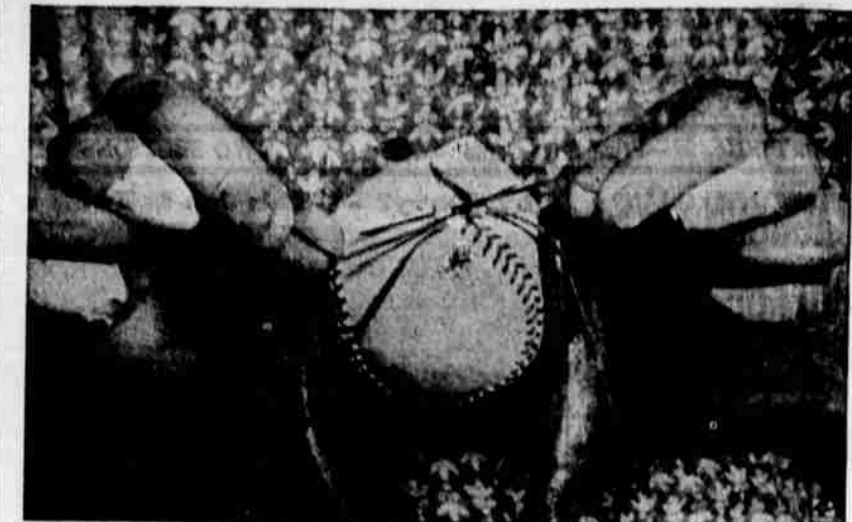
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IRISH EYES A-SMILING—Some Irishman's heart will beat faster on St. Patrick's day for the girl wearing this white silk mousseline evening gown with black velvet ribbon edging the off-the-shoulder décolleté and banding the full skirt.

## JACKSON SAYS DEPORTING OF ALIENS FAILS

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3. Release on parole of aliens whose deportability arises solely from technical insufficiency of entry papers. In this connection, Jackson said that "some system of validating the entry of aliens who are deportable only because of some defect in their entry is an important move toward bringing out alien policy into line with present conditions and toward increasing our national unity."

4. Issuance of immigration visas for permanent residence only to persons who come to the United States with the intent to become citizens and who are qualified for citizenship.

5. Waive literacy tests for the older members of the alien population already in the United States as an encouragement to citizenship.

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