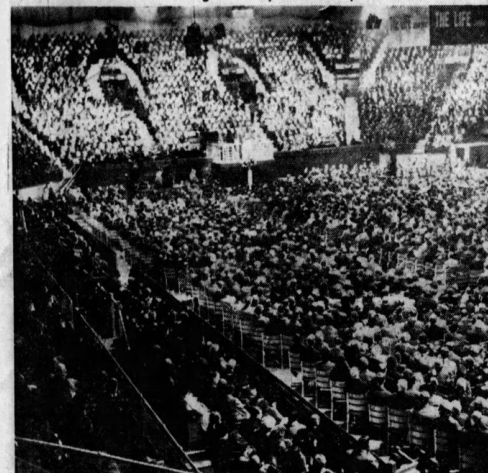


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IMPRESSIVE START FOR 12-WEEK CRUSADE



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Speedy Approval Seen

House Approval Of Tax Cut Likely

By CHARLES F. BARRETT

WASHINGTON (AP)—Speedy and overwhelming House approval was forecast today for a bill to cut a wide range of excise or sales taxes almost one billion dollars.

Sen. George (D-Ga.) said today he might move to tack onto the excise tax measure when it hits the Senate—his controversial proposal to increase individual income tax exemptions and thus lower taxes, particularly for low income families.

Other things being equal, the bill would add almost one billion dollars to the \$2,900,000,000 deficit projected for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

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Californian's Flying Saucer Idea Patented

LOS ANGELES (AP)—The circular factor in science is getting a workout around here. One inventor has actually got a patent on a flying saucer design and another has finished a round boat.

But don't sell your steamship and airline stock just yet.

Salvador Lighthorn told a reporter the U. S. Patent Office was sufficiently impressed by his flying saucer design to issue patent No. 171,569 without, however, passing upon its workability.

Down in Long Beach, James Moolie has constructed a tublike sailing craft designed for people just like him—who want to go to sea but fear seasickness.

Lighthorn Moolie says his craft, the Fat Mary, "will overcome that whoopsy feeling."

Lighthorn says his giant discus will be about 30 feet in diameter and thick enough to accommodate

Messages Support 'Fair Play' Call

WASHINGTON (AP)—The White House reported today that President Eisenhower has received "hundreds" of telegrams praising his call for "fair play" in Congressional investigations—a call widely accepted as a rebuke to Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis).

James C. Hagerly, presidential press secretary, told newsmen he had no exact count but the total was "in the hundreds" and they were 8:1 in praise of the President.

"They are very much in favor of the President," Hagerly said. McCarthy, soon after rejecting presidential criticism in a crackling statement of his own, said in an interview yesterday, "I have no fight with Eisenhower at all. . . . I hope the issue of statements back and forth will drop here."

Sen. Dirksen (R-Ill.) was invited in for breakfast with Eisenhower and Sen. Mundt (R-S.D.) was called later in the day.

2. In a New York speech, Republican National Chairman Leonard W. Hall deprecated talk of a breach in the GOP ranks. He said it was "nonsense" to assert that personality clashes have the Republicans "split irretrievably."

Sen. Dirksen spent over an hour with Eisenhower in a leisurely breakfast table conversation, but would not tell reporters anything about their talk except that a "dozen or more matters" were discussed.

Asked directly whether the controversy with McCarthy had been one of the matters, Dirksen replied: "I'll have to leave that to your imagination."

Sen. Dirksen, who called after the President went to his office, said his chief purpose had been to ask that Eisenhower endorse "Know Your America Week" June 19-19.

He said Eisenhower would issue a statement urging all communities to join in observing the week which is sponsored by the All American Conference to Combat Communism.

In reply to a question, Mundt said there was no discussion of the controversy between the administration and McCarthy at his meeting with the President.

Asked what he thought of the controversy, the Senator replied: "I think it is pretty well settling down to normal and that we will proceed without any new fire up."

Asked then for his opinion of the statements issued yesterday by Eisenhower and McCarthy, Mundt said: "I think they helped to clear up."

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Farm Income Decline Shown

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Agriculture Department reported today that the income of the farm population last year averaged \$382 for each person compared with an average of \$458 for the non-farm population.

The figures were said to represent a decrease of \$23 from 1952 for the farm population and an increase of \$56 for the non-farm population. The record average for the farm population—\$398—was reached in 1951.

Last year's \$1,898 average was reported to be the highest on record for the non-farm population. The decline in the farm income reflected lower farm product prices.

The total income of the farm population from all sources was reported at \$29,456,000,000 last year compared with \$22,458,000,000 in 1952 and a record of \$23,700,000,000 in 1951.

The total income of the non-farm population was reported at a record \$259,099,000,000 last year. The reduction in the farm population income last year was about 2.8 per cent on an overall basis, but only about 3 per cent on an individual average basis.

The number of persons living on farms last year was smaller than the year before. Included in the income figures for the farm population was the value of farm products used in the family home, the rental value of farm dwellings and returns from non-farm sources, such as outside investments, wages for non-farm work and the like.

Jackie Loughery, Miss U. S. A. of 1952, manages a smile as she walks out of court in Los Angeles after getting a divorce from Singer Guy Mitchell. She testified that Mitchell swore constantly, walked out on her when she was ill and refused to take her to Europe with him. (AP Wirephoto).

Comic Dictionary

INSTALLMENT PLAN

A scheme to present a lot of words and phrases to the reader over a period of time.

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PRETTY—BUT SO PROVOKING



Street lights on Chicago's Lake Shore Drive add a wonderful touch to the 12-inch snowfall, but motorists weren't in an artistic mood.

These cars traveling south from 32nd St. were trapped and stalled by the record fall. (AP Wirephoto)

Army Medic Defies Senator M'Carthy

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) carried his search for Army Communists today into a spicing.

Belsky challenged the subcommittee's right to ask him any questions.

"I am a soldier under the jurisdiction only of the President of the United States as commander-in-chief," Belsky said. "This committee has no jurisdiction over me so long as it is not a Red."

The doctor, Dr. Marvin S. Belsky, said he has been denied an officer's commission. He refused to tell McCarthy's Senate Investigations subcommittee whether he believes this was because, as McCarthy expressed it, he was "a Communist spy."

Repeating that argument, McCarthy said President Eisenhower at a news conference yesterday had stated that all Army and government witnesses should "willingly and cheerfully give testimony" so long as it did not endanger secrets.

Belsky is assigned to the Army's Murphy General Hospital at Wallham, Mass.

McCarthy had originally planned to question Belsky only at a closed door hearing. He had said the public session witnesses would be quizzed concerning his accusations of Communist spying at the Federal Telecommunications Laboratory at Nutley, N.J. He declined to say whether they would be questioned secret today, and kept their names secret until they are called.

Chairman McConnell (R-Pa.) could not be reached immediately after today's vote because the closed-meeting continued.

But Rep. Hoffman (R-Mich.) reported the action and said "it is another defeat for the Eisenhower administration."

It was learned that five Democrats favored reconsideration, while six of the committee's fifteen Republicans opposed the effort.

McConnell was reported to have voted for a reconsideration.

It was also reported that Rep. Perkins (D-Ky.), who was absent yesterday but reportedly opposed the bill, voted against reconsideration today.

Tenzing and Sir Edmund Hillary of New Zealand conquered 29,000-foot Mt. Everest, the world's highest peak, on May 29, 1953.

Army Tanks Found Faulty

WASHINGTON (AP)—The transmissions in about 649 medium tanks already delivered for service are being taken apart for correction of faulty assembly discovered in some of them, the Army said today.

The Army itself has some of the machines and the National Guard has others. They were produced by General Motors. The repair work is being done in the field.

A Pentagon spokesman, answering questions, said that on Jan. 22 a report was received from Ft. Hood, Tex., base for the 1st Armored Division, that damage to transmissions had been discovered in "three or four" tanks.

Investigation said the spokesman revealed that screws used in the assembling process at the Allison division of General Motors had come loose because they were not properly fastened.

This assembly is used in both the M47 and M48 tanks.

Western N. C. Gets New Dose Of Snow, Cold

ASHEVILLE (AP)—Old Man Winter struck his second blow of the week at Western North Carolina last night as temperatures dropped to sub-freezing readings and highways in some sections were iced over, making travel hazardous.

Snow fell in many areas to add to Sunday night's fall.

The patrol advised chains for motor travel to the north and west of Asheville and reported roads clear outside of Buncombe with the exception of a few icy spots to the east and south.

A number of trucks were stalled near the Madison County line this morning but were freed when the highway was sanded.

No major accidents involving injury or property damage had been reported in western North Carolina by the highway patrol. Schools in Buncombe, Madison and Swain Counties were closed today. Asheville city schools were also closed.

In Swain County up to four inches of snow was reported and highways west of Bryson City were coated with ice, according to the superintendent of schools.

Low temperature in Asheville last night was 17 degrees. The reading was 21 degrees at 11 a.m. today.

A reading of two degrees below zero was reported at Asheville.

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Dentist Sus Patient For Making Him Wait

EDGEWATER, England (AP)—Dentist Montague Rosen successfully sued Mrs. L. A. Copp for damages yesterday because she failed to keep an appointment to have a tooth pulled.

Rosen asked—and won—an award of 7 shillings, 6 pence (\$1.05) for the half hour he wasted waiting for her.

N. C. Swamps Searched For Missing 3-Year-Old

HAMLET — City police and son, Seaboard Air Line special police chief; Assistant Hamlet Police Chief E. E. King and Pa. Tolman A. T. Reynolds began an assay of the evidence in the case, which tends to indicate foul play, according to the officers.

The thorough search turned up a bundle of men's clothing with red stains, which are being tested to determine if they might be blood.

And, police believe the child could not have made his way into the swamp underbrush, unless someone took him.

EVENING PRAYER

Our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee that Thou art the God of all our days. May we walk with Thee so that Thou shalt be the God of all our ways. In Christ's name. Amen.