

GOP Leaders Study Eisenhower Tax Plan

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (AP)—A big chunk of President Dwight D. Eisenhower's legislative program was laid before Republican congressional leaders today including, one of them said, a plan to postpone about three billion dollars in tax relief scheduled for next year.

The congressional informant, who declined to be quoted by name, reported the administration will ask the new, 84th Congress to extend the present corporate income tax rate of 52 per cent and existing excises on automobiles, alcoholic beverages and other big selling items.

Journ Group Has No Report

A five-man committee appointed by President Milton S. Eisenhower to establish a School of Journalism at the University has nothing to report at present, but may submit a report to President Eisenhower sometime in the spring, Ben Euwema, chairman of the committee, stated yesterday.

The group is studying the journalism program now in use at the University, Euwema said, and is discussing the entire problem in general.

The report will be submitted to the President when it is completed, he revealed. Any further action on the matter will be taken by the President, Euwema said.

The committee has been discussing the possibility of establishing a School of Journalism and Communications, to include all communication media study, at the University.

Two Possibilities Named

MEADVILLE, Pa., Dec. 13 (AP)—The Meadville Tribune-Republican says that Erie's city assessor, Arthur J. Gardner, and its city controller, Arthur Gehrlein, reportedly are being considered to replace that community's ousted mayor, Thomas W. Flatley.

Garrett Linked With Murder Of Successor

GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 13 (AP)—Alabama's attorney general, Silas Garrett III, today was linked to the murder that touched off a crackdown on the honky tonks and hoodlums of Phenix City, Ala.

Sheriff's deputies walked into John Sealy Hospital here, handed Garrett papers naming him a fugitive on a first degree murder indictment, and placed him in technical arrest in the fatal shooting of Albert L. Patterson.

Patterson, a vice-crushing attorney, was shot in an alley in Phenix City a few days after he won the nomination to succeed Garrett as attorney general.

The shooting caused martial law to be declared in the free and easy little city on the Chattahoochee River. Since then, indictments have been returned against 749 persons there on charges ranging from prostitution and gambling to murder.

Garrett, Phenix City prosecuting attorney Arch Ferrell, and former sheriff's deputy Albert Fuller, are charged with murder in the Patterson shooting.

Each of the murder indictments specify that the person named "unlawfully and with malice and aforethought killed Albert L. Patterson by shooting him with a gun."

Alabama has no law that specifies conspiracy to commit murder as a separate crime, but provides for murder indictments against all those allegedly involved in such a case.

Arraignment Delayed For Lewisburg Inmates

LEWISBURG, Pa., Dec. 13 (AP)—A legal move today put off for at least a month formal arraignment of three Lewisburg Penitentiary inmates on charges of fatally beating William Remington.

U.S. District Judge Frederick Follmer called off the arraignment scheduled for today and upon motion of attorneys for the accused men set Jan. 24 to hear any objections to the federal grand jury indictment against the trio.

Composer Dies

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 13 (AP)—Raymond Hubbell, music composer who wrote "Poor Butterfly," died tonight after an illness of two weeks. He was 75.

His doctor said Hubbell suffered a stroke Nov. 28.

Pope's Condition Grave; Treatment Stops Hiccups

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 13 (AP)—Pope Pius XII, although still reflecting improvement from a near fatal collapse 12 days ago, was reported somewhat weaker today. He was having difficulty eating.

An authoritative source said the 78-year-old pontiff's condition remained grave and required constant watching.

Taylor Wins Tentative Post

HERSHEY, Pa., Dec. 13 (AP)—Sen. M. Harvey Taylor (R-Dauphin) tonight won tentative Republican endorsement for a sixth term as Senate president pro tempore.

The endorsement, announced to newsmen as "unanimous" actually was not conclusive. Two Republican senators—George M. Wade (Cumberland) and Harold E. Flack (Luzerne) said they withheld their support of Taylor.

"We refused to be bound by the caucus action on the Taylor decision," Wade said after a two-hour caucus of Republican senators who will sit in the 1955 Legislature.

A defection by either Wade or Flack when the Senate is organized Jan. 4 could mean Democratic control of the upper branch.

Dickenson Decision Supported by Army

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (AP)—An Army Board of Review has upheld the 10-year prison sentence for Cpl. Edward S. Dickenson, 23, convicted of collaborating with the enemy while he was a prisoner in Korea.

The board's decision was announced today by Guy Emery, a retired colonel who served as Dickenson's civilian counsel in his court-martial, and later confirmed by the Army. Emery said the case would be appealed to the Civilian U.S. Court of Military Appeals.

Dickenson is now in an Army stockade at New Cumberland, Pa. He is the Cracker's Neck, Va., farm boy who first elected to stay in Korea with the Communists.

Calhoun Will Speak

John C. Calhoun, head of the department of petroleum and natural gas engineering, will speak on "A Petroleum Engineer Looks at Conservation" before the Plant Science Club at 7:30 tonight in 111 Plant Industries.

Antonio Gasbarrini, one of three medical specialists consulted after the Pope's collapse Dec. 2, was called here from his Bologna clinic and examined the Pope again. This was called "purely a check-up." After his first examinations, Gasbarrini prescribed an alkaline washing of the Pontiff's stomach and a special diet to build his strength.

Until today, the Roman Catholic Church leader had been eating increased amounts of food. Hiccups that harassed him intermittently since last January ceased after Gasbarrini's treatment was started.

The Pope's slight weakening was the first break in his steady improvement for more than a week. Vatican associates attributed it to a five-minute speech recorded Saturday and to extreme emotion over the consecration yesterday of Msgr. Giovanni Battista Montini as archbishop of Milan.

The new archbishop had been the pontiff's closest collaborator for years and during the past year was Vatican prosecretary of state. The Pope listened by radio to the consecration ceremony in St. Peter's Basilica, closed with his own recorded words of blessing.

Eng Council to Meet

The Engineering Student Council will discuss progress on faculty evaluation in the College of Engineering and Architecture at 7 tonight in 107 Main Engineering.

Vy Opposes Slash In Viet Nam Army

SAIGON, Viet Nam, Dec. 13 (AP)—Gen. Nguyen Van Vy, new inspector general of Viet Nam's young national army, said today he personally is opposed to reducing the army's size.

President Eisenhower's special ambassador, Gen. J. Lawton Collins, is reliably reported to favor slashing the army from its present strength, which Vy placed at 220,000, to a streamlined, hard-hitting force of 90,000.

"Personally—and I emphasize that this is a personal opinion until the government has given its official views—I am against reducing the size of the army," Vy said in an interview. "We should maintain it at its present level, and make it more efficient."

The general's remarks were made a few minutes after he and Gen. Le Van Ty had taken over as inspector general and chief of staff, respectively, in a simple ceremony at military headquarters. Ty was present at the conversation and nodded agreement.

"The decision to increase or decrease the army should be made by Viet Nam as a sovereign state without outside influence," continued Vy, who had been acting chief of staff for several weeks.

The 38-year-old parachute trooper declared the Communist-dominated Vietminh, who hold the North, are strengthening their army. He said the Vietminh have

three new divisions, one of which is being motorized and equipped with heavy artillery.

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