

Compromise on tax cut bill fails

News briefs International

Israeli Premier Yitzhak Rabin said Monday the Mideast situation had worsened with the breakdown of Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger's peace mission. He accused Arab news media of making war threats.

At the same time, President Ford ordered "a total reassessment" which could result in reduced U.S. aid to Israel. Rabin said in a policy statement to the Israeli parliament: "There is no point in trying to strike fear into us. Israel is aware of the dangers, it is ready, and it has the strength it needs."

SAIGON, South Vietnam (AP) — Communist-led tanks and troops cut off the northern quarter of South Vietnam on Monday and isolated Da Nang, where U.S. Marines first landed 10 years ago. The developments brought renewed calls for President Nguyen Van Thieu to quit.

The Communist-led advance meant the fall of the 10th and 11th of South Vietnam's 44 provinces and put under North Vietnamese and Viet Cong control about 40 percent of the country's 66,000-square-mile territory and 15 percent of its two million population.

National

WASHINGTON (AP) — The annual retail cost of a farm-produced food market basket rose \$7 to a record of \$1,830 in February, but the gain was the smallest in four months, the Agriculture Department said Monday.

All of the increase — up four-tenths of 1 percent from January — was attributed to higher middleman charges for transporting, processing and selling food. Those charges rose \$8 on an annual basis while returns to farmers dropped \$1 from January.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Interior Department took its first official step Monday to bring oil and gas development to the Atlantic coast, inviting tract nominations off the mid-Atlantic.

Interior asked the oil industry to propose specific tracts for leasing to private companies, off the sandy beaches of New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina.

Such leasing would allow oil drilling for the first time in the Atlantic Ocean opposite some of the nation's most popular beach resorts.

State

AUSTIN (AP) — Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Tex., said Monday that supporters of other possible presidential candidates in 1976 are fighting the presidential primary bill in the Texas Legislature.

"Misinformation has caused most of the trouble," Bentsen told a news conference. "There should have been more preparation. I don't believe the backers of the bill anticipated the supporters of other candidates would make such strong attacks on the bill."

WASHINGTON (AP) — Working under a self-imposed news blackout, Senate-House conferees met for eight hours Monday in an unsuccessful effort to write a compromise tax cut bill.

At the end of the session, key members left quietly by a side door after instructing staff aides and other members of the conference not to discuss the deliberations with reporters.

But one member, Sen. Floyd Haskell, D-Colo., ignored the blackout and told reporters the conferees agreed tentatively on the Senate version of a special tax refund for the working poor.

Under this provision, families making under \$8,000 a year would be eligible for a tax credit up to \$400 on their income, even if they paid no income tax at all. The effect would be to refund the Social Security taxes paid by families too poor to pay income taxes.

After a brief morning session, Rep. Al Ullman, D-Ore., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee and head of the tax cut conferees, said he opposes opening the meeting to the public on grounds this would delay action on the bill.

Although he generally favors open sessions, Ullman said, the tax cut bill is too important to be delayed.

Sen. Russell B. Long, D-La., chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and leader of the Senate delegation to the conferees, said he would support Ullman if the latter wants to open the session to reporters.

An hour after the afternoon session ended, Ullman issued a statement through aides saying: "No positions were finalized, but a great deal of time was spent in understanding the different points of view of the conferees and in exploring various alternatives."

Treasury Secretary William E. Simon spent most of the day with the conferees and reportedly said that if the tax cut is as large as the Senate passed, he thinks President Ford will veto it.

Ford recommended a \$16.2 billion tax reduction to stimulate the economy. The House approved a cut of \$19.8 billion but the Senate expanded the bill to \$34.3 billion.

The new figures were disclosed Monday after weekend computations by congressional tax experts.

If the revenue gains coming from House and Senate votes to repeal the oil depletion allowance and tax breaks for foreign income are considered, the net total of the House bill would be \$17.6 billion, while the Senate figure would be \$30.6 billion.

Ullman said earlier in the day that House conferees were opposing Senate provisions to provide special tax breaks to working parents who hire babysitters and to persons who buy new homes this year. However,

Senate delegates were said to be insisting that these provisions be retained.

At the insistence of Sen. Russell B. Long D-La., chairman of the Finance Committee, the Senate approved a 5 percent tax credit, on the price of houses, up to \$2,000 for persons who buy new homes between March 13 and Dec. 31 this year.

The provision, aimed at stimulating the depressed housing industry, would cost \$1 billion.

Ullman has stated publicly his opposition to this tax credit, and he and his fellow House conferees voted to reject the Senate position. The Senate delegation was just as solid in the other direction.

The same split developed over a Senate provision that would provide a tax credit up to \$600 a year for parents who have to hire babysitters in order to keep their jobs. This would cost an estimated \$1.7 billion a year.

Ullman and Long agreed that the

thorny issue of the oil depletion allowance should be the final question decided by the conferees.

The House has voted to repeal the depletion allowance outright for all oil and gas producers. The Senate agreed that the allowance, which allows a producer to avoid taxation on 22 percent of oil income, should be eliminated for the major companies but approved a permanent allowance for independent companies under certain conditions.

Although the Ways and Means and Finance committees drafted the original tax-cut bills in open sessions, the conferees which will determine the final version of the measure is being conducted behind closed doors.

At the end of the morning session, Ullman indicated the conferees should remain closed because Congress is under great pressure to approve the tax cut before it begins an Easter recess this week.

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AUSTIN (AP) — A silent prayer or meditation bill, denounced by opponents as meaningless, was tentatively approved by the Texas House Monday, 112-24. A final vote is expected Tuesday.

House members also passed and sent to the governor a bill reserving for Texas use the natural gas from future oil and gas leases of state-owned land.

Rep. Tony Polombo, D-Houston, sponsor of the school prayer bill repeatedly denied that it would impose a religious exercise on school children.

"I would say this bill is a religious bill if you in your own mind at that moment choose to think of it as that," Polombo said.

The bill says the person in charge of a classroom "may conduct a brief period of silent prayer or meditation with the participation of all consent-

ing pupils therein assembled." Polombo accepted an amendment by Rep. Jim Mattox, D-Dallas, prohibiting disciplinary action against children who do not participate but use the time for such quiet activities as reading.

But he refused to take an amendment protecting teachers from possible retaliation if they choose not to hold such exercises.

"It's time to quit demagoguing on these issues," declared Mattox, a Baptist.

"We ought to be ashamed of ourselves, wasting the taxpayers' time on a bill like this. This bill does absolutely nothing. We might as well spend an hour and a half of our time saying people have the right to go to church on Sunday if they want to do so," said Rep. Andrew Baker, D-Galveston, a former school board member.

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