

Hearing Ended On NW Standby Plants Proposal

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The house public works committee has ended a four-day hearing on a proposal for construction of fuel-fired generating plants in the power-short Pacific Northwest. The committee has delayed action on the proposal.

The final day's hearing brought forth a cautious endorsement of the idea from a munitions board spokesman and renewed opposition from private utilities in the gulf states.

The measure before the committee would authorize construction of standby facilities, with a generating capacity of 400,000 kilowatts, in Oregon and Washington. Robert M. Hatfield, vice chairman and executive assistant to the munitions board chairman, testified that the Defense department "endorses any steps which will result in providing additional power in this critical area."

Lack of power, he said, has cut heavily into needed aluminum and magnesium production in the area. This loss, he said, "will inevitably result in serious delays in our military production program."

Plant Fuel Is Problem

Hatfield qualified his endorsement of the proposal by pointing out that construction of steam plants "brings up the very serious problem of obtaining sufficient quantities of fuel oil, as well as the necessary critical materials... without disrupting other phases of the defense effort."

He said he doubted that sufficient wood waste could be found to fuel the plants, but suggested as an alternate the use of Oregon and Washington coal.

Although recent rainfalls tentatively have relieved the current emergency and permitted full operation of aluminum production facilities, Hatfield said this "in no way changes the position of the Defense department as to the need for standby plants to meet the load demands of low water periods."

Frank M. Wilkes, president of the Southwestern Gas & Electric Co., told the committee that his previous testimony was not in opposition to construction of steam plants, if necessary, in the Pacific Northwest.

But, he added, "don't build those plants, if necessary, in the Pacific department of interior so it can build steam plants all over the United States."

He said his views were endorsed by Louis Riegel, vice president of the Gulf States Utility Co., Beaumont, Texas, and Bert Ridburg, assistant to the president of Louisiana Power & Light Co., Algiers, La. Both men were present but did not testify.

Cottonseed meal is a valuable feed for cows and sheep but is sometimes toxic when fed to hogs.



FIVE HUSKY BABIES—Six-months-old Alison Blake reaches to stroke fur of her six-weeks-old Siberian Husky pups. The baby never tires of frolicking with her furry playmates. Alison's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Philip Blake, of Monmouth Center, Me., are sled dog racing enthusiasts. (AP WIREPHOTO)

Inflation Rein Calls For Joining U. S., Canada Told

VANCOUVER, B. C. — (CP) — Senator Richard Neuberger of Oregon state said here that only by joining the United States can Canada have any control over inflation within her boundaries.

Here to fulfill a speaking engagement, Senator Neuberger said in an interview that "Canada is not part of the U. S. yet because Canada is not part of U. S., it has no government control over these conditions."

Pension Group Leaders Of West Plan To Unite

PORTLAND — (AP) — Pension group leaders of western states plan formation of an organization which will be outlined at the first convention of the Oregon Institute of Social Welfare here this week.

A convention announcement lists among speakers for the Oct. 4-6 Portland meeting Joseph Harvey of Portland, long active in Oregon pension groups; George McLain, California pension leader; and H. G. Clark of Bellingham, Washington state president of the Senior Citizens league.

Boyle Recommends Action For Wives Often Irritated By Husbands Who Snore

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK — (AP) — Sometime in the middle of the night I heard my wife call sharply from her twin bed: "Turn over on your side, Rover."

I saluted drowsily in the darkness, and carried out her order.

Several times more before dawn came I heard her call across: "Turn on your left side. Turn on your right side." And once, I dimly recall, she said in utter exasperation:

"I give up. For heaven's sake, stand on your head!"

At the breakfast table this morning, I noticed Frances had circles under her eyes, and asked if she hadn't slept well.

"Sleep?" she said indignantly. "I didn't get a wink all night long. You snored so loud I couldn't."

"Probably because I was sleeping on my back," I mumbled.

"Why didn't you turn me over?"

"Turn your over?" she demanded. "I had you spinning like a top — you, you human flapjack. You flopped about like a fish — but you kept right on snoring. I don't know what to do with you."

She looked so depressed that I didn't have the heart to tell her the full truth. She doesn't know yet what she's really up against.

For the terrible Boyle curse has struck again! The curse that runs in our tribe is snoring. Sooner or later it strikes us all — man, woman, or child. And there is no known cure.

No one knows how long this dark and noisy affliction has been in our clan. But grandfather Boyle brought it over from Ireland with him. And it has raged unchecked for at least three generations since then.

It seems to predominate on the male side, but once it breaks out in a family there is nothing but insomnia for the others until they, too, catch the ailment in time. Then, as the matching snores rise up and smash in echoing waves in the darkness, peace comes again to all.

Women who have married into our family have tried everything to break up this snoring. But in the end the only way they have found rest is to take up the habit themselves.

There was the case of Cousin "Marble Mouth" Boyle as we call him. His frau put marbles in his mouth to stop his snoring. It worked for a week, but then a strange series of squeaks and grinding noises began coming from him. He was snoring again! The only net result was that when she took out the marbles, he got insomnia. And for the rest of his life he had to sleep with his mouth full of marbles.

The wife of another cousin of mine once took up needlepoint at night because of her husband's snoring. She eventually did the whole history of the Civil War in needlepoint before she finally discovered how to snore herself.

Poor Frances. She doesn't know yet what she's in for. I'm buying her a pair of earmuffs and a book on insomnia. But these are only stopgap measures. What she'll really need is a book on "how to learn to snore in self-defense."

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