

Strong Showing Is Made for Valley Project Good Time Credits and Pinball Ban Win Approval in Senate

Lower Pension Age Limit Has House Support

Vote Is 35-24 for Both Minority Report and Final Adoption

Goes to Senate, Contest Over Amendments Is Possible Later

Second round of the battle between the house pension liberal bloc and the ways and means committee, went to the liberals yesterday when the house voted 35 to 24 to reduce the age limit for pensioners to 65. First round was won when the bloc frustrated action on appropriation bills and forced the committee to agree to bring upon the floor of the house a bill to reduce the age limit.

Third and Possibly Fourth Round Ahead

Third round of the fight will come in the senate. Should the upper house refuse to adopt the measure as it stands, then the fourth and final conflict would come on the adoption of conference reports. Seven other social security bills were pending in special order for 11 o'clock today.

After the house had adopted the minority report, the rules were suspended and the bill placed on final passage. The vote on both the substitution of the minority report and the final passage was the same.

Fight for the adoption of the minority report was led by Representatives Barnes, Bull and Wagner.

Characterizing the bill as one of the "most important pieces of legislation in the history of the state," Representative Barnes declared: "We may have to create a deficit to pay this additional amount, I don't know. Perhaps we can raise the revenue, but it can be paid."

Only Opposition Is On Lack of Money

Only objection came to the bill on the grounds of finance and on the complete reduction to 65 instead of graduating it down.

"In all the discussions I haven't heard of method of financing the reduction," Representative Friede said. "I do not believe we should attempt to go the whole way at one step but should approach the problem gradually so we may continue to stand on our own feet."

"No thought is given to cost when the nation goes to war," Representative Wagner said. "We always find ways and means for that. Nor do we hesitate to spend money on a building program when we are facing a dangerous situation and should adopt this minority report to uphold the morale of our old people."

"I am not particularly interested in the political ambitions of political opportunists who try to climb into favor with this kind of legislation," Representative Bennett said. "I am interested in what is best for all the people."

"No mention has been made of the taxpayer who will have to pay this bill."

"The eyes of the old people are upon us," Representative Bevans said. "Let us vote to give a few days happiness to the aged."

Representative O. Henry Olsen declared that if it was good business to match federal funds for highways and building it was

Pinball Ban Bill Vetoed in Idaho

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 25 (AP)—A bill to outlaw pin, marble, dice, and other gambling games of chance was vetoed today by Governor Barilla W. Clark. The senate sustained his veto by a single vote.

Said Clark: "When we accept without question the workings of the stock market, main street betting boards on the outcome of elections and athletic games, raffles and bridge prizes, we cannot expect to curb the gambling instinct by merely designating pinball, marble games and dice as gambling."

Anti-Gambling Measure Debate Brief; Convicts Release Plan Extended

Allowance to Prisoners to Cover Future as Well as Men Now Incarcerated; Gin Marriage Repeal Turned Down by Senators

Borah's Proposal Receives Support

States' Rights Guarantee Amendment Suggested; Hit "Due Process"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 (AP)—A constitutional amendment proposed by Senator Borah (R-Ida) into the argumentative free-for-all aroused by the Roosevelt court reorganization proposals, attracted broad support tonight among opponents of the White House program.

Administration spokesmen were quick, however, to dismiss the proposal—intended to give the states unquestioned power to deal with economic and social questions—on an unacceptable alternative, however desirable intrinsically.

Borah's amendment would make certain legal changes in the "due process" clause of the constitution, the rock on which the New York women's minimum wage law was wrecked a year ago. The Borah aim is to prevent such state laws from being invalidated because of this clause, which says no state "shall deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law."

While the states free scope to pass social and economic legislation, the Idahoan's amendment would relax none of the present restraints on federal action.

Soil Conservation Payment Received

A second package of payment checks for farmers who participated in the 1936 soil conservation program in Marion county arrived yesterday at the office of County Agent Harry L. Riches. The agent announced that to date 353 farmers had received \$26,785.92 for their part in the program.

Riches said farmers for whom checks are received will be notified. The remainder of the soil checks is expected to reach Salem within a few weeks.

Signup meetings for farmers who did not make out work sheets last year but wish to participate in the 1937 program are now being held throughout the county at Shaw, Jefferson, St. Ayrton, Sublimity, Silverton, Waldo Hills, Mt. Angel, Monitor, St. Paul, Butteville, Gervais, Woodburn, Hubbard and Donald, according to the schedule announced recently by Riches.

Loganberry Case May Close Today, Verdict to Be Deferred

Possibility that the "loganberry case" which has already occupied five full days before Judge Arlie Walker, sitting in equity department, of circuit court here for this trial, will come to an end today was evident yesterday as the defense attorney, W. G. Hare said testimony in the cannery case about all in last night. Plaintiff in the case is the Woodburn Berry Growers association.

However, there was some hint yesterday that attorneys today will ask that they be permitted to submit briefs, which will mean about all in last night. Plaintiff in the case is the Woodburn Berry Growers association.

400 Sit-Down Strikers Held For Trespass

Leave Douglas Plant in Custody; No Disorder Marks Evacuation

New Clash Upon Similar Terms Started by 75 at Nearby Factory

SANTA MONICA, Calif., Feb. 25 (AP)—Sit-down strikers at the Douglas Aircraft corporation plant, world's largest airplane factory, surrendered tonight to some 300 peace officers armed with grand jury indictments, clubs, pistols, tear gas bombs and two machine guns.

For hours before the surrender, and after they had been indicted by the Los Angeles county grand jury, the strikers refused to budge from the plant. Police quoted some as saying they were "ready to die" before giving up.

The strikers' attorney, James Carter, said they capitulated only upon the assurance of a quick hearing of their recently filed complaint against the Douglas company, set for March 5.

"The strike will go on until we force Douglas to abide by the law in recognizing our union and granting our just demands," Carter's statement on behalf of the union said.

Conspiracy Charge Is Faced by 400
The 400 indictments which the grand jury voted this morning accused 68 persons and 32 John Does and Richard Does of conspiring to violate California laws (Turn to Page 9, Col. 5.)

Suicide Is Windup Of Kidnaping Case

Idaho Girl Tells Story of Argument With Suitor After Abduction

EMMETT, Idaho, Feb. 25 (AP)—A pretty choir girl, kidnaped by a jealous suitor at the very door of her church, told today of a wild night ride and of hours of terror on a country lane, climaxed when her lover shot himself because she jilted him.

While the girl, Gynell Soom, 20, denied herself even to friends, Sheriff Boise Riggs said he was convinced the death of 22-year-old Kenneth Crowther was suicide, and that only routine investigation inside his closed coupe, a bullet from a single-shot .22 calibre rifle in his temple, the body of Crowther was found on a side road 6 1/2 miles south of town.

Controlled News Held Losing Out

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 25 (AP)—Harrison Brown, British journalist, said propaganda was defeating its own purposes in Germany and Italy, as the public became apathetic toward controlled news.

English law holding to the principle "the greater the truth, the greater the libel," has resulted in English newspapers having much less freedom than those in America, he said.

Called by the defense yesterday were W. J. Wilson, member of the association board of directors whose testimony bore out that of Ray's on the "stop delivery" order; Russell Stannard, H. W. Ray of the McMinnville offices of the Ray-Malling company; H. W. McIntosh, public accountant; Dean Ray, manager of the Woodburn cannery in June, 1934; Carl Eber, assistant superintendent of the Woodburn cannery.

COAST SIT-DOWNERS LEAVE PEACEABLY



Evacuation of the sit-down strikers in the Douglas aircraft corporation plant at Santa Monica, Calif., was effected without disorder late yesterday. Above, a group of the strikers listening to a talk by a strike organizer.—International Illustrated News photo.

Martha A. Carter Dies at Age 102

Funeral Will Be Sunday; Resident of Palestine Vicinity Since '52

ALBANY, Feb. 25—Homes in Benton and northern Linn counties were saddened today at the passing of Mrs. Martha Angeline Carter, 102, at her home in the Palestine community where she had lived since 1862, when she and her husband, the late Senator Tolbert Carter, took the place as a donation land claim. Death came to the aged woman at 5 o'clock this morning following a ten-day illness due to bronchial pneumonia.

"Graddma" Carter, as she was affectionately known, lived to the last the "recipe" for a long life which was publicized on her 99th birthday:

"I've always had a good time, no matter what hardships came my way; I've never worried over things I couldn't change; I've never longed for clothes, furniture or money that I could do without nor coveted things other people owned. And I've always tried to help those less fortunate than I."

She was born in Ray county, Missouri, December 18, 1834. Her

Accident Claimed In Owen Slaying

THE DALLAS, Ore., Feb. 25 (AP)—Testimony tending to indicate the shooting of Owen Jones last November 4 may have been accidental entered the first degree murder trial of his brother, Dave Jones, today.

Lieutenant Warren of the state police told the court "Dave said the shooting occurred after a quarrel. Dave told me he was holding a rifle, cocked but lowered, and that the gun went off while Owen was bending over a short distance away."

Salem High Beats Corvallis, Debate

Salem high debate teams won over Corvallis high debaters at home and at Corvallis last night.

The Salem negative team of Virginia Martin and Allan Smith won a 3-0 decision here while the affirmative team of Bill Collins and Ruth Alice Grant won a 2-1 decision at Corvallis.

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Bandit Gets \$11 In Store Holdup; F. Nelson Victim



Held up at the point of a small black automatic brandished by a masked robber, Frank Nelson, proprietor of a small neighborhood grocery at 1899 Chemeketa street, was last night robbed of between \$11 and \$12.

It was the third such holdup of a place of business to occur in Salem within the past two months.

The robber, masked with a white handkerchief, entered the store about 7 o'clock and, flourishing his gun, demanded that Nelson and his wife keep quiet. He opened the till and stuffed its contents into the pocket of his coat, backed out of the door and ran north on Chemeketa street.

The robbery was reported to police just as the weekly police school was getting under way and effectively broke up the class.

Capitol Program Bill Introduced

A fresh bill for solving the capitol building problem was introduced in the senate yesterday by Francis Covitch and Strayer.

It authorizes the state capitol reconstruction commission to buy four blocks north on Court street and makes an appropriation of \$500,000; and empowers the commission to construct a building or buildings and equip and furnish same, with an appropriation of \$550,000 for the purpose.

The authority is made contingent on assistance from the federal government of 45 per cent on building and 15 per cent on land.

Axemen Vanquished as Salem High Springs Another Upset

By PAUL HAUSER. Those crazy Salem high kids, who win when least expected, did it again last night as they dumped Eugene's highly-touted quint 23 to 17 to even their annual series and make the state basketball situation a fancy guessing game for anybody.

Fighting from the first tip-off the Senators showed a well-organized attack in which good ball-handling figured highly but didn't get going in high-flying style until the second half.

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Third House Gains Capacity Audience



Jammed to capacity, the armory, site of the floor battles of the house of representatives, last night became the workshop of the biennial one-night stand of the "Third House." Legislators and state officials enjoyed themselves as lobbyists, newsmen and clerks poked fun at themselves and officials with complete abandon.

Feature of the "session" was the address of the governor, accompanied by his staff and escorted by "General White" and his army. Police broadcasts kept the audience informed of the attempts of police to round up legislative members.

Bills were introduced, debated and passed over objections and shouts of members under the "Boivin rules." Members of the legislature and state officials, satirized by the show, were among those who enjoyed the show most, laughing as heartily at their own characterizations as at those of their fellow members. Caricatures of W. L. Goslin, the governor's private secretary, and Rep. O. Henry Olsen were among the most striking.

Musical numbers and entertainment interspersed the debate and passage of laws until the third house adjourned sine die for another two years.

Farm Loan Directors to Meet Today at Corvallis

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 25 (AP)—District officers and directors of the National Farm Loan associations will confer Friday and Saturday at Oregon State college.

Farm credit administration officials from Spokane are to be on the program, William A. Schoenfeld, PCA board chairman, announced.

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Ballade of Today

Up the broad Willamette heavy laden boats will steam at every season of the year—and that's no idle dream; and many fertile acres will be watered from a dam, if the valley's monster project is approved by Uncle Sam.

The Weather
Partly cloudy and mackerled today, cloudy Saturday; Max. Temp. Thursday 54, Min. 40, river 5.5 feet, rain .08 inch, south wind.

Finest Hearing Ever in Region Robins Asserts

Saving of Millions Seen by Farmers, Timber Owners of Area

Favorable Prospect for Project Is Cited by Federal Engineer

Willamette valley farmers, civic leaders and public officials deluged the army engineers' hearing at the Salem chamber of commerce yesterday with an imposing mass of data supporting their plea for an eventual \$50,000,000 river development program.

Their showing led Colonel Thomas M. Robins, chairman to declare that "this was the finest hearing ever held in the Willamette valley."

As more than 75 valley citizens spoke in person and more than 150 organizations by written statement filed with the engineers, tragic pictures of land, livestock and other property damage contrasted vividly with bright glances at a future in which the valley's rivers would stay where they belong and serve to water growing crops in dry seasons and transport raw and finished manufacturing materials to markets cheaply.

The proposed development would save farmers and timber operators alone millions of dollars, speakers representing the nine valley counties declared. Unanimous support of the program mapped out by the army engineers for immediate revetment construction and channel realignments and for future dam building and power developments was voted by the assembly, which at time during the day-long hearing exceeded 400 persons.

Recommendations based on testimony at the hearing probably will reach congress in time for action at the present session on a \$2,400,000 appropriation for an initial unit of the flood control program, Colonel Robins predicted.

Serious Floods of Past May Recur

Keynoting the hearing at the opening hour, Colonel Robins warned that Willamette valley residents should not feel secure from recurrence of record floods such as those of 1914 and 1931. He declared it was entirely possible that similar high water conditions might recur and that the valley, with its population greatly increased and its property highly developed, would suffer a loss as much as \$10,000,000.

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Gov. Charles H. Martin, Attending the Morning Session, Endorsed the Project, Urging Particularly that Politics Be Kept Out of the Development Program, He Roused Immediate Rejoinder when He Specifically Mentioned the Oregon State Grange.

"Wait until you have to bail flood water off the kitchen floor," retorted Morton Tompkins, grange representative, "then you will be as strong as we are for flood control."

Tompkins' own district, around Dayton and Grand Island, is suffering heavily from annual flood damage, would benefit greatly from the river improvement plan, F. B. Willard, Dayton chamber of commerce, told the engineers at the afternoon session.

Marion and Polk counties similarly see Willamette river and tributary stream freshets denuding the land of top soil, mercilessly cutting away valuable farmlands and, in West Salem, destroying city property, the engineers were told by Douglas McKay, C. E. Wilson, State Engineer Charles E. Stricklin and WPA Director (Turn to Page 9, Col. 7.)