

School Bill Wins First Skirmish 33-27

Vote on Main Issue Set for House Today

The house refused 33 to 27 Thursday to kill the proposal to add an estimated \$15,000,000 a year to the basic school support fund.

The vote was on a motion to substitute an adverse minority committee report for the majority report recommending passage of the measure.

Formal house action on the bill itself is scheduled for today. In the meantime, proponents of the bill are known to be under heavy pressure to maintain their stand for the final vote and opponents are laboring long and hard to muster three more negative votes which would defeat the measure.

Rep. Giles French of Moro, member of the house education committee which favored the bill 6 to 5, led the attempt to kill the measure, assisted mainly by Reps. Edward Geary of Klamath Falls and J. F. Short of Redmond.

Proponents of the measure were led by Rep. Lyle Thomas of Dallas, augmented by Reps. Howard Morgan of Portland and A. J. Swett of Tillamook.

Probability that the measure, if ratified by the people, would lead to a state property tax was admitted by supporters of the bill. Opponents said such a property tax was inevitable.

The measure calls for total state support of \$95 per census child. Present figure is \$50. Swett declared the California figure was \$140 and Washington's \$125.

In fighting the measure, French declared there was no evidence that schools had been improved by the \$45 (\$17,000,000 a year) voted two years ago. He said the state had too many school districts; that the school system was "inefficient"; that the state's unemployment list of 90,000 was evidence the increase was not economically feasible, and that the bill comprised "an equalization tax measure and not an equalization education measure."

Geary urged spread of the county unit school system (now effective in five counties), and cited that among Oregon's 1350 school districts were "many one-teacher schools and high schools with 10 pupils or less" as examples of continuing unequalized education.

Short, who also is a member of the tax committee, said that under the present expectations the state will be required to use up its entire \$50,000,000 income tax surplus in the next two years, even without the added school fund.

Rep. Lyle Thomas, leading proponent of the measure, declared the proposal "actually is an equalization bill" and while he declared "in all probability a portion of it will be a property tax... its avowed purpose is to raise money where money is, and distribute it where it is needed."

Costs increased. Thomas also said originally the basic school support fund of 1947 was designed to cover 80 per cent of secondary and elementary school costs, but that because of increased costs and population, and a "lag" in assessed valuations, the original fund covered only 33 per cent of the costs.

The Dallas representative added that "the money will be supplied anyway, either at the local or state level, regardless whether this bill passes, but its passage would aid equalization."

Rep. Henry Semon of Klamath Falls, chairman of the ways and means committee, did not speak specifically against the bill but cited budget figures showing the state faces a deficit even without the school measure.

Re-referral Defended. Rep. Rudie Wilhelm's motion to re-refer the bill to the ways and means committee was voted down, as was a motion to vote on final passage immediately without the usual delay after adoption of the committee report.

The bill (HB 193) sets up the \$45 per census child as an addition to the present support fund and also would set aside \$2,000,000 annually to assist distressed districts in providing school facilities from the first through the eighth grade.

House members (33) who voted against killing the bill were: Adams, Allen, Anderson, Brady, Chadwick, Chindgren, Condit, Coulter, Crosby, Doerfler, Dreyer, Gaddes, Gile, Gill, Greenwood, Harvey, Johnson, Landon, Logan, Moyers, James Moore, Morgan,

Peck, Robinson, Sell, Shepard, Steelhammer, Swett, Thomas, Wade, Wells, Yeater and Ziegler. Members (27) voting to kill the measure included Reps. Barry, Baum, Bennett, Carter, Day, Dickson, Dyer, Erwin, Fisher, Francis, French, Geary, Hendershott, Hill, Hounsell, Kimberling, Lousallen, McCulloch, McNutt, Ralph Moore, Morse, Peterson, Semon, Short, Wilhelm, Wilson, Van Dyke.

In the House

PASSED
HB 133 (Game com.)—Provides for 225 license for fur dealers and specifies activities.
HB 243 (Landon et al.)—Lets union high school district establish junior high school by popular vote.
HB 276 (Hendershott et al.)—Extends until July, 1951, permission to use recreational parks for housing.

HB 381 (French et al.)—Doubles 1-cent millage allotment per pupil per day in counties averaging 3 children per square mile or less.
SB 12 (Bauer)—Increases pay of circuit judges pro tem from \$50 to \$30 per day.

SB 178 (Patterson)—Designed to validate school levies authorized in recent years when consolidations had technical flaws.
RE-PASSED
DO-PASS REPORTS ADOPTED
HB 128, 133, 245, 286, 297, 374, 400, 407.
SB 147.

RE-REFERRED TO COMMITTEES
HB 149.
HB 1.
REFERRED TO COMMITTEES
SB 145, 174, 181, 225, 266.

INTRODUCED
HB 18 (Social Welfare com.)—Provides for investigation of sites for camp.
HB 408 (Mill. Aff. com.)—Appropriates \$150,000 to aid in carrying out veterans' rehabilitation work.
HB 409 (Local Govt. com.)—Increases salary and mileage for Clackamas county surveyor (subs. for HB 184).

HB 410 (Mill. Aff. com., by req.)—Establishes civilian defense department under governor and appropriates \$100,000.
HB 411 (Mill. Aff. com., by req.)—Provides for a national guard reserve.
HB 412 (Clackamas delegation)—Provides for district court clerks in counties from 50,000 to 200,000 population (Marion, Lane, Clackamas) at \$2500 salary (duties now carried out by county clerks).

HB 413 (Logan)—Designed to permit political subdivisions greater latitude in exchanging property taken over for unpaid taxes.
HB 414 (Coulter)—Increases pay of Josephine county officers—judge, treasurer, clerk, assessor \$2000 to \$3000; commissioners \$2400 to \$3000; sheriff \$2300 to \$3000.
HB 415 (Shepard, Condit)—Increases pay of Columbia county officers—judge, clerk, sheriff, assessor, school supt. \$3120 to \$3900; treasurer \$2400 to \$3000.

HB 416 (Gill, Landon)—Increases pay of Linn county officers for two years, making them as follows: judge, clerk, sheriff \$3500, commissioners, school supt. \$3700; treasurer, recorder \$3000.
HB 417 (Ways, Means com.)—Puts arrearages \$4000 in unexpended balances in general fund.
HB 418 (Tax com.)—Exempts from excise tax the dividends paid to Oregon corporations by foreign corporations in which the Oregon firm holds 90% or more of voting stock.
HB 419 (Wilhelm)—Bars sale of fire-works except from June 20 to July 5 inclusive; exempts cap guns with caps under 25 grains.

HB 420 (Ways, Means com.)—Repeals 1947 law for establishment of Boys camp at Timber.
HB 421 (Ziegler, French)—Adds state committee and state committee-woman to the party state committees (now made up of county chairman and vice chairman), and provides that state committees shall elect national committee-men and national committee-women.
HB 422 (French, Peterson)—Provides that county school boards in Gilliam and Wheeler counties shall be elected instead of comprising county courts.
HB 423 (Crosby, Chindgren, Greenwood)—Provides for impounding dogs

Bill Proposes New Civilian Defense Setup

Creation of a new state department of civilian defense with an appropriation of \$100,000 is proposed in a bill introduced in the house Thursday by the committee on military affairs.

The department would be under a \$3600 a year director and a council of five citizens (not more than three belonging to one party), with the director and council to be appointed by the governor and to serve under his jurisdiction.

The measure also provides for "metropolitan area directors" and "mobile reserve battalions" with commanders. Members of the battalions, if not state employees, would receive \$5 a day while on duty.

A companion bill, also introduced by the military affairs committee, calls for creation of a national guard reserve.

The civilian defense measure would compel anyone connected with it to swear to defend the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and would bar members of any party or organization advocating overthrow of the government by force and violence.

Cities and counties would be empowered to enter into contracts during emergencies.

Preamble of the bill says it was introduced "because of the exist-

ing and increasing possibility of the occurrence of a disaster of unprecedented size and destruction resulting from enemy attack, sabotage or other hostile action, or from fires, flood, earthquakes or other natural causes."

It was declared that the functions of civilian defense include fire fighting, police and medical services, rescue, air raid warning, operation of chemical and radiological or other special weapons, evacuation, emergency transportation, plant protection and restoration of public utilities.

Solon Criticizes Newspaper Tieup In Letter to AFL

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, Portland democrat, said Thursday that "the impact of the Portland newspaper strike, through its muffling of legislative news, will have an adverse effect on our state for years to come."

In a letter to James T. Marr, state federation of labor secretary, Neuberger said that the only way many people can become informed on legislative matters is through the Portland newspapers.

"The bulk of the legislators are extremely reactionary," he wrote. "Yet public opinion is a brake on this reaction."

He wrote that one effect of the strike also might be the promotion of laws against labor.

Change Proposed In Selection of Party Leaders

A move to have party national committeemen and committeewomen elected by state committees in stead of by the state-at-large was begun in the house Thursday. A new bill, by Reps. Francis Ziegler and Giles French, also would augment the state committees now consisting of county chairmen and vice chairmen — by adding state committeemen to them.

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In the Senate

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SB 213 (Med. Pharm. & Dentistry)—Permits operation of osteopathic hospitals if they are approved by the National Association of Osteopathic Surgeons.
SB 121—(Thompson)—Amends the investment by fiduciaries or trust administrators to invest in stocks, bonds, etc., under the prudence man law enacted in 1947.

SB 246—(Belton & Rand)—An act to validate formation of rural fire protection districts already consolidated when legal defects have been discovered in the formations. (Enacted for a district near Oswego).
SB 120—(Brady & Anderson)—To permit any person to fill out the election ballot of a blind person.
SB 268—(Peck, Brady & Anderson)—Makes minor changes in the law requiring log trucks to stop at railroad grade crossings.

DEFEATED
SB 240—(Rand & Condit)—To permit St. Helens port commission to build and operate a hospital.
INTRODUCED
SB 133, 243, 321.
REFERRED
SB 301 to 305.

DO NOT PASS REPORT ADOPTED
SB 42 (Mahoney)—To repeal the state milk control act.
DO PASS REPORT ADOPTED
SB 28, 116.
SB 28, 147, 341, 342.
UP FOR FINAL ACTION TODAY
SB 11, 29, 125, 217.
THE SENATE RESUMES AT 10 A. M. TODAY.

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UP FOR FINAL ACTION TODAY
SB 54, 120, 121, 122, 297, 371, 374, 384, 400, 427.
SB 2, 161.
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5 lb. can 57c

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Quart jar 45c

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12-oz. glass 33c
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Green Spot 2's 39c
3 cans 57c

Jack 'n Beans 1 for 57c

Larson's Veg.-All Mixed Vegetables, No. 303 can 2 cans 29c

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Ear Fresh 2's 25c
3 cans 39c

Del Monte, No. 303 3 cans 39c

Whole Kernel Corn Balance No. 303 2 cans 25c

Red Sour Cherries Pitted telephone No. 2 can 29c

Fruite Plums - Merrimac No. 24's in syrup 3 cans 29c

Palmolive Soap Reg. bar Cashmere Bouquet Toilet Soap 3 bars 19c

Super Suda Lge. pkg. 29c
Vol Lge. pkg. 27c
Fet's Granulated Soap Lge. pkg. 37c

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