

Anti-Red Bill Favored But Vote Delayed

A bill to bar communists from working in state departments was sent back to committee Monday, but not before a majority of the senate indicated it would approve the proposal.

No one opposed the measure, but some members asked that it be amended to allow discharged persons to appeal to the civil service commission.

The bill would prohibit state department heads from employing persons known to advocate overthrow of the state or federal government by force or sabotage. It would also require firing of any employee known to be a communist.

Sen. Jack Bain, Portland, said the measure was introduced "to ferret out these rats who are gnawing at the very foundations of our state and federal government."

It is designed after a California law passed in 1944, and is endorsed by the Oregon State Employees association. Oregon already has a law to prevent communists from running for political offices.

Portland Housing Board Increase Favored in Senate

A house bill to increase the Portland housing authority from five to seven members was passed in the senate 20 to 7 Monday and sent to the governor.

Proponents of the measure said it would allow Mayor Dorothy McCullough Lee to appoint two members of her choosing to the authority.

Sen. Austin Flegel, Portland, said the measure was an answer to the action of Former Mayor Earl Riley who re-appointed Herbert Dahlke as head of the authority just before expiration of his mayoralty term late Monday.

At the time, said Riley's action was "regretable."

Approval Given Measure Delaying Disposing of Dogs

Stray dogs will get a little longer lease on life if the senate approves a bill which the house passed Monday.

The bill, by Reps. Crosby, Greenwood and Chindgren, requires that the dogs must be held for five days, to give owners a chance to reclaim them, before being killed.

The term does not apply to dogs caught in vicious acts.

PUBLIC HEARING SET

The house aviation and commerce committee will hold a public hearing Friday night on the bill which would let the public utilities commissioner regulate barges and other water carriers which operate within the state.

In the House

PASSED
 HB 286 — (McCollough) — Ups salaries of Baker county officers.
 HB 287 — (Beason) — Ups salaries of Union county officers.
 HB 288 — (Wilson) — Ups salaries of Malheur county officers.
 HB 414 — (Coutler) — Ups salaries of Josephine county officers.
 HB 422 — (Crosby et al) — Provides that stray dogs shall be held five days before being disposed of.
 HB 44 — (Belton et al) — Provides that two members of union high school board may be elected from any school district or part district comprising more than 50% of union district's total population.
 HB 45 — (Lynch) — Adds three new drugs to narcotics control act.
 HB 119 — (Rev. of Laws com.) — Deletes requirements of posting notices of executions.
 HB 184 — (Medicine etc. com.) — Strengthens narcotics law.

DEBATED
 HJR 6 — (J. Moore) — Would require jury to determine insanity (42-3).
 DO PASS REPORTS ADOPTED
 HB 232, 443, 324, 432.
RE-REFERRED
 HB 174.
 HJR 1.
REFERRED
 HB 461, 452.
 HB 170.
INTRODUCED
 SB 215, 237, 162, 200.
 HJM 12.
 HB 463 — (Lieuallen et al) — Provides state shall add \$3 to every \$1 the county provides for repair of frost-damage on county roads, and add 1-cent tax to gasoline to finance the plan.
 UP FOR FINAL ACTION TODAY
 HB 324, 443.
 SB 125, 211.
HOUSE RESUMES 10 A. M. TODAY.

Student 'Harem', Dunking on Blue Monday Fare



Willamette university campus was alive with pranks Monday as last-place Junior classmen got wet in the mill stream (lower cut) and other students paid off their losing bets as a result of Saturday's Freshman Glee song competition won by the senior class. Pictured above are typical of Blue Monday bet payoffs in the "harem" of William Ross, Portland sophomore, one of the many unusual scenes in the university gymnasium Monday. The girls, all freshmen, are (left to right) Pat Rice, Silverton; Joan Colony, Trona, Calif., and Duann McMakin, Camas, Wash.

Glee Losers Amuse, Amaze In Paying Off Bets from Willamette Campus Event

Blue Monday, annual payoff day for all Freshmen Glee losers on the Willamette university campus, was once again celebrated yesterday as students disrupted the entire classwork day seeing that the proceedings were carried out in true Blue Monday style. The day was climaxed at noon when Junior class males paid for losing the glee by taking the annual losers' dip in the mill stream.

Proceedings started as early as 7 a. m. when Phil Hammond, Lynn, Mass., freshman, woke up members of Pi Beta Phi sorority house for an early breakfast. The enthusiasm increased from there on as students, dressed in various apparel, astounded campus passersby and provided much student amusement.

Several campus "red" agitators organized a mock revolution and picketed the state capitol for several minutes. Before the episode was completed the red-flannel-garbed agitators excited several hundred student followers behind a "Down with Everything" slogan.

During the payoff chapel in the gymnasium, Sue Mellor, Portland, and Coleen Schodde, Heyburn, Idaho, pleased the crowd with their version of the can-can, and Gordon Chime, president of the junior class, wowed 'em by swallowing a live goldfish. Marian Spann, Payette, Idaho, appeared briefly in a sarong and Robert Shockley, Oregon City, roamed about as Edgar Bergen's Mortimer Snerd.

Even the administration got in on the act. When Maxine Muckie, Portland, appeared on the stage to be kissed by bet loser Dr. James Kirkwood, head of the speech department, she was "stood up" and had to call on President G. Her-

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Vet Loan Bill Again Sent To Committee

The resolution to allow veterans state loans for farms and homes even if they were not residents of Oregon prior to the war was referred back to committee for the fifth time by the house Monday.

The measure would be referred to the people.

It originally called for an increase from 3 to 4 per cent of the state's assessed valuation as a base for bond issues to provide funds and Rep. Howard Morgan moved unsuccessfully Monday to have it referred to committee with instructions to keep the 4 per cent rate.

It ultimately was referred, however, after Rep. Warren Gill declared the wording of the amended bill did not make it clear that only veterans were included.

Halting of Cars For School Bus Favored

A measure to require motorists to stop within 100 feet of school buses unloading children was approved in the senate Monday and sent to the house.

The bill would require drivers proceeding in either direction to stop when buses are unloading on a two-lane highway, but on four-lane roads would require only motorists approaching from the rear to halt.

Sen. Paul Patterson, Hillsboro, chairman of the senate highways committee, said 13 school children were killed by autos last year after alighting from school buses. The present law requires only that drivers slow down.

Senate Declines To Offer School Aid to Hawaiians

The senate Monday refused to concur in house amendments to a bill to exempt Alaskan and Hawaiian students from paying out-of-state tuition fees in Oregon's public colleges and universities.

As approved in the senate, the measure provided tuition-free scholarships to Alaskan students only. The house amended the measure to include Hawaiian students.

A conference committee was appointed to work out differences.

Committee Hears Protest Against Proposed Taxes

Representatives of colleges, charitable organizations, and churches protested to the house taxation committee Monday against a bill which would tax business conducted by them.

The purpose of the bill is to tax an extensive real estate business which is conducted by one church. But the opponents protested that their incidental businesses, which are used to support their organizations, would be affected, too.

WILL BE DISCHARGED

HUBBARD—S/Sgt. Keithal O. Ferrell, Hubbard, has left the 18th fighter wing base, attached to far eastern air forces, where he served 21 months of duty with the 38th reconnaissance squadron (VIR) mapping. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ferrell, Hubbard. He will be discharged in May, after serving a normal three year enlistment.

SANITY JURY BILL KILLED

A proposed constitutional amendment which would let juries decide who should be committed to the state hospitals for insane was defeated by the house Monday. Vote was 43 to 12.

In the Senate

PASSED
 SB 28 — (Rev. of Laws) — Raises the fee for brokers from \$7.50 to \$10 a year and changes training requirements.
 SB 12 — (Joint Mult. Del.) — Exempts marking of cemeteries from being marked in surveys.
 SB 200 — (M. Miller & Marsh) — Makes alimony recipients liable for state income taxes alimony received.
 SB 209 — (County Affairs) — Provides that water supply districts may elect five directors instead of three.
 HJM 3 — (Judiciary) — Asking congress to give states ownership of tide lands.
 HB 22 — (Taxation) — Requiring tax paying vicarious persons when challenging validity of tax assessments.
 HB 73 — (Dreyer & Others) — Increasing membership in the Portland housing authority from five to seven members.
 HCR 2 — (Lieuallen) — Providing for appointment of an interim committee to study the feasibility of constructing a sticra house for aged veterans of World Wars I and II and the Spanish-American war.

INTRODUCED
 SB 341 — (Roads and Highways) — To require motorists to install parking meters on their automobiles before Jan. 1, 1950.
 SB 342 — (Thomas and Walker) — To reinstate the water rights of property owners in the Camp Adair area during the late war, include rights to the Little Luckiamute and Luckiamute rivers.
 SB 343 — (Game) — Opens Yaquina bay at Newport to commercial fishing for salmon.
 SB 344 — (Game) — To prohibit fishing from boats above the falls in the Smith river and its tributaries lying in Douglas county.
 SB 345 — (Education) — To allow consolidated districts to pay off the indebtedness of separate districts incurred prior to consolidations.

REFERRED
 SB 336 to 340.
 HB 73, 112, 118, 219, 321, 348, 390, 391, 406, 413, 416 422.
RE-REFERRED
 SB 229 211, 212, 213, HJM 10.
REJECTED
 SB 341 — (Roads and Highways) — To require Oregon motorists to install parking meters on their automobiles before Jan. 1, 1950.
DO NOT PASS REPORT ADOPTED
 SB 194 — (Carson) — To bar judges from weighing in testimony or testimony in instructing juries.
DO PASS REPORTS ADOPTED
 SB 178, 229, 295, 298, 299, 329, HB 149, 381.
UP FOR FINAL ACTION TODAY
 SB 270, 298, 113, 139, 176, 285, 290, 292.
 HB 149, 423.
HCR
THE SENATE RESUMES AT 10 A. M.

State Ownership Of Tide Lands Asked by Senate

The senate Monday adopted a memorial asking congress to grant coastal states ownership of tide lands. The measure now goes to the house.

A recent supreme court opinion held that the lands belong to the government unless congress passes legislation providing otherwise.

Supporters of the memorial said the coastal states have "historical ownership rights" to the valuable lands.

Sen. Richard Neuberger, Portland, said the measure "smells of oil" and maintained that the federal government is more competent to handle the lands.

Amity C. of C. Holds Meeting

AMITY — Amity Chamber of Commerce at its March meeting voted in favor of lowering the tax on amusements.

P. E. Meeker announced that the emergency road fund would be available in Amity for Nursery street, which was damaged by the winter freeze.

Joe M. Barr reported on a Boy Scout meeting which he and Bernard Kista attended in McMinnville. Plans were made for hikes March 13 and a camporee in May.

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Rogue River Dam Measure Recommended

The house state and federal affairs committee Monday recommended passage of the bill which would move the deadline for dams on the Rogue eight miles downstream.

The bill would make it possible to build the Lewis Creek dam—key dam in the proposed U.S. bureau of reclamation's \$90,000,000 Rogue river irrigation, power and flood control project.

Of the nine-man committee, Rep. John F. Steelhammer did not concur. Two other members were absent.

The committee heard four hours of arguments for and against the bill last Friday night.

Committee Against Death Penalty Bar

The proposed constitutional amendment to abolish the death penalty in Oregon was tabled Monday by the house state and federal affairs committee. The measure had been approved overwhelmingly by the senate.

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State Assistance Asked for County Board Systems

Four Pendleton legislators introduced a bill Monday to levy a 1-cent extra gas tax to help counties fix roads which were damaged the past winter.

For each \$1 put up by the counties, the state would put up \$3.

Sponsors are Reps. C. L. Lieuallen and Sprague Carter, and Sens. Rex Ellis and Carl Engdahl.

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