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problems of the country in the coming years.

In 1950, he volunteered, if he has not shown his continued exercise of independent judgment, his constituents may refuse to send him back to Washington. Voters are entitled to have men as their representatives who will tell them exactly why they voted as they did, he contended.

Filibuster Attacked

Referring to the successful filibuster against the REPC bill, the former dean of the University of Oregon law school maintained the nation is not operating on a majority rule basis. "If the principle of the filibuster is permitted to dominate the legislative processes of the U. S. senate you will continue to have minority rule," he warned.

Threats of minority are not limited to racial issues, he explained. Cliques have offered to filibuster against the minority wage bill, the loan to Britain and "any type of legislation certain blocks of men in the senate don't want passed."

Morse admitted he would rather take his stand in majority rule and take a licking than let any

minority group tell him how he should vote.

"No real serious attempt to break the filibuster was made at any time during most of the month it proceeded," he charged, laying blame equally upon the two major parties. "If that can give comfort, he warned, let there be thinking of the significance."

"I refuse to apologize to anyone that I stood on the senate floor and said it was a farce," he said, recalling, too, that it was he who had made an effort to place before the body a substitute bill. **Battle Must Be Fought**

"That battle must be fought and it must be won," he cried, "if you are going to be represented by the majority rule principle."

Morse then attacked the senate committee system.

Minorities rule there, too, he charged, and seniority places chairman at the head of the majority of committees. Those leaders, he related, are elected by a small per cent of the adults of the states they represent because only a few are eligible to cast a ballot. He placed the top in these states at 30 per cent and said there were just as many whites as colored people who were denied the vote in those constituencies.

This is no time, he recalled, for such discrimination against color, however, when a war in which people of all colored skins have sacrificed so much has just been won.

Such chaotic and archaic rules in the senate, so sweeping in their nature, are resulting in denial of a large quantity of needed legislation which could be passed if only men were permitted to stand and be counted, he stated.

Calls For Reform

The Eugenean called for a law which would provide for the election of committees on a majority basis and for automatic introduction to the senate floor of all legislation which has remained unconsidered by the committee after a certain length of time.

"You are the remedy," he told the 250 Realty board members and their guests, "because unless you make a study of how you are represented 'procedurally,' the chances are very great the rules will not be changed."

Returning to the FEPC bill, which he said he had declined to help write because of its handling of criminal features, he claimed he had been denied by the filibuster a chance of presenting a bill which would have given to local judges the responsibility of passing upon problems arising in various districts.

When the vote on cloture was taken at the end of the filibuster a secret ballot was first taken to make sure the minority would be upheld in its talkfest, he charged. The majority lacked eight votes in winning the necessary two-thirds decision.

The senator then admitted his shame for eight members of the republican party who had voted against cloture and of the minority chairman who had stood up and defended the filibuster.

Atomic Age Stressed

Political parties cannot continue to govern the country if they fail to realize the full meaning of the atomic age, the junior senator warned further. The atomic bomb can't remain a national secret because science is universal, he stated.

He asked, however, that other nations not be given production secrets until a qualified and trustworthy world organization can be entrusted with the information.

Morse also assailed politicians who seek votes by promising war-end tax reductions.

He called, however, for balancing of the annual operating budget and for maintaining of the all-important value of the American dollar.

Distribution of tax levies should be made more equitable, he said, so that all who are able to main-

tain a certain standard of living providing health and decency can contribute to paying the price to protect their property.

The strike problems cannot be solved by legislation, he claimed, in defending the rights of workers to voice their democratic rights. Labor has no more right than any other group, however, he declared, to infringe on the legal rights of others.

Two Injured As Car Hits Parked Truck

A truck parked near a badly-lighted intersection at night was involved in a collision in which two people were injured early Friday morning.

Edison Samuel, 1228 Chambers street, who was the driver of the car which smashed into the rear end of the truck, received minor cuts and bruises and a possible injury to his right hand and arm, while Romona Pablo, of Reedsport, a passenger in the car, sustained minor cuts. Both were taken to a local hospital for treatment. The accident occurred near the intersection of Ninth avenue and Monroe street.

Samuel's car and the rear end of the truck were badly damaged. Orwell R. Mailoux, 812 Ninth avenue west, driver of the truck, told police that the truck had been knocked over the curb into the parking strip by the impact of the collision.

Senator—

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to undermine the labor movement itself. If this issue is pushed now, there is a real danger we may have a type of domestic disturbance which would produce a great strain on democratic government.

2. If we want a free system, voluntary arbitration must be made to work or the free system will be lost. The Case bill would lead to compulsory arbitration. Boards such as it would set up can legislate with more finality than congress, entailing the danger of government by men rather than by law.

3. Until the government lets the people know its policy on economic matters for the next 12 months, it will be impossible to make any constructive moves because neither labor nor industry knows where it stands. The government is a party to the labor crisis because of the controls it exercises. But the government is not doing anything effective to settle the disputes.

Ingram posed the question: "If we can't have voluntary agreement and can't have legislation, what's left to do but slug it out?"

Morse's answer: "You can't slug it out when you have three parties involved, including the government."

Some of Morse's questioners asserted that if it is necessary to wait four or five years for an opportunity to enact regulatory legislation, there may not be any questions to be answered at that time. He was told that the public is ready for corrective legislation now. The need was asserted for legislation which would make labor bargain collectively as well as industry. Walter Woodard of Cottage Grove said, "I just hope our private enterprise system will last that long."

As to his own program, Morse recalled his campaign pledge to work for amendment of the Wagner labor relations act. Timing is important here, too, he said, but ventured a prediction he would find it possible to introduce amendments next fall. He said the present crisis may be over in 60 days.

Another point, "We should try to require democratic processes within unions." In the next four years, Morse predicted, unions will be brought under anti-trust laws.

Travel time pay for lumber workers, said Morse, should be a matter for collective bargaining and he will introduce legislation to accomplish this change but this does not mean necessarily that he will sponsor it.

The statute of limitations, he said, should be amended so that retroactive pay cannot go back beyond two years.

He agreed that union should be forced to provide a greater degree of responsibility but said the real question here is how to enforce such legislative action.

Morse was "grilled" at length by several lumbermen as to his views.

Woodard emphasized the position that an employer must be responsible, financially and otherwise, and that in making contracts she should be able to be certain that those he deals with are responsible, too.

Dow Jones

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—(U.P.)—Dow Jones closing bond averages: 40 bonds, 109.58, unchanged. 10 first rails, 119.25, off 0.09. 10 second rails, 102.62, up 0.12. 10 utilities, 109.96, up 0.04. 10 industrials, 106.50, off 0.07.

Flood Control—

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capitation cycle, which meant more floods; in the earlier part of this century, the cycle was low, which helped to account for little flood damage, and now the cycle is swinging back, he explained.

Tells of Warnings
The "astounding" numbers of people who have moved into the flood plain and "encroached on the river's domain" have added to

the problem and some of them stand to take considerable losses, he warned. "We tried to keep some of them out," he declared, "but no soap."

The McKenzie, MacGibbon said, makes a peculiar contribution to the flood situation. He quoted figures to illustrate how control on that stream would lower flood crests almost as far down as Newberg, with as much as four and one-half feet differences in certain floods and at some points.

The new investigation of the McKenzie (earlier it had been proposed to build a dam at Quartz creek) is resulting in study of a number of possible combinations of storage on upper tributaries plus other installations below.

Some of which may work out, MacGibbon recounted. Some combinations such as work on the South Fork, possibly near Cougar creek, plus Blue River, Gate creek and the Mohawk, might cost as high as \$30 an acre foot more than storage on the main river, he said.

Weighting Costs
The engineers are weighing carefully costs and damages against benefits before recommending any program, MacGibbon declared, adding that they are trying to do whatever will bring the greatest good to the greatest number with the least damage to levees.

Any, because of the size they would have to be and the amount of land which should be dedicated to the river between them would be terribly expensive and subject to constant upkeep, he said. Even with dams, some levees must be built to control inflow below the

reservoirs, but because the dams would control the river, it would be possible to protect them, he explained.

Keeps On Rolling

Old man river is going to keep on rolling along, and there will be more and bigger floods, declared Dr. Smith. Removal of vegetation, of the protective forest cover, will leave nothing to hold the water back, and the river will bring devastation to the area unless it is controlled, he said.

Pointing to the tremendous increase in carrying power which results from any increase in stream velocity, Dr. Smith gave his opinion that the only way to control a river is in its headwaters, with supplemental artificial levees along some parts of its banks.

Puustinen declared that the commercial fishermen are willing to be convinced of the feasibility of a flood control program, and that once convinced they will go along in helping put the plan through congress with the least possible delay. Because of damage to fish themselves and to fishery installations by floods, it is to their interest to see floods prevented, he said.

His program, he said, included, first, channelizing the river to the maximum limit practical, and then studying the possibility of check dams and reservoirs up the river to regulate the flow.

Called Lame Duck
Folts declared that there are two to one more costs than benefits in the proposed project. "I believe," he said, "that the program is being continued just because it was started. It is actu-

ally a lame duck devoid of its original one leg, the need for power and irrigation."

Folts declared that the project would save nothing in the cost of stream pollution because cities along the river are planning their own programs to avoid polluting the river; that the need for power is no longer so vital; that farmers in the area do not wish to pay the costs of an irrigation district; and that importance of navigation is overrated.

Owen Sabin, principal of Springfield union high school, acted as master of ceremonies. The Mohawk-McKenzie grange sponsored the meeting.

Clarence Belknap of the McKenzie River Protective and Development association spoke from the floor, reiterating that organization's recognition of the need for flood control and asking that

the method be chosen carefully. The feeling of many of the farmers present was summed up by one questioner, who questioned emphatically, "All this talk about dams is fine, but what I want to know is where is the river going to be all the time we're talking about it?"

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