

Both Parties Support Ike's Military Plan

Reserve Program Faces Opposition

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower has won quick bipartisan support in Congress for extending the draft and raising military pay, but he faces sharp skirmishing on some other parts of a broad new military manpower program.

The President called Thursday for a four-year extension of the draft, more money and benefits for career servicemen and a reorganized and strengthened pool of reserve strength.

RESERVE PROGRAM

The reserve program included a plan for six months basic training for limited numbers of 17 and 18-year-olds and a requirement that both these youths and regular draftees serve additional time in active, organized reserve units.

The President told Congress in two special messages that these steps are necessary to give the nation its first peacetime "proper military posture" and to provide the capacity of dealing with any "aggressor so criminally unwise as to attempt an atomic attack."

Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) of the House Armed Services Committee said he strongly endorses a selective pay increase and the general idea of more fringe benefits for servicemen.

He said in a statement he would support both a four-year extension of the regular draft and a requested two-year extension of the law drafting doctors and dentists. Both are now due to expire June 30.

WAIT AND SEE

But he underscored a prevalent wait-and-see attitude on the President's proposals to increase and strengthen the reserves. In past years, Congress has remained cool to all proposals for universal military training, some of which have paralleled the President's six-month training plan, and there were strong indications the present Congress would take its time in considering that program.

Chairman Russell (D-Ga.) of the Senate Armed Services Committee told newsmen "undoubtedly there will be some increased compensation" for servicemen but declined comment on other features of the program.

Rep. Arends (R-Ill.), a member of the House Armed Services Committee, said he was happy to see the President's pay raise proposals because he considers them necessary. If more money keeps highly trained men in service, he said, the country eventually will save money.

FRINGE BENEFITS

Sen. Saltonstall (R-Mass), chairman last year of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the proposal "forms a strong basis on which a bill for building up trained reserves and for stabilization of our regular services can be written."

Skirmishing is expected, however, over details of the reserve program and some of the fringe benefits which Congress has chipped away and the President proposes to restore.

In addition to pay raises, Eisenhower said there is need for more and cheaper military housing, better medical care for dependents, and a fairer program of survivor benefits.

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WHERE ARE THEY?—American experts on Russia say Stalin's son, Vasily (shown top, as Soviet Air Force major general), may have lost his life in the same purge that took life of his close friend, Police Chief Lavrenti Beria. Vasily has not been seen in public since he took part in his father's funeral in March, 1953. Unconfirmed reports from Vienna, Austria, say that Stalin's daughter, Svetlana (bottom in Stalin's arms in 1937), has been banished from Moscow by Premier Malenkov. (NEA)

Neuberger Convinced New Job His Toughest

WASHINGTON (AP)—Ten days on the job as a United States senator has convinced Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore) this is his toughest assignment.

"I've never worked as hard in my life," said Neuberger, who is 42 and says he started work at 18. "I start work at 8 o'clock in the morning and I'm still going past 11 at night."

SEVERAL DIFFICULTIES

Neuberger listed among his difficulties—some of them obviously not shared by his colleagues:

- "Dozens and dozens of invitations—perhaps hundreds—to cocktail parties."
- "Inability to use the product of ghost writers or even other research workers."
- The job of caring for his pet cat Muffet because his wife Maurine is back in Oregon on her job of state legislator. She plans to return here later to serve as an unpaid office assistant to her husband.
- Being mistaken for another freshman lawmaker, Rep. James Roosevelt (D-Calif.), son of the late President.

Neuberger has attracted attention because of his outspokenness and because it was his victory over former Sen. Guy Cordon, in the last race to be decided after the November elections, which

Oil Seekers

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are specific in that the only rights are to the oil in the land. Rex Wakefield, supervisor of the Siuslaw National Forest, explained, "It looks to us like the forest is completely protected. They even have to dig their holes between trees. The public does not stand to lose anything."

Manning Barber, former Eugene realtor who has been scouting gas and oil prospects for a long time, is in Portland for the specific purpose of interesting clients in oil leases.

COMPANY EXPLORATIONS

Barber's belief that there is oil in Oregon and perhaps in Lane County is strong. He said that the lessees for the government land many times represent large companies.

He pointed out that a representative of Shell Oil Co. last week told a Roseburg service club that 10 of the nation's largest companies are exploring for oil in the state at the present time. The Shell man said the firms are Sinclair Oil Co., Humble Oil Co., General Petroleum Co., El Paso Natural Gas Co., Standard Oil, Richfield, Ohio Gas and Oil Co., Texas Oil Co., Western Gulf Corp. and Shell.

"Some of the Siuslaw Valley lessees are no doubt representing these firms," Barber said. "The big companies like to hide themselves and so the leases are made out to individuals."

He said that several ranchers who have given leases to oil rights on their private land have verified this.

ONCE AN OCEAN

Hollis M. Dole, acting director of the state department of geology, while pointing out that the history of oil exploration in Oregon offers very little, said that he knows companies have for some time been carrying on geologic exploration and some have leased large blocks. He couldn't be specific, since there have been no leases of state or county property.

"The area from Eugene to the Pacific once was an ocean," Dole reports. "That means that you have marine rock formations and that's where oil is found. The same applies to Malheur County, which once was an inland sea."

Dole explained that the market and supply for oil may be a key. He compared it to the lumber industry which has gradually shifted westward, from Maine to Oregon. "While the national inventory of oil is much higher than ever before, at the same time we are using more—current demand is greater even than during wartime."

Dole remarked "We don't know if there's oil in Lane County. But apparently some firms think there may be. It'll be a godsend to you folks for the county surely needs some more industry. This might be a wonderful thing for Lane County."

Neuberger said he has been mistaken numerous times for James Roosevelt "and that's all right with me."

Both are angular, balding, quick to smile. But, Neuberger said, "Jimmy is considerably taller."

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Revision of Game Laws Studied in State Senate

SALEM (AP)—Legislative game committees got their first look Thursday at a dozen proposals submitted by the State Game Commission.

The Senate Game Committee, after hearing commission spokesmen outline suggested changes in the game laws, decided to sponsor two suggestions. The House Fish and Game Committee decided to introduce six recommendations.

ICE FISHING

The Senate committee will sponsor a bill to repeal the law that restricts ice fishing. Ice fishing now is allowed only in Upper Klamath and Willowa lakes. The Game Commission wants to open other high level lakes when it considers that ice angling would be beneficial.

The Senate group also will introduce a bill to amend carp

seining regulations to permit netting or trapping of other types of non-game or non-food fish. Seining of carp by permit is generally confined to sloughs, reservoirs and backwaters, mostly in Eastern Oregon.

LOADED GUNS

The Game Commission said it wanted a bill to ban the carrying of loaded guns in cars and trucks, a proposal that was defeated in the last Legislature. The committee said it wants more information before it decides whether to sponsor such legislation.

Principal legislation to be introduced by the House committee would abolish all big game refuges in the state. The committee was told that refuges were opened and closed by the state when considered necessary anyway, and that the commission wants to continue a policy of closing areas when necessary to protect certain types of big game.

OTHER MEASURES

Also to be introduced as committee bills is legislation repealing a state law forbidding use of boats in the taking of waterfowl because it duplicates a federal law; banning fishing at the base of dams having fishways; and requiring permits for importation of fish used solely for planting in private ponds.

The House group said it would give more study to proposals to boost from 50 cents to \$1 hunting and fishing licenses for disabled war veterans, and requiring state welfare agencies to certify indigent applicants for wood and stream licenses.

Legislature

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which the customer deposits a coin in the slot.

Another new Senate measure would make major changes in the public employees retirement law.

The bill carries out recommendations of an interim committee that has studied the subject since the 1953 Legislature went home.

The retirement law was given an overhauling two years ago, and now is in for some more changes.

Under the law passed two years ago, the retirement program was changed so that public employees also could draw federal social security benefits.

The new bill proposes 15 major changes, attempting to carry out a provision that employees, at age 65, would get retirement pay equal to half of their salaries.

It would reduce costs for low-salaried employees, and also reduce benefits slightly for persons retiring at those salaries.

Employees in higher brackets, including those in professional classes, would get bigger benefits and pay more for them.

It also provides that when a county, city, school district or other subdivision comes under the plan, it can't withdraw.

To Attend Conference

Representing the University of Oregon school of architecture and allied arts at the meeting of the College Art Assn. of America in New York this month will be Mark R. Sponeburgh, assistant professor of art. The annual conference is to be held Jan. 28 through 29. While in New York, he also will attend the conference of the Middle East Institute and the Society of Architectural Historians meeting.



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