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BANNING PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

The Oregon house of representatives has by a vote of 31 to 28 killed the bill for the Pelton dam on the Deschutes river thus preventing the expenditure of millions of dollars for a badly needed Central Oregon hydroelectric plant which would not only encourage industrial development to furnish payrolls but tax revenues for the region, as well as a recreation lake.

The defeat was brought about by the alliance of the bureaucrats heading state departments seeking popularity the advocates of non-taxpaying federal power monopoly, and the principal exterminators of fish life, the commercial and "sportsmen" fishermen, who never agree on anything but opposition to private company power dams. Had the project been large enough to interest the federal government as a needless investment of taxpayers' money—there would have been no more opposition than there is to the many huge dams built and in construction.

The Deschutes river has never been a salmon stream and probably never will be, no matter how much money is spent. Even the Indians had to go miles away to the Columbia to get salmon. Its steep, rock-bound boulder-strewn canyon is all but impassable to anglers and little fished.

The Portland General Electric promoters of the Pelton project met every objection suggested to develop salmon and trout hatcheries to insure restocking, as at other dams. It also cooperated to make the lake created a summer pleasure resort, which when stocked with spiny ray and other fish would furnish sport for the multitude and insure many times the catch possible in the Deschutes.

There has been but one dam built in Oregon by private enterprise since the legislative ban created when Bonneville was built and that was on the North Umpqua. Many projects have been thwarted by public power visionaries, especially on the Snake by those who want a federal monopoly so California can utilize Oregon streams for development.

Will Oregon ever get a legislature interested enough in Oregon to permit taxing private enterprise spending its own money to develop the Oregon area instead of increasing the record-smashing national debt?

MILK MARKETING POLICIES

Last week's decision by the supreme court in the Safeway milk case has evidently reversed the policies of the milk marketing division of the state department of agriculture. Hitherto the people were accustomed to edicts raising the price of milk and at the same time lowering the butterfat content, higher prices for poorer milk.

A couple of days after the decision the board raised the butterfat content of regular milk in Portland without raising the price, reduced the price of higher butterfat content milk as much as 1 1/2 cents and granted an optional store differential of 1/2 cent a quart on two quart sales.

Board members gave complete credit for price reduction and increased butterfat content to producers, who at their February hearing indicated they wanted a better product to go to the public at no extra cost.

The optional store differential was in response to long-standing popular demand, board members pointed out.

The majority court decision written by Judge George Roessman stated that nothing in the milk marketing act supported the department's claim to economic control over processors and the act itself had been misconstrued. A supporting opinion by Chief Justice Latourette declared "the order of the director is arbitrary, unreasonable, is neither within the spirit nor the terms of the act, nor is it founded on facts sufficient to sustain such an order."

The milk marketing division of the department of agriculture had ruled that Safeway could not purchase milk in the Salem production area to be processed in Portland and returned to Salem for sale in their stores. A decision upholding the board by Circuit Judge Charles W. Redding of Multnomah was reversed.

The Oregon Food Merchants' association has denounced as "a fraud and delusion" the optional store differential price of 1/2 cent a quart for 2-quart sales on milk approved for Portland by the state board effective April 16. The wholesale price will not be changed, however, and stores adopting the differential on two-unit sales will have a margin of 1 1/2 cents a quart instead of the historic 2 cents a quart.

AGREEMENT ON U.N. SECRETARY

The long deadlock over a successor to Trygve Lie as secretary general of the United Nations was suddenly broken Tuesday by an agreement between Russia and the western nations on Dag Hammarskjold of Sweden.

If there was any place the two contending elements could meet it would be on someone from Sweden or Switzerland, two free nations that are not in the N.A.T.O., hence not directly allied to the west, though presumably western in sympathies.

We do not attach too much significance to the agreement, although it is encouraging as far as it goes. It seems to be part of the prevailing Moscow "peace" attitude. The question is whether this is to be of brief or longer duration, long enough to allow a Korean peace settlement or only long enough to enable Moscow to mix a little more propaganda brew.

But at least one vexing impasse is out of the way.

FOUR MORE YEARS FOR BIG TEN

Purdue's vote for renewal of the Big Ten's four-year contract with the Pacific Coast conference for the annual Rose Bowl game is now said to assure a six to four vote for renewal in the Big Ten. It is assumed that Indiana and Michigan, who've favored the agreement right along, will again vote that way.

But a vote of six to four is only the bare margin required, so it is evident that there is plenty of opposition to the big New Year's day football extravaganza among the faculties of the middle western institutions.

Although we favor the Rose Bowl game we were half hoping the Big Ten would bow out so the western entry could play a team picked from the entire midwest, east and south. This could have made the game more representative and more interesting to sports fans of the nation.

LEGISLATORS as Seen by Murray Wade



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Chairman of the Senate Taxation Committee

AXIOMATIC GILES

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E.O. Editor - Widely Quoted

RIDING FOR A FALL

Astorian-Budget

The investigative powers of congress certainly don't extend so far as to give a congressional committee the right to take over functions of the executive branch of government.

This is what Sen. McCarthy and his subcommittees have done by negotiating an agreement with a Greek shipowner to halt shipments into Red China.

Negotiations of such agreements is the duty of the executive branch of government, through its state department. There is certainly nothing in the Constitution or in any other law that permits a senate subcommittee to take over such duties.

Sen. McCarthy is obviously getting too big for his britches.

Sen. McCarthy was slapped down by the senate in the case of the Bohlen appointment as ambassador to Russia. He tried to overrule the president, but the senate confirmed the president's appointment.

We doubt if the senate will approve McCarthy's arrogant invasion of executive duties in the matter of the deal with the Greek shipowner. Some sort of rebuke, plus repudiation of the deal, is certainly in order.

POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

Are You a Stuffed Shirt? Well, You Could Be One

By HAL BOYLE

New York (AP)—Are you a stuffed shirt?

Chances are the answer is—yes, sometimes.

Practically everybody is. Prosperity creates more stuffed shirts than anything else, and times have been pretty good for quite a while.

What is a stuffed shirt? He is anyone with an undue sense of self-importance, who lets himself get out of perspective in relation to other people.

A stuffed shirt is able to inflate himself with his own hot air, and name me anybody who doesn't have the urge to do that now and then today.

Fortunately, the pinpricks of conscience and common sense, plus the ability to look in a mirror and laugh at ourselves, make most of us self-deflating, too.

If silence were really golden, the stuffed shirt would be a pauper. It is his conversation that reveals what he is stuffed with, normally, his head with nonsense, his heart with sawdust.

The stuffed shirt can occasionally be dangerous, often he is a sad figure, but generally he is merely ludicrous, as most things out of perspective are.

It is fun to collect stuffed shirts as a hobby. Like the mosquito their habitat ranges from the tropics to the Arctic Circle. But the best places to net them are in their homes, in railroad club cars, at bars or cocktail parties.

Perhaps you have some of the following common types in your own gallery of stuffed shirts:

1. The Big-Me-Little-You S. S.—His slogan is, "Anything you've done I've done better." If you drove up Pike's Peak, he climbed the Matterhorn on a pogo stick. Your car gets 18 miles to the gallon? His gets 22. Your wife weighs 250 pounds? His weighs 375 and had three offers from a circus.

2. The I-Bear-All-the-Tax-Burdens S. S.—He actually is on the payroll of his older brother, but he talks as if all the cost of government fell on his shoulders. Every time President Ike digs a divot in the White House lawn, he yelps, "why should I have to pay for his grass seed?"

3. The Social-Climbing-Bartender—This stuffed shirt gives the idea he spends his mornings in Wall Street and his week-ends playing polo with the Astorbills. You have to show your Dun & Bradstreet rating before he will wait on you, and then he serves a martini with his thumb in it instead of an olive.

4. The Smug Young Mother S. S.—She is sure that life and childbirth began with her, and the Lord hung out the sun merely to dry her laundry line. Any woman who doesn't spend every minute in her home praising her baby is a dried-up, envious old maid. All this young mommy needs, however, is two more kids to make her a human being again.

5. The World Saver S. S.—This joker can't cure himself of a common cold, but he is certain he has worked out a solution for all the ills that ever plagued mankind. If you don't have your earplugs

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Taft and Eisenhower Getting Along First Rate

BY DREW PEARSON

Washington — President Eisenhower was talking to his Monday-morning quarterback session of senate leaders about the question of replacing Carl Gray, now head of the far-flung and very important veterans administration.

Someone proposed that Gen. James Van Fleet, recently returned Korean war hero, be made veterans administrator. Whereupon the outspoken senator from Ohio interrupted.

"I don't think," suggested Taft, "that we ought to have another general."

Taft caught himself and grinned. Looking around the room, however, he noted that no one else grinned. Ike said nothing. So Taft said nothing further.

Later Taft explained to friends that he did not mean this as a crack against generals in the White House, but that a general, accustomed to army red tape, was not a good man to handle the red tape-bound veterans administration.

The incident, incidentally, does not indicate any coolness between the two top leaders of the republican party. Taft has been getting along much better with Eisenhower. The two see eye-to-eye on more issues, and the president has been taking more of Taft's advice. Taft says privately that he still reserves the right to differ, and may have to do so eventually. But he isn't going to differ on details.

TIMID TONY

Tony Bender, reputed successor to Frankie Costello in the New York underworld, almost had heart failure when Bible-quoting Senator Tobey's investigators served him with a subpoena to come to Washington for the New Jersey waterfront investigation today.

Tobey's agents tracked Bender to his girl friend's apartment in Greenwich Village, then closed in. Bender zoomed his car up the street, senate agents in hot pursuit. Finally they forced his car to the curb.

Bender got out, thinking a rival gangster was about to bump him off. Sweat was dripping from his brow. He was quaking with fear.

When he got only a senate subpoena, the big racketeer looked as if he would kiss the agents on both cheeks. He accepted it with pleasure, timidly asked if he could bring a lawyer.

SECRET TIDELANDS TESTIMONY

The vital closed-door debate giving offshore oil to the coastal states is still hushed up inside the senate interior committee. However, here are the highlights of what happened. Loudest uproar was over the way the bill was revamped at the last minute without telling most senators.

"I feel that the attorney general of the United States ought to interpret language that is in this bill which is different from any language we have ever looked at before," demanded Sen. Clint Anderson, New Mexico democrat. "So here we are with a bill on which we have never had hearings."

handy, the only way to deal with this verbal gusher is to tell him you're selling life insurance.

But stuffed shirts serve a healthy purpose. If there were not a few around to remind us that sanity is better than vanity, well, we'd probably all be stuffed shirts, boring each other to death to the tune of our own vocal chords.

"It is a little surprise to me to find a complete new bill," agreed Sen. George Malone, Nevada republican. "If nothing more, I would suggest that some of us would like to discuss it before the committee acts."

"My dear sir!" bristled Oregon's Sen. Guy Cordon, chairman of the hearings and the man who arranged the last-minute revamping. "There will be nobody denied any reasonable opportunity if the chairman has the power to do it. Nobody!"

"I was about to say that perhaps the chairman has considerable advantage over the senator from Nevada. He has been studying it," shot back Malone.

"If the senator will permit the chair to make an explanation which he started to make perhaps a half hour ago, I think it will be helpful," retorted Cordon impatiently. "The bill is not, first, a new bill, senator. There are suggestions which were made by the department of justice in conference with the chairman."

200 MILES OUT TO SEA

Most important change in the suddenly rewritten tidelands bill was dividing the tidelands problem into two parts. Since Texas and Louisiana have been squabbling with California over how far out into the ocean the states had a right to oil, the republicans decided first to give title to the states as far out as the "historical" boundaries. Later they will take up the Texas-Louisiana claim to the oil-rich continental shelf which stretches 200 miles under water in some places.

"These states are anxious to get title cleared up to the edge of their historical boundaries," suggested Senator Anderson. "They might be willing to let us clear up the question of who can lease beyond. But I have no hope of seeing the bill passed in my lifetime that will deal with the continental shelf."

"Well, I have every hope that it will be signed before the

fourth of July," Cordon responded.

"But which year?" Anderson cracked back.

"In 1953," snapped Cordon. "It is unthinkable that such legislation will not be passed without delay."

"It has been unthinkable for years," retorted the New Mexico senator.

"Those of us who represent (the coastal) states haven't been suggesting that there is a filibuster against such a bill," blurted Louisiana's Sen. Russ Long. "The filibuster has been suggested by (our opponents)."

"Can the senator name one person that suggested that?" demanded Anderson.

"It has been suggested by the senator from New Mexico, as I understand it," replied Long, looking straight at Anderson.

"Maybe as you understood it, but no person has ever quoted me saying that and told the truth," snorted the New Mexico senator, in effect calling Long a liar.

Texas, freshman Sen. Price Daniel, who was elected on the tidelands oil issue, chimed in that he had never claimed state ownership of the outer continental shelf.

"In 1937, both Texas senators agreed that the federal government owned the area lying at the end of the ocean and didn't talk about these historical boundaries," Anderson recalled. "Any man in public life that would get up in Texas now and say he did not believe Texas owned those, the communities would fight for the privilege of hanging him from a lamppost. I give you another 15 years and there will be people who claim that Texas owns to the very edge of the gulf of Mexico."

Note—Real issue is whether royalties from under-ocean oil should go to the schools of all 48 states, or three states—California, Texas and Louisiana. Over \$37,000,000 that has already been collected and deposited in the U. S. treasury is also at stake.

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