

Oregon Senators Show United Front Against Their Political Foes

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Washington — Much as they have been quarreling with one another of late, Oregon Senators Wayne Morse and Richard L. Neuberger indicated this week that they will continue to show a united defense against their political foes on the Republican side, whenever the occasion demands it.

This became evident the other night on the Senate floor when Sen. Henry Dworshak, Idaho Republican, made a blistering attack on Neuberger because of Neuberger's opposition to a pet project of Dworshak, Bruce Eddy dam in northern Idaho.

Rises to Defense
Instead of sitting silently by and watching Neuberger get cut up, Morse rose to his defense, calling him "a dedicated servant of the people of the Pacific Northwest—not only of my state but of the entire region. In my section of the country the junior senator from Oregon is frequently referred to as 'Mr. Conservationist.'"

Dworshak was enraged over a last minute defeat for Bruce Eddy planning funds which had been agreed to earlier in the House-Senate conference on the same measure that include \$1 million to start work on John Day dam this year. Dworshak originally had threatened to oppose John Day funds because of Neuberger's opposition to Bruce Eddy, a project which conservationists strongly oppose because of fish and wildlife interests in the Clearwater river area.

Dworshak blamed Neuberger and conservationists for collusion and the "hypocritical people in the lower basin of the Columbia valley" for trying "to dictate in an autocratic manner

to the people of Idaho what they shall do concerning their water-resource development."

Publishes Editorial
"The reason I am making these remarks," continued Dworshak, "is that the Portland Oregonian recently published an editorial charging that the senior senator from Idaho was sabotaging developments like the John Day dam. I submit to my colleagues in this body that the record proves conclusively that that is a falsehood. In reality, the junior senator from Oregon is the saboteur who is denying to the people full utilization of the water in the upper watershed of the Columbia River basin, and is in an autocratic manner denying to the people of Idaho full participation in the comprehensive development of the Columbia River basin."

Morse rose and said he resented anyone calling Mr. Neuberger "either a hypocrite or a saboteur." After calling Neuberger "Mr. Conservationist," he said it was most unfortunate that Republicans and Democrats alike, at the whole water resource problem of the Northwest, and see if we cannot come to some understanding," said Morse.

Proposes Conference
He observed that it was Neuberger who proposed some time ago a White House conference on Northwest river development, which President Eisenhower rejected as "premature."

As for the editorial criticism of The Oregonian, Morse advised Dworshak to pay that no more attention that he paid the Boise Statesman.

"I think they are equally yellow in their journalism, unreliable in their editorials, and dirty in their tactics; and I pay no attention to either one of them," claimed Morse.

In short, much as Morse has enjoyed "instructing" Neuberger of late, this practice holds a much lower priority than tangle with Republicans and castigating the newspapers that don't share his point of view.

Laboratory Blast Kills One Man

Cumberland, Md. — One man was killed and two others were injured in an explosion and fire at the Navy's Allegheny Ballistics Laboratory Thursday night.

Killed in the blast was Raymond E. Miller Sr., 37. R. W. Meals, assistant plant manager at the large installation, today termed the explosion and fire as "minor . . . in the course of normal operations."

He said the "exact cause of the accident has not been determined" adding that a "complete and thorough" investigation would be conducted.

Authorities said damage to facilities appeared "to be of a minor nature."

Injured in the accident were Paul Hendrickson, 58, of Cumberland and Harold Carl, 44, of Springfield, W. Va.

Hendrickson was treated for lacerations and a possible foot fracture and detained for X-rays and observation. Carl was treated for leg lacerations and released.

The three victims were the only occupants of the building at the time of the explosion.

Asiatic Flu Cases Diagnosed in N. Y.

New York — The first cases of Asiatic flu in New York City were diagnosed Thursday.

City health officials said laboratory tests showed that eight foreign exchange students who arrived here by plane Aug. 7, had the disease. All have recovered.

But Acting Health Commissioner Roscoe P. Kandle said 27 other foreign students and two adults who arrived by ship Tuesday "in all probability" had Asiatic flu. One of the students, Nicholas Memmos, 17, died Wednesday. Doctors are awaiting the outcome of laboratory tests to determine if he died of Asiatic flu.

Chicago — The AFL-CIO Executive Council, has tentatively admitted the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen into their mammoth organization.

Hoffa's Role in Move To Tie Longshoremens And Teamsters Eyed

Washington — The Senate Rackets committee looked today for the hand of James Hoffa in 1955 maneuvering to ally the Teamsters with the racket-ridden Longshoremens' Union.

Counsel Robert F. Kennedy said the committee also would shed more light on Hoffa's role in the chartering of "phony" Teamster locals about that time. The committee has said those charters were a keystone in an attempt by Hoffa, Teamsters Union vice president, to seize control of all New York City's Teamsters.

Said Seeking Stranglehold
The committee has charged in his bid for the waterfront alliance and his grab for power over New York Teamsters, the so-called "crown prince" of Teamsters was seeking a stranglehold on the transportation lifeline of the nation's biggest city.

Recalled for more testimony was Martin T. Lacey, who finally won the presidency of the New York Teamsters Joint Council when the 1956 election wound up in the courts. Lacey said Thursday the "phony" locals were chartered without his prior knowledge.

Kennedy indicated Lacey would have a chance to repeat under oath his alleged comments on a tape recorded telephone conversation aired Thursday in which he was said to have been offered \$10,000 to withdraw from the council fight. He told newsmen Thursday there was no such offer.

Hoffa's candidate as council president, John O'Rourke, invoked the Fifth Amendment when questioned Thursday. O'Rourke finally won the presidency when Lacey, 74, and ailing, failed to seek another term this year.

"We know the request was made by Jimmy Hoffa for the 'phony' charters," Kennedy said. John McNamara, secretary-treasurer of Teamster Local 808 and a close personal friend of Hoffa, also was called for testimony today. McNamara, Kennedy said, picked up the "phony" characters at Teamster headquarters in Washington and took them to New York.

Belgrade — The island of Rab, in the Adriatic, has its own leaning tower, similar to that at Pisa, Italy. It is the campanile of the local 12th century cathedral. Ground setting over the years has tilted the 25-meter-high structure to about 16 centimeters out of perpendicular.

Last of Six Bodies Found in Excavation

Dresden, Ont. — Workers uncovered the last of six bodies Thursday night from the 35 feet deep waterworks excavation on the banks of the Sydenham river.

The last two bodies had to be chipped from concrete with air hammers and it took several hours to even locate the sixth body.

The six men killed—all recent immigrants from Holland who lived near St. Thomas—were working at the bottom of the hole for the new city waterworks when the cave-in occurred Wednesday night. Nearly 200 tons of earth cracked off the high side of the pit, rolled into the bottom, crushed the men with steel pipes and rods and mashed them into the wet cement that had been pouring.

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Army Man Faces Charge of Ordering Fatal Gun Fire

Fort Sill, Okla. — Lt. Col. Walter P. Berger today faced charges of ordering a "resume fire" to artillery guns that killed four men after his superior officer had stopped the erroneous firing.

Charges against Berger, 48, of Philadelphia, were announced Thursday just before he took the stand as a defense witness in the court martial of 2nd Lt. Rosser L. Moody Jr., 22, of Toano, Va., charged with negligent homicide.

Refuses Answers
Berger refused to answer any questions about the incident. Each time he said, "Upon advice of my counsel I have been instructed to refuse to answer on the basis it might tend to incriminate me."

Both prosecution and defense rested in Moody's trial Thursday.

Moody admitted he had accidentally transposed some firing data, causing a 4.2-inch mortar shell to fall short among a company of advancing ground troops.

The incident June 22 killed four soldiers and injured 13 during a public demonstration at the Army Artillery and Missile school here.

Ordered Cease Fire
Lt. Col. Walter D. Short, acting officer in charge of the exercise, testified he ordered a "cease fire" when it looked like mortar shells had landed in the wrong area.

Short said Berger telephoned him asking why the "cease fire" was given. Short said he knew the mortar shells should have been fired at a deeper target and that Berger told him they were not mortar shells but 105 MM howitzers.

"I told him to check," Short said, "and if they were 105s then he could resume fire."

Firing was resumed and the fatal mortar shells fell among the advancing infantry platoon. Short said.

Mt. Adams Vicinity Searched for Boy

Goldendale, Wash. — Search parties hunted in the Surprise lake area near Mt. Adams today for Rickey Craig, 5, who was lost Thursday while picking huckleberries.

The boy is the son of Elmer Craig, principal of the Harrah, Wash., school.

The Klickitat county sheriff's office said a search party of 75 volunteers and deputies, some on jeep and horseback, was combing an area near Twin Buttes and Surprise lake.

Bloodhounds also were brought in on the search, and Yakima county sheriff's office planned to use an airplane.

The forest service ordered that the Surprise lake huckleberry field in the Mt. Adams ranger district be closed to all berry pickers, recreation and other travel to expedite the search.

Searchers said the boy was not wearing heavy clothing while picking berries and that nights become very cold, even at this time of the year, in the area.

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