

Sen. Morse Conceded Front Position in Oregon Primary

Johnson Plans Formula To Take Wind Out of Rights Filibuster

Washington—(UPI)—Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson sought today to take the wind out of the Senate civil rights filibuster with a compromise tailored to please Republicans and Democrats alike.

The Texan's voting referee formula was discussed privately with talkathon-weary lawmakers as the Senate went into its fourth day of around-the-clock civil rights debate.

The proposal was to be considered by Republican senators at a conference today.

At 3 a.m. (e.s.t.) the Senate had been in continuous session for 63 hours except for a 15-minute recess Wednesday. Senators struggled in with rumbled hair and sleep-filled eyes for today's first quorum call at 12:38 a.m.

A heavy snow storm kept down the spectators, who on the three previous nights of the talkathon had stood in line for gallery seats.

Johnson's five-page measure is a revision of a plan offered in the House Feb. 23 by Rep. William M. McCulloch (R-Ohio). It is a watered down version of the Eisenhower administration's seven-point rights proposal.

College Professor To Conduct Class

Dr. Gertrude Boyd Crane, professor of religion at Pacific university, Forest Grove will conduct a class on "Luke" at First Methodist church March 5 to 9.

Duplicate sessions of the study will be conducted mornings and evenings so that employed men and women may attend as well as members of Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Dr. Crane will also give the sermon at both services at First Methodist church Sunday, March 6.

One Democrat who reviewed the Johnson plan called it a "substitute for talking forever." He said it was designed to muster the two-thirds majority needed to impose cloture—limitation of debate—and that this prospect would induce Southern Democrats to end their filibuster.

The result, if successful, thus would be passage of an election-year civil rights bill without actually using the gag rule to end the South's effort to talk to death rights legislation.

Neither Northern Republicans nor Southern Democrats, it was emphasized, want to see the precedent of a cloture vote because both are minorities in the Senate. Cloture was last imposed in 1927. It never has been used to choke off a civil rights debate.

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Other Democrats entered Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson and Sen. Stuart Symington (D-Mo.), two undeclared candidates, along with Sens. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.) and Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.).

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Group Discusses Area Planning

Representatives from the county's ten incorporated cities met in the county court room at the courthouse Wednesday night to discuss a regional planning organization.

Forty-five persons, including mayors, city and county planning commissioners, councilmen and the county court, attended. County Judge Earl Miller conducted the meeting and County Clerk E. M. Madden served as secretary.

Lloyd Anderson, Eugene, of the bureau of municipal research, explained what possibilities and advantages might be expected from regional planning. Such a plan could do much to avoid piecemeal planning and poorly coordinated roads and other county-wide facilities.

All the representatives expressed a willingness to take part in a new organization and to plan for a "comprehensive development plan for the entire county."

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Adlai Stevenson, Kefauver Plan To Withdraw

Washington—(UPI)—Backers of rival Democratic candidates conceded the front-runner position today to favorite son Sen. Wayne L. Morse in the Oregon Democratic presidential primary.

But unless he becomes a more serious candidate than he is now regarded, a Morse victory in the May 20 Oregon vote would minimize the importance of the prospective five-man contest.

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Stocks Off Sharply In Moderate Trading

New York—(UPI)—Stocks fell sharply today in moderately active trading. The list recovered slightly from the early lows in the afternoon dealings but losses still ranged to more than 5 points.

Rail issues triggered the early sell-off when they fell through their November resistance point to their October, 1958, low.

Rails were paced by losses of more than 2 points in Norfolk & Western and more than a point in Chesapeake & Ohio, Atlantic Coast Line and New York Central.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

New York—(UPI)—Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 612.05, off 9.32; 20 railroads 142.98, off 3.32; 15 utilities 67.04, off 0.28, and 65 stocks 202.51, off 3.10. Sales today were about 3,160,000 shares compared with 3,110,000 shares Wednesday.

Today's prices on selected stocks: Allied Chemical 51 1/2, Alum Co. Am. 87, American Can 23 1/2, American Motors 23 1/2, A. T. & T. 87 1/2, Anaconda Copper 52, Arco Steel 61 1/2, Bendix Aviation 71 1/2, Bethlehem Steel 47 1/2, Boeing Air 27 1/2, Caterpillar Corp. 29 1/2, Chrysler Corp. 55, Continental Can 43 1/2.

Crown Zellerbach 45 1/2, Curtiss Wright 23, Dow Chemical 87 1/2, Du Pont 225, Eastman Kodak 101 1/2, Firestone 41 1/2, General Electric 86 1/2, General Foods 102 1/2, General Motors 45 1/2, Graham Paige 2 1/2, Greyhound 20 1/2, Gulf Oil 28 1/2, Idaho Power 47 1/2, I. B. M. 112 1/2, Int. Paper 110 1/2, Johns Manville 49 1/2, KATY 5, Kennecott Copper 80 1/2, Lockheed Aircraft 25 1/2, Montana Power 22 1/2, Montgomery Ward 45 1/2, Nat'l Biscuit (nd) 53 1/2, New York Central 112 1/2, Pac Gas & Elec 64, Penney's, J.C. 115 1/2, Penn RR 14 1/2, Radio Corporation 65, Richfield Oil 71, Safeway 38 1/2, Sears 47 1/2, Shell Oil 33 1/2, Socony Mobil Oil 37 1/2, Southern Co. 42 1/2, Southern Pacific 20 1/2, Standard California 42, Standard N.J. 44 1/2, Sun Mines 6, Texas Co. 73 1/2, Texas Gulf Sulfur 17, Tex Pac Land Trust 16 1/2, Transamerica 25 1/2, Trans World Air 14 1/2, Tri-Continental 35 1/2, Union Carbide 130, Union Pacific 28 1/2, United Aircraft 36, United Air Lines 28 1/2, U.S. Rubber 53 1/2, U.S. Steel 83 1/2, Youngstown S&T 110 1/2.

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