

Hoosier Hostellers--Ages 4 To 94---Find Jive Is Fun



A growing Indianapolis organization is the Hoosier Hostellers, affiliated with the American Youth Hostels, Inc. Members participate in hikes, bicycle trips and hold a monthly square dance. Miss Carolyn Louise Neff (left), vice president, calls out a dance. Charles Nelson plays the fiddle.



One fast-stepping couple at the square dance held last week in School 54 was Miss Anne Hewitt and Bob Carnahan. More than 50 members and guests attended the dance.



Age limit is 4 to 94. Keeping up with the "youngsters" were Mr. and Mrs. John A. Clark.



Nine-year-old Harold Ulrey swings his partner, Miss Ruth Wells, during one of the "Turkey Trot" numbers. The Hostellers also make summer trips through the state and tour the state parks.

Major Assembly Bills Jam Up as End Nears

Only Eight Days Left for Action;
\$300 Million Budget Top Problem

By LOUIS ARMSTRONG

Indiana voters will remember the 84th General Assembly by what that lawmaking body accomplishes, or leaves undone, in the next eight days.

Thus far in the session the legislature has passed only a handful of measures.

All of the major issues are still to be settled by the Democratic-controlled House and the Republican-controlled Senate as the session enters its last full week.

Just how much is accomplished depends on how far these two majorities will bend in compromise.

Most important measure yet to be passed is the state's budget for the next biennium. Its total expenditure is more than \$300 million.

Republican View

Republicans in the Senate have announced there is not time enough remaining in the session to give the budget careful consideration. For this reason, they said, the administration must bear full responsibility for the giant expenditure.

Next important measure to be settled before the session ends midnight Mar. 7 is the soldiers' bonus.

It remains doubtful that Republicans and Democrats will be able to compromise on the method of financing the estimated \$150 million expenditure.

Senate Military Affairs Committee members are considering the administration's bonus bill which passed the House. The Senate will not accept the Democratic finance plan of a quarter of 1 per cent increase in gross income taxes.

Democrats will not accept the Republican finance plan for a sales tax or a comprehensive tobacco tax.

First Major Issue

First major issue to go to a conference committee was the direct primary bill. The measure which passed the House was amended in the Senate and the Democratic majority of representatives would not concur in the amendment.

Republican senators added a clause which would require voters to declare their party affiliations 35 days before the primary. Democrats have announced they will never accept that provision.

It is not likely the conference committee will be able to settle the controversy and if it can't the bill will die.

Here are some of the other major issues hanging at various stages between introduction and passage:

Teachers pay, pension and state school aid distribution bills have passed the House and are moving through the Senate. These will make the Governor's desk for signature.

A new reassessment bill governing the assessment of utilities has passed both houses. This is a companion bill to the property reassessment bill which last week passed the House and is in a Senate committee.

The property reassessment measure is still to be amended in the Senate and will draw a hot debate when it returns to the House for concurrence.

Passes House

The reassessment bill is an amendment to the 1947 Reassessment Act clarifying and changing several provisions of the act.

A bill for a withholding plan for state gross income taxes has passed the House and is at the amendment stage in the Senate. It will most likely pass and become law. It will require employers to withhold employees gross income tax from each salary, commission and wage check. For this additional collection expense, employers would retain 2 per cent of the tax.

A bill to outlaw segregation in the public schools of the state is at the amendment stage in the Senate after receiving approval of the House. The measure is most likely to pass since senators feel there is more public opinion for the bill than against it.

The dark horse of the session, the parimutuel bill, is still in the running. It has passed the House and is in a Senate committee. In its case public opinion largely will determine its outcome. If public support of the bill fades

Doom Faces Most Of Union Bills

Only one of a series of bills endorsed by organized labor is scheduled to pass the legislature, it appeared this week-end.

Legislators gave the liberalized workmen's unemployment compensation bill a fair chance of becoming law, but the remainder are slated for burial in committee or defeat on the Senate floor.

Last hope of the union lobby for repeal of the controversial utilities arbitration act seemed to vanish yesterday when Democrats in the Senate split on repeal.

There was a dramatic moment before the split which doomed the repealer.

Leo Stemle, spokesman for Senate Democrats, had promised his colleagues a voluntary arbitration alternate for the repealer would be presented to the Senate. But the alternate was withdrawn in the House by Rep. Earl M. Utterback (D. Kokomo).

Embarrassed by the action of Rep. Utterback, Sen. Stemle explained he knew nothing of the switch.

Senator Weeps

Senate Republicans Roy Conrad of Monticello and D. Russell Bontrager of Goshen asked that the explanation of the Democratic Senator be accepted.

Sen. Stemle wept when the Senate gave him a standing ovation. He vowed he would remain neutral on the proposal hereafter.

Eight other Democratic senators who had lined up behind the amendment to make arbitration voluntary indicated they would oppose outright repeal. Loss of only four Democrat votes would insure defeat of any change in the act.

4 Bills Face Defeat

Other organized labor bills which now appear doomed are:

ONE: Minimum wage and hour law.

TWO: Fair Employment Practice Commission.

THREE: Creating state, county and city employees the right to organize, bargain collectively and strike.

FOUR: Giving strikers unemployment compensation after six weeks of strike.

The minimum wage and hour law hasn't moved from the Democratic House, despite the union lobby pressure. The bill calls for an hourly minimum of 75 cents on a 40-hour week.

Although recommended by the House Labor committee, the Fair Employment Practice Commission bill has little chance of passing the House and Senate.

Democratic and Republican lawmakers have turned thumbs down on any proposal to allow municipal employees the right to strike. The proposal, which still rests in the House labor committee, has no time to run through the Assembly lawmaking machinery.

Privilege Tax Declared Doomed

Committee Seen Smothering Bill

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A bill to tax Indiana products sold out of state will be "killed," a Republican member of the Senate Finance Committee said last night.

The measure, condemned by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce as "anti-industry, anti-labor, anti-business and anti-American," will be aired by the committee tomorrow evening.

However, one Senator, who requested that his name be withheld, said "there is absolutely no chance the privilege tax bill will ever come out of committee."

The tax on Hoosier products sold outside the state has met with unexpected opposition in the Senate among Democrats as well as Republicans.

Schriker for It

Gov. Schriker personally endorsed the privilege tax as a means of picking up the quarter of one per cent gross income tax that farmers, industry and business escape paying on income derived from interstate commerce.

The Governor had difficulty whipping in line Democrat House members to support the tax plan, and it barely passed by one vote.

Opponents of the privilege tax charge it places Indiana industry in an "unfair competitive" position over the country in relation to similar industries in other states which do not charge the tax.

Legislative Calendar

LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR

Feb. 26

BILLS PASSED

House

SB 125 (Kilgus-Schickel) - Dental Certificate: Permits issuance of dental or dental hygienist intern certificates for limited practice in hospitals or institutions. (65 ayes, 1 no.)

SB 226 (Latham-Richardson) - Gas Tax Increase: Increases gas tax from 10 cents to five cents per gallon. (51 ayes, 35 noes.)

SB 225 (McIntire) - Individual Payment: Reimburses Otto F. Schenckel principal and interest totaling \$10,280.70. (70 ayes, 0 noes.)

SB 267 (Johnson-Weeks) - Civil City Clerks: Authorizes clerks in second class cities to appoint and fix salaries of their deputies. (65 ayes, 6 noes.)

SB 268 (Machling) - Building Permits: Legalizes issuance of permits by County Assessors before construction work may be started within county outside corporate limits. Provides fee of 40 cents and penalties for failure to obtain permit. (58 ayes, 1 no.)

SB 479 (Baldwin) - State Fair Board: Provides that one member of State Fair Board shall be from provisions of executive committee of board to be subject to approval of Governor; employment of secretary and superintendent of grounds subject to approval of Governor and LA Governor. (53 ayes, 25 noes.)

Senate

SB 126 (Edgerton-Richhorn) - Student Drivers: Exempts students in public school auto driver's license act. (39 ayes, 0 noes.)

SB 240 (Baker-Centard) - Oil Land Lease: Gives Indiana Conservation Department sole power to lease public lands for oil development. (38 ayes, 0 noes.)

SB 234 (Mathews-Kichhorn) - Insurance: Provides method by which state insurance department may secure data and information concerning status of insurance companies. (37 ayes, 1 no.)

SB 22 (Fellows-McCabe) - Miner's Board Salaries: Increases salary of the County Miner's Examining Board from \$4 to \$14 a day. (39 ayes, 0 noes.)

SB 26 (Littlejohn) - Delinquent Property Tax: Excludes from five to 10 years time within which county auditors may bid in lots or lands upon which taxes are delinquent for five years. (37 ayes, 0 noes.)

SB 126 (Edgerton-Richhorn) - Egg Inspection: Sets registration fee of whole salers at \$10. Retailers at \$2. (37 ayes, 0 noes.)

SB 227 (Crisler) - School Consolidations: Authorizes and ratifies certain school consolidations which are already in effect. (60 ayes, 0 noes.)

SB 228 (Fellows-Brennan) - Truck Transportation: Permits operation of three trucks without bodies, one vehicle pulling the other two. (43 ayes, 0 noes.)

SB 351 (Johnson-Bedell) - County Assessor's Supervision: Places supervision of County Agricultural Extension services under Purdue University. (39 ayes, 1 no.)

SB 229 (Fellows-McCabe) - School Trustees: Provides for tenure of school trustees in cities where population gain may exclude such trustees from provisions of present school law. (39 ayes, 0 noes.)

BILLS DEBATED

House

SB 40 (Fellows-McCabe) - Strip Mining: Requires that strip mine operators level land which they have mined, restoring it to approximate contour before mining began. (26 ayes, 35 noes.)

INDIA SHUSHES REDS

BOMBAY, Feb. 26 (UP)—The government last night ordered India's leading Communist printing plant to cease printing newspapers and periodicals until Mar. 23.

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