

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Illinois objects. The bill will be stricken from the calendar. The clerk will report the next bill.

RADIO COMMUNICATION.

The next business on the Calendar for Unanimous Consent was the bill (S. 6412) to regulate radio communication.

Mr. ALEXANDER. Mr. Speaker, as that bill will be considered under a special rule, I think I will ask unanimous consent that it may go over without prejudice.

Mr. MURRAY. May I inquire of the gentleman what rule the gentleman refers to?

Mr. ALEXANDER. I think there will be a rule from the Committee on Rules under which certain bills from the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries will be considered, and this is one of them.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman asks unanimous consent that this bill be passed without prejudice.

Mr. MANN. Reserving the right to object, Mr. Speaker, I understand that the gentleman from Missouri is likely to offer some amendments to this bill when it is presented for consideration.

Mr. ALEXANDER. Yes.
Mr. MANN. Has the gentleman those amendments formulated?

Mr. ALEXANDER. Yes.
Mr. MANN. Would the gentleman be willing to put them in the Record so that Members may know what they are?

Mr. ALEXANDER. I would not object to doing that. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to place the amendments which I propose to offer to the bill in the Record for the information of Members.

The SPEAKER. There objection to the request of the gentleman from Missouri? [After a pause.] The chair hears none. The gentleman from Missouri also asks unanimous consent to print in the Record the amendments to the bill for the information of the House. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

The following amendments will be offered to Senate bill 6412, "An act to regulate radio communication," the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries:

Section 1. Amend section 1, page 1, by striking out the words "except as provided in section 2," in line 3.

Sec. 2. Amend section 2, page 3, by inserting after the word "States" in line 5, the words "or of Porto Rico," and by inserting after the word "States" in line 6, the words "or Territory," and by inserting after the word "States" in line 7, "or of Porto Rico."

Sec. 3. Amend section 3 of the bill as follows: Strike out the words, in lines 8 and 9, "Every person so licensed for the operation of any radio apparatus on ships shall be a citizen of the United States"; also, in line 14, insert after "them," the following: "or who shall fail to enforce obedience thereto by any unlicensed person while serving under his supervision." Also, in lines 15 and 16, substitute for "upon conviction shall be fined not more than \$100 and imprisoned not more than one year." Also, in line 17, substitute "for a period to be fixed by the Secretary of Commerce and Labor not exceeding one year" for the words "the penalty shall not be renewed for a period of one year from and after the date of his conviction of any such offense." Also, in line 20, after "charge," insert "or in supervision."

On page 6, in line 19, add at the end of regulation first the following: "Every ship station, except as hereinafter provided, and every coast station open to general public service shall be prepared to use 2 sending wave lengths, 1 of 300 meters and 1 of 600 meters, as required by the International Convention in Force."

On page 7, line 10, substitute the following for the first regulation: "Every station on shipboard shall be prepared to send distress calls on the normal wave length designated by the International Convention in force, except the vessels of small tonnage unable to have plants insuring that wave length."

On page 10, lines 13 and 14, strike out the words "at the date of passage of this act."

On page 10, line 17, at end of fifteenth regulation, change the period to a colon and add: "Provided, That the owner or operator of a station of the character mentioned in this regulation shall not be liable for a violation of the requirements of the third or fourth regulations to the penalties of \$100 or \$25, respectively, provided in this section, unless the person maintaining or operating such station shall have been notified in writing that the said transmitter has been found upon tests conducted by the Government to be so adjusted as to violate the said third and fourth regulations, and opportunity has been given to said owner or operator to adjust said transmitter in conformity with said regulations."

On page 12 strike out lines 23, 24, 25, and on page 13 strike out lines 1 and 2, and insert the following in lieu thereof: "No person or persons engaged in or having knowledge of the operation of any station or stations shall divulge or publish the contents of any messages transmitted or received by such station except to the person or persons to whom the same may be directed or to another station employed to forward such message to its destination, unless legally required so to do by the court of competent jurisdiction. Any person guilty of divulging or publishing any message except as herein provided shall, on conviction thereof, be punishable by a fine of not more than \$250 or imprisonment for a period of not exceeding three months, or both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the trial court."

On page 13, line 7, after the word "dollars," insert the words "to be imposed by the Secretary of Commerce and Labor."

On page 13, lines 9 and 10, strike out the words "which shall be deemed a misdemeanor."

On page 13, line 16, strike out the words "which shall be deemed a misdemeanor," and in line 17 strike out "may" and insert "shall," and after the word "suspended" add "or revoked."

On page 15, lines 7 and 8, strike out the words "or in any district in which the offender may be found."
On page 15, after line 12, insert as a new section:
"Sec. 10. This act shall not apply to the Philippine Islands."
On page 15, line 13, change "Section 10" to "Section 11."
On page 15, line 14, change "90 days" to "4 months."

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

By unanimous consent leave of absence was granted as follows:

To Mr. ADAMSON, for 10 days, on account of illness in his family.

To Mr. KOZIG, for one week, on account of sickness.

To Mr. MCGUIRE of Oklahoma, for three weeks, on account of important business.

To Mr. HUGHES of Georgia, for three days, on account of illness.

WITHDRAWAL OF PAPERS.

Mr. WHITE, by unanimous consent, was given leave to withdraw from the files of the House, without leaving copies, papers in the cases of James L. Dalzell, H. R. 18775, Sixty-second Congress, second session, an adverse report having been made thereon in the Senate Committee on Pensions.

SALE OF LANDS IN OKLAHOMA.

The next business on the Calendar for Unanimous Consent was the bill (H. R. 22647) providing for the sale and entry of certain lands in the State of Oklahoma, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the bill as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the following described tracts of land within the State of Oklahoma, to wit, the southeast quarter and the south half of the northeast quarter of section 30, the east half of section 31, and section 32, all in township 19 north of range 13 west of the Indian meridian; and the west half of section 5 and the northeast quarter of section 5, and section 6, all in township 18 north of range 13 west of the Indian meridian; and also any other tract or tracts of land within what was formerly the Cheyenne and Arapaho Indian Reservation which heretofore may have been reserved for agency or school purposes which, in the judgment of the Secretary of the Interior, are no longer needed or necessary for the purpose for which said tract or tracts were originally reserved; and said lands shall be opened to entry and settlement and the proceeds thereof disposed of under the conditions, terms, and provisions prescribed in the act approved June 17, 1910, entitled "An act to open to settlement and entry under the general provisions of the homestead laws of the United States certain lands in the State of Oklahoma, and for other purposes."

The SPEAKER. Is there objection?

Mr. FOSTER. Reserving the right to object, Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the gentleman in charge of the bill a question. I observe by the report that the Secretary of the Interior says that they need these lands if this school is to be continued at this place. Now, this bill provides for selling a certain portion of these lands. Can the gentleman inform the House whether there is still sufficient land left for all the purposes of the Government?

Mr. MORGAN. I think about 800 acres.

Mr. FOSTER. What is being done with the land?

Mr. MORGAN. The Government leases the lands to parties wherever it can.

Mr. FOSTER. What is the object in wanting to sell these lands?

Mr. MORGAN. In the first place, it is the policy of the Government to dispose of surplus lands for homes wherever it can. These lands will be disposed of in 80-acre tracts. It is a drawback to the country, because these lands are not taxable. They should be sold so as to make them taxable. These men who lease these lands do not occupy them to make homes. Their homes are outside the reservation.

Mr. FOSTER. The rental that is received from these lands goes into the National Treasury.

Mr. MORGAN. I understand not; I understand the Secretary of the Interior uses it for the education of the children.

Mr. FOSTER. As I understand, if the Government sells this land, it will be necessary to appropriate that much more money for the support of these Indian schools.

Mr. MORGAN. No; as the lands were reserved for the education of the children, the funds will be used for the same purpose. The interest on this fund will be more than the rental amounts to.

Mr. FOSTER. Does not the gentleman think that next year there will be an Oklahoma delegation coming here for a larger appropriation for this school as the result of the cutting down of the revenues derived from these lands?

Mr. MORGAN. I can not tell the exact amount of revenue that comes from the 3,000 acres, but there is only a portion of it leased. It is very small. The income would be much greater from the interest on the proceeds than what the Government is getting now. I think the income derived from it now is very little.

Mr. FOSTER. What is the land worth?