

Supreme Court Voids Arizona Loyalty Oath

By BARRY SCHWEID

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Arizona requirement that state employees take a loyalty oath was struck down by the Supreme Court Monday as a threat to "the cherished freedom of association protected by the First Amendment."

And, in another action in the civil liberties area, the justices agreed to rule whether citizens who travel to Communist Cuba without State Department permission may be punished with fines or imprisonment.

Justice William O. Douglas, announcing the 5-4 decision declaring the 1961 Arizona loyalty-oath law cannot stand, said such a requirement "rests on the doctrine of 'guilt by association' which has no place here."

Speaking for the four dissenters, Justice Byron R. White said Arizona has the right to "prevent its employees from affiliating with the Communist party or other organizations prepared to employ violent means to overthrow constitutional government."

The Arizona law subjected to perjury prosecution and loss of his job any state employee who took the loyalty oath and "knowingly and willfully becomes or remains a member of the Communist party" or other organizations dedicated to overthrowing the state government. However, anyone who refused to sign was not subject to dismissal but could not be paid.

Mrs. Vernon Elfrandt and her husband, teachers in separate schools in Tucson, refused to sign but have taught without being paid for nearly five years.

Their salaries have been held in special trust funds set up by their two school districts — Mrs. Elfrandt's totaling \$33,482, her husband's \$27,146. They have gotten by on contributions from Quaker and civil-rights groups.

Douglas, in explaining the court's reasons, said the law suffered from a "constitutional infirmity" — it broadly covered membership in the Communist party and similar organizations rather than "a specific intent to further the unlawful aims" of the organizations.

Nothing in the oath, he said, attempts to "exclude association by one who does not subscribe to the organization's unlawful ends."

Douglas added: "Those who join an organization but do not share its unlawful purposes and who do not participate in its unlawful activities surely pose no threat, either as citizens or as public employees."



Defeat Loyalty Oath ... Barbara Elfrandt with W. Edward Morgan

Saltonstall Defends CIA, MSU Dealings

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Leverett Saltonstall, R-Mass., said Monday that there was nothing clandestine about Central Intelligence Agency participation in a Michigan State University program to train security police in Viet Nam.

"The CIA representatives worked specifically in training the Vietnamese police services, not in clandestine CIA activities," Saltonstall said in a statement.

The April issue of the monthly magazine, Ramparts, has an article accusing Michigan State of acting as a front for clandestine CIA activity in Viet Nam in 1955.

A university spokesman acknowledged that CIA men had been among those on the project staff, but said the university did not know about them until later.

However, Stanley Sheinbaum, who was campus coordinator of the project said, "The hierarchy knew about it."

Saltonstall, one of the Senate group that got CIA briefings, said he made the statement "in the interest of accuracy" because of Michigan State professors' protests about CIA infiltration of a university-contracted program.

The Massachusetts senator said that on Dec. 21, 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower had directed action on programs "to develop foreign forces to maintain internal security and to destroy the effectiveness of the Communist apparatus in free world countries vulnerable to Communist subversion."

IRS Promises To Toss Book At NonPayers

By JOSEPH B. COYNE

WASHINGTON (AP) — Critics of U. S. policy in Viet Nam who refuse to pay their income taxes face possible attachment of their salaries or bank accounts to satisfy their tax bills, the Internal Revenue Service said Monday.

IRS held out also the possibility of criminal prosecution but indicated it would rely on less drastic measures to collect.

But just when the government will act against nonpayers is still uncertain.

The spokesman said IRS won't take a taxpayer's words that he doesn't plan to pay, but will wait until all facts can be checked against any income tax return a protestor may file. Failure to file a return carries penalties of its own.

"Each case will be decided on its own merits," IRS said.

The protests came to a head last week with the April 15 deadline for filing 1965 income tax returns.

An advertisement in the Washington Post carried the names of about 350 persons under the heading "We will refuse to pay our federal income taxes voluntarily." The advertisement said that some of the protestors would deposit the money they owed in their bank accounts where the Internal Revenue Service could seize it if it wished.

Miners Ignore Work Order

PITTSBURGH, Pa. (AP) — A core of soft-coal miners, concentrated in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, continued their strike Monday in defiance of a union back-to-work order. Some miners in other states returned to the pits.

About 20,000 workers ended their week-long walkout and returned to the mines, chiefly in Kentucky and Illinois. But 37,000 others stayed away. West Virginia and southwestern Pennsylvania accounted for 25,000 of that total.

In Washington, union and management negotiators held their first talks since last Saturday.

A spokesman said W. A. Boyle, UMW president, had met for two hours with Edward G. Fox, president of the Bituminous Coal Operators Association (BCOA), and at a separate meeting, John Owens, UMW secretary-treasurer, had spoken with Quinn Morton of Charleston, W. Va., executive officer of the Southern Coal Producers Association.

Both groups scheduled more meetings for Tuesday.

67 Safety Features Considered for Autos

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government is considering 67 additional safety requirements for motor vehicles if purchases, including some entirely new and novel and others that would refine or revise existing safety standards.

The General Services Administration supplied a list of "proposed areas for investigation" in its automotive safety standards project planning when asked Monday about possible future regulations.

A spokesman said the 67 points listed represent safety ideas under study and consideration on which no determinations have been reached.

Last year the agency broke the ice on specific safety standards for government automobiles with adoption of 17 requirements for 1967 models.

The GSA standards apply directly only to government motor vehicle purchases. However, the automobile industry has announced it is making some of them generally available in future models.

The ideas include — Relocation of the gear shift lever or redesign so as to use a dial or buttons.

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'Raise Age' NJ Asks NY

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — Gov. Richard J. Hughes signed a perennial resolution Monday seeking to persuade New York State to raise its legal drinking age from 18 to 21.

The resolution creates a six-member committee to negotiate with members of the New York legislature on the drinking-driving question.

Hughes and New Jersey legislators have waged a prolonged campaign to raise the New York drinking age on grounds that New Jersey teenagers have traffic accidents on the way home from drinking in taverns in the neighboring state. New Jersey's legal drinking age is 21.

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