

GOP Lawmaker Makes Charge Against Clerks

WASHINGTON—(AP)—A Republican lawmaker protests that administration officials are using a congressional economic group as a "sounding board" for President Truman's program. A Democratic senator promptly denied it.

Rep. Rich (R-Pa.) said he is convinced that government witnesses are using current hearings on the nation's low-income problems for their own purposes. He said clerks for the Senate-House economic subcommittee "are in cahoots with the administration to that end."

Senator Sparkman (D-Ala.), who heads the group, challenged Rich to invite "any witnesses he thinks are qualified." He said it's not true that administration officials are using the committee. Rich has been heatedly disput-

ing the testimony of the administration witnesses, who have included Secretary of Labor Tobin, Thomas C. Blaisdell Jr., assistant secretary of commerce, and John L. Thurston, acting federal security administrator.

All of them, Rich told newsmen, are interested in building up a bigger federal program. He accused them of trying to get more employees and higher salaries for themselves—and, as a result placing "more burden on the taxpayer."

Rich also criticized the committee's choice of witnesses from universities and colleges, particularly the University of Chicago.

"Why are we getting so many individuals from institutions which are termed liberal institutions?" he demanded. "Are we trying to socialize this country of ours?"

Charge Of Assault On Baby Sitter Dismissed

Chief of Police Calvin Baird reported today that the case of the State of Oregon vs. William Flock, charged with assault with intent to commit rape, has been dismissed by order of the district attorney.

The reason for dismissal, Baird said, was that the parents of the 12-year-old baby sitter involved in the case refused to permit her to testify or have any part in the case.

The parents, according to Baird, signed affidavits at the request of the district attorney, stating their refusal to permit the girl to appear in court. Without the girl as the principal prosecuting witness, the state had no case, said Baird.

Flock was arrested by city police, who were summoned by neighbors after hearing the girl's screams.

In Philadelphia, 85 per cent of the homes are single-family dwellings.



OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams

Israel Nation 'Against World'

JERUSALEM, — (AP)— Israel's defiance of United Nations plans to internationalize Jerusalem has aligned the young Hebrew state "against the whole world," Israeli Premier David Ben-Gurion says.

The premier moved his ministry to the Jewish-occupied section of Jerusalem. It was the last of seven government departments to be transferred from Tel Aviv in a tactic in which Ben-Gurion so far has avoided outright proclamation of the Holy City as Israel's political capital.

Only the ministers of foreign affairs and defense remained in Tel Aviv, to avoid any issue if some foreign ambassadors should refuse to move to Jerusalem.

Accepting the freedom of the city from Jerusalem's mayor Daniel Auster, Ben-Gurion said his nation had "entered upon the greatest political struggle in the history of our people."

"It has only just begun," he declared. "Who knows how it will end, how great the price we may have to pay? Our only weapon is historic justice. It is the same justice on which we have relied throughout the years."

The United States bought Alaska from Russia for \$7,200,000 in 1867.

Sinkiang Province in western China is nearly three times as large as Texas.

EFFECTIVE BREVITY

GLASGOW, Scotland—(AP)— Snowy-haired William McRae is a familiar figure in Glasgow's Bardowie street, but he never talks much.

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