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Republican Housing Bill Sent On to White House

Congress Hurries to End Meet

Price Control Measure Confronts Lawmakers

ASHINGTON—(AP)—Congress drove for adjournment rday by sending a GOP housing bill to President Tru- and reaching informal agreement on a bank credit con- anti-inflation measure.

epublican leaders expected to wind up action and end pecial session by nightfall.

ut first the Senate had to plough through debate on ident Truman's request for price control and rationing rity.

nator Barkley (D-Ky) offered it is an amendment to "mild" Republican anti-inflation measure. Democratic tors, in a morning meeting, organized to make a fight

ouse approval sent the housing bill to Mr. Truman. It was brought up there under procedure permitting no amendments. Some Democrats shouted "gag" rule, but the bill got heavy Democratic support on the grounds it was better than no legislation.

The measure provides limited federal aid for low-cost homes and large rental projects but contains no subsidized public housing or slum clearance provisions sought by the President.

The vote passing it was 352 to 9.

Rep. Monhoney (D-Okla) told the House the bill would do "some good" and provide more housing, but it will not "reach down to the level where the need is greatest."

Chairman Wolcott (R-Mich) of the House Banking Committee said of the bill:

"It will encourage now an accelerated production of low-cost homes. It will encourage now, an expanded production of rental housing units. It will immediately liberalize home financing for veterans."

Senator Barkley (D-Ky) said a caucus of Democratic senators decided to push the Truman antin-inflation plans as a substitute for the mild GOP measure limited to consumer credit controls and higher federal bank reserves.

"We had a show of hands," Barkley said after a one-hour closed conference of the Democrats. "The group was almost unanimous in favor of the amendment."

mos Prepare sy Campaign r President

ASHINGTON — (AP) — Demo- party strategists were re- lining up for President an Saturday one of the bu- political campaigns in which ident ever engaged.

decision to make an ag- ve two-month campaign —with heaviest fire centered GOP record in Congress— uld to have been confirmed first of what may be a of White House strategy ng.

former Democratic national men who attended have been by J. Howard McGrath, the t party chieftain, to serve advisors throughout the n drive.

y include George White of former postmaster generals Walker and Robert Han- former attorney general S. Cummings, and New national committeeman Ed- J. Flynn.

es A. Farley will be in- when he returns from d. James M. Cox, publisher rmer presidential candidate, en invited to join the group. r secretary of state Cordell was asked, but has been too take part.

e advisors were said to greed that the way for Mr. n to win in November is to keep the Republicans off by striking first—and at their legislative record.

dren Recovering Road Accidents

child was still in critical ion and another was de- "fairly good" Saturday g following two road acci- this week.

rence W. McCarty, age 1, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Mc- of Jasper, was reported g from multiple fractures, juries, and severe lacera- Sacred Heart Hospital. He t by a car driven by Bar- Kaafe, Jasper, Thursday on the Jasper Road.

fairly good condition in Heart Hospital after he ck by an automobile while g Friday on Highway 28, f Springfield, is Gerald age 10, son of Mr. and rchie C. Smith of 5241 Mc- Highway E.

eather

Weather Bureau Forecast: and vicinity, fair Saturday nday with little change in ature; expected high 80 Western Oregon, fair and Saturday and Sunday; to 75 for the coast. 72 to e north interior, 80 to 90 erior Saturday; 75 to 85, 85 to 95 interior Sunday; urday night 48 to 59; to moderate northerly f the coast.

Statistics: Highest tem- e Friday, 79; low Saturday, ain for 24 hours ending at m. Total for month, a normal for month, .46; river at 10:30 a. m., minus ind at 11:30 a. m., N 14; ing wind Friday, N 9.

e and Sunset (PDT): 6:07 a. m. and 8:21 p. m.; 6:09 a. m. and 8:26 p. m.

TIDES (PST)

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a.m. 5.3 ft. 10:27 p.m. 3.4 ft.

MRS. AGNES McCLOSKEY OF EUGENE, mother of three children and caretaker of a large family garden, calls off the 75 pages of the Eugene telephone directory to volunteers who will call other women for cooperation in a local meat-buyers' strike. The strike is called for Monday, Aug. 9, through next Sunday, Aug. 15. (Staff photo, Wiltshire engraving).

Housewives Demand Peterson Resign

Women Call Buyer Strike

A seven-day buyers' strike against high-priced meat had been called here Saturday and 100 women who attended a two-hour meeting Friday afternoon had agreed to telephone their neighbors for cooperation.

Meeting at Veterans Memorial Building in Eugene, the women not only joined the nation-wide meat-buyers' strike, but called for the resignation of E. L. Peterson, director of the State Department of Agriculture.

A formal motion asking for Peterson's resignation was made after the housewives got on the subject of the price of milk and the butterfat contents in a quart of milk.

The state agriculture director already is under fire from Gov. John Hall and the press for refusing to let reporters sit in on hearings involving alleged milk law violations.

The Eugene women, joined by some from Springfield, Santa Clara and Cottage Grove, agreed that a one week buyers' strike on meat would not be enough to lower the price of beef and pork and to keep the prices down.

They took further action:

1. By calling the formal meat-buying strike to begin Monday morning, Aug. 9 and continue through Sunday, Aug. 15;

2. By calling another meeting Friday, Aug. 20, when each woman will be urged to bring five other women;

3. By naming Mrs. John McCloskey of Eugene permanent chairman, and Mrs. Arthur McChesney of Springfield, secretary;

4. Assigning the 75 pages of the Eugene telephone directory to women who volunteered to telephone and ask other housewives for cooperation in the buyers' strike;

5. By agreeing that surprise strikes should be called intermittently on other high-priced commodities.

The women at Friday's meeting warmed up rapidly to their most commonplace topic of discussion—the price of groceries. Leading the session were Mrs. Vern (Kittie) Scobert and Mrs. John (Agnes) McCloskey.

Up To Housewife

Mrs. Scobert started the session by saying: "I'm not a public speaker. I'm just a housewife. But I think we've all had enough of the high price of meat, as well as other commodities. The politicians say it's up to the housewife. Let's see what we can do."

Mrs. McCloskey then quoted from the Congressional Record, into which Senator Morse (R-Ore) had read the profits made last year by manufacturers of sugar, oil, steel, glass, textiles, electrical appliances, paint and other products.

Profits Pointed Out

She noted that National Biscuit Co. ("the people who pay for the Paul Whiteman program") increased their profits in a year from 13 million to 26 million dollars. The profits of one Cuban sugar firm, she said, soared from two and a half million to over five million dollars last year.

The Bendix manufacturers increased their profits from $3,600,000 to seven million in a year, "and these are the things the consumer has to pay for," said Mrs. McCloskey.

Catch 'Em Home

"If Congress isn't willing to do anything while the senators are in Washington, maybe we can get them to tell us, while they're at home in Eugene, why they can't do anything about high prices."

The local Chamber of Commerce took a rapping along with Congress when one woman asked for consumer representation on the Chamber to help protect the buyer.

"The Chamber has just named a long list of committees—all devoted to getting more business and making more profits," she asserted.

Discussions about the price of milk brought emphatic statements from several of the housewives. One woman charged "the reason they cut down the required amount of butterfat was because they knew they couldn't ask more money, and they wanted to force people to buy expensive cream."

Too Thin

The women concurred on statements that milk being marketed at the present time "looks like water" and "isn't what we and our children should have."

One housewife asked if the reason for the new-type paper cartons was "because they didn't want us to see what thin milk we are getting."

A Springfield woman quoted figures which she said she got during "a long chat this morning with my milk man." She said the 20-cent milk contains from 3.5 to 3.8 per cent butterfat, the 21-cent milk from 3.8 to 4.2 per cent butterfat.

"If a customer wants from 4.2 to 5 per cent butterfat, it costs 24 cents a quart. You have to ask for that," she asserted.

Most of the women were middle-aged with greying hair. Some of the younger women brought small children.

None of them pretended to know the answer to the high cost of eating, but all agreed that something had to be done. They took up a collection to help repay Mrs. Scobert for a six-dollar newspaper advertisement which she had bought at her own expense to call the housewives to the meeting.

They had a few dollars left over, which they will use to pay for letters and telegrams to Congress. Also suggested was the writing of postcards to friends and relatives, urging cooperation in the meat strike.

Portland, Klamath Also Protest Prices

PORTLAND — (AP) — Housewives were organizing against rising meat prices in three Oregon cities Saturday—Portland, Eugene and Klamath Falls.

Groups in each city planned chain telephone calls to spread the boycott until prices fall.

At Portland the aim of a group organized as Consumers Crusade was a 33 per cent reduction in beef prices. They pledged to buy no meat at more than 60 cents a pound.

Klamath Falls women notified the Portland group they would start a meat boycott.

Amidst all this came an incongruous note from Ontario, Ore., where meat was selling at such prices as: ground beef 35 cents a pound; sliced bacon, 50 cents a pound.

Cottage Grove Sets Regatta

COTTAGE GROVE — The Cottage Grove Regatta was in full swing Saturday afternoon, with amateur outboard and inboard boat races and the first heats of the professional one-mile straightaway West Coast championship race.

Saturday evening the center of interest will be the gaily-decorated city streets and the Coronation Ball at the Armory, where Queen Ada will receive her crown, attended by her court, Princesses LaVaughn, Patty, Betty, and Diane, and Junior King Mike and Queen Judith.

Sunday will see the center of attraction shift again to the lake, where the last of the professional contestants will run their mile straightaway for the championship, and the winner will be announced.

The unique Indian water pageant, "Parade of the Chieftains," will be presented at Horn's Grove near Saginaw, Sunday evening. Follow the signs. Bob Drenner, noted local artist, is director with a large cast of local people and a contingent of Indians from the Warm Springs reservation.

Pirates' Plank: Plenty of Fun

COOS BAY — Saturday evening will find everybody in Coos Bay and North Bend, and thousands of visitors, dancing and merrymaking at the airport hangar, with a big carnival and variety show and the Coos Bay Pirates at their fiercest to keep things lively for Pirate Treasure Days.

Saturday the crowds saw an all-day program of parades, fireworks, and races. Sunday is dedicated to enjoyment of the model airplane and amateur flying contests and the main event, the big air circus.

Lumberman Dies Saturday

PORTLAND — (AP) — Orville R. Miller, Portland lumberman who headed the West Coast Lumbermen's Assn. during two wartime years, died in a hospital Saturday after a brief illness. He was 55.

An officer of several lumber firms, Miller helped form the Willamette Valley Wood Chemical Co. which operated the Springfield alcohol-from-wood-waste plant. While president of the West Coast Lumbermen's Assn., he was active in developing the "tree farm" program for sustained yield.

Miller was president of the Deep River Timber Co., vice-president of the Wauna Lumber Co., secretary of the Mount Jefferson Lumber Corp., director of the First National Bank, and associated with an insurance company.

The widow, a son and two grandchildren survive.

Breakdown of Freight Delays Passengers

Southern Pacific Railroad's crack Diesel-hauled Cascade and Beaver passenger trains were more than an hour late in Eugene Saturday morning.

Held up at Bray Mill, 65 miles south of Crescent Lake, by temporary breakdown of a freight train which blocked the tracks, the Diesels hustled into Eugene at 9:25 a. m.

SP officials expected much of the time could be made up on the run to Portland; the new engines can beat old time schedules when they have to and the road to the North is flat.

WORKER "GOOD"

Burton Young, 20, was reported in good condition Saturday in Sacred Heart Hospital where he was taken after he accidently cut himself in the leg while opening sacks of beans in the Eugene Fruit Growers' cannery Friday night. He lives at 148 Cross Place, Eugene.

Rosboro Buys Site of School

SPRINGFIELD — The Gorrie School site (Old Maple School), including the ground and the building, minus all equipment, was awarded to the Rosboro Lumber Co. at a District 19 school board meeting here Friday night. Rosboro entered a bid of $40,000 cash.

Bids for the site and building, located on the McKenzie Highway in the eastern part of Springfield, were opened at the Friday meeting.

The school district retains the right to use the building until Nov. 15, by which time the new Maple School will be ready for use.

DOLLAR SOARS HIGHER

SHANGHAI—(UP)—The U.S. dollar touched a record high on the black market exchange Saturday, with one dollar worth 10 million Chinese dollars.

Koral Testifies Before Spy Ring House Probers

Full Committee Hearing Planned

NEW YORK—(AP)—Rep. Richard M. Nixon (R-Calif) said Saturday that a three-man sub-committee of the House Un-American Activities Committee questioned Alexander Koral here Friday night as part of its probe of alleged Communist spy rings operating in this country.

Nixon made his statement as the subcommittee reconvened its session at 10:20 a.m. in the federal building.

"No Mystery"

"Is Koral the mystery witness who is to crack open the spy case?" Nixon was asked by reporters.

Nixon declined comment but another member of the committee, Rep. F. Edward Hebert (D-La) said: "We have no mystery witnesses. All witnesses are important."

Public Hearing

Koral was identified by members of the committee only as a "New Yorker." Nixon said Koral would testify Monday at a public hearing before the full House committee in Washington.

Nixon said the subcommittee planned to question at least three more witnesses Saturday. He identified them as Earl Browder, ousted national head of the Communist Party; Whittaker Chambers, senior editor of Time Magazine and avowed former Communist, and Victor Perlo.

WPB Member

Perlo, a former member of the War Production Board, was named in Washington testimony last week as the leader of one of several espionage groups. The charge was made by Chambers who told the House committee he had served as courier for the group.

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Rep. McDowell (R-Pa) declared Saturday a "highly important man" in the government "pushed" wartime shipments of atomic bomb material to Russia.

Troops Patrol In Tennessee

BENTON, Tenn., Aug. 7—(AP)—National guardsmen patrolled three towns Saturday as Polk County awaited official tabulation of voting that apparently ended the reign of another long entrenched political organization in southeast Tennessee.

Troopers were ordered into the county by Governor Jim McCord Friday. Violence, beginning Thursday on county general election day, previously had left two reported dead and five wounded.

Strike Halted

Col. Dwight D. McReynolds, commander of the 278th Infantry Battalion of the Tennessee National Guard, reported at midnight that the arrival of guardsmen and a detachment of 30 highway patrolmen apparently had halted the strife.

Jeeps equipped with public address systems Friday night advised citizens here and in Ducktown and Copperhill to stay off the streets unless they had specific business abroad.

Guns Locked Up

McReynolds ordered hardware stores to lock up all guns and ammunition in the three cities Friday. Highway patrol and guard troops rounded up weapons and a small arsenal of guns, rifles and several sticks of dynamite piled up at the county jail here.

The Biggs group had controlled the county for 18 years and frequently co-operated with Memphis organization of E. H. Crump.

East—West Conferences To Continue

Talks With Molotov Said Going Smoothly

By EDDY GILMORE

MOSCOW — (AP) — Western power talks with Russian officials to find a way to solve East-West differences appeared likely Saturday to continue into next week.

A highly informed source said Friday night that additional meetings will be held before any final agreements materialize.

This informant said a conference Saturday is unlikely and a meeting Sunday seems more probable.

The United States, British and French envoys conferred with Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov Friday for three hours. Prime Minister Stalin was not present.

At this meeting, U. S. ambassador Walter Bedell Smith, French ambassador Yves Chataigneau, and Frank Roberts, special British envoy, gave Molotov their reply on Berlin and other questions.

It was learned on excellent authority that the talks with Molotov are proceeding smoothly.

The western envoys emerged smiling from their conference with the Soviet foreign minister. They drove to the American embassy where they compared notes and ideas.

(London diplomatic circles expressed belief that the three western powers had submitted specific questions to Molotov which they believed should be discussed at a new four-power conference on Berlin, Germany and perhaps Europe.

(London dispatches said the time, place and agenda of a new meeting of the foreign ministers council may be announced this weekend. But a State Department spokesman in Washington said no agreement on such a meeting has been made.

(A meeting of Secretary of State Marshall, Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov, British Foreign Secretary Bevin and French Foreign Minister Robert Schuman might be preceded by a conference of their deputies to lay the groundwork.)

A B C Will Fight Lottery Ruling

NEW YORK—(UP)— The American Broadcasting Co., which specializes in quiz shows giving away thousands of dollars each week, was reported preparing Saturday to fight a proposed federal communications commission's ruling that such programs are illegal lotteries.

ABC attorneys were said to be readying legal arguments to defend such shows as "Stop the Music" on which as much as $18,000 has been given away on a single telephone call. Basis of the arguments would be that the shows were entertainment and not in conflict with post office lottery laws.

GRANGE TO MEET

WILLAKENZIE—Grange meeting will be Saturday, Aug. 7, with dinner at the outdoor fireplace at the hall at 6:45 p.m. Hamburgers, wieners, and buns furnished by the Grange with no charge. Women are asked to bring salad or dessert. The meeting will start at 8:15 p.m. The recreation hour at the fireplace will take the place of a program.

U N Secretary Asks Big Four German Talks

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y.— (UP) — Trygve Lie, secretary-general of the United Nations, appealed Saturday for settlement of the whole German problem at a Big Four conference.

Citing the UN as the chief force preventing a third world war, Lie said there could be no greater contribution to the effectiveness of the world organization than settlement of the German issue.

Anuual Report

In the 135-page annual report on UN activities, Lie insisted that if the Big Four decided to toss the German problem to the UN, they should do so "only in the spirit of a genuine attempt to reach a settlement."

This was interpreted as an appeal against use of the UN as a mere propaganda forum.

Bacteriological War

Lie, suggested in his report that the UN might do well to look into the problem of bacteriological control until there was a break in the deadlock over atomic control.

The UN chief intimated that more progress might be made than in the atomic negotiations because, while the United States had a tremendous head start in the atomic race, "there has never been any effective monopoly of bacteriological and chemical weapons."

Records Score

In recording the gains and losses of the UN's past 12 months, the secretary general:

1. Once again boosted the idea of a small UN guard force—comprising 1000 to 5000 men—to serve purely as a "guard force" to prevent "aggravation of a situation threatening the peace."

2. Maintained that the Marshall Plan "can have lasting results if present political divisions are not permitted to block co-ordinated action within Europe as a whole and an increase of trade between easetrn and western Europe."

3. Insisted that "all that has happened during the past year has shown more conclusively than ever that the road laid out by the United Nations charter is not only the right road, but the only road now available to a permanently peaceful world."

GAS PLANT FIRE

City firemen sent two trucks and nine men to Northwest Cities Gas Co. plant at 10:59 p. m. Friday. A plugged stack caused the alarm, but city firemen reported no damage after they stood by for 30 minutes.

Major Competition Ends—

US Takes 1600 Meter Relay, Three More Swimming Events

LONDON —(AP)— America won its tenth track and field championship—the 1600 meter relay—and completed a near sweep of water honors with three more victories Saturday as the curtain came down on these two major features of the Olympic games.

The international competition, however, continues through next week with titles yet to be determined in rowing, boxing, yachting and numerous other sports.

Already an overwhelming leader in the unofficial team scoring with 439½ points, Uncle Sam's talented athletes were deprived of a chance of adding to their staggering conquests when the 400 meter relay team was disqualified after scoring a ten-yard triumph.

Dean Cromwell, head coach of the U. S. track and field forces in the Olympic games, lodged an official protest against the disqualification of the team in the 400 meter relay for illegal passing of the baton.

America won top honors in track and field with 188 points, men's swimming with 122 and women's swimming with 68.

The American team of Art Harnden, Cliff Bourland, Roy Cochran and Mal Whitfield ran the 1,600 meters—a jaunt just ten yards short of a mile—in 3:10.4

France was a second—a full 50 yards back — and Sweden third after Arthur Wint, Jamaica's 400 meter champion, pulled up lame during the third leg of the race and fell to the ground, writhing in agony.

The two relay events shared the spotlight on the final day's track program with the marathon, won by Argentina's Delfo Cabrera. The tireless Argentine covered the 26 miles, 385 yards in 2 hours, 35 minutes, 7.6 seconds to beat out E. Gailly of Belgium, whose time was 2:35:33.

Meanwhile, in the Olympic pool just a stone's throw from the huge track stadium, an American threesome was completing one of the most complete swimming sweeps in Olympic history.

Philadelphia Joe Verdeur won the 200-meter breast stroke championship in the record games time of 2:39.3. He had set the record of 2:40 in a preliminary heat.

Blonde Ann Curtis of San Francisco, with a new "kick", captured the 400-meter free-style crown in the new Olympic record time of 5:17.8.

Jimmy McLane, 17-year-old Andover Academy student from Akron, Ohio, then made the men's swim slam complete by sweeping to victory in the 1500 meter free style final.

Mrs. Fannie Blankers-Koen, the 30-year-old Dutch housewife, stamped herself as the heroine of the 1948 games by anchoring Holland's team to victory in the women's 400 meter relay after winning three individual championships.