

Legislators Draft Tax Evader Bill

New Powers Planned
For Revenue Bureau

WASHINGTON — (AP) — House tax investigators are drafting legislation to give the Internal Revenue Bureau broad new powers to deal with tax evaders, it was learned Saturday.

The legislation is aimed at strengthening control over taxpayers who claim heavy "business expenses" but do not itemize them, and stopping the practice of gamblers, racketeers and others who report relatively large incomes but do not list their sources.

The House Ways and Means subcommittee which has been investigating nationwide tax scandals will consider the proposed legislation at a closed-door session Monday. Later in the week, the lawmakers plan to call Internal Revenue Commissioner John B. Dunlap to ask him his opinion of their proposal.

If the subcommittee can make things work according to schedule, the legislation will be approved promptly by the full Ways and Means Committee and then by the House.

Rep. Robert W. Kean (R-N.Y.) said the tax scandal investigation has "alerted" the American people to "some shocking realities" and has served to prevent a complete breakdown of tax collections "in the future."

Kean, top Republican member of the investigating subcommittee, said that with an alerted public "there is less likelihood that irresponsible and dishonest men will again move into top Internal Revenue Bureau positions."

"Before our investigation started," he said, "I don't think any American conceived the evils he would find. Certainly I did not. I have been amazed, shocked and disgusted."

Austrian Official Plans Talks with Truman

LONDON (AP) — Austrian Chancellor Leopold Figl left by plane for New York Saturday night to discuss with President Truman and other officials the prospects for a treaty to restore his country's independence and sovereignty.

During his visit Figl intends to visit Buffalo, Detroit, Chicago and cities in Wisconsin.

Soviet Tactics Ruin U.N. Election Plan

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. — (AP) — The United Nations Commission on German Elections reported Saturday that Russia's refusal to cooperate has caused failure of its efforts to investigate possibilities for nationwide voting in Germany.

Union Official Leaves After Fruitless Talks

TACOMA (AP) — A pressman's union official left here Friday after two days of fruitless talks on the strike which has closed down The Tacoma News Tribune since April 12.

A Tribune management spokesman said conferences with Walter J. Turner, a vice-president of the International Pressmen's Union (AFL), and other union leaders broke up without results.

Marquat Transferred

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Army Friday announced transfer from Tokyo to Washington of Maj. Gen. William F. Marquat of Seattle. He is the only senior officer who left Corregidor with Gen. McArthur 10 years ago who is still on active duty.



SEN. PAT MCCARRAN (D-Nev.) left, chairman of the Senate Judiciary committee, announces to newsmen at Washington the 8 to 4 confirmation by his group of Judge James McGranery to be Attorney General. Sen. Homer Ferguson (R-Mich.) (right), announced he would continue his fight against McGranery on the Senate floor.

Prize Artist Found Dead

NEW YORK — (AP) — Rollin Kirby, 77, a first-rated painter who became a Pulitzer Prize winning newspaper cartoonist, was found dead in bed of a heart attack Friday.

He won the Pulitzer Prize—journalism's highest honor—three times, in 1922, 1923 and 1929. Kirby originated the stock figure of a long-nosed, cadaverous character who symbolized prohibition in America.

He quit his last newspaper job with the New York Post in 1942. Since then he drew occasionally for various magazines.

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New High Listed

SALEM — (AP) — There was a new high in drunken drivers in Oregon during April, the State Traffic Safety Division said Saturday.

The division said 261 drivers' licenses were suspended after courts convicted their holders of driving while under the influence of liquor. The figure was the highest this year.

Salem Escapee Found In Idaho

LEWISTON, Idaho — (AP) — A prisoner who escaped from the county jail at Salem, Ore., five days ago was captured in a hotel room here Friday night.

Police said 21-year-old Edmund P. Werner was apprehended just after he had investigated an attic escape route from the room. His hair was plastered down with black shoe polish in an attempted disguise.

He escaped Tuesday from the Oregon prison where he was being held for trial on a forgery charge. He had turned himself over to police here early last month in connection with the charge.

After the prisoner's escape, Idaho police had been alerted that he might return.

Werner is being held at the Nez Perce jail.

Allies Demand Halt of Blockade

Police Are Forbidden
To Leave Berlin

BERLIN — (AP) — Armed Russian guards Saturday barred American and Allied military police patrols from the international highway which connects West Berlin with western Germany.

American, British and French commandants in Berlin protested the action of Gen. Vasily I. Chludkov, Soviet commander in Germany, and demanded that the blockade measure be lifted.

The Western commandants, in a joint announcement, said the Soviet move might have been caused by a "misunderstanding."

A spokesman described the incident as "serious but not momentous."

But the tactic was reminiscent of events leading up to Russia's 1948-49 "starvation blockade" of the American, British and French sectors of Berlin. The highway restriction seriously disturbed West Berlin's 2,500,000 residents.

The Russians also ordered all their rail traffic running between Soviet zone points and eastern Berlin diverted from stations in the American sector.

All trains normally passing through West Berlin to Soviet stations were rerouted to keep them outside western territory.

The Western commandants said the Soviets began to clamp on their restrictions Thursday night.

Police patrols which normally cover the 110-mile Allied land lifeline to the west were forbidden to leave Berlin.

Armed Soviet guards halted the British and American military police vehicles as they attempted to pass the Russian Babelsberg checkpoint, just outside Berlin.

Nevada Leans Toward Taft

TONOPAH, Nev. — (AP) — Nevada Republicans Saturday chose a presidential nominating slate giving Sen. Taft a strong advantage over Gen. Eisenhower, but officially uncommitted.

Of the 12 delegates named to the Chicago national GOP convention, an Associated Press poll showed seven favoring Taft and only two for Eisenhower.

Three would not say how they stand, but at least two of the three are known to lean toward Taft.

Hit-Run Victim Sad Discovery for Father

CHICAGO (AP) — William Hendrickson, 38, was driving home from work Thursday when he spotted the broken body of a 5-year-old hit-and-run victim lying on the pavement.

Hendrickson slammed on the brakes and swerved his auto to miss the child and then jumped from the car to aid the youngster.

The boy, who died a few minutes later, was Hendrickson's son, George.

Borrowed Bow Due for Carrier

BAYONNE, N. J. (AP) — The Navy has decided to replace the collision shattered bow of the Aircraft Carrier Wasp with one from its sister-ship, the carrier Hornet.

As the gigantic repair job got underway on the drydocked Wasp, a Navy board of inquiry met to begin a probe into the mid-Atlantic collision of the carrier and the destroyer-minesweeper Hobson.

The lives of 176 Hobson crewmen were lost in the disaster.

A Navy spokesman said the time element was the chief factor behind the decision to graft the Hornet's bow into the Wasp.

"It is easier to fit one already shaped than to start from scratch," the spokesman said.

"Since the Hornet was in mothballs and is not yet ready for active duty we can take our time replacing its bow."

An 80-ton section of the Hornet—now being reconditioned at the New York Naval Shipyard in Brooklyn—was lightered across upper New York Bay to Bayonne where the Wasp is in drydock.

Most estimates place the time the Wasp is in drydock.

Most estimates place the time the Wasp again will be seaworthy between four and five weeks.

BOZO DEAD

LOS ANGELES — (AP) — Death Friday claimed the original Little Bozo the Clown. He was John F. Pizzo, four-foot circus midget. He succumbed to a heart ailment at the age of 45.

Rail Unions Lose In Court Session

Reed Denies Request
To Stay Injunction

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Supreme Court Justice Stanley F. Reed Saturday denied a request by three railroad unions to stay a no-strike injunction issued by a federal court in Cleveland.

Reed refused to act on the stay request, although the whole court gave no indication whether it would approve the union's motion to review their case and decide on the constitutionality of President Truman's 1950 seizure of the railroads.

The engineers, firemen, and conductors Friday asked the court to take the case, and at the same time sought to have the no-strike injunction stayed pending final action by the high court.

The unions want their case heard when the court takes up the legality of the steel seizure.

The court will begin hearing arguments Monday on the legality of the steel seizure. The government, the steel industry and the CIO United Steelworkers were set to file briefs with the court Saturday.

The steel companies have asked the court to uphold Federal Judge David A. Pine's decision ruling the steel seizure unconstitutional. The government seeks reversal of Pine's ruling. The Steelworkers have received permission to enter the case as a "friend of the court."

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