

# Johnson and Knowland Give Views on Accomplishments of 84th Congress

Editor's Note: No two men are better able to judge the work of the 84th Congress than Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas and Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland of California. Here are their appraisals of the session prepared exclusively for the United Press. Johnson's statement was dictated from his hospital room where he is recuperating from a heart attack.

**By LYNDON B. JOHNSON**  
**Senate Democratic Leader**  
**Written for United Press**  
The first session of the 84th Congress can be summed up in two words—unity and achievement.

Under Democratic leadership, a policy was forged which allowed the United States to speak with a strong and single voice in world councils. For the first time in many years, the voices of discord—which sought to divide America in the face of world Communism—were reduced to a minimum.

This unity was achieved by eliminating narrow partisanship from the life and death issues of national security and exploring the facts in the light of patriotic agreement. The result was unity by agreement—not unity by coercion.

**The Democratic Record**  
The record of Democratic leadership speaks for itself.

The Formosa resolution drawing the line against Communist Chinese imperialism—passed with only three dissenting votes in the Senate.

The Paris accords placing the keystone in the free world's Western bulwark against Communism—approved in a matter of hours.

The Austrian treaty setting the stage for the Big Four conference at the summit—ratified quickly and with only minor dissent.

The McCarthy resolution seeking to tie the President's hands at Geneva—firmly rejected with only four approving votes.

On this basis, the President, in sharp contrast to his predecessors, was able to go to Geneva secure in the knowledge that partisan knives would not be hurled into his back as he sought to represent America. For this achievement alone, this Congress deserves a special place in history.

**Hammered Out Solid Program**  
But the first session of the Democratic 84th Congress did not confine itself to one achievement alone. It hammered out a solid program to promote the prosperity of the United States and laid the basis for further accomplishments in the next session.

Looking at the picture statistically, the record is impressive. This session passed more bills in less time than any other in recent memory. The credit for this smooth functioning should go to the able and experienced committee chairmen—men like Senators Clements of Kentucky, George of Georgia, Fulbright of Arkansas, Hayden of Arizona, Hill of Alabama, Magnuson of



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Washington, and others. Through their experienced and able leadership, the bills that were passed were not only numerous but of high quality. These include:

A long range trade program geared realistically to the needs of our times and seeking to promote the prosperity of the United States.

A reserve bill placing America's military manpower in a more effective posture than has existed previously.

A housing bill that seeks to meet the needs of a rapidly expanding America.

**Raised Minimum Wage**  
A minimum wage bill raising the floor on wages to a level that is in accord with modern realities.

Farm legislation to reduce the interest rates on farm loans and cushion the shock of natural disasters on agriculture.

Anti-trust legislation increasing the penalties for the first time in 64 years.

Tax legislation closing a loophole that would have cost the Treasury at least \$1,000,000,000.

Pay legislation placing federal employees in a better position to meet the high cost of living.

Scores of other measures were passed to protect the nation's commodity exchanges from speculation; to control water pollution; to aid small business and to step up medical research.

In short, this is a session of which every member can be proud and every American can be proud. The Democratic leadership has produced a record of solid achievement, based on a desire to promote the national security and welfare, which is unmatched in many years.

**JUST HAVING FUN**  
Beverly Hills, Calif. — (U.P.) — Thomas Goodwin, 35, arrested for burning the walls of a restaurant with flaming paper towels told police he was just having a "little fun" on his day off.

**By WILLIAM F. KNOWLAND**  
**Senate Republican Leader**  
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Taking into account the whole of the Eisenhower legislative program for this session, the performance of Congress was moderately satisfactory in view of the close division that prevailed between the two major parties in both the Senate and House of Representatives. If Republicans had been in control of the Congress and its committees, much more of the President's domestic program would have been enacted and more of it in accordance with his recommendations.

In contrast to practices in the previous Democratic New Deal administrations, President Eisenhower followed the spirit of genuine bipartisanship in foreign policy with excellent results in the promotion of peace and safeguarding of the nation's security.

**Few Domestic Measures**  
The cooperation that did exist should not obscure the fact that the Democratic-controlled Congress failed to enact many important domestic measures recommended by the President. Major administration legislative recommendations not considered or rejected included: Highway bill; atomic peace ship for international good will; omnibus health bill; federal aid to public school construction; a group of water resource projects including the upper Colorado; Taft-Hartley Act amendments; Refugee Relief Act amendments; Hawaiian statehood; comprehensive farmers; and customs simplification.

**Democrats Embarrass President**  
Democrats in Congress acted in many cases to embarrass the President and sought to sway public opinion against him as part of their strategy for the 1956 political campaign. Among these instances were the ill-considered attempt to force a \$20 income tax reduction, the solid Democratic vote in the Senate with the single exception of Thurmond of S.C. against the atomic peace ship, the passage of a postal pay bill which compelled a presidential veto, and the use of investigating committees to try to create political issues.

Republicans, for the most part, in contrast to many of the Democrats, strongly supported

the President's program, and made a record outstanding for its insistence on legislative policies recommended by President Eisenhower to serve the best interests of the nation.

**GOP Support More Solid**  
For example, Republicans supported measures requested or supported by the President and the administration far more strongly than did Democrats in the following instances: To eliminate the irresponsible \$20 income tax reduction, to uphold the sale of government-owned rubber plants, to support the President's recommendation on postal pay, to uphold his veto on the postal pay bill, to support the President's highway plan, to support the President's public housing request, to prevent unbalancing of the defense establishment, to uphold the President's proposal for returning to private enterprise of certain commercial-type enterprises in the Defense Department, to carry out the President's request for funds for an atomic peace ship, to support the President's request for home rule legislation for the District of Columbia, and legislation to permit persons of experience and ability to serve government without compensation.

**Suggestions in Operation**  
The Republican administration has placed in operation many of the improvements suggested by the Hoover Commission



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## Coatless Peterson Starts Minor Revolt

Mackinac Island, Mich. — (U.P.) — Civil Defense Administrator Val Peterson touched off a minor revolt yesterday when he removed his coat in deference to the 90-degree heat in a swank hotel dining room.

As horrified waiters debated whether to tell Peterson he was violating an iron-clad hotel rule another guest followed the former Nebraska governor's example. The head waiter moved in quickly on the second man and told him to put his coat back on or leave.

But the waiters retreated in confusion when other guests protested loudly that the head waiter's action was undemocratic.

Peterson and his fellow coatless diner were allowed to finish their meals in comfortable peace.

Dead line Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

## Police Continue Search For Donald Neal Ware

Salem — (U.P.) — Police continued to search today for Donald Neal Ware, 21, who escaped from the state prison annex Monday, less than a week before he was to be paroled.

Warden Clarence Gladden said Ware had a job in California where he was to have reported after his parole was signed.

Ware was serving a one-year term for forgery in Jackson county when he escaped.

**FISHERMEN DROWN**  
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