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Major Revisions In Taft-Hartley Act Proposed

Anti-Racketeering Proposals Presented

Washington - (UP) - President Eisenhower sent Congress today a broad 20-point legislative program designed to drive racketeers out of labor and protect union treasuries from corrupt officials.

In a special message, Eisenhower also called for major revisions in the Taft-Hartley Act to place tighter curbs on secondary boycotts and outlaw coercive picketing.

Would Eliminate Abuses
He said enactment of the program would eliminate abuses disclosed by the Senate Rackets committee and "protect the public interest and insure the rights and economic freedom of millions of American workers."

Eisenhower said his program would be "complete and effective" and not a "piecemeal" one. This obviously was a criticism of the bill introduced by Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.) Republican congressional leaders have called the Kennedy measure "half-hearted."

The President proposed that Congress enact criminal penalties for such "willful violations" of the act as "bribery between employers and employee representatives" and the "embezzlement of union funds."

Disclosure of Finances
The President recommended public disclosure of union finances, secret ballot election of union officers and other provisions which would put union affairs in a "goldfish bowl" to protect rank and file members.

He also asked Congress to change the law which now bars dismissed strikers from voting in elections and allow the National Labor Relations board to determine their eligibility. This Taft-Hartley provision has been attacked as a union-busting device by organized labor.

He asked Congress to extend the Taft-Hartley requirement for a non-Communist oath to employers who wish to use services of the NLRB. He said this would "equalize the onus" of the affidavit provision which now applies only to union officials.

The Eisenhower recommendations were practically the same as those he submitted last year in an unsuccessful effort to get Congress to approve an anti-racketeering bill.

Taft-Hartley Changes
He made one new request in asking Congress to make the labor board legally bipartisan by providing that not more than three members of the five-member board may be the same political party.

He requested two other Taft-Hartley changes favored by unions. One would speed up NLRB election procedures by eliminating a hearing where no substantial objections to an election are received. The other would authorize the labor board to certify building trade unions as bargaining representatives without an election under certain conditions.

McKay Leaves on Trip to Arizona
Salem - (UP) - Douglas McKay, former interior secretary and now chairman of the U.S. section of the International Joint Commission, left today for a two-week trip to Arizona.



House Unanimously OK's Appropriation For Centennial

Salem - (UP) - The Oregon House unanimously passed and sent to the Senate today a bill appropriating \$1,790,000 for the Oregon Centennial.

Rep. Keith Skelton (D-Eugene), House chairman of the Joint Ways and Means committee, said a thorough study of the budget request had been made and that it was a "tight" budget.

No Danger in Cut
"There is no danger in the cut from the \$2,046,000 originally asked by the Commission," Skelton said. "We can still put on a first rate show."

The 1957 Legislature appropriated \$830,000 to begin Centennial work. Some \$50,000 of this money is left plus nearly \$100,000 in other receipts.

The bill, which will be considered by the Senate Thursday, includes provision for fiscal control of the appropriation by a Department of Finance and Administration man yet to be appointed.

Other legislative business saw a joint meeting of the House and Senate Judiciary committee tangle with the complex problems of revamping Oregon's juvenile code.

Geoffrey Hazard, executive secretary of the Interim committee on Judicial Administration, said Oregon Juvenile procedure was in need of a thorough overhaul.

Sparks Expected to Fly
Aside from the major bill changing many present procedures in juvenile courts,

Charges Dismissed in District Court
An order to dismiss charges of larceny by bailee against James H. Walpole, 320 South Grape st., Medford, has been signed by District Court Judge Roy Bashaw on motion by the district attorneys' office.

Walpole was charged with neglecting and refusing to deliver a 1958 Anglia English Ford to its owner, Lee Kaufman, Medford, according to court records.

In moving for the dismissal of the charges, the district attorney's office stated that Walpole has been charged and sentenced in federal court for the crime of transporting a stolen vehicle across the state line under the Dyer act.

Civil Service for State Police Attacked
Salem - (UP) - A hearing on a bill to place state police under civil service brought a charge of "dictatorship" today.

The hearing was held by the House State and Federal Affairs committee. Sen. G. D. Gleason (D-Portland), a sponsor of the civil service measure, said the present state police administration was a "dictatorship."

H. G. Maison, superintendent of state police, answered the charge by saying the governor had the power to remove the superintendent if he abuses his authority.

IKE DENIES RIFT WITH HIGH JUDGE

Washington - (UP) - President Eisenhower today branded as irresponsible a report of a rift with Chief Justice Earl Warren. He said he felt that if Warren had some criticism of his conduct of the presidency he was capable of telling the President himself.

The question of cool relations between the President and Warren was brought up in the chief executive's news conference because of a story printed today by the New York Herald Tribune.

The question about his relationship with Warren was prompted by a story by Robert J. Donovan, chief of the Herald Tribune's Washington bureau. Donovan wrote that their relationship today "is cold and distant and marred by disapproval on both sides."

Eisenhower spoke gravely and swiftly when he was asked about it. He said it was well known that he thought a chief executive should not offer his personal opinions on the actions of the high court and that he knew of no personal rift whatever between himself and Warren.

Eisenhower was told that Warren "has communicated to friends his feeling that your stand on school desegregation is too indecisive." The President also was told that Warren "was represented as 'pained' by his failure to implement the court's desegregation decision forcefully."

"If the chief justice has made known his feelings in this matter," the President was asked, "would you care to do the same?"

He told his news conference that any talks that deal fruitfully with Soviet-American differences would be useful.

Warning by Dulles
The President's statement came as Secretary of State John Foster Dulles warned in testimony before the House Foreign Affairs committee that blind acceptance of Russia's terms "would merely make it possible that the cold war would end in victory for international Communism."

"It would be reckless," said Dulles, "to be intimidated, or lured, into measures which, far from ending the present danger - would merely increase it."

Eisenhower told reporters the U.S. wants broad, basic agreements with the Russians on ending East-West differences, agreements that would serve as the framework of more detailed and technical pacts later.

That would be good, the President said, that is the kind of agreement we need.

Reminded of Mikoyan
His remarks came when a reporter reminded him that Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas I. Mikoyan indicated last week end that Russia might postpone, or withdraw completely, its May 27 deadline for turning East Berlin over to the German Communists if East-West talks were begun by then.

Eisenhower emphasized that the later, detailed pacts must include provisions for lessening the danger of surprise attack and the suspension of nuclear weapons testing. The agreements, he said, also must include inspection, controls and other self-enforcing features.

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More Rains Due Oregon Thursday; Snow in Passes

Umatilla County Travel Hazardous

By United Press International
Decreasing shower activity was forecast in Oregon today in the wake of an early-week downpour which caused slides, sent streams rising and clogged some mountain passes with snow. But more wet weather is due Thursday.

State police reported hazardous road conditions in much of Umatilla county Tuesday night with mud slides reported near Adams, Weston, Athena, Pendleton and Holdman. Three washouts were reported on Highway 11 north of Pendleton near Blue Mountain station.

Snow at Meacham
Heavy snow fell in the Meacham area and chains were required. Government Camp had 15 inches of new snow, Santiam pass 12 inches with lesser amounts at other passes.

Many western Oregon points got more than an inch of rain in 24 hours, but the weather bureau said the storm had moved away to the southeast. The five-day outlook, however, called for more rain starting Thursday.

The Santiam river at Jefferson was 3.7 feet over flood stage this morning but the weather man said most tributary streams would fall in the next day or two. No serious flooding will occur in the Willamette basin, the weather man said.

Service Award To Be Given Tonight

Dr. Orlo M. Brees, one of the country's outstanding speakers and west coast representative of the National Association of Manufacturers, will speak at the annual Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award banquet at the Rogue Valley Country club at 7:30 o'clock tonight.

About 150 persons are expected to attend the banquet, at which time one of six nominees for the Distinguished Service Award will be named.

Nominees for the award are Kenneth F. MacDonald, Lawrence S. Horton, Donald L. Stathos, Dr. John P. Dickson, Harry E. Barker, and Dr. Frank Wilson.

All six young men have been active in civic affairs and other community activities during the past year.

The Distinguished Service Award is a national program of the Junior Chamber of Commerce and is presented annually to the young man between 21 and 36 who has displayed outstanding leadership in community service.

Jack Holmes, principal of Lincoln school, won the award last year.

Clyde Wheaton, chairman of the banquet, said tickets will be available at the door.

Tentative Date Set For Creek Bridge

Construction of the Bear Creek bridge at Eighth st. is tentatively scheduled to start in April or May, City Manager Robert Duff reported today.

All of the right of way for the bridge and approaches has been purchased, Duff said, for a total cost of \$40,125.

Awarding of a contract for work on the east approach to the bridge will be made at the next meeting of the city council, Feb. 5. Accepting of bids for this part of the project was closed earlier this month.

Duff explained that the north part of the Western Auto Supply company store at 101 South Riverside ave. will be vacated May 31 with razing to start on that building in June.



ON TRIAL FOR SEDITION—John and Sylvia Powell, editors of the Shanghai magazine "China Monthly Review," go on trial before a Federal court in San Francisco for printing statements in their paper to the effect that the U.S. used germ warfare during the war in Korea. Here the Powells are shown in a 1956 file photo with their sons Tom (left) and John (right). The Powells' principal defense is that the indictment violates freedom of the press.

Reorganization Problems Aired At Meeting Here

The Jackson county school district reorganization committee last night postponed any decision on problems presented until the Feb. 10 meeting, according to Keith N. Hockersmith, committee chairman.

Representatives of Evans Valley, Rogue River, Howard School districts and school district 6C attended a meeting in the courthouse auditorium last night to present their ideas on the district reorganization plan.

Some of those present from Evans Valley and Rogue River proposed that the districts of Evans Valley, Rogue River and Gold Hill as far as Blackwell hill be combined. This was the proposal by the Evans Valley district school board last year. The Evans Valley board has not taken any direct action yet this year, it was noted.

Other Idea
Others from Evans Valley said they would like to combine with Grants Pass. The people of the Gold Hill school district have not yet been directly approached on the former idea, it was reported. This would remove the Gold Hill section from School District 6C, which includes Central Point, Gold Hill and Sams Valley.

It has been suggested also that the small northern portion of the Howard school district be annexed to Central Point. This proposal must be ratified by the reorganization committee before it is referred to the county boundary board for action.

Central Point would not oppose the move if assessed valuation behind each Howard district pupil would be equivalent to the average assessed valuation behind each Central Point student, a spokesman for District 6C said.

Referring to the proposal to combine Gold Hill to a Rogue River and Evans Valley proposed district, a spokesman for District 6 said his district would probably oppose the move since it feels an administrative unit has been created already as recommended by the reorganization committee.

Salem - (UP) - A bill has been introduced in the House authorizing the State Board of Health to make rules and regulations concerning conditions detrimental to employees' health in all industrial plants, common carriers or living quarters furnished by employers.

Yank 'Imperialists', Yugoslavia Blamed By China Premier

Moscow - (UP) - Chinese Communist Premier Chou En-lai said today American "imperialists" and Yugoslavia were trying to disrupt the unity which exists between his country and the Soviet Union.

Chou, in a message of greetings to today's session of the 21st Communist Party Congress, said Russia, Red China and other Communist countries will "unwaveringly advance with a firm step along the highway of Communism."

He said "forces of the Socialist camp are growing" and that "the day is not far off when socialism will gain the victory over capitalism in the world competition."

Chou spoke as a "fraternal delegate" to the huge gathering of the world's Communist leaders. He is head of the Chinese Communist delegation attending the meeting.

Chinese Communist party leader Mao Tse-tung did not show up. He is the only top ranking Communist leader outside of Yugoslavia's Marshal Tito who is not present.

Chou's message of greetings to the Soviet came 24 hours after the opening speech by Premier Nikita Khrushchev in which he said the Chinese and Russian Communist systems do differ in that the Chinese have adopted the commune system and the Russians have not.

Yet Khrushchev said Tuesday, "We have no disagreements with Peiping nor can there be any."

Peasants Rally
While delegates to the Communist congress were praising Khrushchev's speech, Russian peasants pledged themselves at rallies throughout Russia to carry out Khrushchev's program to outproduce the West and win the world for Communism.

Mass meetings at factories and collective farms hailed the seven-year economic development plan which Khrushchev laid before the 21st special Communist Party congress Tuesday, the state radio reported. They pledged to overfulfill their quotas.

Observance Halts Executions in Cuba
Havana - (UP) - The revolutionary government halted its "war crimes trials" and executions today for a nationwide observance of the 106th birthday of Jose Marti, the "George Washington" of Cuba. They resume Thursday.

Revolutionary leader Fidel Castro, who has not appeared in public since his return Tuesday from Venezuela, was expected to lead the Marti memorial observances here.

In Havana, the Superior War board deferred judgment on the appeal of Maj. Jesus Sosa Blanco, Cuba's "war criminal No. 2," against the death penalty imposed on him last week. His attorneys have asked permission to introduce new evidence.

Firing of Atlas Attains Goals
Cape Canaveral, Fla. - (UP) - The Defense department said an Atlas missile that thundered into the skies Tuesday night on a spectacular high trajectory flight accomplished its mission although it fell short of some test goals.

Maj. Gen. Donald N. Yates, commander of the Missile Testing Center, told reporters the firing of the 100-ton Atlas was a "perfectly routine test."

The Defense department said that "on the basis of early telemetry the test of the Atlas achieved most of the air force objectives and flew its 'programmed range.'"

There was no indication that the nose cone had been retrieved from the South Atlantic.

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