

Youth Conservation Corps Bill To Test Kennedy's Program

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Bonn Rejects De Gaulle Foe's Plea for Asylum

Bonn — (UPI) — West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer today spurned a plea for political asylum from Georges Bidault, leader of forces seeking to topple French President Charles de Gaulle. Bidault had appealed to Adenauer as an "old friend." Bidault, fugitive former French premier who was picked up in a police raid Sunday, also sought asylum from the Bavarian state government, but government officials said Adenauer's refusal to even accept Bidault's letter apparently closed the door to him in all of West Germany.

The continued presence of Bidault in West Germany could put a severe strain on relations between France and West Germany.

Possibilities were mounting, government sources said, that Bidault will be declared an undesirable alien and deported across the border to a nation which would accept him. Switzerland and Austria have been mentioned as possibilities.

Bidault, 63, was placed under police protection in the hilltop villa where he was discovered. He immediately asked Bavarian state authorities for political asylum and said he had mailed a similar request to Adenauer.

Bidault was taken from his guarded villa this morning for more questioning about his activities in West Germany. The former premier appeared tired and slightly stooped as he left the house for the drive to police headquarters five miles away.

Bidault's appearance in a filmed television interview over the British Broadcasting Corp. network last week aggravated the already chilly relations between Britain and France. It resulted in widespread criticism of Prime Minister Harold Macmillan's government by the British press and opposition politicians.

It was immediately clear whether Bavarian police actually were hunting for Bidault when they found him Sunday morning in a three-story stone villa, 20 miles from Munich.

Heinz Graf Nouhuys, a Dutch journalist who rents the villa, told newsmen 12 police officials entered the house looking for members of the Secret Army Organization, the anti-Gaullist French terrorist group allied with the CNR.

"They were greatly surprised when one of the guests of the house produced a diplomat's passport issued for Georges Bidault," Nouhuys said.

Nouhuys claimed federal officials in Bonn had known since last week that Bidault was in Bavaria.

Community Club Of Phoenix Plans To Disband

Phoenix — The Phoenix Community Club board of directors will meet with all representatives of various community organizations belonging to the community club at 8 p.m., Thursday in the meeting room of the Phoenix Presbyterian church, it was announced today.

Purpose will be to decide what to do with the remaining funds in the organization's treasury, to close out the community club organization and disband.

Recently, the board of directors met with the mayor and a city councilman to discuss the possibility of turning community club funds over to the city for operation of a parks and recreation program. However, following the meeting the mayor asked the board to present a proposed program for continued operation of the community club under city council supervision.

The proposal presented to a city council meeting was rejected and the city council presented a counter proposal which has been rejected by the community club board.

Arden Farm Reports Net Income Increase

Arden Farms company has reported consolidated net income of \$4,305,896.07 for the year ending Dec. 31, 1962. This is an increase of nearly \$300,000 from the previous year.

After preferred dividends, the 1962 net income is equal to \$1.54 a share on common stock, compared to \$1.43 a share for the previous year.

Sales for 1962 were \$430,762,297.67 as compared to \$404,237,458.03 in 1961.

SUIT NOT DISMISSED

Boston — (UPI) — A U.S. District Court judge Friday refused to dismiss a \$2.5 million slander suit initiated by New York Titan owner Harry Wismer against Boston industrialist Theodore Barron and Newton attorney Harold Brown. However, Judge Charles E. Wyzanski Jr. ordered Wismer's counsel to file an amended complaint with a simple statement of the facts. Wismer has charged Barron and Brown with making detrimental remarks about him on connection with their bid to buy the Titans.

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Proposal To Be Target for GOP To Cut Spending

Washington — (UPI) — The Youth Conservation Corps, a New Frontier version of a New Deal fixture, will provide the first major test of President Kennedy's program in the 88th Congress.

It also will present the first big target for Republicans to shoot at in their campaign to cut spending before reducing taxes.

The bill, titled "The Youth Employment Act," is a key-stone of Kennedy's program for dealing with young men and women in their late teens who are neither at work nor in school.

The administration official estimates the first-year cost of the program at \$100 million.

Officials have shied away from cost estimates for the full three-to-five-year life of the program, but their own testimony indicates a price tag of about \$1 billion.

CCC Revival

It would set up two federally financed work programs. One, a revival of the old Civilian Conservation Corps, would be only for young men aged 16-22, and provide work in the nation's forests, parks and reclamation areas.

The other, for youngsters of both sexes in the same age group, would be called "The Local Area Youth Employment Program." This group, dubbed by some witnesses "The Home Town Youth Corps," would work on local and state projects and in community service activities.

Kennedy has said he hopes to have the youth bill through Congress by Easter. House and Senate committees are working hard toward that goal and it is entirely possible that the President will have an indication of what he will get by early April.

At present, the outlook for the bill is for a tough battle along the lines of the minimum wage and farm price support fights of 1961-62. These were so close that House leaders were reluctant to predict the outcomes right up to the start of the roll calls.

The main attack on the bill by Republicans and some conservative Democrats will be based on its cost and its usefulness.

Timing Criticized

They will question the wisdom of starting any big new program at a time when the Treasury is in the red and the White House is calling for tax cuts.

The opponents also argue that there is little to be gained by sending a young man into the deep woods with pick and shovel for six months to two years. They say far more could be accomplished by teaching youths the modern skills they need to find work in the nation's increasingly more specialized job market.

Supporters will reply that the cost of the bill, no matter how figured, is small compared to the outlay for relief payments and crime control that would follow failure to help jobless, unskilled youngsters. One cabinet member told House members the first year cost was the same as 16 hours of defense spending.

They conceded that many youngsters may not learn marketable skills in the Conservation Corps, but lay heavy emphasis on the training in work habits to be gained from it. They say the chance to carry out long-delayed conservation work, while helping give aimless youths a sense of direction is well worth the cost.

Aside from these disputes there may be a side battle over racial integration. Republicans pressed Atty. Gen. Robert Kennedy to support language forbidding separation of the races in the Youth Corps, but he insisted it would be handled without an anti-discrimination clause.

In the GOP members insist on such language, many northern Democrats might have to support it. That, in turn, could turn large numbers of otherwise lukewarm southerners into flat opponents of the measure.

Foreign Briefs Easing of Tensions in Capital Squabbles Seen

KENNEDY INVITED TO VISIT GERMANY

Nuernberg, Germany — (UPI) — A high-ranking member of Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's Christian Democratic party has invited President Kennedy to pay a visit to Berlin on his scheduled European tour in the spring, it was disclosed today.

Ernst Lemmer, former minister for all-German affairs in the Bonn cabinet, said he sent an invitation to the White House over the week end.

STATUE TO MARK 'VICTORY OVER FASCISM'

Moscow — (UPI) — The official news agency Tass said today a monument to the "victory over fascism" will be erected on Poklonnaya hill, the highest point in Moscow.

Tass said the monument will contain a 272 foot-high statue of a Soviet soldier with a Fascist swastika under his feet.

DEADLY GAS ESCAPES INTO ITALIAN RIVER

Turni, Italy — (UPI) — Police said today 75 gallons of deadly potassium cyanide escaped from a factory into the river Dora, killing tens of thousands of fish and severely affecting vegetation along the shores.

Police issued an immediate warning that anyone eating the fish could die almost instantly. There have been no reports of fatalities.

SUPPLIES MOVED TO PERU FLOOD VICTIMS

Lima, Peru — (UPI) — The armed forces moved emergency food supplies in a truck convoy today 160 miles northwest to 1 city, whose 180,000 inhabitants faced hunger and disease following week end floods.

General Services Department Urged For California

Sacramento — (UPI) — California's Little Hoover commission today recommended creation of a state Department of General Services by the 1963 legislature.

In a report to Gov. Edmund G. Brown and the legislators, the commission said such a department would provide for "greater administrative efficiency."

Under the proposal, the general services department would be created by dividing the duties of the present state department of finance. Finance would keep fiscal, planning and policy responsibilities; general services would take care of "house-keeping."

Creation of such a department had been recommended as far back as 1939 — and Governor Brown said only last week that he favored such an arrangement.

The Little Hoover group, known formally as the California Commission on Government Organization and Economy, said the reorganized Department of Finance should continue but recommended against creation of a new "executive office."

This brought a favorable response from Assembly Speaker Jesse M. Unruh (D-Inglewood). He said creation of the executive office could have made the man in charge a deputy governor.

"It could have prevented legislators from getting budget information not colored by political interpretations," Unruh said.

Would Improve Work

The commission said the reorganization would facilitate an improved level of general services administration and permit the director of finance to take care of his principal assignment as the governor's chief fiscal, planning and program adviser.

The present director of finance is Hale Champion, hired by Brown in 1959 from his job as a newsmen for the San Francisco Chronicle to be the governor's news secretary. Later, he became Brown's executive secretary and then about two years ago was appointed finance chief.

Champion has said that the present pattern of state program development does not allow his agency time for "identification and discussion of fundamental policy questions."

The Little Hoover group agreed.

Stocks Firm in Early Dealings

New York — (UPI) — Stocks firmed in moderate first hour dealings today.

Leading oils and chemicals were firm among the major groups, featuring a 2 point opening rise in Du Pont. Leading steels and autos were narrowly mixed along with rails and utilities.

Johns-Manville ran ahead nearly a point, making it the only wide mover among the miscellaneous blue chips.

Aircraft shares firmed with General Dynamics up nearly 1 1/2 following strong Defense Department support for its selection as the contract for the controversial TEX fighter.

California Savings & Loan holding shares were firm and active following favorable comment in a leading business weekly. Wesco and Financial Federation led the pack with point or better gains.

Meningitis Noted At San Diego Base

San Diego, Calif. — (UPI) — More than 12,000 personnel at the Naval Training Center remained in quarantine today because of an outbreak of five cases of spinal meningitis. One sailor has died of the disease.

"So far as we know at this time, these cases have been of a sporadic, not epidemic type," Capt. J. F. Chace of the Medical Corps said Sunday.

Chace said James S. Hale, 22, of Osborne, Kan., died Thursday, four hours after reporting to Balboa Naval hospital.

The meningitis outbreak was the second to be reported at the center in less than a year. Four cases were reported last July, but there were no deaths.

Salem — (UPI) — A hearing will be held in Portland March 27 on a truckers' request for lower rates for hauling residual fuel oil.

Salem — (UPI) — A possible easing of tensions between the governor and legislative leaders was hinted today by House Speaker Clarence Barton and Senate President Ben Musa.

Gov. Mark Hatfield has a press conference scheduled for this afternoon which may indicate if there has been any relaxing of feelings on the part of the chief executive.

Barton, commenting on last week's running battle between legislators and the governor, said "This is not personal with me."

"I still have great admiration for the governor. I think he is doing what he feels is best for the state," Musa commented. "I think the feud has slowed down to a walk."

'Most Unfortunate'

The Senate president added, however, that he felt it "most unfortunate that the governor castigated Democrats and legislative leaders from a political forum."

It was a reference to Hatfield's speech before a Republican women's group in Portland last week in which he termed Democrats "soft on defense."

"It's not good to make comments such as this when the legislature is in session, that's the kind of talk you expect during an election campaign," Musa said last week's battle was "blown a little out of proportion. He's entitled to fight for his views just like we are. It's not smart to belittle another's actions just because you don't agree."

Musa added that "the grass roots seem to favor a cutback in civil defense," and cited letters he had received, and comments from constituents while he was at home over the week end.

Seeking Some Goal

Barton said "we are all trying for the same goal—the governor, the ways and means committee, and the legislature—all are trying to do what is best for the people of the state."

He added, "I hope he credits us with the same intention."

Barton explained the governor has to rely on Finance Director Freeman Holmer for budget advice because Hatfield "doesn't have time to go into every agency's budget."

"We have our fiscal committee. They haven't had time to go into every budget either, so they have concentrated on the important ones," Barton added.

Musa responded to charges that the legislature was not working hard enough by citing the case of Sen. Anthony Yturri (R-Ontario) who became ill last Friday. "He worked himself into a frazzle," Musa said.

Musa also lauded the cooperation between the House and Senate tax committees, and said "this is the way the legislature should act. It takes time to find out what is necessary. But we are making great progress."

DOGS CATCH RABBIT

St. Petersburg, Fla. — (UPI) — It finally happened — the greyhounds caught the mechanical rabbit. Eight dogs jumped on the metal bunny and happily tried to tear it to shreds when an electrical storm this week end knocked out the circuit that keeps the rabbit one step ahead of pursuers. A "no race" was declared and more than \$15,000 was returned to bettors. Races resumed when power was restored.

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