

# LOCAL AFFAIRS IN WASHINGTON VEX CONGRESS

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WASHINGTON, July 17—To read the newspapers of the city of Washington, you might get the idea that the most important function of congress was to govern the District of Columbia. More space is devoted to the goings-on before the district committees of congress than almost every other subject. This is perhaps excusable, for Washington is after all, home to the "cliff dwellers," the people who were born here or who don't work for the government.

Why congress should have to bother with all these purely local affairs is something you'll have to refer back to the founding fathers and the congress of 1870, who figured out this complex system of non-local government. So large do these problems of local government loom in the congressional scheme of things that every Monday in the house is designated as District day. That day the representatives corrugate their brows over problems that would be settled by a body no more august than a town council in any city of equal size. For sheer cumbersome, this gives Washington not only the most unwieldy, but also the most expensive top government in the country—500 senators and representatives at \$10,000 a year each—worrying at times about such things as traffic regulation and local tax rates.

## NO SHORTAGE OF COPS

Currently, the big worry is over the police problem. There are only six police forces in Washington now.

There is the secret service, the federal bureau of investigation of super-snooper G-men under J. Edgar Hoover, which has its headquarters in Washington but doesn't bother with local crimes.

There is the national park police force under Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes, which polices the great open spaces, and the capital police force of congressional patronage appointees, which stays around the halls of congress to keep the tourists from taking the capitol apart for souvenirs. There is the public buildings administration force, which guards the buildings the capitol police don't, and finally, the district police force of more than 1400 men.

This list leaves out the postal inspectors, the internal revenue agents, the border patrol, the customs inspectors, the T-men of the treasury's narcotics and secret service counterfeiting divisions, the marine corps, the military police and the army and navy intelligence sections, but even without these you would think that Washington should be the best policed city in the world. On the contrary, it is sad to relate that your country's capital has a police scandal as juicy as anything ever turned up.

It's the district police force that all the shouting is about, particularly the detective force and the homicide squad which have had 79 violent death cases to deal with since June 1, including six murders culminating in the horrible attack on government worker, Jessie Elizabeth Streiff a few weeks ago.

A sub-committee of the house district committee is now conducting an investigation in true congressional hearing fashion with the net result that the superintendent of district police, Maj. Ernest W. Brown, will probably be retired and the detective bureau will be upheaved.

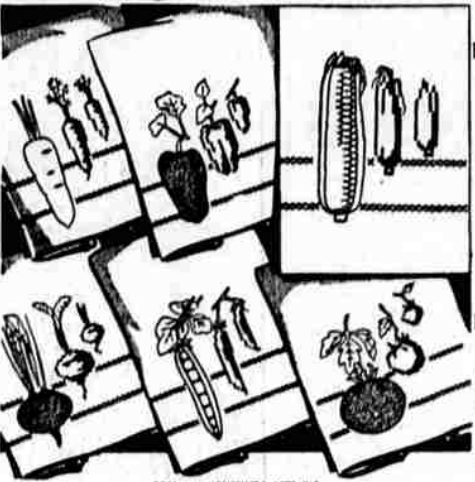
Testimony before the investigating committee, including admissions by the police officers themselves, revealed a police organization as faulty as ever existed. The seven men on the homicide squad, one lieutenant and six sergeants, have regularly been called off their duties to do patrol duty in squad car, help guard the president, and do traffic duty on parades. All the good men got out of the detective bureau because it offered no chance for advancement and was spied upon by an internal gesticapo that wrecked morale.

## HUEY LONG GANG BUSTER

The man really responsible for lifting the lid off the Washington police scandals is one of the men largely responsible for lifting the lid on the Huey Long scandals in Louisiana. He is F. Edward Hebert (pronounced eye-bear), a freshman in the house, and a member of the district committee.

Two years ago Hebert was city editor of the New Orleans States under its fighting editor, M.B. James E. Crown, who turned up the now famous photograph of a Louisiana state uni-

## Stitch Vegetable Garden On Towels



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## Wise Buying of Food Seen Way to Slash Living Costs

EDITOR'S NOTE: The family with a fixed income will have to watch its step if the cost of living continues to rise. In this second of three daily columns devoted to beating the price jump, Paul Gesner and John Beckley present for readers of the Special News Service, some time-tested suggestions for family buying. Next: entertainment costs, insurance and savings.

By PAUL GESNER  
And JOHN BECKLEY  
NEW YORK, July 17 (The Special News Service)—Food prices are advancing.

If you have been in a grocery store recently, buying eggs or butter, where general rises appear quickest, you already know that.

Food prices are moving upward because:

1. Congress recently voted higher parity loans for farmers on their major crops, such as wheat and cotton.
2. The defense program has given more people jobs, fattened pay envelopes, and increased the sales and bettered the sales outlook for food, thus encouraging not only speculation but also mark-ups by both wholesalers and retailers.
3. The government, which for some years has been subsidizing farmers' incomes, has made no sweeping attempt to restrain the food price advances.

The big \$47,000,000,000 defense program is booming the business of companies turning out both peacetime goods and armaments.

Workers in basic lines, such as steel, autos, and coal, have been granted pay increases ranging from \$4 to \$10 a week.

Now the government is anxious for farm income to increase, too.

Meantime, while industrial wages on the one hand and farm prices on the other are rising, the person with a fixed income, such as a teacher under a year's contract, or a widow with fixed return investments, or a retired worker with a pension, is caught in the middle.

There are, however, certain time-tested things the fixed-income person can do to take the sting out of rising living costs.

The first, as previously pointed out, is to stabilize housing costs—to make sure through a lease, if the individual is a renter, that the housing costs over the period of a year or longer can go no higher.

The second is to stabilize public materials to the private residence of a colonel on the staff of the Louisiana governor.

All the energy which Hebert displayed in exposing the Louisiana mess have gone into his expose of Washington police. Demanding the investigation, Hebert has served on the special congressional sub-committee, for a time presiding, flaying witness after witness, uncorking the whole unlovely mess, just as he did in Louisiana.

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## PLANS MADE FOR BUGLE CORPS TRIP

Plans to send the 30-member Eagles drum and bugle corps to the national convention of FOE August 14-18 shaped up Wednesday night at a joint meeting of an Eagles committee and the Klamath Wooden Box association plant committee. Committeemen from various lumber concerns were present, and B. C. Mitchell of the Kesterson Lumber company as chairman outlined a general plan of action for correlating the two groups.

The Wooden Box association's interest in the bugle corps' trip east centers in the fact that the convention week is also national wooden box week, and it was decided at last night's meeting to present a plan to the Eagles organization Friday night to ward raising necessary funds to finance the excursion through contributions from employees in the wooden box industry.

## Green Elected by Free Methodist

PORTLAND, July 17 (AP)—The Free Methodist church at its annual conference yesterday reelected the Rev. E. F. Lee, Redmond, secretary.

Assistants named were the Revs. Clayton Green, Klamath Falls, and William McCormick, Gresham.

Read the Classified page.

## Welcomes U. S.



Assured by Premier Hermann Jonasson, above, that the island's independence would be secure, Iceland's Parliament approved United States occupation in an all-night session.

## Postoffice Burglar Receives Sentence

PORTLAND, July 17 (AP)—Federal Judge A. Fee sentenced Robert M. Gillock, 28, to five years in a federal prison yesterday for burglary of the Manzanita postoffice, March 13.

He pleaded guilty to taking \$127 in postal funds.

Margarete Ruthrauff, jointly indicted with him, was convicted by a jury but Judge Fee delayed sentence pending a probation officer's report.

## Elsewhere In Oregon

By The Associated Press  
MARSHFIELD, July 17 (AP)—Petitions containing 800 names were filed yesterday with the city recorder, protesting the installation of parking meters and making a referendum mandatory. A special election is to be held this summer.

LA GRANDE, July 17 (AP)—Fifty 4-H club boys from Umatilla, Malheur, Union and Baker counties are participating this weekend in the annual club tour of the Union experiment sta-

tion, Union county farms and a fat lamb show at Baker.

SEASIDE, July 17 (AP)—First avenue and Avenue A bridges will be dedicated Saturday morning, Max Schafer, chairman of the Bridge Festivities committee, said today. A parade will precede the cutting of ribbons across the bridges.

CORVALLIS, July 17 (AP)—A final coat of gravel will be placed on the new road to the summit of Mary's Peak, the Siuslaw national forest office announced today. The road will be closed week days while the work is under way for the next two weeks, but will be open week-ends.

ENTERPRISE, July 17 (AP)—The Wallowa County Pioneers' association will hold its annual reunion July 30 at Wallowa lake.

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