

Leading Republican Senators Declare No Serious Split Within Party Ranks

WASHINGTON (AP)—Two Republican senators poured oil on troubled waters today in the wake of Sen. Robert A. Taft's sharp protest against President-elect Eisenhower's selection for secretary of labor.

"I don't think one remark should be considered a split any more than one swallow makes a summer," Sen. Ferguson (R-Mich.) told reporters. "We've got many big problems and we've got to work them out as a team."

A similar note was struck by Sen. Watkins (R-Utah) in a separate interview. He said he thought Republican senators would be "a peaceful group" when they assembled for the start of the next Congress on Jan. 3.

Watkins, who supported Taft for the GOP presidential nomination, said that, despite talk to the contrary, he did not think there was "any feud or fight" over the post of Republican floor leader in the new Senate.

This is a position providing the most ready access to the man in the White House.

Watkins also said he did not think the selection of a floor leader

would be affected by Taft's statement on Tuesday denouncing an "incredible appointment" Eisenhower's selection of Martin P. Durkin, a Democrat, as secretary of labor in his Cabinet.

Watkins said in his opinion Taft would not try to block Durkin's confirmation by the Senate or even vote against it.

Nonetheless, bridges were growing signs that Sen. Bridges (R-NH) would be called on to continue as the GOP floor leader in the incoming Senate—a post he took last year to head off a scrap between supporters of Taft and Eisenhower over the GOP presidential nomination.

Sen. Schoepel (R-Kan.) who backed Taft, said he was going to be for the New Hampshire senator "all the way" if he wants the post. Bridges outranks all his GOP Senate colleagues in seniority. He has said he prefers to head the powerful appropriations committee and also serve as temporary president of the Senate.

Bridges has said he would be willing to take the floor leadership again only if necessary to avert a "tough and tumble" party fight.

An aide said that Bridges, now vacationing in the West, may issue a statement before long. There was speculation he might decide to continue as floor leader and still claim the chairmanship of the appropriations committee.

Ferguson, who ranks second only to Bridges among Republicans on the appropriations committee, was asked if he thought Bridges could carry both jobs.

"Well, he'd be a very busy man after the first of March," Ferguson replied, referring to the heavy workload that piles up on the appropriations committee after the session gets under way.

Watkins said he has talked with "about everybody" except Sen. Knowland (R-Calif.) and has found "no real controversy" over the selection of a floor leader. Knowland has declared himself a candidate against anyone but Bridges.

Watkins said Taft is not putting on any campaign for the post and has told him and others that he is not interested except to take the job "as a matter of good will" if other senators want him to do it.

Taft, chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee, has announced he is available for floor leader.

The Ohioan said at the same time, however, that he thought the jobs of floor leader, chairman of the policy committee and chairman of the conference of all Republican senators were of equal importance.

Watkins said he thought Taft's statement, saying Durkin's appointment was an affront to millions of union members who defied their leaders to vote for Eisenhower may have accomplished its purpose.

Asked what he meant by that, Watkins said Durkin had announced after his appointment that he thought the Taft-Hartley labor law could be amended satisfactorily and did not foresee its repeal.

Taft had said in his statement that Durkin, president of the AFL Plumbers Union, was a Truman Democrat who advocated repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act.

Sen. Morse (Ind.-Ore.) asked his reaction to Taft's statement. "I think it simply means that Taft belatedly discovered what I discovered during the campaign and that is, Taft discovered he had been double crossed," Morse did not elaborate.

During the presidential campaign Morse shifted his support from Eisenhower to Gov. Adlai Stevenson, and signed from the Republican party. He contended Eisenhower had bowed to reactionary elements within the Republican party.

However, Morse said later, he would vote with the Republicans in organizing the Senate next month.

He said the GOP in the Senate should be given responsibility when there is a Republican in the White House.



TWO CALIFORNIANS serving with the Women's Army Corps in Japan seek the advice of a native guide while sightseeing in site of the famed Great Buddha. Pfc. Lois M. Neunast (left), Tulalake, and Pfc. Joan A. Dabson, Downey, are both assigned to the 8064th WAC Battalion in Yokohama. —(U. S. Army Photo)

Hungarians Use Complaint Books to Spotlight Faults

BUDAPEST, Hungary (AP)—The correspondent had to wait for the clerk in a Budapest shoe shop recently, and killed the time by idly turning the pages of a modest looking copy book suspended on a string, along with a pencil, at the side of the counter.

I was approached immediately by the manager of the state-owned store, who inquired anxiously if I had anything to complain about.

The "book of complaints," in its year of existence, certainly has turned out to be a very clever institution.

About a year ago the Hungarian government ordered that every government office, state-owned undertaking or store which has "direct contact with the public" must keep a "book of complaints" easily accessible to everyone. The only exceptions are the armed organizations.

IMPORTANT

The decree explained that "criticism on behalf of the working masses has an important role in discovering faults and their elimination."

The decree also prescribed that an employe has to investigate every complaint written in the book and notify the complainant of the action taken.

Now, whether it is a capitalist country or a Communist country, there is always something to complain about. Nothing is easier than to make a few angry remarks in the ever-present book that is found in every industrial plant, large or small, the tax office, the post office, the state-run grocery, etc.

The complaints noted in various stores, banks, restaurants and other public places in the map concerned two things: discourtesy and quality of goods.

VARIETY

There is, of course, a great variety in the way the complainants expressed themselves. For instance, one embittered customer, who had been looking in vain in every Budapest shoe store for a pair of ski boots and then been treated impudently by a tired clerk, wrote only two rude words.

A gourmet, on the other hand, not only expertly criticized the quality of a beefsteak in a first class restaurant, but took the trouble to tell in length how the sauce should be prepared.

The mere existence of the book certainly influences the attitude of the employes. An impatient assistant is likely to calm down immediately at the customer's mention of the book. He would like to see the "book of complaints."

Criticism concerning lack of goods or their quality are less effective. Such things depend not on the store but on the authority in charge of production. But at least there is the possibility that the industrial bosses will try to make good the deficiencies.

The critic does not always know how to express his complaint. A distinguished gentleman who wanted to use the telephone at the post office recently found the directory was torn to shreds. When he asked why the book was not replaced, the clerk answered impatiently: "Maybe it was you who tore it to pieces."

The gentleman complained, but received the non-committal report from the post office: "With reference to your complaint, I wish to inform you that the necessary steps were taken."

Postmaster Gives Xmas Tips

A series of tips and requests by Klamath Postmaster Chet Langslet should make things easier for Klamath people planning on mailing Christmas packages during the next two weeks.

And the postmaster has some special requests for cooperation in mailing greeting cards, as well.

He suggests holiday greeting cards be sent first class for the advantages afforded. Thus they may be sealed, contain written messages, are dispatched and delivered first, forwarded if necessary without further charge, and if undeliverable are returned to the mailer without further expense if his address is on the envelope.

Unsealed cards sent as third-class mail must not contain unauthorized messages, are chargeable for two cents postage (first class is three) if it weighs no more than one ounce, postage charge of three cents is chargeable to such greeting cards which measure less than four inches long or two and three-quarters inches wide.

Patrons having large numbers of cards are asked to tie them in bundles with the addresses all facing one direction so they may be run through cancelling machines without delay.

Cards bearing class, tinsel, metal or other elements which could damage machines or possibly could injure employes must be contained within tightly sealed envelopes with postage prepaid at the first class rates.

Christmas packages should be packed carefully and tightly in cartons. More than once the contents of Christmas packages have fallen through the package and been lost merely because of poor packing. Use good quality paper and cord, but do not seal unless regulation parcel post mailer is used, or a message is attached with the address and name of sender reading "Contents Merchandise — Postmaster: This parcel may be opened for inspection if necessary." Sealed parcels otherwise labeled are subject to first class rates.

Parcels mailed at first class postoffice for delivery in the United States:

Cannot weigh more than 40 pounds if going up to 150 miles from postoffice mailed in; cannot weigh more than 20 pounds if going further than that.

Cannot measure more than 72 inches length and girth combined (there are certain exceptions to these limits, and for information contact the postmaster).

Parcels mailed at or addressed for delivery to second, third or fourth class postoffice or to any territory or possession of the U.S., including the trust territory of the Pacific Islands is limited to 70 pounds and 100 inches length and girth combined.

Perishable matter likely to spoil between mailing time of delivery are not to be accepted through the mails, Langslet said. They must be declared perishable at the time of mailing.

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World Audience Attracted By Non-Profit Radio Bit

By ADELAIDE KERR

NEW YORK (AP)—The radio program "This I Believe" fills only a capsule of time—five minutes, five evenings a week.

It has no sponsor, no profit, no plug. Yet it is listened to by millions the world around in many different languages every day. On it, successful men and women tell what they believe in and the creeds by which they shape their lives.

From Eleanor Roosevelt: "The important thing was that you never let down doing the best that you were able to do."

From Herbert Hoover: "It is impossible to believe that there is not here a divine touch and a purpose from the creator of the universe."

DIFFERENCE

From Lionel Barrymore: "I believe the difference between an eminently successful person and one whose life is just mediocre is the difference between a person who had an aim, a focus, a model on which he superimposed his own life and one who didn't. To put it bluntly, you can't get anywhere unless you know where to start from and where to go."

From Helen Keller: "When I think of the suffering and famine, and the continued slaughter of man, my spirit hieds, but the thought comes to me that, like the little deaf, dumb and blind child I once was, mankind is growing out of the darkness of ignorance and hate into the light of a brighter day."

Not all those on the program are famous, but all have given shape and direction to their lives. All tell their creeds and many relate the happenings out of which the creeds were evolved.

BEGINNING

The idea for the program was born one day in 1949 at a lunch attended by William Paley, chairman of the board of the Columbia Broadcasting System; Ward Wheelock, Philadelphia advertising executive; Edward Murrow, Radio and TV news analyst; and Don Thornburgh, president of station WCAU, Philadelphia.

The talk turned toward the uncertainty many people feel in times that have produced two world wars and the atom bomb and the struggle many have to find any credo to live by. Why not start a program in which men and women, who have given their lives a direction and shape, tell their creeds by which they live?

The program went on the air Easter, 1951, on station WCAU. A flood of letters followed. It was an instant success.

Today "This I Believe" is on many radio stations in the United States and on 150 abroad. In the Voice of America in six languages and to Uncle Sam's armed forces around the world.

NEWSPAPERS

It appears weekly in 88 leading daily newspapers in this country. The U. S. State Department offers it to important newspapers in 97 countries through local offices of the United States Information Service. One hundred of the broadcasts have just been published in a book: "This I Believe."

The cost of the non-profit operation is born by Help, Inc., a Pennsylvania organization devoted to philanthropic work. It is supervised by an editorial board of three: Wheelock, Murrow and Edward P. Morgan, the program's producer.

Says Morgan: "It has certainly been a rewarding assignment in human experience."

State Payrolls Record High

SALEM (AP)—Oregon payrolls this year will be five times greater than those of the years before World War II, the State Unemployment Compensation Commission reported Friday.

This year's estimated total of \$1,200,000,000 is 50 million more than the previous record high of 1951.

Curry County showed the greatest increase compared with its 1951 total—51.8 per cent. Other counties showing major increases: Umatilla County, 27 per cent; Hood River County, 19.4 per cent; and Wasco County, 15.1 per cent.

The commission reported that expansion in small industries, utilities, service and trade were responsible for the record. Their payroll increased, while those in the lumber, food processing and construction industries dropped.

Workers End Airline Strike

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Striking flight engineers returned to work at Eastern Airlines today and both sides agreed to mediation of a wage dispute.

EAL announced that normal service was resumed immediately with the company's big Constellation, grounded when the strike began Monday. The first flight left Miami at midnight.

Jack Robertson, president of the Flight Engineers International Association (AFLE) and S. L. Egan, non-vice president in charge of EAL operations, agreed to a request from Leverett Edwards, member of the National Mediation Board, to mediate under provisions of the Railway Labor Act.

Robertson said the flight engineers struck without notice because the company began training flight engineers from maintenance and pilot personnel as long as six months ago in anticipation of a strike.

OEA Approves Protection

PORTLAND (AP)—The Oregon Education Association approved a resolution at its convention here Friday asking that dismissal procedures be improved to protect teachers from "personal whims of school board members."

Other resolutions asked all schools to adopt a 50-day cumulative sick leave program and that the State Legislature increase minimum salaries for teachers.

The minimums now are \$1,800 for any teacher, \$2,100 for one with a bachelor's degree and no experience, and \$2,400 for one with a degree and two years' experience.

The organization, made up of teachers and school administrators, asked that the minimums be increased to \$3,300, \$3,600 and \$3,900.

FBI Men In Switch

DENVER (AP)—The heads of the Denver and Portland, Ore. offices of the FBI will trade jobs later this month.

James B. Poster, agent in charge of the Portland office for the past year, will come to Denver and George C. Burton of Denver will go to Portland.

Burton, a native of Louisville, Ky., joined the FBI in 1938 and has been here since Sept. 30, 1951.

Champ Turkey Weighs 41 1/2

McMINNVILLE (AP)—The grand champion of the Pacific Coast Turkey Exhibit which ended here Friday, was a 41 1/2-pound bronze tom owned by the Lyons Triple B Turkey Ranch of Portland.

Earlier the bird had won the championship in the bronze male division. The bronze female champion was shown by Loren Johnson, Seaside.

Guth Brothers of Turner took all the prizes in the Empire White divisions as well as winning the grand championship in the dressed bird events.

Clifford Woolstad, Molalla, made a clean sweep of awards in the Beltsville White exhibits.

Rancher Wins Cattle Award

PRINEVILLE (AP)—V. S. Kirby, who operates a 1,000 acre Baker County ranch, is Oregon's Cattleman of the Year.

He was awarded the trophy at a banquet here Friday night by Herman Oliver, John Day livestock dealer, who presented Kirby with the award.

A member of the American National Cattleman's Association, Kirby for many years has been active in 4-H Club work in Eastern Oregon.

Plane Down In Caribbean

NEW YORK (AP)—The Coast Guard early today said it had received a report that a Cuban airliner was down at sea and burning about 50 miles off Bermuda. The plane was reported to be a DC4 which normally carries about 50 passengers.

A spokesman for Pan American Airlines, of which the Cuban Airlines is a subsidiary, said his company had a similar report.

There was no indication how many persons were aboard the plane.

The plane was reportedly headed for Havana from Bermuda.

The Coast Guard in New York said reports from its Bermuda base indicated there were an undetermined number of survivors.

An Air Force crash boat, two Coast Guard flying boats and the cutter Yakutat were at the scene, the Coast Guard said. At least two survivors were reported to have been picked up by the Yakutat.

The Coast Guard said the plane apparently crashed about 4 a. m. EST, and that no reports were dispatched until rescue units had arrived on the scene.

2 Killed In Handcar Crash

NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C. (AP)—A small handcar toppled off a trestle Friday night and plunged to the bottom of a 10-foot deep ravine, killing two young railway workers and injuring a third.

Heinz Schulte, 26, and Beverly Campbell, 20, were crushed and death beneath the handcar and 3-ton timbers the three-man crew was using in repair work on the Canadian National Railway trestle.

Thomas Bowling, 25, survived the fall.

Carrier Back In Service

BREMERTON (AP)—The carrier Yorktown will be recommissioned at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard here Dec. 15 after extensive modernization, the 13th Naval District announced Friday. The Yorktown, famous "Fighting Lady" of World War II, was in the mothball fleet before the decision to give her a "facelift" and return her to active duty.

Xmas Sales May Hit Record

NEW YORK (AP)—Christmas shopping kept the cash registers ringing with an increasing din this week and it appeared a record Christmas business was in the making.

Most sections of the country reported new record sales volumes on the Friday after Thanksgiving, traditionally a bell-wether of the holiday shopping season.

Meanwhile industrial production was at a post-war peak and the Federal Reserve Board said it was still on the rise. Many companies talked expansion plans.

Confidence continued in the air. Most everyone felt pretty sure the first half of 1953 would spell good business.

Some economists felt certain the high levels of business activity could be sustained beyond the end of heavy defense spending. Even the more pessimistic thought any letdown might be mild.

The national association of purchasing agents, the men who buy materials for the nation's factories, reported back orders were high and production was in step for the first time since the start of the Korean War.

Economists agreed the Eisenhower election has had a good psychological effect on business.

As industrial production rose and business quickened, some areas reported a tight labor pool.

Dun and Bradstreet said that as the Christmas buying got underway, shoppers showed an inclination for the medium to better grade merchandise.

Many stores stressed easy credit terms and even by October 31, the latest figure available, consumers owed \$15,600,000,000 on installment purchases of automobiles and other products.

Flier Wins Damage Suit

PORTLAND (AP)—Eldin B. Lambert, who contended he was injured by the Ace Flying Service, Salem, to fly his crop dusting plane, won a \$17,000 verdict from a Federal Court judge here Friday.

Lambert's plane crashed June 3, 1950.

SURPRISE

NEW YORK (AP)—A surprise air raid drill in four Rockefeller Center Buildings yesterday sent more than 40,000 persons scurrying to shelter areas in less than three minutes.

Among those affected by the alert, one of the city's first surprise tests, were employes of 11,000 firms along with 10,000 visitors in the busy midtown center.

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