

# Some Clarification Seen In Eisenhower Proposals For Taft-Hartley Change

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WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower may clarify today his proposal for government conduct on strikes.

Eisenhower was almost certain to be asked at a news conference whether he was thinking of holding such secret balloting before a walkout begins.

The proposal was a feature of the 14-point recommendation Monday sent to Congress by the president's Taft-Hartley Labor Revision Commission.

It is the one against which union leaders and Democrats directed their heaviest fire.

Eisenhower phrased his strike idea in general terms, stressing that since going on strike and testing pay is so important to individual workers, he should have a chance to "express his views by secret ballot held under government auspices."

In practice, most unions poll members before striking, although there are some exceptions.

Confusion arose when Chairman Alexander Smith (R-NJ) of the Senate Labor Committee introduced legislation to carry out the Eisenhower program—and his bill provided that the government-supervised vote be taken after the strike had begun.

This apparently caught Secretary of Labor Mitchell by surprise. He said he had not understood it was to work that way.

The well-informed administration source said the strike poll idea was forwarded by Secretary of Commerce Weeks at the suggestion of management groups and written to the Smith bill at the White House. Weeks could not be reached for comment.

AFL and CIO leaders denounced the plan as a "strike-breaking device." Sen. Murray (D-Mont), Senate Democrat on the labor committee, referred to it in similar terms. So did other Democrats.

But perhaps the most telling opposition came from Sen. Ives (R-Vt), second ranking Republican on the closely divided labor committee which numbers seven Republicans and six Democrats.

Ives told newsmen he does not see the President's strike vote idea—whether the balloting is to be held before or after a walkout is underway. He said such a bill—which would be supervised by the National Labor Relations board—is actually an effort to weaken union leadership.

The New Yorker also said he doubted "the rank and file would reverse themselves" in a government-sponsored poll after first feeling to strike in a union-held

The furor over the strike poll proposal apparently made Smith reluctant from his stated opposition to more committee hearings on Taft-Hartley revision.

Despite vigorous Democratic demands for hearings on the Eisenhower proposals, Smith had held firm against them, contending all the pertinent ground had been covered in lengthy hearings last year.

But after committee Republicans met behind closed doors yesterday, Smith told newsmen: "We will have to have hearings on the secret ballot issue." However, he said he wants to limit them "as far as possible."

Continuing his onslaught, Murray charged that Smith's bill would "in certain particulars... bring about a result directly opposite to that which apparently the President said was what he wanted."

Sen. Douglas (D-Ill), another labor committee member, said the strike vote idea has "dangerous possibilities" and would extend the "deadening" hand of government compulsion over labor-management relations.

Murray said in a statement "another example of confusion" in Smith's bill involves a presidential recommendation that "casual employment" industries, such as building and construction, be allowed to sign contracts with labor unions, requiring all employees to join the union after seven days, instead of the usual 30.

"However, when his (Eisenhower's) recommendation was incorporated in the Senate bill," he said, "we find no reference to the real crux of the problem—which is whether state laws shall continue to override the uniform federal law on the subject of union security."

The Taft-Hartley Act now legalizes contracts which require employees to join a union after 30 days on the job. But state laws are given priority over the federal law in this connection.

Murray claimed that failure of Smith's bill to take this federal-state relationship into account, in effect, renders the seven-day union shop recommendation worthless.

Actually, only a dozen or so states have laws forbidding the union shop.



A HUGE CROWD, totaling more than 150 persons, were at the gates of the Klamath Falls airport ramp to speed the departure of Kiwanis 4-H Club Potato King Rex Porterfield, his brother Jim, and Bryant Williams, 4-H leader, who is accompanying the two boys on the trip to the nation's capital.

## Uncle Found At Funeral

HUTCHINSON, Kan. (AP)—Thirty-three years ago William S. Cook disappeared from his home at Ashland, Kan.

Yesterday relatives found him less than 150 miles from Ashland—but only in time to attend his funeral.

A story on his death in the Hutchinson News-Herald Sunday was noted by Mrs. Charles Wilson of Ashland. She consulted the family Bible and concluded he was her long-lost uncle. She and other relatives drove to Hutchinson yesterday, identified the body and attended the funeral.

Cook, 84, had been in a Hutchinson nursing home the last four years. Previously he had been working for several years as a ranch hand at Meade, within 40 miles of Ashland.

AT HOME  
GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP)—The Hijab quadruplets are all at home now. The last and smallest of the babies born Nov. 18 left the hospital yesterday weighing 5 pounds 2 ounces.

## Highlights In Congress For Today:

WASHINGTON (AP)—Tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee buckles down to its biggest job of the session: revising the revenue laws.

Both Democrats and Republicans talk of ways they would like to see income taxes cut. Proposed revisions by the Eisenhower administration and congressional staff experts don't deal with major tax rates, but suggest lesser changes that could trim \$1,300,000,000 a year off the Treasury's intake.

Korean treaty — Secretary of State Dulles asks the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to approve the new mutual security treaty with South Korea. Senior committee Democrat George of Georgia wants it made clear the treaty won't commit America to help a South Korean attack against North Korea, and Chairman Wiley (R-Wis) says he's sure Dulles and the committee will go along with that idea.

St. Lawrence—First big debate of the new session gets rolling as the Senate takes up the oft-pro-

posed measure to okay U. S. participation with Canada in building a St. Lawrence seaway.

Probe — Investigations subcommittee headed by Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis) launches secret hearings on reported graft in government spending in Alaska. Two staff investigators just back from a six-week trip to the territory present their findings.

Aerial West Point—Roger M. Kyes, deputy secretary of defense, tells House Armed Services Committee why the administration favors a separate Air Force academy, Chairman Short (R-Mo) predicts committee approval but says his group wants no part in the



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