

Gold Supported Dollars Expect Senate Approval

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Senate today was expected to approve and send to the White House President Kennedy's 1961 proposal to back \$1 and \$2 bills with gold reserves instead of silver.

Under the House-passed bill the Treasury would gradually withdraw present \$1 and \$2 bills, now backed by silver, and replace them with Federal Reserve notes.

The change was proposed because the use of silver is exceeding production and the price is going up. The demand for silver coins is also increasing due to the expanding economy and the increased use of coin-operated vending machines.

Under the proposed change, it would no longer be necessary to buy silver to back \$1 and \$2 bills, and the government can use the supply of silver on hand to make coins for many years. The Treasury now owns 1,600,000 ounces of silver.

The new Federal Reserve notes would be backed by 25 per cent gold reserve.

Other congressional notes: **Coffee:** Senate leaders were confident they had the votes to assure ratification of the international coffee agreement. The agreement, signed by 54 countries, is designed to stabilize world coffee prices through a strict quota system on production and exports.

Commission: Sen. Jacob K. Javits, R-N.Y., urged that the Civil Rights Commission be made permanent so it can be an outlet for the "pent-up grievances" of the nation's Negroes. Javits appeared before a Senate constitutional rights subcommittee studying legislation to extend the life of the commission another four years.

Budget: For the sixth time in 13 years, the Senate passed and sent to the House legislation to create a joint committee on the budget, with an expert staff to serve both houses of Congress. But there was little to indicate it has much chance of House approval.

Money: Eva Adams, director of the Mint, urged Congress to keep its hands off her money-making operation. She appeared before a House banking subcommittee in opposition to legislation that would require the minting of special 50-cent coins which would be collector's items. One would commemorate the late Speaker Sam Rayburn, and another would commemorate the 100th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg address. "If one issue is authorized," Miss Adams testified, "pressure will be exerted from many sources for the issue of other coins."

Wirtz Tells Of Jobless

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Labor Secretary W. Willard Wirtz told Congress Monday that one fifth of the nation's work force—14 million persons—were hit by the unemployment problem last year.

Wirtz testified before a Senate labor subcommittee, studying the U.S. manpower situation with special attention to automation and its effect. He said monthly unemployment figures average about a million, but he said these statistics don't tell the whole story.

Wirtz said "reliable estimates... indicate that approximately 14 million men and women were unemployed at some time during 1962."

Commerce Secretary Luther Hodges, following Wirtz to the witness chair, pointed up a paradox between his department and the Labor Department.

Wirtz is trying to find ways to reduce unemployment, Hodges said, while the Commerce Department is trying to get industry to adopt technological changes that would cut down the manpower supply.

The technological improvement needed to increase this nation's exports and cut its balance of trade deficit, will result in a lessening of demand for workers, Hodges said. But the effect will be short term. He said the increased exports will boost the gross national product which in turn will "help cure unemployment."

Hope Seen For Africa

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia (UPI)—Hopes revived today that the 31 nations of Africa might lay the groundwork for a single, unifying organization at their summit meeting beginning here Wednesday.

The African countries now are generally divided into two groupings: the "Casablanca powers" and the "Monrovia group." Each has introduced a draft charter for an African organization at preliminary meetings here.

But Monday night Senegalese Foreign Minister Doudou Thiam, spokesman for the 31 foreign ministers, said they had agreed to present an Ethiopian draft to the summit as the main basis for discussion.

The heads of state will attempt to combine it with the Monrovia and Casablanca group versions. If there is progress, he said, a new meeting of foreign ministers will be called to work out final details after submitting the charter to their governments.

Thiam said the process seemed complicated, but explained: "We are not magicians. Africans are responsible people. What charter of this importance has been drafted in one meeting?"

Shasta Offers Teachers' Jobs

MOUNT SHASTA—The Mount Shasta Elementary School board of trustees has voted to offer contracts to all presently employed teachers. One resignation, from Mrs. Pearl Lamb, has been received. She will be replaced by Mrs. Katherine Martin, who is now teaching in Fort Jones.

At a recent meeting the board set the salaries for summer school teachers at \$350 per month. Superintendent I. W. Kelso presented preliminary figures on next year's budget. The board directed that a policy statement be drawn excusing teachers for jury or witness duty in court with no pay loss. The policy will be voted on at the next meeting.

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Highway 97 Proposed As Pan American Link

A resolution that U.S. Highway 97 be designated as the Pan American Highway, linking Fairbanks, Alaska, with Mexico City, Mex., has been referred to a special committee by the United States Delegation at the Ninth Pan American Highway Congress, which was in session from May 6 through 10 at the nation's capital.

The committee will decide which of various proposed routes will be designated as the official highway spanning the length of the North American Hemisphere, according to the Okanagan-Cariboo Trail Association of Tacoma, sponsors of the route via U.S. 97.

The information that the Pacific Coast Highway was being considered as the official route connecting three nations—the United States, Canada and Mexico—was disclosed in a telegram from Grant Mickle, chairman, U.S. Delegation at the Pan American Highway Congress, to William Bugge, Washington State director of highways and member of the executive committee.

Earlier this year, the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce endorsed the route through Klamath Falls as the official Pan American Highway upon the recommendation of the Tacoma organization.

Highway 97 presently links Fairbanks with Weed, Calif., and if approved as a part of the international highway it would be extended south to include Reno, Las Vegas, Kingman, Phoenix, Tucson and Nogales and other cities in Mexico through to Mexico City.

Pair Attend Conference

Forrest F. Hawley, supervisor of special education for the Klamath Falls public schools, and Dr. Everett Peery, director of special education for the county schools, will attend the 47th annual meeting of the American Association on Mental Deficiency in Portland, May 21 to 25.

The opening general assembly of the convention, scheduled for 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 22, will include a special message by Dr. Stafford L. Warren, special assistant to the President of the United States. The title of his message is "Implementing Recommendations of the President's Panel on Mental Retardation."

In the Education Section of the convention, one of the papers will be read by Roy Aserlind, speech therapist in the Klamath Falls elementary schools from 1954 to 1957. Aserlind left Klamath Falls to be speech and hearing consultant for the Montana State Board of Health. He is presently an instructor at the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

District Meet

Daughters of the American Revolution will hold a district meeting on Wednesday, June 5, in Roseburg, beginning at 10 a.m. The meeting and luncheon will be at the Harris Cafe, 634 S. E. Cass. Members may call Mrs. Will Wood, regent of Eulachona Chapter, for transportation.

Rummage Sale

Members of the Sons of Norway will sponsor a rummage sale from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Clyde's Towing on Saturday, May 25. Used clothing, appliances, and other household articles will be available. For pick-up of rummage donations call Mrs. Ray Taylor, TU 4-9970, or Mrs. Olga Overen, TU 2-5749.

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Yukon Floods Force Hundreds To Leave Homes

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (UPI)—Raging flood waters of the Yukon River in central Alaska and the lower Kuskokwim River near the southwest coast forced hundreds of residents to flee their homes for higher ground today.

Nearly 200 persons, mostly women and children, were flown to Fairbanks aboard Air Force planes from the villages of Ruby, Koyukuk, Cripple and Galena on the Yukon.

Emergency rations and medical supplies were flown from Galena to another river village, Nulato. At Koyukuk, the water was rising so fast that Air Force helicopters were forced to pick up evacuees with canvas slings because the helicopters had no dry ground space to land.

At Galena, the ice-choked Yukon was within five feet of spilling over a dike protecting the Air Force installation there.

Air Force Lt. Col. Richard Portillo, Los Angeles, supervising the operations of five H21 helicopters and four C123 transport planes, said massive chunks of ice and debris were tearing up homes and boats along the river.

The refugees were housed in a Fairbanks school under the care of the Red Cross. Radio stations broadcast pleas for volunteer help to take care of the smaller children. Fairbanks Civil Defense director Leonard Lobben said the Yukon was rising at the rate of one foot in 12 hours at Galena, where beginning to move to higher ground and a number of small homes at Napaskiak and Oscarville, just below Bethel, were already inundated.

In both rivers the flooding was caused by huge ice jakes that blocked the flow of water to the ocean.

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Powers Said On Way Out

HOUSTON (UPI)—Col. John A. (Shorty) Powers, reported to be on the way out of the Project Mercury team, is expected to arrive in Houston today instead of going to Washington with space hero L. Gordon Cooper.

Powers would not confirm or deny a story in a Houston newspaper (The Chronicle) Monday that said he intends to resign. He said he might make an announcement by Friday.

Powers said from Cape Canaveral Monday that he does not intend to go to Washington or to take part in any of the festivities arranged for Cooper. Instead, he said, he will arrive in Houston sometime this evening.

The newspaper story from Cape Canaveral quoted high officials as saying that Powers intends to announce his resignation soon.

In Houston, officials at the Manned Spacecraft Center were not surprised when asked about the report. One spokesman said he had heard the rumors, but nothing official.

Powers, an Air Force officer, has been on the Project Mercury assignment for about four years. A spokesman for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said the normal tour of duty is three years. Powers will be eligible for retirement in 1964.

Powers, 41, was heard by millions of radio and television listeners as the "voice of Mercury control." He is public affairs director for the Manned Spacecraft Center in Houston.

Malin Auxiliary Makes Wreathes

MALIN—The May meeting of the Malin American Legion Auxiliary at the home of Pat Ottoman was devoted to making wreaths for the veterans' graves in the Malin Cemetery.

During the business session, members voted to donate \$10 for child welfare in the Malin area. Martha Brothman, rehabilitation chairman, reported that cookies had been sent to Camp White at White City for hobby fair day.

Nomination of officers was held, and Bess McCulley was named for the president's office for the second year. Others nominated were Lucille Gray, first vice president; Josephine Johns, second vice president; and Anna Schmidt, secretary-treasurer.

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