

Truman Hopes For OK Votes Despite Foes

Says Congress Events Shows Nation Has 3-Party System

KEY WEST, Fla., Mar. 18 (UPI)—President Truman said today that despite the opposition of southern Democrats and others he still hopes to get a major part of his Fair Deal program through Congress.

He said the events in Congress lately show that the nation has a three party system, just as it had in the presidential campaign last fall.

He identified the three parties as Democrats, Republicans and Dixiecrats. The way he said it seemed to indicate that the President doesn't consider Dixiecrats as real Democrats.

But in response to other questions during a news conference on the winter White House lawn Mr. Truman said he still has hopes that some of those opposing him now will yet see the light.

And he said that of course he didn't consider Dixiecrats good Democrats.

Other Congressional developments:

Filibuster

Administration leaders promised today to test the Senate's new anti-filibuster rule later this year by bringing up a Civil Rights bill.

But they said freely that they believe the new rule, sponsored by a coalition of Southern Democrats and Republicans, will prove ineffective in stopping any Southern filibuster against anti-discrimination legislation.

With the coalition in control, the Senate last night finally approved the new rule, 63 to 23, after three weeks' debate. Under the regulation, debate on all issues before the Senate—except future rules changes—can be limited by a vote of 64 Senators.

Rents

Two Democratic leaders, Sen. J. Howard McGrath (R. I.) and Sen. Francis J. Myers (Pa.) criticized the Senate's new rent control bill as inadequate. Sen. McGrath said it "should be called a rent decontrol bill."

The measure, approved yesterday by the Senate Banking Committee, would in effect extend rent controls for 15 months, provide for two automatic 5 per cent rent increases, and authorize state legislatures to decontrol rents in their states if they saw fit.

Civil Deal

Some Democrats in the House think President Truman's "fair deal" program is sunk. Others believe the President will get at least some of the legislation he wants at this session. All sides agree, that three Truman proposals are in for real trouble: Higher taxes, Taft-Hartley repeal and anti-inflation legislation.

Pensions

Rebellious members of the House Veterans Committee are reported lining up behind a move to limit benefits of the Rankin-pension bill to veterans of World War I. If they fall, they intend to try to have the House send the bill back to the committee for further study. As it now stands, the bill would provide for \$90-a-month pensions for all veterans of World Wars I and II.

Defense

Two House defense leaders indorsed Defense Secretary James Forrestal's order merging the information branches of the Army, Navy and Air Force.

Rep. George H. Mahon (D. Tex.), chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on the armed forces, said he believed the move "will cut down on rivalries between the services."

Lilibet to Get New Car

LONDON, Mar. 18 (UPI)—Prince Philip, husband of Princess Elizabeth, has ordered a Rolls-Royce model so new it has not yet appeared in the manufacturer's catalog, the Evening Standard said today. The car will seat seven and will be painted a dark green, the Standard said.

Today's Weather Fotocast



The dark dotted and striped areas of the Fotocast outline in detail with appropriate symbols just where rain and snow are forecast during the coming 24-hour period. By dawn the mercury is expected to drop into the 20's all the way from Boston to North Carolina, in Tennessee, and the Ohio Valley and on over into Missouri.

Carpenter Injured First Day on Job



THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

Around the World—Red Council Urges Parley To Unify Reich

People's Group Asks All-German 'Constitution'

By United Press
The Communist-sponsored People's Council called upon western German leaders today to meet with eastern delegates in a conference aimed at unifying Germany.

The proposal was announced to a cheering crowd of 800 who gathered for a two-day council meeting designed to produce an all-German "constitution" in opposition to the constitution for the west German state drafted at Bonn.

The Soviet military government's ranking political experts were in the first row of the conference hall. The official Soviet army organ Taegliche Rundschau played up the meeting as of prime importance.

At the same time the American-licensed newspaper Neue Zeitung reported that Marshal Vassily D. Sokolovsky, Soviet military governor, was believed to have left Berlin for a military conference in Moscow.

The newspaper said the Moscow conference might be connected with the Atlantic Pact, which was made public today.

Other foreign developments:

French Communists probably will hold their own and perhaps gain some strength in the country-wide French county council elections Sunday, political observers said today.

The Communists have entered the stretch of the election campaign with a two-point anti-American platform—that the Atlantic Pact would take France into war and that the Marshall Plan was disrupting French economy.

The elections are a three-cornered fight among Communists, Gen. Charles de Gaulle's rally of the French people and the Center Party coalition which forms Premier Henri Queuille's government.

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With estimates down to 50 head, sheep prices could only be quoted, and these were at steady figures. Native lambs in common to good grades brought \$23 to \$27, odd head of choice reaching \$29. Some dropped to \$20.

Good and choice slaughter ewes sold at \$8 to \$10, common and mediums at \$6 to \$8. Choice lights were quotable at \$12 or more.

Estimates of receipts were hogs, \$550; cattle, 325; calves, 300, and sheep, 50.

\$161,871,000 Paid to Jobless in February

WASHINGTON, Mar. 18 (UPI)—The government announced today that it paid out \$161,871,000 in unemployment compensation last month, including a post-war record-breaking \$115,268,000 to jobless non-veterans.

The Veterans Administration distributed \$46 million to unemployed ex-service men, its highest total in almost a year.

The civilian grants by the Federal Security Administration were \$12,258,000 higher than the January outlay, and almost double the \$60,728,753 paid out in February, 1948.

Local Truck Grain Prices

WASHINGTON, Mar. 18 (UPI)—

The following table shows the temperature for the day.

Station High Low

Atlanta 40 30

Chicago 44 25

Cleveland 38 27

Detroit 32 20

Evansville 37 26

St. Louis 42 31

Kansas City 43 32

Los Angeles 43 32

Minneapolis-St. Paul 30 20

New York 44 34

Oklahoma City 37 25

Philadelphia 34 21

Pittsburgh 37 26

St. Paul 37 26

San Antonio 75 46

Seattle 48 37

Washington, D. C. 48 37

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