

Congress—

# Expect Senate to OK Housing Bill Soon

## Foes Concede Lack of Votes To Kill Plan

Measure Provides For 810,000 Units In Next 6 Years

WASHINGTON, Apr. 15 (UP)—Supporters of the administration's long-range housing bill predicted today that the Senate would pass the measure early next week.

Chairman Burnet R. Maybank (D. S. C.), of the Senate Banking Committee, and Sen. John J. Sparkman (D. Ala.), whose subcommittee drafted the proposal, said the Senate should approve the measure Tuesday. And Senate Democratic Leader Scott W. Lucas (Ill.), said he thought the legislation should reach a vote by Tuesday or Wednesday.

The bill calls for construction of 810,000 public housing units during the next six years, a \$1 billion slum clearance program, and a \$267,500,000 rural housing program.

Begin Easter Recess

Although administration leaders were predicting prompt action on housing, most of President Truman's legislative program was still on the shelf as the House and Senate began their Easter recess today. The Senate meets again Monday, and the House resumes action Apr. 23.

Congress has done nothing yet about Mr. Truman's request for higher taxes. Southern Democrats, who are in virtual control of tax-writing committees, are trying to forget it.

The President's national health program is expected to be held over until next year. His far program is being received with caution. And some administration Senators have all but given up on passing any provisions of the President's civil rights program.

Although both Houses were in recess, there were these developments on Capitol Hill:

**Taxes**

Republican Sens. Styles Bridges (N. H.) and Kenneth E. Wherry (Neb.), both members of the Senate Appropriations Committee, accused the President of piling spending demands on Congress with "reckless abandon."

**Taft**

Sen. Robert A. Taft (R. O.), said it is time for the people to realize that they can't get something for nothing.

"People can only be fooled into such a hope," he said.

For this reason Sen. Taft said, he will oppose the administration's compulsory medical insurance program.

**Record**

Sen. J. Howard McGrath, Democratic National Chairman, asked House Democrats to talk over the legislative records of both parties with their constituents during the Easter recess.

He said the record would be one of "Democratic accomplishment" and "Republican obstructionism."

**Labor**

A coalition of southern Democrats and Republicans have come up with two measures aimed at the administration's labor program. One, sponsored by Rep. John S. Wood (D. Ga.), is a new substitute for the Taft-Hartley repeal bill.

It would repeal that law by name and then re-enact most of its provisions. The other, sponsored by Rep. Wingate H. Lucas (D. Tex.), would establish a flexible minimum wage pegged to the cost of living.

**Pensions**

About 250 bills to aid veterans are stalled in the House Veterans Committee behind the controversial Rankin pension measure. Some committee members are upset about the log jam. But committee chairman John E. Rankin (D. Miss.) said his policy is to "take up first things first."

**Appropriations**

The House, now finished with all regular appropriations bills, has voted \$38,399,000,000 to run the government in fiscal 1950. However, this is not a final total. The House will be asked to allot extra funds for the foreign aid program and certain public works projects.

**Threatens Suit To Free Alice From 'The Jug'**

HOUSTON, Tex., Apr. 15 (UP)—The anti-cruelty people threatened a lawsuit today to get Alice, the chicken, out of the bottle she calls home.

Alice has lived in the five-gallon glass jug almost since the day she pecked her way out of an egg.

But Mrs. C. E. Appleby, superintendent of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, said Alice's confinement is "sheer cruelty" and threatened to file suit against her owner, Clyde Roco.

MR. ROCO, a grain dealer, slipped Alice into the jug last Feb. 28 when she still was so young no one knew for sure whether she was Alice or Albert.

It was an experiment to prove a chicken thrives on good feed and a minimum of exercise.

## Lila Leeds Injured in Auto Collision on Sunset Strip

Car Crashes Into Rear of Another

HOLLYWOOD, Apr. 15 (UP)—Blond Lila Leeds, who served a recent jail term in the Robert Mitchum marijuana case, was injured last night when the 1949 Cadillac convertible in which she was riding crashed into another car on the Sunset strip.

Officers were unable to determine who was driving the Cadillac, which had no license plates. Miss Leeds suffered a broken left arm and shock. Her companion, actress Marie Allison, 21, received a head concussion, broken jaw and shoulder injuries.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mueller, 29, wife of radio announcer Marvin Mueller, said the Leeds' car smashed into the rear of her car while she was waiting for a signal.

"Why does this always happen to me?" witnesses quoted Miss Leeds as saying after the accident.

Both she and Miss Allison were in a dazed condition. They were taken to a doctor's office by a friend, Al Mathes, 41, former owner of the swank Luce's restaurant, who drove by shortly afterward.



Lila Leeds

Later they were taken to Hollywood-Leland Hospital. Miss Leeds and Screen Star Robert Mitchum recently served 50-day jail terms on marijuana charges.

When released Miss Leeds said she was "going home to mama and stay there."

## Ritter to Get Auxiliary in St. Louis See

Consecration Rite To Be Solemnized Tuesday, Apr. 19

A new bishop will be consecrated Tuesday in St. Louis to serve as auxiliary to the Most Rev. Joseph E. Ritter, archbishop of St. Louis.

Persons who have predicted that Archbishop Ritter is slated for elevation to the rank of cardinal in 1950 call this an indication that their prophecy will materialize.

The Very Rev. Msgr. Charles Herman Helmsing, director for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, has been named to be Titular Bishop of Aximis. His Holiness, Pope Pius XII made the appointment. The bishop-elect will be consecrated Tuesday.

Archbishop Ritter is a native Hoosier who grew up in New Albany and served his entire priesthood in Indiana until he went to St. Louis in 1946.

**Red Cross, VA Plan GI Insurance Forum**

Under the joint sponsorship of the American Red Cross and Veterans Administration, a forum on GI life insurance will be conducted in seven Indiana cities during the last two weeks in April.

The chief of the underwriting division of VA Insurance, J. W. McDermott, is scheduled to speak at South Bend and Lafayette on Apr. 18 and 19 respectively. Other meetings will be held at Terre Haute, New Albany, Evansville, Muncie and Ft. Wayne.

**TWO DRUGS COMBINED**

A sulfa drug known as sulfamylon mixed with streptomycin is highly effective against bacteria found in contaminated wounds, but does not delay healing.

## O'Brien's the Name—

# Sure, This Irish Lad Got the Last Word

Wee Boy in a New Cowboy Shirt Gets the Law in a Bit of a Lather

By LEO TURNER, United Press Staff Correspondent  
NEW YORK, Apr. 15—Francis Dennis (Ol' One-Word) O'Brien is 4 years old.

He's tough. He's confident. He minds his own business. But Brooklyn police wished today that Francis Dennis O'Brien had never gotten a cowboy shirt.

For what good is a cowboy shirt in the Bushwick section of Brooklyn when the thermometer shoots up to 76 and a boy is 4 years old?

Francis Dennis O'Brien headed West.

Except that the train he got on was heading East. So he caught another train, and may be another.

IT WAS 5:05 p. m. yesterday. Conductor Arthur Menger made a quick check to see that all passengers aboard the Long Island Railroad commuters' train heading from Farming-

"O'Brien," he said. "Sure, and maybe you have a middle name?"

"Dennis," he said. "Now Francis Dennis O'Brien, tell me where you live."

"Home," he said. "And on what street is your home?"

"McDonough."

"THERE IS no McDonough St. in Farmingdale. Maybe it's McDonald," said Officer Talbot.

"McDonald," said the boy. "Sure, and come to think of it, there's no McDonald St. either."

"OK," said the boy. "About that time a Farmingdale woman reported that a dirty-faced little boy whom the hometown kids didn't know had taken the keys from her automobile."

"AND WHAT have you got in your pocket that jingles?" said Officer Talbot.

"Bottletops," said Francis Dennis O'Brien.

"Sure, and how did they turn into this lady's car keys?"

It was late last night when the missing persons alarm came from Brooklyn for a boy in a red and blue cowboy shirt.

It was early this morning when his mother tucked Francis Dennis O'Brien into bed.

"How did you get to Farmingdale?" she asked.

"Goodnight," said Ol' One-word O'Brien.

**Methodist Hospital Bequeathed Farm**

Methodist Hospital was today the owner of a 175-acre farm in Grant County near Swayzee through a bequest of Guy O. Thrawl who died Mar. 19, 1947.

The Swayzee farmer's gift, valued at \$45,000, represents the bulk of his estate. Mr. Thrawl's wife died three years ago leaving the hospital a cash gift of \$5000.

Mr. and Mrs. Thrawl had no connection with the hospital other than that a son was a patient there about 12 years ago and died in the hospital.

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