

Rayburn OK's 5 Concessions On T-H Repeal

Reveals Stand—
After Conference
With President

WASHINGTON, May 2 (UPI)—Following a conference with President Truman, Speaker Sam Rayburn (D. Tex.) today outlined five concessions that he is willing to make in an effort to win House approval of the administration's Taft-Hartley repeal bill.

Most important would be to continue presidential injunction powers against strikes affecting the national welfare—or possibly to give the government new plant seizure powers in place of injunctions.

The five points listed by Mr. Rayburn are mostly subjects now covered by the Taft-Hartley Act.

Drafting Concessions

The speaker declined to state whether the President indorsed the concessions. But he first spoke of them on the White House steps.

Returning to the House, he explained that the five concessions now are being drawn up by a group of House members—some sitting on the House Labor Committee.

The concessions represent the administration forces' supreme effort to prevent defeat of their Taft-Hartley repeal bill in a critical test set for tomorrow.

The other concessions would include:

ONE. A "free speech" guarantee for employers. (Now in the Taft-Hartley Act.)

TWO. A requirement that both labor leaders and management file non-Communist affidavits. (Taft-Hartley applies only to unions.)

THREE. A requirement that unions publish financial reports. (In Taft-Hartley.)

FOUR. A requirement that labor and management bargain with each other "in good faith." (In Taft-Hartley.)

Mr. Rayburn said he would endorse these amendments in a House speech tomorrow.

"I believe they will insure passage of the administration's bill," he said.

If the concessions are offered as amendments, the coalition bill will receive the first vote. A substitute for the administration's bill, however, would have priority.

PX Bargains

A House Armed Services subcommittee has set out to learn why servicemen can buy such items as ladies' \$35 handbags in their PX's, at near-wholesale cost and tax-free.

The boys also can pick up bargains in women's underthings, the subcommittee understands. Among other items for sale, at attractive prices and free of tax, are radios, groceries, sun glasses, cameras, toothbrush holders, and watches.

A preliminary check by the subcommittee showed that post exchanges, commissaries and their Navy counterparts do an annual gross business of some \$650 million.

"Numerous complaints" have been heard from businessmen who say they can't meet that kind of competition, a subcommittee spokesman said. Most complaints come from retailers near Army, Navy or Air Force bases.

The Treasury Department also is irked. It sees no good reason why cameras, for instance, shouldn't carry the same 20 percent excise tax when sold on Army posts as when sold in regular stores.

Among others who can't understand this is Chairman Carl Vinson, (D. Ga.), of the House Armed Services Committee. Mr. Vinson has introduced a bill to levy the same tax in PX's as is charged elsewhere.

Education

Sen. Robert A. Taft (R. O.) predicted the Senate would turn down a proposal to change the formula for providing \$300 million in federal aid to states for education.

The proposal, sponsored by Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. (R. Mass.), would allot funds to states on a basis of \$10 per school child. But Mr. Taft said "I don't think we'll have any trouble beating it."

The Ohioans, one of the sponsors of the Aid to Education Bill, favors a formula based on relative wealth of states as well as school population for distributing aid. Under that formula grants would range from \$5 to \$10 per child.

A Test of Patience at Speedway



Driver George Metzler's thumb twiddling was about the only activity on the Indianapolis Speedway oval yesterday as the weatherman prevented scheduled test runs. Metzler is slated to wheel the Glessner Special in the Memorial Day 500-Mile.

44 Spelling Bee Survivors Ready for First Semi-Final

Contest to Be Held in War Memorial Tomorrow Night; Finals Set Thursday

By ART WRIGHT

The coveted Indianapolis Times Spelling Bee medals will be presented tomorrow night in the World War Memorial Auditorium to 32 Indianapolis school pupils and 12 from Marion County schools before they start their first semifinal contest.

The speldown will start at 7:30 p. m. All contestants should report at 7 o'clock. No new contestants will be accepted. The lineup now is made up of those who have qualified in preliminary spell-downs in 16 city centers and six townships of the county.

The public will be admitted free to see the grammar school pupils in action.

The pronouncer will be Gaylord Allen of the speech department of Arsenal Technical High School. Judges will be Miss Susannah Miller, Miss Jean Wells and Miss Marysue Gray, all of Tech High School.

Those who are still in the contest at the close of tomorrow night's round will return to the World War Memorial Wednesday night for the second semi-final. The champion will be selected Thursday night in the finals at the World War Memorial.

The best speller of the 44 now in the contest will go to Washington, D. C., late this month to represent Indianapolis and Marion County in the National Spelling Bee. The champion will spend a week in the national capital with all expenses paid by The Times. The City Park and Recreation Department annually cooperates with The Times in staging the contest.

Frances Titzer, 17, Evansville, was killed in a two-car collision as she and a brother and sister were driving to early mass. The car, driven by her brother, Charles Titzer, 20, was in collision with a car driven by George Cox, 17, Evansville.

Trooper's Sister Killed

Mrs. Lucille Redman Schweiert, 22, Poseyville, was killed when a car driven by her husband was struck by one driven by Austin Lane, 51, Mt. Carmel, Ill., as the Schweiert car made a left turn. State Trooper John Redman of the Jasper Post, brother of the victim, was sent to investigate the crash. He did not learn the accident victim was his sister until he reached the scene.

Mrs. Rose Burchell, 71, died last night of injuries received when she was struck by an automobile driven by 16-year-old Robert Cole, Seymour.

The youth was charged with operating a car without driver's license and authorities said they planned to file a reckless homicide charge today.

The car driven by Mr. Burks was in collision with one driven by Carl Holtzman, 18, of 705 Hampton Dr.

John Gaughan, 73, of 3636 N. Illinois St., was injured as a car driven by Richard Traylor, 3649 N. Illinois St., backed out of a driveway at the Traylor home, striking Mr. Gaughan, who was walking on the sidewalk. Mr. Gaughan was treated at General Hospital.

Car Hits Underpass

William Garner, 22, Lawrenceburg, died at the wheel when his car struck an underpass abutment on U. S. 50 near the Indiana-Ohio line in Dearborn County.

William Hilton, 41, of 243½ Virginia Ave., died yesterday in General Hospital, the victim of a hit-and-run driver.

In traffic mishaps in Indianapolis yesterday three persons were injured, one critically.

Jesse Burks, 25, of 2325 Central Ave., driver of one of two cars which collided at 42d St. and Clarendon Rd. last night, was in

2 Liquor Permits Suspended Here

ABC Penalizes Dealer And Legion Post

Liquor permits of a package dealer at 1425 S. Meridian St. and American Legion Post 249, 2523 Northwestern Ave., have been suspended, the Alcoholic Beverage Commission announced yesterday.

Licenses of Ned Covalt, the package dealer, was suspended 30 days on a charge of selling on Sunday, while the American Legion Post's permit was suspended seven days on a charge of permitting consumption after hours.

Other 30-day suspensions were levied against Gus Demas, South Bend, and Marvin Click and Doyle Bowman, Kokomo, for sales to minors.

Seven-day suspensions were made against permits issued to Ralph Faerl, East Chicago, on an after-hours sales charge; Michael Sharkey Sr. and Michael Sharkey Jr., East Chicago, on a Sunday sales charge, and Harold J. Bitzegalo, Terre Haute, on a charge of permitting a minor to loiter.

The Anderson Liquor Store No. 1 permit was suspended five days on a charge of advertising at less than fair trade prices.

Wedding Party Death Declared an Accident

DETROIT, May 2 (UPI)—Authorities said today they were "satisfied" that the fatal shooting of an usher during a gay wedding party was accidental.

Frank Cembrowicz, 29, died of a bullet wound in the side early yesterday. He was an usher at the wedding Saturday of Emily Kuslanski, 22, and Joseph Wiklinski, 31, of Centerline, Mich.

The shooting occurred at Hamtrack, a separate city within the metropolitan limits of Detroit.

Captain of Detectives George Knuckles said the prosecutor's office was "satisfied" the death was an accident. Capt. Knuckles said a gun carried in the victim's pocket apparently discharged accidentally.

Mrs. Welch will lead the devotions at the May Day luncheon meeting Thursday beginning at 1:30 p. m. in the Broadway Methodist Church. The Sigma Alpha Iota Chorale directed by Mrs. Carl B. Moore will sing. Mrs. Harold Brady will accompany the singing. Mrs. Frank Gregor will talk on "Musical Therapy." The morning business and 12:30 luncheon will precede the program.

Urge Expulsion Of Union Official

The Indianapolis Industrial Union Council (CIO) today urged expulsion of Donald Henderson, Philadelphia labor union official, from the CIO for communistic activities.

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