

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Rather than see his farm program "so hamstrung that it would not work," Secretary Charles F. Brannan has asked the senate agricultural committee to eliminate all reference to his controversial farm plan from the senate farm bill.

The senate bill picked up a few of the features now in the Aiken act, and no doubt the measure will wind up in a conference committee before final passage.

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The Washington Post says editorially concerning the deep freeze gifts, "After all, the sending of gifts of one kind or another to important public personages is an old American custom, and hardly a day goes by that gifts are not delivered at the White House. What to do with these gifts is one of the perennial problems."

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The house grew tired of waiting, committee action on a joint house-senate lobby probe measure and passed its own bill providing for a house committee to investigate lobbying of both private organizations and governmental agencies.

The senate finally passed the big foreign aid appropriations bill with \$5,647,724,000, or about 10 per cent less than originally requested for use in fiscal year 1950. The first thing the house did was to knock out \$344,000 which the senate had set up for use of an ECA watchdog committee.

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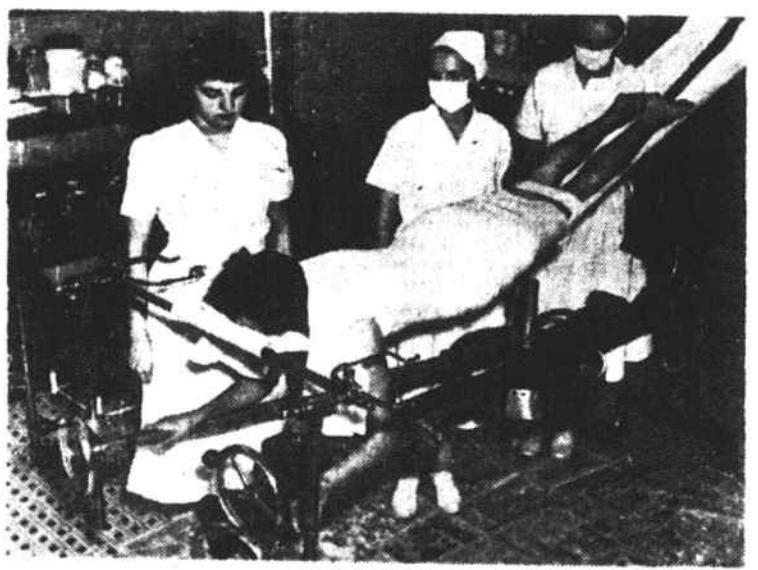
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UNEMPLOYMENT Non-agricultural employment declined by 230,000 workers in July, with manufacturing and trade industries showing the sharpest decrease, according to the Labor Department. The mid-July employment figure was 43,500,000, or 1,600,000 below a year ago.

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