



Rep. Walter B. Jones Reports From Washington

Expulsion — a word we used many times during the House session of Wednesday, March 1.

Of course, I am referring to the Adam Clayton Powell situation. This Wednesday session ran from 12 Noon to approximately 7:30 P. M. The key vote came early in the afternoon when the House, by a vote of 222 to 202, a margin of 20 votes, refused to consider a Committee recommendation which would have seated Rep. Powell with certain penalties and under certain conditions.

It was abundantly clear that the House was in no mood to accept a compromise. The question, simply, was he legally, morally, and ethically qualified to be seated. To those who may wonder about the precedent of expelling a Member before allowing him to be seated as a Member, definitely, this is not the first time. As a matter of fact, the House has on five occasions excluded Members elect, that is to say, have not permitted them to take their seats. They were, Mr. Roberts, who was a Member elect from Utah, Mr. Berger of Wisconsin, Mr. Bryan and Mr. Young of Kentucky, and Mr. Whittemore of South Carolina.

The Whittemore case occurred in the 1870's. It developed that Mr. Whittemore was selling appointments to the Service Acad-

emies. He was investigated and censured by the Congress. As a result of this, he resigned from Congress, returned home, and subsequently was re-elected and came back up to the Congress. And here it was that the Congress refused to seat him in the Chamber. He was excluded.

And to those who might be concerned regarding the constitutionality of this action—that question remains to be resolved. There were strong arguments of the House to accept the Committee compromise, and I think it important that we consider the choice of words used by the Committee in its report. The report in part stated: "Mr. Powell wrongfully and willfully appropriated \$28,505.34 of public funds to his own use from July 31, 1965 to January 1, 1967." This was in connection with the checks to his estranged wife, who did not perform services either in this District of Columbia or in his home District, as required under House rules.

The Committee further stated that "Mr. Powell wrongfully and willfully appropriated \$15,683.27 of public funds to his own use from August 31, 1964 to July 31, 1965" in the same manner as stated above. There were further instances of Congressman Powell "wrongfully and

willfully", and these are the words of the Committee, appropriating additional sums for forged and false signatures for air travel. It also stated that \$461.16 was willfully misappropriated by Congressman Powell in connection with the airlines tickets. And finally, the report stated, and these are the words that "Mr. Powell falsely certified for payment from public funds, vouchers totaling \$1,291.92."

In view of the strong statements of the Investigating Committee, which was, to say the least, originally a friendly Committee toward Congressman Powell, most of us could only conclude that the question before us, was his conduct such that he was entitled to be a Member of the Congress of the United States, or was it such, that he should be excluded from Membership. There was no compromise. If we are to retain the virtues of Decency, proper moral conduct, honesty and integrity in the high places of Government, then I cannot help but feel that the majority of us voted properly and in good faith, without regard to race or sectionalism, trying desperately to uphold the principles upon which this Republic was founded.

On Thursday, March 2, the House passed an authorization for a supplemental appropriation for the Department of Defense in the amount of \$4,584,000,000. I will not attempt to explain the breakdown of the specific purposes of this supplemental appropriation, but only to say that the necessity for this is a result of the Vietnam involvement.

To those who are urging the Administration to find an area of negotiation as soon as possible, this was a difficult decision, for the "yes" vote in the broadest sense, upholds our actions in Vietnam, but on the other hand, so long as we are committed, I have no other choice as a Congressman, but to vote to supply that which the military contends they need for the continuing operation. In fact, a substitute motion by Congressman Burton of California, was made that none of these funds could be spent in the Vietnam effort. This motion was defeated by a vote of 372 to 18, with all of the North Carolina Members voting against this restriction.

Most of you possibly know by this time that our own Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr., was involved in an accident on Sunday, Febru-

ary 26 which, fortunately, did not cause any serious injury to anyone. Due to mechanical failure, he lost control of his car and ran into the side of the U. S. Supreme Court Building. I reminded the Senator that he had verbally attacked the Supreme Court for many years, but I never thought he would have the courage to deliver a physical assault!

Who Knows?

1. Who was the first American astronaut?
2. Who was the first President to give an inaugural ball in Washington, D. C.?
3. Name the first President to ride on a railroad train.
4. Which President was the first to use radio?
5. Who was the first President to travel by jet?
6. Do all states have the same automobile speed laws?
7. Who wrote "Barefoot Boy"?
8. For whom was Yale University named?
9. Identify a yak.
10. Where is the Smithsonian Building?

Answers to Who Knows

1. Alan B. Shepard, Jr.
2. James Madison in 1809.
3. Andrew Jackson in 1833.
4. Woodrow Wilson, who spoke to American troops in 1919.
5. Dwight D. Eisenhower.
6. No.
7. John Greenleaf Whittier, New England poet.
8. Eihyu Yale.
9. The wild ox of Asia, a relative of the American bison.
10. Washington, D. C.

Seminar Is Set By Ministers

The Tri-County Ministerial Association held its regular monthly meeting March 7 at the Edenton Methodist Church in Edenton.

In a significant action, the association gave final approval to the plans of the Committee on Race Relations to conduct a human relations seminar, to be held on Tuesday, May 16. The highlight of the seminar will be the showing of the celebrated motion picture "A Time For Burning," produced by the Lutheran Church of America, with penetrating insights into the problems of human relations in the nation today. Following the viewing of the film, a discussion period will give viewers ample opportunity to thoroughly express opinions and discuss various aspects of the film.

Sitting as a panel to lead in the discussion will be D. S. Coltrane, chairman of the North Carolina Good Neighbor Council; Rev. Robert S. Harrell, assistant to the chairman of the North Carolina Good Neighbor Council, and Rev. Corbin Cooper, secretary of the Department of Inter-racial Cooperation of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. Personal invitations will be issued to respected community leaders in the tri-county area, but the public will be cordially invited to attend. The seminar will be held at the Edenton Methodist Church.

The committee on a co-operative evangelistic crusade reported excellent progress in its exploratory correspondence with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. John Dillon, field director of Associate Crusades, has confirmed that he is now prepared to come to Edenton for discussions with those who are interested in a crusade in the area. The date for his visit, some time this spring, will be announced as soon as it has been cleared and confirmed.

Death Claims Mrs. Gregory

Mrs. Kathryn Armstrong Gregory, 78, died at her home, 103 West Queen Street, Sunday. She had been in declining health for more than four years.

A native of Norfolk, Va., she had lived in Edenton for 50 years.

Survivors included her husband, Mack C. Gregory; one son, William T. Gregory of San Antonio, Tex.; one daughter, Mrs. Chrystal Gladfelder of Des Moines, Iowa; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at Willford Funeral Home with Rev. George Holmes in charge. Burial was in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Good Reason
Teacher — What inspired the old-time pioneers to set forth in their covered wagons?
Student — Well, maybe they didn't want to wait about 30 years for a train.

Sales Reported By United Piece

The United Piece Dye Works had gross sales during 1966 of \$18,193,796, it was announced this week from the firm's New York headquarters.

In a release of information concerning the year ending December 31, it was noted that net income was \$200,226.

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