

SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS



Washington — Last week was the busiest for me of the session to date.

Full Time Job

In addition to the important legislation before the Senate, I spent an enormous amount of time on committee work.

The week began with the new Civil Rights Commission before the Judiciary Committee. Certain questions had to be asked of this group to determine their views for the record when their confirmation is taken up by the Senate. I told the press following my questioning of the members that they appeared not to be fanatics and, while I opposed the Commission in the vote last session, that I felt it was made up of reasonable men insofar as I could ascertain. I have great confidence in former Governor Battle of Virginia, a member. I do not know personally the other members, but their views as expressed before our Committee

gave me hope that they will tackle their work with reason and understanding.

On Tuesday, the Judiciary Committee again met with Assistant Attorney General White, who heads the Civil Rights Division under recess appointment. Consideration of Mr. White is of great importance to our section because he will permanently head the new Civil Rights Division of the Justice Department. Therefore he will deal with legal problems arising in this area. I feel that his views should be known and carefully documented. It was under Mr. White's direction that the legal analysis and the Presidential proclamation were prepared for the Little Rock action. It is my conviction that the use of Federal troops at Little Rock was a usurpation of Presidential authority and this view has received support from outside the South. Mr. White will later appear before the Committee for further questioning.

Labor Hearings

The McClellan Committee on Labor and Management opened hearings last week on the Kohler strike, with day-long public sessions. In this strike which began in 1954 there have been charges of violence made by both management and by the UAW union. The Committee is making its investigation in order to determine what new laws are needed in the labor-management area. It is essential that the evidence in this industrial strike be considered and weighed on its merit.

Postal Matters

The Senate was meanwhile considering the important matter of postal rates and postal pay, requiring attention to debate and numerous roll calls. I voted against increase of out-of-town postal rates to five cents. I gave my support to the postal pay increase, believing that postal workers have been underpaid. Congress, in my opinion, was wise to take action on this.

Breach Of Faith

Additionally, at the week's end, another matter of particular concern to North Carolina arose. The Department of the Interior announced a plan to impose tolls on the Blue Ridge Parkway after June 1, 1958. The State of North Carolina gave the Federal Government the right of way for the Parkway and N. C., Tennessee and private foundations and in-

dividuals gave the Smokey Mountains National Park to the Federal Government. Now the Federal Government proposes, in effect, to use such gifts as a source of revenue. Those who participated in the transactions between North Carolina and the Federal Government which resulted in the creation of the Blue Ridge Parkway feel the imposition of tolls would be a breach of faith by the Federal Government. I think it unfortunate for the Federal government to attempt to raise revenue by charging citizens for the privilege of looking upon the handiwork of the Almighty. I shall join Congressman George Shuford and other members of the North Carolina delegation in an effort to persuade the Department of Interior to rescind its plan to impose such tolls.

4-H Poster Gives Tribute To Parents

The official 4-H Club poster published annually and distributed throughout all 48 states is this year paying tribute to parents of 4-H Club members everywhere.

Since March 1 through 8 is National 4-H Club Week, these 4-H posters are being displayed in all parts of North Carolina giving recognition to the program.

Over 2,155,000 rural young people are actively engaged in projects conducted by the 4-H Clubs of America. Much of their activity would be impossible without the aid and encouragement of parents. It is fitting that the 1956 poster picture parents, and that the National theme for Club Week is "4-H Salute to Parents."

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