

Washington Report

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CONGRESSMAN WALTER B. JONES

Last week on Wednesday, April 8, the United States Senate once again refused to approve a Southerner for a place on the United States Supreme Court.

Those who opposed the confirmation of Judge Harrold Carswell gave varying reasons. Some of the same ones who voted against the confirmation of Judge Haynsworth in recent months at that time stated that Haynsworth was qualified, but offered other excuses. But in the instance of Judge Carswell, the excuse of many was that he was not judicially qualified. Therefore, those who are adamant against the confirmation of a Southerner will use whatever excuse they can find.

An analysis of the confirmation voted showed a lack of support between President Nixon and the Senate, for 13 Republican Senators voted no in spite of White House pressure.

The majority of the Southern Senators of both parties supported Carswell, with the glaring exceptions of Senator Sprong of Virginia and Senator Gore of Tennessee, both Democrats; and in a major surprise, Republican Senator Cook of Kentucky voted against.

Also last week in a most unusual action the Congress passed legislation to avert a nationwide railroad strike. In recent years resolutions have been passed by the Congress to force labor and management to further negotiate; but last week, the Congressional action also included the setting of wages as it relates to back pay and overtime.

In other words, the legislation actually spelled out the terms of the settlement. There

were four unions involved in this dispute, and three of the unions had overwhelmingly agreed to the settlement offered by the railroads, while the smaller union, the Sheetmetal Workers, by an extremely close vote, rejected the offer.

In spite of the Congressional action in settling the 17-month old dispute, the present contract expires at the end of this year and negotiations on the new contract will begin sometime next fall.

I hope that this does not set a precedent where each labor dispute will reach the halls of Congress. It seems logical that labor and management in this sophisticated age should be able to devise a mutual plan for avoiding costly and crippling strikes.

In the confusion of our present affluent society, we sometimes overlook or forget organizations which are making a great contribution to the stability of this and future generations. Such an organization is the Future Homemakers of America, who last week celebrated their 25th anniversary.

This is a national organization where home economics students in junior and senior high schools assemble throughout the nation.

It has a national membership of 604,000 in 12,000 high schools. North Carolina has 29,665 FHA members in 459 chapters. This office salutes the leaders and their memberships.

MIRROR MORSELS

Courage is rightly esteemed the first of human qualities, because it is the quality which guarantees all others. -- Winston Churchill.

Adversity is the state in which a man most easily becomes acquainted with himself, being especially free from admirers then. -- Samuel Johnson.

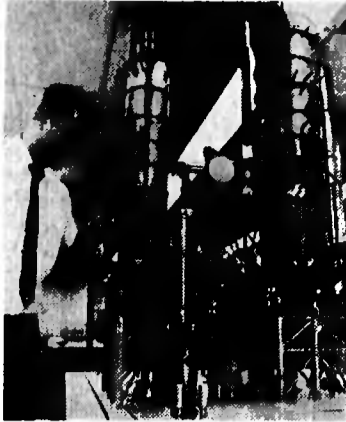
Ireland is a country in which the probably never happens and the impossible always does. -- John Pentland Mahaffy.

A news sense is really a sense of what is important, what is vital, what has color and life, what people are interested in. That's journalism. -- Burton Roscoe.

Age is only a number, a cipher for the records. A man can't retire his experience. He must use it. Experience achieves more with less energy and time. -- Bernard Baruch.

Democracy is government that substitutes election by the incompetent many for appointment by the corrupt few. -- George Bernard Shaw.

The life of every man is a diary in which he means to write one story and writes another; and his humblest hour is when he compares the volume as it is with what he vowed to make. -- James M. Barrie.



PIPE DREAM . . . James A. Olivett, engineer with The Badger Company, Inc., inspections portion of lube oil plant being designed by the firm. The carefully-constructed three dimensional model will be used to verify positioning of piping, valves, pumps, access ladders and other details before actual construction of the plant gets underway. The plant, for Sun Oil Company, is now under construction at Yabucoa on the southeastern coast of Puerto Rico.

Marriage is the alliance of two people, one of whom never remembers birthdays and the other never forgets them. -- Ogden Nash.

Politeness is the flower of humanity. He who is not polite enough is not human enough. -- Joseph Joubert.

A politician is an animal who can perch on a fence and yet keep both ears to the ground. -- Oscar Wilde.

A luncheon club is a group of people who meet periodically to eat their way to a solution of the world's problems.

Fame is that parasite of pride, ever scornful to meek-

ness, and ever obsequious to insolent power. -- John Quincey Adams.

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