

# Repeal Of 14b Dead For Current Session

**BY SENATOR SAM ERVIN**

Washington—Repeal of Section 14(b) of the Taft-Hartley Act, which authorizes the States to enact right-to-work laws, is dead for this session. Defeat came when the Senate split almost evenly, 50-49, on whether debate should be shut-off. Congressional attention now turns to the problems involved in waging the Vietnam War with measures coming up on supplemental appropriations and taxes.

Clearing the Senate calendar of this issue means that employees in 19 right-to-work states can continue to decide whether they will join or refrain from joining a union and pay or refrain from paying union dues. Had Section 14(b) been repealed, a basic right would have been taken away from the American worker.

The discussion is over for the time being, but it is foreseeable that the fight will be renewed in the future. For this reason, I think it is important that employees be aware of a major fallacy inherent in the arguments advanced for repeal of right-to-work laws. When all is said, the repeal proposal begins and ends as a call for compulsory unionism. Foremost among the arguments advanced is the union contention that workers should pay for benefits of bargaining and no one should be a "free rider."

Stripped to its barest essentials, the so-called free rider argument affords no justification for compulsory unionism. In a sense all of us are free riders. We receive the heritage

of the past without paying anything for it. Other voluntary associations carry on activities which benefit a great many of us who do not contribute any financial or other support to them. It is absurd for any particular voluntary organization which may happen to benefit any group of people to demand that such people be compelled to support it against their will. Yet, this is essentially what unions do when they demand compulsory unionism.

One of the great friends of unions of by-gone days, the late Justice Brandeis, said that unions hindered their own progress by insisting upon the power to draft unwilling men into unions. He said that to compel people to join any organization against their will is un-American and is in irreconcilable conflict with the fundamental principles for which this country was established.

I think that unions insult themselves when they say that they cannot get members to support them without having the power to draft men into membership. Any worthwhile organization, and most of the unions fall within this category, can obtain sufficient members by peaceful, voluntary persuasion. The churches have thrived upon this principle, and unions can too.

The retention of Section 14(b) as part of our labor-management law simply means that workers will still have freedom of choice, a most precious possession, in right-to-work states.

## Beaver Dam 4-H Club Starts Safety Program

The Beaver Dam 4-H Club is starting a safety program. All families in the community are asked to co-operate by filling out a paper a 4-H boy or girl will bring them.

Greater scrutiny of C.I.A. is urged in Senate.

# Co-Editors Are Named For College Publications

Co-editors have been named for both student publications at Appalachian State Teachers College for the coming year, according to action by the Student Council.

Norleen Ann Kester of Salisbury and Harvey Lineback of Walkertown have been appointed

co-editors of The Appalachian, student newspaper, and Roberta Gae Neilligan of Charlotte and Evelyn Edmisten of Boone have been named co-editors of The Rhododendron, student annual.

Joe Marshall of King has been appointed business manager of

the student newspaper and Mary Parlier of Piney Creek will serve in the same role with the annual.

For the first time in the college's history the chief student publications posts were filled without the process of a popular election. Only one candi-

date filed for each of the positions and upon recommendation of the college's publications committee the officers were filled by acclamation.

Lewis Gaston of Belmont has served as editor of The Appalachian for the past year and

Jane Davenport of Mount Airy has edited the annual. The new appointees assume office at the beginning of the Spring quarter.

Hoover ties Reds to protests on Vietnam.

# Jordan Notes New Law In Behalf Of Veterans

**BY SENATOR B. EVERETT JORDAN**

Washington — Congress has approved legislation which will be of tremendous benefit to veterans who have served in the Armed Forces since the Korean War.

The new "GI Benefits Bill"

will make all the persons who have served in the Armed Forces on active duty since February 1, 1955, for a period of 180 days or more eligible for benefits under the program.

The program is not limited to servicemen who have served or are serving in Vietnam or other areas of combat. Instead it covers all of these servicemen plus any others who have been on active duty in any of our armed services.

# Hamer To Direct State's Newest Outdoor Drama

Joseph Hamer of New York will direct North Carolina's new outdoor drama, "Till The Day Break." The production is Winston-Salem's entry into the symphonic drama movement and will open on Tuesday, July 5 of this bicentennial year.

The primary purpose of the program is to encourage and promote the education of servicemen and veterans in institutions of higher learning.

The new law provides that educational assistance will be provided for up to 36 calendar months of school or training. The assistance rates for full-time training or education are \$100 per month for a single veteran, \$125 for a veteran with one dependent, and \$150 for a veteran with more than one dependent. Proportionately lower rates for less than full-time training or education are also provided.

Mr. Hamer has been associated with Network television on the Defenders, Naked City, and Play of the Week. Another high point in his career occurred in 1962 when he joined noted playwright Gore Vidal as co-producer and director of the Hyde Park Playhouse in New York.

Another key part of the new program is a GI home loan program which was so popular and beneficial among veterans of World War II and the Korean War. Under the new program, the Veterans Administration may guarantee as much as \$7,500 of a loan made by a private lender for a veteran's home.

Till The Day Break will play in a 900-seat amphitheatre located on the Salem College campus near the Old Salem Restoration. The production will open on Tuesday, July 5, and will run nightly, Tuesday through Saturday, for eight weeks, ending on Saturday, August 27. There will be an indoor matinee each Sunday afternoon.

The new program also provides for nonservice-connected medical care for veterans in V. A. hospitals and preference will be given to veterans in obtaining employment with the federal government.

**Robber Changes Mind**  
Lincoln, Neb. — Robert M. Gordon, manager of a store, said a young man came in looking for a gun and not finding one he liked left to look elsewhere. Soon he returned to look at the guns again. He strapped one on and demanded money. The gunman then changed his mind, returned the \$66 and said, "It's just not worth it."

There are many, many thousands of veterans who have served since the Korean War who will be eligible for the first time to obtain benefits under the new program, and more detailed information will be available in the near future from the various V. A. offices and veterans service offices located throughout the Nation.

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