

SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS



WASHINGTON — New gun-control legislation is scheduled to be considered by the Senate when it reconvenes next month.

Earlier in the session, the Congress cleared for the President's signature an omnibus crime control bill which contained provisions regulating the acquisition and possession of handguns and certain other firearms. This act was signed by the President and became the law of the land. I supported this act.

This measure was well along toward passage when the tragic assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy took place and brought a flood of appeals to Congress to add very stringent restrictions over the sale and use of firearms. I have received thousands of letters from North Carolinians in recent weeks giving their views on the subject of gun-control legislation.

For this reason, it seems appropriate to call attention to the gun-control provisions of the Safe Streets and Crime Control Act of 1968. It outlaws mail order shipments of pistols and compels those who wish to purchase pistols to buy them from local dealers who can readily ascertain their eligibility to purchase them. It prohibits the acquisition and possession of pistols, rifles, shotguns, or other firearms by any person who has been convicted of

a felony, or who is under indictment for a felony, or who has fled from any state to avoid prosecution for a felony, or who has been adjudged incompetent. Moreover, it requires every importer, manufacturer or dealer in firearms to obtain a license from the Secretary of the Treasury to keep a record of the names and addresses of every person to whom they sell any firearm of any character.

On July 24 the House passed and sent to the Senate its version of the new long-gun legislation. Under the House bill there would be a federal ban against mail order and most out-of-state purchases of rifles and shotguns and the interstate shipment of handgun ammunition. On the same day, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved gun controls similar to the House-passed provisions. Neither measure, however, requires the registration of firearms or the licensing of gun owners which some have Congress to do.

The Senate Judiciary Committee measure would extend the ban on pistols imposed by the recently enacted Safe Streets and Crime Control Act to rifles and shotguns and compel those who desire to purchase rifles and shotguns to obtain them from a local dealer in the state of their residence or in an adjoining state. I expect to support this proposal when it comes before the Senate.

I am unwilling, however, to vote at this time for any federal proposal requiring the registration of firearms or the licensing of those who wish to pursue them. In my honest judgment, no case has yet been made out for the passage of such a law. I have spent many years of my life as a trial lawyer and a judge, and have never known of a single case where the conviction of the accused depended upon any registration or identification of a firearm.

Moreover, there is grave doubt in my mind as to the constitutionality of such a federal law. The states have the power to pass laws of this nature.

Whether they do so, is, of course, a matter for them to decide.

Nor shall I support any legislation which denies law-abiding citizens the right to purchase firearms for the protection of themselves and their habitations or denies to legitimate sportsmen the right to purchase firearms for hunting.

The Rod Helps

Little ladies may be born, but little gentlemen are hewn, like monuments, out of solid resistance.

—News, Kiron, Ia.

Mass Schedule At St. Ann's

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Department Strict On Child Labor Provisions

RALEIGH—Farmers were urged today by the Department of Labor to help boys and girls under 16 to finish their education. At the same time, the farmers will be obeying the law.

The child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act prohibit youngsters under 16 from working on a farm during school hours while school is in session.

The law applies equally to local and migrant youth. "Farmers can still hire teenagers under 16 to work

after school and on the weekends in non-hazardous jobs. This will help needy boys and girls earn the money necessary to stay in school," the Labor Department's Wage-Hour field office supervisor, Julian E. Parker, in Raleigh observed.

"This law offers the individual farmer a real chance to contribute to the betterment of our society and our country," says Parker.

"The farmer who encourages these youngsters

to finish school while they work part-time for him will never have to feel that he knowingly did not help someone out of the vicious cycle of poverty."

Labor Department studies show how violations of this law cost the boys and girls involved—almost half of the young farm workers were in grades well below the norm for their ages; and at the age of 15, seven out of 10 local farm youth, and nine out of 10 migrant farm youth, had not reached the grade normal for their age.

"It is particularly important that this law is understood at this time as schools across the country are reopening for the new school year. Unknowingly, farmers may permit boys and girls under 16 to continue working full time. This is, of course, against the law," Parker pointed out.

"If there is a difference between state and federal child labor standards, the higher standards apply.

urge that anyone—farmer, farm youth, parent or teacher—with questions about child labor standards, minimum wages or overtime pay, contact me at my office at 203 Lawyers Building, 320 South Salisbury Street, Raleigh, N. C. 27601. Telephone 919-828-9031. I'm here to help."

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