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House Gets GI Furlough Pay Measure

Would Pay GI's For Leaves Missed While Serving In Uniform

Washington, June 7.—(AP)—The House, with manifest enthusiasm, today called up legislation to pay some 16,000,000 past and present service men an average of \$2.50 a year to cover furlough time missed in uniform.

Its backers, led by Rep. Dwight L. Rogers (D) of Florida, and Robert L. Sikes (D) of Florida, predict its passage without opposition after a few hours of debate and said the chances for early Senate approval are "look good."

The only amendment in sight was a non-controversial one intended to simplify payment in arrears. In preliminary form it would permit enlisted men entitled to terminal furlough money to claim it by mail, or collect it in cash at local army or navy offices.

Here's what the legislation will do if it becomes law:

Cash Payment.

1. Entitled enlisted personnel to a cash payment for furlough time not used up in service. Payment would be made at the time of discharge for those still in uniform or immediately for those already back in civilian life.
2. Computes furlough time on the basis of two and one-half days for each month of service with a limit of 120 days that may be accrued.
3. Authorize the secretaries of war and navy to make the payments "on the basis of sworn statements" by the applicants.
4. Directs payments to next of kin in cases of men who have died.
5. Exempts the payments from taxes and from all claims of creditors.
6. Prohibit the payment of cash in lieu of furlough time for all personnel, both officers and enlisted men, in future wars or national emergencies.

India Hails British Plan For Freedom

New Delhi, June 7.—(AP)—The belief grew through India today that the Moslem League, by its acceptance of the British cabinet mission's plan for a federated union in India, had removed the most formidable barrier to solving India's long-yearning quest for independence.

Typical of the press comments on the Moslem League's council action in approving the cabinet proposals—while reiterating the league's "unalterable" insistence for eventual establishment of a separate Moslem state of Pakistan—appeared to be that in the British owned New Delhi Statesman.

Captioned "Moving Forward," the paper's leading editorial enumerated several recent events which it termed fresh advances toward a compromise settlement, and then said:

"Now the greatest and most positive encouragement of all, the council of the Moslem League, the parliament of the Moslem League as Mr. Mohamed Ali Jinnah proudly calls it, has in a decisive manner agreed to accept the proposals."

Congress Is Urged To Make Up Mind On OPA Extension

Washington, June 7.—(AP)—Stabilization Director Chester Bowles said today he wished Congress would vote price control "up or down." He contended amendments proposed in pending legislation would lead directly to inflation.

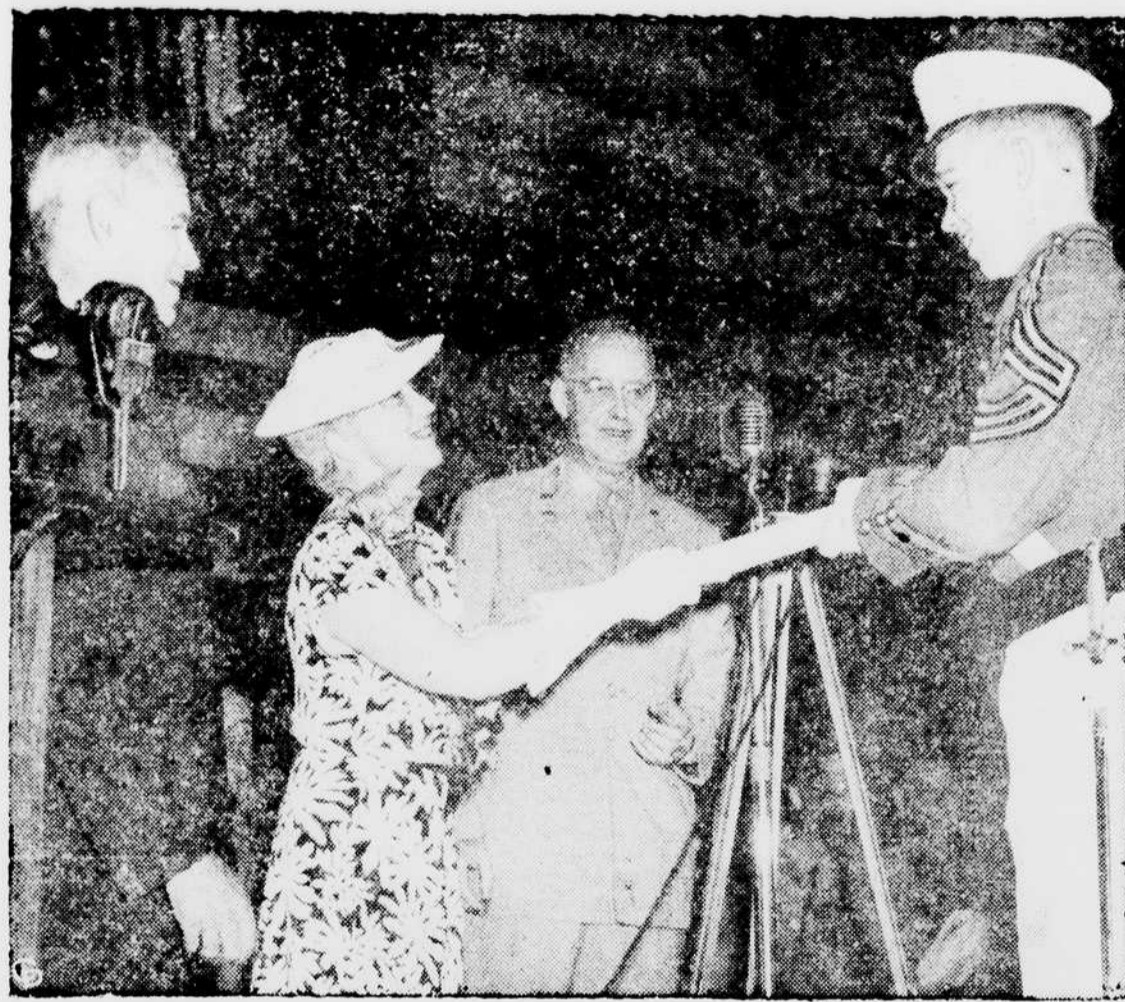
Bowles testified before the Senate Small Business Committee, which is reviewing the general food situation, after UNRRA Director General F. H. LaGuardia had urged the lawmakers to "stop monkeying with OPA."

Youth Is Planning To Wed Widow, 79

Louisville, Ky., June 7.—(AP)—Lawrence County Clerk W. H. Moore said he expected to issue today a marriage license asked for by a 79-year-old widow, Mrs. Mattie Lyon-Large, and an 18-year-old neighborhood youth, Delbert (Shorty) Sprouse, both of Gladys, Ky.

The clerk added that Sprouse called for the license yesterday, but was denied it because he had left at home written permission of his parents to wed.

Sons Of War Heroes Honored At West Point



As Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson (top, left) takes a back seat for a moment at West Point graduation exercises, Mrs. George S. Patton, Jr., widow of the late famed Third Army commander, presents a regular army commission to her son, George S. III. At left, Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, first man to bomb Tokyo, is shown with his son, Capt. John P. Doolittle, included in the largest class ever to be graduated from the U. S. Military Academy were sons of 21 generals.

'V' Celebration Set For England

London, June 7.—(AP)—Millions of visitors jammed the English capital today at Saurdud's victory celebration, expected to be the greatest show this nation has seen since the coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth in May, 1937.

As flags decked the ancient streets, softening the scars of war, officials prepared to handle 10,000,000 or more people in London from long before dawn until long after midnight as masses continued to pour in from all parts of the kingdom, freed from their normal routines by the long Whit-sun-tide holiday.

At a cost of approximately \$100 million, a spectacular entertainment in official token of the Allied triumph, 13 months after the victory in Europe.

Monarchists In Italy Riot

Rome, June 7.—(AP)—Club-swinging police broke up a monarchist demonstration downtown Rome today as post-pubescent tension which caused bloodshed in Naples spread to the capital.

About 200 demonstrators paraded through crowded streets shouting "long live the king" and down with the republic.

Police precautions against demonstrations were redoubled as strong forces cordoned off all approaches to the royal palace, where King Umberto III was reported drafting a farewell message. Informed sources said he would urge Italians to support a united republic.

One monarchist was killed and eight others wounded in the outbreak at Naples, which had voted four to one for the monarchy in last week's election. Troops in light tanks joined police in patrolling the streets to maintain order.

Motor Traffic Violations Increasing

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Baltimore, June 7.—Declaring it to be the worst report he had ever handed to the press, T. Boddie Ward, motor vehicles commissioner, today released figures on moving traffic violations coming within the purview of the highway patrol during May. The totals do not include arrests made by city police and other local officers, except with respect to driving license forfeitures.

A total of 3,510 convictions were obtained for illegal driving offenses which do not automatically lead to license revocation, as compared with 2,946 for May of last year. Speeders led the list with 1,306. Failure to have driving license came

NMU Ponders Strike; Vinson O. K. Expected

Truman Fills Vacancy On High Court

Snyder Nominated As Treasury Boss; Sullivan Is Upped

Washington, June 7.—(AP)—President Truman's choice of Fred M. Vinson for Chief Justice of the United States and of John W. Snyder for Secretary of the Treasury provoked speculations today of speedy approval.

"There will be no difficulty," Senate leaders (D) of Colorado told reporters. Others echoed that forecast.

And the name words went out for the advancement of John L. Sullivan from assistant to undersecretary of the navy, also announced by Mr. Truman in a single breath in a news conference late yesterday.

Considerable Criticism.

Vinson's and Snyder's selection for two of the highest posts in the land came in for considerable criticism, however, from Republicans and pro-labor, New Deal Democrats. But none indicated a disposition to fight confirmation. All three nominees must receive Senate approval before they can take office.

Privately, some New Dealers said they would have preferred to see what they described as a "more liberal man" nominated as Chief Justice. They count Vinson as a pretty much "middle of the road" in political philosophy, although some old line Democrats look on him as inclined to be left of center.

New Dealers Against Snyder.

As for Snyder, the New Dealers are openly at odds with him. They ascribe chiefly to his influence as reconstruction director the former White House attitude toward organized labor in recent weeks.

Few Republicans had anything good to say of the nominee, but were patiently disappointed that Mr. Truman did not nominate a member of their party to the supreme court. For years, it was more or less a tradition that the bench should be kept in political balance. During President Roosevelt's term of office, the division came down to seven Democrats and two Republicans.

BULLETINS

COAL STRIKE ENDS

New York, June 7.—(AP)—The AFL United Mine Workers and anthracite coal operators said today they had reached an agreement on a new contract which would end the strike of 75,000 coal miners in Pennsylvania. John Baylan, secretary of the Anthracite Conciliation Board, told reporters "an agreement had been reached. Details will be disclosed in a press conference at 5:30 p. m. Pending the late afternoon session with newsmen, he said there would be no discussion of the terms reached."

JEWEL RING BROKEN

Washington, June 7.—(AP)—The War Department said today a WAC captain and her colored husband have been taken into custody in connection with the theft of \$1,500,000 in jewels from Kromberg Castle, Germany. A. C. Miller, representing the provost marshal general's office in the War Department, told reporters the jewels and other heirlooms, including an ancient Bible, had been recovered. Col. Miller said two others were implicated, one a major still on active duty and a discharged corporal.

Official U.S. Symbol



SERGEANT-AT-ARMS of the House of Representatives in Washington, Kenneth Romney, holds the mace which, with the flag, is the only visible symbol of U. S. authority. The mace consists of 13 ebony rods, representing the 13 original states with a silver eagle mounted on the globe at top. Adopted in 1789, the Sergeant-At-Arms places it on the floor of the House when that body is in session. (International)

AFL Sailors Back At Jobs After Tie-Up

Maritime Union Leaders To Hold A Council Of War

Washington, June 7.—(AP)—Top men of the CIO's port National Maritime Union headed into a council of war today.

As AFL seamen lobbied back to their ships and talking of expanding their struggle to up into a CIO-wide walkout, members of the NMU national council from 49 ports convened for a strike strategy session here.

They possessed a \$1,000,000 strike chest, the support of six other unions allied to the Committee for Merit Unity—and the signs were ominous.

Looks Like Deadlock.

Nearly 48 hours had passed since the last word of progress from the conciliation conference on which the government is pinning its hopes to stave off the CMU's scheduled strike June 15.

It began to look like a deadlock. And members of the bitter, fratricidal rivalry between CIO and AFL stop work meetings in 20 cities yesterday.

In New York, members of the AFL's Seafarers International Union and its chief affiliate, the Sailor's Union of the Pacific, voted to conduct a strike poll at once. They denounced the CIO-dominated CMU as "communist dominated."

To Hold Daily Meetings.

In most cities, the men returned to work, but in San Francisco, Los Angeles and Seattle, for instance, they decided to hold daily meetings and a continuing work stoppages until employers open wage talks.

At the AFL seaman's headquarters in San Francisco President Harry Lundeberg said his men want immediate negotiations with their employers. The employers' spokesmen are in Washington standing by for the CMU and a conciliation conference.

Lundeberg denounced the latter as a "three ring political circus" and said his men would not be bound by any decisions made in Washington.

Some Labor Department men thought the AFL demonstration walkouts were bids for attention to Lundeberg's own demands. One irritated official said they might have been meant to "harpoon" the meeting here.

Because Joseph Curran, president of the NMU, was to be tried up with his national council session all day, negotiations for the east coast were set for 8 p. m. tonight.

Wallace Asserts Democratic Party Is 'Progressive'

Washington, June 7.—(AP)—Secretary of Commerce Henry Wallace said today the Democratic party "is the progressive party" and warned anew against a third party move which he said could only result in a "reactionary victory."

In an article written for and at the request of "The Democratic" official organ of the Democratic National Committee, Wallace restated the anti-third party statement he made May 24 in New York before the American Labor Party.

At the airport in New York before that speech, Wallace told reporters that President Truman would be a candidate again in 1948 and would have his support.

Rules Committee Studies Labor Bill

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WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Fair and slightly warmer tonight. Saturday, partly cloudy and continued warm.