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BIG ISSUES IN CONGRESS
Here are the major problems that will be before Congress in 1952.
In the bold face headings set flush left below are listed the problems.
Set in light face paragraph under these headings is listed what the AFL believes Congress should do about these problems.
THE PROBLEMS . . .
WHAT CONGRESS SHOULD DO ABOUT THEM
Price Control
A real price control law should be passed to replace the phony one approved by Congress last year.
Taxes
A law plugging loopholes in present tax legislation should be passed.
Housing
Congress should make sure that houses and apartments are built that servicemen and defense workers could rent at prices they can afford.
Rent Control
The rent control law should be strengthened so that rents would stop increasing.
Taft-Hartley Act
The entire act should be repealed. If that is not done, the amendment to the act backed by the AFL Building and Construction Trades Department should be approved.
Foreign Aid
Countries friendly to the U. S. that need help should be given it. The U. S. should see to it that workers as well as employers in those countries benefit from the aid programs.
Social Security
Old-age pensions should be increased. More people should be able to get pensions.
Health Insurance
Congress should let people pay for their doctor bills through a national health insurance program.
Hospital Care
If a national health insurance program is not passed, Congress should at least provide free hospital care for people getting social security pensions.
Doctor Shortage
Money should be given to medical schools and scholarships to students so more doctors, dentists and nurses can be trained.
Jobless Pay
Unemployment compensation should be increased.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION
In Re: Application of Duke Power Company for an adjustment and increase of its Electric Rates and Charges) DOCKET NO. E-7, SUB 6
NOTICE OF HEARING
NOTICE is hereby given that at 10:00 o'clock A. M., on January 29, 1952, in the Hearing Room of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, in the City of Raleigh, N. C., the Commission will conduct a hearing on an application filed by Duke Power Company for an adjustment and increase of its electric rates and charges.
The application and a statement showing the proposed adjustments and increases, are on file in the office of the Commission.
It is stated in the application that on the basis of the Company's business for the 12 months' period ended June 30, 1951, it is estimated that the increase will produce an increase in the Company's gross revenue of approximately \$3,000,000 a year. It is further stated that the proposed increase is less than 4 per cent of the Company's gross annual revenue from its electric business; that the increase in rates for primary power will average a little over 5 per cent, and the increase for retail power and for residential and commercial service will average substantially less than 5 per cent. It is further stated that the maximum increase for general residential service will not exceed 20c a month and the maximum increase for water heating service will not exceed 15c a month.
Any interested person may examine the application and the proposed rate adjustments and increases on file in the office of the Commission, and will be given an opportunity to be heard at the hearing to be conducted at the time and place hereinbefore stated.
BY ORDER OF THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION.
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(Seal) MARTHA FLEMING, Chief Clerk.

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Minimum Wage
The present minimum wage of 75 cents an hour should be raised to at least \$1.
School Shortage
Money should be provided under a federal aid to education law to pay teachers more and build more schools.

EXPERT SAYS: PLUG TAX LAW
Support for AFL tax policies came from Dr. Seymour Harris, Harvard economics professor.
In a letter to the Washington Post, he wrote:
"The burden of additional taxes would be greatly lightened if the tax structure were improved; closing loopholes, abandonment of income splitting for married couples . . ."
The AFL has pointed out time after time that the present tax system is unfair because under it rich people and corporations don't pay their fair share of taxes.

The tax loopholes save big oil companies \$750 million a year; people who make over \$10,000 annually, a mere 10 per cent of the population, \$2 billion a year; people who get dividends, \$300 million, and those who make big donations and leave large estates, \$600 million.

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