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Solons OK Temporary Truce

But House Factions Still Far Apart

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PHOENIX, March 1—The warring factions in the Arizona House of Representatives entered a one-day truce Wednesday to clear up the constitutionality of multiple first reading of 43 bills Tuesday; prepared for long first and second readings Thursday; and scheduled a tentative calendar for Committee of the Whole on Thursday.

Activities in the Senate—as the Legislature ended the first one-half of its eighth week—consisted of committee meetings in preparation for debate calendars Thursday and Friday.

And, despite a two-day house recess set for Monday and Tuesday, Speaker W. L. (Tay) Cook (D-Cochise) said it is planned to end the nine-week session on time Mar. 11.

However, Sen. Harold C. Giss (D-Yuma), the majority floor leader in the upper body, said he believes adjournment will not be possible before Mar. 18, end of the 10th week. Members receive no pay after the ninth week.

While no official admissions were made, it was learned that the House majority and minority blocs decided to compromise their differences for Wednesday afternoon because of an informal opinion from the Attorney General's office that the use of multiple readers — where objections have been entered—is unconstitutional.

This was expressed in a letter to Rep. John H. Haugh (R-Pima), Republican floor leader, from Clark Kennedy, chief assistant attorney general.

However, like former Atty. Gen. Robert Morrison, the present Attorney General's office declined to give an official opinion.

The reason, it is understood, is that an official opinion would cast a constitutional cloud on a quantity of legislation on which multiple readers have been used over the past 20 years.

Under the one-day truce, majority floor leader William Stephens (R-Maricopa) moved that the House reconsider its action of Tuesday in the use of multiple readers on first reading.

When this carried unanimously, he moved that the rules be suspended and the bills be read by number and title only.

This also carried unanimously, but when Stephens moved for suspension of the rules on second readings the minority again denied the 54 votes needed—the vote was

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Harriman Arrives For Paris Talks

PARIS, March 1 (AP)—W. Averell Harriman, U. S. roving ambassador, arrived Wednesday for talks with President Charles de Gaulle and Premier Michel Debre.

Harriman came by airliner from Rabat where he represented President Kennedy at the funeral of King Mohammed V. Harriman will see Debre Friday afternoon, and De Gaulle Saturday.

Castro Turns Ire On Church

HAVANA, March 1 (AP)—A meeting called to protest the terrorist bombing of a business school was whipped into a frenzy of anticlericalism Wednesday night.

The demonstration was the worst of its kind since Prime Minister Fidel Castro took power 26 months ago.

Education Minister Armando Hart and student and labor leaders, echoing the Castro line, bitterly assailed Catholic priests Hart said were linked to acts of terrorism.

Hart charged that priests were responsible for the explosion Tuesday that injured nine students in the Nobel Academy private school.

He warned that the regime's tolerance with "private schools in general and Catholic schools in particular is reaching an "extreme point."

Earlier hundreds of school children screamed for execution of Catholic priests.

"For priests, execution wall," squealed the children in their high-pitched voices after labor leader Jose Maria de la Aguilera charged that the "instrument of imperialism is found behind a child's face or under a priest's cassock."

Congo Anti-Red Stand Stressed

LEOPOLDVILLE, The Congo, March 1 (AP)—Premier Joseph Ileo Wednesday heralded The Congo's new anti-Communist pact as proof Congolese politicians can tackle their own problems without foreign help.

"The Congolese people are 200 per cent against Communism," Ileo told a news conference.

Ileo firmly denied that the military pact he signed Tuesday at Elisabethville with Katanga President Moise Tshombe and President Albert Kalonji of the mining state of South Kasai implied any recognition of their claims to independence. Nor does the fact weaken President Joseph Kasavubu's claim to be the head of all the Congo, he added.

The wiry little Premier said he hopes the leftist rebel leaders of Stanleyville will attend the round table conference called for March 5—in Tananarive, Madagascar — even though these are the Communist influences he is opposing.

"In that neutral atmosphere of a friendly land we should be able to iron out our differences with only a few days of discussion," Ileo said.

Antoine Gizenga, the Soviet-supported rebel leader in Stanleyville, his military strongman Gen. Victory Lundula, and Anicet Kashamura of Kivu Province have been invited to attend. Gizenga has given no indication of whether he will accept.

It would be another step toward solving the problem of reconciliation or chaos on which U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold warned the Congo leaders in his latest blast.

France Relaxes Terms For Talks With Insurgents

PARIS, March 1 (AP)—France disclosed Wednesday she is willing to discuss the machinery of Algeria's future self-determination with the Nationalist rebels without any prior conditions.

The disclosure represented a new flexibility in French policy. The government's position had been that it would discuss such machinery only after both sides agreed to a cease-fire in Algeria, or in conjunction with such a cease-fire.

Information Minister Louis Terrenoire told newsmen after a cabinet meeting Wednesday that President Charles de Gaulle had outlined France's new position in his talks Monday in Paris with Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba.

First Bill Signed

WASHINGTON, March 1 (AP) — President Kennedy Wednesday signed his first bill since taking office. It provides for ceremonies at the Capitol Saturday marking the 100th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's first inauguration.

Mighty Rivers Continue Rampage In Southland

MONTGOMERY, Ala., March 1 (AP)—Mighty rivers on a late winter rampage surged through south-central sections of Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi Wednesday, leaving wide trails of muddy ruin amounting to millions.

Except around Jackson, Miss., the highest levels of the flooding rivers were spread largely across rural areas as they continued toward their common draining point, the Gulf of Mexico.

However, more flood menace lies ahead for downstate residents, and even in ravaged midstate sections where the worst is over, it will be days before the rampant rivers fall within their banks.

At Selma in central Alabama, for example, the Alabama River reached its crest of 58.3 feet Tuesday night, but the muddy waters are not expected to creep back to the 45-foot flood level until March 9.

The Weather Bureau Wednesday gave little encouragement to flood stricken areas, predicting greater than normal rainfalls in the South during the next 30 days.

Extension Of Jobless Aid Voted

House OKs Kennedy 'Recovery' Bill

WASHINGTON, March 1 (AP)—The House Wednesday passed President Kennedy's emergency bill to put almost $1 billion into the hands of unemployed Americans who have exhausted their benefits.

It was the first of Kennedy's major anti-recession bills to pass either branch of Congress. Kennedy gave the bill top priority recently when he sent Congress a list of 16 legislative proposals.

The bill now goes to the Senate, which plans committee hearings next week. Administration leaders want the Senate to pass the bill by mid-March so the benefits can start flowing April 1.

On a roll call, the House approved the bill by a 392-30 vote. Two Democrats joined 28 Republicans in voting against it. The bill had the support of 248 Democrats and 144 Republicans.

The overwhelming margin was no sign that Kennedy's other major bills would breeze through the House. The unemployment bill had stirred little opposition. Even before the vote, it had more bipartisan support than any other major Kennedy bill.

The bill covers a two-year period beginning last June 30. The administration estimates that as many as three million unemployed may benefit from the program.

The federal government would advance funds to the states so they can continue paying benefits after an unemployed person has received them for the full period of time usually allowed.

These durations vary from state to state, running 26 weeks in many states. The bill would authorize each state to extend the duration by 50 per cent. If a state now pays benefits for 20 weeks, the bill would allow it to pay for 10 more. In no case, however, can this additional period extend beyond 13 weeks.

The administration estimates this would cost $960 million. Under the bill, a temporary increase in the payroll tax of four-tenths of one per cent would pay for the program. The increase would be limited to 1962 and 1963. At present, the employer pays a tax of 2.1 per cent on a wage base of $3,000 per employe.

The President stressed that "we will send Americans abroad who are qualified to do a job" with particular emphasis on those who have technical skills in teaching, agriculture, and health.

The Peace Corps, said the President, "will not be limited to the young or to college graduates. All Americans who are qualified will be welcome to join this effort. But undoubtedly the corps will be made up primarily of young people as they complete their formal education."

Kennedy said there would be no draft exemptions for Peace Corps members.

40 Persons Die During Mourning For Morocco King

RABAT, Morocco, March 1 (AP)—About 40 persons died and several thousand were injured in vast crowds that for two days mourned the death of King Mohammed V, it was reported Wednesday night.

Officials said several mourners committed suicide — unusual for Moslems. One mountain tribesman slit his throat as he watched the king's coffin being carried from the palace.

Other deaths were attributed to heart attacks, sunstroke or injuries suffered when mourners were trampled by surging crowds estimated at a million along the funeral procession route. The King died Sunday. His funeral was Tuesday and mourning continues.

First Lady Begins Visit In Florida

WASHINGTON, March 1 (AP)—Mrs. John F. Kennedy left Wednesday for a vacation in the sun at Palm Beach, Fla., reportedly suffering from a touch of bronchitis.

She looked well, though, in a gay pink coat and beret when she boarded a commercial airlines for the flight south. White House Press Secretary Pierre Salinger told reporters: "Mrs. Kennedy wanted to leave town with the smallest fuss possible." He said she is not ill, but has a lingering cold which she has been trying to shake.

Lady Churchill Said To Be 'Comfortable'

LONDON, March 1 (AP)—Lady Churchill, Sir Winston's wife, was reported "quite comfortable" Wednesday night in a London hospital.

Lady Churchill, who will be 76 next month, was admitted to St. Mary's Hospital Tuesday night. The medical staff declined to describe the trouble, but Sir Winston's home said she was just taking a rest.

U.S. Arms Buildup Asked By Pentagon; Peace Corps Set Up

Americans Will Work Abroad

Yanks To Get Little Pay, Strenuous Life

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WASHINGTON, March 1 —The long-discussed Peace Corps became a reality Wednesday.

President Kennedy issued an executive order creating an organization in which American men and women can enlist for voluntary, unpaid service in the developing countries of the world.

The order set up the Peace Corps on a "temporary pilot basis." President Kennedy also sent to Congress a request for legislation to make the Corps permanent.

Announcing the move at his press conference, the President described the Peace Corps as a "pool of trained American men and women sent overseas by the United States government or through private organizations and institutions to help foreign governments meet their urgent needs for skilled manpower."

The President's expressed hope was to have "between 500 and 1,000" Peace Corps workers "in the field by the end of this year."

Life in the peace corps, the President stressed, "will not be easy." Members will work without pay but they will be given living allowances. They will live at the same level as the inhabitants of the countries to which they are sent.

★ See Page 11A for a description of response that greeted establishment of the peace corps.

White House Revisited

President Kennedy escorts Eleanor Roosevelt, former First Lady, along a White House walkway Wednesday. Mrs. Roosevelt called on the President in connection with production of an educational television program. (AP Wirephoto)

JFK Eyes Military Proposals

Stress Would Still Be On Nuclear Weapons

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WASHINGTON, March 1—The Pentagon has completed a reappraisal of defense strategy and recommended a "general strengthening of our armed forces," President Kennedy said at his news conference Wednesday.

However, no decision has been reached that would indicate a shift in the United States policy of reliance on nuclear weapons, the President added.

At the same time, he expressed hope for an agreement with the Soviet Union on a nuclear weapons test ban when talks are resumed in Geneva March 21.

Over-all disarmament, a knottier problem, requires preparations at least until this summer before the administration's policy position is developed.

Meanwhile, John J. McCloy, his disarmament advisor, is working on a proposal to establish a permanent, well-staffed disarmament agency under White House or State Department direction, the President disclosed.

The questioning of the President on defense policies was prompted by press reports, officially characterized as "inaccurate," that purported to reveal the contents of a memorandum prepared by Secretary of State Dean Rusk.

According to the original report, Rusk proposed abandoning nuclear retaliation as a means of coping with various forms of hostilities, including a "massive attack" on Europe.

The President said that the "gist" of the Secretary's memorandum was a desire to "see conventional forces strengthened, not only in western Europe, but throughout the world."

Rusk testified on the subject at a closed meeting of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee Tuesday, but made clear that he did not wish to make the memorandum available.

Presidential Quotes

Press Talk Highlights

WASHINGTON, March 1 (AP)—Here are highlights of President Kennedy's news conference Wednesday.

ECONOMY—"I think it would be premature to make a judgment that our economy is on the rise... I don't take that view at all," the President said.

DEFENSE — Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara has sent Kennedy a reappraisal of American defense strategy and "part of his recommendation is to strengthen conventional forces." In two weeks, Kennedy, after studying the reappraisal, will make his own recommendations to Congress.

ADENAUER — At Kennedy's invitation, West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer will visit Washington April 12-13. "I am looking forward very much to meeting him," Kennedy said.

EISENHOWER — Kennedy recommended that Congress restore former President Dwight D. Eisenhower to his military rank of General of the Army.

WILLIAMS — The President said he was wholly satisfied with the African tour of Assistant Secretary of State G. Mennen Williams and his endorsement "Africa for the Africans." "I do not know who else Africa should be for," Kennedy said.

NASA Says Russian Satellite Destroyed

WASHINGTON, March 1 (AP) — The civilian space agency announced Wednesday that Russia's Sputnik VII, the seven-ton satellite launched Feb. 4, has burned up in the earth's atmosphere.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration said tracking information indicates the satellite burned up on Feb. 26—about the time originally predicted.

Tourists To Russia

MOSCOW, March 1 (AP)—Tass said Wednesday the Soviet Union expects about 800,000 foreign tourists this year.

Muddy Congo, Criticism Swirl Around Williams

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

G. Mennen Williams waded in the muddy Congo River and talked with Congolese workers Wednesday as criticism of his African tour echoed from Moscow to Washington.

President Kennedy defended his Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, telling his news conference in Washington:

"I think Gov. Williams has done very well. I am wholly satisfied with his mission. It is a very difficult one."

Kennedy was asked about Williams' endorsement in British Kenya of "Africa for the Africans," a slogan of military Negro nationalists. This had brought a charge in Britain's Parliament that Williams was meddling in British Africa's afairs.

"The statement of 'Africa for the Africans' does not seem to me to be a very unreasonable statement," Kennedy said. "He made it clear that he was talking about all those who felt that they were Africans, whatever their color might be, whatever their race might be. I do not know who else Africa would be for."

Williams himself waded ankle deep in the Congo River to inspect a marsh reclamation project near Leopoldville. First he stripped off his coat and his famous bow tie, then marched into a swamp where 2,000 Congolese workers are building a dike.

He said in the Lingala language "Mobote" (good morning) and "Nsango nini" (how are you) to sweating Congo workers, who smiled and cheered.

Pershing Missile Passes 160-Mile Test Launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla., March 2 (Thursday) (AP) — A Pershing Missile was launched successfully on a 160-mile test flight early today, several hours after a "second generation" Polaris missile was fired for the first time from a ship at sea.

The Army announced the Pershing achieved all test objectives during the brief flight. It was the second straight successful test of the missile's jam-proof inertial guidance system.

The missile is scheduled to become operational next year as a mobile field weapon with range of 50 to 700 miles.

Scottish Church Hits Queen's Papal Visit

EDINBURGH, Scotland, March 1 (AP)—Criticism of Queen Elizabeth's scheduled visit to Pope John XXIII in May has come, as expected, from the Free Church of Scotland.

The strict Protestant sect with an inborn suspicion of the Vatican, adopted a resolution of protest against the visit at a meeting of its General Assembly in Edinburgh Wednesday night.

Is Embassy Entertaining Worth While?

Diplomat Decries 'Cookie Pushing'

WASHINGTON, March 1 (AP)—Protocol Chief Angier Biddle Duke Wednesday called for a hard-headed inquiry into whether "staggering sums of money" are needed for official entertainment abroad.

DUKE

Speaking to the Women's National Press Club, Duke suggested U.S. ambassadors can promote America's foreign policy more by efficiency than by spending.

Some mass parties, he added, do more harm than good.

These words from the Kennedy administration's new top man in the cookie-pushing bureau rang discordantly through the State Department, which wants Congress to vote at least $100,000 more than the $850,000 appropriated for diplomatic representation overseas this year. Press Officer Lincoln White said stiffly that Duke was voicing only a personal opinion.

President Kennedy, whose wealthy father was once ambassador to London, has talked to congressmen about raising the entertainment allowance at major U. S. embassies so career officials, not just rich political appointees, can afford to accept ambassadorships there.

Duke, a former foreign service officer and one-time ambassador to El Salvador, quickly proved popular at least with the women at the press luncheon.

Asked how he should be addressed in his new job, the trim, 43-year-old protocol chief told his questioner: "You, madame, may call me by my first name."

Duke diplomatically ducked an inquiry on the sensitive point of whether House Speaker Sam Rayburn, D-Tex., is to be seated ahead of Chief Justice Earl Warren under new protocol arrangements. He said "That matter is under serious study."

He defended "congressional junkets" as instructive and said he himself owed his promotion to ambassador at El Salvador to senators who had visited his post in Spain where he was a junior officer.

As for the value of entertainment in diplomacy, Duke said he had not definitely made up his mind, but he believed what he called a general public acceptance of its worth should be questioned.

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