

RR 'Right-to-Work' Laws Defeated in High Court

WASHINGTON, May 21 (AP)—State "right to work" laws as applied in the railroad industry fell today before a 9-0 Supreme Court ruling.

State laws banning union shops in other industries were not affected.

The decision upheld a 1951 amendment of the National Railway Labor Act which authorizes the railroads and labor unions to enter into union shop agreements, state laws to the contrary notwithstanding.

Civil Rights Bill Attacked By South

WASHINGTON, May 21 (AP)—Southern members of the House Judiciary Committee today attacked the Eisenhower civil rights bill as "absolutely shocking" and providing for a "frankenstein" threat against state and local governments.

Seven members of the committee, including six Democrats and one Virginia Republican, signed a strongly worded minority report against an administration bill approved by the committee April 25.

The measure has yet to win Rules Committee clearance for a House vote. Its provisions, recommended by Atty. Gen. Herbert J. Brownell, include:

1. Authority for the president to set up a bipartisan commission to study the civil rights problem.
2. Creation of a special civil rights division in the Justice Department headed by an assistant attorney general.
3. Opening of the federal courts to broader civil rights actions. Anyone who felt his civil rights were being curtailed could seek a remedy in federal court without having, as now required, to exhaust state court remedies first. Also the U.S. Justice Department could take the case to court for him in his name.

The Southerners vigorously denounced all three provisions and attacked a majority committee report.

St. Louis Profs Record Bomb Blast

ST. LOUIS, May 21 (AP)—Two seismographs at St. Louis University recorded the hydrogen bomb explosion near Bikini Atoll as "very slight disturbances" here.

Ross R. Heinrich, director of geophysics at the university's Institute of Technology, said today the explosion was recorded 13 minutes after the blast.

"Time of the recording is about correct for the 6500 miles the ground wave had to travel," Heinrich said. "If the disturbance had shown on only one instrument we might have attributed it to a local shock."

Chinese Communists

HONG KONG, May 21 (AP)—The Chinese Communists say they have finished a 14-mile causeway from the mainland to the heavily fortified island port of Amoy on the southeast coast. This will make it easier for the Reds to bring up ammunition for the shelling of the Chinese Nationalists on nearby Quemoy Island.

H-Bomb Test Analysis Begins

BIKINI, Tuesday, May 21 (AP)—Nuclear scientists today began a detailed analysis of what the first American air-dropped H-bomb did when it exploded two miles above a test target island in the mid-Pacific yesterday.

The scientists sought most of their answers in the huge amount of data gathered by a vast array of recording instruments set up on Namu, the target island, on other islands of Bikini Atoll and taken through the huge atomic cloud of airplanes.

The nuclear weapon test task force, headed by Rear Adm. B. Hall Hanlon, concealed behind brief, laconic language all technical details that might be of

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French Continue Hunt for Assassin In Algiers' Hills

ALGIERS, May 21 (AP)—Three infantry battalions searched the rocky hills east of Algiers today for a rebel band which killed and mutilated 19 young French reservists Friday. Fifty rebels were reported killed and 200 suspects arrested as the riflemen moved ahead with the support of tanks and helicopters.

The killing of the reservists has pushed tempers high in Algiers and in Paris. All of the 19 men—two others still are listed as missing—were from the Paris region and had been back in uniform less than three weeks.

They set out Friday on a reconnaissance mission toward one of the little groups of clay and thatch huts nestled on a mountain-side near Palestro, some 30 miles east of Algiers in the great Kabylie Mountains. As near as military officers can reconstruct the scene, they first drew fire from the surrounding heights as they labored up a mountain path hemmed in by rocks. Barbed wire was strung up after their passage to cut off a retreat.

French officials said civilians of the village helped in the ambush and disfiguration of the bodies.

French troops also launched a clean up around Philippeville after 17 Arabs were found dead in a village within five miles of that port city. Seven children and several women were among the victims. There was no indication of a motive, except that the rebels usually choose their Arab victims among persons suspected to be friendly to Frenchmen.

Coffee Brands Hiked in Price By Major Producers

NEW YORK, May 21 (AP)—You will probably be paying a higher price soon for a pound of your favorite coffee.

Producers of major brands today hiked their wholesale prices as much as four cents a pound. Spokesmen for several of the big supermarket chains said the increases are certain to be passed on to retail consumers but it may take 10 to 14 days. The chains kept mum about what they would do with their own private brands.

General Foods Corp. initiated the new round of price boosts, lifting the wholesale price of its Maxwell House vacuum-packed coffee two cents a pound to 99 cents. This almost wiped out a price cut of three cents a pound made last March.

Mentzer Elected Orchestra Head

Thomas Mentzer, sophomore in physics from Lebanon, has been elected president of the Symphony Orchestra.

Others elected were: Virginia Mensch, sophomore in music education from Bellefonte, secretary-treasurer; John Croft, junior in music education from Altoona, manager; and Jere Fridy, junior in music education from Palmyra, librarian.

Campbell Charges Foreign Aid Abuse

WASHINGTON, May 21 (AP)—The government's comptroller general, Joseph Campbell, said today that foreign aid managers often get more money than they can handle properly.

As an illustration, he said, the Defense Department held on to 400 million dollars of aid money that, unspent, should have been returned to the Treasury.

Reports to Congress
It is the duty of the comptroller general to report to Congress on the way appropriations are spent. Campbell appeared before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in its study of an administration proposal to eliminate the practice of carrying over unspent funds from one fiscal year to another.

Campbell testified:
"A significant portion of the annual aid programs proposed to the Congress for the past few years has been beyond the capacity of the agency and the recipient countries to get under way during the fiscal year for which the funds were appropriated."

\$1.8 Billion Left Over
He said that at the end of the fiscal year last June 30, there was \$1.8 billion left over and \$2.2 billion the year before.

Campbell said the International Cooperation Administration, which runs the foreign aid program, has shown a lack of adequate planning and "apparently does not consider realistically the available resources and capabilities of both the United States and the individual recipient countries."

As for the \$400 million he said the Pentagon has held on to, Campbell said this represented a violation of law which Defense Department has attempted to explain away with technicalities.

Pifer Gets Scholarship

The College of Home Economics has awarded Patricia Pifer, senior in home economics from State College, the Ellen M. Stuart Memorial Award of \$75.

Postponement Asked On Turnpike Toll Change

HARRISBURG, May 21 (AP)—Joseph J. Lawler, secretary of highways and a member of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, said today he would recommend postponing a toll revision on the super-highway.

Under present plans, automobile fares on the 400-mile toll road would increase by 41 per cent, effective May 25, with truck fares reduced about 20 per cent.

Lawler said he would ask Chairman G. Franklin McSorley and Commissioner James F. Torrance to join with him in postponing the rate changes until at least July 15.

There were indications that the commission would go along. Lawler met with Gov. Leader for more than three hours on the subject. There was no comment from the governor.

Should Hold Up Fares
Lawler said the commission should hold up the revised fares "pending a study and report of the entire operation of the commission by a competent firm of industrial engineers."

The Senate only last week ordered an investigation of the toll rate change, the size of which commission officials have declined to estimate on a dollars and cents basis.

Lawler, in explaining his previous vote for the fare changes, said:

Reason for Voting
"My only reason for voting for the toll revision was to forestall a legal action by the trustee for the bondholders to compel the commission to adjust the tolls." The highways secretary said he

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Compromise Reached on Farm Bill

WASHINGTON, May 21 (AP)—Senate-House conferees on the farm bill were reported late today to have agreed tentatively on a compromise which would give the administration largely what it wants on the key question of feed grains.

Sen. Allen J. Ellender (D-La), chairman of the conferees, would say only after the 2½-hour session that, "We have discussed various proposals and I'm sure we can reach an agreement tomorrow morning."

But from other sources it was learned that a compromise of this sort appeared to be in the making:

1. The House conferees would accept the Senate version of price supports for feed grains — oats, barley, rye and sorghums. The administration strongly opposed the House plan.

2. The Senate conferees would give in to the House on the question of when the \$1,200,000,000 a-year soil bank would be effective.

3. The Senate conferees would agree to drop two controversial wheat provisions written into the bill on the floor just before it was passed last Friday.

already has drafted a resolution pointing out that the commission itself might "effect substantially savings" by a reappraisal of commission services and the curtailment of unnecessary expenditures.



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