

Republican House Leaders Will Back Summerfield

WASHINGTON, April 9 (AP)—Republican House leaders agreed today to back Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield's request for an extra \$47 million to maintain full postal services through June 30.

But Rep. Clarence D. Cannon (D-Mo.) told the House

"don't be alarmed, don't be stampeded" by Summerfield's demands. Cannon is chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

"It's not going to destroy the republic," Cannon said in a floor speech, if the postmaster general carries out his threat to curtail mail services drastically for the balance of the fiscal year.

Reviewed in Detail

Rep. Martin of Massachusetts, the GOP leader, reported the Republican Policy Committee in the House went over in detail Summerfield's request to carry his department through the last three months of the fiscal year.

"We unanimously came to the conclusion that if the services of the Post Office Department are to be continued at the necessary level we must give it the 47 million dollars," Martin told newsmen.

Cannon told the House Summerfield's threat to halt Saturday deliveries wouldn't hurt anyone because most businesses are not open on Saturday and Sunday anyway.

Tentative Appropriation

The Appropriation Committee has tentatively agreed to give Summerfield a deficiency appropriation of \$17 million. It is to meet Friday to consider the additional \$30 million.

Rep. Porter (D-Ore) called for Summerfield's resignation because, he said, the postal chief "has acted as a poor businessman and in bad faith," in connection with the deficiency crisis.

Macmillan Cuts Taxes 2 Per Cent

LONDON, April 9 (AP) — Prime Minister Macmillan's government tonight sliced taxes almost 2 per cent in an "opportunity" budget. It is designed to boost the sagging morale of bigger salary earners and make life pleasanter for all the people.

\$280 Million Saved

The cuts will save \$280 million in Britons' tax payments. This averages out at about \$5 a year for every man, woman and child in Britain. The total is equal roughly to the savings made by the government in a new nuclear defense program tied to U.S. aid announced last week.

With Conservatives cheering and Laborites booing, Chancellor of the Exchequer Peter Thorneycroft told the House of Commons Britons' earning more than \$5600—a big salary here—will pay less surtax.

Luxury Taxes Cut

He said there also will be cuts in taxes on theater, movie and sports tickets, on some household goods and on gasoline.

But for the great majority of the people—the heaviest taxed in the free world—the cuts spelled little dollars-and-cents savings. Thorneycroft gave the biggest relief to the higher paid, apparently hoping to slow down the tide of emigration among the highly skilled and executive groups.

British M.D. Acquitted On Charges of Murder

LONDON, April 9 (AP)—Dr. John Bodkin Adams broke down and sobbed with relief today after a jury acquitted him of murdering with heavy injections of heroin and morphine a wealthy patient for gain.

The jury of 10 men and two women had deliberated only 44 minutes after the 17-day trial, the longest murder trial in Britain's history.

Doctors said the trial could have a lasting effect on British medicine.

Egypt Resumes Talks on Suez

CAIRO, Egypt, April 9 (AP)—American-Egyptian negotiations on operation of the Suez Canal were resumed today after being deadlocked.

U. S. Ambassador Raymond A. Hare, at his own request, met Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi for an hour.

Apparently the call was to answer an Egyptian request for interpretation of some points of a U.S. proposal for changes in Cairo's plans that would give user nations greater rights.

Budget Cuts Reach \$1 Billion

WASHINGTON, April 9 (AP) — House cuts in President Dwight D. Eisenhower's budget passed the billion dollar mark today as a bill appropriating \$653,685,060 to the Commerce Department was passed by voice vote.

GOP Chiefs Deny Deal On 'Rights'

WASHINGTON, April 9 (AP)—Republican congressional leaders said today they have no "deal" with Southern Democrats to delay action on civil rights legislation for another year. Sen. James O. Eastland (D-Miss.) agreed there is no such arrangement.

Senate GOP Leader William F. Knowland (Calif.) and House Republican Chief Joseph F. Martin (Mass.) were asked about this after their regular weekly meeting at the White House with President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

They told newsmen there was nothing to such reports—that, in fact, they look for early action in both the Senate and House on Eisenhower's civil rights program.

Rep. Richard D. Bolling (D-Mo.) had said he suspects a "deal" may have been arranged.

Reports of such an arrangement have been laced with speculation that Republicans might be willing to keep the civil rights issue alive until 1958 in order to plague the Democrats and split North and South on the question in an election year.

Voters to Decide Betting Question

HARRISBURG, April 9 (AP)—A Senate committee approved legislation today to submit to the voters of Pennsylvania the question of legalizing pari-mutuel betting on horse races.

By an 8-3 vote the Law and Order Committee sent to the Senate floor for a vote a bi-partisan bill that would place the question on the November ballot throughout Pennsylvania.

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Dulles Lauded For Influence On Foreign Aid Program

WASHINGTON, April 9 (AP)—Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Tex.) said tonight Secretary of State John Foster Dulles is "moving in a direction which is fruitful" by giving the administration foreign aid program "a new look and a new face."

Johnson, majority leader of the Senate, made it clear, however, that the new program will be subject to "downward adjustments" in Congress.

He talked to reporters several

hours after it was announced at the White House that President Dwight D. Eisenhower wants to talk to congressional leaders about his foreign aid plans, after the April 18-19 Easter recess.

This announcement came from Sen. William F. Knowland (R-Calif.) who said Eisenhower plans to invite Democratic and Republican leaders to the White House for a detailed discussion.

Johnson, in response to questions, said the proposal to shift the major part of foreign economic development to a loan basis under an economic development fund "holds forth some promise of achievement."

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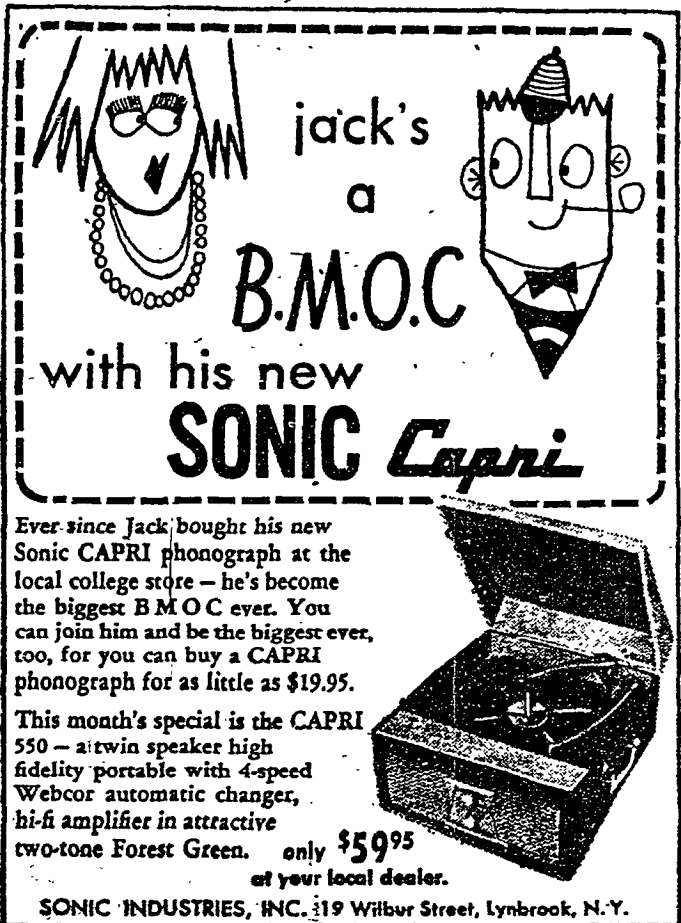
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