

# Ike Asks Congress to Cut Soil Bank Appropriation

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP)—President Dwight D. Eisenhower asked Congress today to reduce the appropriation he has requested for the soil bank program for \$1,254,000,000 to a flat billion dollars.

The 254-million-dollar reduction would be in funds he has asked for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

# Ike Seeks Control Of Air Traffic

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP)—President Dwight D. Eisenhower, declaring there is need for "vigorous action," today asked Congress to create an independent Airways Modernization Board to "expedite the improvement of air traffic control."

The President sent to Congress a report saying the government must take the lead in "more sophisticated and energetic efforts to reduce the hazard and delay in the nation's air traffic."

**Needs Assistance**  
"The pilot needs assistance if he is to cope with the great increase in aircraft speed and if the danger of collisions is to be minimized."

The report was written by Edward P. Curtis, Eastman Kodak Co. vice president who was appointed Eisenhower's special assistant on aviation planning a year ago last month.

**Weaknesses Described**  
Curtis, describing the present air traffic system as "antiquated and under strength," proposed a three-member Airways Modernization Board to start finding solutions for the long-range problems presented by more and speedier airplane traffic.

The board he proposed, and which Eisenhower asked Congress to create, would consist of one representative each from the Commerce and Defense departments and a presidentially appointed chairman who would have "no affiliations with existing government agencies."

## State Highway Study

HARRISBURG, April 11 (AP)—Gov. George M. Leader disclosed today a nonpartisan study of state Highways Department operations will be started soon by the state Planning Board.

# UAW OK's Wage Boost For 'Skilled'

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., April 11 (AP)—The United Auto Workers convention today authorized skilled workers in the union's ranks to seek pay increases beyond those gained by the general membership in collective bargaining.

A convention vote on the proposal brushed aside minority opposition which described the move as an abandonment of the principle of industrial unionism.

**UAW President Walter P. Reuther, who called the new policy a "very vital matter," declared it would not weaken the principle of one big union for all.**

The 3200 delegates to the 16th UAW convention cheered Reuther's declaration that production workers and white collar workers "both have got to get more—a hell of a lot more—in 1958."

Reuther announced the vote in favor of the constitutional change as "at least 95 per cent."

He said the authorization for special bargaining and striking rights for skilled workers was needed to keep craft unions from taking skilled workers from the UAW.

Vice President Leonard Woodcock, in charge of the union's General Motors Dept., told the convention bargaining methods had to be revised to keep the UAW from becoming a "second-class union."

The reduction had been forecast. On March 15, Agriculture Department officials said farmer participation in the soil bank program apparently would fall short of the government goal.

**Statement Made**  
The White House said today: "A detailed study of the operations of the soil bank program has just been completed. On the basis of this study, it now appears that the financial needs of the program in 1958 will be less than had been contemplated at the time of the preparation of the 1958 budget for the following reasons:

**Reasons-Noted**  
"1. It is now estimated that the sign-up for the 1956 and 1957 conservation programs will be much less than expected last fall, and thus payments to farmers under the program will be less than originally planned. The program is effective for five calendar years from 1956 through 1960.

"2. The timing of the payments for both parts of the soil bank program—the conservation reserve program—will be made later in the calendar year than was originally contemplated. This will result in a shift in the need for funds between fiscal years."

# Homebuilding Drop Continues; Association Registers Protest

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP)—Homebuilding continued its slump last month, dropping to the lowest rate since 1949.

The March figures, reported by the Labor Department today, brought a statement from the National Assn. of Homebuilders that the Federal Reserve Board tight-money policies have "kept the homebuilding industry tottering on the brink of disaster."

"This economic brinkmanship is a dangerous game that the country no longer can afford to play," said in a statement by

George S. Goodyear, president of the association. The group is pressing Congress for easier mortgage credit.

The Labor Department said last month's housing starts totaled 83,000 units for a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 880,000.

This compared with 1,118,000 starts last year and the record 1,329,000 units actually built in 1955.

The number of housing starts last month was not only the lowest March total since 1949 but it also brought the annual and first quarter rates to the lowest level since that year. First quarter housing starts this year totaled 213,000.

# Norman Red Charge Rejected by White

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP)—Lincoln White, of the State Department, taking direct issue with the Senate Internal Security subcommittee, today denied any responsibility for allegations of communism made against the late Herbert Norman, a Canadian diplomat.

Norman, Canadian ambassador to Egypt, committed suicide in Cairo a week ago today.

Canadian officials have blamed his death in part on the charges aired by the Senate subcommittee, and the affair has put a severe strain on Canadian-American relations.

**Denies Statement**  
White, State Department press officer, called newsmen in to deny a subcommittee statement that his department agreed to publication of the allegations against Norman.

He replied with an emphatic "no," when asked whether the State Department had ever given the Senate group any secret security data on Norman.

The Canadian government asserts there is no question about Norman's loyalty.

**Death Regretted**  
President Eisenhower took occasion today to tell A. D. P. Heeney, the Canadian ambassador, that he regretted Norman's death and the effect it has had on relations between the two countries.

But Heeney reported the President gave him no assurance that congressional procedures to which the Canadians object so strongly would be changed.

In a stiff note delivered to the State Department yesterday, the Canadian government threatened to withhold certain security information from the U.S. government unless it had assurances that the material would not be passed along to congressional groups without Canadian approval.

## Flood Plan Criticized

NEW YORK, April 11 (AP)—Speakers at today's annual meeting of the Association of American Indian Affairs criticized U.S. Army Engineers' plans to flood 9000 acres of ancient Seneca Indian land along the New York-Pennsylvania border.

# Government Plans Attempt to Avert Railroad Walkout

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP)—The federal government said today it will attempt by mediation to avert a threatened strike against a railroad serving U.S. Steel Corp. mills in the Pittsburgh district.

A walkout of 1400 clerks and maintenance personnel of the Union Railroad, a U.S. Steel subsidiary, is scheduled for 7 a.m. next Monday unless a basis for a contract agreement is reached. They are members of the United Steelworkers.

A strike could idle some 30,000 U. S. Steel employees and others employed at plants served by the railroad which has only 300 miles of track.

Government officials sent a mediator to Pittsburgh to conduct talks between both sides.

## Mushroom Talk Planned

Dr. Leon R. Kneebone, associate professor of botany, will address a meeting of representatives of the mushroom industry April 17 at Kennett Square.

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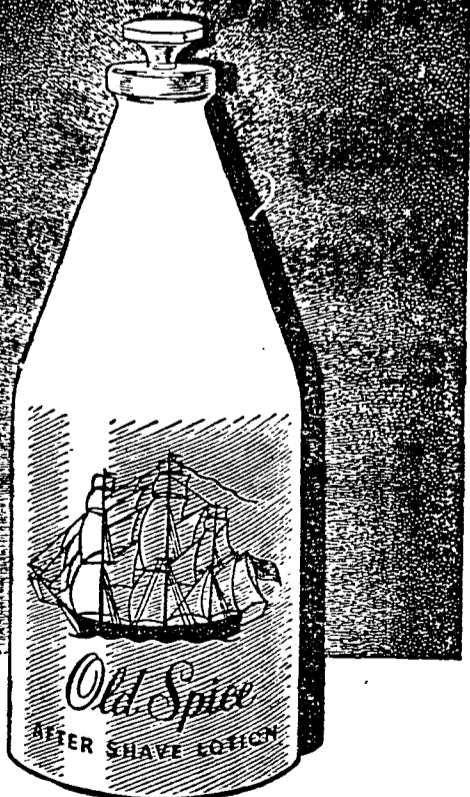
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