

Congress Yields to Speed Postconvention Session

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House and Senate settled their differences over more foreign aid money last night. But a Senate dispute over sugar import legislation threatened hopes for prompt adjournment of the post-convention session.

The Senate, which had heeded President Eisenhower's pleas in part and voted another 191 million dollars in aid money, yielded to the House and agreed to compromise on only 65 million. Senate action was by voice vote.

Earlier in the day, the House—some of whose members were in a mood to deny all increases—grudgingly gave in a bit to the Senate and to Eisenhower and approved the 65-million figure.

The House had balked at allowing a penny more, despite Eisenhower's contention that Congress cut dangerously deep in its earlier passage of the main \$3,722,350,000 aid bill.

The added 65 million in aid money was written into a final \$162,186,981 catch-all money bill covering funds for a variety of federal functions.

The compromise action on the aid issue cleared away one of the few remaining obstacles to adjournment.

However, a ruckus blew up when the Senate Finance Committee approved a sugar bill but rejected Republican attempts to arm Eisenhower with wider power to deal with the Dominican Republic's quota.

The committee-approved bill carried limited authority for the President to cut purchases of sugar from the Dominican Republic, with which the United States has broken diplomatic relations.

Sen. Wallace F. Bennett (R-Utah) protested that the authority was so hemmed in as to be useless. He served notice of a floor fight.

The House already has passed a similar bill which Senate Re-

Halperin Aide For Soviet's Latin Policy

WASHINGTON (AP)—The State Department says that Maurice H. Halperin, a former U.S. government official linked by Senate investigators to Soviet espionage activities, apparently is serving now as a Latin-American adviser to the Soviet Union.

Halperin was head of the Latin-American division of the Office of Strategic Services during the latter part of World War II and later an associate professor at Boston University. Before the war, he had been on the faculty of the University of Oklahoma.

In 1954 he was dismissed by Boston University after Senate investigators received testimony linking him to a Soviet spy ring and he refused to answer a question as to whether he was a Communist.

The latest information on Halperin's whereabouts is contained in a report compiled by the State Department about persons to whom it has been compelled to issue passports under a 1958 decision of the U.S. Supreme Court.

The court held that the department lacks authority to deny passports to Communists or to other persons because of their political beliefs.

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Gov. Raps 'Negative' Congress

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP)—Gov. David L. Lawrence of Pennsylvania said last night the post-convention session of Congress has been "an object lesson in the power of negative thinking."

Lawrence said liberal programs—including a medical care for the aged bill tied to Social Security—were blocked by the threat of a presidential veto and a successful coalition of conservative Republicans and Democrats.

In remarks prepared for delivery to the AFL-CIO state convention here, Lawrence said:

"The remedy is the election of a liberal Democratic president. Sen. John F. Kennedy. Then, and only then, will the liberal majority in Congress be effective. Then, and only then, will the liberal majority in Congress be effective; then, and only then, will the vast power of the White House be used—not as a road block to social progress—but as an impetus and driving force toward its accomplishment."

He said "it is unfortunate that the custom of congressional seniority" gives "some conservatives who are elected to office as Democrats . . . undue weight in such key committees of Congress . . ."

Despite this, Lawrence said Democrats in Congress still had a better record than the Republicans in the post-convention session. He said only one Republican senator, as compared to 43 Democrats voted for the aged medical care plan that was tied to Social Security.

He criticized Republican Gov. Nelson Rockefeller of New York whom he said is discovering that "the way of a liberal in the Republican party comes hard."

Said Lawrence: "Strangely enough, Gov. Rockefeller who argued for and voted for the Social Security approach at the governor's conference in June was silent when the issue came to an effective vote in Congress in August—and the two Republican senators Jacob K. Javits and Kenneth Keating of New York who might be expected to reflect his views, voted against their governor's stated position."

State's Witnesses Deny Smith Coerced

GETTYSBURG, Pa. (AP)—The Commonwealth called witnesses yesterday to deny Elmo Smith's contention he had been forced to confess the murder of Maryann Mitchell, 16.

Smith, 39, a Bridgeport handyman, testified he was innocent of the sex-slaying of the Philadelphia schoolgirl.

He was the only defense witness at his trial for her murder.

George Gill, Ronald Votto and Emil Mueller, Philadelphia detectives, told the jury of nine men and three women they had never abused Smith.

F. Emmett Fitzpatrick, a Philadelphia assistant district attorney, denied telling Smith while he was being questioned, "I'll keep coming back until you change your story."

Dr. Gebbaro Squillace, Philadelphia police surgeon, said he found scratches on Smith Jan. 5, the day he was arrested, but Smith had told him they had come from rose bushes.

Smith said he signed a confession because police had kicked and punched him and jabbed him with a pencil. He said he had waited to tell the truth before a judge and jury.

The defense rested its case in the morning after Judge W. Clarence Sheeley of Adams County Court announced that Smith's mother, Flossie Smith, would have testified, had she been in court, that her son came home at 11:40 p.m. last Dec. 28, the night of the murder.

Smith said Tuesday he had walked from Bridgeport to Norristown that night to see his doctor, but found the office was closed and came home.

Joseph Pignoli, 17, a Norristown service station attendant,

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