

For The Record

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Daniel J. Flood 11th Congressional District, Pennsylvania

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H.R. 14494 increases from \$2,500 to \$10,000 the maximum amount eligible for use of simplified procedures by the Federal Government in purchasing goods and services. Yeas 361. Nays 0. Passed, July 15.

Mr. Flood voted yea.

H. Con. Res. 559 provides for the printing of additional copies of the hearings and final report on the IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY for the Judiciary Committee at an estimated cost of \$1 million. The Senate amendment provides for copies to be made available to the general public at cost. On a motion to concur in the Senate amendment to H. Con. Res. 559: Yeas 197. Nays 168. Rejected, two-thirds not having voted in the affirmative as required by the procedure under which the measure was considered, July 15.

Mr. Flood voted yea.

The EMERGENCY LIVESTOCK CREDIT ACT of 1974 (H.R. 15560) establishes a Federally guaranteed loan program for producers of livestock. On an amendment requiring that a majority of the partners or stockholders must be directly engaged in livestock production for a partnership or corporation to be eligible for the program: Yeas 405. Nays 7. Agreed to, July 16.

Mr. Flood voted yea.

Whether to pass H.R. 15560 as amended. Yeas 210. Nays 204. Passed, July 16.

Mr. Flood voted yea.

H.R. 7824 creates a LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION to provide legal assistance in noncriminal matters to persons unable to afford such help. The conference report on this bill was agreed to earlier by the House but not by the Senate. A motion was offered substituting the conference report, minus a provision allowing research and training and information clearinghouse activities to be conducted by grants or contracts to backup centers, for the text of H.R. 7824. On a motion to table (kill) the motion: Yeas 136. Nays 269. Motion to table rejected, July 16.

Mr. Flood voted nay.

On the motion: Yeas 265. Nays 136. Agreed to, July 16.

Mr. Flood voted yea.

H. Res. 1230 provides for 4 hours of general debate on H.R. 15500 providing for Federal regulation of SURFACE COAL MINING in the United States. Yeas 411. Nays 1. Agreed to, July 17.

Mr. Flood voted yea.

The Hosmer amendment in the nature of a substitute for the bill provides less stringent regulations on surface coal mining than contained in H.R. 11500. Yeas 156. Nays 255. Rejected, July 18.

Mr. Flood voted no.

The Hechler amendment in the nature of a substitute for the bill phases out strip mining of coal over a 5-year period. Yeas 69. Nays 336. Rejected, July 18.

Mr. Flood voted no.

On a motion that all debate on Title I and all amendments thereto cease at 3:50 p.m.: Yeas 217. Nays 176. Agreed to, July 18.

Mr. Flood voted yea.

Another Hosmer amendment substitutes the section stating the purposes of the bill contained in the Hosmer substitute (see above) for the section of H.R. 11500 stating the purposes of the bill. Yeas 146. Nays 250. Rejected, July 18.

Mr. Flood voted no.

Further consideration of H.R. 11500 is scheduled for Monday, July 22.

Pa. Senators Support Consumer Agency Bill

By Alan Berlow
Post's Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON—With the support of Pennsylvania's two Republican Senators, Hugh Scott and Richard Schweiker, the Senate appears to be moving slowly toward approval of a bill to create a Consumer Protection Agency.

But attempts to establish the independent non-regulatory agency—which would represent consumers before other agencies and courts—could be defeated before the Senate is given a chance to consider the bill on its merits. And a final vote on the bill—approved by the House last spring—may be more than a week away.

The question now facing the consumer agency advocates is whether Senate supporters can muster a two-thirds vote to end a threatened filibuster. Carol Foreman, director of the Consumer Federation of America, one of the leading organizations fighting for creation of the agency, said that while she is sure a majority of the Senate supports the bill, she is not certain there are enough votes to cut off debate. Foreman presently sees more than 10 undecided Senators on a cloture vote.

Reps. Scott and Schweiker have indicated they will support a vote to end a filibuster, as they

did in 1972 when a consumer protection agency bill was defeated in the Senate.

A key test of Senate sentiments came last week when the lawmakers voted 57-40 to exempt labor-management negotiations from CPA interference. Reps. Scott and Schweiker supported the exemption.

While such negotiations have an obvious and extensive impact on consumer prices, labor and consumer groups both opposed CPA interference. Most observers saw a vote against the exemption as an attempt by opponents to kill the bill by weakening labor support.

The CPA is supported by the major labor unions, including the AFL-CIO, as well as a coalition of 130 labor unions, consumer groups and Ralph Nader.

The Nixon Administration position on the bill is unclear, although Virginia Knauer, assistant to the President on consumer affairs, has been a vocal supporter of the bill. Opposition to CPS is being led by the National Association of Manufacturers, the Chamber of Commerce and the Grocery Manufacturers of America.

Opponents of CPA question whether there is such a thing as a "consumer viewpoint." They say a CPA would simply set up a new bureaucracy, which would create more paperwork for the nation's businesses.

But some of the steam may have been taken out of opposition to CPA by a Senate amendment to exempt small businesses employing fewer than 25 workers from having to respond to CPA interrogatories and questionnaires on consumer and business matters.

The amendment passed 91-2 with Sens. Schweiker and Scott in support.

Pieroghi Sale Set For St. Andrews

Mrs. Robert T. Rhodes, chairman, has announced that St. Andrew's Orthodox Church will hold a pieroghi sale July 25, from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., at the church in Lehman.

Police Report

Jackson Township

Almost instant justice was meted out last Saturday morning by Jackson Township Chief of Police Don Jones.

About 5:30 a.m. residents near the Huntsville Reservoir were awakened by the squealing of tires as two young men, ages 18 and 21, used their rubber tires to decorate the pavement of that major intersection. When Chief Jones investigated, both men readily acknowledged their guilt and admitted they should have known better.

Instead of taking them to a magistrate, Chief Jones decided to put them to work. For four hours they weilded brush hooks to cut down weeds at several major intersections of the township.

Chief Jones reported an automobile operated by Tomick Charles, 9 Parsons Drive, Dix Hills, N.Y. pulled into the Hazletine Gulf Station. After having his tank filled, his bumper hooked on to the pump hose as he pulled out of the station. The hose was pulled away from the pump.

On July 13 at 10:30 p.m. a Pontiac sedan operated by Marie Sharon Leggett, 638 Northampton St., Wilkes-Barre and owned by her brother, Henry Leggett Jr., of Jeffrey Court, West Nyack, N.Y., was traveling on the Weavertown Road when it struck a pot hole in the road.

This caused the wheel of her car to collapse because of a broken ball-joint. Patrolman Andy Kasko investigated and the automobile was towed away. On July 15 at 5:45 p.m. James Lyons, Lloyd's Homes, Mountaintop, reported that 80 sheets of plywood had been stolen from a new home site on Jesse Road.

The home is being built for Joseph Domkowski, 220 Pringle St., Kingston. Chief Jones stated the investigation is continuing. On July 18 at 9:15 a.m. Mrs. Grant Cooper, Newhard's Hill, RD 5, Shavertown, was operating a 1968 Chevrolet on the Huntsville Road between Follies Road and the Huntsville intersection, when she saw a truck parked in the roadway to deliver building supplies to a home on Huntsville Road. Mrs. Cooper lost control of her car and skidded broadside into a 1970 Cadillac sedan owned and

operated by Robert Blecher, 289 Grant Street, Exeter who was traveling east at the time. The truck was owned by the Shavertown Lumber Co. and was operated by David C. Jones, 233 Church St. Boonton, N.J. Mrs. Cooper said she would see her own physician for her injuries and she was able to drive her car from the scene. The Cadillac was towed by Sims Auto Body of South Wilkes-Barre.

Chief Don Jones and Patrolman Richard Arnold of the Jackson Township Police investigated but Lehman Police Chief Willard Russell, State Trooper Poplawski and an unidentified patrolman of Dallas Township were also present at the scene.

Dallas Township

Only one accident was reported in Dallas Township last week. Mark Yurko, 32 5th St., Wyoming, had his 1972 Plymouth sedan parked on Main Street, Fernbrook, July 21 at 1:30 p.m. when a Chevrolet sedan hit the Yurko car and failed to stop, marked and the driver is unknown.

Patrolmen Elliot Ide and Douglas Lamoreux put out a general alarm for the hit and run vehicle. The officers estimated \$300 damages to the Yurko car.

Kingston Township

Two accidents were reported in Kingston Township last week. The first occurred July 20 at 11:35 a.m. Amelia Donovan, Box 134, Noxen, was traveling south on Route 309 and Leonard Everett, 17 Larch St., Wilkes-Barre, was traveling in the same direction on Route 309. Mr. Everett crossed in front of the Donovan car in an attempt to get into the traveling lane.

Police investigation disclosed that Mrs. Donovan was aware of the approach of the Everett car. Mrs. Donovan pulled her car to the right and applied her brakes. Skid marks measured 72 feet to the point of impact.

Impact was on the berm of the southbound lane. The operator of the Everett car stated that he did not see the Donovan car.

Sgt. William Pugh investigated and estimated damages at \$750 to the Everett car and \$500 to the Donovan car. Three passengers were taken to Nesbitt Hospital in the Kingston Township ambulance.

A second accident occurred July 21 at 11:30 a.m. Wilfred Anderson, Tudor Drive, Endicott, N.Y. was traveling west on East Center Street, Shavertown on a motorcycle with Judith Anderson as a passenger.

Alvirna Cook, 92 Ridge St., Shavertown was turning off Shagbark Drive onto East Center Street in an easterly direction. Mrs. Cook told police that she looked before she made the turn and did not see the motorcycle. Point of impact could not be determined by the investigating officer, Sgt. William Pugh, because there was no debris evident.

The Andersons were taken to the Nesbitt Hospital in the Kingston Township ambulance. Damage was estimated at \$450 to the car and \$150 to the motorcycle.

Chief of Police Paul Sabol reported that July 21 in the early morning hours, a car was spotted parked on the side of Route 309 with four occupants. Driver, Vincent Manganello, 205 Salem St., West Pittston appeared to be intoxicated, police said. The group was taken to the Wyoming Barracks by Patrolmen John Appel, John Stevenson, Sgt. William Pugh assisted by Dallas Township Patrolmen Elliot Ide and Douglas Lamoreux.

Mr. Manganello refused to take the breath-a-lizer test. The suspects were taken before District Magistrate Earl Gregory for certification.

Patrolman Lamoreux said he found a knife, can of mace, one pack of cigarette papers, can of beer, flask of wine, four hash pipes, and a citation from the Pennsylvania Police.

The other occupants were two girls and Kerry Corcoran. The group was arrested for carrying offensive weapons, and possible possession of a controlled substance.

Gladys Watkins, Freeman's Trailer Court, was brought to the Kingston Township Police department Monday morning by a woman who was trying to get her to the Nesbitt Hospital. Mrs. Watkins was in an extreme amount of pain, according to Chief Sabol, who called the Kingston Township Ambulance crew for assistance. They transported Mrs. Watkins to the hospital.



Forty Years Ago

1934

Two leaks were discovered in water mains in the area. It was hoped their repair would end the water shortage.

Harry Jeter, 13, cracked a vertebra in his neck swimming. Petitions urged creation of some state parks in Luzerne County and warned of danger to children swimming in contaminated Toby's Creek.

Dallas Firemen's carnival featured a boxing match, nightly dancing and a fortune teller.

A pair of Siamese twins were appearing at Fernbrook Park. New tires ranged in price from \$3.65 to \$9.05.

Died: Betty Jane Spinger, Harveys Lake infant, of whooping cough and croup; Shelby D. Dimmick, Noxen native, vice-president of Glen Alden Coal Company.

Thirty Years Ago

1944

Gerald Sullivan headed a group of boys who helped local farmers bring in their hay after regular working hours.

Sgt. Otto Harzdorf was reported missing in action over Italy.

Cpl. Walter Wilson, missing since the fall of Bataan, officially presumed dead.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loveland, Trucksville, went to Georgia to be with their son, Ray, who was ill with a serious bone infection.

Sgt. Thomas Neyhard, wounded by shrapnel in France, was a patient in an English hospital.

Pfc. Joseph Girvan graduated from gunnery school in Texas. Visiting nurses started a baby clinic at Shavertown Methodist Church.

Died: Mrs. Jacob Rau, former Shavertown resident at Hempstead, Long Island; Jacob Eppley, 74, Ruggles; Eva R. Franklin, 67, at the Dallas home of her sister, Susan Orr.

In the Outpost: Floyd Hontz, Orlando, Fla.; Bill Price, Ft. Benning, Ga.; Thomas Metz,

Only Yesterday

Ten Years Ago

1964

HIX brought home a Golden Quill, first place in 80,000 editorials.

Dallas Borough Chief of Police Russell Honeywell suffered a heart attack.

Lake Township beach bid for Project 70 funds.

1907 Giant's Despair scrapbook in Tiny Gould's famous car collection.

Twenty four year old cut rate variety store at 28 Main Street, Dallas, was up for sale.

Wyoming Valley scouts attended a jamboree at Valley Forge Park.

Eighth annual Centermoreland Methodist auction was preparing for the big day.

Postmaster Ed Buckley received an American Legion award for his work on Americanism.

Two Plymouth boys escaped all but minor injuries when their convertible flipped over on Huntsville Road.

Box on front page urged the return of a lost wallet so that a family of five could eat for the next two weeks.

Born: Edward Earl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lanning Sr.; Brian Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Goode, Trucksville; Elaine and Ellen, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cigarski, Shavertown; William Gale, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Clark, Beaumont; Kristel Lynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Poynton, Shavertown; Neal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Colatosi, Shavertown, and Karen Sue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sassaman.

Died: Elmer Lanning, Hunlock Creek; Carl Brobst, Beaumont; Minnie Sutton, Trucksville; Fanny Evans, Tunkhannock, and Ralph Harris, Dallas.

Saltines were 18 cents a pound package; bacon, two pounds for 89 cents; shrimp, 39 cents a pound; fresh sweet corn, 59 cents a dozen, and cukes were five cents each.

An editorial urged the purchase of large tankers for local fire companies, after fire destroyed the Dallas Legion Home.

Monroe Township voted to join Dallas Township School District instead of Tunkhannock.

Commonwealth Telephone Company bought Pennsylvania Community Telephone Company.

Eugene Anderson was appointed agriculture instructor at Lehman-Jackson-Ross School.

James Hutchison warned farmers of nematodes coming from uncertified southern tomato plants.

Died: Fred Hartman, 77, Harveys Lake; Edith Sutton, 23, Lehman.

Menu suggestions: chilled honeydew melon (39 cents) with vanilla ice cream (89 cents a half gallon), frozen lemonade, four cans for 59 cents.

Stalled Migrant Measure Could Start House Debate

It has been over a decade since the late Edward R. Murrow's television documentary "Harvest of Shame" shocked the American conscience with its report on the poverty of migrant workers in the U.S. Since then, the campaign to improve the migrants' lot has been waged in the nation's statehouses, in Congress, in the courts and even in the nation's supermarkets where food boycotts have been staged in support of the migrant workers' cause. Housing of migrants has been a local controversy.

Still another battle is about to get underway in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. This one centers as attempts to discharge a farm labor bill from the House Agriculture Committee where it has been bottled up for months. The outcome could determine whether the entire House will have a chance to vote upon migrant labor legislation in this session. Also at stake is the question of whether the House might approve a tough new measure dealing with migrants or a more modest version on the principle that half-a-loaf is better than none.

"The key, of course, is to get a bill out onto the House floor where we can go to work on it," says Rep. James J. A. Gallagher, Bucks County Democrat, and the chief proponent for strong legislation. "Even if a watered down bill is reported to the floor, we can still hope to strengthen it with amendments."

The measure Mr. Gallagher hopes to dislodge from committee is Senate Bill 1019. When first introduced in the Senate it read like the answer to a migrant worker's prayer. It would have established a minimum wage for seasonal farm labor at \$1.80 an hour, with time-and-a-half for overtime. And it would have required employers to pay their laborers while traveling from site to site during the work day instead of paying them only for the time spent in the field.

The measure also would have given workers the right to organize and bargain collectively, thus opening up another means for improving their working conditions. Most importantly, the bill also provided for direct payment of wages from the employer to the

worker. This would eliminate the practice of funneling wages through a contractor or "crew leader" who deducts various charges (usually higher than a fair price) for food, liquor, cigarettes and other items, leaving the worker with barely enough to get by until the next payday.

Also in its original form, Senate Bill 1019 required that when a worker is paid by check he can cash it immediately through the employer at no charge and with no extra deductions. This would forestall a crew leader from skipping town with a bunch of endorsed checks.

The measure also included stringent requirements for licensing and inspecting migrant camps, which mandated sanitary and safe drinking water and toilet facilities.

Of major importance to the sponsors was a provision to give farm workers living in camps the same rights as tenants in an apartment or other dwelling. They and their guests would be free to enter and leave the premises as they please. In addition, various public officials, as well as doctors, lawyers, clergymen and union representatives were given clear entry rights to migrant camps.

Finally, the measure would have covered workers who commute directly from their homes to the farm (this includes most farm workers in the state) and those who work for processors, canners, packing shed operators and mushroom growers.

"One by one, these necessary provisions were either stricken from the bill or weakened to the point where the bill now includes only the provision for a minimum wage of \$1.60 an hour; a requirement for direct wage payment but with no mention of extra deductions, and very limited access rights to migrant camps," Mr. Gallagher points out.

"On top of that," he says, "the Republican chairman of the Agriculture Committee has refused to reply to my written requests that he report the bill, and he has admitted in the press that he hasn't even read the bill and has no plans to move it out of Committee."

Mr. Gallagher is working on a two-fold strategy for House action on a migrant bill. The first is to introduce a discharge resolution which, if approved by

a majority of House members, would force S.B. 1019 onto the floor where he would offer amendments to restore its original provisions.

Rep. Gallagher also may sponsor a discharge resolution aimed at bringing House Bill 1282 to the floor. This is a measure which virtually duplicates the original version of Senate Bill 1019, and it is now before the House Labor Relations Committee.

Although he is a co-sponsor of the House bill, Mr. Gallagher says he would prefer to pursue the first course in the interest of time.

"There are only a few months left in the current legislative session," he points out. "It would be much quicker to simply amend the Senate bill and send it back to that chamber of concurrence in the amendments."

A former union official, Rep. Gallagher has been in the forefront of legislative efforts to improve conditions for migrant farm workers in the state. With a sense of satisfaction, he recalls a time in the early '60s when the migrant issue forced an early retirement on a Bucks County Congressman.

"I was with the AFL-CIO then," he says. "It was before I ran for the General Assembly." "The Congressman whose district included Bucks County had a record of strong and consistent opposition to improving the migrant's plight. Someone learned that the Congressman owned a farm where migrants worked and were housed in squalid conditions."

"The information reached the press, and the next time around he failed to get his party's endorsement and retired soon afterward."

"By themselves, migrant workers are not politically powerful enough to bring about major changes in the law," Rep. Gallagher says. "There are about 40,000 who come into Pennsylvania each year, and they are scattered and isolated in migrant camps."

"But their cause has won the sympathy and support of many throughout Pennsylvania, including organized labor and other liberal groups, and we are depending on that support to help get a strong bill through the legislature."

Pa. Reps. Spent \$118,000 On Foreign Travel Costs

by Alan Berlow
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON—Several Pennsylvania representatives are among Congress' most frequent foreign travelers at taxpayer expense, with Rep. Frank Clark, D-Besemer, well in the lead.

A survey by the Journal's Washington bureau of congressional itineraries, travel and expense reports for the 13 most recent years for which records were available, show that overseas sojourns by 12 Pennsylvania lawmakers have cost taxpayers at least \$118,000 and that Besemer Democratic Rep. Frank Clark has accounted for more than \$32,000 of the total.

Rep. Clark's globetrotting took him to 20 foreign countries on 12 trips for the Public Works Committee, the Merchant Marine Committee and as a delegate to the NATO Parliamentarians' Conference.

Ligonier Democratic Rep. John Dent placed a distant second. He has traveled to India, Egypt, Japan, Iceland and Western Europe at a total cost of \$18,088.

Trailing in third place was

Scranton Republican Rep. Joseph McDade who logged visits to Russia, Iceland, Switzerland, Denmark and several other countries. The pricetag on Rep. McDade's trips was \$11,434.

Wilkes-Barre Democratic Rep. Daniel Flood followed McDade with six visits to South and Central American countries at a cost of \$8,768.

Other well-traveled Pennsylvania lawmakers include: Smethport Republican Albert Johnson, Pittsburgh Democrat William Moorhead, Thomas Morgan, D-Fredericktown, Fred Rooney, D-Bethlehem, Herman Schneebeli, R-Williamsport, Lawrence Williams, R-Springfield, George Goodling, R-Loganville, Lawrence Coughlin, R-Villanova, Edward Biester, R-Furlong, Gus Yatron, and Joseph Vigorito.

There were no listings of foreign travel for Reps. John Ware, R-Oxford; E.G. Shuster, R-Everett; John Murtha, D-Johnstown; John Heinz, R-Pittsburgh; and Joseph Gaydos, D-McKeesport.

Only four Pennsylvania lawmakers returned any unspent personal allowance money to the state department. Reps.

Moorhead, Johnson, Dent, and Schneebeli.

Congressmen are presently allowed to pick up \$75 a day in spending money at each stop on their trip, in addition to travel and lodging costs. Critics have charged that there is no way a lawmaker, busy with conference work, could legitimately spend that much money.

The total published costs of foreign trips by Pennsylvania representatives is probably low, however, because transportation costs—usually the most expensive foreign travel item—have not always been included in the reports. Also, members frequently travel on military aircraft and no cost or other records are available for those trips.

Congressional travel, sometimes called "junketing," has long been a subject of public debate. While most observers do not question the need for trips by certain committees—such as Rep. Morgan's Foreign Affairs Committee—they are more skeptical about military, post office and public works "inspection tours" that take representatives on week-long whirlwind trips to a half dozen or more countries.

Critics charge that members can accomplish very little on such trips, that the work could be done just as effectively by committee staffers, and that a great deal of time is spent dining, shopping—or simply vacationing—rather than holding serious discussions.

But other observers, including one state department official who was interviewed, believe foreign travel by members of Congress should be encouraged so as to improve international relations and make members more aware of the problems of foreign countries.

Critics of foreign travel point out, however, that the largest percentage of overseas junkets are to Western European countries and other popular vacation spots such as Japan, Hong Kong and Scandanavia.

Ambulance Log

HARVEYS LAKE

July 14—Standby at U.S.C.G. rescue demonstration, Sandy Beach. Crew: Paul Wheat.

July 14—Elsie Shilanskis, Goodrich Road, Alderson, to General Hospital. Crew: Paul Wheat and Jim Faerber.

July 16—Fire support, Richard Davis mobile home, Smith's Trailer Court, Noxen Road. Crew: Art Wagner.

July 20—Amusement ride accident, Hanson's Park. Gerald McGroarty, Wilkes-Barre, to Nesbitt Hospital. Crew: Paul Wheat, Dave Harris and Jim Faerber.

July 21—Elizabeth Sisco, Sorber Mountain Road, Home from General Hospital. Crew: Gene Tilghman and John Stenger.

July 21—Automobile accident, Ruggles Route 29, Linda Cox, Hunlock Creek, to Nesbitt Hospital. Crew: Paul Wheat and Jim Faerber.