

Power To Seize Plants Proposed For President

Hearings On Labor Bill Continue

Republican-Dixie Coalition Seen

WASHINGTON — (AP) — William H. Davis, former chairman of the War Labor Board, proposed today that Congress give the President power to seize plants when a "national emergency" strike is threatened.

Davis told the Senate Labor Committee he had come to this conclusion "independently."

He said that when the nation's health and safety is really threatened by a national railroad strike — the President is given the right to seize plants. He said he believed Congress should "act first" to protect the nation and then report to Congress.

Davis testified at the committee's hearings on the Administration's new labor bill. That measure's only provision for dealing with national emergency strikes is that it "only" would have the President call for a 30 day cooling off period before a strike could be announced.

It has been one point that Republicans have been particularly anxious to change that and in voting to preserve most provisions of the Taft-Hartley law.

But the Republican claim brought hoos from some Democrats.

Sen. Francis B. Saypol, the Democratic leader of the Senate, promptly said a report that only "political propaganda" and "apertations" had been heard.

Louis declined to make a claim of his own. When asked whether he has made a report to the House to "discover the chances of Taft-Hartley repeal," he said:

"No, I haven't, and the Republicans haven't either."

RENT INCREASES

Meantime the frustrated Senate Labor Committee, behind schedule, struggled into the last four days and nights of its highly emotional hearings on the Truman Administration's labor bill. The committee's present deadline is Thursday night.

During the first six days of the hearings, there were such uninhibited utterances as these from the dignified Sen. Robert Taft:

"I keep your mouth shut... 'double cross'... 'false promises'... 'apologetic'... 'black cats'... 'bullshit'... 'on a personal basis'... 'on his political career'... 'a better'... 'no longer running the Senate'... 'discourtesy'... 'sneaking'..."

The Administration's labor bill would block out new unions and the Taft-Hartley law closed shop, 60-day court injunctions in serious strikes, non-Communist oath, and scores of other provisions — and a number of new provisions in the Labor Act of 1939, which unions call "Labor's Magna Charter."

The bill has been endorsed by Senator PLANT on page 11-A.

Who Is This Man? Third Mr. X's For Sports Fans

The third Mr. X contest begins today in *The Charlotte News*. This week the contest may not end so quickly.

Week a month-wide reader guessed the identity of the second mystery man on the first night. This week the contest will be carried on page same as last week. On this page you will see the photograph of a well-known man whose face has been covered with a large white "X".

Beneath the photograph you'll find one clue to his identity.

"Tonight between the hour of 8 and 9 o'clock, The Charlotte News will telephone 30 people in the city and ask if they can identify X."

The first person who correctly names this week's mystery man will get \$20.

If no one names Mr. X tonight the contest will continue tomorrow. Another clue will be added and 30 more telephone calls made at random in the Charlotte Telephone Directory will be called tomorrow night.

The person tomorrow night who answers *The Charlotte News* question, "Who is Mr. X?" will get \$20.

Ten dollars will be added each day the identity is not guessed, and still another clue will be added.

If no one has been able to name Mr. X by Friday night at 9:30, the \$50 which has accumulated through the week will go to *The News' Empty Stomach* for a party which each year guarantees Christmas cheer for the needy.

Next week a new contest with a new front-page personality will be held, and a new \$50 will be accumulated through the week will go to *The News' Empty Stomach* for a party which each year guarantees Christmas cheer for the needy.

Winner for the first week was



Who is Mr. X?
 Clue No. 1: He was a well-known football player.

Nationalist Regime in China Split

Li's And Premier's Policies Differ

By HAROLD K. MILLER

NANKING — (AP) — China's refugee government in Chungking and acting President Li Taung-jen here are separated by more than distance.


There is a marked difference in policy, Premier Sun Fo brought it into the open over the week-end.

Sun warned that the Communists' demands or Nationalists will continue to be hampered over Sun's name is on that list along with that of Li. Chiang Kai-shek, Madame Chiang, her sick brother, T. V. Soong, and others.

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BABY 'ANSWER TO PRAYER'



Mrs. Fred J. Turley, 59, wife of a 65-year-old Heleno, Ark., barber (right) says the birth of her sixth child recently was "an answer to a prayer." Her other children are dead.

Dr. Eva Dodge of the University of Arkansas medical school termed Mrs. Turley's case "very unusual." The mother will be 60 in April. (AP Wirephoto.)

Report Made By Hoover Commission

Would Eliminate Many Agencies

By STEWART F. GREEN

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Hoover Commission called today for a vast Government reshuffling which would squeeze 65 agencies into a tight group one-third that size, all under firm control of the President.

Reporting to Congress on its 14th session from the last Monday line of the Government's program headed by former President Herbert Hoover, the Hoover Commission broad new powers over his official family — powers it said are needed in the present "critical state of world affairs."

The report under the present set-up, "authority is diffused, lines of authority are confused, staff services are insufficient."

"To remedy that, the commission proposed a Government pyramid based on the President's direct employes and building up a score of top-level agencies directly under the President's control, to which it which now report to him "if they are not essential."

At the head of this chain of command, the President would be fortified by the Hoover Commission, a powerful "managerial arm" in an expanded budget office, much wider powers to reorganize executive offices, and authority to name many officials without the Senate's approval.

9 AGENCIES OMITTED

The report excluded the staff offices tabbed for streamlining were nine regulatory agencies, including the Interstate Commerce Commission, Federal Reserve Board and Securities & Exchange Commission — which many Congressmen have proposed putting out of the President's reorganization reach.

The report was the first chapter of a massive blueprint for Federal reform which Hoover said could save the taxpayers "billions" of dollars by cutting the 115 installations before March 31.

"Today's chapter is only a general sketch," the report said, of the biggest reorganization job in history. It promised that after a week — only will fill in that framework with the details of proposed changes and the patching of "weakened or actually broken" lines of authority.

Sen. Wallace W. F. Reorganized is half Democratic, half Republican. The bill was passed by the House on Feb. 4.

See GOVERNMENTAL on page 11-A.

Unless Controls Extended Woods Sees Sharp Rent Boost

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Ralph E. Woods, Federal housing expediter, today forecast a 50 to 60 per cent rent rise for February 1949. He said that unless controls and strength rent controls.

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4 Men Perish in Kinston Fire

KINSTON — (AP) — Four men died in a fire in a building in the town of Kinston, N.C., today.

The fire broke out in a building used for the storage of lumber and other materials. The fire was caused by a candle that had been left burning unattended.

The fire department responded to the scene and fought the fire for several hours. The fire was extinguished, but the building was completely destroyed.

The four men who perished in the fire were identified as James H. Smith, John D. Brown, William L. Green, and Robert E. White.

Lawyer Loses Contempt Case

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Supreme Court split 4 to 4 today in upholding a contempt sentence given a Texas attorney who claimed reporting factors may have been.

The attorney, J. P. Fisher, was fined \$100 and imprisoned in June, 1947, while arguing a case before Judge F. P. Sullivan in Dallas, Texas.

Fisher was fined for refusing to answer questions during the hearing.

The Supreme Court's decision was a 4-4 tie, with Chief Justice Vinson and Justices Black, Douglas, and Murphy dissenting.

The dissenters argued that Fisher's refusal to answer questions was a justified exercise of his Fifth Amendment rights.

The majority argued that Fisher's refusal to answer questions was a deliberate attempt to obstruct justice.

WEATHER

Cleaning and cooler tonight; clearing, fair with moderate temperature.

Temperature at 7:30 today: 54-63. High and low last 24 hours: 48-63. Wind: variable. Humidity: 61-71%.

Forecast tomorrow: Partly cloudy with rain in the afternoon.

More Weather Data on Page 11-A.

ONCE OVER LIGHTLY
 BY WALTER SIGNETMAKER



Another Former GI Links Sally To Nazi Propaganda

By KARL BAUMAN

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A second crippled former GI today pointed out "Axis Sally" as a Nazi propagandist.

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IN TODAY'S FORM PAGES

Mecklenburg farmer gets a Charlotte street number.

The Landrace-Poland China, a new type of hog, being bred in South Carolina.

The nation's billion dollar poultry industry gambles.

Complete program of the Carolina farm equipment dealer's convention today, tomorrow and Wednesday.

And a dozen other interesting features, all in the CAROLINA FARMER pages of today's

The Charlotte News