

Sports Editor Ray Howe is in the clubhouse for the Greenboro Open Golf Tournament. His report is in the Sports Section.

17 County Wine Ban Bills Reported To House

Senate Group Backs Bill Continuing Rent Controls

Debate On Proposals Scheduled For Tuesday

Heavy Revenue Loss Foreseen

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The House Finance Committee reported to the floor today bills to prohibit the sale of wine in seventeen counties with commissioners in those and four other counties having authority to ban beer, except in municipalities wanting it. Beer bans would not apply to Grade A and B cafes.

The State Revenue Dept. has estimated passage of the bills will cost the State approximately \$2,000,000 in revenue during the biennium.

The anti-wine section would prohibit the sale of wine in Davidson, Macon, Cherokee, Yadkin, Cleveland, Anson, Hertford, Hayswood, Jackson, Lee, Randolph, Robeson, Sampson, St. Albans and Transylvania, with Commissioners having authority to outlaw beer except in communities desiring it. Counties in which wine is sold would have authority to ban beer only with approval of the municipalities and are Bladen, Madison, Avery and Northampton.

The measures were set for debate Tuesday, when they will allow a referendum in Hoke on the establishment of alcoholic beverage control zones.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGES

Rep. Tompkins of Jackson arose to a point of personal privilege to say there had been talk of collusion between him and Rep. Crass of Forsyth after Tompkins sent up a measure to rescind the House's two-thirds, or six, rule, whereby a two-thirds vote is necessary to override a committee.

Tompkins said that he sent up the measure without any knowledge, and that its chief purpose was to "restore democracy" to the House.

Crass is chairman of the Rules Committee but has disclaimed all credit for it, saying it was adopted by the Board of Examiners along with three other members to be appointed by the Governor for six-year terms.

Senator Gray of Forsyth sent up a bill to require all persons, firms and corporations engaged in any activity influencing public opinion to file reports with the Secretary of State giving full information concerning that person or firm.

Walter F. Reuther, UAW president and co-director of the union's GM department, presented the proposal to officials at Detroit today by proxy.

Curfew Is Clamped On Los Angeles Youngsters

LOS ANGELES — (AP) — A curfew ordinance making illegal for boys and girls under eighteen, unless of legitimate parents, to be out without their parents was passed unanimously by the City Council and signed by Mayor Fletcher Bowron yesterday. It is identical with a Los Angeles County ordinance, which may be prosecuted for permitting youngsters to roam unattended at night.

WEATHER

Partly cloudy and light change in temperature this afternoon, tonight and Saturday. Light frost tonight.

Temperature at 2:30 today... 58 High and low last 24 hours... 63-35

Sunrise today... 6:30 Sunset tomorrow... 6:24

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No General Increase Involved

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A Senate Banking Subcommittee today unanimously approved legislation continuing rent control in rent control through Feb. 29, 1948, without a general increase.

Chairman Buck, Republican of Delaware said the Subcommittee will decide next on how the rent program will be administered after OPA goes out of business next June 30.

The Subcommittee discarded proposals for rent controls which would have wiped OPA out of the rent picture and handed the control program to the courts.

RENT COMMITTEE

The new measure authorizes the Government to set up advisory rent committees in each of the 800-odd areas under rent control.

It also provides for removal of rent ceilings on new houses, dwellings renting for \$225 or more a month and on new houses which were not rented before Feb. 1, 1946, and Jan. 31, 1947, hotels and motels.

The local advisory committees would have authority to recommend:

- 1. Removal of rent ceilings on an area basis.
2. Increase on an area basis.
3. Special adjustments in "hardship" cases.

One Owner's View

Nightclub Patrons Tip Too Heavily

HOLLYWOOD — (AP) — Night club owners are appalled by the increasing mental hazard interfering with their fun, says no less an authority than H. D. Dover, owner of a well-known Hollywood night club.

Hoover's statement, issued via a press agent, didn't explain why he felt impelled to speak on the subject, but here's a little of what he said:

"Maitre d'hotels and headwaiters work for very good salaries. It is not fair to tip them to obtain tables upon entry into a night club. Patrons should tip the waiter."

"From 10 to 12 per cent should be sufficient to take care of the waiter."

Another Hoover tip on tipping: A quarter should be the maximum to tip for hair and coat from the checkroom girl.

The Charlotte Scene

The field was wet from the snow on the day before, and the grass still had the appearance of Winter dulness about it. The players' spikes picked up small clods of mud as they jogged along. Three men sitting in the box seats near the home-run dugout, had on topcoats.

But the baseball days would get better as they went on, and this was a good start.

Phil Hower smoked a cigar, threw his hat into his pants, his hands and feet were full of men who were engaged in unburied "pepper" games.

"I don't know who they are," he said.

The Reeder, the talent scout, said, "It's going to be a great season."

Spencer Abbott, the manager, talked to two sportswriters. A photographer relaxed in the stands, behind his camera case, and waited to find out who he was supposed to shoot.

"Listen to the smack of his against-hose," said an hanger-on who was in the crowd.

"Who said that, Ring Lardner?" "I don't know who said it. Everybody says it this time of year."

Program For Foreign National Model

WASHINGTON — (AP) — North Carolina's health program is before Congress — through testimony of Kay Kyser, famous orchestra leader and native Tar Heel — as a national model.

Kyser's testimony, made public today with introduction of appropriations bills for the Labor Dept. and Federal Security Agency, was given to a closed session of a House sub-committee considering funds for operation of the two agencies during the year starting July 1.

"The orchestra leader said he became interested in his state's health problem when, on a visit here, he found state leaders in 'a very low state of mind' because they felt that a good health plan was doomed to defeat.

He made some suggestions, he told the committee, and decision was made to carry the facts to the people in 'everyday language'."

"The people of North Carolina took this simple plan that I presented to them," Kyser said, "and they themselves carried it out; so much so that the State of North Carolina today, I am sure, is health-conscious to its roots. We have a bill before our Legislature now calling for

approximately \$48,000,000 expenditure over the next five years, with one-third of that being our appropriation."

Kyser said his interest in the state health program was "based purely on logic and deduction. It was a natural and inspired action by the statistics of our state."

Statistical study, he said, showed that "North Carolina was steadily in no better by itself, x x x Every state in some degree was in the same boat with us."

"Well, I became very mad, I am just a mad American. I am, very mad at our own stupidity. That is stupidity because we tolerated these conditions."

"I found that North Carolina in 1940 was the eleventh most populous state in the United States. However, I found that we were about 46th in literacy and 48th in per capita income, and 48th in doctors per thousand people and 42nd in hospital beds per thousand people. We have 33 counties without a single hospital bed."

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Two Plans Presented

Marshall Asks Formation Of German Government

MOSCOW — (AP) — U. S. Secretary of State Marshall called on the Council of Foreign Ministers today to set plans for the creation of a German government in motion at once and both he and Britain's Ernest Bevin presented programs for the organization of a federalized German nation.

The Council, in a brief session, agreed to invite representatives of the Austrian Government here immediately for discussion of the Austrian peace treaty.

V. M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, said he always had assumed that the treaty would be issued for the Austrians assigned to come to Moscow.

The action on Austria came after Marshall had urged the Council to break the Austrian treaty impasse in that country and had expressed hope that the treaty would be completed in the Moscow meeting.

He said that it was for this purpose—completing the treaty—that the Austrian Government representatives would be called into consultation.

SIX-STEP PLAN

Bevin laid before the Council a six-step plan for the creation of a federalized German nation. The structure intended to proceed through a series of governing, democratic state.

How far the British and American ideas will go in agreeing with Soviet and French ideas for Germany was not at all clear. Molotov and French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault will introduce their proposals to the Russians here today.

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To SUMMIT PROPOSAL

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Legislation Headed For House Floor

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The House Ways & Means Committee today approved 16 to 0 the Republican-backed bill to slash income taxes by 30 per cent for the small taxpayer and by 20 per cent for most others.

The legislation thus was headed for the House floor for a showdown vote. The committee vote was virtually unanimous.

Before approving the measure, the Democratic majority was moved by Rep. Doughton, Democrat, North Carolina, to postpone consideration "until we know what our foreign and other commitments will be" in connection with the world developments.

RETROACTIVE FEATURE

The tax cut, under the legislation authorized by the House Chairman Knutson, Republican, Minnesota, would be effective as of last January 1.

Withholding from wages and salaries under the pay-as-you-go system would be approved to conform with the tax reduction effective June 1. Taxpayers also get rebates for any overpayments between January and June under the new rates.

The bill provides about \$3,840,000,000 slash from the present individual tax collections of about \$16,000,000,000 annually.

In the Committee voting, one Democrat joined fifteen Republicans in supporting the legislation. His name was not immediately disclosed.

DEMOCRATS FIGHT

Knutson predicted the House will approve the legislation by a comfortable margin. Although the Democrats on the Committee organized their ranks for a last ditch battle, they were not expected to win.

Rayburn told newsmen following the House vote that he would like the entire matter of tax reduction to be deferred until the Congress has a better understanding of the nation's fiscal situation and how much support the legislation has.

"That will be the attitude of Democrats in the Committee and in the House," he said.

The tax bill would give more than a 20 per cent reduction to about 9,000,000 tax cut, 46,000,000 income tax payers.

Republican leaders expected the revisions, giving some income earners above \$20,000 a 10 per cent tax cut, would bring GOP members out in support of the measure.

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Blizzard Hits Jap City

HAKODATE, Japan, (AP) — A heavy blizzard since 1937 struck Hakodate today, disrupting train and ferry service and causing

Forsook Social Position

Recluse Found Dead; Brother Is Missing

NEW YORK — (AP) — A body of blind, elderly Homer Collier was found today in an ancient, cluttered mansion where he and his brother, Langley, forsook wealth and society nearly 40 years ago to become New York's most mysterious recluses.

Burrowing through the collected debris of decades, police officers in their search for Langley, who was determined to outlive his blind brother in order to care for him, they shouted in the silent, darkened house: "Langley Collier, are you here?"

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