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Presbyterians Relaxing On the Steps At Belk Chapel

School Segregation Decision Postponed By Presbyterians

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Action on segregation in Presbyterian-supported institutions of higher learning was postponed next year at the initial meeting of the Synod this morning.

The question was not slated for discussion, but was brought up from the floor just before a recess at noon.

According to a motion passed by a close vote of the 445 delegates to the 141st stated session of the Synod, Dr. James Jones, pastor of Charlotte's Myers Park Presbyterian Church and moderator of the session, will appoint a committee to study the question and report to the 155 Synod meeting.

According to speculation prior to the floor discussion, most ministers support the move to ban segregation in the church's higher institutions. That would include Mitchell, Peate, Presbyterian, Queens, Florida McDonald and Davidson Colleges.

Many ministers, too, seemed to feel that the Synod should abolish segregation within the churches of the Synod.

As one said, "There's a sign outside my church that says 'Everybody Welcome.' But I know they're not."

The question of segregation came up before more than 600 delegates and guests meeting at Belk Chapel, Queens Campus, before noon today.

It was a legal tangle, with motions, substitute motions, and substitutes to the substitute being offered.

The motion passed provided for a special committee, appointed by Dr. Jones, to study the two memoranda from church sessions that brought the question to the fore, and any other communications received by the Synod, and report at the 1956 meeting.

Early this afternoon, no committee had been appointed.

It was a close vote. The first voice vote was apparently a tie. Dr. Jones called for a second voice vote, when men on both sides of the question boomed out their "aye" and "nay."

The third vote, a stand-up-and-be-counted vote, was the decisive one. It was shortly after this that the meeting was adjourned for recess. The recess had been scheduled for 10:50 a.m.

The report of Synod's Council, relating principally to the bridge of the Synod, was given earlier in the morning by W. E. Purdie, chairman of the council.

The report was approved by the

Record Heat Pushes East

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The season's most extensive and most severe heat wave pushed eastward to the Atlantic today while a cool front from the north entered back from moving into the Midwest.

But no relief was in sight for south-central sections of the country, where several consecutive days plus 100-degree heat have taken a toll of crop and poultry losses.

Heat deaths mounted to at least 17 across the country and more records topped yesterday as the swelter belt stretched from south Texas and south Dakota eastward.

Oklahoma counted 5 heat victims; Colorado, 4; Illinois, 2; Missouri, 2; Iowa, 1; Nebraska, 1; Louisiana, 1; and Pennsylvania, 1.

The heat wave was centered in southeastern Kansas and northeastern Oklahoma with readings of 111 to 114.

The day's highest official reading was 114 reached at Ponca City, Okla., and Emporia and Chanute, Kan.

Southeastern Kansas now has had 27 days of 100 degrees or higher with no rain.

The temperature zoomed to 100 degrees in Washington Tuesday as the heat wave swept eastward.

Other high marks included Ottawa, Kan., 115; Conway, Ark., 112; Norfolk, Neb., 111; Pickstown, S. D., 111; Redwood Falls, Minn., 100; Paducah, Ky., 105 and Denver, 99.

Water Cost Protests Fail To Stop Adoption Of Charlotte's Tax Rate

An attempt to hold up the adoption of the city's 1954-55 tax rate in order to review the increased water rates for outside consumers failed at today's City Council session.

Councilman Basil M. Boyd moved that the council delay the adoption of the tax rate until July 29 and that a committee be appointed to confer with Paul Ervin, chairman of the permittee citizens organization, in an effort to ward off a probable reduction in the water increases.

This motion was seconded by Councilman Steve W. Dellinger and when the motion was put only the mover, the seconder, and Councilman Claude L. Abner supported it. With only three votes the motion was lost and the stage was set for formal action on adoption of the tax rate.

When the ordinance fixing the tax rate for the fiscal year 1954-55 was read by Mrs. Lillian Hoffmann, City Clerk, it was passed unanimously.

But Mr. Boyd asked that his

President Says All Would Benefit

By ED CREAGH
WASHINGTON (AP) President Eisenhower judged Congress today for quick passage of his tax and farm programs.

He said the tax program would help the economy expand and create more jobs and his farm proposals would benefit the entire country and thus prove to be the best kind of politics.

Eisenhower also said a new conference that the House members who killed his health reinsurance program simply don't understand the facts of life.

The American people, lost, he said, when the House rejected the program 228-194.

And, Eisenhower said, he will carry on the fight for such a program as long as he is in office.

In the field of foreign affairs, Eisenhower said he expected to announce something shortly, perhaps during the day, on the American-British-French talks in Paris on the Indochina question.

Eisenhower said Dulles went to Paris only to see to it that the United States was not left out of other things, if United States representation at the Geneva talks would be helpful rather than damaging in reaching an Indochina settlement.

US CONCERNED

The Paris visit reflects great concern on the part of the country to keep a united front on fundamental principles with its allies, Britain and France.

The President also made a formal announcement that South Korea President Syngman Rhee's July 26 visit to the United States will be for the purpose of making further plans for the attainment of a unified, free and independent Korea.

It was announced in Seoul earlier in the day that Rhee would visit Washington. Eisenhower's statement said he invited the South Korean President some time ago to make a visit.

OTHER MATTERS

On other matters Eisenhower said:

1. He is not going to let his proposal for a limited shared atom program for peaceful purposes be held up if he can help it. This is the program he outlined before the United Nations last December. It calls for participation by the Russians as well as this country.

The President said he was sure British Prime Minister Churchill agreed with him the plan should not be the event of some people meaning the Russians will not go along with it. His meaning seemed to be that an atomic pool under the Soviet bloc is a possibility.

2. He thinks the Senate Agriculture Committee made a grave error in voting to raise the support price for butter from 75 cents a pound to 85 cents.

It is a mistake because the people who will profit will be the middle men who can sell their butter to the government at a cost of 85 cents a million dollars or something of that kind to the taxpayers.

3. He is not committed to any particular formula for building highways but is absolutely convinced a multi-billion-dollar highway construction program is needed with both federal and state support. His call for increased highway aid through the federal grant-and-aid system has run

Dulles Aide Will Return To Geneva

PARIS (AP)—Walter Bedell Smith, U.S. under secretary of state, will go to Geneva soon to represent the United States at the Geneva conference, a communique issued by the three Western big power Foreign Office announcements today.

Secretary of State Dulles, British Foreign Secretary Eden and Premier Pierre Mendes-France issued the communique after two days of meetings. They said Smith's presence at Geneva would satisfy British and French demands for a high level American representative at Geneva without departing from Dulles' principles against his own presence.

The communique said: "We have had intimate and frank discussions. These have resulted in a clear understanding of our respective positions in relation to Indochina."

"The United States secretary of state explained fully the attitude of his government toward the Indochinese phase of the Geneva conference and the limitations which that government desires to observe as not itself having a primary responsibility in the Indochina war."

"The French Premier and Foreign Minister expressed the view with which Mr. Eden associated himself, that it would nevertheless serve the interest of France and of the Associated States, and of the peace and freedom of the area of the United States without departing from the principles which Mr. Dulles expressed were once again to be represented at Geneva at the ministerial level."

"Accordingly President Eisenhower and Secretary Dulles are requesting the United States secretary of state, Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, to return to Geneva at an early date."

Dulles now will return to Washington, and Eden and Mendes-France will return to Geneva to continue talks with the Communist leaders on an Indochina cease-fire.

During the talks which started here yesterday evening, the three statesmen were believed to have outlined concessions which might be made by their host in the fighting in Indochina. The ministers met alone again this morning, while a technical committee was putting this outline down on paper.

Guest Kidnaps And Injures Baby

HOBBS, N.M. (AP)—The 4-month-old daughter of a Japanese war bride and a former GI was kidnapped and raped early today.

Police said little Jackie Jo Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis, who live just across the Texas line from here, was abducted from her home by a dinner guest.

Authorities identified him as Bill Hughes, 34, of Seminole, Tex.

The strapping Hughes, 6 feet, 2 and 185 pounds, was held in Seminole following his arrest near the car in which officers said he abandoned the baby.

Gaines County, Tex., attorney Bill Curry said he would file charges of "kidnaping or rape or both, depending on the condition of the child."

Jackie Jo, a tiny brunette in a pink, received lacerations which had to be sutured, a Seminole physician said. He described her condition as "good."

Curry said Hughes was a dinner guest in the Davis home last night and had baked a chicken for them.

Mrs. Davis, 28, left him in the tiny two-room cabin in which Jackie Jo was sleeping while she went to a nearby club just across the state line in New Mexico where her husband is a bartender.

The Davis cabin is only 20 or 30 feet inside the Texas line.

When she returned the baby and Hughes were gone, but the Davis' other child, a son, Johnnie, 5, was still asleep and apparently unharmed.

The baby was abducted between 12:30 and 1 a. m., Mrs. Davis said. The absence was reported to Hobbs city police at 2:04 a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis were married in the United States. He returned to his family in this country just a year ago yesterday.

WHAT'S INSIDE

A SOUTHERN GI DISCUSSES SEGREGATION, a local Democrat charges Secretary of Commerce Weeks, and a prisoner gets some zips off his chest in today's People's Platform. Turn to the editorial page, 4A.

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He did say that the action would tend to create the feeling among outside residents that the tax was "taking it out" on them.

First of the Madison Park residents to be heard was N. E. Huffman, 319 Dressmore Ave., who said he and other believe the hike in water rates was designed to keep perimeter dwellers from their knees, as it were, since opposition has been voiced against a proposed extension of city limits.

Mayor Van Every quickly rose to his feet and explained: "Certain people are under the impression that the increase in water rates is a vindictive move. It is not. As I have tried to point out in the old days, water and sewerage were not sufficient to keep the programs self-sufficient."

Councilman Steve Dellinger and Councilman Boyd also took the floor to say that the rate in water rates had anything to do with opposition to extension of city limits.

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ANTHONY EDEN JOHN FOSTER DULLES
Heads Together At An Earlier Meeting. (AP Wirephoto)

Atlee Says Dulles Plays Into Red Hands

LONDON (AP)—Former Prime Minister Clement Atlee accused U.S. Secretary of State Dulles today of "playing right into the hands of the Communists" by failing to return to the Geneva conference.

Atlee, whose Labor government first recognized the Chinese Communist government in 1950, spoke in a House of Commons foreign affairs debate.

"We must recognize that if we can get a standstill or an armistice in Indochina there remains the very difficult question of Korea," he declared.

"I believe that a settlement of this question is entirely bound up with the problem of a seat for China in the U.N. Security Council and with the problem of Formosa."

The usually soft-spoken Atlee raised his voice as he declared: "We are anti-Communist as the United States and will continue to oppose successfully what we believe to be their misguided doctrines. We recognize their dangers and their errors but we believe in peaceful coexistence."

Atlee spoke as Dulles was winding up conferences in Paris with French Premier Pierre Mendès-France and British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden on possible Indochina peace terms.

Declaring it "wrong, unwise and contrary to the principles of the United Nations" to keep out the Chinese Communists, Atlee said: "If you rule out the idea of all-out war against communism you come back to peaceful coexistence and that is what we want in respect to Russia and China."

Prime Minister Churchill told Parliament Monday he did not think "this was the moment" to raise the issue of admitting red China into the United Nations.

New Law Asked By Brownell

WASHINGTON (AP)—Atty. Gen. Brownell today asked that Congress bar former federal employees from ever handling private interests any government matter with which they were associated while in government.

His proposal, sent to Vice President Nixon and House Speaker Martin (R-Mass.), would involve a rewriting of the "conflict of interest" laws.

Brownell described the existing statutes as inadequate. He suggested that the present penalty for "switching sides" after leaving federal service be increased from the present one year in prison or \$10,000 fine.

The present laws forbid such "switching" for a two-year period after an employee has left government service. The statutes are so written as to appear to apply principally if not solely to attorneys.

Application of these laws was further narrowed by a district court ruling last year that the prohibition against an ex-government employee representing a private employer in dealing with the government only applies in cases where there is a claim for money or property against the United States.

\$60 Brought Over \$45,000

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senate FHA investigators were told today a former Home Loan Bank today brought in \$60 in profit from more than \$45,000 after investing \$60 in construction of a Columbus, Ohio, apartment project.

Don A. Loftis, former Wilmington, Del., builder, testified about the Teofo transaction as the Senate Banking Committee dug further into alleged windfall profits in government-backed housing programs.

Loftis said Teofo was one of the original investors in the Beverly Manor apartments in Columbus. Loftis himself was a principal stockholder in the development.

He said Teofo was another investor, bought 12 shares of stock at \$5 a share. In the distribution of the difference between the amount of the FHA mortgage and the cost of construction Teofo got \$45,797, he added.

Asked why Teofo should get this, Loftis said he had used his "initiative to do all possible to bring about savings."

Teofo later sold his stock for \$5 a share, he said, and now lives in retirement in Santa Monica, Calif.

Records showed Teofo left the government in 1947. He invested in the Ohio project in 1950 and reaped his profit in a distribution to stockholders, Dec. 15, 1952.

EVENING PRAYER

O God, forgive us for having such a comfortable religion. Help us to launch out into the vast sea of human need and do worthwhile acts for Thy sake. Help us to live purposeful lives in the Spirit of the Master we pray. Amen.

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