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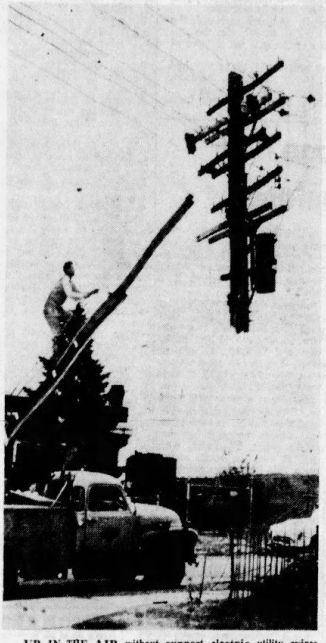
ACTION ON TWO BILLS COMPLETED

Assembly Convening Time And Auto Measures Approved

RALEIGH (AP)—Legislative action was completed today on a proposal to amend the State Constitution so as to change the time for convening of the legislature and on a new law to regulate the auto industry in the state. The two measures ended their legislative journey at the Senate as concurred in House amendments. The proposed constitutional amendment will be submitted to the people in the general election next year. It would, in effect, give the Legislature the power to fix the time for convening of future Legislatures. The Constitution now says that the Legislature shall convene biennially on the first Wednesday after the first Monday in January following its election. The proposed amendment says it shall meet on the first Wednesday after the first Monday in February on such date as the Legislature shall fix.

AUTO BILL The bill to regulate the auto industry gives broad powers to the state motor vehicles commissioner. All auto salesmen and dealers and distributors and manufacturers will have to apply to him for licenses. He may refuse to grant licenses to applicants or he may suspend or revoke licenses already issued for July 1. The commissioner will be empowered to refuse licenses or to revoke or suspend them for: (1) misstatements made in application, (2) willful failure to comply with the law or regulations of the Motor Vehicles Department, (3) not having an established place of business, this applying only to dealers, (4) being a new car dealer without having a franchise with a manufacturer or authorized dealer, (5) fraudulent practices, unfair competitive practices, or misleading advertising such as knowingly advertising a used car as a new car.

BACKED BY DEALER The bill had the support of the North Carolina Auto Dealers Assn. Some of its provisions are aimed at protecting the dealer's business, which is being overhauled with cars by their manufacturers. The Senate last night enacted into law a measure authorizing six state-supported colleges to issue revenue bonds to finance construction of new dormitories among schools are East Carolina College, Appalachian State Teachers College and the three units of the Consolidated University of North Carolina. THURSDAY DATE The possibility arose that the Legislature may not be able to wind up its work until Thursday. House Speaker Larry Moore said last night he was hoping that since the adjournment could come on Wednesday but that the enrolling office faces a big job. The big problem, Moore said, was whether the enrolling office will be able to keep up with its job of enrolling bills after they have passed. If the Legislature adjourns in session until Thursday, it will be the longest in history. The 1953 session, previous longest, began on Jan. 7 and quit on May 27. The current session began Jan. 5. The House passed and sent to the Senate a measure aimed at leading corporations to give the state from paying higher taxes than firms doing business in North Carolina but chartered in other states. The House also passed and sent to the Senate a bill which would See AUTO on page 2-A.



UP IN THE AIR without support, electric utility wires and transformer are suspended at a Philadelphia intersection after an automobile came along and sheared out a section of the pole. (AP Wirephoto)

NO KON-TIKI VOYAGE, BUT THEY'RE MOVING

WINSTON-SALEM (AP)—Columbus didn't know where he was going. Wrong Way Corrigan was in a hurry to get there. But three Winston-Salem police detectives have reversed both of their foreheads—they know exactly where they're headed and don't care when they arrive. Sergeant J. R. Turner, T. W. Heath and W. D. Carter showed off early this morning from the Yadin River bridge at Donahua and headed leisurely south for High Rock Lake. They don't care about trade winds or headwinds. They're going 50 miles on current—Yadin River valley—in something they call "The Monster"—three oil drums, some scrap lumber and three seats for a duck. "If we don't make it by Thursday night, I'm out of a job," said Turner. "I've got to go back to work Friday afternoon. They plan to beach the craft at a friend's cottage at Linwood."

Politics Blamed

Decision Due On Polio Vaccine

WASHINGTON (AP)—Efforts to get the lagging anti-polio vaccination program back into full swing appeared to be nearing a decisive stage today as representatives of virtually all groups concerned assembled for a major conference here. U. S. Surgeon General Leonard Scheele sent out the conference last night after fresh criticism of the government's handling of the program. In New York, Basil O'Connor, head of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, listed "national and state politics" among factors he said are complicating the situation. O'Connor also mentioned supply, demand and "economic factors of competition" as other factors. Meanwhile, he stressed his faith in the vaccine testing data. Later, O'Connor demanded that the government "release immediately" the results of its study of polio vaccine made by Cutter Laboratories, Berkeley, Calif. VACCINE WITHDRAWN It was the occurrence of the disease among children inoculated with vaccine made by Cutter and other firms that led to suspension of the mass immunization program over two weeks ago to permit safety double checks. All Cutter vaccine has been withdrawn from use for nearly a month and other special analysis of 79 post-inoculation cases so far confirmed to have been among children who were injected with Cutter vaccine. Scheele declined to comment on O'Connor's demand. However, a Public Health Service spokesman said "we have preliminary information but no final report" on the Cutter study. Members of the National Foundation's vaccine committee were among those summoned by Scheele. Also called to today's meeting were officers of the American Medical Assn., representatives of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officers, pharmaceutical specialists from the pharmaceutical firms licensed to make the vaccine, and government scientists. MAJOR DECISIONS This conference, coupled with yesterday's day-and-night sessions of the government's medical advisers on polio vaccine matters, indicated decisions of major importance might be in the offing. In their closed-door deliberations at the National Institutes of Health, the scientists reportedly were trying to determine whether any See DECISIVE on page 2-A.

N. C. Revenue Bill Advances

RALEIGH (AP)—The Senate today took next-to-final action on the revenue bill amending state taxes \$9,700,000 a year. The measure won quick, unanimous approval on second reading. The measure, already passed by the House, was approved on second reading last night. It is expected to be enacted tomorrow. The bill calls for new taxes on building materials, hotel and motel receipts, and coal and coke sold in carload lots. It also increases taxes on liquor, wine and beer. Theaters are taxed on admissions and sales of ticket parts and accessories to fleet owners.

New Telephone Contract Okayed

ATLANTA (AP)—Union members here accepted a new contract with the Southern Bell Telephone Co. The terms will be removed at midnight tonight and workers will return to their jobs tomorrow. This was announced today by Atlanta headquarters of the Communications Workers of America (CWA) which directed the nine-state strike which started March 21. The union formally notified the company of the contract's acceptance shortly after noon today.

Boards of Health Must OK Post-School Shots

Any plans for resumption of the anti-polio inoculation program after the close of school will have to be approved by the state health and county boards of health. Dr. M. B. Bethel, city-county health officer, said today these plans would be submitted to the two boards. At the moment the vaccination volunteers are marking time awaiting final words from federal health authorities in the clearance of additional vaccine. PROGRAM HALTED The local program of inoculating slightly more than 10,000 children in the first and second grades of the city and county schools has halted. Announcement from Washington regarding the release of additional Salk vaccine is expected today. Unless the word comes and additional vaccine is delivered within the next few days, the program here will have to be extended beyond the June 3 school closing date. And if that occurs Dr. Bethel said he would not be willing to proceed on his own but would call members of the city and county health boards into meeting for final decision. WERE GIVEN During last year's test inoculation the shots were given to youngsters after schools had closed.

And Dr. Bethel said the program was relatively successful through the cooperation of parents who took their children to the inoculation clinics. The same sort of success might well be attained here, the health officer said, if the school program extends beyond the school closing date. But the members of the two health boards will have to say whether the program will be carried out under those circumstances.

Our Weather

Partly cloudy, warm and humid today, tonight and tomorrow with a few scattered thunderstorms this afternoon and tomorrow. Low tonight—69. High today—84. High yesterday—86. High today—88. High tomorrow—87. Sunrise 5:13 a.m.; sunset 7:27 p.m. More Weather Data on Page 2-A

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Payoffs On Federal Contracts Disclosed

Cash, Gifts Told By Manufacturer

WASHINGTON (AP)—A New York garment manufacturer testified today he spent \$6,699.94 in cash payoffs and gifts to government employees involved in three contracts he carried out for the armed forces in 1952 and 1953. Leon M. Levy, a partner in Bonita Originals, Inc., gave the testimony to the Senate Investigations Subcommittee on the basis of notes kept in his native Arabic language. He came to this country from Lebanon in boyhood. Levy said most of the money went to: Maj. Eric C. Farnell, former chief of the clothing branch of the Army Quartermaster Corps in New York. David Pollack, former head of the cost price analysis section of the Armed Services Textile and Apparel Procurement Agency (ASTAPA) in New York. Pollack now holds the same post in the Philadelphia Quartermaster Depot. Mrs. Mella Hort, former ASTAPA contract administrator in New York. Joseph G. Porreca, former chief of inspectors for Asia and now a New York feather dealer.

PAID DOCTOR BILL In addition, Levy said he authorized payment of cash and a \$283 doctor bill for Capt. Raymond Wool, who had charge of one Army contract. He said Wool was slated to get another \$3,500 in a deal that ultimately fell through. Levy told the committee he knew it was wrong to make these payoffs but turned over the money to a business partner for the firm, Marvin Rubin, in the belief he would be ruined financially unless the government people were "taken care of."

Rubin previously has acknowledged getting a home freezer for Porreca and a coat for Mrs. Hort but has denied any improper payoffs.

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Martin reported there also was discussion at today's White House conference of the administration's bill to create a new military manpower reserve program. The House had that measure for debate last week, but laid it aside when two anti-segregation amendments were hitched to the bill with the aim of defeating it.

Martin said today that he believes "we can make arrangements to pass it in the next week or so." In reply to a question he declined to discuss the "arrangement" he has in mind, or to elaborate on his remark in any way.

Action Asked On Minimum Pay Boost

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of Labor Mitchell today appealed to Republican congressional leaders for action on the administration bill to increase the minimum wage from 73 to 80 cents an hour. Mitchell made the appeal in the presence of President Eisenhower at the regular Tuesday morning meeting of the Republican legislative chiefs with the President. House Republican Leader Martin told newsmen after the session that he would support the bill but that Congress got about doing something about the minimum wage increase.

The bill still is in committee in both the Senate and the House. Various other minimum wage measures, most of them calling for an increase in rates from 60 cents an hour, also are being studied by committees. BARDEN MENTIONED Asked by a reporter whether it was true that the administration bill was "looked" in a committee headed by Rep. Barden (D-N.C.), Martin replied that is so. "Mr. Barden hasn't got around to calling hearings on it," Martin said, adding that Barden has been devoting his time to hearings on housing legislation.

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Senate Set To Sustain Postal Veto

Vote To Follow Three-Hour Debate By JOE HALL WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate appeared likely today to reject half a million postal workers and a veto by President Eisenhower by sustaining his veto of a postal pay raise. The post office workers may still get a pay boost somewhat smaller than the one averaging over 4 1/2 per cent which the President vetoed. Present pay scales were fixed in 1945. Should the Senate override the veto, the House would still have to come through with the same two-thirds majority. A Senate vote to sustain the veto would make it unnecessary for the House to act. DEBATE LIMITED Three hours of debate were allocated before the showdown, expected late in the afternoon. Democratic leaders expected practically all their 49 members to be on hand and ready to vote. One member who has been absent throughout the session recuperating from an operation, Sen. Kennedy (D-Mass.), returned to the capital yesterday. However, even if all 49 Democrats voted for the bill, it would be necessary to get 15 of the 47 Republicans in pass and the President's objections, assuming a full attendance. GOP CONFIDENT Republican leaders said they were certain far fewer than 15 GOP senators would desert the President, and they expected to pick up two or three Democratic votes. GOP senators, it was learned, were being told they should vote to sustain the veto if they want Eisenhower to seek a second term. One Republican who asked not to be named put it this way: "We think the President is looking to this veto as one of the biggest tests of unity and loyalty in the party this session. It is a test of the kind of support on this that he feels he is entitled to, he may decide it's not worth running next year."



JUDGE SAM CATHEY of Asheville, municipal judge and sightless champion of the cause of the blind in North Carolina for almost 50 years, receives President Eisenhower's trophy as "handicapped man of the year." The ceremony was held at the White House. (AP Wirephoto)

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Teacher Charges School 'Blackboard Jungle'

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—John Barry Kelly, 44-year-old substitute teacher at Miami Edison Junior High School, resigned today with a charge that the school is a "blackboard jungle." "Kelly, a former federal narcotics agent, said he had taken a revolver from an 8th grade student and that the principal, Paul A. Davison, was 'indifferent' to the incident." Davison called Kelly's charges "gross exaggeration from a person who won't be coming back next year." Kelly, who has taught in parochial and public schools for several years said the Edison pupil had been trying to imitate the characters in the movie, "The Blackboard Jungle." "The school is a blackboard jungle," Kelly said, "and I'm asking you to pack a rod."

"I noticed the lump in the kid's shirt," Kelly said, "and when I asked him about it, he laughed and said he wanted to show me something. I grabbed the gun and dismantled it. It wasn't loaded." "I took the gun to the principal who surprised me by seeming indifferent to the incident. He told me to keep the gun for the boy's mother, then walked off." Davison said the school "has no special program of delinquency," and that only one of the teachers haven't complained to me.

Evening Prayer

Gracious Lord, increase our faith that we may survive those trials and temptations which would make us traitors to Christ and His cause. Grant us courage to be true at all costs, with a cheerful witness for Thee, in Jesus' blessed name, Amen.



BRITAIN'S SUPERNOVA acrobatic team plays follow the leader over Scotland. The left to start a loop and descend, at right, in tight formation at the end of the maneuver. (AP Wirephoto)