DIARY OF WHITE HOUSE LEADERSHIP MEETINGS -- 91st CONGRESS

November 17, 1970



It was obvious when the President entered that he intended the session to be all kusiness. Not wword about the election was spoken. He announced that we would discuss the question of legislative priorities for the lame duck session. A message will be sent to Congress tomorrow following a meeting with the bipartisan leadership asking for a supplemental military assistance authorization.

Kissinger explained that the bill is keyed to the implementation of the Nixon Doctrine. It is intended to fund the transition phase during which foreign nations are gearing up their military capacity and strengthening their financial posture in order to be primarily responsible for their own destiny. On our part, we will have, by spring, closed 68 military installations and reduced the function of 44. The message will request about \$1 billion, including \$500 million for Israel, \$30 million for Jordan, \$5 million for Lebanon, \$150 million for South Korea, \$65 million for South Vietnam and \$85 million for Cambodia, plus \$70 million for Cambodia for economic assistance. An additional \$100 million will be assimbed to Greece, Turkey, Taiwan and other countries. Most of the money will be for military assistance. In the case of Jordan and Lebanon, the purpose is to strengthen the incumbent government against guerilla attacks.

RMN emphasized the importance of assistance to Cambodia. This not only avoids the need for American personnel (advisory or otherwise, in Cambodia), but when we strengthen Cambodian indigenous forces, we accomplish 2 goals, viz, helping to cut off the Communist major supply source (Sihanoukville) and tie down in Cambodian territory North Vietnamese troops who otherwise wholed be free to fight in Sough Vietnam. In passing, the President paid Congressman Chamberlain a warm compliment. He said that Chamberlain, returning from



a Vietnam trip, was the first to warn about Sihanoukville. Pentagon intelligence said it was "only a trickle."

Scott said that we can expect the doves in the Senate to use this legislation as another vehicle to transport their vehemence against the war. He suggested that there would be no trouble with the \$500 million item for Israel. RMN responded promptly and vigorously. He said that all should understand that legislation which included that item alone would be unacceptable.

Taft suggested that if the doves should attempt to use this as a vehicle, the Republican Leadership in the Senate could offer the bill passed by the House yesterday as a substitute. This is the bill which attempts to redefine executive and Congressional areas of responsibility in connection with the declaration of war and the conduct of the war.

RMN asked the Republicans to embargo this message until 10:00 a.m. tomorrow morning so that the Democratic Leadership cannot say that it is a partisan maneuver.

Scott then listed what he called a "rock bottom" legislative list which he presented to Mansfield. The list pretty much duplicated Mansfield's own list but added hijacking, obscenity control, consumer protection agency, consumer class action, emergency school legislation and one-bank holding company legislation.

Ford said that his list was similar but that he was realistic enough to recognize that except for the appropriations bills and the conference reports, little is likely to be done. In response to the President's question, he said that he was not overly concerned by the prospect of bitter partisanship in the special session.

We adjourned at approximately 10:50 a.m.

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OF
SENATOR HUGH SCOTT
AND
CONGRESSMAN GERALD R. FORD



THE BRIEFING ROOM

AT 9:55 A.M. EST

MR. ZIEGLER: The Leadership Meeting this morning began shortly after eight o'clock. The leaders met with the President for an hour and a half. Congressman Ford gave a report on the House and Senator Scott gave a report on the Senate.

Congressman Ford.

CONGRESSMAN FORD: Good morning.

As Mr. Ziegler announced, we had a very thorough discussion of the legislative situation in this lame duck session. Some might categorize it as a ruptured duck session. It seems to me that there are a good many things that have to be done. I hope we can accomplish more than what appears on the surface might be achieved.

The things that are absolutely essential, of course, are the six undone appropriation bills. Only two have not passed the House: The Independent Offices HUD appropriation bill, which was vetoed and sustained, and the Supplemental Appropriation Bill, which is, of course, the last thing that comes before the House.

Then, we have a Federal Highway Act, the Housing Bill, a trade bill, an Occupational Safety Bill, a Manpower Training Bill and then a number of the other legislative proposals which were submitted over the last several years by the President that are in various stages of consideration.

But the overall record so far is somewhat disappointing. I hope that in the remaining weeks of this session we can speed up and expedite the consideration of the things that are absolutely essential, plus as much as we can of the President's program.

It is my judgment that the earliest adjournment would be the 15th and the more likely date is somewhere around the 22nd or 23rd of December.

SENATOR SCOTT: I agree with Jerry's estimate of adjournment.

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Senator Mansfield said yesterday at his caucus as far as they were concerned the present convening is regarded solely as a windup and urges, and I agree, that the Administration and the Congress concur in putting over those things that cannot be done in this time reasonably to the next Congress. However, I have, of course, gone over with Mike the so-called rock bottom wish list, you might say.

Obviously, the most important matters are the six appropriation bills that he and I have come to an agreement on -- the legislation -- which we will do our best to get through and past experience would indicate some of these will be casualties and will nevertheless go over.

But we are naturally, and the President naturally is anxious to have action on the Family Assistance Plan, Social Security and an acceptable trade bill. And we are urging action by the Judiciary Committee on the Obscene Advertising Bill and, of course, we hope the hijacking taxing authority will be passed.

There will probably be a vote on the veto on the TV bill. If we can get other matters through, we will.

Over in the House, the Emergency School Aid is an extremely important matter to furnish the funds for completion of integration. And I hope that that can be acted on.

Q Senator Scott, did you give the President any prediction on the possibility of overriding his veto on the TV bill?

SENATOR SCOTT: We told him that a whip count is in progress and we expect to have a better reading later today. I think myself that the bill should be vetoed. It is discriminatory in applying only to a part of the media and does not seem to me to be a particularly fair bill.

I hope that we can sustain a veto and we will certainly make every effort to do that in the Senate.

Q What about you, Mr. Ford? How do you feel about that?

CONGRESSMAN FORD: I voted for the bill twice in the House when it was before us. I admit that it is a bill that is deficient in many respects. On the other hand, it can be called a step in the right direction.

The urgency of overall review and improvement in our legislation involving expenditures and receipts and limitations, I think, is highlighted by the problem we face. And the next Congress, in my judgment, has a major responsibility to review and revise and update the Corrupt Practices Act that really hasn't had any consideration by the Congress for almost half a century.

Q Senator Scott, what do you mean by an acceptable trade bill and specifically, did the President indicate whether he would veto a bill if it came before him with shoe quotas in it?

SENATOR SCOTT: There was no statement or discussion about a veto of the trade bill. There was a broad general discussion of the bill and it is well known that the President's views are well known with regard as to why there should be quotas on textiles.

I spoke yesterday of the necessity for the Senate exercising some restraint and it would be better if we could have a trade bill that was not loaded down with Christmas tree proposals.

We will try to see whether that can be done.

Q Did you gentlemen discuss the next session of did the President outline in any way his thoughts about legislative proposals in the next session?

SENATOR SCOTT: That wasn't the purpose of the meeting and was not discussed.

Q Did you discuss the recent election?

SENATOR SCOTT: No. That has been pretty well discussed since the 3rd. It was not a subject for discussion this morning.

Q What is the outlook on Family Assistance?

SENATOR SCOTT: Uncertain at this point, because the committee has not yet acted on whether to add it to the Social Security Bill, or report it independently. It may come before us in the form of a test plan. It may there be converted into the substantive proposal which the President has asked for. This is truly one of the most innovative proposals made in many years and that is what we would like to have. Time may not permit it.

THE PRESS: Thank you very much, gentlemen.

(AT 10:03 A.M. EST)

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Tuesday, September 22, 1970

PRISONERS OF WAR

In a joint meeting, Congress heard an address on American prisoners of war by Col. Frank Borman.

PUBLIC WORKS--ATOMIC ENERGY APPROPRIATIONS

The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 18127, making appropriations for Public Works and the Atomic Energy Commission for fiscal year 1971. By a record vote of 131 yeas to 230 nays, the House rejected a motion by Mr. Evins to recede and concur in Senate amendment No. 4 with an amendment that earmarked \$807,000 in planning funds for the Dickey-Lincoln project. Subsequently, the House agreed to a motion by Mr. Evins that the House recede and concur in Senate amendment No. 4 with an amendment that struck out all funds for the Dickey-Lincoln project.

SLEEPING BEAR DUNES NATIONAL LAKESHORE

RULE

By a voice vote the House adopted H. Res. 1198, providing two hours of open debate.

PASSAGE

By a voice vote the House passed H.R. 18776, to establish in the State of Michigan the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore.

By a teller vote of 24 year to 29 mays, the House rejected an amendment by Mrs. Reid that sought to advance the cutoff date for compensation for owners of improved property from December 31. 1964, to December 31, 1968.

Wednesday, September 23, 1970

CONCERN MONTH

The House agreed to the amendments of the Senate on H.J. Res. 1178, authorizing the President to proclaim the month of May 1970 as "Project Concern Month" clearing the measure for the President.

PTA WEEK

The House passed S. J. Res. 228, authorizing the President to designate the period beginning October 5, 1970, and ending October 9, 1970, as "National PTA Week" clearing the measure for the President.

GENAL SERVICE

Wednesday, September 23, 1970 (continued)

DAY OF BREAD--HARVEST FESTIVAL

The House passed S. J. Res. 218, providing for the designation of a "Day of Bread and Harvest Festival Week" clearing the measure for the President.

S.S. HOPE WEEK

The House passed H. J. Res. 1346, authorizing the President to declare 1 week each September as "National S.S. Hope Week." Agreed to a series of amendments that limit the designation to the year 1970 only.

CONTEMPT OF CONGRESS

By a record vote of 337 yeas to 14 mays, the House agreed to H. Res. 1220. citing Arnold S. Johnson for contempt of Congress.

INTERNATIONAL BIOLOGICAL PROGRAM

The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H. J. Res. 589. expressing the support of the Congress, and urging the support of Federal departments and agencies as well as other persons and organizations, both public and private, for the international biological program. clearing the measure for the President.

INVESTMENT COMPANIES

RULE

By a voice vote the House adopted H. Res. 1193, providing two hours of open debate.

PASSAGE

By a voice vote, the House passed H.R. 17333, to define the equitable standards governing relationships between investment companies and their investment advisers and principal underwriters.

Prior to final passage, the House agreed to an amendment by Mr. Moss that allows review of the National Association of Securities Dealers rules by the Securities and Exchange Commission without an intervening 18-month period.

Subsequently, this passage was vacated, and S. 2224, a similar Senate-passed bill was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the language of the House bill as passed.

The House insisted on its amendment, and asked a conference with the Senate. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Staggers, Moss, Murphy of New York, Springer, and Keith.



Wednesday, September 23, 1970 (continued)

DRUG ABUSE

RULE

By a voice vote the House adopted H. Res. 1216, providing 3 hours open debate on Titles I and II and 1 hour of closed debate on Title III of H.R. 18583, the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970.

The House concluded all general debate on H.R. 18583, Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970. Proceedings under the 5-minute rule are scheduled for tomorrow, Thursday, September 24.

Thursday, September 24, 1970

CLEAN AIR ACT

The House disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 17255, to amend the Clean Air Act to provide for a more effective program to improve the quality of the Nation's air; and asked a conference with the Senate. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Staggers, Jarman, Rogers of Florida, Springer, and Nelsen.

DRUG ABUSE

By a voice vote on Wednesday, September 23, 1970, the House adopted H. Res. 1216, providing three hours open debate on Titles I and II and one hour closed debate on Title III.

PASSAGE

By a record vote of 341 yeas to 6 mays, with 1 voting "present", the House passed H.R. 18583, Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970.

RECOMMIT

By a voice vote, the House rejected a motion by Mr. Cunningham to recommit the bill back to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Prior to final passage, by a teller vote of 147 yeas to 61 nays, the House agreed to an amendment by Mr. Poff that provides sentencing procedures under which dangerous special drug offenders could be sentenced to increased punishment.

By a voice vote, the House agreed to an amendment by Mr. Eckhardt that provides a limit on challenges to validity of prior convictions when made in the course of proceedings to establish prior convictions.

DRUG ABUSE (continued)

- By a voice vote, the House rejected an amendment by Mr. Pepper that sought to impose quotas on the manufacture and distribution of amphetamines.
- By a voice vote, the House rejected an amendment by Mr. VanDeerlin that authorized the Secretary of the Department of Health. Education, and Welfare to establish a system to identify controlled drugs which are dispensed on prescription.
- By a voice vote, the House rejected an amendment by Mr. Eckhardt to the Continuing Criminal Enterprise section which would make it applicable only to narcotic drug activities, and removed the minimum mandatory prison sentences.
- By a voice vote, the House rejected an amendment by Mr. Eckhardt to a previously adopted amendment that would limit the sentencing procedure, the evidence to be used, and would assure the cross examination rights of the defendant.
- By a teller vote of 60 yeas to 119 mays, the House rejected an amendment by Mr. Satterfield that sought to strike out the "no knock" provision.

Monday, September 28, 1970

BANK HOLDING COMPANY ACT

The House disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 6778, to amend the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, and agreed to the conference asked by the Senate. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Patman, Barrett, Sullivan, Reuss, Widnall, Johnson of Pennsylvania, and Stanton.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL

By a record vote of 292 year to 2 mays, the House agreed to the conference report on S. 2264, to provide authorization for grants for communicable disease control and vaccination assistance, clearing the measure for Senate action.

PUBLIC BROADCASTING

By a voice vote, the House agreed to the conference report on S. 3558, to provide continued financing for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, clearing the measure for Senate action.

REORGANIZATION PLAN NO. 3--ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

By a voice vote, the House rejected H. Res. 1209, in disapproval of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1970, thus approving the reorganization plan.

Monday, September 28, 1970 (continued)

RAILROAD SAFETY

By a record vote of 310 yeas, the House agreed to the conference report on S. 1933, to provide for Federal railroad safety and hazardous materials control, clearing the measure for Senate action.

REORGANIZATION PLAN NO. 4--OCEAN AND ATMOSPHERE

By a voice vote, the House rejected H. Res. 1210, in disapproval of Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1970, thus approving the reorganization plan.

Tuesday, September 29, 1970

BANK RECORDS

The House disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 15073. to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to require insured banks to maintain certain records, to require that certain transactions in U.S. currency be reported to the Department of the Treasury and agreed to the conference asked by the Senate. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Patman, Barrett, Sullivan, Reuss, Widnall, Dwyer, and Wylie.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT AUTHORIZATION

By a record vote of 341 yeas to 11 mays, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 17123, military procurement authorization for fiscal year 1971, clearing the measure for Senate action.

URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION

RULE

By a voice vote, the House adopted H. Res. 1224, providing for two hours of open debate.

PASSAGE

By a record vote of 327 yeas to 16 mays, the House passed H.R. 18185, to provide long-term financing for expanded urban mass transportation programs.

Subsequently, this passage was vacated, and S. 3154, a similar Senate-passed bill was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the language of the House bill as passed.

On a request for a separate vote, by a record vote of 200 yeas to 145 nays, the House agreed to an amendment by Mr. Boland that reduced the authorization from \$5 billion to \$3.1 billion (the amendment was agreed to earlier while in the Committee of the Whole, by a teller vote of 76 yeas to 52 nays).



URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION (continued)

By a voice vote, the House agreed to an amendment by Mr. Biaggi that adds language calling for consideration of the elderly and handicapped in the planning and design of mass transportation facilities.

By a voice vote, the House agreed to an amendment by Mr. Boland that would cause funding by direct annual appropriation.

By a voice vote, the House rejected an amendment by Mr. Koch that directs the Secretary of Transportation to make a comprehensive 15-year study of the needs of inter- and intracity mass transportation.

Wednesday, September 30, 1970

COUNTERFEIT POSTAGE STAMPS

The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 14405, to strengthen the law relating to the counterfeiting of postage meter stamps or other improper uses of the metered mail system, clearing the measure for the President.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

The House disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 17604. to authorize certain construction at military installations, and agreed to the conference asked by the Senate. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Rivers, Hagan, Charles H. Wilson, Nichols, Daniel of Virginia, Bray, Clancy, King, and Foreman.

HIGH-SPEED GROUND TRANSPORTATION

RULE

By a voice vote, the House adopted H. Res. 1223, providing one hour of open debate.

PASSAGE

By a voice vote, the House passed S. 3730 (in lieu of H.R. 17538), to extend for 1 year the act of September 30, 1965. relating to high-speed ground transportation.

By voice vote, the House rejected an amendment by Mr. Adams that sought to increase the amount for research and development in high-speed ground transportation from \$21.7 million to \$36.65 million for fiscal year 1971.

Wednesday, September 30, 1970 (continued)

ATOMIC ENERGY

RULE

By a voice vote, the House adopted H. Res. 1227, providing one hour of open debate.

PASSAGE

By a record vote of 345 yeas, the House passed H.R. 18679, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, to eliminate the requirement for a finding of practical value.

AIRLINE HIJACKING

RULE

By a voice vote, the House adopted H. Res. 1231, providing for one hour of closed debate.

PASSAGE

By a record vote of 323 yeas to 17 nays, the House passed H.R. 19444. providing for guards to accompany aircraft operated by U.S. carriers.

Thursday, October 1, 1970

NO LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Monday, October 5, 1970

HOUSE CONSIDERED THE CONSENT CALENDAR

SUSPENSIONS (15 BILLS)

The House voted to suspend the rules and passed the following bills:

- Continuing appropriations: H. J. Res. 1388, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1971 by a record vote of 283 yeas to 9 nays.
- Criminal Justice: S. 1461, relating to representation of defendants who are financially unable to obtain an adequate defense in criminal cases in the courts of the United States, by a record vote of 277 yeas to 21 nays.
- The House voted to suspend the rules and passed the following bills by voice vote:
 - S. 3619, to revise and expand Federal programs for relief from the effects of major disasters, amended.
 - H.R. 10482, to authorize the establishment of the Voyageurs National Park in the State of Minnesota.



SUSPENSIONS (continued)

- H. J. Res. 1162, providing for membership and participation by the United States in the South Pacific Commission.
- H.R. 12061, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.
- S. 2176 (in lieu of H.R. 14301), to implement the Convention on Offenses and Certain Other Acts Committee on Board Aircraft.
- S. 4247, relating to the discharge of debts in bankruptcy proceedings.
- H.R. 15008, to establish the Plymouth-Provincetown Celebration Commission. Subsequently, this passage was vacated and S. 2916, a similar Senate-passed bill was passed in lieu, after being amended to contain the language of the House bill as passed.
- H.R. 17901, to improve judicial machinery by providing for the appointment of a circuit executive for each judicial circuit.
- H.R. 15770, to provide for conserving surface waters; to preserve and improve habitat for migratory waterfowl and other wildlife resources; to reduce rumoff, soil and wind erosion, and contribute to flood control.
- S. 3822, to provide insurance for member accounts in State and federally chartered credit unions.
- H.R. 19172, to provide Federal financial assistance to help cities and communities to develop and carry out intensive local programs to eliminate the causes of lead-based paint poisoning.
- H.R. 19342, to establish and develop the Chesapeake and Ohio National Historic Park.
- S. 368, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to make disposition of geothermal steam and associated geothermal resources, amended.

Tuesday, October 6, 1970

THE HOUSE CONSIDERED THE PRIVATE CALENDAR

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND THE JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

By a voice vote, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 17575, making appropriations for the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the judiciary for fiscal year 1971; and sent the measure to the Senate for further action.



Tuesday, October 6, 1970 (continued)

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACT

By a record vote of 254 yeas to 93 nays, the House agreed to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 14685, to amend the International Travel Act of 1961, in order to improve the balance of payments by further promoting travel to the United States; with an amendment that reduces funding by \$500,000; and returned the measure to the Senate for further action.

MERCHANT MARINE ACT

By a record vote of 343 yeas to 4 nays, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 15424, to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936; and sent the measure to the Senate for further action.

CRIME CONTROL

RULE

By a voice vote, the House adopted H. Res. 1235, providing three hours of open debate.

The House consumed 1 hour and 57 minutes of general debate on S. 30, relating to the control of organized crime in the United States; when the Committee of the Whole rose. Further consideration will continue tomorrow. There is 1 hour and 3 minutes of general debate time remaining.

HOUSE RECESS

The Majority Leader announced that the House would recess at the close of business on Wednesday, October 14, and will reconvene at noon on Monday, November 16.

Wednesday, October 7, 1970

CRIME CONTROL

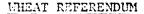
RULE

By a voice vote, the House on Tuesday, October 6. adopted H. Res. 1235, providing three hours of open debate.

PASSAGE

By a record vote of 341 yeas to 26 mays, the House passed S. 30, relating to the control of organized crime in the United States.

Thursday, October 3, 1970



By a voice vote, the House passed H. J. Res. 1396, to extend the time for conducting the referendum with respect to the national marketing quota for wheat for the marketing year beginning July 1, 1971.

KING RANGE CONSERVATION AREA

The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 12870, to provide for the establishment of the King Range National Conservation Area in the State of California, clearing the measure for the President.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

RULE

By a voice vote, the House adopted H. Res. 1237, waiving all points of order against the bill.

PASSAGE

By a record vote of 274 yeas to 31 mays with 2 voting "present." the House passed H.R. 19590, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1971.

RECOMMIT

By a record vote of 46 year to 264 mays with 1 voting "present." the House rejected a motion by Mr. Riegle to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations.

By a voice vote, the House agreed to a series of emendments by Mr. Mahon that add \$150 million for operation and maintenance for the Armed Forces.

LEGISLATIVE REORGANIZATION

The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 17654, to improve the operation of the legislative branch of the Federal Government, clearing the measure for the President.

GOVERNMENT PAY

The House disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 17009, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of pay for prevailing rate employees of the Government; and asked a conference with the Senate. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Dulski, Henderson, Udall, Corbett, and Gross.

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Thursday, October 8, 1970 (continued)

DRUG ABUSE

The House disagreed to the amendments of the Senate to H.R. 18583. the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970; and agreed to the conference asked by the Senate. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Staggers, Jarman, Rogers of Florida, Satterfield, Springer, Nelsen, and Carter.

ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION

By a voice vote, the House agreed to H. Con. Res. 774, providing for an adjournment of the two Houses from October 14 to November 16, 1970. By a division vote of 38 yeas to 73 nays, the House rejected an amendment by Mr. Hall in the form of a substitute that provided for a sine die adjournment.

Monday, October 12, 1970

NO LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Tuesday, October 13, 1970

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

The House agreed to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 18260. to authorize the U.S. Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare to establish educational programs to encourage understanding of policies and support of activities designed to preserve and enhance environmental quality and maintain ecological balance; with an amendment; and returned the measure to the Senate for further action.

AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

The House agreed to the amendments of the Senate to H.R. 13731, to amend the act of July 25, 1956, relating to the American Battle Monuments Commission, clearing the measure for the President.

VETERANS' CARE

The House receded and concurred in Senate amendment No. 1 and agreed to the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment No. 2 to H.R. 693, to provide that veterans who are 70 years of age or older shall be deemed to be unable to defray the expenses of necessary hospital or domiciliary care, clearing the measure for the President.

VETERANS' MOBILE HOMES

The House agreed to the amendments of the Senate to H.R. 16710, to remove time limitations on the use of entitlement to loan benefits to authorize guaranteed and direct loans for the purchase of mobile homes, to authorize direct loans for certain disabled veterans; with amendments, and returned the measure to the Senate for further action.



Tuesday, October 13, 1970 (continued)

FISH AND WILDLIFE

The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 12475 to revise and clarify the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act and the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act, clearing the measure for the President.

FLORIDA-GEORGIA BOUNDARY

By a voice vote, the House passed S. J. Res. 165, granting congressional consent to an agreement establishing a boundary between Florida and Georgia.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATION

By a record vote of 316 yeas to 20 mays, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 17604, to authorize certain construction at military installations, and sent the measure to the Senate for further action.

OMNIBUS CRIME CONTROL

The House disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 17825. to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968. and agreed to a conference asked by the Senate. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Celler, Rodino, Rogers of Colorado, McCulloch, and Poff.

FHA INSURANCE

By a voice vote, the House passed and cleared for the President S.J.Res. 242 to provide for the temporary extension of the Federal Housing Administration's insurance authority.

D.C. POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT RETIREMENT

By a voice vote, the House passed and cleared for the President S. 2695. proposed D.C. Policemen and Firemen's Retirement and Disability Act amendments.

BANK RECORDS

By a voice vote, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 15073, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to require insured banks to maintain certain records to require that certain transactions in U.S. currency be reported to the Department of the Treasury and sent the measure to the Senate for further action.

Tuesday, October 13, 1970 (continued)

AGRICULTURE ACT

By a record vote of 190 yeas to 145 mays, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 18546, Agricultural Act of 1970; and sent the measure to the Senate for further action.

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

By a voice vote, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 11833. to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act, thus clearing the measure for the President

MENTAL RETARDATION FACILITIES

By a voice vote, the House agreed to the conference report on S. 2846. to assist the States in developing a plan for the provision of comprehensive services to persons affected by mental retardation and other developmental disabilities originating in childhood, clearing the measure for Senate action.

HEALTH PLANNING AND SERVICES

By a voice vote, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 17570, Regional Medical Programs and Comprehensive Health Planning and Services Act of 1970, and sent the measure to the Senate for further action.

HOSPITAL PERSONNEL

By a voice vote, the House agreed to the conference report on S. 3586, to amend title VII of the Public Health Service Act, thus clearing the measure for Senate action.

RAIL PASSENGER SERVICE

RULE

By a voice vote, the House adopted H. Res. 1251, providing for two hours of open debate and one hour of closed debate.

Concluded all general debate on H.R. 17849, to provide financial assistance for and establishment of improved rail passenger service and began reading for amendment when the Committee of the Whole rose. Proceedings under the 5-minute rule will continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, October 14, 1970

DRUG ABUSE

By a voice vote, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 18583, the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970 clearing the measure for Senate action.

Wednesday, October 14, 1970 (continued)

RAIL PASSENGER SERVICE

RULE

By a voice vote, on Tuesday, October 13, 1970, the House adopted H. Res. 1251, providing for two hours of open debate and one hour of closed debate.

PASSAGE

By a voice vote, the House passed H.R. 17849, to provide financial assistance for and establishment of improved rail passenger service.

AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

RULE

By a voice vote, the House adopted H. Res. 1230, providing for one hour of open debate.

PASSAGE

By a record vote of 304 yeas to 1 nay, the House passed H.R. 16408, to amend the joint resolution establishing the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission, as amended.

Subsequently, this passage was vacated and S. 3630. a similar Senate-passed bill, was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the language of the House bill as passed.

D.C. TRAINING SCHOOL

The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 4182, to authorize voluntary admission of patients to the District of Columbia institution providing care, education, and treatment of mentally retarded persons, clearing the measure for the President.

LAND CONVEYANCE

The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 18086, to authorize the Commissioner of the District of Columbia to sell or exchange certain real property owned by the District in Prince William County. Va.

(HOUSE ADJOURNED UNTIL NOON ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1970)

(MORE)



Monday, November 16, 1970

HOUSE CONSIDERED THE CONSENT CALENDAR

SUSPENSIONS (5 BILLS)

The House voted to suspend the rules and passed the following bills:

- S. 2455, to authorize appropriations for the Civil Rights Commission, by a record vote of 271 years to 58 nays.
- S. 3785, to authorize assistance to wives of prisoners of war, by a record vote of 330 yeas to 0 nays.
- H.R. 19318, the Family Planning Services and Population Research Act of 1970, by a record vote of 298 yeas to 32 nays.
- S. 2543, to prohibit the movement in interstate or foreign commerce of horses which are "sored", by a voice vote.
- H. J. Res. 1355, concerning the war powers of the Congress and the President, by a record vote of 289 yeas to 39 nays, with 4 voting present.

PROGRAM AHEAD

Tuesday, November 17, 1970

PRIVATE CALENDAR

H. R. 19519 - The Comprehensive Manpower Act (OPEN RULE - TWO HOURS OF DEBATE)

Wednesday, November 18, 1970 and Balance of Week

- H. R. 18970 Trade Act of 1970
 (CLOSED RULE EIGHT HOURS OF DEBATE)
- H. R. 19504 Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1970 (SUBJECT TO A RULE BEING GRANTED)
- H. R. 18214 Consumer Protection Act of 1970 (SUBJECT TO A RULE BEING GRANTED)

