

MEDICAL

L.T.-Olds. Tues. Aug. 23 - '60.

Medical care for the aged held the center of the stage in the Senate today. There was the bill introduced - by Javits, Republican Senator from New York, a bill calling for state and federal grants - combined. The federal government, to pay four hundred million - the states a bit more.

This bill - approved by President Eisenhower and strongly backed - by Vice President Nixon, was defeated - sixty seven to twenty eight. The vote - along party lines.

Then the Senate went on to a Democratic bill - sponsored by Senator Anderson of New Mexico, ~~back~~ backed by Senator Kennedy. This one proposing to put medical care for the aged - under Social Security.

The Democrats ~~were~~ were pushing their bill and ignoring + President Eisenhower's threat to veto it. But, late today the bill was voted down by a vote of 51 to 44.

CUBA

Cuba - headed for a bank crisis. The cause -
Castro's demand that sugar accounts be transferred to his
Agricultural Bank. The order - forcing the banks to call
in outstanding loans. But some loans can't be collected -
because Castro has nationalized the debtor industries and
the banks - caught in the squeeze.

In Havana they say the next step will be for
Castro - to nationalize the banks.

SUGAR

President Eisenhower asks for authority - to cut our sugar importation from the Dominican Republic. The President's message to Congress, pointing out ^{that} Trujillo's dictatorship has been condemned by the O.A.S., And we don't want to ^{appear to} favor the Dominican strong man. ~~just when we and our allies are trying to end his island rule.~~ The proposed cut in Dominican sugar would amount to over three hundred thousand tons - that much of what used to be the Cuban quota.

CONGO

47
Premier Tshombe of Katanga claims - there has been a mutiny in the ranks of the ~~M~~ U N forces. That is, the contingent from the Mali Federation. Premier Tshombe says the Mali soldiers at Albertville in Katanga - are refusing to obey their officers. The reason the Malis ~~are~~ said to be angry about the split up of their homeland -- trouble ~~is~~ between Senegal and the Sudan.

U N officials are waiting for word from Albertville - four hundred miles ~~away~~ away -- ~~deep in the Equatorial Forest~~ on the shores of Lake Tanganyika.

Meanwhile, in Leopoldville the U N is still having trouble - with Lumumba's men. Five Europeans, arrested by them today - accused of being Belgian spies. The "evidence" produced by the Congolese - a radio. One of the ~~five~~ Europeans vainly trying to explain to the Congolese officer that "if ~~anyone~~ everyone in Leopoldville who owns a radio is a spy - then the city must be full of spies."

The return of Molotov to the news - is characteristic of Kremlin ~~inside~~ politics. Khrushchev, getting rid of an old opponent - by naming him to a minor ^{This time} post. [^]Molotov, assigned to the International Atomic Energy Agency - in Vienna. ^{Which takes} ~~taking~~ [^]him out of the Soviet Union - out of Khrushchev's path.

49
Why didn't Khrushchev leave Molotov - buried in Mongolia? The best guess is - Molotov, becoming too friendly with the Communist Chinese. Mao Tse-Tung - a Stalinist. And Molotov is- the classical Stalinist of them all. Molotov - an old Bolshevik. Stalin's - foreign minister. An architect - of Stalin's policies. Perhaps.

^{was}
[^]Molotov [^]in a position to conspire with Mao - as long as he stayed in Mongolia, Conspire - against Khrushchev. Hence, the new job - Khrushchev, moving Molotov clear across to the other side of the Soviet Union - to Vienna.

POWERS

America's convicted U-2 pilot - intends to be a model prisoner in a Russian jail. That's what Francis Powers told his wife - at their final meeting today. Saying - he'll do as he's told. Study Russian - as a past time, ^{and hope} ~~hoping~~ - for a reduction of his ten year sentence.

His lawyer says there's a good chance - that the three year prison term may be ~~reduced~~ reduced to eighteen months, ^{and wife} ~~allowing~~ Barbara ~~Powers~~ to return to Russia - in half the time, ~~Be~~ with him - as he serves his sentence in a Soviet labor camp. *Meanwhile she is;*

~~The pilot's wife~~ ^{is} waiting to ~~hear~~ hear how Khrushchev reacts to her appeal for ~~his~~ clemency, ^{and} ~~Meanwhile,~~ ^{duration} ~~she is~~ coming home - for the ~~rest~~ of Powers' prison term.

Also returning from Moscow - his parents. A sombre home-coming - for the ~~entire~~ family of Francis Gary Powers.

OLYMPICS

Today's vote in Rome's Excelsior Hotel was unanimous. All the delegates, casting their ballots for - Avery Brundage. Re-electing the ^{energetic Brundage} ~~American~~ President of the International Olympic Committee. Avery Brundage, often criticized -but still considered the best man to watch over the Olympics. Supported by ^{all of} those best qualified to judge - - his colleagues on the International Olympics Committee.

The Vice President - also re-elected. Armand Massard of France - and Britain's Marquis of Exeter. The same ^{men} ~~men~~ to head the Olympics - for another four years.

FOREST FIRES

Two of America's historic mountain chains - thick with billowing smoke tonight. California's High Sierra - and the Black Hills of South Dakota. Both, ~~encouraged~~^{are} by forest fires.

The biggest blaze - in the ^{High} Sierras, along the California-Nevada border, ~~covering~~^{over some} seventy five thousand acres. Destroying enough timber - for seven thousand homes. Three thousand fire fighters, struggling desperately - to stop this ~~forest~~ fire, ~~stop~~ it, before it hits Truckee, California - and Verdi, Nevada.

The fire in South Dakota's Black Hills - caused by lightning. Dozens of lightning bolts - hitting dry timber. Setting it ablaze - in many places. Fifteen hundred men on the ground - are cutting fire lanes, to check the blaze. Old army bombers, flying over the area, ^{are} dropping chemicals. But two thousand acres - have already gone up in ~~smoke~~ smoke. The Black Hills of Dakota - really black tonight.

CIRCUS

A bankruptcy case in Appleton, Wisconsin - ends a colorful cycle in the history of American entertainment.

Wisconsin, once called "the mother of circuses." Now losing *the only one left -* ~~its last show~~ - the Adams Brothers Circus of Appleton.

The last of a long line - of dramatic acts under the Big Top.

Wisconsin - home territory of the famous Ringling Brothers. The Ringlings, putting together a spectacular show - in the Nineteenth Century. *Later* merging with the great P T Barnum, *turning* the circus - into a multi-million dollar business. Operating out of Wisconsin - thrilling crowds across America - with wild animals acts, clowns, and high wire virtuosos. All the ~~huh~~ hoopla - of the three-ring circus. Many smaller circuses, getting into the act - *mainly* playing through the mid-west.

But the circus people - discovered the south. Barnum and Bailey, wintering in Florida - Sarasota. The smaller Wisconsin circuses, moving south - or going out of business. Now, the last one *in Wisconsin* folding its big top.

In San Francisco, the case of Raymond Cominsky -
The circus, only a visitor in Wisconsin - "the mother of
has the medicals baffled. They say he ought to be - dead.
circuses."

But all he has - is a headache.

And now, ladies and gentlemen, we have above the
Cominsky - feeling despondent, deciding - to end
center ring, on the hi-wire, smoking a long cigar, the
it all, putting the muzzle of a thirty-eight revolver - into
death-defying - Dick Noel!

his mouth, pulling the trigger. The gun, going off - the

bullet, crashing through Cominsky's head. Coming out - at
the top of his skull.

Cominsky, discovering he was still alive - deciding
to let it go at that. Retreating to a bar - for a drink -
where the police found him. The man who fired a bullet
into his mouth - and lived to tell the doctors he has nothing
worse than a headache.

BULLET

In San Francisco, the case of Raymond Cominskey - has the medicos baffled. They say he ought to be - dead. But all he has - is a headache.

Cominskey - feeling despondent, Deciding - to end it all, Putting the muzzle of a thirty-eight revolver - into his mouth, Pulling the trigger. The gun, going off - the bullet, crashing through Cominskey's head. Coming out - at the top of his skull.

Cominskey, discovering he was still alive - deciding to let it go at that. Retreating to a bar - for a drink - where the ~~mi~~ police found him. The man who fired a bullet into his mouth - and lived to tell the doctors he has nothing worse than a headache.