

SENATE L.T.-Olds, Fisher. Fri. June 19th 64.

This was one of the tensest days on Capitol Hill - since the Korean War. The Senate, waiting - minute by minute, hour by hour - to vote on the Civil Rights Bill. Not that the outcome - was in doubt. Passage of the bill became inevitable last week - when the vote for cloture cut off debate.

Yet, voting is what moves legislation - through Congress. And a piece of legislation as ~~crucial~~ crucial as this one, ^{The} ~~is almost always a center of tension. The~~ excitement ^{grew} ~~grows~~ as the showdown ^{drew} ~~drew~~ near. That's what happened today - until the clerk started calling the names of the Senators.

Each answering - "aye" or "no". The "ayes" - had it.

CIVIL RIGHTS

The Civil Rights Bill - the most important legislation of its kind since the Civil War - has eleven clauses, covering everything from voting rights - to jury ~~rights~~ trials.

The most controversial part of the measure is title two - on public accommodations. Meaning, the right of all American citizens to service - in hotels, restaurants, theatres, sports arenas, and so on, among the facilities excluded - Mrs. Murphy's famous rooming house. ~~That~~ ^{is the} hypothetical Mrs. Murphy ^{will} ~~has~~ five or less rooms for rent - in her hypothetical establishment, ~~house. So she also has~~ ^{she to have} the right to pick and choose among her hypothetical boarders.

Title two of the Civil Rights Bill is the section - that will probably produce more test cases than any other. Integration leaders, promising to start test cases - forthwith, ~~To see whether the~~ public places are in fact open to the public - without prejudice.

GOLDWATER

The big political question tonight is -- of course -- the vote (cast) by Senator Barry Goldwater. Will the Arizona Conservative, do what he said he would? Voting "No" -- during the Senate roll call on the Civil Rights Bill? Terminating the employment provisions -- "unconstitutional" and likely to lead to -- a "police state mentality."

Not all Republicans are happy about this, including Senator Dirksen of Illinois -- who shepherded the bill through; also Senators Javits and Keating of New York. And, Governor Scranton who predicts that, if nominated -- Goldwater will lead the G.O.P. to a cataclysmic defeat.

Goldwater's answer is -- that he's standing by the Constitution. He puts it this way. "I have no intention of -- "selling out my principles."

PLATFORM FOLLOW GOLDWATER

will it
The Goldwater vote creates a special problem-

for the G O P platform committee. Chairman Laird of

Wisconsin is calling for - a strong Civil Rights plank.

And for rejection of any candidate who rejects that

49 plank. Does that rule out - Barry Goldwater? Laird

says - "not necessarily," Because, Goldwater could

accept the plank - even should ~~he~~ disagree

with it.

But - would the Arizona Conservative accept

such a

Civil Rights plank? ~~That question has some~~

~~Republicans disturbed tonight.~~

JOHNSON

President Johnson already campaigning for reelection, or perhaps "election" -- since he was elected Vice President in Nineteen Sixty. This - his first presidential campaign. He's in California which may be decisive in deciding. So he was there today emphasizing the prosperity at that state. And reminding Californians that they have received government contracts since Nineteen Sixty^{one,} totaling more than twenty one billion dollars.

TURKEY

The shots fired into the American Embassy in Ankara - didn't hit anyone. The guess is that it was done by a Turk, protesting against - the Turkish Premier's trip to Washington - or was it a Greek, protesting against - American mediation in the Cyprus dispute?

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At any rate, Premier Inonu will arrive here - on Sunday - to meet President Johnson -- on schedule -- although in the Ankara Parliament he won a vote of confidence by only two hundred and one - ninety four.

CONGO

The latest reports from the Congo are beginning to sound more and more - like the chaos that followed the termination of Belgian rule that forced the U N to step in.

Tonight a resumption of the age-old blood feud - between the Balubas and the Lulus. Savage battles with spears and arrows - out in the bush. The Balubas - driving the Lulus back. Then, storming into Albertville and running wild.

No whites left in Albertville. All Europeans leaving the ^{north} Katanga capitol.

WALKER

That judgment handed down by a jury in Dallas, Texas - has a direct bearing on the question of a free press. It involves accuracy, good faith and fair comment - in covering the news. All three of which were missing, according to the jury - in the Associated Press story about former General Edwin Walker.

5/ Occasion - the integration riot at the University of Mississippi in Nineteen Sixty Two. General Walker was on campus - at the time. And the news reports of his activities - caused him to file libel suits adding up to twenty million dollars.

One suit - against the A.P. The verdict in his favor - handed down today. The jurors, agreeing - that General Walker did not assume command of the rioters. Nor did he lead a charge against the federal marshals - on the Ole Miss campus.

Walker, libeled - to the tune of eight hundred thousand dollars. The ~~news~~ ^{Assoc. Press will} ~~wrongly~~ ^{appealing}

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TECHNICAL

At Edwards Air Force Base, ^{Toby} President Johnson

was shown - some of the greatest technical advances of recent years.

One, the Lunar landing research vehicle - aboard which our astronauts will descend onto the surface of the Moon. Two, the research glider - that will fly into outer space and return under a pilot's control. Three, the F 4 C -- the world's fastest fighter plane. Four, the jet cargo transport - that can carry one hundred and twenty seven fully equipped paratroopers. And five, our celebrated rocket plane - the X-15, that seems to set a speed or altitude record every time a test pilot takes it up over the Mojave Desert.

MOUNTAIN

Picture this -- snow, falling, over a range of mountains; blocking - passes, closing - roads and trails, disrupting - communications, cutting off a group of men - at an altitude of four thousand feet. Rescuers, trying to get through - to them.

In the Alps or Himalayas - or Alaska?

No - this is - Africa. South Africa - to be precise.

Where snow is rare. In the Swartberg Mountains.

Trapping forty-five ~~no~~ foresters - high up on the slopes.

So unusual they are having trouble with rescue operations.

For example -- no snowplows.

They say it's a meteorological freak - coming from the Antarctic, causing snow to fall - from Capetown

to Johannesburg. ^{Now from the snowy} ~~Heaviest over the~~ Swartberg Mountains.

2/13 So. Africa to White House.

WEDDING

It was a simple ceremony that took place today in the tiny Eleventh Century Church - on the Baltic Island of Oeland. The bride ⁱⁿ ~~wore~~ a gown of her own design - and carried wild flowers. The church, ~~had~~ ~~been~~ decorated with the same wild flowers, ~~by~~ by the bride's mother and sisters.

She was given away - by her grandfather.

Princess Margaretha of Sweden - walking down the aisle, ~~On~~ on the arm of - King Gustav the Sixth. Smiling at her bridegroom - John Ambler of Britain - as she reached the altar.

Among the two hundred guests who managed to squeeze into the tiny church - Mrs. June Merriefield of Torrance, California, who won a trip to Sweden - and an invitation to the wedding, ~~When~~ when she was made "Queen for a day" - by ^a ~~the~~ TV program. From TV - to royal wedding.