

FARM BILL L.T. DeLoe. Wed. Apr. 18 - '56

President Eisenhower - won a signal victory in Congress, today. In the House of Representatives, the Democrats brought in a resolution. - to override - the veto of the Farm Bill. So what happened?

The proposal did not get a two-thirds majority. Not even - a simple majority. It got an actual - minority. Rejected - by two-hundred-and-ten to two-hundred-and-two.

When the bill was passed, the White House was defeated - by fifty-six votes. Today, however, the President won the contest - by eight votes. Obviously, quite a few Congressmen swung over to the side of the President.

Among the Democrats - little change. Thirty-eight -- voting to support the veto. But thirty-five of them had been against the catch-all Farm Bill - right along. The switch, today, was - among the farm state Republicans. Twenty-eight, who had voted for the bill - now voting for the veto.

One Democrat<sup>ic</sup> Congressman ~~From~~ <sup>From</sup> Texas, put it in

the following sour words: "They figured that Ike's

coat-tails are the safest place to be on - this election year."

Democratic Leader, Congressman Mc Cormack of Massachusetts, says - the Republican legislators changed their minds, after the President announced administrative action to put more money in the pockets of the farmers. By hiking - the support of agricultural prices.

Anyway, there's intense Republican jubilation tonight - following the surprise victory for the President, With its obvious bearing - on the battle for the farm vote.

FOLLOW FARM BILL.

Washington announces, tonight - that Secretary of Agriculture Benson has ordered - an increase of price supports. <sup>for</sup> ~~For~~ dairy farm products. Hiking the figures - for butter, milk and so on.

All of which is according to the pledge President Eisenhower gave - in his Veto Message, and in his radio-television address to the farmers.

## BUDGET

In Congress, an estimate - that the Eisenhower administration was all wrong when predicting a financial surplus, this present fiscal year. There'll be a surplus all right - but it will be ten/~~times as big as the one predicted by~~ times as big as the one predicted by Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey.

He thought - the Treasury would be in the black to the tune of two hundred million dollars. But the Congressional experts predict - the surplus will be two billions, to the good

Some Democrats are claiming - the administration deliberately under-estimated the figure - so as to produce a surprise proposal for tax reduction. Today, however, Grover Ensley, the financial expert for Congress, warned - against a cut of taxation this year. Saying it would be - inflationary. It would pour new millions of dollars into the present boom. With a danger of - boom and bust.

ATOMIC.

From Washington - the announcement that a charter for the International development of atomic energy has been okayed - by twelve nations. Including the United States and Soviet Russia. A program to be put into effect - President Eisenhower's "Atoms For Peace" Plan. This will be placed before a full scale conference, which will meet in New York in September.

NEW JERSEY

Today's figures in the New Jersey primary, yesterday - confirm a set-back for Senator Kefauver. He'd hoped - probably, he'd win ten of the ~~thirty-eight~~ delegates to the Democratic National Convention. But he took <sup>with half a vote.</sup> - only one, / The others - on an uncommitted slate, headed by Governor Meyner. They'll go to the Convention - with a free hand.

The delegate part of it was one angle in the primary. The other - a ~~xxx~~ presidential preference contest. Kefauver - the only name on the Democratic side - no opposition. The figures show - one-hundred-and-eight thousand for the Senator.

That's to be compared with the figure for President Eisenhower - who was unopposed on the Republican~~s~~ side. He gets - three-hundred-and-nineteen thousand votes. Nearly three times as many - as Kefauver.

( This afternoon, the Senator said - he has no excuses, no alibis, for his New Jersey defeat. "I ~~take~~ take them as they come," said he. )

Adlai Stevenson today, was jubilant. He was not involved - not directly. But it's a set-back for Kefauver, ~~and who harms my enemy, helps me.~~

So, today, Adlai said: "I was beaten in Minnesota. But after New Jersey, evidently, I'm not eliminated after all."

## POLITICS

Some hefty swings - between those two gladiators, Stevenson and Kefauver. The two rivals hurling - their Sunday punch. Which is exactly the right expression - Sunday. Their newest quarrel being - about the Sabbath day.

Campaigning in Florida, Stevenson challenged Kefauver - to an oratorical duel. A joint appearance on the same platform - debating the issues. That's ~~the~~ a word the politicians love - "issues." Adlai suggesting - either of two dates - May Twentieth or May Twenty-Seventh. <sup>PThe</sup> Retort from the Kefauver camp was - devastating. Pointing out that both of those dates were - Sundays. The Tennessee Senator - refusing to talk politics on the Sabbath day. Shocked - at the very idea of a campaign debate on Sunday.

Not such bad political strategy - especially in the rural regions of Florida. The Stevenson people - out-maneuvered ~~him~~ by that Sunday punch. So, are they indignant?

Today - an angry blast from the managers of the



Stevenson campaign in Florida. Calling the Kefauver answer - double talk, demagoguery. They retort - that Senator Kefauver had "quite a busy Sunday" in New Jersey last week. With appearances all across the state - on the Sabbath day. And a speech at a Jersey City political rally, Sunday night.

So why does he have to put on an appearance of being shocked, by the notion of a political debate on Sunday, in Florida?

Yes, the boys are swinging their Sunday punches.

BULGANIN - KHRUSHCHEV

The big visit began - in Britain, today. Formal, all according to protocol. But - rather frosty.

Arriving aboard a Soviet cruiser, Bulganin and Khrushchev got a <sup>Correct</sup> ~~usual~~ salute, with the booming of naval guns. A guard of honor - drawn up for them to inspect. Everything polite - but cold.

In London, at the Victoria Station, the two Soviet leaders were greeted by Prime Minister Eden, who welcomed them with all the <sup>usual</sup> international courtesy. A mixture of cheering and booing <sup>from</sup> ~~the~~ crowds kept at a distance by the police.

Part of the chilly atmosphere - was because of elaborate security precautions. Without precedent - in British peace-time history. Even with warm feelings, it would be no simple matter to <sup>keep up</sup> ~~have~~ an air of cordial good-fellowship -- when such rigorous measures are taken. To keep the guests - from being assassinated, or something. But the British are determined - they'll have nothing unpleasant from the host of

anti-Communist refugees in London.

At the Victoria Station, Bulganin spoke into a microphone, and said: "Peace is the basis of our foreign policy." And embroidered - on that theme.

It is noticed that, in London - Bulganin is taking the lead. Khrushchev - in second place. Which was not the case - in former trips by the two travelers. Khrushchev <sup>then</sup> doing the talking - and talking big. His modest reserve and reticence, today, probably another sign of the chilly atmosphere of the visit.

From the station they were driven through streets - in which all traffic had been blocked. The crowds on the sidewalks - kept back by lines of police. From the crowds - mingled cheering and booing. They're stopping at ~~the~~ Claridge's - which hotel is guarded like a fortress.

Later in the day, Bulganin and Khrushchev were taken on a quick sightseeing trip. To St. Paul's, Westminster Abbey, and - the Tower of London. I don't know how the two big-time

Reds enjoyed those venerable churches - St. Paul's and the Abbey. Probably, they felt more at home - in the Tower of London. Which, in the ~~mixid~~ days of old, was a sort of -- London Kremlin.

PALESTINE

In Israel, government officials predict - that a  
cease-fire will be proclaimed shortly. Indicating - a decrease  
of tension in the quarrel between Israel and Egypt. <sup>As a</sup> result -  
of the Hammarskjold peace mission.

Today, the U.N. Secretary General had a second  
meeting with Premier Ben-Gurion, and the report is - that the  
Premier of Israel has made an important concession. Israeli  
patrols - to be removed permanently from the border of the  
Gaza Strip. Which has been the scene of chronic, bitter  
hostilities.

## BAGHDAD PACT

The United States, today, became a full member of the Economic Committee - of the Baghdad Pact alliance. Committee membership - indicating full support.

The Baghdad Pact nations have been urging Uncle Sam - to join as a member of the alliance. But Washington rejected the proposal. The United States - not wanting to antagonize Arab countries, which are hostile to the pact.

So now, a sort of compromise - we join the Economic Committee.

ALABAMA

At Birmingham, a city judge imposed a ~~jail~~ sentence - on four White men, involved in an attack on the Negro entertainer, Nat King Cole. Six months in <sup>jail</sup> ~~the hoobegow~~, together with a one hundred dollar fine - for each of the four. The limit - for the offense.

The four tried - as accessories. Not - the principals, in the disturbance at the performance of the Negro singer.

The two principals - to be tried later on. The charge - assault with intent to murder. Those two are the ones who went on the stage, <sup>and</sup> made the actual attack - pushing the singer arpond.

Today, Judge Ralph Parker praised the behavior of the victim of the assault, declaring: "It is a duty I owe the South, to commend the conduct of Nat King Cole at the scene of the disturbance."

## WEDDING

Tonight, Grace Kelly is a Princess - halfway. A bride - fifty per cent. After the ceremony, today, in the palace, she made a remark to one of her bridesmaids. Saying: "I'm ~~always~~ <sup>halfway</sup> married."

The ceremony, today, was the civil wedding, performed by a judge. In all respects - a legal marriage. But incomplete - in the eyes of the Kellys. The Church wedding - to be solemnized later, tomorrow. All according to custom - quite common in Europe. ~~a~~ marriage having two ceremonies - civil, then religious.

*TP So, in the civil wedding,*

~~Anyway~~ Grace Kelly and Prince Rainier said - "I do."

Or rather, they said - "Oui." No, not "we do". Just - "Oui".

Performing the ceremony in French, the judge said:

"Mademoiselle Grace Patricia Kelly, do you take as your husband - His Serene Highness, Prince Rainier the Third, Grimaldi, sovereign Prince of Monaco, here present?"

Grace replied: "Oui."



Then the judge addressed Prince Rainier: "May I, very respectfully, ask Your Serene Highness, if he agrees to take as his wife and legitimate spouse - Mademoiselle Grace Patricia Kelly, here present?"

And Rainier replied: "Oui."

It was all on European television, and some thirty million people saw the ceremony, and heard the couple utter the fateful word - "Oui."

WEDDING - PRIZE

Now - let's award a prize for the best newspaper coverage of the wedding. The medal - pinned on the Rome Daily American. The English-language newspaper has been telling day after day - about the preparations. Including - those jewel thefts.. Which made it seem as if - the underworld of Paris and Marseilles had moved into Monaco. Even one of the bridesmaids - having her jewelry stolen.

Well, the Rome Daily American finally grew weary of printing long accounts. Today - making it short. The complete story reading as follows: "Monaco, April Eighteenth. American Actress Grace Kelly and Prince Rainier were married here today. Nobody stole the wedding ring."

~~Henry~~ Thieves might have swiped almost everything else - but not the wedding ring.