

There being no objection, the resolution (S. Res. 413) was considered and agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 413

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate hereby is authorized and directed to pay, from the contingent fund of the Senate, to Dorothy S. Berg, widow of William Berg, Jr., an employee of the Senate at the time of his death, a sum equal to one year's compensation at the rate he was receiving by law at the time of his death, said sum to be considered inclusive of funeral expenses and all other allowances.

GRATUITY TO ALBERTA N. CONLON

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, I send to the desk a resolution and ask unanimous consent for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the resolution, (S. Res. 414) was considered and agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 414

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate hereby is authorized and directed to pay, from the contingent fund of the Senate, to Alberta N. Conlon, widow of John F. Conlon, an employee of the Senate at the time of his death, a sum equal to ten and one-half months' compensation at the rate he was receiving by law at the time of his death, said sum to be considered inclusive of funeral expenses and all other allowances.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Bartlett, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House had disagreed to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 14096) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to increase the penalties for unlawful acts involving lysergic acid diethylamide—LSD—and other depressant and stimulant drugs, and for other purposes; asked a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and that Mr. STAGGERS, Mr. JARMAN, Mr. ROGERS of Florida, Mr. SATTERFIELD, Mr. SPRINGER, Mr. NELSEN, and Mr. CARTER were appointed managers on the part of the House at the conference.

The message also announced that the House had passed the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 175) to suspend for the 1968 campaign the equal-time requirements of section 315 of the Communications Act of 1934 for nominees for the offices of President and Vice President, with amendments, in which it requested the concurrence of the Senate.

ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker had affixed his signature to the following enrolled bills and joint resolution:

S. 2671. An act to provide for the control of noxious plants on land under the control or jurisdiction of the Federal Government;

H.R. 551. An act to authorize the establishment of the Biscayne National Monument in the State of Florida, and for other purposes;

H.R. 8781. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to exchange certain lands in Shasta County, Calif., and for other purposes;

H.R. 13480. An act to make proof of financial responsibility requirements of section 39(a) of the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act of the District of Columbia inapplicable in the case of minor traffic violations involving drivers' licenses and motor vehicle registration; and

S.J. Res. 191. Joint resolution authorizing the erection of a statue of Benito Pablo Juarez on public grounds in the District of Columbia.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate go into executive session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SPONG in the chair). Without objection, it is so ordered.

U.S. TARIFF COMMISSION

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. President, at the desk are two nominations to the U.S. Tariff Commission which were unanimously reported earlier today by the Committee on Finance. I have discussed this matter with the leadership on both sides of the aisle, as well as the senior members of the committee, and I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of these nominations.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Will E. Leonard, Jr., of Louisiana, to be a member of the U.S. Tariff Commission.

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I was pleased to learn that the Senate Finance Committee at its meeting this morning had voted to approve the nomination of Mr. Will E. Leonard, Jr., as a member of the U.S. Tariff Commission.

Mr. Leonard will bring to his new position a long experience on the Hill, combined with a specialized knowledge of the matters with which he will have to deal in his new assignment.

He first came to Washington in 1960 as legislative assistant to the senior Senator from Louisiana. He held this position until 1965 when, in competition with other lawyers on the Senate staff, he won a congressional staff fellowship to Harvard University.

His 1 year at Harvard enabled him to obtain his master's degree in law, specializing in tax and trade law.

With this new expertise, Will Leonard returned to Washington in 1966 as professional staff member of the Senate Finance Committee.

There are many outstanding members on the Senate staff. But I know of no staffer who is more widely respected by Senators as well as by his immediate colleagues.

This respect is based on many things.

It is based in the first instance on his exceptional competence, and on his knowledge of law and the legislative process and of matters relating to finance and trade.

But it is based in almost equal degree on the warmth of his personality and on his unflinching courtesy and helpfulness.

I am certain that Will Leonard will serve with distinction in his new assignment. As one of the many Senators whose privilege it has been to know him, I wish him the best of luck.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the nomination is considered and confirmed.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Herschel D. Newsom, of Indiana, to be a member of the U.S. Tariff Commission.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the nomination is considered and confirmed.

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the President be immediately notified of the confirmation of these nominations.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. President, I move that the Senate resume the consideration of legislative business.

The motion was agreed to, and the Senate resumed the consideration of legislative business.

AMENDMENT OF FEDERAL FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT

Mr. HILL. Mr. President, I ask the Chair to lay before the Senate a message from the House of Representatives on H.R. 14096.

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate a message from the House of Representatives announcing its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 14096) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to increase the penalties for unlawful acts involving lysergic acid diethylamide—LSD—and other depressant and stimulant drugs, and for other purposes, and requesting a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon.

Mr. HILL. I move that the Senate insist upon its amendment and agree to the request of the House for a conference, and that the Chair be authorized to appoint the conferees on the part of the Senate.

The motion was agreed to; and the Presiding Officer appointed Mr. HILL, Mr. YARBOROUGH, Mr. WILLIAMS of New Jersey, Mr. PELL, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. JAVITS, Mr. MURPHY, and Mr. DOMINICK conferees on the part of the Senate.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. What is the will of the Senate?

Mr. BYRD of West Virginia. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. SPONG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BYRD of West Virginia in the chair). Without objection, it is so ordered.

THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Mr. SPONG. Mr. President, yesterday, I spoke briefly on the situation in the Middle East and the indications of widespread interest in securing a settlement for the hostilities which plague the area.

Peace in the Middle East is thwarted not only by the events of June 1967 but also by the hostilities which have existed during the 20 years when the Israeli state has existed.

As I noted yesterday, the United States and Russia have both suggested guidelines for the solution of Middle Eastern problems. The Arabs have reportedly indicated an interest in a settlement.

And, yesterday, Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban listed nine principles which his Government believes should form the basis for a settlement. We should be encouraged by this action.

I believe that these developments suggest the time is propitious to explore all possible means of securing a Middle East settlement.

It is undoubtedly most logical at this point to work through the United Nations. The U.N. is now in session and representatives of the various nations are currently in New York. The U.N. has the facilities available for discussion and negotiation. In addition, the U.N. has been involved in the Middle East question for over 20 years and is familiar with the various arguments and disagreements in the area. As a matter of fact, a U.N. representative, Dr. Gunnar Jarring, has been intimately involved in discussions with the various Middle Eastern nations, over the past 11 months. Certainly, these arrangements should be used to the utmost.

The U.N. can, however, only provide to much. Ultimately, the peoples of the Middle East themselves must determine and accept the settlement. These are the persons who will have to live with the terms of the agreement and who will mainly be responsible for preserving it.

At this time, I would, however, urge the Middle East nations to review the various indications of interest in a settlement and to explore intensely all possibilities of agreement. There must be a determination of permanent boundaries and the respect of each of the Middle East nations for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the others. None of the greater powers can effectively guarantee such arrangements on a day-to-day basis. Thus, the Middle Eastern nations themselves must be ready to make the next moves.

COMMITTEE MEETING

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. President, inquiry was made of me—and I have not cleared it on the other side of the aisle—whether there will be objection to the Committee on Banking and Currency meeting during the session of the Senate tomorrow. If there is to be objection, I will delay long enough to find out if it to be agreed to.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Delaware. Person-

ally I have no objection. Some members of the committee have left for the night, and there is no way I can find out tonight.

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Then, I shall not make the request, Mr. President.

PROGRAM

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. President, I believe that the pending business now is the revenue bill that we have been debating for some time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SPONG in the chair). The Senator is correct.

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. President, if no other Senators desire to speak at this time—

Mr. JAVITS. Mr. President, will the Senator yield?

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. I yield.

Mr. JAVITS. I did not quite understand, Mr. President, why the equal-time bill, so-called, is a matter of priority.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The equal-time bill has passed both Houses of Congress.

Mr. JAVITS. And it is a conference report.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. It is not a conference report. It is a privileged matter coming over from the House.

Mr. JAVITS. I thank the Chair. So it will not displace the pending business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator is correct.

Mr. JAVITS. Do I correctly understand from the Senator from Louisiana that the actual proceedings tomorrow on the equal-time bill will precede the pending business and that the pending business will not actually be acted on, by amendment or third reading or anything else, until this priority business is disposed of?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New York is correct. That is as a result of the unanimous-consent agreement.

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. President, as I understand the parliamentary situation, the equal-time bill is a privileged matter and could be called up by the Senator in charge of the bill at any time he chose to call it up, and it could also be set aside at any time the Senate decides to set it aside.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator is correct.

Mr. JAVITS. Mr. President, will the Senator yield?

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. I yield.

Mr. JAVITS. But there is a unanimous-consent request that it will be called up and dealt with the first thing tomorrow.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SPONG in the chair). The unanimous-consent agreement provides that the equal-time bill will be laid before the Senate immediately after the prayer tomorrow.

Mr. JAVITS. I thank the Presiding Officer.

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. President, a parliamentary inquiry.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator will state it.

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. President, if the leadership, or any Senator in charge of the equal-time bill had cared to move that it be laid before the Senate immediately after the prayer, would he not have the right to do that?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator is correct.

RECESS UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. President, if there be no further business to come before the Senate, I move, in accordance with the previous order, that the Senate stand in recess until 10 a.m. tomorrow morning.

The motion was agreed to; and (at 6 o'clock and 10 minutes p.m.) the Senate recessed until tomorrow, Thursday, October 10, 1968, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATION

Executive nomination received by the Senate October 9, 1968:

DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM

James P. Alger, of Utah, to be Judge of the District Court of Guam for the term of 8 years, vice Paul D. Shriver, resigning.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate October 9, 1968:

POSTMASTERSALABAMA

Virginia S. Hicks, Thomaston.

ALASKA

Mildred M. Hinshaw, Glennallen.
Bernard C. Iverson, Wrangell.

CALIFORNIA

Clifton W. Carney, Eagle Mountain.
Kenneth Burke, Felton.
Frederic J. Rupp, Sacramento.

CONNECTICUT

Anthony M. Chiappetta, Cos Cob.
Joseph J. Maruzo, Milldale.

FLORIDA

Dorothy M. Kongas, Long Key.

ILLINOIS

Eunice M. Pohlman, Grafton.
Richard T. Durgom, Rockton.

INDIANA

Paul M. McGinley, Lebanon.

KANSAS

Theresa Rupp, Ellis.
Roger C. Hastert, Garnett.
Ralph E. Dillon, Hope.
Mary E. Fleischer, Hoyt.
Leslie E. Dexter, Netawaka.
LeRoy F. Heiserman, Oketa.
Richard R. Tyrell, Osawatomie.
Betty M. Traffas, Sharon.
Kenneth B. Becker, Winfed.

KENTUCKY

W. Paul Duncan, Georgetown.
Virginia L. Redd, Gracey.

MISSISSIPPI

Briester C. Cosnahan, Summit.

MISSOURI

Glen E. Gamble, Fair Play.
Jackie J. Warren, Fairview.
Warren H. Davis, Lebanon.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Adelard A. Bisson, Somersworth.