

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1956

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

The Chaplain, Rev. Bernard Braskamp, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Eternal God, our Father, Thou art of all friends the nearest, of all counselors the wisest, and of all helpers the ablest and most willing to minister unto our needs in times of crises and confusion.

We pray that Thy spirit may inspire us with an earnest and eager longing to contribute more generously and wholeheartedly to the welfare and peace of all mankind.

We thank Thee for the life and character of Thy servant, our colleague, who now dwells in eternal blessedness, forever with the Lord.

Thou hast opened unto him the gateway to the larger life and received him into Thy nearer presence.

Grant unto the sorrowing and lonely the consolations of Thy grace and may they yield themselves without murmur or complaint to that divine providence which is too wise to err and too kind to injure.

In Christ's name we offer our petitions. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was read and approved.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. Tribbe, one of his secretaries, who also informed the House that on the following dates the President approved and signed bills of the House of the following titles:

On January 20, 1956:

H. R. 5614. An act to amend the Communications Act of 1934 in regard to protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing.

On January 25, 1956:

H. R. 1022. An act for the relief of Antonio Andrea Chitato;

H. R. 1145. An act for the relief of Ora L. Powers;

H. R. 1146. An act for the relief of the Pacific Music Supply Co.;

H. R. 1183. An act for the relief of Baldomero R. Garcia, Teresa Garcia y Braganza, Francisco Garcia, Teresita Garcia, and Eduardo Garcia;

H. R. 1752. An act for the relief of Johanna Juresic Grgurich;

H. R. 1768. An act for the relief of the Jefferson and Plaquemines Drainage District and certain persons whose properties abut on the Federal Government's right-of-way for Harvey Canal in Louisiana;

H. R. 1910. An act for the relief of Blanka Goldstein;

H. R. 2273. An act for the relief of Der Chuck Yee and Wu Mei On;

H. R. 2296. An act for the relief of Simone Gilliland; and

H. R. 3027. An act for the relief of Leo E. Verhaeghe.

On January 28, 1956:

H. R. 938. An act for the relief of Mrs. Elena Apostolescu Bustiuc;

H. R. 1219. An act for the relief of the estate of Mrs. Margaret A. Swift;

H. R. 1447. An act for the relief of Aleksandra Borkowski;

H. R. 2273. An act for the relief of Consuelo Calderon de Villarreal;

H. R. 2466. An act for the relief of Marino and Giselda Proni;

H. R. 2467. An act for the relief of Ivo and Elia Monari;

H. R. 4582. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 with respect to deductions from gross income of amounts contributed to employees' trusts;

H. R. 5428. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 with respect to the period of limitation for filing claims by certain transferees and fiduciaries for credit or refund of income taxes;

H. R. 7036. An act to amend section 37 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 with respect to the earned income limitation on retirement income;

H. R. 7282. An act relating to the allowance of the credits for dividends received, for dividends paid, and for a Western Hemisphere trade corporation in computing the alternative tax of a corporation with respect to its capital gains; and

H. R. 7364. An act relating to the application of the documentary stamp tax to transfers of certain obligations paid for in installments.

On January 31, 1956:

H. R. 1015. An act for the relief of Mr. and Mrs. Derfery William Wright.

On February 2, 1956:

H. R. 1496. An act for the relief of Leong Ding Foon Quon; and

H. R. 7871. An act to amend the Small Business Act of 1953.

On February 10, 1956:

H. R. 5844. An act to increase the fee for executing an application for a passport;

H. R. 7930. An act authorizing the completion of the initial stage of development for flood control and other purposes in the Russian River Basin, Calif.; and

H. J. Res. 471. Joint resolution to permit FHA title I repair assistance to new homes damaged by major disasters.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY NEXT

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today it adjourn to meet on Tuesday next.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts?

There was no objection.

THE NEW ORLEANS MARDI GRAS

(Mr. MORRISON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MORRISON. Mr. Speaker, each year when the Mardi Gras is being celebrated in the city of New Orleans as it has been for many generations, the Louisiana State Society here in the Nation's Capital has an annual Mardi Gras ball. The president of our State society is Mr. Felix Broussard. Each year this Mardi Gras ball is given about the same time that the Mardi Gras is being celebrated in the city of New Orleans.

We give this ball in Washington and dedicate it to a Louisiana industry. Last year the ball was dedicated to the rice industry and the year before to the sugar industry. This year our ball will be held tomorrow night and will be dedicated to the great oil industry of Louisiana.

I would also like to point out that each year we have many, many beautiful young ladies who come to Washington from all parts of Louisiana, queens of the various festivals throughout the State. There are 25 queens in all and I think everyone will agree with me when you look up into the gallery and see those 25 beautiful queens along with the queen of all queens, Miss Lee Anna Martino, of New Orleans, who will reign over this Mardi Gras ball tomorrow night. She also ruled as queen last fall at the Louisiana Gulf Coast Oil Exposition at Lafayette, La. Miss Martino is a graduate of Sacred Heart School and Ursuline College, of New Orleans. She is one of the most beautiful ladies in all the South and I am sure she will make the Washington Mardi Gras a most gorgeous queen.

Her king will be Mr. William L. "Buddy" Billups, president of one of the South's largest independent oil companies with headquarters in Hammond, La. Mr. Billups has been an outstanding businessman in the oil field for many years and is known and respected throughout the entire oil industry. Not only have these beautiful queens come for the Mardi Gras party, but also have distinguished citizens from both Louisiana and Texas and at this time I would like to mention a few: Mr. and Mrs. Willard Johnson from Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown from Houston, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Boudreau of Lake Charles, La.; Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Hoskins from Lake Charles, La.; Gov. Jimmy Davis from Louisiana; State Senator and Mrs. C. H. Downs from Louisiana; Mr. and Mrs. J. Moody Ellington from Louisiana; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley H. Freeman, Mr. J. R. Tully, Mr. Garnett, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Latham, Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Ford Graham, and Louisiana Democratic Committeeman Mr. Camile Gravel and wife, all from Louisiana.

The tableau of the ball will be Louisiana under 11 flags and perhaps be the most spectacular and dazzling ball ever given in Washington. Many of Washington's top officials will be there including Adm. Arthur W. Radford, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and other notables, about 1,500 in all. The ball will be held at the Sheraton Park Ballroom, one of the most beautiful and largest in the world.

Below is a list of the queens and the festivals that they represent where they reigned as queen of each festival in Louisiana.

Names and addresses of Louisiana queens:

Miss Dixie Breithaupt, sugarcane festival, New Iberia, La.

Miss Sandra Briese, paper festival, Bogalusa, La.,

Miss Lois Boudreaux, dairy festival, Abbeville, La.

Miss Vita Brown, Louisiana fur festival, Hackberry, La.

Miss Rosalyn Gates, sweetheart of the American Legion, Bogalusa, La.

Miss Donna Loyce Hamic, camellia festival, Lafayette, La.

Miss Glen Hope, spirit of Mardi Gras, New Orleans, La.

Miss Sharon Horne, peach festival, Ruston, La.

Miss Marie Lise Labbé, Southwest Louisiana Madri Gras, Lafayette, La.

Miss Lorette LeMarie, Delcambre fishing industry, Delcambre, La.

Miss Carolyn Leonards, international rice festival, Crowley, La.

Miss Ann McCaleb, north Louisiana delta festival, Bastrop, La.

Miss Bobbie Ann Mistich, orange festival, Buras, La.

Miss Sherry Posey, holiday in Dixie, Shreveport, La.

Miss Martha Richard, domino festival, Cheneyville, La.

Miss Pauline Sanders, future farmer of America, Baton Rouge, La.

Miss Kay Sellers, yambilee festival, Opelousas, La.

Miss Myrna Bea Soileau, cotton festival, Ville Platte, La.

Miss Judy Taylor, Louisiana livestock and pasture festival, Marksville, La.

Miss Elsie Theriot, shrimp festival, Morgan City, La.

Miss Allison C. Townsend, Louisiana Farm Bureau, Baton Rouge, La.

Miss Nealyne Tullas, rose festival, Bogalusa, La.

Miss Patricia Welsh, Miss Independent Oil, Lake Charles, La.

Miss Sherry Yarbrough, Florida Parishes dairy and agriculture, Kentwood, La.

Miss Pat Zimmer, forest festival, Winnfield, La.

Ladies in waiting to her majesty: Miss Patricia Bean, Miss Barbara Boggs, Miss Katherine Bourg, Miss Lucille Breaux, Miss Vaughn Burdin, Miss Elizabeth Coulon, Miss Deidre Rose Dwen, Miss Sarah Foret, Miss Ann Gravel, Miss Carrie Sue Hooks, Miss Marguerite Willis.

Mr. John McHugh, official chaperon.

Officers of the Louisiana State Society are: Felix W. Broussard, president; T. A. Thompson, vice president; J. W. Hanley, sergeant at arms.

I feel greatly honored that I have the privilege of being the chairman for this 1956 Washington Mardi Gras ball dedicated to the oil industry of Louisiana.

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, a point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state it.

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER. The Chair may say that he intends to submit a message from the President of the United States when this is over, then recognize the gentleman from Illinois. That is all the business we will have today.

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, do I understand then that is the end of the program for today?

The SPEAKER. It is.

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, if that is all there is to it, I withdraw my point of order that a quorum is not present.

[Mr. MORRISON addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Appendix.]

NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL ON INTERNATIONAL MONETARY AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 336)

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States, which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed, with illustrations:

To the Congress of the United States:

I transmit herewith, for the information of the Congress, a report of the National Advisory Council on International Monetary and Financial Problems submitted to me through its Chairman, covering its operations from January 1 to June 30, 1955, and describing, in accordance with section 4 (b) (5) of the Bretton Woods Agreements Act, the participation of the United States in the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for the above period.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER.

THE WHITE HOUSE, February 10, 1956.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. BURLERSON, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H. R. 2667. An act to amend section 208 (b) of the Technical Changes Act of 1953, and for other purposes; and

H. R. 7054. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 to provide a credit against the estate tax for Federal estate taxes paid on certain prior transfers.

SPECIAL ORDER GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House following the legis-

lative program and any special orders heretofore entered was granted to Mr. FERNANDEZ, for 15 minutes, on Tuesday next.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent, inasmuch as I had a special order, that I may extend my remarks in the Appendix of the RECORD.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

[The matter referred to appears in the Appendix.]

THE LATE CHAUNCEY W. REED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. ALLEN.]

Mr. ALLEN of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep regret and a heavy burden on my heart that I announce to the Members of the House the passing of our beloved friend, CHAUNCEY W. REED.

CHAUNCEY REED was vitally interested in his work. He was conscientious. He had but one real objective in mind, and that was to serve his country and his people to the best of his great ability. He worked untiringly to serve his constituents. He loved this great House of Representatives and its membership. He has left his mark on the history of his country through his devoted service on the important Committee on the Judiciary, of which he served as chairman the last Congress.

CHAUNCEY REED was a kindly man, always anxious to assist his colleagues and to offer advice from his great well of wisdom. He never failed to put his associates and his friends ahead of himself. While all of us knew and understood his great contribution to the work of the Congress, I think that those of us who have served with him down through the years will always remember with affection those times when he would retire to the cloakroom, light a cigar, and hold court by spinning yarns and tales of his experiences in the legal profession.

He was definitely honest in all things—mentally honest, as well as otherwise. I would say he was ruggedly honest. In addition to that, he was courageous; he had moral courage at a time when we need that virtue perhaps more than all other virtues.

CHAUNCEY W. REED, Republican, of West Chicago, Ill., was born at West Chicago, Ill., June 2, 1890; educated in West Chicago public and high schools, Northwestern University, and Webster College of Law; city treasurer of city of West Chicago, 1913-14; during the World War served in the 86th Division of the United States Army; was first commander of Naperville Post, No. 43, American Legion, and served as national garde de la forte and national conducteur of La Société des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux; elected State's attorney of Du Page County, Ill., in 1920, 1924, 1928, and 1932; served 4 terms as secretary of the Du Page County Bar Association and 2 terms as president of the Illinois State's