

## PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

268. By Mr. BEAMER: Petition of Members of Post N, Travelers Protective Association, opposing Federal increase in gasoline taxes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

269. By Mr. SADLAK: Petition of American citizens of Greenwich, Conn., having no objection to paying a fair share of the cost of protecting our Nation and our American way of life, but opposing all nonessential expenditures. Also expressing resentment to an increase in income taxes while business profits of cooperatives and mutual corporations are exempted from Federal income taxes. Urging enactment of legislation to tax the untaxed prior to increasing personal income taxes again; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

270. By the SPEAKER: Petition of Dr. Warren T. Brown, president of the Texas Society for Mental Health, Austin, Tex., relative to the President's budget to Congress involving a cut in mental health funds; to the Committee on Appropriations.

271. Also, petition of Charles C. Swanson, clerk, Minneapolis, Minn., relative to opposing location of United States Air Force Base at Wold-Chamberlain Field; to the Committee on Armed Services.

272. By Mr. GOODWIN: Petition of David J. Stone, R. N., and others, favoring H. R. 911 and S. 661, to authorize commissions in the military services of nursing for qualified graduate male nurses; to the Committee on Armed Services.

273. Also, proposal of H. E. Harris & Co. (Boston, Mass.) protesting any increase in third and fourth class postal rates; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

274. Also, proposals of Everett (Mass.) Motor Sales and Service Co.; Moye Chevrolet Co., Inc. (Newton, Mass.); Granite Chevrolet Co., Inc. (Quincy, Mass.); and Massachusetts State Automobile Dealers Association protesting increase in automotive excise taxes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

## SENATE

MONDAY, MAY 7, 1951

(Legislative day of Wednesday, May 2, 1951)

The Senate met at 12 o'clock meridian, on the expiration of the recess.

The Chaplain, Rev. Frederick Brown Harris, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Most merciful God, the strength of our weakness, the refuge of our weariness, the Good Shepherd of our waywardness: As we front the clamant duties of this new week we come beseeching that Thou wilt steady our spirits with the realization of untapped power available to servants of Thy will, if only they go quietly and confidently about their appointed tasks. As those into whose unworthy hands has been placed the crying needs of stricken humanity, may the thoughts of our minds and the sympathies of our hearts and the words of our lips and the decisions of our deliberations be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer.

Save us from a cynical pessimism by the radiant belief that this evil time is

not the end of history, nor is Thy hand shortened that it cannot save. Knowing that out of the travail of many a violent age a great birth has come, by Thy providence keep our faith steady lest for the lack of it we lose what Thou dost intend in this prophetic day. We ask it in the Redeemer's name. Amen.

## THE JOURNAL

On request of Mr. McFARLAND, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of Friday, May 4, 1951, was dispensed with.

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE

On request of Mr. McFARLAND, and by unanimous consent, Mr. McCARRAN was excused from attendance on the sessions of the Senate beginning today and continuing for the next 10 days, on official business.

## COMMITTEE MEETING DURING SENATE SESSION

Mr. MAYBANK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking and Currency may be permitted to hold hearings this afternoon and on subsequent days in order to make some progress on the consideration of amendments to the Defense Production Act, which are now before the committee.

Mr. LANGER. Mr. President, I object. I have no objection to permitting the committee to meet this afternoon, and I would have no objection to similar requests being made from day to day, but I do not think we should agree to a request covering an indefinite period.

Mr. MAYBANK. Very well. I make my request for this afternoon only. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Sawyer are to appear before the committee this afternoon. I ask that the committee be authorized to meet this afternoon.

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

## MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Snader, its assistant reading clerk, announced that the House had passed a bill (H. R. 3880) making appropriations for the Executive Office and sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, corporations, agencies, and offices, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, and for other purposes, in which it requested the concurrence of the Senate.

## TRANSACTION OF ROUTINE BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, the following routine business was transacted:

## EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communication and letters, which were referred as indicated:

## PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION, DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR (S. Doc. No. 38)

A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a proposed supplemental appropriation, in the amount of \$3,672,000, for the Department of the Interior, fiscal year 1951 (with an accompanying paper); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

## RELIEF OF CERTAIN AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICERS

A letter from the Secretary of State, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize relief of authorized certifying officers from exceptions taken to payments pertaining to terminated war agencies in liquidation by the Department of State (with an accompanying paper); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## REPORT ON CONTROL AND ERADICATION OF FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE, UNITED STATES AND MEXICO

A letter from the Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on cooperation of the United States with Mexico in the control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease, for the month of March 1951 (with an accompanying report); to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

## FRANCHISES ENACTED BY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF PUERTO RICO

A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of franchises enacted by the Public Service Commission of Puerto Rico (with accompanying papers); to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

## GRANTS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN CLASS IV AND LARGER AIRPORTS

A letter from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, requesting, pursuant to law, authority to make grants for the development and improvement of certain class IV and larger airports, which, in his opinion, should be undertaken during the fiscal year 1952 (with an accompanying paper); to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

## REPEAL OF CERTAIN GOVERNMENT PROPERTY LAWS

A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend or repeal certain Government property laws, and for other purposes (with an accompanying paper); to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments.

## REPORT ON CONTRACT SETTLEMENT

A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the twenty-seventh quarterly report on contract settlement, for the period January 1 through March 31, 1951 (with an accompanying report); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

Petitions, etc., were laid before the Senate and referred as indicated:

## By the VICE PRESIDENT:

A concurrent resolution of the Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii; to the Committee on Appropriations:

## "Senate Concurrent Resolution 40

"Concurrent resolution extending appreciation to Congress of the United States, Secretary of Agriculture, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine for splendid assistance rendered to Hawaii in appropriating funds for study and control of oriental fruitfly pest

"Whereas the Twenty-fifth Legislatura of the Territory of Hawaii, did request the Congress of the United States to appropriate funds for the study and control of the oriental fruitfly pest in Hawaii through House Concurrent Resolution No. 34; and

"Whereas the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, United States Department of Agriculture, did initiate a major project



Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, there are quite a number of committee hearings in progress, and the Senate has already granted permission that they may continue. So I think there is no point in continuing the quorum call, unless some Senator insists upon it. I therefore ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded, and that further proceedings under the call be dispensed with, so that the Senator from Delaware may proceed. As I understand, he intends to use all the time until 2 o'clock.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I wish to speak at this time on conditions existing in the office of the collector of internal revenue in St. Louis, Mo., and especially the conduct of the collector, James Finnegan.

Several weeks ago I called to the attention of the Senate the deplorable conditions existing in certain offices of the collectors of internal revenue and suggested that the Secretary of the Treasury should take prompt corrective action.

The Kefauver committee in their recent report likewise denounced the Treasury Department for their laxity in enforcing the tax laws against the racketeers and criminals and called for more aggressive steps. So far such positive steps as are necessary have not been taken.

Today I shall discuss conditions which have been allowed to exist in the tax collection district of St. Louis, Mo., while under the management of James P. Finnegan as collector.

Complaints against Mr. Finnegan, the collector in this office, were first reported to J. Edgar Hoover in April 1950, and beginning on May 3, 1950, an investigation was started.

In March 1951 complaints charging political protection in that office were called to the attention of Federal Judge George H. Moore by Robert L. Sharp, a former revenue agent in that district.

As a result of Mr. Sharp's complaint, Federal Judge Moore ordered the grand jury in St. Louis to investigate these charges, and both the Commissioner of Internal Revenue and the Department of Justice in Washington were requested to cooperate in the investigation.

This grand jury investigation resulted in a few indictments of certain taxpayers, but the report of the grand jury exonerated Collector Finnegan and his office of any improprieties.

Subsequent to that investigation, on April 4, 1951, Collector Finnegan resigned and, according to the press reports, the President accepted his resignation with extreme reluctance.

I have read the evidence which was presented to the grand jury, and I find that neither the Department of Justice nor the Treasury Department submitted to the grand jury the evidence which at that time was in their files and evidence which if presented would have represented serious charges against James P. Finnegan.

On April 11, 1951, I directed a letter to John W. Snyder, Secretary of the

Treasury, in whose Department were the reports from this investigation referred to above. I congratulated him upon his removal of Mr. Finnegan, but at the same time I urged that he go further and publicly outline the reasons behind Mr. Finnegan's removal, and then I asked him to state what further action his Department contemplated.

To this letter I received a reply from Mr. Snyder dated April 21, 1951, stating that Collector Finnegan's resignation was purely voluntary and that there was nothing wrong in that office.

I disagree completely with both the Secretary of the Treasury and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue that there is nothing wrong in that office, and in view of the fact that Judge Moore has again requested the grand jury in St. Louis to reexamine this case I shall for the benefit of that grand jury and for the information of the United States Senate and the American people review some of the damaging evidence contained in the files which at this moment are in the possession of either the Treasury Department or the Department of Justice here in Washington.

The information which I am about to give to the Senate is documented in those files, and if the grand jury in St. Louis has any difficulty in obtaining those files, I shall be only too glad to forward to them the file numbers.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. WHERRY. For the RECORD, and also for my own information, I should like to ask the distinguished Senator a question. Did I correctly understand the Senator to say that the prosecutor in St. Louis called upon the Department of Justice in Washington to help present the evidence to the grand jury?

Mr. WILLIAMS. That is true and both the Department of Justice and the Treasury Department sent their representatives to St. Louis. I read a transcript of what they were supposed to have presented, and it makes no mention whatever of any improprieties on the part of James P. Finnegan.

Mr. WHERRY. So the allegations were not presented to the grand jury; is that correct?

Mr. WILLIAMS. The Senator is correct.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. TAFT. Does the Senator blame the departments here rather than the district attorney?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I do not know. I have not been able to determine whether the information went to the district attorney in St. Louis and he withheld it at that point, or whether it was withheld in Washington. The report does show that the information was in Washington during the months of January and February of this year. In fact, it was common knowledge throughout the latter part of last year. This information was in the possession of the departments at that time, and it was stopped somewhere down the line between the departments and the grand jury.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, will the Senator further yield?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. WHERRY. Was it in the possession of the Department of Justice in Washington?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I traced it into the possession of the Treasury Department. Whether the Treasury Department turned it over to the Department of Justice and the Department of Justice froze it, I cannot say. However, it did go to the Treasury Department in Washington with an accompanying letter addressed to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Mr. Schoeneman.

Mr. WHERRY. Does the Department of Justice try the cases for the Bureau of Internal Revenue?

Mr. WILLIAMS. Yes; they are transferred over to the Department of Justice. The Department of Justice sent its representatives to St. Louis to work with the district attorney in that area.

Mr. WHERRY. Was the evidence available at that time, when those designated from the Department of Justice went to St. Louis to help present this matter to the grand jury?

Mr. WILLIAMS. All the evidence I shall give today was documented and on record in Washington prior to that time.

Mr. WHERRY. I thank the Senator.

Mr. WILLIAMS. For continuity I shall discuss the conditions in that office in two phases:

First, I shall discuss how James P. Finnegan, while serving as collector of internal revenue, collected as attorney fees substantial payments from corporations who were obtaining financial assistance from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and other Government agencies.

Second, I shall discuss how James P. Finnegan, while serving as collector of internal revenue, formed an insurance partnership with John Martin Brodsky, of St. Louis, and then furnished to Mr. Brodsky a list of taxpayers who were in tax difficulty as prospective insurance customers with the understanding that he would get a cut of the premiums.

The first letter I wish to read from these files is dated June 5, 1950. It is written on the stationery of Walter H. Wolfner, St. Louis. It is addressed to James P. Finnegan, St. Louis, Mo., and reads as follows:

ST. LOUIS, MO., June 5, 1950.  
Mr. JAMES P. FINNEGAN,  
St. Louis, Mo.

DEAR JIM: This letter is to certify that the checks I paid you in the sum of \$6,875 in 1948 was one-half of the amount I received from the St. Louis Browns for arranging a loan for that company, after the sale of the club fell through.

This amount was paid to you as attorney fees, as both Mr. Richard Muckerman and the writer both felt you were entitled to same for the time and effort in behalf of the St. Louis Browns, put in by you.

Best regards,

WALTER H. S. WOLFNER.

The first paragraph of this letter refers to a payment of \$6,875 to James P. Finnegan for his time and effort in obtaining a loan for the St. Louis Browns, while in the second paragraph the writer

indicates that this payment was endorsed and approved by Mr. Richard Muckerman.

**\$350,000 LOAN (RFC GUARANTEE) REL INVESTMENT CO. (OWNERS OF THE ST. LOUIS BROWNS)**

To ascertain to which loan this letter might have reference, I checked with the RFC and other agencies and found that there were two loans to the baseball group in that city. The first loan of \$350,000 was to the Rel Investment Co., St. Louis, Mo., of which company Richard Muckerman was the principal stockholder. This company owns the St. Louis Browns. They obtained the loan of \$350,000 on June 6, 1946, through the Manufacturers Trust Co. of St. Louis. This loan was arranged under a blanket participation agreement with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation which is in effect an RFC guarantee.

As collateral the bank reported 155,368 shares of the American League Baseball Co. of St. Louis common stock; a \$125,000 first mortgage secured by the property at 520 DeBaliviere Avenue (Winter Garden); and 2,000 shares of City Ice & Fuel Co. common stock.

The officers of the Rel Investment Co. were Richard C. Muckerman, president; Richard I. C. Muckerman, vice president; and Anthony C. Ernst, secretary; with the principal stockholder reported as being Richard C. Muckerman.

**\$350,000 LOAN (RFC GUARANTEE) DODIER REALTY & INVESTMENT CO. (OWNERS OF ST. LOUIS BALL PARK)**

The second loan to the baseball group in St. Louis was a \$350,000 loan to the Dodier Realty & Investment Co., owners of the Sportmen's Park—the park used by both the St. Louis Browns and the St. Louis Cardinals.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I prefer to finish this statement, and then I will yield.

This loan, dated October 1, 1946, was arranged through the Tower Grove Bank & Trust Co., of St. Louis, under a blanket participation agreement—or guaranty—with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

As collateral the bank reported the loan to be secured by a first mortgage on property known as the Sportsmen's Park.

The officers of this company were James V. Dunbar, president; John E. Curby, vice president; and Marcella Whittington, secretary.

I checked with the officials of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation here in Washington and was advised that on February 11, 1949, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation was relieved of their responsibility on the first loan, and later on June 8, 1950, the agency received a letter from the Tower Grove Bank & Trust Co., relieving them of their responsibility in the second loan.

Unquestionably these are the loans to which the letter had reference and to which the payment of \$6,875 was made to James P. Finnegan while serving as collector of internal revenue for his time and effort in assisting that group to arrange the loans.

Mr. McFARLAND. Will the Senator kindly state when Mr. Finnegan was appointed internal-revenue collector?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I understand it was in 1944; but anyway, at the time this transaction took place he was serving as internal-revenue collector.

Mr. McFARLAND. At the time these loans were made?

Mr. WILLIAMS. Yes.

Mr. McFARLAND. But does the Senator know whether applications for loans were made before his appointment to be internal-revenue collector?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I would say if they were I would be even more suspicious. If the applications for loans had been lying around for several years, and if they were approved after Mr. Finnegan became internal-revenue collector, I would be even more suspicious. The record shows when the loans were made in 1946. I might say that I have had a most difficult time even obtaining this information from the RFC. Apparently the RFC did not know these companies represented baseball groups at all. When I asked the RFC if they had any record of loans made to the St. Louis Browns or to any baseball groups, the answer came back repeatedly "No," until finally, after much difficulty, I was able to identify the loans. If the Senator from Arizona can cooperate to help me identify further loans, I should be glad to have him do so. As he suggests, there might be other loans which this group had received prior to this time and about which we do not even now know.

Mr. McFARLAND. I am not trying to challenge the Senator's figures.

Mr. WILLIAMS. These are not my figures. They are the figures of the agency downtown.

Mr. McFARLAND. As I understand, the Senator does not have any direct proof as to what this attorney's fee was paid for and in connection with what loan it was paid.

Mr. WILLIAMS. If the Senator wants to know if I know whether James P. Finnegan got on the train, came to Washington, and went to the RFC, the answer is "No." According to the records of the RFC, these companies secured the loans. Mr. Finnegan was paid \$6,875 fee, as his half, for his cooperation in the securing of the loans. That is merely a statement of the facts from the record. The Senator can determine the matter for himself. As majority leader I think he will be interested enough to determine the facts not only in connection with this case, but in connection with all the cases, and help us secure the facts. I have certain limited time only.

Mr. McFARLAND. I want to make it plain that the Senator does not need to be talking about me in connection with determining a fact. The Senator has not determined it to be a fact that the money was paid to Mr. Finnegan for services rendered before he became collector of internal revenue or afterward.

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, the Senator from Arizona does not know what he is talking about. Let us read the letter from Mr. Finnegan, of which I have a copy.

Mr. McFARLAND. I will say the Senator from Delaware does not know what he is talking about—

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, may we have order?

Mr. McFARLAND. If he says that that letter shows—

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, may we have order?

Mr. McFARLAND. If the Senator says that letter shows—

Mr. WILLIAMS. May we determine who has the floor? I will be glad to yield to the Senator from Arizona indefinitely; and I ask unanimous consent that my time may be extended for an extra hour, in order that I may yield to Members of the Senate to enable them to ask questions or make statements to any extent they desire.

Mr. McFARLAND. Mr. President, I object to that.

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, if I may have an extension of time by unanimous consent, I shall be glad to yield to the Senator from Arizona the full hour of extra time that may be given me, if he wishes to discuss the subject at any length. I am now handicapped by reason of the time limit imposed upon me.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that I may have an extra hour of time, so I may yield that extra time to the Senator from Arizona, or such time as he may want to make a statement.

Mr. McFARLAND. Mr. President, I will speak on my own time.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. Just a moment. I should like to refer back to the letter. The letter addressed to James Finnegan says:

This letter is to certify that the check I paid you in the sum of \$6,875 in 1948 was one-half of the amount I received from the St. Louis Browns for arranging a loan for that company.

The loan was in effect during the period, 1946-50. Senators can check the records to find out whether Mr. Finnegan when he came here called on the chairman of the Democratic National Committee or the President of the United States. I have not the slightest idea.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MONROE in the chair). Does the Senator from Delaware yield to the Senator from Missouri?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. KEM. In order to complete the record, will the Senator permit me to invite his attention to title XVIII, section 281 of the United States Statutes prohibiting any United States employee from receiving compensation for services when involving controversy or other matter in which the United States is a party, and also to title XVIII, section 283 of the Statutes of the United States, which prohibits an employee of the United States from prosecuting or aiding in a presentation or support of such a claim or matter?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I have been so advised; and I thank the Senator from Missouri for putting that in the Record at this time.

Mr. KEM. I ask unanimous consent that the sections in full be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the sections were ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

**TITLE 18, SECTION 281—COMPENSATION TO MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, OFFICERS, AND OTHERS IN MATTERS AFFECTING THE GOVERNMENT**

Whoever, being a Member of or Delegate to Congress, or a Resident Commissioner, either before or after he has qualified, or the head of a department, or other officer or employee of the United States or any department or agency thereof, directly or indirectly receives or agrees to receive, any compensation for any services rendered or to be rendered, either by himself or another, in relation to any proceeding, contract, claim, controversy, charge, accusation, arrest, or other matter in which the United States is a party or directly or indirectly interested, before any department, agency, court martial, officer, or any civil, military, or naval commission, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than 2 years, or both; and shall be incapable of holding any office of honor, trust, or profit under the United States.

Retired officers of the Armed Forces of the United States, while not on active duty, shall not by reason of their status as such be subject to the provisions of this section. Nothing herein shall be construed to allow any retired officer to represent any person in the sale of anything to the Government through the department in whose service he holds a retired status.

**TITLE 18, SECTION 283—OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES INTERESTED IN CLAIMS AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT**

Whoever, being an officer or employee of the United States or any department or agency thereof, or of the Senate or House of Representatives, acts as an agent or attorney for prosecuting any claim against the United States, or aids or assists in the prosecution or support of any such claim otherwise than in the proper discharge of his official duties, or receives any gratuity, or any share of or interest in any such claim in consideration of assistance in the prosecution of such claim, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both.

Retired officers of the Armed Forces of the United States, while not on active duty, shall not by reason of their status as such be subject to the provisions of this section. Nothing herein shall be construed to allow any such retired officer within 2 years next after his retirement to act as agent or attorney for prosecuting or assisting in the prosecution of any claim against the United States involving the department in whose service he holds a retired status, or to allow any such retired officer to act as agent or attorney for prosecuting or assisting in the prosecution of any claim against the United States involving any subject matter with which he was directly connected while he was in an active-duty status.

This section shall not apply to any person because of his membership in the National Guard of the District of Columbia nor to any person specially excepted by enactment of Congress.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield to the Senator from Kansas.

Mr. CARLSON. Do I understand correctly from the Senator's statement that two loans of \$350,000 each were made to the baseball club in St. Louis?

Mr. WILLIAMS. That is correct. One loan was made to the Rel Investment Co., listed as the owner of the St. Louis

Browns, which had an RFC guaranty. The other loan was made to the Dodier Realty & Investment Co., the owners of the St. Louis ball park, and which was put up as collateral. In both loans they had an RFC guaranty.

Mr. CARLSON. It was always my contention, at least my thought, that Congress created the RFC to be of assistance to small-business men and those in need. I like baseball, but I certainly cannot conceive of the RFC investing \$700,000 in a baseball team and park.

Mr. WILLIAMS. In recent weeks we have been finding a great many things in connection with the RFC that many of us cannot understand.

The second letter is dated May 23, 1946. It is on Hotel Warwick stationery, and it reads as follows:

WARWICK OPERATING CO.,

St. Louis, Mo.

GENTLEMEN: I acknowledge receipt of certificate No. 44 of the capital stock of the Warwick Operating Co. for 250 shares, issued in the name of Eve K. Finnegan—

I may say that is Mr. Finnegan's wife— which stock was received by me as collateral security for the services hereinafter set forth. For all of the services heretofore rendered by me in assembling all of the stock of said Warwick Operating Co. for acquisition by Saul Lichtenfeld and his associates, I am to be paid the sum of \$5,000.

In addition to the above, I have agreed with him to aid him to rehabilitate the Warwick Hotel property as a first-class-hotel project; and for the 2 years to aid him in all legal matters appertaining thereto.

Upon receipt of payment for such services so to be rendered by me, during said period, to wit, an additional sum of \$30,000, or if one-third of the net profits of said Warwick Operating Co. during said period shall be greater than said sums so to be received and paid to me, then I am to receive in addition the difference between the sum of \$35,000 and one-third of the net profits thereof, upon receipt of which I shall cause to be surrendered said certificate No. 44 for 250 shares of stock, for cancellation.

JAMES P. FINNEGAN.

The second letter which I have just inserted is one dated May 23, 1946, signed by James P. Finnegan, addressed to the Warwick Operating Co., St. Louis, Mo. In this Mr. Finnegan acknowledges receipt of certificate No. 44, representing 250 shares of capital stock of the Warwick Operating Co., owners of Warwick Hotel, St. Louis, issued in the name of Eva K. Finnegan, his wife. The letter states that the 250 shares of stock are held as collateral security for \$35,000 to be paid later for services which he had rendered Saul Lichtenfeld and his associates in obtaining control of the Warwick Operating Co. and for his future assistance in aiding that company in their legal work involved in rehabilitating the Warwick Hotel.

This letter indicates a minimum payment of \$35,000, with a possible bonus of an additional \$5,000 if the earnings justified.

I have checked the records to determine what assistance Mr. Finnegan, who, while serving as collector of internal revenue in St. Louis, might have rendered this corporation to merit this rather substantial payment.

I found that the Warwick Hotel was operated by the Coast Guard during the

war years between January 1, 1943, and June 30, 1946, at an annual rental of \$22,809. It is significant that Mr. Finnegan's arrangements with the Warwick Operating Co., owners of the hotel, were made May 23, 1946, 7 days before the hotel's release from the Coast Guard. It is indicated that prior to that time he had rendered the company services which were worth \$5,000.

Following its release from the Coast Guard claims were filed by the management against the Government for damages to the hotel by the Coast Guard. I was advised that all such claims against the Coast Guard following the war were automatically referred to the Treasury Department for settlement. This is the same Department of the Government for which Mr. Finnegan was then working as collector of internal revenue.

This placed Mr. Finnegan as working on both sides of the fence—an employee of the Treasury Department while, at the same time, representing a client as attorney in a claim against the Treasury Department.

The records show that while claims were filed in excess of \$100,000, a subsequent settlement of approximately \$40,000 was made to the hotel operators by the Treasury Department.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. KEM. Will the Senator permit me to state for the RECORD at this point another citation from a United States statute?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I shall be glad to have the Senator do so.

Mr. KEM. Title 18, section 434, of the United States Statutes prohibits an agent of any company or partnership who is interested in its pecuniary profits from acting as an officer of the United States in the transaction of business with the United States. The section in full is as follows:

**TITLE 18, SECTION 434—INTERESTED PERSONS ACTING AS GOVERNMENT AGENTS**

Whoever, being an officer, agent, or member of, or directly or indirectly interested in the pecuniary profits or contracts of any corporation, joint-stock company, or association, or of any firm or partnership, or other business entity, is employed or acts as an officer or agent of the United States for the transaction of business with such business entity, shall be fined not more than \$2,000 or imprisoned not more than 2 years, or both.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I thank the Senator from Missouri for his contribution.

Mr. President, the third loan to which I am referring by which Mr. Finnegan profited while serving as Collector of Internal Revenue was for \$565,000, and was made by the RFC to the American Lithofold Corp., of St. Louis, Mo. The American Lithofold Corp. is affiliated with the American Carbon Paper Co., of Chicago, Ill.

On November 19, 1948, the American Lithofold Corp. signed an application with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for a loan of \$548,219.50.

On January 13, 1949, following an investigation, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Supervisory Committee submitted an adverse report, following which the Directors of the Reconstruction

Finance Corporation unanimously disapproved the loan.

During the subsequent weeks an application was refiled twice, and each time it was unanimously disapproved and rejected.

The reasons for declining are listed by the Board as follows:

First. Unbalanced financial condition with disproportionate total indebtedness as compared to net worth.

Second. Past record of net profit has not demonstrated applicant's ability to service a loan in the amount requested.

Third. Too much of loan proceeds being used to pay existing indebtedness.

The reasons were unanimously agreed to by the rejection committee on three different occasions.

On March 3, 1949, the Board of Directors of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation suddenly reversed themselves and granted the corporation an immediate loan of \$80,000 against the corporation's machinery, and reopened the case for consideration of the full request.

It is to be noted that no additional assets were pledged as collateral for this loan, other than those offered on the previous occasions, and it is also to be noted that the same machinery upon which the additional \$80,000 was loaned on that date was already mortgaged to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in excess of its valuation.

Subsequently, on July 6, 1949, the loan was increased to \$465,000, and on November 14, 1949, an additional \$100,000 was loaned to the same corporation, bringing the total loan up to \$565,000.

The records of the RFC show that during the interval between the rejection and the approval of the loan, there had been no change in the company's financial status; on the contrary, they were still losing money, and were doing so faster than ever before in their history.

On March 17, 1949, 14 days after the loan was granted by the RFC, there was held a special meeting of the board of directors of the American Lithofold Corp. I quote from the minutes of that meeting:

Motion was made by R. J. Blauner and seconded by A. M. Bridell that J. P. Finnegan be appointed company administrative legal adviser.

Motion unanimously carried.

The president submitted to the board a copy of the resolution of the RFC dated March 3, 1949, with reference to an additional loan in the amount of \$80,000 to be secured as stated in the resolution.

That was 14 days after the loan was approved or granted, although the same loan to the same corporation had previously been rejected by the RFC on three different occasions.

The minutes of this meeting show that Mr. R. J. Blauner, vice president and general manager, talked on long distance with R. A. Blauner, the company's Washington representative, and reported that after being fully informed, Mr. R. A. Blauner approved of their action.

On April 14, 1949, 4 weeks later, stock certificate No. 86, representing 120 shares of American Lithofold stock, was transferred from R. A. Blauner, the president

of the corporation, to Mrs. J. B. Finnegan, wife of Collector Finnegan.

Mr. Finnegan then negotiated a \$12,000 collateral loan from the Tower Grove Bank & Trust Co., St. Louis, with himself indicated as the principal debtor, and with R. J. Blauner and W. F. Leschen, the endorsers; and Mrs. Finnegan's 120 shares of stock were pledged as collateral to secure this loan. Mr. Finnegan upon receipt of the proceeds of this loan of \$12,000, claims that he forthwith transmitted such amount to Mr. R. A. Blauner, the transferor of the said 120 shares of stock and an officer of this corporation.

At that point, if we stop there, it would appear that the 120 shares of stock, par value \$12,000, which had been turned over to Mrs. Finnegan, were paid for by her husband, James Finnegan, with the proceeds of this loan. But payments on this bank loan were made, not by Mr. Finnegan, but by the American Lithofold Corp. in monthly installments of \$1,000, plus interest, notwithstanding the fact that the company was neither maker nor endorser of this note.

Beginning May 2, 1949, the month after the loan was negotiated, nine monthly payments aggregating \$9,253.84 were made by the American Lithofold Corp. on this note, of which \$9,000 was toward the principal and the remainder toward the interest. The accounting treatment of these payments was such that the legal expense of the American Lithofold Corp. was charged \$4,626.91, or one-half of the total, and the legal expense of the American Carbon Paper Co., an allied company, was charged with a similar \$4,626.93, since the latter company had reimbursed American Lithofold Corp. for its one-half of the total payments.

At this point I ask unanimous consent to have inserted in the RECORD several letters relating to these payments. They confirm the fact that these payments were for attorney's fees.

There are four letters which I should like to have inserted in the RECORD.

Mr. LANGER. Mr. President, reserving the right to object, let me inquire whether the letters are very long.

Mr. WILLIAMS. No, they are not long.

Mr. LANGER. Then why not read the letters at this time?

Mr. WHERRY. Of course, Mr. President, the Senator is speaking under a time limitation.

Mr. WILLIAMS. However, I think I have sufficient time to read them, and I think it better that they be read. The first is an interoffice memorandum, reading as follows:

AMERICAN LITHOFOLD CORP.,  
St. Louis, Mo., May 4, 1949.

From: H. W. Stanhope.

To: R. J. Blauner.

We were instructed to pay Tower Grove Bank & Trust Co. \$1,028.36 to cover James J. Finnegan's note which was due on May 2 in the sum of \$1,000 plus \$28.36 interest. You were to give us the method of handling this cash outlay.

Will you please advise how this matter should be handled.

Yours very truly,

H. W. STANHOPE,  
Controller.

The second one is signed by James P. Finnegan. It is a letter dated June 10, 1949, written on his stationery, and addressed to the American Lithofold Corp., St. Louis, Mo. It will be noted that this company was paying \$1,000 a month on Mr. Finnegan's note, with half of this being charged to the American Carbon Paper Co. The letter reads:

GENTLEMEN: This letter will serve as a bill for \$500 for the month of May and \$500 for the month of June for my legal services in advising and counseling during the said months of May and June.

Another memorandum exchanged between the American Lithofold Corp. and the American Carbon Paper Co. is dated June 14, 1949. It is a memorandum from the American Lithofold Corp. to the American Carbon Paper Co. to show that these two charges were exchanged between the two corporations. It reads:

We billed you \$500 to cover J. P. Finnegan's services for the months of May and June, inasmuch as the amounts were paid by us.

Attached hereto is a statement covering the charge from Mr. Finnegan.

I shall read another letter dated July 8, 1949. It is addressed to Mr. James P. Finnegan, St. Louis, Mo., and reads:

DEAR MR. FINNEGAN: We would appreciate your sending us a statement covering services rendered for the month of July 1949.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

Yours very truly,  
AMERICAN LITHOFOLD CORP.,  
H. W. STANHOPE,  
Controller.

When Mr. Finnegan's income-tax returns were examined the auditors made the following notation under the heading "Business expenses":

It is found that the taxpayer properly included in his gross income those amounts received from clients as reimbursement for certain of the above-mentioned business expenses.

This was particularly true in the subsequent year 1949 when \$9,737.35 received from the American Lithofold Corp. as reimbursement for expenses was duly included in taxpayers gross income.

As further evidence that these payments were for services rendered, I quote the following paragraph contained in a special agent's report dated July 12, 1950:

Beginning on May 2, 1949, the American Lithofold Co. issued its check for \$1,000 each month payable to the Tower Grove Bank and Trust Co. to be applied on the loan in the name of James P. Finnegan. The \$1,000 was allocated \$500 to legal expense and \$500 to American Carbon Co., which company charged \$500 each month to legal expense. This was continued through March 1950. For May and June 1949 Mr. Finnegan submitted invoices in the form of letters for legal services to American Lithofold Corp. and American Carbon Paper Co. for \$1,000 each. After that date, the files show that no further invoices were received by the companies, although Mr. Homer S. Stanhope, comptroller of the American Lithofold Co., requested them of Mr. Finnegan. No reply to these requests are contained in the files of American Lithofold Corp., although Mr. Stanhope stated that Mr. Finnegan orally stated to him on several occasions that there would be no more invoices submitted since there was a general misunderstanding con-

cerning his fees and that the two invoices already submitted should be withdrawn from the files since they were submitted in error. The documentary evidence in the files of American Lithofold Corp., copies of which have been made a part of the report of the internal-revenue agents, show that thereafter Mr. Stanhope addressed memorandums on several occasions to Mr. R. J. Blauner requesting advice as to how the monthly payments of \$1,000 to the bank should be handled. The files show no replies from Mr. Blauner to these memorandums. Mr. Stanhope stated that each time he approached Mr. Blauner on the matter he was told that he (Blauner) and Mr. Finnegan had not reached a final decision as to Mr. Finnegan's attorney fees or as to the amount of stock which he would purchase. Mr. Stanhope stated that in the absence of an explanation from Mr. Blauner as to how the payments should be handled, he continued to handle them in the same manner as for the first 2 months; that is, \$500 each month was charged to legal expense and \$500 was charged to American Carbon Paper Corp., which company in turn charged the amounts to its legal expense.

This exchange of letters and excerpts from the corporation's minutes all substantiate the fact that Mr. Finnegan, while serving as collector of internal revenue in the city of St. Louis, was employed as an attorney by the American Lithofold Corp., of St. Louis, which company, after his employment, negotiated a substantial loan from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Mr. KEM. Mr. President, will the Senator yield for a question?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. KEM. Does the Senator know whether, during this period, Mr. Finnegan reported to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue the income which he was receiving from the American Lithofold Corp. and the American Carbon Paper Co., or either?

Mr. WILLIAMS. Yes, I have just read a paragraph taken from the agent's report, and I shall read it again at this point:

This was particularly true in the subsequent year 1949 when \$9,737.35 received from the American Lithofold Corp. as reimbursement for expenses was duly included in taxpayers' gross income.

Mr. KEM. As I understand, a Government employee, such as an internal-revenue officer, is required under the law to report to the Commissioner any revenue received by him other than his salary, and to report it upon its receipt, is he not?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I understand that is the law.

Mr. KEM. I call the Senator's attention to title 26, section 4046, of the United States Statutes, which provides:

**TITLE 26, SECTION 4046—STATEMENT OF FEES, CHARGES, AND ALLOWANCES**

Every internal revenue officer, whose payment, charges, salary, or compensation are composed, wholly or in part, of fees, commissions, allowances, or rewards, from whatever source derived, shall be required to render to the Commissioner, under regulations to be approved by the Secretary, a statement under oath setting forth the entire amount of such fees, commissions, emoluments, or rewards of whatever nature, or from whatever source received, during the time for which said statement is rendered; and any false statement knowingly and willfully ren-

dered under the requirements of this section, or regulations established in accordance therewith, shall be deemed willful perjury and punished in the manner provided by law for the crime of perjury. And any neglect or omission to render such statement when required shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$200, nor more than \$500, in the discretion of the court.

My question to the Senator is whether the records show that upon receipt of this income from the American Lithofold Corp. or the American Carbon Paper Co., the collector, Mr. Finnegan, reported it immediately, or within a reasonable time, to the Commissioner.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I do not know, but, in the absence of information to the contrary, I am willing to assume that he did, until it is shown that he did not. I have not checked that.

Mr. President, at this point I may say that the Senator from Arizona, who is not presently on the floor, raised a question as to when Mr. Finnegan was appointed. I have rechecked the records and find that Mr. Finnegan was appointed at least sometime prior to 1944. That is as far back as I have the available records. It was in April of this year, when his resignation was accepted, with extreme reluctance, by the President. He was serving as collector of internal revenue, during the time he was employed by these companies.

Mr. KEM. Mr. President, if the Senator will yield further, does the Senator know whether the Commissioner of Internal Revenue was aware that Mr. Finnegan was receiving this additional compensation at the time it was received?

Mr. WILLIAMS. So far as I know, he did not; but I do know that it was reported to J. Edgar Hoover in April 1950. Following the investigation at that time, the results were forwarded to the Treasury Department with an accompanying letter addressed to Mr. Schoeneman, and either Mr. Schoeneman received it or he should make a check in his own office to determine who intercepted the letter. The letter came to Washington with accompanying reports and has been in his files for at least 3 months.

Mr. President, it is important that the dates which I have previously outlined relative to the transactions be remembered because, after the investigation was started, Mr. Finnegan and the American Lithofold Corp. attempted to disassociate themselves. I want to read the record of what happened after the investigation was started. On May 3, 1950, special investigators arrived in St. Louis, Mo.

On May 4, 1950, these agents interviewed Collector Finnegan in his office and advised him—

Mr. KEM. Mr. President, will the Senator yield for a question?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. KEM. The Senator states that special investigators arrived in St. Louis. Were those investigators from the Federal Bureau of Investigation?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I think they were from the Treasury Department. Their reports are classified as intelligence reports. I am not sufficiently familiar with the inner workings to tell whether

they were from the intelligence squad of the Treasury Department or the intelligence squad of the FBI. My understanding is that they were working in conjunction with each other.

Mr. KEM. At any rate, they were investigators acting on behalf of the United States, were they?

Mr. WILLIAMS. That is correct, and they were working under the intelligence squad.

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On May 4, 1950, these agents interviewed Collector Finnegan in his office and advised him that they had been assigned to conduct an investigation of reported irregularities in his office. The general nature of the charges was discussed with the collector at that time.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. HENNINGS. I was called to the telephone for a moment while the Senator from Delaware continued with his discourse. As the Senator may or may not know, the city to which he refers and the former collector about whom he is now talking to the Senate are in the State which I have the honor to represent as junior Senator together with my distinguished colleague [Mr. KEM]. The Senator from Delaware has not thus far transmitted to me any of the information the benefit of which he has been giving the Senate; and I do not know whether the Senator knows that Mr. Finnegan, the former collector, resigned within the past month or so.

Mr. WILLIAMS. That is correct. He resigned, if I recall correctly, on April 4, effective on the 14th or 15th day of April. According to press reports, he persuaded the President to accept his resignation. The Secretary of the Treasury said the resignation was purely voluntary. It was approximately 4 months after the report to which I am referring, was filed with the Departments in Washington and after the grand jury had passed upon the question, at which time he was exonerated. But the grand jury did not have the benefit of any of the information we have here today.

Mr. HENNINGS. Is the Senator aware of the fact that Federal Judge Moore, within the past week, charged the grand jury to make a further investigation?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I am aware of that fact. I think Federal Judge Moore is really trying to get to the bottom of the matter. I think he tried, previously. I understand the grand jury is winding up its business this week. The judge lectured the grand jury for its failure to uncover conditions which he had understood existed. He was not satisfied with their report, and he told them to go back and do the job over. It is important to remember that this material was not presented by the Treasury Department or the Justice Department to the grand jury. Unquestionably the grand jury should have had the benefit of all information in connection with the question.

Mr. HENNINGS. I thank the Senator.

Mr. President, will the Senator yield for one further question?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. HENNING. From what is the Senator reading? What are the sources of his material?

Mr. WILLIAMS. The material is documented in files which are now in possession of either the Treasury Department or the Department of Justice and has been for some time. The page number and the file number in each case are available. I shall be glad to make the information available to the Senator from Missouri if he cares to examine it.

Mr. HENNING. I thank the Senator from Delaware.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. KEM. Just for the record, may I ask the Senator if he is a member of the Senate Committee on Finance?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I am.

Mr. KEM. This information has been developed by the Senator in the course of his official duties as a member of that committee, has it not?

Mr. WILLIAMS. Partly. I had been questioning some of the practices in the Treasury Department before I became a member of the Finance Committee.

Mr. KEM. The Finance Committee has to do with matters connected with the Bureau of Internal Revenue; has it not?

Mr. WILLIAMS. That is correct.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. HENNING. Since my able friend the senior Senator from Missouri has developed the point to which he has just adverted, may I ask the able Senator from Delaware whether the Senate Finance Committee has taken any action or whether any action is now pending relating to any of the matters contained in the material which the Senator is now reading?

Mr. WILLIAMS. The Senate Finance Committee has been studying it, and a House committee has asked for \$50,000 to conduct an investigation. Since the House committee is in the process of investigating the question, the Senate Finance Committee felt that it would not be wise to staff two committees, both investigating the same question. For that reason, the Finance Committee of the Senate has not asked for a special investigatory staff, and I do not think it will; not because it does not have any interest in the question, but because there is no use duplicating the investigation.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. WHERRY. Reverting to the Senator's statement in which three dates—May 3, May 4, and May 5—were mentioned, will the Senator briefly again state what happened on those three dates?

Mr. WILLIAMS. As a result of the report to J. Edgar Hoover, special agents of the intelligence squad arrived in St. Louis on May 3, 1950. On May 4, they went to Mr. Finnegan's office and ad-

vised him that he was under investigation.

On the following day, May 5, a special meeting of the board of directors of the American Lithofold Corp. was hastily called at the office of the corporation, 500 Bittner Street, St. Louis, Mo. I shall now reveal the process they went through in trying to unscramble and dissociate themselves from the question of the payment of money.

Directors present at that meeting were R. J. Blauner, James P. Finnegan, W. F. Leschen, and Joseph H. Husgen—Mr. William F. Leschen acting as chairman. A waiver of notice of the time, place, and purpose of this meeting was signed by all of the directors of the corporation and attached to the minutes. As of special interest I shall quote the seventh paragraph of the minutes of that hasty meeting on May 5, 1950:

Motion was made by Wm. F. Leschen and seconded, that we approve payments to Jas. P. Finnegan in the sum of \$1,500 for the year 1949, and that the balance of the expense, viz, \$3,126.91, which makes up the total expenditures to the Tower Grove Bank & Trust Co. less American Lithofold Corp.'s charges to the American Carbon Paper Corp. in the year 1949, to be charged to the liability account of R. J. Blauner covering patents.

Both Mr. Finnegan and the corporation had included the previous amounts in their tax returns.

On June 12, 1950, another special meeting of the directors of the American Lithofold Corp. was held in the office of the corporation, 500 Bittner Street, St. Louis, Mo.

Directors present were R. J. Blauner, James P. Finnegan, and Joseph H. Husgen. A waiver of notice of the time, place, and purpose of this meeting was signed by these three directors. Mr. R. J. Blauner acted as chairman of that meeting. I quote from the minutes of that meeting:

On motion made by Mr. Joseph H. Husgen, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the board corrected the minutes of its meeting of May 5, 1950, by substituting for the seventh paragraph thereof the following:

"On motion duly made by Mr. Joseph H. Husgen, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the board approved payments to the Tower Grove Bank in the total amount of \$9,253.84, of this amount \$4,626.93 being charged to the account of American Carbon Paper Corp., and \$4,626.91 being charged to the liability account of Mr. R. J. Blauner, covering patents.

"On motion duly made by Mr. Joseph Husgen, seconded and unanimously carried, the board further approved the payment of \$1,500 to Mr. James P. Finnegan as full compensation for his services rendered during the year 1949."

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I shall be glad to yield in a moment. I should first like to finish with this particular part of the statement. Then I shall be happy to yield.

On June 13, 1950—1 month and 8 days after the investigation started—by the meeting of the board of directors of the American Lithofold Corp. the certificate

in the name of Mrs. Finnegan for 120 shares of stock was canceled on the stock books of the corporation and new certificates issued as follows:

Shares to American Carbon Paper Co.---	60
Shares to R. J. Blauner-----	60

Total shares----- 120

Amended tax returns were filed by the corporations in line with the changes outlined above.

In other words, Mr. President, between May 5, 1950, and June 13, 1950, 1 month and 8 days after the investigation had started, they were unscrambling previous actions and returning payments which had been made for legal services to Mr. Finnegan, while he was serving as collector of internal revenue and during which time a loan of \$565,000 was arranged from the RFC. Remember this loan had previously been rejected three times prior to the time that they had employed Mr. Finnegan as attorney.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. KEM. I ask the Senator whether the records of the corporation show any reason why they took a more modest view of the value of Mr. Finnegan's services after the arrival of the special investigators in St. Louis?

Mr. WILLIAMS. No; the records do not show any reason. However, it is rather significant that they began to change their viewpoint 24 hours after they learned that investigators were in St. Louis investigating the case. I think the facts speak for themselves.

Mr. KEM. Does the record show that any refund was made of the additional compensation received by Mr. Finnegan?

Mr. WILLIAMS. Apparently so, because both companies filed amended tax returns. They had previously deducted the payments made to Mr. Finnegan. Four thousand six hundred dollars had been deducted by each corporation. After they found out about the investigation the companies filed amended tax returns.

Mr. KEM. Do the records show whether the amended returns were accepted by the Commissioner without comment?

Mr. WILLIAMS. They do not show either way. I do not know.

Mr. KEM. The records do not show that any special report was made by Mr. Finnegan on the additional compensation he had received?

Mr. WILLIAMS. No. The record shows that Mr. Finnegan had already paid a tax on the \$9,250. The corporations filed amended returns and paid the tax. If the matter should stand in that way, Mr. Finnegan would be entitled to a refund. Whether he has filed an application for a refund, I do not know. If we are to assume that the procedure is correct, then certainly he is entitled to a refund.

Mr. KEM. Was the money, which was received by the American Lithofold Corp., as a result of the change in the minutes, accounted for as income by the American Lithofold Corp.?



Mr. WILLIAMS. Of the 120 shares of stock which Mrs. Finnegan had held in her name, 60 shares were transferred to the American Carbon Paper Co., which was an associated company. The money which had been paid to the American Lithofold Corp., and the money which had previously been deducted as being attorney fees, was called payment for this stock. The stock was taken for payment. The other 60 shares were turned over to R. J. Blauner, who apparently put his own money into the company. That money would be counted as income during the next year. If their right to unscramble is recognized after the investigation was started they apparently did a good job rather hurriedly. They started less than 24 hours after the investigation was inaugurated. Therefore, it should not have taken them long to unscramble it.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield to the Senator from North Dakota.

Mr. LANGER. As I understand, there has been a grand jury investigation made of the subject matter.

Mr. WILLIAMS. Yes.

Mr. LANGER. Certain people were indicted.

Mr. WILLIAMS. The only indictments which were returned were indictments against a few taxpayers.

Mr. LANGER. Was Mr. W. F. Leschen indicted?

Mr. WILLIAMS. No. I think I am correct in saying that his name was not on the list of the persons who were indicted. I think I know what the Senator from North Dakota has in mind. I can say that to my knowledge none of the persons whose names are on the list was indicted by the grand jury. Neither was any of the evidence pertaining to them presented to the grand jury. Of course, it must be remembered that these cases took place some time ago. Most of them are in process of being paid off. In most of them substantial payments have been made, and there is not too much due and outstanding at this time.

Mr. LANGER. Mr. President, will the Senator yield further?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield further.

Mr. LANGER. Is it not true that under the laws of the United States Mr. Leschen, Mr. Blauner, and Mr. Høsgen would be guilty of conspiracy to commit a crime in connection with Mr. Finnegan? Why would not they or the corporations be subject to indictment?

Mr. WILLIAMS. Not being an attorney, I cannot answer the question. All I can do is state my understanding of the law. The evidence should have been presented to any grand jury which was investigating the cases in St. Louis. There is no excuse for not presenting the evidence to the grand jury, so that the grand jury could have been in a position to take the action which they felt was necessary.

Mr. LANGER. Mr. President, will the Senator yield further?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. LANGER. The distinguished Senator from Delaware does not have to be a lawyer to know that when two or

more persons gather together to conspire together to commit a crime they are all guilty. I do not think it is fair to take in only the collector of internal revenue. I think all of them should be taken in together. All the corporations and the officials ought to be taken in together, including the persons whose names I have mentioned, because they are just as guilty as Mr. Finnegan.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I may say to the Senator that I am not trying to pass judgment against anyone. I am merely making a statement of the facts from the records. I think the evidence should be presented to the grand jury, which is in session in St. Louis, under Judge Moore. I think it is up to the grand jury to determine who should be indicted. I know that if I did not have my own opinion in the matter I would not be presenting the facts on the floor of the Senate.

Mr. LANGER. Mr. President, will the Senator yield further?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. LANGER. Why does not a subcommittee of the Senator's committee subpoena the various persons and make the investigation itself?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I do not think it is necessary, because the investigation has been made. If we were to subpoena the witnesses, we would merely investigate the investigators to see whether or not they made a proper investigation, and we would find out the same things. The investigation has been made and it is now time for action. Why should a Senate committee or any other committee investigate what has been investigated already? The only criticism is that the results of the thorough investigation which has been made have not been submitted to the proper authority. If it is submitted to the proper authority I think it would take care of itself.

Mr. LANGER. Does the distinguished Senator believe that if Mr. Finnegan were guilty in this case similar cases might be discovered?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I think the grand jury should go into the full operations of Mr. Finnegan.

Mr. LANGER. Will the Senator say that his committee or a subcommittee of his committee should not do it?

Mr. WILLIAMS. Our subcommittee could go into it, but, after all, a committee of the Senate could not prosecute. The prosecution must be handled by the Department of Justice. The material is now available in the Department of Justice. If the Department of Justice does not prosecute, I do not know what good a committee could do, except to expose the facts to the American people, and that is exactly what I am doing here today. It is inexcusable that the material has not been presented to the grand jury before.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. Yes.

Mr. BRICKER. Does the Senator know whether or not the subcommittee of the Committee on Banking and Currency investigating the RFC has had the various loans involved here under consideration?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I could not say. I do not know. I am not a member of the committee. I do know that Mr. Finnegan's name was brought into the investigation being conducted by the Committee on Banking and Currency in relation to another loan, with the particulars of which I am not familiar.

Mr. BRICKER. That is true; but I do not think that any of the loans referred to have been investigated by the committee. I think they should be the subject of an investigation by the committee. I remember, with the Senator from Delaware, trying to find the facts pertaining to the loan made to the St. Louis Browns Holding Co. We could not find out anything about it because the facts had been very cleverly covered up by the use of certain names in the application.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I know that the Senator from Ohio and I worked for some time on the matter, and we kept getting a negative answer until we reminded certain people downtown of the exact name of the company. I was a little surprised to find that the RFC had loaned money to these two corporations, one of which owned the ball park in St. Louis and the other of which owned the St. Louis Browns, and yet they did not even know the type of collateral. They did not even know that the two corporations were connected with the baseball industry. We had to document the complete case before the record could be located.

Mr. BRICKER. Does the Senator from Delaware agree with the Senator from Ohio that it is a proper subject of investigation?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I do.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. LANGER. I agree with the distinguished Senator from Ohio that it is the job of the subcommittee to have pitiless publicity in this matter. The very fact that there is an investigation will compel the grand jury to act.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I think the grand jury under Federal Judge Moore will act once this information has been made available.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. GEORGE. May I inquire of the Senator to what investigation he is referring? Where did the documents which he is submitting to the Senate come from?

Mr. WILLIAMS. The documents to which I have referred up to this point are documents on which I have been working for several weeks. That part of the investigation to which I am coming now represents material which we obtained through the subcommittee from the Treasury Department. I refer to the subcommittee of which the Senator from Virginia [Mr. BYRD] is chairman.

Mr. GEORGE. My recollection was that that subcommittee was appointed to investigate certain particular matters. This matter has never been brought to the attention of the full committee, and no report has been made to the full committee.

Mr. WILLIAMS. That is correct, the subcommittee is investigating conditions in New York City.

Mr. GEORGE. I do not like to be embarrassed by documents which were submitted to a subcommittee going into the RECORD, when the subcommittee is carrying on a legitimate investigation into one or two other matters. The information may have been submitted to the subcommittee as confidential. I do not know. I am at a disadvantage. Of course I would not expect the Senator to abuse any privilege which he enjoys by virtue of his membership on the subcommittee. However, until the subject is brought to the attention of the full committee, obviously the committee itself can know nothing about it. I have never heard of this case at all.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I may say to the Senator from Georgia, that I am speaking here today on conditions in St. Louis. That subcommittee to which he refers is investigating conditions in New York and will report in due course.

Mr. GEORGE. The information may have been in the files of the subcommittee, but no report has been made to the full committee.

Mr. WILLIAMS. No. The full committee has never considered the subject. The Senator from Georgia has attended a few of the meetings of the subcommittee. So far as receiving confidential information is concerned, I have previously said, and I now repeat, that I will never recognize any information from any department downtown as confidential information when it conceals a crime. If any department thinks it is going to classify material and handicap us and prevent us from discussing it on the floor of the Senate merely by placing it on a confidential list, it had better not send any of such information down to the Capitol.

Mr. GEORGE. I have no objection to the Senator presenting anything to the Senate which he feels he ought to present on his own responsibility. But with respect to a matter which came to a subcommittee, if the information is confidential, it should be brought to the attention of the full committee before it is spread before the Senate.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I do not think it will be found that there is any discussion of tax returns in this case.

Mr. GEORGE. I do not know.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I think the Senator from Georgia will find that this does not involve confidential matters, except as the Treasury Department was trying to protect Mr. Finnegan.

The Senator from Georgia will remember that in either June or July of last year, at a time when I was not a member of his committee, I addressed a letter to him as chairman of the Finance Committee, pointing out that I had been advised on the basis of reliable information that there were conditions in the internal-revenue office in New York, and in other internal-revenue offices conditions which I felt should not be allowed to exist. I do not believe that any action was taken.

Mr. GEORGE. Oh, yes. I appointed a subcommittee to investigate the New York office; but I did not appoint any

subcommittee to investigate this particular matter. I am now hearing the first of it.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I may say, in connection with the St. Louis matter, that I am presenting it as an individual Senator. I am not speaking as a member of the subcommittee.

Mr. GEORGE. I wanted to make that clear.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I have made no reference to the New York investigation which is now under way by our committee. No reference will be made to the New York investigation until the report has been made to the full committee.

So far as the information in the St. Louis case is concerned, practically all that information came through my office, as the result of a private investigation; and I am reporting, as a Member of the Senate today, on the St. Louis case only.

Mr. GEORGE. I have no objection to that, and would raise none. I know none of the parties, and know none of the facts. However, if the information came to the subcommittee as a confidential report of any kind, until the subject is brought before the full committee I do not think it ought to be laid before the Senate.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I do not think the Senator will find much that is confidential. The names on this list as borrowers have been published by the RFC.

Mr. GEORGE. Perhaps so.

Mr. WILLIAMS. But they have not been identified with Mr. Finnegan. The grand jury is meeting in St. Louis today. It will not be in session much longer and this evidence should be presented to that grand jury.

Mr. GEORGE. I do not know about that. I presume that is a matter which relates to the Department of Justice or some agency in the Department of Justice. The Treasury Department has no direct authority to present anything to a grand jury, except through the officials of the Department of Justice.

I am not complaining about what the Senator has to say. I have no possible objection to statements made on his own responsibility as a Senator. But since reference is made to the Finance Committee, and since I have never appointed a subcommittee to make an investigation of this subject—or if any has been made, no report has been made to the full committee—I am simply saying that I do not believe that any of this testimony which might have come to the subcommittee as confidential information should be taken up on the floor of the Senate until it is laid before the full committee.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I may say that there is nothing confidential about it. The subcommittee was investigating the New York office. In routine fashion I asked three different gentlemen from the Treasury Department if there was anything wrong in St. Louis. I knew that we had this information about St. Louis.

All three representatives of the Treasury Department denied that there was anything in St. Louis that gave them any concern. They denied before our committee that there was anything wrong. This information was not brought be-

fore us until after I identified the file numbers, which I received from a certain confidential private source. Then we got the files, and the information was finally confirmed. One almost has to know the particular case before he can obtain access to the files.

I am very much disappointed with the lack of cooperation of the Treasury Department. The Senator is correct in stating that there has been no official investigation of this subject by the committee. I am making this report on my own responsibility as a Senator, and I accept responsibility for what I am placing in the RECORD today. I am making no reference whatever to anything which the committee has done in investigating the New York situation.

Mr. GEORGE. I simply wanted to be clear, because I had not heard of any matter of this kind so far as the New York investigation is concerned. Perhaps a corollary investigation of some sort arose as a result of the work of the Kefauver committee. I understand that a subcommittee was appointed to look into the situation.

Mr. WILLIAMS. That is correct. The committee is at work, and there will be a report. However, no report has been made yet, and there is nothing whatever in this report which even refers to the New York situation.

Mr. President, I shall now discuss the second phase of operations in that office whereby James P. Finnegan, while serving as collector of internal revenue, formed an insurance partnership with John Martin Brodsky, of St. Louis, and then furnished Mr. Brodsky with a list of taxpayers who were in tax difficulties as prospective insurance customers with the understanding that he would get a "cut" of the premiums.

Mr. KEM. Mr. President, will the Senator permit me to insert in the RECORD at this point a reference to the United States statutes?

Mr. WILLIAMS. Yes.

Mr. KEM. Title 18, section 1905, of the United States statutes, prohibits a United States officer from disclosing information he receives in an official capacity.

Mr. WILLIAMS. That is correct.

Mr. KEM. I ask unanimous consent that the section in full be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the section was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

**TITLE 18, SECTION 1905. DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION GENERALLY**

Whoever, being an officer or employee of the United States or of any department or agency thereof, publishes, divulges, discloses, or makes known in any manner or to any extent not authorized by law any information coming to him in the course of his employment or official duties or by reason of any examination or investigation made by, or return, report, or record made to or filed with, such department or agency or officer or employee thereof, which information concerns or relates to the trade secrets, processes, operations, style of work, or apparatus, or to the identity, confidential statistical data, amount or source of any income, profits, losses, or expenditures of any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or association; or permits any income return or copy thereof or any book containing any abstract or par-

particulars thereof to be seen or examined by any person except as provided by law; shall be fined not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both; and shall be removed from office or employment.

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, this phase of the report relates to allegations against Collector of Internal Revenue James P. Finnegan, of the first collection district of Missouri, to the effect that Mr. Finnegan was adjusting tax matters for individuals who were in tax difficulties provided they purchased insurance from J. M. Brodsky with whom Collector Finnegan was affiliated.

These allegations were made to Director J. Edgar Hoover by Mr. X in April 1950. Mr. Hoover's informant charged that Collector James P. Finnegan was a silent partner of John Martin Brodsky and that he was furnishing Mr. Brodsky with the names of persons facing tax difficulties, and that these taxpayers obtained tax adjustments from the collector provided they purchased insurance from the Brodsky agency.

That John Martin Brodsky had the names of several persons who were involved in tax difficulties with the Bureau of Internal Revenue is admitted by Mr. Brodsky and is further established by the statements of Richard V. Clark, Jr., an insurance broker associated with the Aetna Casualty Insurance Co. of St. Louis, Don Kelly, general manager of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. of St. Louis, and Walter Heurman, a salesman for the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. of St. Louis.

Mr. Brodsky contacted at least some of these persons whose names were supplied by Finnegan for insurance, and in each instance he represented, or left the inference, that he was a partner with Finnegan. He represented that they would be permitted by the collector to pay their tax deficiencies in deferred payments. The Valley Steel Products Co., Harrison Lumber Co., and Missouri Paper Stock Co. or their officers, actually had large tax assessments outstanding and they were paying the assessments by deferred payments. It is possible, of course, as Mr. Finnegan claims, that Mr. Brodsky got his information about these particular taxpayers from someone other than Collector Finnegan; however, nothing was found to support that possibility, and all the evidence is to the contrary. In fact, Mr. Brodsky reluctantly testified that he had received the names of these persons from Mr. Finnegan personally.

Whether Mr. Finnegan actually participated in the insurance commissions of Brodsky as a silent partner or if he received the funds from Brodsky as attorney's fees appears to make little difference. The method used in obtaining the commissions or attorney's fees is, to say the least, highly unethical.

At this point I would like to read the usual whitewash that can be found in practically every investigation report which relates to one of the protégés of the Pendergast political machine or to one of the favorites of the "fairhaired" boys in Washington.

It is probable that Mr. Finnegan saw no particular impropriety in permitting tax-

payers to defer the liquidation of their tax obligations (which is entirely proper per se) and to furnish Brodsky with the names of such taxpayers in order that he could contact them for insurance, for which services Finnegan was to get a cut—whether as commissions or attorney's fees.

The memorandum attached to this report went on and pointed out how Mr. Finnegan's association with Brodsky, whether as attorney or as silent partner, had resulted in unfavorable speculation by outsiders, and that he was therefore vulnerable to criticism. They also pointed out that if the facts which had been developed in the investigation should become published, undoubtedly the public would interpret the entire matter in its worst light—a mild form of "shakedown."

In this same memorandum it was pointed out how Mr. Finnegan was considering resigning as soon as he could "induce" the Secretary of the Treasury and the President of the United States to accept his resignation. The memorandum was concluded with the thought that if Mr. Finnegan would resign the resentment in certain circles against the collector for being involved with Mr. Brodsky might subside and public criticism of the collector's office might be avoided.

I shall now review the evidence as contained in these files supporting the charges placed against Mr. Finnegan by the unnamed informant to J. Edgar Hoover in April 1950.

Mr. KEM. Mr. President, will the Senator yield at that point?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. KEM. As I read the statement from the report to which the Senator has just referred:

It is probable that Mr. Finnegan saw no particular impropriety in permitting taxpayers to defer the liquidation of their tax obligations (which is entirely proper per se) and to furnish Brodsky with the names of such taxpayers in order that he could contact them for insurance, for which services Finnegan was to get a cut—whether as commissions or attorney's fees.

Does the Senator understand from that, that the official appointment by the Government to investigate this case was reporting that there was no impropriety in that conduct, or merely that Mr. Finnegan saw no impropriety in it?

Mr. WILLIAMS. As I take it, he reported that Mr. Finnegan saw no particular impropriety in it.

Mr. KEM. Did he proceed to invite the attention of the one to whom he made the report to the fact that there was a Federal statute prohibiting the giving of information received by a public official while in an official capacity?

Mr. WILLIAMS. No; he did not go into that.

Mr. KEM. Did he recommend prosecution?

Mr. WILLIAMS. He merely made his report. I do not think he made any final recommendation.

Mr. KEM. So the inference was that if Mr. Finnegan saw no impropriety in it there could be none?

Mr. WILLIAMS. The inference I gather from reading that, and the substance of the next two paragraphs which follow thereafter, is that if Mr. Finne-

gan would resign perhaps the public would forget it, and public criticism might be avoided.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, will the Senator yield? I promise him I shall be very brief.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. WHERRY. How did the FBI get into the picture? Why did the FBI investigate this case?

Mr. WILLIAMS. The complaint made by the original informant was sent to the FBI, which in turn advised the Treasury Department, and, as a result thereof, the investigation followed. That was in April 1950, about 6 or 8 months before I again became a member of the Finance Committee or any subcommittee thereof.

Mr. WHERRY. I see.

Mr. WILLIAMS. I shall now refer to a statement by Richard V. Clark, Jr., which is found in this report.

Mr. Richard V. Clark, Jr., an insurance broker associated with the Aetna Casualty & Surety Co., of St. Louis, was interviewed on December 5 and again on December 13, 1950, and in these interviews he furnished the following information:

Sometime during the latter part of June 1949, Mr. Brodsky called upon him and inquired if Clark would associate himself with Brodsky in the sale of insurance, since he, Brodsky, had little experience in writing general insurance. Mr. Brodsky told him that the collector of internal revenue, Mr. Finnegan, would furnish the names of persons who were in tax difficulties as prospects to whom insurance might be sold. Mr. Brodsky proposed that the commissions earned on insurance thus sold would be divided—one-third to Finnegan, one-third to Clark, and one-third to Brodsky.

Mr. Brodsky claimed that Mr. Finnegan had furnished him with the names of people to be contacted for insurance, among which were the Food Center of St. Louis, Inc., Valley Steel Products Co., Robert Baskowitz, Harrison Lumber Co., and Missouri Paper Stock Co., all of St. Louis. Mr. Clark said he agreed to the arrangement proposed by Brodsky, and on June 28, 1949, he and Brodsky visited Mr. A. J. Molasky, president of the Food Center of St. Louis, Inc. Clark said that after introducing himself to Mr. Molasky, he introduced Brodsky, who remarked to Mr. Molasky: "Remember, Mr. Finnegan called you about me." Mr. Clark does not recall what reply, if any, Mr. Molasky made, except to tell them that they should contact his son, Stanley, to discuss the company's insurance problems, since his son was handling this phase of the business. This suggestion, Clark said, was followed, and a few days later Mr. Stanley Molasky authorized them to make a survey of the company's insurance requirements. The survey resulted in the company's insurance business being taken from its regular brokers and placed in the hands of Brodsky's agency. It perhaps should be pointed out at this time that the company's regular insurance brokers were Mr. Joseph Weingart, Sr., and Mr. Joseph Sperrer—the latter being the father of the treasurer of Food Center of St. Louis, Inc. The commissions earned on this insurance amounted to approximately \$26,000,

of which \$3,000 was to be paid to Sylvia Molasky, who was a licensed insurance agent and a daughter of the president of Food Center of St. Louis, Inc. The balance of \$23,000, Clark said, was to be divided three ways under the arrangement, or approximately \$7,500 each to Finnegan, Clark, and Brodsky. Mr. Clark claims, however, that he received only \$780.

Mr. Clark said he knew that Mr. Finnegan was receiving money from Mr. Brodsky, presumably under his understanding with Brodsky, because Brodsky told him he was paying Mr. Finnegan \$500 a month, against which the commissions due Mr. Finnegan would be charged. Clark said that he saw some of the checks Brodsky issued to Finnegan, some payable to Mrs. Finnegan, and some to his son, James P. Finnegan, Jr. Moreover, Clark said that in one instance he personally delivered to Mr. Finnegan's wife about Christmas time, 1949, a \$1,000 check made payable to Mrs. Eva Finnegan, together with a Christmas gift of a bed jacket to Mrs. Finnegan from Brodsky.

On one occasion—sometime during July 1949—while he was in the office of Dudmar Insurance Agency, Clark said, Mr. Finnegan called several times by long distance telephone from Washington, D. C., requesting that Brodsky send him money, since he—Finnegan—contemplated a trip to Florida. Mr. Brodsky was at the time attempting to sell a life insurance policy to an officer of the Valley Steel Products Co., and in his telephone calls Mr. Finnegan was anxious to know if the applicant had passed the medical examination. Mr. Brodsky, Clark said, contacted Mr. Don Kelly, General Agent of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., requesting an advance on the expected commission to be earned on the said policy. Mr. Clark believed that on this occasion, Brodsky asked Don Kelly to send Mr. Finnegan \$750. It is shown hereinafter that the Valley Steel Products Co. and its officers were in tax difficulties.

Although the terms of the contract between Brodsky and Clark to the effect that Clark's share would be one-third of the commissions earned were oral, Mr. Brodsky at various times has repeated those terms to Mr. Clark's father and Mr. Oliver Blase. Clark said in this connection that he is firmly convinced that Mr. Finnegan is a partner of Mr. Brodsky, just as Brodsky represented to him. He cited two reasons: (1) it would be impossible for a person as inexperienced as Brodsky to obtain large insurance accounts such as the Food Center of St. Louis, Inc., without the aid of someone like Mr. Finnegan through his official position; and (2) Finnegan's interest in the commission resulting from a \$30,000 life insurance policy which Brodsky placed with the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. The facts regarding this are brought out through statements by Don Kelly and Walter Heuermann.

Mr. President, to save time, I ask unanimous consent to have inserted at this point in the RECORD a statement of an interview with Mr. Oliver Blase and a statement of an interview with Mr. Don Kelly, both of whom gave their

understanding of the agreement to which I have referred.

There being no objection, the statements were ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

#### STATEMENT OF MR. OLIVER BLASE

Mr. Oliver Blase, who operates the Oliver Blase Agency and who is affiliated with the Aetna Life Insurance Co. and the Aetna Casualty and Surety Co., of St. Louis, when interviewed on December 5, 1950, said that Mr. Richard V. Clark, Jr., has desk space in his office; that he recalls Mr. Brodsky visiting Mr. Clark at which time Mr. Brodsky related in the presence of Blase that he had an arrangement with Mr. Finnegan to obtain the names of people to whom insurance could be sold. He also heard Mr. Brodsky tell Mr. Clark that the commissions earned on insurance thus sold would be divided—one-third each to Clark, Finnegan, and Brodsky—provided that Mr. Clark would agree to help him in the sale of the insurance. On several occasions he heard Mr. Brodsky reiterate that he had an arrangement with Mr. Finnegan whereby the latter would furnish Brodsky with the names of persons who were in tax difficulties. Mr. Blase recalled that during the month of December 1949, Brodsky requested Mr. Blase to give him an advance on commissions on the Food Center of St. Louis, Inc., account. Mr. Brodsky explained that he needed this money immediately because Mr. Finnegan was demanding his share. When Mr. Blase refused, Brodsky requested that the former have a check made payable to Mr. Finnegan for \$250 and charge it to Brodsky's commission account. Mr. Blase said he refused to do this because Mr. Finnegan is not licensed as an insurance broker and therefore not entitled to commissions. On December 31, 1949, Mr. Blase did advance \$2,500 to Mr. Brodsky. On that same day Brodsky issued a check for \$1,000 to Mrs. Eva Finnegan.

#### STATEMENT OF DON KELLY

Mr. Don Kelly, general manager, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., of St. Louis, when interviewed, stated in substance, as follows:

During June or July 1949, Mr. Brodsky visited his office and explained to him that quite a few local business firms were finding it difficult to pay taxes assessed against them by the Bureau of Internal Revenue, and that Mr. Finnegan had arranged with the firms to allow them to pay the assessments over a period of time. Mr. Brodsky further told Kelly that Mr. Finnegan had furnished him with the names of these firms, and that he [Brodsky] desired to sell the officers of these firms some life insurance, which sales should not be difficult in view of the favors granted them by Mr. Finnegan. Mr. Brodsky requested that Mr. Kelly send one of his salesmen with him to contact the officers of these firms. Mr. Kelly asked for the names of the firms, but Brodsky told him that at the time he had the names of only two firms; namely, the Harrison Lumber Co. and the Valley Steel Products Co., but that the assessments against these two firms were so large that it would be to the advantage of the firms' officers to buy life insurance rather than to have the Collector of Internal Revenue demand immediate payment of the taxes they owed.

Mr. Kelly said he did not relish the idea of doing business with Mr. Brodsky, but his firm's attorney pointed out that, since Mr. Brodsky had a broker's license, he could not refuse his business without making himself liable to a possible suit for damages. He accordingly assigned Walter Heuermann, a salesman for the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., to accompany Brodsky.

Mr. Heuermann later reported to Mr. Kelly that the officers at the Harrison Lumber Co.

refused to buy any insurance, but that a George B. Fleischman [now deceased], of the Valley Steel Products Co., had agreed to purchase life insurance. Although neither Mr. Kelly nor Mr. Heuermann knew about it, tax assessments totaling more than a million dollars had been made against the partners of the Valley Steel Products Co. and the Harrison Lumber Co.

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I wish to read for the record a statement regarding an interview with John Martin Brodsky, the other gentleman involved in this partnership:

Mr. John Martin Brodsky was interviewed on January 11, 1951, in the presence of his attorney, Abraham Lowenhaupt, regarding his own income-tax affairs for the years 1948 and 1949, as well as his connection with Collector Finnegan. He was first asked regarding the identity of the persons who received the \$1,703 which had been shown by him as a deduction for attorney's fees on his 1949 income-tax return. He replied that \$1,700 was paid to Collector James P. Finnegan, who represented him in the capacity of attorney. He was asked to explain just what legal services Mr. Finnegan had rendered, and Brodsky replied that it was in connection with his various divorce matters and his insurance business. He was advised that Mr. Finnegan's name did not appear as an attorney of record on any of the legal documents in his divorce actions and Mr. Brodsky remarked that although Mr. Finnegan had not publicly represented him, he frequently consulted with Mr. Finnegan about his divorce affairs.

When Brodsky was asked to make some allocation between Mr. Finnegan's services on the divorce matters and insurance business, he claims the \$1,700 during the year 1949 would be allocated to services rendered in connection with the insurance business. He admitted that of the \$1,700 paid to Mr. Finnegan, there were two checks, one for \$500 and the other for \$1,000—both payable to Mrs. Eva Finnegan—and that the balance, \$200, was paid in currency. His explanation as to why the two checks were made payable to Mr. Finnegan's wife, rather than to Mr. Finnegan himself, was that Mr. Finnegan was out of town at the time and wanted the money deposited in his bank account to cover any checks he might draw.

Mr. Brodsky further stated that the checks issued to Mr. Finnegan and his son in 1950 were also for legal fees; but he could not furnish any allocation of their payment between legal fees for business and for personal matters. He explained that the reason why some of the checks were made payable to Finnegan's son was that on occasions Mr. Finnegan was out of town and needed money deposited to his bank accounts to cover checks he might write.

Regarding the legal services that Mr. Finnegan is claimed to have rendered, Mr. Brodsky said, and Mr. Finnegan confirmed the act, that Mr. Finnegan did not submit any invoices or bills to Brodsky. Mr. Brodsky said that all payments to Mr. Finnegan were "by oral, mutual agreement."

Regarding his attempt to sell a life-insurance policy to the Valley Steel Products Co. on the life of Philipp Muenning, Mr. Brodsky said that he first contacted the president of the firm, Mr. Fleischman, who could not pass the re-

quired physical examination. It was later decided, according to Mr. Brodsky, that the company would obtain a policy through Brodsky on the life of Philipp Muennig, an employee of the steel company. The premium on the policy was \$23,866.37. The finances of the company were such that it was necessary for the company to borrow \$22,400 to pay the premium. However, when the medical examination developed that Mr. Muennig was also not a good risk, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. returned the premium to Philipp Muennig. Mr. Brodsky asked the insurance company to write two checks—one for \$22,400, and the other for the difference, \$1,486.37.

Mr. Brodsky admitted that he deposited the \$1,486.37 check in a bank account at the Mutual Bank and Trust Co. As pointed out hereinbefore, Valley Steel Products Co. charged the amount of \$1,486.37 to attorney's fees, although Brodsky is not an attorney.

Brodsky was asked who had furnished him with the names of persons involved in tax difficulties, who were contacted for the purpose of selling them insurance. He hesitated, then replied that he did not obtain the names from Collector Finnegan, but possibly from someone else in the collector's office. When he was pressed for the name of the individual, he suddenly added: "I would not like to give any more information as to the collector's office." At this point during the interview, Mr. Brodsky turned to his attorney, and a whispered consultation was held, after which the attorney remarked that he saw no reason why his client should not tell us the truth about the matter. Mr. Brodsky thereupon said: "Any information I got as to my clients came from Mr. Finnegan. I was given the names by Finnegan personally."

Mr. Brodsky stated further, in reply to our inquiries, that Mr. Finnegan had furnished him with the names of Food Center of St. Louis, Inc., Harrison Lumber Co., Valley Steel Products Co., Missouri Paper Products Co., and Robert Baskowitz.

Mr. KEM. Mr. President, will the Senator yield at this point for a question?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. KEM. There is one point in the statement of Mr. Brodsky that I do not quite understand. The statement, as read by the Senator, is:

His explanation as to why the two checks were made payable to Mr. Finnegan's wife, rather than to Mr. Finnegan himself, was that Mr. Finnegan was out of town at the time and wanted the money deposited in his bank account to cover any checks he might draw.

If the intention was to deposit the money in Mr. Finnegan's account, the check or checks could have been drawn to Mr. Finnegan and could have been so deposited, could they not?

Mr. WILLIAMS. In their report the agents pointed that out, and stated that they did not see why he went through that formality.

NAMES OF FIRMS WITH TAX ASSESSMENTS FURNISHED TO MR. BRODSKY BY FINNEGAN

The records of the collector of internal revenue disclose that in June and

July 1949, the firms named by Mr. Brodsky, as having been furnished by Collector Finnegan, had, except the Food Center of St. Louis, Inc., large additional tax assessments against them or their officers, and that, except in one instance, deferred payments were being made. An analysis of the additional assessments and payments appearing on the records of the collector of internal revenue against Lester Crancer and George B. Fleischman, partners in the firm of Valley Steel Products Co.; John W. and Clifford F. Harrison, partners in the firm of Harrison Lumber Co.; Mis-

souri Paper Stock Co. and Samuel E. Mendelson, its president, and Robert Baskowitz, discloses the following with respect to the tax assessments and the amounts due as of June 30, 1949, about which time Brodsky gave these names to Mr. Clark and some of them to Mr. Kelly.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to have the list printed in the RECORD at this point.

There being no objection, the list was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

	Assessment date	Amount assessed	Amount paid to June 30, 1949	Balance due June 30, 1949	Date of final payment
Lester Crancer.....	Feb. 10, 1949	\$466,691.61	\$327,308.99	\$139,382.62	Aug. 1, 1950.
George B. Fleischman.....	.....do.....	467,812.62	327,680.99	140,131.63	Do.
John W. Harrison.....	Apr. 21, 1949	74,426.26	8,493.64	65,932.62	\$34,702.47 still due.
Clifford F. Harrison.....	.....do.....	45,770.30	.....	45,770.30	\$12,852.65 still due.
Missouri Paper Stock Co.....	Feb. 4, 1949	55,636.16	36,972.23	18,663.93	\$9,190.00 still due.
Samuel E. Mendelson.....	Dec. 31, 1948	52,536.38	10,000.00	42,536.38	\$41,036.38 still due.
Robert Baskowitz.....	July 8, 1949	8,315.57	.....	.....	July 13, 1949.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, will the Senator yield at this point for a question, or does the Senator have the time to yield?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield to the Senator from Nebraska.

Mr. WHERRY. I wish to ask a question in order to get at the root of the matter. As I understand, the names furnished by Mr. Finnegan, the tax collector, were the names of individuals or of firms who were having tax difficulties.

Mr. WILLIAMS. That is correct.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. Finnegan turned those names over to the insurance agent who wrote insurance either for those companies or for certain persons in those companies. Is that correct?

Mr. WILLIAMS. That is correct.

Mr. WHERRY. What was the purpose of doing that?

Mr. WILLIAMS. According to the report, it was so that Mr. Finnegan could "get his cut" of the commissions earned. Mr. WHERRY. In other words, out of the insurance premiums?

Mr. WILLIAMS. Yes, out of the insurance premiums thus earned. The assessments against officials of the Valley Steel Products Co. aggregated around \$900,000, and I will follow through on that particular transaction, because that is the company to which we have just referred, as having bought the \$30,000 life insurance policy, with a paid-up premium of \$23,866.37, and to which neither the official nor the employee qualified or passed a physical examination, so that the refund was made in two separate checks, one to the company, and one to Brodsky. We shall trace that particular transaction through.

#### COLLECTOR FINNEGAN GETS A CADILLAC

In 1949, at the time the insurance partnership alliance between James P. Finnegan and J. Martin Brodsky was formed the records show that Lester Crancer and George B. Fleischman, partners in the firm of Valley Steel Products Co., owed taxes amounting to \$466,691.61 and \$467,812.62, respectively.

According to the evidence above the names of these taxpayers were given to Brodsky by Finnegan as prospects, and they were subsequently approached for

insurance business. Following this conference George B. Fleischman, now deceased, of the Valley Steel Products Co., agreed to purchase a \$30,000 life insurance policy from the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., through Mr. Brodsky. This was a single-premium policy and the premium involved was \$23,866.37. The Valley Steel Products Co., whose partners owed over \$900,000 in taxes, had to borrow the money to pay for this premium.

After a physical examination revealed that Mr. Fleischman had a heart murmur which made him ineligible for insurance, the firm decided to take out life insurance on Philipp Muennig, an employee.

Philipp Muennig failed to pass the physical examination, and on August 5, 1949, the premium was refunded by the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., issuing its check, No. 4022, for \$23,866.37, payable to Philipp Muennig. Mr. Brodsky came to the office that day and requested that the refund be made in two checks—one for \$22,400, payable to Philipp Muennig, and the other for \$1,486.37, payable to Brodsky. Mr. Kelly, the general manager of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., of St. Louis, told Brodsky that he would prepare two checks as requested, but that both checks would be made payable to Philipp Muennig. This was done, and the company's checks, Nos. 4927 and 4928, for \$22,400 and \$1,486.37, respectively, were issued on August 5, 1949, payable to Philipp Muennig.

The records of the Mutual Bank & Trust Co. disclose that on August 5, 1949, the Dudmar Insurance agency opened a checking account at that bank. The opening deposit to this new account was made on August 5, 1949, the same date, and consisted of one check in the amount of \$1,486.37. The records of Dudmar Insurance agency disclose this receipt as being from the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., and the amount is the same as the amount of the check issued by the insurance company to Philipp Muennig, as I said before. Valley Steel Products Co. charged the amount of \$1,486.37 to attorney's fees.

Mr. KEM. Mr. President, if the Senator will permit me to ask, who was the Dudmar Insurance Co.?

Mr. WILLIAMS. That was the name of the insurance company, apparently, which was formed by Mr. Brodsky and Mr. Finnegan.

Mr. KEM. That was the name of their partnership, is that correct?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I assume so.

For the time being we will leave this \$1,486.37 in the Mutual Bank & Trust Co. and go back 3 weeks to July 14, 1949, to examine a personal transaction of Mr. Finnegan involving the purchase of a new Cadillac by trading his 1949 Dodge and agreeing to pay the \$1,017.11 difference.

On that same date the records of the Mutual Bank & Trust Co. of St. Louis disclose that James P. Finnegan borrowed \$500 on note No. 1089 at 6 percent interest for 30 days and \$500 on note No. 1090 at 6 percent interest for 60 days, both secured by the endorsement of J. Martin Brodsky.

In tracing the disposition of the funds represented by the two notes it was learned that Mr. Finnegan was issued cashier's check No. 240726 in the amount of \$992.50, discount value of notes, from the bank, which check was deposited in his personal bank account at the Mississippi Valley Trust Co. on that same day, July 14, 1949.

As previously stated, it was on that date that Mr. Finnegan drew his personal check for \$1,017.11 on the Mississippi Valley Trust Co., which check was used in the purchase of his new Cadillac.

An examination of the records of the Dudmar Insurance agency, in whose name, on August 5, 1949, had been deposited the \$1,486.37 received from the Valley Steel Products Co., discloses this interesting information:

First. On August 10, 1949, a check in the amount of \$500 was drawn against this account payable to the Mutual Bank & Trust Co., which check was used to pay off the \$500 note No. 1089 of James P. Finnegan.

Second. Further examination shows that on September 2, 1949, a check in the amount of \$686.37 was drawn payable to cash. This check was used to pay off the other \$500 note, No. 1090, of James P. Finnegan and the remaining \$186.37 was retained by Mr. Brodsky.

Apparently this \$186.37 retained by Mr. Brodsky was to offset the \$193.11 insurance premium on Mr. Finnegan's new Cadillac which had been paid by Mr. Brodsky.

The \$300 remaining in this account from the original \$1,486.37 collected from the Valley Steel Products Co. was accounted for in check dated August 15, 1949, which sum was paid to Mr. Finnegan for an unexplained trip to Columbia, Mo.

A brief summary of this case shows that the Valley Steel Products Co. whose officers owed nearly \$1,000,000 in back taxes were given lenient terms for payment of their accounts. In return, \$1,486.11, charged on the company's books as attorney fees, was subsequently deposited in the bank and used by Mr.

Finnegan to pay for a new Cadillac and a trip to Columbia, Mo.

Mr. KEM. Mr. President, will the Senator yield for a question?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. KEM. Did those items balance the account—that is, the amount applied to the Cadillac, the amount of the insurance, and the \$300 said to have been used for an unexplained trip to Columbia, Mo.? In other words, did those items total exactly \$1,486.37?

Mr. WILLIAMS. That is correct. The sum cleared out the account.

The insurance partnership between Mr. Finnegan and Mr. Brodsky was in effect during most of 1949 and 1950. According to the records during this period Mr. Finnegan collected as his part, including the Cadillac, \$6,193.11 either as actual cash payments or constructive receipt.

A breakdown:

By currency and checks.....	\$4,700.00
Bank loans paid.....	1,000.00
Columbia, Mo., trip paid.....	300.00
Insurance premium paid.....	193.11
Total.....	6,193.11

Mr. KEM. Mr. President, will the Senator yield for a question?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I yield.

Mr. KEM. Did I correctly understand the Senator to say that the President received Mr. Finnegan's resignation with reluctance, or with regret?

Mr. WILLIAMS. As I understand, he accepted it with extreme reluctance. According to Mr. Finnegan, the President was persuaded to accept it, and, according to the Secretary of the Treasury, it was purely voluntary, and there was nothing wrong in St. Louis so far as he was concerned. At the same time, all of this was documented and could have been found in the Treasury files in Washington. At the time Mr. Snyder directed a letter to me about 10 days ago, in which he said that Mr. Finnegan's resignation was purely voluntary, he reiterated that there was nothing wrong in St. Louis.

Mr. KEM. Mr. President, if the Senator from Delaware will permit, I should like to say that he has made a very valuable contribution in bringing these facts to the attention of the Senate. I know that what he has done will be appreciated by the good citizens of my State.

I ask the Senator whether he will permit me to insert at this point in his remarks a copy of a letter which I wrote under date of April 27, 1951, to the Senator from Maryland [Mr. O'CONNOR], the new chairman of the Special Committee To Investigate Organized Crime in Interstate Commerce, suggesting that the committee devote some additional time to an investigation of conditions in the State of Missouri?

Mr. WILLIAMS. I shall be glad to have the Senator from Missouri insert the letter, and I agree with him that some additional time should be devoted within the near future to an investigation not only of the collector's office in St. Louis but also to the other situation to which he refers.

Mr. KEM. Mr. President, I ask that the letter to which I have referred be incorporated in the RECORD at this point.

There being no objection, the letter was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

APRIL 27, 1951.

HON. HERBERT R. O'CONNOR,  
United States Senate,  
Washington, D. C.

MY DEAR SENATOR O'CONNOR: I congratulate you heartily on your selection as the new chairman of the Senate Crime Investigating Committee. You and your colleagues have my best wishes for continued success in this important undertaking.

I hope that during the additional 4 months granted your committee to continue its investigation of crime, you will see fit to investigate further the situation in the State of Missouri.

You are familiar with the fact that during visits to Kansas City and St. Louis, the committee, under the able chairmanship of Senator KEFAUVER, found evidence of collusion between the criminal element and certain State and local officials. The results of the investigation led the committee to report, among other things: "In Missouri, one can perceive a more than passing connection between Governor Smith's appointment of two members to the Kansas City police board who favored a wide-open town and Binaggio's support during the election."

Since these revelations, many Missourians, from all ranks of life and both Democrats and Republicans have expressed their conviction that the committee scarcely scratched the surface in Missouri. It is felt that many salient facts in connection with what has become known as Pendergastism in Kansas City and Shenkerism in St. Louis have not been brought to light. I join them in urging that the committee take whatever time is necessary to unearth all the facts concerning the unholy alliance between crime and politics that exists in our State.

Missourians were particularly disappointed that the committee failed to shed any new light on the theft, on May 27, 1947, of the ballots making up the evidence of the notorious vote frauds in the primary election of 1946 in Kansas City. This was an act of outrageous violence which struck at the very roots of our free institutions. It struck at the very foundations of law and order. To this day, nearly 4 years later, this crime has gone unwhipped of justice.

When no arrests were made for this wicked crime it was widely interpreted as evidence of a new, efficient working partnership between crime and politics. This successful attack upon the rights of the people provided an incentive for more—and more—crime. Twenty-one unsolved murders followed in rapid succession, climaxed by the bloody killings last year of Charles Binaggio and Charles Gargotta.

Many Missourians have been at a loss to understand why the law-enforcement agencies of the Government, with all their trained investigators, and with the benefit of modern, scientific equipment, cannot apprehend those guilty of the theft of the ballots. It is disturbing to know that this crime is still in the file marked "unsolved."

I know you agree that honest, fair elections and clean government, free from the taint of criminal corruption, are considerations that rise far above mere partisan or factional politics.

Should you and your colleagues decide, as I hope you will, to make a full and complete investigation of the theft of the ballots and the situation generally in Missouri, I shall be very glad to cooperate in every way I can.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES P. KEM.

**SUPPLYING OF AGRICULTURAL  
WORKERS FROM MEXICO**

The Senate resumed the consideration of the bill (S. 984) to amend the Agricultural Act of 1949.

Mr. THYE. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The Chief Clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. THYE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for a quorum call be rescinded and that further proceedings under the call be suspended.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, I object to that. I should like to have as many Senators as possible present.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will proceed with the calling of the roll.

The Chief Clerk resumed the call of the roll.

Mr. THYE. Mr. President, I again ask unanimous consent that the order for a quorum call be rescinded and that further proceedings under the call be suspended.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection? The Chair hears none, and it is so ordered.

The Chair will state the parliamentary situation. Under the unanimous-consent agreement previously entered into the question is on agreeing to the amendment relating to the establishment of reception centers offered by the Senator from Oregon [Mr. CORDON], for himself and other Senators, as a substitute for lines 7 to 12, inclusive, on page 2 of Senate bill 984, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1949.

Under the terms of the unanimous-consent agreement the time for debate is equally divided between the proponent, the Senator from Oregon [Mr. CORDON], and the opponent, the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. ELLENDER], with 20 minutes allotted to each side. The Chair is therefore required to recognize the Senator from Oregon. The Senator from Oregon is recognized.

Mr. CORDON. Mr. President, may I make inquiry of the Senator from Louisiana with respect to the division of time? Do I understand that the proponent has 20 minutes allotted to him at this time, and that he must use the time now or not at all?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oregon has 20 minutes on his amendment, and the Senator from Louisiana has 20 minutes in opposition to the Senator's amendment.

Mr. CORDON. I am perfectly willing to submit the amendment at this time. On the other hand, the Senator from Louisiana may bring up some points which I may feel should be responded to. I had hoped that we might have a division of time by which the Senator from Louisiana would be able to make a presentation of his viewpoint and I might have an opportunity to respond, if I felt it was necessary to do so.

Mr. ELLENDER. It is my understanding that the Senator from Oregon need not use all of his time at once. He

may use 5 minutes, 10 minutes, or 15 minutes at this time, if he wishes to do so. I am perfectly willing to cut 5 or 10 minutes off my time.

Mr. CORDON. Mr. President, I yield such time to the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. O'MAHOONEY] as he may desire to take.

Mr. O'MAHOONEY. Mr. President, I thank the Senator from Oregon and the Senator from Louisiana for permitting me to make a few comments at this time. The subcommittee on Armed Services of the Committee on Appropriations should now be hearing testimony with reference to the fourth supplemental appropriations bill. Inasmuch as I am the chairman of the subcommittee, I must go to the hearing as quickly as possible.

Mr. President, I wish to say that my experience in the State of Wyoming and my knowledge of conditions existing throughout the Rocky Mountain West, where wool is produced and sugar is produced, indicate to me that there is a shortage of the type of labor which is available for work upon farms and ranches.

The conditions of employment throughout the West are such that it is extremely difficult, if not impossible, to obtain workers to go on the ranges to herd sheep. It is very difficult to find workers to be employed in the beet fields. I am very much afraid that the bill, as it was reported by the committee, without amendment, would not provide the labor which we need. In the past Mexican labor has been used almost continuously. It was highly necessary during the war that arrangements be made with the Government of Mexico whereby such workers would be available in our agricultural enterprises.

I feel that the amendment which has been offered by the Senator from Oregon is highly essential if we are to maintain the production which we ought to have. Wool production is, of course, very necessary in the United States. The growing of sheep has diminished considerably during the past several years, chiefly because of the lack of labor competent and willing to do the work. Consequently we should now take no chances at all, but should draft the bill in such form as to guarantee that Mexican labor will be available.

The office of the distinguished senior Senator from New Mexico [Mr. CHAVEZ] communicated with me this morning and asked me to insert in the RECORD a letter which was received by the Senator from New Mexico from Mr. J. B. Wilson, secretary of the Wyoming Wool Growers Association. The letter is dated May 1, 1951. I should like to read it into the RECORD:

WYOMING WOOL GROWERS ASSOCIATION,  
McKinley, Wyo., May 1, 1951.  
HON. DENNIS CHAVEZ,  
United States Senate,  
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SENATOR CHAVEZ: I was interested in reading the debate on the foreign labor bill in the Senate on April 26 and 27 and noticed that on the 27th, in speaking to Senator WHERRY, of Nebraska, you indicated that plenty of sheep herders could be supplied from your State.

As you undoubtedly know, Wyoming has been for many years using a lot of sheep herders from the good State of New Mexico. These herders have in the main proved satisfactory and many of them come to Wyoming in the spring to lamb the sheep and stay during the summer and return to New Mexico when the lambs are delivered in the fall and the sheep men are reducing their flocks due to the sale and shipment of lambs and aged ewes. Many families have been coming to Wyoming for a good many years.

The citizens of New Mexico, who herd sheep in Wyoming, are paid the same scale of wages as are any other herders and, as I have said before, have usually been quite satisfactory.

However, there seems to be a scarcity of experienced herders in New Mexico at this time, as growers who talk to me advise that they find difficulty in getting enough experienced herders from your State.

I am advised by wool growers in our State that the help they are getting for lambing is the most inefficient. Of course, they recruit this help from the local Employment Service offices and they also report a shortage of herders. Most of them would welcome the opportunity of getting some experienced herders from your State and if you can tell us where we might secure some experienced herders, I am sure the wool growers of our State will be most grateful.

Up to say 10 or 15 years ago we had no difficulty in securing most of our needs for herders from the State of New Mexico because the herders that had herded here the previous year would recruit additional herders and we usually had a fairly good supply of herders from your State, but in recent years it has been impossible to secure enough herders from New Mexico and I think it will be found that our State pays wages as high as any State and the majority of our people do use herders from the State of New Mexico and if you can tell us where we can secure any experienced herders, we will appreciate it.

Thanking you in advance and with kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,  
J. B. WILSON, Secretary.

Mr. President, I concur in what Mr. Wilson says. I know that the wool growers of Wyoming would be very happy to receive sheep herders from New Mexico, and would be very glad to afford them satisfactory employment and pay them good wages. If they do come from New Mexico we shall be very happy to have them. But my judgment is that we should not be forced to depend solely upon that source of supply, but should have the aid which would be provided by the Cordon amendment, to make the supply of Mexican labor more available.

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

Mr. O'MAHOONEY. I yield.

Mr. ANDERSON. I wonder if the Senator would be interested in a newspaper article dated April 26 on the farm-labor shortages in New Mexico. Maurice F. Miera, executive director of the State Employment Security Commission, stated that we would have a shortage of 24,000 farm laborers in New Mexico during the cotton-picking season. He pointed out that the demand for seasonal farm workers in the State will reach a postwar peak of 37,850 during the 1951 harvest, and that cotton picking alone would demand 36,000 workers in late October and early November.

Max R. Salazar, State director for the New Mexico Employment Service, stated that while he had made arrangements with agencies in other States to try to bring in laborers, the shortages which cannot be met by domestic workers would have to be met by importing foreign workers, preferably Mexican farm laborers.

I ask the Senator if he believes that with a shortage of that size in a small State such as New Mexico, there is much chance of Wyoming getting additional help from New Mexico?

Mr. O'MAHONEY. The information which the Senator affords the Senate is most persuasive.

Mr. ANDERSON. Will the Senator from Wyoming permit me to ask unanimous consent to place the whole of this brief article in the RECORD at this point?

Mr. O'MAHONEY. I shall be very glad to have it inserted in the RECORD immediately following my remarks, or at this point.

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the entire article with reference to farm-labor shortages in New Mexico be printed in the RECORD at the conclusion of the remarks of the distinguished Senator from Wyoming.

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

(See exhibit A.)

Mr. O'MAHONEY. Mr. President, my point is that the bill reported by the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry is greatly needed, but it should be amended by the amendment offered by the Senator from Oregon. I sincerely hope that the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. ELLENDER] will accept the amendment which has been proposed.

I thank the Senator from Oregon for permitting me to make my statement at this time.

#### EXHIBIT A

##### FARM LABOR SHORTAGES SEEN IN NEW MEXICO

ALBUQUERQUE, April 26.—Maurice F. Miera, executive director of the State employment security commission, today forecast a shortage of 24,000 farm workers in New Mexico during the cotton-picking season.

Miera said the forecast was the result of a recent analysis of farm-labor requirements prepared by the farm placement division of the State employment service.

The executive director said the demand for seasonal farm workers in the State will reach a postwar peak of 37,850 during the 1951 harvest.

Cotton picking alone will demand 36,000 workers in late October and early November.

Max R. Salazar, State director for the New Mexico Employment Service, reported that agreements have been made with other State employment services to direct surplus workers into the State to help alleviate the shortage.

Salazar said that shortages which cannot be met by domestic workers will be certified as requiring foreign workers, probably Mexican farm laborers.

Mr. CORDON. Mr. President, may I ask how much time I have remaining?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator has 9 minutes remaining.

Mr. CORDON. I yield to the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. YOUNG] for the purpose of making an insertion in the RECORD.

Mr. YOUNG. Mr. President, during the course of the debate on the farm-labor bill reference was made to the testimony of representatives of the United States Employment Service before the subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee which was given several weeks ago. In that connection, as a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, I should like to have placed in the RECORD at this point the complete testimony of Mr. Goodwin, Director of the United States Employment Service, so that the RECORD may be complete, particularly as it relates to utilization of the American domestic labor supply, the use of American Indians, and the use of Puerto Ricans insofar as agricultural employment is concerned.

There being no objection, the testimony was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

#### FARM LABORERS

Senator CHAVEZ. Yes. Now to some extent your work is concerned with farm laborers, is it not?

Mr. GOODWIN. That is a very important part of our job.

Senator CHAVEZ. Of course it is important, but what are you going—what is the agency doing in order to get American labor to those spots? I am talking about American labor now.

Mr. GOODWIN. In the farm program we are putting all of the emphasis we can on the utilization of domestic labor. We are trying to get it transferred from one place to another; that is, where it is available in one place, and needed some place else.

#### PLACEMENT OF INDIAN LABOR

Senator CHAVEZ. What are you doing about the Indians? They can get killed on Okinawa or raise a flag on Iwo Jima, but what are you doing to get them a job on a farm?

Mr. GOODWIN. The Indians?

Senator CHAVEZ. Yes.

Mr. GOODWIN. We have worked out programs with the Indian Service for the use of the Indians.

Senator CHAVEZ. What do you do with the Indian himself, not the Indian Service—that is another Bureau in Washington.

Mr. GOODWIN. I know that we have placed many of the Indians on farm work.

Senator CHAVEZ. We have possibly 90,000 Indians in my State, and they are good enough to be killed in Korea, but you prefer to get some Jamaica Negroes or Mexican laborers rather than putting some of those Indians to work. What are you doing as far as American labor is concerned, sir?

Mr. GOODWIN. We have placed many of those Indians; many of them from your State.

Senator CHAVEZ. I don't want the Indian Service to be the determining factor. What do you do about going to the reservations, and getting those Indians a job, such as picking parsley or celery or whatever it may be, in California or Oregon?

Mr. GOODWIN. We have sent people to those reservations, and we have recruited the Indians and placed them on farm work.

#### PUERTO RICAN LABOR

Senator CHAVEZ. What about the Puerto Ricans? I just saw a picture of a boy the other day at Walter Reed Hospital with two legs gone and a right arm gone. What are you doing about his brother, who may need a job?

Mr. DODSON. As I think you know, Puerto Ricans were not used in World War II.

Senator CHAVEZ. Why? They were used at Guadalcanal.

Mr. GOODWIN. I know, sir.

Senator CHAVEZ. General del Valle was at Guadalcanal and he was at Iwo Jima and at Okinawa. There is not a single American military cemetery anywhere that does not have some Puerto Ricans. Why were they not used for labor? Is that the policy of the Department?

Mr. GOODWIN. I don't know, Mr. Chairman. I think it was a policy of discrimination, and I think it showed up in many places.

#### EMPLOYMENT SERVICE EXTENDED TO PUERTO RICO

We didn't have the Employment Service extended to Puerto Rico until a few months ago.

Senator CHAVEZ. I know, because the Department would prefer to get Jamaican Negroes who would complain to His Majesty's consul in New Jersey.

Mr. GOODWIN. We favored the extension of the program to Puerto Rico a long time ago.

Senator CHAVEZ. Why have you not done it? Why have you not talked to Senator Knowland or to me about that proposition? Do you not think that, if they are good enough to die for their country, they are good enough to be given work?

Mr. GOODWIN. I absolutely agree with you. Senator CHAVEZ. What have you done about it?

Mr. GOODWIN. We have been doing everything we can to increase the use of them in the past years.

Senator CHAVEZ. Would you rather get a Mexican laborer from across the border for 80 cents a day than to pay a boy who might have a brother who was killed in the war and pay him sound wages in the United States? Is that not the picture?

Mr. GOODWIN. That is not right, so far as this problem—so far as our attitude toward this problem is concerned. We have been working to get a greater use of them.

I cannot give you the answers to all of these questions as far as World War II is concerned, because I was not in charge of the program then.

#### UTILIZATION OF FOREIGN LABOR

Senator CHAVEZ. As the chairman of this committee, and as an individual only—and I do not represent the views of the committee—I am not in favor of giving the Department any money to go down and get foreigners to work in the country when we have people like the Indians and local citizens who are around here, and who are drafted, and yet who cannot get a job, while some foreigners are brought into the country to work.

Mr. GOODWIN. I agree with that, except that I would say that we are doing everything we can with the resources we have. Now there was a great deal more done on some phases of this problem in World War II. At that time Congress was appropriating about \$30,000,000 a year for that purpose; that is, transportation costs, housing costs, and medical costs. That was all wiped out at the end of the war, and the problem was turned over to the United States Employment Service, and we were expected to do many of the same things without any additional funds.

Senator CHAVEZ. Well, how did you get the Jamaicans or the Panamanians? How did you get them here? That costs money, too, you know.

Mr. GOODWIN. They, because of the conditions that exist in those countries, Mr. Chairman, are willing to come under conditions that our domestic laborers would not—

Senator CHAVEZ. Are we working for the other countries, or are we working for the American citizens? What is this Government for?

Mr. GOODWIN. We are working for the American citizens, of course.

#### PUERTO RICAN EMPLOYMENT OFFICE

Senator KNOWLAND. How long have you had the Puerto Rican Employment Office?





that the employer, without cost to the employee, shall provide adequate hygienic housing facilities. The employer is obligated to provide three adequate meals per day at a cost to the employee not in excess of \$1.50 per day. However, the employer may provide cooking and eating facilities and the employee will prepare his own meals. The contract provides for a minimum employment of 12 weeks and if it is necessary to terminate the work agreement other than due to an act of God, such as hurricanes, tornadoes, fires, or floods, the employer will be responsible for finding another employer willing to assume the obligations of the contract or return the worker to Puerto Rico at the employer's expense.

"The contract also provides withholding of 5 cents per hour or 9 percent of piecework earnings of the employee to be paid as a bonus to the employee upon completion of the contract.

"The employer is obligated to procure and maintain in effect a performance bond in form and amount satisfactory to the commissioner of labor of Puerto Rico.

"The contract provisions summarized above reflect benefits available to Puerto Rican agricultural workers while employed in Puerto Rico.

"On April 5, 1941, the Puerto Rican government approved a minimum wage and hour law which applies to agriculture as well as industry.

"Under the Sugar Act, minimum wage rates are determined annually. This determination includes wage increases based upon the average price of raw sugar prevailing in the immediately preceding 2-week period. This act also provides that overtime shall be paid at double the applicable minimum hourly rate for persons employed in more than 8 hours in any 24-hour period. It also provides that piecework rates shall not be less than the applicable daily or hourly rate. In addition, the producer is required to furnish the laborer, without charge, perquisites customarily furnished by him such as a dwelling, garden plot, pasture lot, and medical services. Attached is a copy of wage rates, sugarcane, Puerto Rico, 1951, developed pursuant to the Sugar Act of 1948.

"Due to the fact that Puerto Rico is 90 percent agricultural, the minimum age requirements for employment have been applied to agricultural employment as well as industrial employment. Puerto Rico's minimum-age requirements are 16 during school hours and 14 outside of school hours. In addition, workmen's compensation benefits have been granted agricultural workers. Few States on the mainland have coverage of agricultural workers. The State of Ohio and Puerto Rico provide compulsory coverage for agriculture for employers of three or more. Hawaii's coverage is for all agricultural workers, coverage in Connecticut (for three or more), in New Jersey and in Vermont (for employers of eight or more). In New Jersey, however, farmers are not required to insure.

"PUERTO RICAN LABOR  
"STATEMENT OF POLICY

"The United States Employment Service will consider Puerto Rico as a supply source of domestic labor and will extend, through its national office, clearance orders to the Puerto Rican Department of Labor, after clearance has been made in the State and region of demand, and thereafter in inter-regional clearance if labor demands of the employer have not been satisfied. If an employer states a preference for Puerto Rican labor and the State agency determines that labor is not available within the State, or adjoining States, the order may be extended by the national office to Puerto Rico.

"Authority for the recruitment of Puerto Rican workers will be granted by the com-

missioner of labor of Puerto Rico, only after the United States Employment Service has furnished information to the commissioner of labor that the supply of available labor to the State of demand is not sufficient to meet the requirements of the employer.

"Orders received from employers who specifically request foreign workers shall be processed only after positive effort is made by the local office to encourage the employer to use Puerto Rican labor. Therefore, local office personnel will point out to employers that Puerto Ricans shall be considered for employment prior to any consideration of the use of foreign labor.

"Any exception to this policy will be determined by the national office on the merits of each individual case and the commissioner of labor of Puerto Rico shall be informed of the findings in such cases.

"Approved this 10th day of February 1949.

"Commissioner of Labor of Puerto Rico.

"ROBERT C. GOODWIN,  
"Director, Bureau of Employment Security.

"RECRUITMENT OF PUERTO RICAN WORKERS

"1. When an employer places an order with a local office of the United States Employment Service system, every effort will be made to recruit workers locally. In the event that workers cannot be found locally in accordance with United States Employment Service policies and standards, the order, with the permission and cooperation of the employer will be extended to other offices through normal clearance procedures.

"2. In the event that workers cannot be so obtained, the employer will be told then that workers in a wide range of agricultural skills and occupations may be found in Puerto Rico. The local office will explain to the employer that Puerto Rican labor shall be considered for employment prior to any consideration of the use of foreign labor, and a definite effort shall be made to encourage the employer to use this source of labor supply.

"3. The national office shall furnish to field offices information concerning the attributes and qualities of Puerto Rican workers, including experience records, personal characteristics, and any other information deemed pertinent and necessary as conditions of employment.

"4. Should the employer agree to employ Puerto Rican workers, the order will be directed through channels to the national office for clearance to the New York office of the Puerto Rican Department of Labor. A copy of such order shall be forwarded by the United States Employment Service to the Veterans Employment Service in Puerto Rico for informational purposes.

"5. If an employer states a preference for Puerto Rican labor and the State employment service in the area of demand determines that labor is not available within the State or adjoining States, the order may be extended by the national office to the New York office of the Puerto Rican Department of Labor.

"6. The Puerto Rican Department of Labor shall notify the United States Employment Service within 5 days from receipt thereof, of the acceptance or rejection of the order, such notification to be made by telegram direct to the Farm Placement Service, United States Employment Service.

"7. The Puerto Rican Department of Labor will designate the point or points of recruitment within Puerto Rico at which workers will be contracted and will assume responsibility for determining the eligibility of workers to be contracted.

"8. The Puerto Rican Department of Labor will attempt to limit the selection of Puerto Rican workers to those who have an estab-

lished agricultural experience background, and preference in selection should be given to those who are regularly employed in farm work and who are primarily interested in seasonal employment on the mainland during the off season in Puerto Rican agriculture. Each employer or his duly designated representative shall be responsible for conducting positive recruitment in order to assure that capable workers have been screened and selected.

"9. Upon confirmation of acceptance of an order, the Puerto Rican Department of Labor shall notify the employer of the time and place of contracting and any other necessary arrangements incident to the recruitment.

"10. Orders received by the national office requesting foreign workers shall be accompanied by a statement of the State agency establishing that the employer has been offered Puerto Rican labor, and supporting information that the employment of Puerto Rican labor will cause undue hardship to the employer.

"11. Exceptions to this procedure to be used in the employment of Puerto Rican workers shall be determined by the national office on the merits of each individual case, and the commissioner of labor of Puerto Rico shall be informed of the findings in such cases.

"Approved this 19th day of February 1949.

"Commissioner of Labor of Puerto Rico.

"ROBERT C. GOODWIN,  
"Director, Bureau of Employment Security."

SUGAR ACTS

Senator CHAVEZ. I wish you would furnish for the record, if you can, the Sugar Act, which fixes the standards for Puerto Rican labor. As a general rule, it is the Sugar Act that controls.

Mr. GOODWIN. Yes.

(The information requested is as follows:)

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"UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, PRODUCTION AND MARKETING ADMINISTRATION—WAGE RATES; SUGARCANE; PUERTO RICO; 1951

"TITLE 7, AGRICULTURE; SUBCHAPTER VIII, PRODUCTION AND MARKETING ADMINISTRATION (SUGAR BRANCH), DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; SUBCHAPTER H—DETERMINATION OF WAGE RATES (SUGAR DETERMINATION 867.3); PART 867, SUGARCANE, PUERTO RICO

"Calendar year 1951

"Pursuant to the provisions of section 301 (c) (1) of the Sugar Act of 1948 (herein referred to as "act"), after investigation, and consideration of the evidence obtained at the public hearing held in San Juan, Puerto Rico, on October 5 and 6, 1950, the following determination is hereby issued:

"Sec. 867.3. Fair and reasonable wage rates for persons employed in the production, cultivation, or harvesting of sugarcane in Puerto Rico during the calendar year 1951—(a) Requirements: The requirements of section 301 (c) (1) of the act shall be deemed to have been met with respect to the production, cultivation, or harvesting of sugarcane in Puerto Rico for the calendar year 1951 if the producer complies with the following:

"(1) Wage rates: All persons employed on the farm in the production, cultivation, or harvesting of sugarcane shall have been paid in full for such work and shall have been paid wages in cash therefor at rates as agreed upon between the producer and the laborer but, after the date of issuance of this determination, not less than the following:

"(1) Day rates (a) basic rates: The basic day rate for the first 8 hours of work performed in any 24-hour period (except that for ditch diggers, ditch cleaners, or field flooders in class E, herein below, the applicable day rate shall be the first 7 hours of work

performed in any 24-hour period) shall be as follows:

Class of work	Basic rates per day	
	Farms other than interior farms	Interior farms <sup>1</sup>
A. All kinds of work not classified below.....	\$1.50	\$1.40
B. Operators of mechanical equipment, such as tractors, trucks, tractor plows.....	2.35	2.20
CLASSIFIED NONHARVEST OPERATIONS		
C. Cartmen in cultivation work.....	1.60	1.50
D. Plow steersmen and operators of irrigation pumps, and all work connected with mixing and applying chemical weed killers.....	1.80	1.65
E. Ditch diggers, ditch cleaners, field flooders (per 7-hour day) <sup>2</sup> .....	1.80	1.65
CLASSIFIED HARVEST OPERATIONS		
F. Cartmen in harvest work.....	2.00	1.80
G. Sugarcane cutters (for grinding or planting), seed cutters, crane operators, dumpers.....	1.80	1.65
H. Portable track handlers, railroad or portable track car loaders.....	2.00	2.00
I. Crane cart or truck loaders.....	1.90	1.80

<sup>1</sup> Interior farms shall be deemed to be those farms which were classified as interior farms for the calendar year 1949.

<sup>2</sup> Field flooders shall be deemed to be workers who set up or remove banks in drainage ditches when used for flooding sugarcane fields.

"(b) Wage increases: For each 10 cents or fraction thereof that the price of raw sugar (duty-paid basis, delivered) averages more than \$3.80 per 100 pounds, but not more than \$7 per 100 pounds for the 2-week period immediately preceding the 2-week period during which the work is performed, a wage increase of 4.5 cents per day above the rate prescribed under subdivision (1) (a) of this subparagraph shall be paid for each day of work during such 2-week period; *Provided*, That the average price of raw sugar prevailing during the period from December 7 through December 20, 1950, shall determine the amount of wage increase effective during the work period January 1 through January 3, 1951, and thereafter the amount of wage increases in successive 2-week work periods shall be determined by the average price of raw sugar prevailing in the immediately preceding 2-week period. The 2-week average price of raw sugar (duty-paid basis, delivered) shall be determined by taking the simple average of the daily spot quotations of 96° raw sugar of the New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange (domestic contract) converted to 100 pounds and adjusted to a duty-paid basis, delivered, by adding to each daily quotation the United States duty prevailing on Cuban raw sugar on that day, except that, if the Director of the Sugar Branch determines that for any 2-week period such average price does not reflect the true market value of raw sugar, because of inadequate volume or other factors the Director may designate the average price to be effective under this determination.

"(ii) Hourly rates: Where persons are employed on an hourly basis for a period not in excess of 8 hours (7 hours in class E) in any 24-hour period, the hourly rate shall be determined by dividing the applicable day rate provided in subdivision (1) of this subparagraph by 8 (by 7 in class E).

"(iii) Overtime: Persons employed for more than 8 hours (or 7 hours under Class E) in any 24-hour period shall be paid for the overtime work at a rate double the applicable hourly rate provided in subdivision (ii) of this subparagraph.

"(iv) Piecework rates: If work is performed on a piecework basis, the average earnings for the time involved on each separate unit of work for which a piecework rate is agreed upon shall be not less than the applicable daily or hourly rate provided in subdivisions (1), (ii), and (iii) of this subparagraph.

"(2) Perquisites: In addition to the foregoing, the producer shall furnish to the laborer without charge the perquisites customarily furnished by him such as a dwelling, garden plot, pasture lot, and medical services.

"(b) Subterfuge: The producer shall not reduce the wage rates to laborers below those determined herein through any subterfuge or device whatsoever.

"(c) Claim for unpaid wages: Any person who believes he has not been paid in accordance with this determination may file a wage claim with the Caribbean Area Office, Production and Marketing Administration, San Juan, P. R., against the producer on whose farm the work was performed. Such claim must be filed within 2 years from the date the work with respect to which the claim is made was performed. Detailed instructions and wage-claim forms are available at that office. Upon receipt of a wage claim the Caribbean Area Office shall thereupon notify the producer against whom the claim is made concerning the representation made by the laborer and, after making such investigation as it deems necessary, shall notify the producer and laborer in writing of its recommendation for settlement of the claim. If the recommendation of the area office is not acceptable, either party may file an appeal with the Director of the Sugar Branch, Production and Marketing Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C. Such appeal shall be filed within 15 days after receipt of the recommended settlement from the area office; otherwise such recommended settlement will be applied in making payments under the act. If a claim is appealed to the Director of the Sugar Branch, his decision shall be binding on all parties insofar as payments under the act are concerned.

"STATEMENT OF BASES AND CONSIDERATIONS

"(a) General: The foregoing determination provides fair and reasonable wage rates which a producer must pay as a minimum for work performed by persons employed on the farm in the production, cultivation, or harvesting of sugarcane in Puerto Rico during the calendar year 1951, as one of the conditions for payment under the act. In this statement the foregoing determination, as well as determinations for prior years, will be referred to as 'wage determination', identified by the calendar year for which effective.

"(b) Requirements of the act and standards employed: In determining fair and reasonable wage rates it is required under the act that a public hearing be held, that investigations be made, and that consideration be given to (1) the standards formerly established by the Secretary under the Agricultural Adjustment Act, as amended, and (2) the differences in conditions among various sugar-producing areas.

"A public hearing was held in San Juan, P. R., on October 5 and 6, 1950, at which interested persons presented testimony with respect to fair and reasonable wage rates for the calendar year 1951. In addition, investigations have been made of the conditions affecting wage rates in Puerto Rico. In this determination consideration has been given to testimony presented at the hearing and to information resulting from investigations. The primary factors which have been considered are (1) prices of sugar and byproducts; (2) income from sugarcane; (3) cost of production; (4) cost of living; and (5) relationship of labor cost to total cost. Other economic influences also have been considered.

"(c) Background: Determinations of fair and reasonable wage rates for Puerto Rico have been issued each year since 1938. The first wage determination increased wage rates over those that had prevailed during 1937 and immediately preceding years. The relationship of wages to income of producers was generally maintained, however, in the same ratio as had existed theretofore in the collective bargaining agreements negotiated between producers and laborers. In the 1938 wage determination the basic wage rate for the least skilled workers was \$1 per 8-hour day. This rate was increased to \$1.30 in 1942 and \$1.50 in 1943. Commensurate increases were made in the rates for workers of higher skills during those years and in 1944. Subsequent to 1944 basic wage rates have remained unchanged.

"In 1940, when increases in raw sugar prices were anticipated, there was incorporated in the wage determination a provision for wage increases over and above basic wage rates when the price of raw sugar exceeded a stated price. While details of the wage increment plan changed in subsequent years, the wage determinations in all years except for a portion of 1943 have included a wage-price escalator scale. In the 1948 wage determination the wage escalator scale provided that increases of 4.5 cents per day above the basic day wage rates shall be paid for each 10 cents, or fraction thereof, increase in the 2-week average price of raw sugar above \$3.80 per 100 pounds. This scale was maintained in the 1949 and 1950 wage determinations.

"In the 1938 wage determination basic daily wage rates were established for various classes of workers grouped according to relative skills. In subsequent years revisions have been made in the classification and grouping of jobs as a result of changes in production methods. In all years since 1938 a differential in rates has been provided for farms delivering sugarcane to certain mills in the interior region of the island.

"(d) 1951 wage determination: The basic wage rates and the wage-price escalator scale of the 1951 wage determination continue unchanged from those in effect in the 1950 wage determination.

"An examination of factors customarily considered in wage determinations, in the light of conditions likely to prevail during 1951, indicates a reasonable basis for continuing the basic wage rates and wage-price escalator scale of the 1950 wage determination.

"In making this determination the Department had available data with respect to the costs, returns, and profits of the Puerto Rico sugar industry. These data show that the maintenance of the 1950 scale of wage rates for 1951 will not prejudice the ability of producers to pay such wages. Since the wage increments of the escalator scale are geared to changes in the market prices of sugar, wage rates in 1951 will be responsive to income changes which result from sugar prices. Thus, the relationship of wage rates to sugar prices should remain about the same as in previous years.

"The latest available information on living costs of workers in Puerto Rico indicates that costs of food and clothing were about the same as for the comparable period in 1949. However, more recent reports for the continental United States indicate advances in living costs. Similar increases probably will occur in the living costs of Puerto Rican workers. During recent years workers have received a relatively favorable real wage, as compared with 1943-44, and with moderate increases in living costs, this position should be maintained.

"At the public hearing a substantial amount of testimony pertained to changes in production methods which result in displacement of workers or anticipated loss of work opportunities. Representatives of producers recommended a reduction in the wage





of such workers into the continental United States." That means, Mr. President, reception centers in California, Texas, and perhaps Gulf cities in Louisiana, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida.

S. 984 requires an employer to pay the total transportation cost of the workers he may hire to and from those reception centers. It is a long way and many dollars from the Mexican border to the State of Washington. It is many miles from the Gulf Coast to Idaho and Montana.

Washington State is so far from the Mexican border that the cost involved in paying the total cost of the workers' transportation to and from the border is prohibitive. When these workers get into our area it will be necessary to move them to three or four different localities during the season; these localities may be 200 to 300 miles apart. For example, the first big need for this type of labor in our area is in sugar beet thinning in Idaho or western Montana in April and May. During June and July many of these workers can be moved to the green pea harvest area in eastern Oregon and Washington, at least 250 miles from the beet area. Then in August they would be moved to the Puget Sound area, northwest Washington, or to the Willamette Valley and Medford in Oregon to harvest soft fruits, beans, peas, and other vegetables. Then they would be needed in late September and October in the apple harvest in the Hood River, Oreg., area, the Yakima Valley and Wenatchee-Okanogan area of Washington, or in the potato harvest of central Oregon and Washington.

If employers were required to pick these workers up at reception centers at or near, the Mexican border, it would cost them approximately \$50 each way, or \$100 a man, to get them to and from the border. Then these moves within the area already referred to would cost at least \$30 a man for transportation and subsistence. Also, Senate bill 984 provides that employers reimburse the Government for recruiting expense up to \$20 a man.

This would mean that under such a program, it would cost an employer a total of \$150 a man in addition to camp costs and food and wage compliance.

The growers of Oregon, Washington, and western Idaho cannot afford these additional increased costs of \$2 per man-day for Mexican Nationals over and above the cost of domestic labor.

Mr. President, the amendment of the Senator from Oregon is not sectionalism; it favors no one area over another. Neither he nor I seek a special privilege for the growers in our northwestern States. Simple justice, plain equity, demand that farm labor employers in every section of the country—New England, the Dakotas, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Minnesota—receive equal treatment with their southern or midwestern neighbors and friends.

The amendment of the senior Senator from Oregon simply gives to the Secretary of Labor the necessary discretion to locate these Mexican labor reception centers at points equidistant from all areas where supplemental farm labor is needed.

I encourage my colleagues to exercise their American sense of fair play and accept this amendment which has been so ably offered by the senior Senator from Oregon.

Mr. CORDON. Mr. President, I reserve the time remaining to me, and yield the floor so the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. ELLENDER] may speak.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, by the adoption of the amendment offered by the Senator from Oregon the bill would be changed in four major ways.

In its present form the bill provides that the Secretary of Labor shall establish, at or near the border between the United States and Mexico, reception centers to which Mexican labor would be brought from the interior of Mexico. At the reception center the worker would enter into a contract with American employers for temporary employment in the United States. The pending amendment would make it possible for the Secretary of Labor to establish these centers at interior points in the United States, away from the Mexican border.

The first objection to the amendment is that it would change the basis of the bill from one attempting to implement the present method of importing Mexican labor, to one of meeting an emergency. The program contemplated by the pending bill would continue to make Mexican workers available in those areas of the country where it is economically feasible for private employers to hire them; whereas if the pending amendment were adopted it would change the purpose of the bill by making its goal the placing of Mexican laborers at Government expense at any point in the United States where an emergency shortage of labor existed.

Secondly, the amendment changes the policy of the Federal Government with respect to the subsidization of farm labor. The bill is designed to carry out the agreement reached with Mexico at a minimum cost to the Federal Government by continuing the present practice of employers paying practically all the costs. The bill provides that the employer would reimburse the Federal Government up to \$20 per worker for expenses incurred in providing transportation and subsistence for Mexican workers. This maximum reimbursement is expected to cover practically all such costs in bringing Mexican workers from the interior of Mexico to reception centers in the United States at or near the border. If reception centers are established in the United States other than at points at or near the border, it becomes apparent that all additional transportation and subsistence costs will be paid by the Federal Government. This involves substantial subsidization by the Federal Government of farm labor in the United States. Such subsidization has been made in the past only during World War II, and not during peacetime or partial mobilization periods. Therefore, adoption of the amendment involves a major change in policy of our Government.

Thirdly, the effect of the amendment on the legislation would result in discrim-

ination against domestic workers and workers from foreign countries other than Mexico. The bill as reported requires that the employer pay practically all of the costs of importing Mexican workers. Before he can import them, it must be certified that domestic workers are not available, and that such importation would not adversely affect their wages and working conditions. However, if the amendment is adopted, it will mean that the Federal Government will be paying for the transportation and subsistence of Mexican workers to any point in the United States, while no subsidization will be offered for any domestic workers, or any worker from a foreign country other than the Republic of Mexico. Again, the question must be answered if the amendment is adopted as to why the same method should not be applied to Canadians, to Jamaicans, to Hawaiians, to Puerto Ricans as well as domestic workers.

Finally the amendment will increase the cost of the program tremendously. The bill is designed to have the employers pay practically all costs for transportation and subsistence in importing workers from Mexico. The legislation also authorizes the Federal Government to establish reception centers at or near the border, to receive workers from Mexico, and to house them during the negotiations for contracting. The establishment and maintenance of these reception centers will be the main expense of the Government in this program. The establishment of reception centers at other points in the United States will mean, first, that practically all the transportation and subsistence costs incurred in the United States will be paid by the Federal Government, and second, the Federal Government will, of course, have to pay for the additional reception centers. The Department of Labor has not estimated what the cost of establishing and maintaining these reception centers will be. It has estimated that construction of an overnight rest camp will cost \$70,000, and it is reasonable to assume that the reception centers will cost many times that amount. The reception centers authorized by the bill at or near the border will undoubtedly be used on a full-year basis. If reception centers are established wherever an emergency farm labor shortage occurs, they may be used for one season only, and complete utilization from year to year will not be possible.

Mr. President, as I explained to the Senate 10 days ago, when the bill was first considered, the labor is recruited in Mexico under the auspices of our Government, at centers to be agreed upon by Mexico. The workers are then taken from those centers and brought to reception centers established at or near the border within the United States. At the centers in the United States, employers enter contracts with the Mexican laborers. The expense of transportation and subsistence of the laborers between the center established in Mexico and the one established on the border is paid by the United States Government, but each employer is required to reimburse the Federal Govern-

ment up to an amount not exceeding \$20 per worker for such expenses. Thus the legislation is designed to provide that the employers of these workers will pay as much of the total cost of the program as possible.

If the amendment is adopted, it can readily be seen that the result will be that instead of the employers paying the entire expense, the Federal Government will be called upon to subsidize the employers of farm labor. In other words, if the centers are established, let us say, in Seattle, in St. Louis, and in Denver—in fact, at any point away from the border—the Federal Government will be called upon to pay every cent of the transportation from the interior of Mexico to those established centers, less the sum of \$20.

Mr. President, if we are to undertake a program of that character, we ought to make it apply not only to Mexican labor, but to all forms of foreign as well as domestic labor that may be needed to maintain American agricultural production.

Today we have in force an agreement whereby employers in the United States go into Mexico, hire Mexican labor, pay all of the expenses in connection with obtaining such labor, and in that way obtain a great many agricultural workers. The Mexican Government, however, does not desire to continue that agreement. Therefore, in order that we shall be able to carry out a tentative new agreement between the United States and Mexico, it is necessary that this bill be enacted.

As I pointed out a moment ago, if we should adopt the amendment, there will be discrimination against foreign laborers from countries other than Mexico and against our own domestic farm labor. Why should not we have a plan providing that if there is a national emergency in farm labor, the Government will pay for the transportation not only of foreign farm labor, but also of domestic farm labor? I believe such alternative must be considered in connection with the problem raised by the amendment.

Mr. President, I repeat a statement I have made previously, namely, that in the future a time may come when it will be necessary—because of the existence of an emergency, and in order to obtain the labor needed not only on the farms, but also in industry—to enact legislation similar to that which was in effect during World War II. It will be recalled that during World War II we had in effect a plan whereby our Government financed the transportation, subsistence, and other expenses not only with respect to relocating farm labor, but also, with respect to relocating industrial labor. That cost the taxpayers of the United States in excess of \$30,000,000 a year during World War II. I do not believe this bill should now be placed in that category. I contend that we are not yet in an emergency which would require the Congress to enact a bill making it possible to transport labor from one place to another.

I repeat, Mr. President, that the purpose of this bill is merely to carry out a proposed agreement which has been

entered into between our Government and the Mexican Government, without which we would be unable to obtain any Mexican labor legally. As I have pointed out, employers in the United States have been obtaining Mexican labor under the terms of an agreement which became effective August 1, 1949. The Mexican Government has given us notice that it will no longer agree to contracts made under those terms, and that in order for Mexican labor to be imported into the United States, it will be necessary for that to be done in accordance with the tentative agreement reached the first part of this year. I believe the bill will authorize our Government to carry out its part of that agreement in the best way possible but the pending amendment would embark our Government on a totally different type of farm labor program from that contemplated by the basic legislation.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MOODY in the chair). Does the Senator from Louisiana yield to the Senator from Idaho?

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield.

Mr. DWORSHAK. Surely the Senator from Louisiana is not contending, is he, that in the past several months the farm labor situation has not become more acute by virtue of the recruitment of labor in areas in the West, particularly for employment in munitions plants, in atomic energy installations, and in airplane factories?

Mr. ELLENDER. I am not contending that at all, Mr. President. The point I am trying to make is that when our committee considered the bill, it was considered, not in the light of an emergency bill, but simply as a bill to provide ways and means by which Mexican labor could be brought into our country for use on our farms. In other words, if this bill should not be enacted, we would not be able to contract for Mexican workers legally as we have in the past.

As the law now stands, contracts are entered into by employers in the United States with employees in Mexico, without any subsidies or guaranties by our Government. However, the Mexican Government has now refused to continue this program unless it is done under terms and conditions outlined in an agreement which was entered into between the United States and Mexico in January of this year. As I have stated, the purpose of this bill is to carry out that phase of the agreement.

Mr. President, during the course of the hearings, we tried to obtain from the Department of Labor and from other sources information as to what the cost of the program would be. However, we could not obtain any information as to how much it would cost to establish a reception center. The Department did estimate that it would cost \$70,000 to construct an overnight rest stop and undoubtedly a reception center would cost many times that amount.

As I stated before the committee, if the time comes in the near future when we have an emergency condition which makes it necessary for us to bring into

our country not only Mexican labor but other foreign farm labor, and also to provide for the transportation of domestic farm labor, that problem should be considered then as a whole. However, let us not pass, at this time, a bill which would be grossly discriminatory against domestic workers and foreign workers from countries other than Mexico by adoption of the pending amendment. If the amendment of the senior Senator from Oregon [Mr. CORDON] is adopted, it will mean that the Government of the United States will have to pay the entire cost, less \$20, of transporting Mexican workers from the interior of Mexico all the way to Portland, Oreg., if the laborers are to be employed there, or to other points in the United States. Again I repeat, that would change the purpose and policy of the bill.

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

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield for a question.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I wonder whether the Senator from Louisiana has given any thought to the possibility of increasing the \$20 minimum fee. Twenty dollars does not cover very much, anyway, even in the case of the cost of transportation to the reception centers originally proposed. Would not it be possible to increase the \$20 minimum?

Mr. ELLENDER. The purpose of the \$20 fee is to cover the cost of transportation and subsistence in Mexico.

Mr. HUMPHREY. That is correct.

Mr. ELLENDER. Personally I would much prefer, if the Congress feels that way, to provide that employers whose farms are at a considerable distance from the border shall receive some sort of rebate. I am not advocating that; but I would prefer it to the establishment of the proposed centers.

Mr. HUMPHREY. The question I ask of the Senator from Louisiana is this: If the Cordon amendment should be adopted, would not it be within the realm of fair play and reasonableness to suggest a moderate increase in the minimum sum which an employer would be required to pay?

Mr. ELLENDER. The purpose of the \$20 payment, as I have said, is to pay for the actual expenses within Mexico. Certainly the Senator from Minnesota would not want to pay a greater amount than that actually needed?

Mr. HUMPHREY. Yes, I would.

Mr. ELLENDER. I would not. Why should we make a farmer who lives on the border pay a considerably larger amount than the cost of transporting the laborer from, let us say, the interior of Mexico to the point on the border where the employer's farm is located?

I understand that my distinguished friend intends, by means of his amendment, to make the payment equitable.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Thirty-five dollars was the amount suggested by me.

Mr. ELLENDER. But in the amendment of the Senator from Oregon we find this provision: "Provided, That such reception centers shall be distributed geographically so as to provide, as far as practicable, equality of costs and opportunity of obtaining such workers in the

areas where the Secretary finds need therefor to exist."

If we could work out a method which would take care of the transportation from a point within Mexico to a point within the United States, I would much prefer that approach to the establishment of centers throughout the country.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, will the Senator yield further?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The time of the Senator from Louisiana has expired.

Mr. ELLENDER. I am sorry that my time has expired, and I am unable to yield.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oregon is recognized.

Mr. CORDON. Mr. President, how much time have I?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oregon has 3 minutes.

Mr. CORDON. I yield 1 minute to my friend, the Senator from Iowa.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Iowa is recognized for 1 minute.

Mr. HICKENLOOPER. Mr. President, although this type of labor is not particularly attractive in my immediate section of the United States, nevertheless it is attractive in various other sections. I feel that it is a good thing to obtain this supply of labor if it can be obtained without undue cost. I believe that the amendment of the Senator from Oregon is a proper one. I think it should be adopted.

However, I also would go along with a commensurate increase in the total overall transportation cost, the payment of which might be provided for in the bill, in order to equalize the costs of transportation to the various areas of the United States.

Mr. President, I believe that the time allotted to me has expired. I thank the Senator from Oregon for yielding this time to me.

Mr. CORDON. Mr. President, in his argument today, the distinguished Senator from Louisiana repeated, as I understood him, the matters he presented in his original argument before the Senate. They were answered by me in my argument of the other day.

Let me say that there is no reason for any cost for maintaining beyond the Mexican border any reception center for any laborer. All the Secretary of Labor need do is to determine the points to which the laborers come and from which they return, with expenses prepaid by the American Government. The remainder is all taken care of exactly as it is today. It is solely a matter of good administrative judgment on the part of the Secretary of Labor, and I think we can indulge the hope that we will have that sort of administration, and that the result will be equity as between agricultural areas in the several States of the United States in which there is a critical labor shortage which cannot be met domestically. If there is no shortage, there is no call for the foreign labor. If there is a shortage, there should be equity in its supply and in the cost of providing it. I yield the remainder of my time to the chairman.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, of the hour which I would have on the bill itself, I now yield 10 minutes to the Senator from Florida.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Florida is recognized for 10 minutes.

Mr. HOLLAND. Mr. President, I hope that this amendment will not be adopted, because its adoption would mean that many of us from that section of the Nation which does not use Mexican labor, but whose people are very anxious, by supporting this bill, to help both agriculture and the Mexicans in the area where Mexican labor is available, would be left in a position where we could not possibly support it. There are three reasons for saying that that is the case, and I should like to give those reasons for the record.

I note that there are very few Members of the Senate present, but, since I shall have to oppose this bill if this amendment is adopted, and since a great many other Senators are in the same position, I think it only fair to state for the record just why we oppose this amendment so vigorously.

The first reason is that the adoption of this amendment would discriminate completely against users of agricultural labor which comes from foreign sources other than Mexico, such as the Bahamas, Jamaica, Canada, and the like. We have not asked to be included in this bill. We do not want to be included in this bill. We, in Florida, ourselves are paying the expenses or bringing in needed agricultural labor from the Bahamas and from Jamaica. We do not want to be subsidized, neither do we want to be regimented, and we therefore have not asked to be included within this bill.

The practice which has been built up is thoroughly satisfactory. It does not cost the United States Government a cent. It is not inimical to domestic labor, because there cannot be brought into the United States a single alien without first getting a certificate of the need for additional labor, over and beyond what domestic sources can supply. But if this amendment should be placed in the bill we would be in the position of having to see Federal funds expended in very large amounts, for instance, for transportation from such places of entry as Brownsville or El Paso, Tex., clear across an area of more than 2,000 miles to the fields of the Northwest, and for housing and subsistence at various places on the way. We feel that for the Government to pay those expenses and at the same time to pay not 1 dime for the importation of labor from the Bahamas and Jamaica and the transportation of those laborers from Miami, the port of entry, to Connecticut, or wherever they may be used, is an obvious discrimination against the users of those forms of alien agricultural labor in all the eastern area of the Nation. That is the first reason for our being opposed to this amendment, and we think that it is a perfectly sound reason.

Our second reason for opposing it is that the adoption of this amendment would be highly discriminatory as against domestic labor. I hope that the distinguished Senator from Minnesota will listen to this point, because I think it

is valid and, in my opinion, there is no way in the world to meet it. If this amendment should be adopted without further change, the bill would be highly discriminatory as against domestic agricultural labor, because it would pay the transportation, subsistence, and housing of laborers coming in from Mexico, for distances of from 2,000 to 2,500 miles across areas of the United States and back, at the expense of the United States Government, without offering to do anything of the sort for domestic labor at similarly distant points, because domestic labor, if they wanted to go to the same places as, for example, the fields in Oregon or Washington, would have to pay their own expenses.

I realize there are certain practical difficulties involved in this problem, and I am quite agreeable to providing the expenses of maintaining a system under which the Federal Government may, agreeably to the Mexican Government, get labor in Mexico at places where there is unemployment, transport such labor into the United States, and make it equally available to all; but I would not be willing, and I do not believe any other Senator understanding the situation would be willing, to vote for a system under which there would be paid transportation within the United States for 2,500 miles in each direction of labor brought in from Mexico, in order that they might work in fields, let us say, in Washington, Idaho, or Oregon—and I have nothing but the friendliest feelings for all those good States—and at the same time no effort whatever would be made to reimburse the travel or other expense of domestic laborers who might have equally as great a desire to see that interesting part of the country and to work there for a few months in the summer or fall as would the Mexicans. There simply is no equity toward our own people in such a program.

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

Mr. HOLLAND. I will yield in a moment. Let me make my third point; after which I shall yield.

The adoption of this amendment would mean a very great degree of discrimination against domestic agricultural labor in the United States, and there would be no way in the world to prevent it.

The third point, Mr. President, and the reason why I would object to the amendment, is that it is a big entering wedge for what is the most grandiose scheme I have ever heard advanced for setting up a hierarchy the like of which I have not heard suggested elsewhere, the establishing of motels, transient camps, and tourist camps from the Canadian border to the Gulf, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, as testified to before the committee by the Assistant Secretary of Labor, Mr. Robert T. Creasey. At an earlier time in the debate I placed in the RECORD his testimony. The amendment propose to furnish such entertainment to Mexican labor, scattered all over the country.

The fact that it involves more than one or two or three centers was never better illustrated than by the statement



a few moments ago of the distinguished junior Senator from Washington [Mr. CAIN], who made it very clear that there would be required at least three centers of distribution in Washington State because of the necessity of supplying additional areas in his State at different times in the year. We realize that if we adopt this amendment and pass the bill we shall be giving an invitation, laying out the plush carpet for the creation of this grandiose scheme of multiple units of transient centers, tourist camps, and motels, manned at public expense, and with public agents to operate them for agricultural labor going up and down the country, though it may be confined to Mexican labor for the moment. Surely, with that kind of scheme it would be wholly impossible to exclude the implication that we would also have to be entertaining domestic agricultural labor very soon and it would not be many months before we would have to do it. I now yield to the Senator from Oregon.

Mr. CORDON. The Senator speaks of discrimination. Is it not a fact that every provision in this bill is a discrimination in favor of foreign labor, that every provision in it is a discrimination predicated upon the sole proposition that we do not have sufficient domestic labor, that we must get foreign labor, and that we cannot get it from the usual source, Mexico, except in the way provided in the bill.

Mr. HOLLAND. No. The Senator is not correct. There is no discrimination in favor of Canadian labor; there is no discrimination in favor of Bahaman labor; there is no discrimination in favor of Jamaican labor; there is no discrimination in the bill in favor of any of the users of all those classes of labor, which means farmers in most of the eastern areas of the United States.

I have heard not one word from the farming interests of the eastern section of the United States by way of suggestion that they want any sort of a subsidy or any sort of a hierarchy established and maintained for their advantage. To the contrary, they say they want to and they insist upon handling their problem themselves, and at their own expense. The only reason for the bringing of Mexican labor into the picture is that under the practices which have existed, the very areas in Mexico which did not need to export their laborers have been the ones whose laborers have been exported; instead of going into the areas remote from the border, where there was unemployment and where the Mexican Government wanted the labor to come from, the labor has been drained away from the very home areas where it was most needed.

The Senator also knows that in the case of Bahama labor and Jamaica labor we do not have, as in the case of Mexico, a border more than 2,000 miles long over any portion of which a man could pass, regardless of the most efficient border inspection service.

Mr. CORDON. Would the Senator say that the section of the bill which provides subsistence, emergency medical care, and burial expenses, not exceeding \$150 for burial expenses in any one case,

would be discriminatory? Would the Senator say that a provision guaranteeing wages is a provision available to all domestic workers?

Mr. HOLLAND. No; but I will say to the Senator that there is not a provision in the bill which allows this Mexican labor to be used for a dime more or less than is to be paid for domestic labor, nor is there anything in the bill which provides for other than transportation across the border to the edge of our country. The farmer has to pay the transportation and carry the whole burden from that moment forward just as in the case of domestic labor—no more and no less.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. All time for debate has expired. The question is on agreeing to the amendment offered by the Senator from Oregon [Mr. CORDON] for himself and other Senators, as modified.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll, and the following Senators answered to their names:

Anderson	Hendrickson	Millikin
Bennett	Hennings	Monroney
Benton	Hickenlooper	Moody
Brewster	Hill	Morse
Bricker	Hoey	Neely
Bridges	Holland	Nixon
Butler, Nebr.	Humphrey	O'Connor
Byrd	Ives	O'Mahoney
Cain	Johnson, Colo.	Pastore
Carlson	Johnson, Tex.	Robertson
Case	Johnston, S. C.	Russell
Clements	Kefauver	Saltonstall
Connally	Kem	Schoepel
Cordon	Kerr	Smith, N. J.
Douglas	Kilgore	Smith, N. C.
Duff	Knowland	Sparkman
Dworshak	Langer	Stennis
Ecton	Lodge	Taft
Ellender	Long	Thye
Ferguson	McCarthy	Tobey
Flanders	McClellan	Underwood
Fulbright	McFarland	Wherry
George	McKellar	Williams
Gillette	McMahon	Young
Green	Maybank	

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. I announce that the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. CHAVEZ], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. EASTLAND], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. FREAR], the Senator from Arizona [Mr. HAYDEN], the Senator from Montana [Mr. MURRAY], and the Senator from Florida [Mr. SMATHERS] are absent on official business.

The Senator from Wyoming [Mr. HUNT] is absent by leave of the Senate on official business for the Committee on Armed Services.

The Senator from New York [Mr. LEHMAN] is absent by leave of the Senate on official business, having been appointed a member of the United States delegation to the World Health Organization, which is meeting in Geneva, Switzerland.

The Senator from Washington [Mr. MAGNUSON] is absent by leave of the Senate on official committee business.

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. McCARRAN] is absent by leave of the Senate on official business.

Mr. SALTONSTALL. I announce that the Senator from Vermont [Mr. AIKEN], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. BUTLER], the Senators from Indiana [Mr. CAPEHART and Mr. JENNER], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. MARTIN], the

Senator from South Dakota [Mr. MUNDT], the Senator from Maine [Mrs. SMITH], the Senator from Idaho [Mr. WELKER], and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. WILEY] are absent on official business.

The Senator from Utah [Mr. WATKINS] is necessarily absent.

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. MALONE] is detained on official business.

The Senator from Illinois [Mr. DIRKSEN] is absent because of illness.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. A quorum is present.

The question is on agreeing to the amendment, as modified, offered by the Senator from Oregon [Mr. CORDON] on behalf of himself and other Senators.

Mr. ELLENDER and other Senators requested the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, and the legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. I announce that the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. CHAVEZ], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. EASTLAND], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. FREAR], the Senator from Arizona [Mr. HAYDEN], the Senator from Montana [Mr. MURRAY], and the Senator from Florida [Mr. SMATHERS] are absent on official business.

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The Senator from Washington [Mr. MAGNUSON] is absent by leave of the Senate on official committee business.

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. McCARRAN] is absent by leave of the Senate on official business.

The Senator from New Mexico [Mr. CHAVEZ] is paired on this vote with the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. EASTLAND]. If present and voting, the Senator from New Mexico would vote "yea," and the Senator from Mississippi would vote "nay."

If present and voting, the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. HUNT], the Senator from New York [Mr. LEHMAN], and the Senator from Washington [Mr. MAGNUSON] would vote "yea."

Mr. SALTONSTALL. I announce that the Senator from Vermont [Mr. AIKEN], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. BUTLER], the Senators from Indiana [Mr. CAPEHART and Mr. JENNER], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. MARTIN], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. MUNDT], the Senator from Maine [Mrs. SMITH], the Senator from Idaho [Mr. WELKER], and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. WILEY] are absent on official business.

The Senator from Utah [Mr. WATKINS] is necessarily absent.

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. MALONE] is detained on official business.

I wish also to announce that if present, the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. MUNDT], would vote "yea."

The Senator from Vermont [Mr. AIKEN] is paired with the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. WILEY]. If present and

voting, the Senator from Vermont would vote "yea" and the Senator from Wisconsin would vote "nay."

The Senator from Utah [Mr. WATKINS] is paired with the Senator from Maine [Mrs. SMITH]. If present and voting, the Senator from Utah would vote "yea" and the Senator from Maine would vote "nay."

The Senator from Illinois [Mr. DIRKSEN] is absent because of illness.

The result was announced—yeas 31, nays 43, as follows:

YEAS—31		
Bennett	Ferguson	Moody
Benton	Flanders	Morse
Bridges	Hendrickson	Neely
Butler, Nebr.	Hickenlooper	O'Mahoney
Cain	Humphrey	Saltonstall
Case	Ives	Smith, N. J.
Cordon	Johnson, Colo.	Thye
Douglas	Langer	Tobey
Duff	McCarthy	Young
Dworshak	McMahon	
Ecton	Millikin	
NAYS—43		
Anderson	Holland	Nixon
Brewster	Johnson, Tex.	O'Connor
Bricker	Johnston, S. C.	Pastore
Byrd	Kefauver	Robertson
Carlson	Kem	Russell
Clements	Kerr	Schoeppel
Connally	Kilgore	Smith, N. C.
Ellender	Knowland	Sparkman
Fulbright	Lodge	Stennis
George	Long	Taft
Gillette	McClellan	Underwood
Green	McFarland	Wherry
Hennings	McKellar	Williams
Hill	Maybank	
Hoey	Monroney	
NOT VOTING—22		
Alken	Hunt	Murray
Butler, Md.	Jenner	Smathers
Capehart	Lehman	Smith, Maine
Chavez	McCarran	Watkins
Dirksen	Magnuson	Welker
Eastland	Malone	Wiley
Frear	Martin	
Hayden	Mundt	

So, the amendment, as modified, offered by Mr. CORDON on behalf of himself and other Senators, was rejected.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, I offer the amendment which I send to the desk and ask to have stated.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The amendment offered by the Senator from Illinois will be stated.

The CHIEF CLERK. At the appropriate place in the bill it is proposed to insert the following:

SEC. —. Section 8 of the Immigration Act of 1917 (8 U. S. C. 144) is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 8. Any person, including the owner, operator, pilot, master, commanding officer, agent, or consignee of any means of transportation who—

"(1) brings into or lands in the United States, by any means of transportation or otherwise, or attempts by himself or through another, to bring into or land in the United States, by any means of transportation or otherwise, or

"(2) conceals or harbors, or attempts to conceal or harbor in any place, including any building, or any means of transportation,

any alien, including an alien crewman, not duly admitted by an immigration officer or not lawfully entitled to enter or to reside within the United States under the terms of this act or any other law relating to the immigration or expulsion of aliens, or any person who shall employ any alien when such person knows or has reasonable grounds to believe or suspect or by reasonable inquiry could have ascertained that such

alien is not lawfully within the United States, or any person who, having employed an alien without knowing or having reasonable grounds to believe or suspect that such alien is unlawfully within the United States and who could not have obtained such information by reasonable inquiry at the time of giving such employment, shall obtain information during the course of such employment indicating that such alien is not lawfully within the United States and shall fail to report such information promptly to an immigration officer, shall be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$2,000, or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding 1 year, or both, for each alien in respect to whom any violation of this section occurs."

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President—

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, will the Senator yield so I may make a parliamentary inquiry at this point?

Mr. DOUGLAS. Yes.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, with respect to amendments offered by Members of the Senate, it is my understanding that if the distinguished Senator from Louisiana [Mr. ELLENDER] is in agreement with the proponent of an amendment, then the junior Senator from Nebraska has control over the time of the opposition; but if the distinguished Senator from Louisiana opposes the amendment, the Senator from Louisiana has control of the time. I thought that ought to be made plain, because Senators are asking me for time in which to speak. With respect to the particular amendment now under consideration I understand the distinguished Senator from Louisiana will be in control of the opposition time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The distinguished Senator from Nebraska is correct in his understanding.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, the present situation concerning penalties for illegal immigration is approximately as follows: First, the importation and concealment of aliens illegally brought into the country is already made a crime—Eighth United States Code, section 144—but the present law fails to fix a penalty for concealment. The penalty is instead only fixed for importation.

The McCarran bill, S. 716, which is now before the Committee on the Judiciary, fixes a penalty for both, that is, a penalty both for importation and for concealment.

The Ellender bill, S. 1391, introduced by the eminent chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, adds a penalty for the employment as well as for the importation and concealment of illegal immigrants.

The amendment which I have offered is substantially the bill already offered by the eminent Senator from Louisiana, but with a reduction in the severity of the penalty, to either a fine of \$2,000 or 1 year's imprisonment, instead of 5 years, or both. This amendment, very frankly, is virtually identical, therefore, with the separate bill already proposed by the Senator from Louisiana.

Mr. President, the report of the President's Committee on Migratory Labor and the articles in the New York Times by Mr. Gladwin Hill have shown pretty clearly that we are dealing with a very large problem. The committee and Mr.

Hill state that each year there are probably from 500,000 to 1,000,000 Mexicans who illegally enter this country.

It is interesting that during the last year no less than 500,000 who illegally entered this country were turned back and sent back into Mexico by our immigration authorities. No one knows how many more, after they had crossed the Rio Grande or came across the desert, were able to remain here for a long period of time. There are probably hundreds of thousands now in the country who have illegally entered.

This results in a displacement of American citizens who are not able to get jobs which they otherwise would be able to get, and it worsens the condition of American farm laborers by the cheap labor competition with the so-called wetbacks. For instance, I am informed that in the lower Rio Grande Valley the average hourly rate for the wetbacks is somewhere around 25 cents an hour, or half the rate normally paid to domestic farm labor. The difference in wages is, I believe, less in Arizona and New Mexico, but in the Imperial Valley of California the wetback laborers also receive appreciably less than the domestic labor.

These large numbers of Mexicans who come across the border illegally and without protection, create poor health and housing conditions in the agricultural labor camps in the Southwestern States, and serious community conditions have resulted.

The wetback labor is used for so-called "stoop" labor, for the picking of cotton and garden vegetables, where bending and handwork is required, and where there is a natural desire to keep farm labor costs down.

Unless we put some real teeth into our attempt to prevent the illegal entry of wetbacks we shall find, I believe, that the very excellent provisions which the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry has provided for handling the traffic legally will be largely noneffective. Without some penalties I fear that efforts to halt the influx of wetbacks will fail.

I am informed that the number of immigrants who come into this country illegally from Mexico can be reckoned in the tens of thousands, but that the entrants who come in here illegally can be reckoned in the hundreds of thousands each year. Therefore we need to put teeth into the measure before us.

The question then arises as to whether we should do this in an amendment to the bill now under consideration or in a separate bill. I now see the eminent chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry on the floor. I want to repeat to him, therefore, what I have previously said to the body as a whole, namely, that my amendment is nothing but the Ellender bill, S. 1391, with the penalties slightly modified. The question then is whether the penalties should be inserted in the bill before us rather than be dealt with as a separate measure and left to the Committee on the Judiciary.

If this problem is worth attacking at all, it is worth attacking now. And in-

stead of postponing action until later when we get out a general immigration bill, possibly at the end of the farm season, with hundreds of thousands of Mexicans illegally brought across the border in the meantime, it would seem to me to be highly desirable that we should tackle this issue now before the farm season is too far advanced.

Therefore, Mr. President, I believe that this amendment is really the heart of the effort to curb the illegal importation of wetbacks. It fixes a penalty not too severe in amount—either a fine or imprisonment, or both—for those who illegally import labor, who conceal, or who either knowingly hire, or if they ignorantly hire do not try to find out whether or not the importation of the labor is illegal.

I hope very much that the chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry will be willing to accept the amendment because, very frankly, it is his idea. I withdrew my amendment lettered "A," which was not as good as his amendment. I hope that he will not disown his own child here on the floor of the Senate on the ground that it has been born prematurely. So I wait with great pleasure the response of the distinguished senior Senator from Louisiana, who, I think, is going to father his own child.

I feel embarrassed, Mr. President, at trying to pretend that I am the father of this child, because I am not. The child has been begotten, conceived, and brought forth, by the senior Senator from Louisiana, and I am now sure that he is going to own his child, and step proudly forward to claim his right of legal paternity. We need penalties to halt the employment of wetbacks, and I hope the Senator will support this, which is really his own amendment.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, I thank my distinguished friend from Illinois for the compliment paid me. I desire to say that the bill to which he referred, Senate bill 1391, was introduced by me on April 26. I believe that by the enactment of such a law we will go far toward eliminating the wetback problem which is now so vexing to our Government and to the Mexican Government.

I am not personally opposing the amendment. As the distinguished Senator from Illinois has stated, the amendment follows verbatim the bill I introduced some time ago, with the exception of the penalty clause. The reason we did not incorporate the amendment in the bill was because of lack of jurisdiction in the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, and the fact that the Committee on the Judiciary was considering in an omnibus bill practically the same language which is incorporated in the pending amendment.

Mr. President, I had occasion to talk to my good friend the Senator from Nevada [Mr. McCARRAN], the chairman of the Judiciary Committee; and he gave me assurance that his committee would at an early date consider my bill, which, as I have said, is practically identical to the pending amendment. I am very hopeful that the Judiciary Committee will hold hearings on the bill and will

report it separately from the omnibus bill.

I have made a study of the wetback problem; I spent considerable time in preparing my bill which, as I have said, is almost identical to the pending amendment of the distinguished Senator from Illinois [Mr. DOUGLAS]. So far as I am concerned, I have no objection to the amendment; but I feel that I should call the Senate's attention to the fact that our committee has made no study of this important amendment, and that it is a matter which probably should be studied by the Judiciary Committee.

Having brought those points to the attention of the Senate, I leave the question to the Senate to decide.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MONRONEY in the chair). Does the Senator from Louisiana yield to the Senator from Nebraska?

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield.

Mr. WHERRY. Is the Senator from Louisiana going to support this amendment?

Mr. ELLENDER. I shall, but not on behalf of the committee. As I have said, I wish to make it perfectly clear that our committee held no hearings at all in regard to the amendment; and further, that I have the assurance of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. McCARRAN] that the question will be considered soon by his committee, the Committee on the Judiciary. I feel that I should bring these matters to the attention of the Senate; and then the Senators could use their own judgment and discretion in deciding whether to vote for or against the amendment.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, will the Senator yield further?

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield.

Mr. WHERRY. Last week, when the provisions dealing with the so-called wetbacks were under discussion, I was interested in providing penalties, as no doubt the Senator will recall.

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes; I recall that very well.

Mr. WHERRY. I then understood the Senator from Louisiana to say that that was not the proper time to take up that question, but that the Judiciary Committee should examine it.

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes; and I say that now.

Mr. WHERRY. I also understood the Senator from Louisiana to say at that time that in his opinion the adoption of such an amendment might jeopardize the passage of the bill in the House of Representatives, and that therefore he felt it should not be offered now.

Mr. ELLENDER. That is correct.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, I believe there is much merit in penalty legislation. However, the Senator from Louisiana left me under the impression that the proper thing for us to do now is to pass this bill without such an amendment, and later take up the question of penalties, as affecting immigration, in connection with a bill on that subject which will be reported by the Judiciary Committee.

I am sure the Senator from Louisiana will recall that he said to me that the adoption of the amendment might jeopardize the passage of the bill in the House of Representatives. Is not that what the Senator from Louisiana said to me?

Mr. ELLENDER. That is correct. It may be true.

Mr. WHERRY. I do not know whether adoption of the amendment would actually jeopardize the passage of this bill in the House of Representatives; but certainly it seems to me that it is because of the assurance of the Senator from Louisiana that the wetback problem should be handled separately, in connection with a measure to be reported by the Judiciary Committee, that the wetback problem is not now being handled by the Senate in connection with the pending bill; and I understood the Senator from Louisiana to advise his colleagues not to include such a provision in the farm-labor bill, but to include it later in another measure.

Mr. ELLENDER. As I have just stated, Mr. President, I personally shall not oppose the amendment, because it is almost identical to a bill I have introduced.

I am of the belief now, as I was when I introduced my bill on April 26, that such a provision will go far toward solving the wetback problem. I think there is no question about that.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, will the Senator from Louisiana yield to me for a question?

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield for a question.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Will the eminent Senator from Louisiana inform me whether I was correct in my understanding that he drew a distinction between his opinions as chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry and his opinions as an individual Member of the Senate? I understood the Senator from Louisiana to say that as chairman of the committee he does not favor the amendment, but that statement seemed to me to indicate that possibly as an individual the Senator from Louisiana is in favor of applying penalties to something which already is illegal.

Mr. ELLENDER. Certainly I do not wish, as chairman of the committee, to bind any member of the committee in connection with his vote on this amendment; I would not attempt to influence any Senator's vote either for or against the amendment.

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

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield for a question.

Mr. ANDERSON. Is it not a fact that the chairman of the committee feels as he does because this matter involves a question of jurisdiction as between two committees?

Mr. ELLENDER. That is entirely correct.

Mr. ANDERSON. In other words, I understand that the position of the Senator from Louisiana is that his committee, the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, does not wish to act on a matter which the Committee on the Judiciary should study, and that therefore

the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry had steered away from this matter because, as I understood the Senator from Louisiana to say, the Judiciary Committee has jurisdiction over immigration matters.

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes, I wanted to make that very plain to the Senate.

Mr. ANDERSON. Let me say that if a bill on this subject comes before the Senate from the Judiciary Committee, I intend to vote for it. I think I would just as soon vote for the pending amendment; but if I did so, I would feel that perhaps I had done the Judiciary Committee an injustice, if I voted in favor of including in an agricultural bill a provision which would amend the Immigration Act.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, will the Senator yield? I wish to propound a parliamentary inquiry?

Mr. ELLENDER. Certainly.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Nebraska will state his parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. WHERRY. If the Senator from Louisiana favors the pending amendment, should not a Senator who opposes the amendment control the time in opposition to it, so as then to be able to yield time to other Senators who wish to oppose it?

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, I am in a rather peculiar position, because as chairman of the committee I cannot accept the amendment.

Mr. WHERRY. However, the Senator from Louisiana is going to vote for the amendment; is he not?

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes, because it is practically identical to my own bill.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, I raise the point of order that all time to be allowed the Senators opposing the amendment has been allotted to the Senator from Louisiana, who favors the amendment.

Mr. ELLENDER. Of course, I wish to abide by the rules.

Mr. THYE. Mr. President—

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair would like to inquire of the senior Senator from Louisiana [Mr. ELLENDER] whether he is for or against the amendment of the Senator from Illinois.

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

Mr. WHERRY. Wait. Let the Senator answer.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Louisiana has 12 minutes remaining which, under the order previously entered, he controls in the event he does not favor the amendments.

Mr. ELLENDER. The opposition may control the time so far as I am concerned.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Nebraska will have charge of the remaining time.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, does the Senator from Minnesota desire any opposition time?

Mr. THYE. Mr. President, I do not wish any opposition time. I wanted to make a comment, and to give my reasons for saying that the Senator from Louisiana, the chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, could not in good grace, and in con-

sideration of the Judiciary Committee, accept this amendment.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, I should be glad to yield to the Senator but I should like to ask the Senator to withhold his request until I see whether there is any one other Senator who desires opposition time on the amendment. We have but 12 minutes left. Does any Senator desire to speak in opposition to this amendment?

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

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. President, I should like to obtain some of the opposition time, myself.

Mr. THYE. Mr. President, I think the opposition should try to clarify the point as to whether the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry acted favorably on the proposed amendment.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, is the Senator from Minnesota against the amendment?

Mr. THYE. The Senator from Nebraska is now becoming technical.

Mr. WHERRY. It is necessary for me to know that, before I can yield any time. If the Senator from Minnesota is for the amendment, why does he not ask the distinguished Senator from Illinois to yield time? I would love to accommodate the Senator from Minnesota.

Mr. THYE. Mr. President, the minority leader has wasted more time than I would have taken, had he yielded to me.

Mr. WHERRY. Under the circumstances, I am unable to yield.

Mr. HOLLAND rose.

Mr. WHERRY. Is the Senator from Florida in opposition?

Mr. HOLLAND. No.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I suggest that the Senate proceed to a vote.

Mr. WHERRY. If there is no other Senator who wishes to speak, I shall yield to the Senator from Minnesota.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, I shall be glad to yield 5 minutes to the junior Senator from Oregon.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, will the Senator from Illinois yield?

Mr. DOUGLAS. I yield 5 minutes to the Senator from Oregon.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, I may say to the Senator from Illinois that I hesitate somewhat to make the comment I am about to make, because I do not in any way want to jeopardize his amendment. I intend to vote for his amendment, but I think it is most appropriate, while we are considering his amendment, to call the attention of the Senate to the fact that the junior Senator from Oregon has on the desk an amendment identified as amendment C, most of the language of which was also taken from the bill already introduced in the Senate on April 17 by the distinguished Senator from Louisiana [Mr. ELLENDER], Senate bill 1391. There is, however, a difference which I think is rather important between the amendment of the Senator from Illinois and that of the Senator from Oregon. The amendment of the Senator from Illinois includes penalties. Although I am going to vote for his amendment, I recognize that it involves some question as to possible jurisdiction of the Judiciary Com-

mittee. But I see no basis for any question of jurisdiction of the Judiciary Committee in respect to the amendment of the junior Senator from Oregon, because all my amendment seeks to do is to provide that no benefits of this act shall accrue to any prospective employer who is employing an alien and who has reasonable grounds to know that he is an alien. I read the language of the amendment. It proposes on page 5, line 5, after the word "employment" to insert the following: "Provided, That no workers shall be made available under this title, nor shall any workers made available under this title be permitted to remain in the employ of, any employer who has in his employ any alien, when such employer knows or has reasonable grounds to believe or so suspect or by reasonable inquiry could have ascertained that such alien is not lawfully within the United States."

There is no penalty against an employer, nor is he characterized as being guilty of any crime. The amendment provides simply an inhibition or an injunction against an employer so that he cannot get any employees under this bill if he has on his payroll aliens who have come into the United States illegally.

Certainly we ought to pass a bill which provides for such administrative discretion on the part of the administrators. We certainly have a right to take a course of action which will not encourage farmers, if they already have wetbacks in their employ, to try to get Mexican labor in addition to the wetbacks.

I may say to my good friend from Louisiana the fact is that some of us in the Senate, particularly in view of the defeat of the amendment of my senior colleague [Mr. CORDON], fear that what we have here, for the most part, is a bill which is going to accrue principally to the benefit of employers along the tier of States in the southern area of the United States, and which, therefore, discriminates against those in other sections as my senior colleague pointed out in his argument in support of his amendment.

I think that if we are to be expected to go along with this bill, we at least ought to have some assurance that the bill contains some provision which will prevent the employment of migrant alien labor by employers who are already hiring aliens who are illegally in the United States. I think it is the least we could do.

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

Mr. MORSE. I may say to my friend from Illinois, I shall vote for his amendment, but if his amendment fails, I serve notice now that I shall oppose the entire bill, because I simply cannot see any basis of objection either to his amendment or to my amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The time of the Senator from Oregon has expired. Does the Senator from Nebraska wish to yield further?

Mr. WHERRY. I will yield some time to the distinguished Senator from Minnesota. No one has requested any opposition time. How much time does the Senator want?

Mr. THYE. I think 2 minutes will be sufficient.

Mr. WHERRY. I yield 3 or 4 minutes to the Senator from Minnesota.

Mr. THYE. Mr. President, speaking now as a member of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, at the time I asked to be recognized, the question I wanted to discuss and to endeavor to clarify was that none of us in the committee would have objected to this type of provision in the bill, except that we recognized it was an amendment to the Immigration Act, and therefore it should rightly come under the jurisdiction of the Judiciary Committee, and to be considered by it. It was for that reason that, in the consideration by the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry of the bill, and particularly its drafting of it, this particular question was not included as a part of the bill.

None of us have the feeling that wetbacks should be admitted, and certainly no one should be benefited by employing along the border of aliens or wetbacks, as they are called. So I say to the distinguished Senator from Illinois that while his amendment is in proper form, if we could have the Judiciary Committee give us assurance that it would not demand that the bill be rereferred to their committee because of the amendment, the committee could then take the necessary time to study this subject before this type of bill were enacted by the Senate and House.

This is the seventh day of May, and we should try to clarify this question by having the bill passed as soon as possible in order that the employer who seeks the type of labor that he would be allowed to employ under this measure may be given such assurance as to enable him to plan on offshore labor to meet his labor needs as he proceeds with the cultivation of his crops and their harvesting, which will come within a very few weeks.

I may say that as a member of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, I have no objection to the amendment, but I think the amendment is offered to the wrong bill. I think it ought to be proposed as an amendment to the Immigration Act, rather than as an amendment to the agriculture bill.

Mr. ANDERSON rose.

Mr. THYE. Mr. President, if the Senator from Nebraska will yield to me time for the purpose of yielding, I shall be glad to yield to the Senator from New Mexico.

Mr. WHERRY. I shall be glad to yield additional time; but I wanted to ask a question. Is the penalty provided for in the amendment offered by the Senator from Illinois the same penalty suggested by the distinguished Senator from Louisiana?

Mr. ELLENDER. No; it is not. The bill which I introduced makes the penalty fine and imprisonment. The amendment makes it fine or imprisonment.

Mr. WHERRY. Then the Senator's penalty is a stiffer penalty?

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, I yield another 2 minutes, or more if necessary, to the Senator from New Mexico.

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, I am wondering how the Senator from Minnesota would feel if we should adopt the amendment offered by the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MORSE] and add to it the penalty provisions suggested by the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DOUGLAS]. It would go to line 17 on page 2 and provide that "any employer who shall fail to report such information," and so forth, the language to be added as additional language to the Moose amendment. I believe the conferees could then work it out.

Recognizing that the distinguished chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry wants to work it out, I think the Senate might safely leave it in that situation. I do not know how to work it out between groups, but if the Senator from Oregon should feel tempted to offer his amendment and add to it the penalty provisions in the amendment of the Senator from Illinois, a great many of us might vote for it as a substitute who otherwise would vote for the amendment offered by the Senator from Illinois, and thus find ourselves in a jurisdictional problem which we do not desire to have to solve.

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

Mr. THYE. Mr. President, I yield all the time I have remaining to the distinguished majority leader.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, how much time have I remaining?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator has 2 minutes remaining.

Mr. WHERRY. I yield a minute to the distinguished Senator from Florida [Mr. HOLLAND], and then I shall yield a minute to the distinguished Senator from Oregon [Mr. MORSE].

Mr. HOLLAND. Mr. President, I am in total agreement with the desire of the Senator from Illinois. I feel, however, that his amendment is too far-reaching in that it would affect the whole field of immigration, and it has not been studied by the appropriate committee. I am endeavoring, therefore, with the collaboration and understanding of the Senator from Illinois, who is very helpful as we work toward our objective, to modify his proposed amendment so as to confine it to alien persons coming in under the law and persons employing or harboring such alien persons. I believe that with very few changes in wording this modification can be effected, and, unless there be objection, we shall continue in our effort.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, whatever time is remaining I yield to the Senator from Oregon.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, I am rather embarrassed to make a suggestion that would interfere with the floor strategy of the Senator from Illinois. I was going to let his amendment come to a vote, and then I was going to offer my amendment. As I look at the situation, I think we could get an amendment which would deal with any employer who is guilty of knowingly hiring wetbacks, without getting into the field of penalties at all. We would simply stop the operation of the bill as to him, leaving to the Judiciary Committee, from a study of the

criminal laws, whatever penalty they may wish to impose. That is my present thinking. I shall await action on the amendment of the Senator from Illinois, and I shall vote for it. If it is not agreed to, I shall offer my amendment.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, with the very valuable help of the senior Senator from Florida we may have a solution of this difficulty, first, to confine to the agricultural-labor bill the amendment which I have proposed, and not have it extend to the general immigration laws; and, second, by some changes in wording which we have written out and which are not yet in perfect form. It is not intended to be any invasion of the jurisdiction of the Judiciary Committee, but merely an intent to implement the farm-labor bill itself. I have taken the wording of the Senator from Florida, which is satisfactory. If the clerk can read these amendments I shall send them to the desk.

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, a parliamentary inquiry.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator will state it.

Mr. ANDERSON. I am wondering if it would be within the terms of the unanimous-consent agreement if further unanimous consent were asked to pass over this amendment for 10 or 15 minutes so that it might be considered later and in the meantime we could proceed with something else.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Unanimous-consent requests are always in order.

Mr. ANDERSON. Then I ask unanimous consent that the amendment be laid aside for 15 minutes so that the Senators interested in the amendment may get it into the best possible form.

Mr. WHERRY. Reserving the right to object—and I shall not object—how much time remains?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. There are 7 minutes remaining.

Mr. ANDERSON. I did not mean to disturb the time arrangement in any way.

Mr. WHERRY. If the request is agreed to we would still have at least 5 minutes' time left?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. That is correct.

Mr. WHERRY. I might want to grant at least 5 minutes time to any opponents.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. In order to yield 5 minutes additional time of what is remaining, additional request must be made.

Mr. WHERRY. I do not know that any Senator will want the time. I do not know that any Senator wants to oppose the suggested amendment. I think that perhaps there will not be. I only ask that the request be so modified.

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, may I so modify my request, that at the end of the period, when we again take up the question, the distinguished majority leader may have 5 minutes and the Senator from Illinois may have 5 minutes?

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

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, in the time we have for the purpose of refining the amendment of the Senator

from Illinois the Senate might be able to take up my amendment, being amendment lettered A, dated April 26, 1951.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the amendment of the Senator from Minnesota.

The CHIEF CLERK. It is proposed, on page 3, line 23, to strike out the word "and";

On page 4, line 9, to strike out the period and insert in lieu thereof a semicolon and the word "and";

On page 4, between lines 9 and 10, to insert the following:

(4) to permit reasonable entry and inspection of the places of employment of such workers by officers of the Immigration and Naturalization Service for the purpose of enabling such officers to ascertain whether any of the workers employed by such employer are illegally in the United States.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, directing my remarks to the purpose and the intention of this amendment, which is within the context, the philosophy, and the purpose of the amendment of the Senator from Illinois, and also of the proposed or suggested amendment of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MORSE], these three amendments—the Douglas amendment, the Morse amendment, and the one which I am offering are all directed toward tightening the law with respect to wetbacks. These amendments are stated in the sequence of their effectiveness, namely, the Douglas amendment, with its more stringent provisions, is what I believe to be the heart and core of the corrective legislation. The Morse amendment is within the confines of the employment and recruitment service of agricultural labor and would furnish remedial action where there has been any employment of laborers who have illegally entered or who illegally remain in the United States.

My amendment is designed simply to permit the officers of the Immigration and Naturalization Service to be able to go into the places of employment where wetbacks may possibly be employed. In other words, the amendment would permit officers of the United States Government who are charged under the immigration laws with the enforcement of those laws not only to investigate at the recruitment centers, at the placement centers, but to go into a large field of operation and to make any necessary checks in the employment areas. I believe, Mr. President, it would be helpful.

I am not saying that it is the answer to the wetback problem. I think it is only fair to say that there has been some cooperation from those of us who desire to tighten up the bill, which represents the heart and core of the migratory problem as it affects Mexican workers. This is the most difficult aspect of the proposed legislation. So I make my position clear. I shall vote for the Douglas amendment. If the Douglas amendment shall be defeated, I shall vote for the Morse amendment. My reason is that both amendments are directed to the particular objective of controlling wetbacks.

I also ask my colleagues to support my amendment, because it is a fundamental part of the administrative en-

forcement of existing legislation as it pertains to the control of wetbacks.

Nothing more need be said about the subject except that the problem has been given the attention of the President's Commission on Migratory Labor. In that connection I read the first recommendation of the Commission, as set forth at page 88 of the report:

We recommend that—

(1) The Immigration and Naturalization Service be strengthened by (a) clear statutory authority to enter places of employment to determine if illegal aliens are employed.

Mr. President, the purpose of my amendment is to augment and to put into effect the first recommendation in chapter IV of the President's Commission on Migratory Labor. The Douglas amendment follows through on the second recommendation.

I do not know the attitude of the chairman of the committee about the amendment. May I inquire, at this time, how he feels about it?

Mr. ELLENDER. I shall be opposed to it.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, in that case I shall save some of my time to use after the chairman of the committee has made his persuasive argument. I yield the floor at this time, hoping to get the response of the chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

#### THE PRESIDENT'S BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

Mr. BENTON. Mr. President, will the Senator yield 5 or 6 minutes to me?

Mr. HUMPHREY. May I inquire of the Chair how much time I have remaining?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Minnesota has 15 minutes remaining.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I am delighted to yield up to 8 minutes to the Senator from Connecticut.

Mr. BENTON. Mr. President, tomorrow, May 8, will be President Truman's birthday. It is also, by coincidence, the sixth anniversary of the President's proclamation—less than a month after he had assumed his present high office—announcing the unconditional surrender of Germany.

During the 6 years since Germany surrendered, the President of the United States has had to make many fateful decisions. These have included the decision to use the atomic bomb, which was a decision aimed at shortening the war against Japan; and the proclamation of the Truman doctrine, which, with the support it received in Congress, served to protect the independence of Greece and Turkey and to help check the sweep of communism to the Mediterranean.

The President has proposed and courageously fought for such farsighted measures as the Marshall plan and the Atlantic Pact, which have received the overwhelming support of the people of the country. Had it not been for his vision, courage, and leadership in initiating such necessary steps, we could now be isolated in a Communist-dominated world, if not, indeed, engaged in a war—yes, Mr. President—with the odds against us.

During the 6 years, because he has had the courage to fight for what he believes to be right, President Truman has been subjected to almost unparalleled abuse, both political and personal. Two abusive pieces have appeared in magazines of national circulation within the past few weeks. I am glad today to invite the attention of Senators to a magazine article of a different sort. It is the story of Harry Truman and his father, which was told for the first time in the March issue of Parents' magazine. The article was written by Bela Kornitzer, author, historian, and former member of the Hungarian cabinet, who escaped from his country when the Nazis invaded it, and is now living in the United States.

President Truman granted Mr. Kornitzer an interview about his father, and members of the President's family also cooperated in providing material. The President later corrected the manuscript in his own hand, and a copy of the manuscript, with his revisions, has been presented to the Library of Congress.

The result is a warm, human, and moving story of the President's origins and of the home into which he was born on May 8, 1884, and in which he was reared. I hope that all Senators will read the article, and I ask unanimous consent that it be inserted in the RECORD at this point in my remarks.

There being no objection, the article was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

TOLD FOR THE FIRST TIME—THE STORY OF TRUMAN—HOW TRUMAN'S FATHER INFLUENCED HIS SON AND ENCOURAGED MANY TRAITS WHICH ACCOUNT FOR HIS EMINENCE—MUCH HAS BEEN WRITTEN ABOUT THE MOTHERS OF PRESIDENTS—THIS ARTICLE HIGHLIGHTS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN A FAMOUS SON AND HIS FATHER

(By Bela Kornitzer)

The regular Thursday afternoon press conference in the office of Harry S. Truman was over. Ebon Ayers, White House assistant secretary, turned to the President.

"Mr. President, this is Bela Kornitzer. He's the man who's going out to Independence to see your family."

Mr. Truman grinned and put out his hand for a firm handshake. He was delighted to meet me, he said. I would certainly find some grand folks out there in Independence. He wished me luck.

With that Presidential blessing, I started out on a journey into history—an attempt to piece together, from the members of the Truman family and from those neighbors still living who remembered him, the story and character of Harry Truman and his father, John Anderson Truman, farmer and trader of Independence and Grandview, Mo.

When I presented my White House letter of introduction to Vivian Truman, the President's brother, in his office in Kansas City where he is district director of the Missouri Federal Housing Administration, he read the note carefully and then looked at me questioningly.

"I don't quite understand," he said. "Why do you want to know about father? He was not a national figure. Why are you interested in him?"

I explained that in Hungary I had written a book on notable fathers and sons; that I had been surprised to find so much written here about Franklin Roosevelt and his mother, Sara Delano Roosevelt, and about Harry Truman and his mother, Martha Ellen Truman, and so little about James Roosevelt

and John Truman—fathers. My book had been based on the fact that in the Old World, at least, fathers traditionally played a dominant role in family life. In this country, on the other hand, fathers seemed overshadowed. I wanted to set the balance a little more equally—and how better than to write about Harry Truman, President of the United States, and his father?

Sitting there, it wasn't difficult to note a marked resemblance between Vivian Truman and his brother.

"One thing you could always say about father," Vivian Truman said. "He taught us not to fear work. Harry worked hard as a boy—he did his full share of milking the cows, hauling fodder to the cattle, and feeding the pigs, just as father and I did. If Harry has courage to face the grave problems he does today, he gets that straight from father."

Two years younger than the President, Vivian operated the Truman farm in Grandview from 1915—when his father died—until 1934. In contrast to the President, whose movements are sharp and quick, Vivian still has the slow, deliberate action and pace of the farmer.

"Now, let's see," he said. "I'm afraid we can't get much done now, with the pile of work I've got in front of me today. Suppose you come back tomorrow at this time. I'll have my sister, Mary Jane, and cousin, Ralph Truman, here and we'll try to see what help we can give you."

I was at the door when he said, "By the way, Mr. Kornitzer—don't expect too much. We Trumans are pretty plain people."

When I arrived the next afternoon, I found Vivian Truman seated at a conference table in his office with a tall, powerfully built, silver-haired man who bore about his eyes and mouth a striking resemblance both to Vivian and Harry Truman. His military bearing was obvious as he rose to shake hands.

"This is Gen. Ralph Truman—Maj. Gen. Ralph Truman, retired, to give you his full title," Vivian said. "Ralph is a first cousin to Harry and me. And I think you ought to know that he's a veteran of four wars." Vivian ticked them off on his fingers—"Spanish-American, Philippine Insurrection and the First and Second World Wars." The general took my hand in a grip which made it ache. "Well, now, I don't know that we ought to go into that," he said mildly. "I understand you're interested in the President's father, Mr. Kornitzer. Of course, I knew him well—he was my uncle John, my father's younger brother."

Vivian Truman took out a billfold and extracted from it a small yellowed photograph of a young man with a thin, sensitive face, heavy lidded eyes, a sharply chiseled nose, and dark hair carefully slicked down across a high forehead and brushed back above his ears.

"That's the most precious photograph we have of father," said Vivian. He and the general both studied it for a few moments, and then the general said, "You know, Vivian, come to think of it, that's Margaret's face. She's the absolute image of her grandfather."

At this moment the door opened and Miss Mary Jane Truman arrived, a little breathless and apologetic for being late. The President's sister is a slender, energetic woman, dressed in black and wearing black gloves, her eyes quick and alert behind metal-rimmed glasses.

"We were just commenting on how much Margaret takes after father," Vivian said. "You don't realize it until you look at this picture."

Miss Mary Jane, after a moment's study, nodded in agreement. "It's more than taking after him in looks only," she said. "Do you remember how father loved to sing? He had a fine, pleasant voice, and he had a musical ear, too. I can still see him stand-

ing behind Harry and me, while we were playing a duet on the piano, humming along in perfect tune. And you'd always have some idea where he was during the day, out in the barn or in the field, because you'd hear him singing."

This love of music was shared by John Truman's son, Harry. His piano teacher still treasures a clipping from the local paper which reviews with enthusiastic praise a piano recital by Harry Truman, age 14, and predicts that the young pianist will achieve fame and fortune in the field of music.

The general said: "Uncle John loved the farm. You know, until he was 39, he'd done nothing but farming, first in Lamar and then in Grandview. But in 1890—father was 39 then—Harry reached his sixth birthday and was ready to go to school. Uncle John began thinking about that and decided he had to move to Independence, where schooling was available. He had to give up farming—and find something else to do in Independence. So he became a trader in livestock."

"That was a hard decision for father to make," Vivian Truman added, "because essentially farming was his life. And before too many years passed, he returned to it. You know, the family originally came from Kentucky—my grandfather, Anderson Shipp, was a farmer too—and father was always a man of the soil. We were all raised around here—this was our domain—the farm and the land. To be a good farmer in Missouri—that's tops. That's the finest thing you can say about a man. And that's what father was—a first-rate farmer. He knew livestock; he knew horses and he knew mules. He could tell their age simply by glancing at them—never had to examine their teeth. And that explains, of course, how he happened to go into trading. It was making practical use of his knowledge as a farmer who knew livestock and knew their value."

Mary Jane Truman said: "Father would never have left the farm, even for a little while, if it weren't for his children. As a girl, I remember how proud he was of the prizes and ribbons his livestock won at the county fairs. But he had us and our schooling to worry about—not only Harry, who was 6 then, but Vivian and me."

The general said: "Now, about this livestock trading. I think I've read almost everything that's been written on the Truman family, and in all those thousands of words, I've found only a sentence or two about the President's father. That usually boils down to a rather condescending characterization of Uncle John as a 'horse and mule trader.' People just don't understand when they talk like that," he said. "In the first place, he dealt not only in mules and horses; he dealt in all livestock—cattle, hogs, goats, horses, and mules. Even the mule-trading aspect of it was very important. The mule was the automobile of those days and a good team of mules sometimes brought a price equal to that of a small automobile today. One thousand dollars for a team of mules was not infrequent. Your trader was a substantial figure in the community and played an important part in the economic life of the community."

"Let's go back a bit and get a clearer picture of those years," said Vivian Truman. He took a pad of paper and with a pencil began jotting down dates.

"We can begin with some data about the family which you might find interesting. The first Truman we know of was a John de Tremaen, who lived in Normandy, about 1257. The first Truman to settle in this country was Joseph Truman, who came from Nottingham, England, to New London, Conn., in 1666. I'm told that there was a Sir among our British ancestors—Sir Benjamin Trueman—who lived in London about 1750. I don't know.

"Father was born December 5, 1851, on a farm near Holmes Park, Mo. His parents, Anderson Shipp, whom I've mentioned be-

fore, and Mary Jane Holmes—Mary Jane here was named after her—came there from Kentucky 5 years earlier.

"Father was a bachelor until he was 31," Vivian opened a drawer and pulled out a thin volume entitled "History of Jackson County, Mo." "This was published in 1881," Vivian went on, "the year father married Martha Ellen Young. She was the daughter of a neighboring farmer and stockdealer, Solomon Young."

Both the Truman and the Young families settled in the vicinity of each other near Grandview, but with a history of radically different activities. John's father had stuck to the farm. Martha's father had become a stock trader, a transcontinental shipper, and a prosperous man.

Instead of settling down with either of their families, or even in their vicinity, John and Martha Truman moved to Lamar, 115 miles south of Independence, and the seat of Barton County, where John had built Martha a house. It was here, in 1884, that Harry, later to become the thirty-second President of the United States, was born.

"This old history speaks of Grandfather Anderson Shipp Truman," Vivian continued, "and then it goes on to say this about father—remember, this came out just before father married." He read aloud, "John A. Truman resides with his father and manages the farm; he is an industrious and energetic young man and one that bids fair to make a success in life."

Miss Mary Jane remarked in a thoughtful voice, "Those were rather prophetic words. Father was a happy man—he enjoyed every moment of his family life, and he was happy when he went into politics in later years. Of course, it would have been wonderful if he could have lived to see Harry go to Washington. I sometimes wonder," she said, "what father would have said had he been told what fate had in store for one of his children."

"Well," said Vivian, "he was certainly happy in his children. And he knew Harry had ability. He liked the way he never had an idle moment after he got out of high school—if he wasn't working as an usher in a movie house, he was working as a time-keeper on the Santa Fe, or at some other job, but always industrious. And you know how delighted he was when Harry saved up enough money from these jobs to buy a whole set of an encyclopedia and not only that but a set of Shakespeare."

"That was Harry," said Miss Mary Jane, nodding. "He was very interested in books from the start, in facts of all kind, and especially in history and government. He could never get enough of that kind of reading."

Vivian Truman studied his notes. "To get back to where we were—father and mother lived in the house in Lamar where Harry was born for only 2 years or so, and then they moved to a farm 30 miles from Independence, in Cass County. I was born there.

"The next year, 1887, we moved to the Young farm, the farm of mother's folks, near Grandview, and it was there Mary Jane was born.

"That was the year father first became active in politics. He was 36 then. He never sought public office, you know, but he was always interested in civic life and particularly in Democratic Party affairs. Cleveland was his idol. And when President Cleveland visited Kansas City that year, father was a member of the delegation which welcomed him."

"That's right," spoke up Miss Mary Jane. "I remember father telling us how he rode a big gray saddle horse in front of the reviewing stand, with President Cleveland standing there, big as life, and everyone cheering."

"This brings us," said Vivian, "to 1890, when Harry was 6 years old and we moved to Independence, so Harry could start school. We lived in Independence for the next 10 or 11 years—until 1901—with father making

his living as a stock dealer. Then we moved back to the Young farm, but father still kept his hand in Democratic politics. In 1908, he was very active in the campaign and ended up a county delegate to the Missouri State Democratic Convention in Joplin. Two years later he became an elections judge in Grandview precinct."

"That reminds me of something very interesting," broke in General Truman. "Come to think of it, wasn't Harry's first political experience the time he served as clerk to Uncle John when he took on that elections judge job? I'm pretty sure it was."

Vivian nodded. "Yes; about this time Harry was followed pretty closely in father's footsteps. In 1912, father was appointed road supervisor in the area around Grandview. And 2 years later, his story ends. He died in 1914, just before the war broke out. After his death, Harry was appointed in his place as road supervisor, and he left that position, as you know, to enlist in the Army. From then on," said Vivian, pushing his little pad to one side, and sitting back in his chair, "from then on, I guess Harry's history is pretty well known."

Miss Mary Jane put a gloved hand on the table. "It is very strange," she said, slowly. "You attempt to sum up a man's life, and you have facts and statistics and dates—and yet, you don't have the man himself. Father was a greatly loved man. Those who remember him remember him as a man of honor, whose word was good, and who was thoroughly loyal to his family and his friends. I don't suppose you can find anything awfully exciting in his life. He lived with his family until he was 30—as you see; a good son and a dutiful one. And when he married, later in life than most men of those days, he became as good and dutiful a husband and father as he was a son."

"Well, sir," Vivian Truman said, "I think we've exhausted what we can tell you."

I thanked them each, and added that when I was at the White House, the President's press secretary had suggested I might also speak with some of John Truman's contemporaries, whom I could find in Grandview and Independence.

Vivian nodded. "That should be helpful," he said. "Some of father's old friends might have more to give you."

"By the way," remarked General Truman, speaking to Vivian, "what about Grace? She'd certainly have quite a bit to say if I got her on the telephone and persuaded her." He turned to me, "Grace Summer is my sister and she was terribly fond of her Uncle John. You can find her in Dallas. She's a retired school teacher."

"I think that is a fine idea," said Miss Mary Jane. "The general and Grace, you see, were orphaned as children and father took Grace into our home—she was about 10 or 11 then—and that was even before any of us were born. Grace, you might say, was a big sister to us."

On the wall of the living room in Dallas, Tex., in the home of Mrs. Grace Summer, hangs a copy of the Presidential proclamation, stating Germany's unconditional surrender on May 8, 1945.

"That's an interesting memento," Mrs. Summer said. "May 8 is Harry's birthday." She added, "He sent me that as a surprise. Harry is like Uncle John in that he loves surprises and never forgets his family."

She was seated in an easy chair and she had just put down a copy of a current biography of Harry Truman.

"I began reading this after the general telephoned me," she said. "We see Harry differently than he usually appears in books. I thought I might find something about Uncle John that might help refresh my memory, but in this book, at least, there's not much about him. In fact, I haven't read much about him anywhere."

"The first memory I have of him is as he took me by the hand and we went into the

chicken coop to gather eggs from under the hens. They were making a frightful rumpus, and I thought he was so brave. I really don't know what would have happened to me if it hadn't been for him—taking me into his home, and raising me with all the love he gave his own children.

"And he loved children—there wasn't anything he wouldn't give up to spend time with us. He liked to tell us stories. I remember his voice—very soft—and how well he could sing.

"He taught me to ride a horse. Of course, almost everyone rode in those days, but I think Uncle John had the finest horse in town. He taught Harry, Vivian, and Mary Jane to ride when they grew old enough."

She smiled reminiscently. "Good heavens," she said, looking at the proclamation on the wall. "I remember Harry when he was this high—" She put out her hand. "He was such a tiny fellow and always so earnest in everything he did. And he always looked so studious because he was wearing glasses when he was only 12.

"Uncle John, as far as I remember, never wore glasses. He was not a big man—thin, rather small with fine features, good-humored and, I'm afraid, a little quick-tempered. But he always got over that just as quickly as it happened. He was a handsome man, I'd say, and particularly painstaking about his clothes.

"He went to church regularly—he was a Baptist, but he was liberal in religion. I recall him saying often, 'Don't think that only Baptists have free access to heaven.'"

"Yet he had a powerful faith in God, and a powerful faith in what a man could accomplish by courage and determination. He had no use for a coward. He raised his children to have faith in themselves and their potentialities, and never, never, to give up.

"That," she said, "is what he gave Harry, of course. That confidence in himself, that spirit of never-say-die."

"The last time I saw Uncle John was about 2 years before he died. We were living in Bomarton, and he came there. We were terribly thrilled, I remember. We looked on it as a real occasion—an important visitor was coming. He brought us all gifts, particularly sacks of candy and nuts for the children. He'd never forget them."

When I reached Independence, Federal Judge Henry A. Bundschu, a classmate of Vivian Truman, gave a party. He had invited John Truman's friends—the youngest in his 80's, the oldest in his 90's— "Uncle" Reese Alexander, Henry Rummell, Sam Woodson, Olney and Harvey Burrus, Henry P. Chiles, Charles Kemper. Also present were Roger Serman, mayor of Independence, and Ethel and Nellie Noland, cousins of Harry Truman.

"I remember John Truman as a small man, quiet, with a face wrinkled by weather and sun, with crow's feet and a hint of a smile around his eyes," Judge Bundschu said. "He was quick-tempered. There was one incident, I'm told, in which John Truman became so enraged with a lawyer who accused him of misrepresenting facts that he was ready to take his fists to him."

"John was a good trader," said "Uncle" Reese Alexander, 93. "I can still remember when he moved to Independence and bought a two-story house on Chrysler Street. He had a large back yard there and he filled it with horses, cattle, goats, and other livestock. That's where he dealt. A mighty good trader, John Truman. Yes, sir. Very stubborn, but on the square.

"All of us used to envy the Truman boys because of that collection of horses and goats and cattle John kept in back of the house. When he wasn't dealing in livestock, he was always working around the barn."

"I had another reason for envying the Truman boys," said Henry Rummell, a harnessmaker. "John Truman once came into

my shop with two brown goats. He wanted me to make a harness for them so Harry and Vivian could use them to pull their cart when they went out hunting walnuts. I never remember anybody else asking for a goat harness in the 44 years I've been in business."

"I remember that harness," said Henry P. Chiles. "And I also recollect Mr. Truman's smile. I remember him building a decorative iron fence that went all the way around his property."

Olney Burrus, who had been John Truman's lawyer, said, "He was something of an inventor, you know. He was pretty ingenious that way. So far as I know, John was the first man to drill a gas well in this part of the country. His Chrysler Street place was the site of a natural-gas well and next to it was a small storage tank to hold the gas which was piped to the house for fuel, and also to the Gleason house about 200 feet away. That well was more than 300 feet deep. John had the foresight to develop it.

"I recall the very first day John came to see me to talk about an automatic railroad switch he had invented. At that time all railroad switches were thrown by hand. John wanted advice. The Missouri Pacific had offered him \$2,000 a year in royalties for it. That was on the basis of \$1 a switch, and they wanted 2,000 of them.

"The Chicago & Alton line, in competition, offered him \$2,500. This was John's big deal, though, and he set a price—\$2 a switch, on the basis of 2,500 a year. That meant \$5,000 a year. But the best offer he could get was still for only half of that.

"In the long run both lines rejected his price. Later the Missouri Pacific used an improved version of the invention and John, under the patent law, was unable to establish further claim to it."

Olney Burrus, an old man, shook his head. "I suppose there's a moral for you. Maybe you'd say that if Harry S. Truman is stubborn, he gets it from his father."

Henry Rummell, the harnessmaker, touched me on the arm.

"Something you ought to know," he said. "I'm a Republican. Been one all my life. And I'm the only man who ever defeated Harry Truman at the polls. Back in 1924. He was running for reelection as county judge, and I licked him. But Harry wasn't put out. Next day in front of the courthouse, he came up to me, shook hands, and said, 'Henry, no hard feelings. It was a fair fight.'"

Mayor Serman said, "When I was 7 years old, I had measles, and I was quarantined. But John Truman, I remember, dropped in, paying no attention to the yellow sign, and brought me some candy to cheer me up. I was in bed in a dark room with the blinds drawn, and he said to me jokingly, 'You're going to get better, Roger, and you're going to grow up and be mayor some day.'"

In Washington, at the White House, President Truman was reminiscing. "Yes," he said, "it was all interesting—these stories about his father." Some he had not heard himself. For example, the yarn about John Truman's invention of a railroad switch. He never had known about that. But, in the main, it was true that his father was essentially a man of the soil, who believed in the virtues and decencies of life, and delighted in the love of his family. He could still remember his father's voice, raised clear and strong, in Christmas carols. Then there was the time his father gave him a Shetland pony—a beautiful animal—and he had gotten on it, and no sooner was he on it, than the pony reared and he was thrown. His father was really disappointed in him then. John Truman had been an excellent horseman. He rode a horse as though he were a part of it.

Mr. Truman rose, walked slowly to the side of his desk and stood there, knuckles pressed against the desk top, and went on to say





Mr. BREWSTER. Do I correctly understand that the Senator from Illinois is retaining the language "by reasonable inquiry"? If so, I wish to ask him to interpret that language. We do not have wetbacks in Maine, but a great many of our friends come over from Canada. They work both in the potato fields and in the woods. What is the meaning of "reasonable inquiry"?

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, I am not a judge, or the son of a judge, or the grandson of a judge. These matters would be left primarily to judicial interpretation. The language would mean, however, that an employer would be expected to check up on the legality of entry of the aliens whom he employed, and should not accept them sight unseen without making some effort to determine whether or not their papers are in order.

Mr. BREWSTER. How is he to know that a certain employee is not a native? Would a birth certificate be required? I suppose conditions are different in the South, but up in Maine a great many of us speak the same language. What is the employer supposed to do?

Mr. DOUGLAS. The Immigration and Naturalization Service would be expected to issue cards to those who are legal entrants, and the employer could at least ask to see a man's card. If he did not ask to see the man's card, this would be one circumstance in which he would fail to make "reasonable inquiry."

Mr. BREWSTER. If he is a native, of course, he will not have a card.

Mr. DOUGLAS. I understand that.

Mr. BREWSTER. When a native of Maine goes to Illinois, he has no card to show that he is a native of Maine.

Mr. DOUGLAS. There is supposed to be freedom of migration within the country—and fortunately there is.

This provision, of course, applies only to aliens. It is not intended to establish a registration system for persons who are citizens of the United States. However, those who are legal entrants are supposed to carry with them some document to indicate that they are legal entrants. It would be proper to ask a man whether or not he was an immigrant. If so, he could be asked to show his card.

Mr. BREWSTER. If he says that he is not an immigrant, what is the employer supposed to do? Is he supposed to investigate his birth certificate?

Mr. DOUGLAS. There is certainly no obligation to investigate his birth certificate or to ascertain whether he has paid a poll tax or property tax or whether he is upon any voting roll or not. There is certainly no such obligation. But if all the circumstances of appearance and language and lack of identification card and failure to furnish any evidence of residence give rise to a question as to legality of entry, the employer should make some further inquiry.

Mr. President, I should like to modify my amendment by striking out lines 1 and 2 on page 1; by striking out the figure "8", in line 3; beginning in line 3, after the word "person", striking out all down to and including line 2 on page 2, and inserting in lieu thereof in line 3, page 1, after the word "person", the words "who shall employ"; on page 2,

line 3, after the word "any", by inserting the word "Mexican"; by striking the words "including an alien crewman", in line 3, on page 2; in line 7, on page 2, after the word "aliens", by striking out "or any person who shall employ any alien"; and on page 2, line 11, after the word "employed", by inserting the word "such."

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, may the clerk read the amendment as proposed to be modified by the distinguished Senator from Illinois?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The amendment, as modified by the Senator from Illinois, will be read.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. At the appropriate place in the bill it is proposed to insert the following:

Sec. — Any person who shall employ any Mexican alien, not duly admitted by an immigration officer or not lawfully entitled to enter or to reside within the United States under the terms of this act or any other law relating to the immigration or expulsion of aliens, when such person knows or has reasonable grounds to believe or suspect or by reasonable inquiry could have ascertained that such alien is not lawfully within the United States, or any person who, having employed such an alien without knowing or having reasonable grounds to believe or suspect that such alien is unlawfully within the United States and who could not have obtained such information by reasonable inquiry at the time of giving such employment, shall obtain information during the course of such employment indicating that such alien is not lawfully within the United States and shall fail to report such information promptly to an immigration officer, shall be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$2,000, or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding 1 year, or both, for each alien in respect to whom any violation of this section occurs.

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

Mr. DOUGLAS. I yield.

Mr. WHERRY. The modified amendment, in line 3 on page 2, contains the language "any Mexican alien." Therefore the problem of the distinguished Senator from Maine [Mr. BREWSTER] would be taken care of, would it not?

Mr. DOUGLAS. That is correct. We believe that this provision is good enough to apply to any alien; but we are restricting its application solely to Mexican nationals.

Mr. HOLLAND. Mr. President, will the Senator yield for a question?

Mr. DOUGLAS. I am very glad to yield to the Senator from Florida.

Mr. HOLLAND. Am I correct in my understanding that all that portion of the original amendment proposed by the distinguished Senator which would have extended to other fields of immigration and immigrants than Mexican nationals coming into the United States for agricultural labor purposes has been stricken from the amendment?

Mr. DOUGLAS. The Senator is correct.

Mr. HOLLAND. And it is the purpose of the Senator, in his modified amendment, to restrict the modified amendment wholly to the field covered by the pending measure?

Mr. DOUGLAS. The Senator is correct.

Mr. HOLLAND. However, the penalty is retained in exactly the same words and to exactly the same degree of punishment as was stated in his original amendment.

Mr. DOUGLAS. The Senator is correct.

Mr. HOLLAND. Mr. President, with that understanding I wish to say that I hope very strongly that the Senate will adopt the amendment, as modified.

Mr. BREWSTER. Mr. President, will the Senator yield for a question?

Mr. DOUGLAS. I yield.

Mr. BREWSTER. I think the Senator has solved the problem so far as we who live on the Canadian border are concerned. However, this suggestion is a little reminiscent of our former legislation excluding aliens of certain nationalities. Has the Senator given consideration to that question?

Mr. DOUGLAS. I may say to the Senator from Maine that I should like to have these provisions apply to all illegal entrants of whatever nationality, but when that was proposed it was said it would interfere with the jurisdiction of the Committee on the Judiciary which was framing a general revision of the immigration law. Therefore we have confined the application of this amendment to employment of that type of labor covered in the agricultural labor measure now before us. In other words, it is an attempt to confine the penalty to violations with respect to the type of labor covered in the measure before us, and not to broaden it out to amend the general immigration law.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The time of the Senator from Illinois has expired.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, I believe I have 5 minutes remaining. I yield 2 minutes to the distinguished Senator from Maine so he may ask questions.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Maine is recognized for 2 minutes.

Mr. BREWSTER. Mr. President, would the Senator from Illinois address himself to the question as to whether or not this in any way suggests a parallel to our exclusion act with respect to Asiatics, which has aroused so much controversy because of discrimination against certain groups. To what extent is it likely to give affront?

Mr. DOUGLAS. I may say to the Senator from Maine that the measure before us provides for no exclusion whatsoever of Mexican labor. It sets up procedures for bringing in Mexican labor under a treaty with Mexico, and then it states that if these procedures are not followed, and if Mexicans are brought into the United States illegally, certain penalties shall be inflicted upon those who knowingly, or with reasonable grounds to believe them illegal entrants, employ this Mexican labor, or who do not endeavor reasonably to inform themselves as to the legality of the entry of these workers.

Mr. BREWSTER. Does not the Senator from Illinois believe the Mexicans would feel that their aliens are being discriminated against in that aliens coming into this country illegally from other countries are free from the penalties provided in this amendment?

Mr. DOUGLAS. I do not think so. I think that would be straining at a gnat. The penalties here imposed will be upon farm operators of this country who breach the terms of this section. Of course, the Committee on the Judiciary has a similar measure under consideration with respect to revision of the general immigration laws, as well as the separate Ellender bill, S. 1391, and that matter can be dealt with by the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, I will now yield 2 minutes to the distinguished Senator from New Mexico [Mr. ANDERSON].

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, I will need only 1 minute. The provision in question cannot be regarded as an exclusion provision, because the Mexican Government has asked for this type of protection; therefore, the Mexican Government should be satisfied.

Mr. President, I should like to say that I hope the chairman of the committee will realize that the term "Mexican alien" is used in the provision. I personally had thought that the term "Mexican national" would be better. If the amendment, as modified, is adopted, I hope that when the bill goes to conference the chairman will keep in mind that we are dealing with persons with respect to whom an attempt is being made to bring them into the United States by the proposed legislation, and that perhaps a change can be made in regard to the use of the word "alien."

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, regardless of whether we designate the person to be a Mexican national, a Mexican citizen, or a Mexican subject, one who comes into the United States under the proposed legislation is here as a Mexican alien; and if brought in illegally, the person who brings him in would be subject to the penalty provided in the measure. Is that not correct?

Mr. ANDERSON. I think that is correct, and I am happy to support the amendment.

Mr. WHERRY. If I have any more time under my control, I should be glad to yield it back and have a vote on the amendment, as modified.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question recurs on the amendment of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DOUGLAS], as modified.

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

The question now recurs to the amendment offered by the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. HUMPHREY], which had previously been under consideration, but action on which, under the unanimous-consent agreement, was deferred so the amendment of the Senator from Illinois, as modified, could be considered. The Senator from Minnesota now has the floor, and has 6 minutes of time remaining.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I shall be glad to yield the floor so the Senator from Louisiana may make any statement in opposition to my amendment he may wish to make.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, I think we are now going far afield from the wetback problem with which we are trying to deal. I yield to no Member in

the Senate in my efforts to try to enact legislation to prevent wetbacks from coming into the United States. I realize we have before us a problem which if not settled soon may strain the cordial relationship which now exists between ourselves and the Mexican Government. The pending question, I believe, is one that should be dealt with by the Committee on the Judiciary. I entertain the same view with respect to the amendment which was just adopted. But since I was the author of a bill which sought to carry out the same purpose, I was placed in the position where I could not deny my own bill.

Under the law as it now exists, and under the Constitution, an immigration official must obtain a warrant before he can go into a farmer's home to find out whether an alien is harbored there. What is now proposed to be enacted into law would permit entry by an immigration official at almost any time. I believe it would be rather dangerous for us to agree to such an important amendment as this, one which denies the privacy of a man's home, an amendment which would permit an official to enter private premises at almost any time of day in searching for wetbacks or other aliens. I believe, Mr. President, that by adopting the amendment we have just agreed to, we have taken adequate steps toward solving the wetback problem.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Moody in the chair). Does the Senator from Louisiana yield to the Senator from Oregon?

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield.

Mr. CORDON. The Senator speaks of an official going into someone's home. Is there anything in the amendment that indicates that a right would be given to an official to enter anyone's home?

Mr. ELLENDER. I did not hear the Senator. Will he please repeat his question?

Mr. CORDON. I do not understand that the amendment makes any such provision. I understood, however, the Senator from Louisiana said it would permit an official to go into a man's home at almost any time.

Mr. ELLENDER. Let us assume a farmer employed four or five persons who were lodged in the farmer's home. When I worked in the wheat fields of North Dakota back in 1912 and 1913 I slept in the barn. Under our law and our Constitution, before an official could enter such premises to make an investigation or to make an arrest, he would have to obtain a warrant.

Mr. CORDON. The language of the amendment is "to permit reasonable entry and inspection of the places of employment." Does that not mean that the "places of employment" would be the farms?

Mr. ELLENDER. It would be the house, if a man was working in the house.

By the adoption of the Douglas amendment we have imposed fines and imprisonment in case an employer employs a wetback or an alien who is illegally in the United States. I can well conceive that if the pending amendment

is adopted, the immigration officials will be permitted, under the conditions set forth in the amendment, to go into a man's home and make a search without having a search warrant, although the law now requires that a search warrant be first obtained. I think to permit a search to be made without having a search warrant would be going too far, Mr. President. So far as I am concerned, I believe the amendment should be rejected.

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

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield for a question.

Mr. ANDERSON. Will the Senator yield several minutes to me?

Mr. ELLENDER. How much time have I left, Mr. President?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator has 15 minutes remaining.

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield to the Senator from New Mexico as much time as he requires.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Mexico is recognized.

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, following the remarks of the distinguished chairman of the committee, I merely wish to say, that a great many persons are worried considerably about this proposal. In the case of some employers, there have been repeated complaints that officials of the Immigration Service have gone too far in visiting the fields and making inquiries of the workers there and asking them to present their credentials for entrance into the United States. Mr. President, we do not have a white-card system in our country, although I have tried rather hard to have enacted a bill providing for one. We do not require workers who perhaps are working in the cotton fields to stop work in order to satisfy some official who wonders whether they are properly in the United States.

I am anxious to have the Congress enact legislation which will strike at the wetback situation and will stop the illegal entry of such persons into our country; but I think it would be all wrong for officials of the Immigration Service to be allowed to go into the fields and demand of the workers there, "Show us evidence that you are properly in the United States at this time." If we were to permit that to be done, I think we would destroy a great deal of the usefulness of the imported labor.

If the Government has evidence that a certain person is improperly in the United States, undoubtedly the Government has a perfect right to act in such a case. Under the terms of the amendment we have just adopted, those who employ such persons can be properly punished.

However, I think it would not be best, in attempting to have harmonious relations and proper conditions established, to permit a horde of investigators to go into the fields and demand from the workers there evidence that they are properly in this country.

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

Mr. ANDERSON. I yield.

Mr. MORSE. Would the Senator from New Mexico have any objection to

adding to the amendment just adopted the amendment I now have pending?

Mr. ANDERSON. No, for I think the Senator's amendment accomplishes all that it is necessary to accomplish in this field. I think the amendment of the Senator from Oregon goes beyond the amendment of the Senator from Illinois; and so far as I am concerned, I should like to see the Senate adopt the amendment of the Senator from Oregon.

In my opinion, the pending amendment is a bad one. I base that statement on the fact that time and time again I have received hundreds of complaints from farmers who say that the immigration officials go along the highways, not to pick up wetbacks who may be on the highways, but to go to individual farms and bother the workers in the fields there, hour after hour, all day long. That is what I should like to strike at.

So I shall be glad to support the amendment of the Senator from Oregon, which I originally stated I should be glad to support. I think his amendment, coupled with the fine amendment of the distinguished Senator from Illinois, would give us all we need in this field.

I really am worried about the pending amendment, I wish to say.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, I suggest to my friend, the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. HUMPHREY], if I may do so—and I also call this matter to the attention of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. ELLENDER]—that there be a little negotiation on the floor, in view of the fact that I took the language of my amendment from the bill which the Senator from Louisiana has pending before the Judiciary Committee.

Therefore, I wonder whether my good friend, the Senator from Minnesota, will consider withdrawing his amendment and substituting my amendment for it, with the understanding that we can add my amendment to the amendment which has just been adopted, and then stop with that.

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, I was hopeful that the Senator from Oregon would propose his amendment as a substitute for the amendment of the Senator from Minnesota; and I would hope that we would adopt his substitute, and then add it to the bill which is to go to conference. If we would do that, I think we would solve this entire problem.

Mr. MORSE. I would rather have that suggestion come from the Senator from Minnesota.

Mr. ANDERSON. Of course the Senator from Oregon has a right to propose it if he wishes to do so.

Mr. MORSE. Yes; but I would rather not negotiate from that end first.

Mr. ANDERSON. Very well.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, let me say that I am almost persuaded and convinced—"almost thou persuadest me"—of the validity of the argument advanced by the Senator from Oregon. However, I wish to remonstrate for a moment with my friend, the Senator from New Mexico, because I am somewhat disturbed about the importance that is attached to my amendment.

The President's Commission on Migratory Labor in American Agriculture,

which spent a great deal of time investigating this problem—much more time, I may say, than any Member of the Senate has; and I think I am not unkind in making that statement—feels that my amendment is a rather modest, meek, mild proposal. On page 87 of the report of the President's Commission, the proposal in the amendment which has just been adopted—that of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DOUGLAS]—is referred to as one which goes so far that the Commission is not sure that it should be adopted. The proposal in the amendment of the Senator from Oregon was considered by the Commission as the second most stringent proposal. However, the proposal I have advanced was unanimously acclaimed as being filled with light, hope, and charity.

Of course during this debate, certain fears and doubts have been expressed. However, let me read from the report of the President's Commission on Migratory Labor in American Agriculture:

Statutory clarification on the above points will aid in taking action against the conveyors and receivers of the wetback. These clarifications of the statute, together with increased funds and personnel for enforcement, are possibly all that are needed to deal effectively with the smuggler and the intermediary. But this will not be enough. Something more needs to be done to discourage the employment of wetbacks and to take the profit out of it. It was repeatedly suggested to the Commission that it recommend making the employment of a wetback a crime.

That is what we have just done.

I read further:

This suggestion has merit since, if the risk involved in employing wetbacks were increased, the traffic would soon diminish. In addition to making employment of an illegal alien unlawful, much would be accomplished by taking the profit out of such employment. It seems likely that if farm employers had to maintain a decent standard of minimum wages, irrespective of the nationality of the worker to whom the wages are paid, the advantages of wetback employment would disappear.

Then in the report the President's Commission goes on to point out the following:

The attack on the problem will have to be manifold. The wetback traffic has reached such proportions in volume and in consequent chaos, it should not be neglected any longer. The techniques to be employed may be of various types but we believe the basic approaches are encompassed in our recommendations.

The headline at that point in the report is "Recommendations;" and I continue to read:

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend that—

(1) The Immigration and Naturalization Service be strengthened by (a) clear statutory authority to enter places of employment to determine if illegal aliens are employed.

Mr. President, I make note of the fact that out of all the approaches dealt with in the Commission's report on the wetback problem, this was considered to be the first approach—not the final and conclusive approach, but the first one. The approach we have taken on the floor of the Senate, which was logical for pur-

poses of debate and argument, was to take the most extreme proposal first—namely, to make the employment of such persons a crime—which has been done by the amendment of my able friend, the Senator from Illinois. Next, it is proposed that we take the approach of restricting the use of such labor. That approach is covered by the amendment of my friend, the Senator from Oregon, which I shall support. Third, we might take the obvious approach of permitting the immigration officials to go into places of employment where the wetbacks might be found, and to provide those officials with the tools with which they could make proper enforcement of these provisions.

That does not mean that we should authorize a horde of immigration officials to run about the country interrogating workers in the fields. The Congress would not authorize that to be done; in fact, Congress could prevent such a thing by placing sufficient restrictions on the appropriations. Of course, that is a method by which the Congress has been able to control such situations very well.

Perhaps it would be well to provide further restrictions. On the other hand, I wish to say that it does not do much good to say that the employment of wetbacks is a crime if we do not make it possible for the proper officials to determine whether wetbacks are actually employed.

So I propose that we permit the proper officials to determine whether wetbacks are being employed. However, it is not my proposal that such officials be permitted to go into the farmer's parlor to make such inquiries. Let us not misunderstand my proposal, Mr. President. My amendment would not permit the officials making such investigations to determine whether the wetbacks were being invited to share the Sunday dinner with the farmer and his family, but my amendment would permit the officials to go into the camps and centers of employment to find out whether wetbacks were there.

So I do not propose to withdraw my amendment. I prefer to go down fighting, rather than to withdraw an amendment which I consider to be as important to this bill as a police department is important to the enforcement of a city ordinance. In other words, I believe it would be as fallacious to withdraw this amendment as it would be to withdraw from a displaced persons bill the provisions regarding the functioning of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in that connection.

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, may I ask the Senator to allow me time on my side of the amendment?

Mr. HUMPHREY. Of course, I was using my own time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair understands that the Senator from Minnesota was using the time of the Senator from Louisiana.

Mr. HUMPHREY. No, Mr. President; I still have approximately 5 minutes of my own time left.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. That is correct; but the Senator from Louisiana

had the floor, and had yielded to the Senator from New Mexico.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I am sorry. I ask that the time I have used just now be charged to my own time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Very well.

The Senator from Louisiana has 5 minutes remaining.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, as I indicated a while ago, we have gone far toward making an effort to settle the wetback problem. Question has been raised several times with respect to the so-called Morse amendment. Personally and as chairman of the committee, I have no objection to the Morse amendment, for the simple reason that it is not only desirable, but, under the present agreement between our Government and the Mexican Government, there is this provision:

23. Permission to contract workers under this agreement shall not be granted to those employers who continue to use Mexican workers who are illegally in the United States.

So since that provision is already in the agreement between the United States and Mexico, I can see no harm in incorporating it into the law itself.

Mr. ANDERSON rose.

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield the remainder of my time to the Senator from New Mexico.

Mr. HUMPHREY rose.

Mr. ANDERSON. I yield to the Senator from Minnesota.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I wonder whether the Senator would yield to me to make a unanimous-consent request that, in view of the great interest which has been manifested in the Morse amendment, the vote on the amendment which I have offered be temporarily withheld, that the Morse amendment may be now considered and voted upon, so that we clear the decks on that particular amendment, and then revert to the amendment which I have offered.

Mr. ANDERSON. I would be very glad to do that, because I am for the Morse amendment.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I am, too; and I am glad to cooperate with the Senator from New Mexico. I ask unanimous consent that the pending amendment be laid aside for the moment, that the Senate proceed to consider the Morse amendment, and that, at the conclusion of debate on the Morse amendment, we revert to the Humphrey amendment which is now before the Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the request? The Chair hears none, and it is so ordered.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, in view of the modification made in the Douglas amendment, I desire to modify my amendment C in line 5, before the word "alien", to insert "Mexican", and, in line 8, before the word "alien", to insert "Mexican." I have no further argument to make in support of my amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the amendment of the Senator from Oregon, as modified.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. On page 5, line 5, after the word "employment", it is proposed to insert: "Provided, That no

workers shall be made available under this title to, nor shall any workers made available under this title be permitted to remain in the employ of, any employer who has in his employ any Mexican alien when such employer knows or has reasonable grounds to believe or suspect or by reasonable inquiry could have ascertained that such Mexican alien is not lawfully within the United States."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MORSE], as modified.

GENERAL MARSHALL AND THE DATE  
DECEMBER 7, 1941

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. President, I wonder whether the Senator from Oregon will yield me 2 or 3 minutes for a brief statement.

Mr. MORSE. I yield 2 minutes to the Senator from Wisconsin.

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. President, I would like to read into the RECORD a brief excerpt from a book by Arthur Upham Pope entitled "Maxim Litvinov." The reason for my wishing to put this in the RECORD today is that the two committees, sitting jointly, are now examining General Marshall. His memory was not too good this morning. It recalled to my mind the fact that his memory was faulty concerning the events on the morning of December 7, and the night before. In order to refresh his memory, I now read from a purported part of a diary in this book by Arthur Upham Pope, to the effect that Marshall was meeting Litvinov on the morning of December 7. I quote from page 473:

On the morning of Sunday, December 7, Litvinov's plane arrived at Bolling Field, Washington, D. C. He was received by Brig. Gen. Phillip R. Fementhal, former military attaché in Moscow, now chief of the supply mission to the Soviet Union, by General Marshall and Admiral King, among other officers and officials.

I called Bolling Field to see whether that was the day on which Litvinov's plane arrived, and whether there was any record of General Marshall's having met him, in order that we might better refresh the general's memory.

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

Mr. McCARTHY. I yield.

Mr. LANGER. Does the Senator mind stating the year? He said December 7, omitting the year.

Mr. McCARTHY. 1941. In other words, it was on Pearl Harbor day. I called Bolling Field, and was told it is the practice to destroy such records after 1 year's time, and that it was impossible to give me that information. However, my office talked to one of the young men who was at Bolling Field at the time, and he said that, while he could not recall the exact date, he recalled that a plane landed with a number of Russians on or about that date. I think this might be of some interest to the committees which are now examining General Marshall. They might want to use it to refresh the general's memory.

SUPPLYING OF AGRICULTURAL WORKERS FROM MEXICO

The Senate resumed the consideration of the bill (S. 984) to amend the Agricultural Act of 1949.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on the amendment of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MORSE], as modified.

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the unanimous-consent agreement previously made, the Senate now reverts to the consideration of the amendment of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. HUMPHREY].

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, I want to say that I am not too much worried about what happens to this amendment. I am not going to fall out with my good friend from Minnesota about the amendment. I simply say to him that I have had opportunity personally to investigate case after case in which the Immigration Service has used this sort of club to whip employers whom they did not like, and to go along with employers whom they did like. A short time ago I pointed out that when Mr. Wilmoth was in charge of the El Paso office of the Immigration Service—and I am not going to cast any kind of aspersion on him, because he is dead, he regularly went around in the fields, checking up on certain employees and employers, as to whom he had not received a report for a long time. The man in charge of the San Antonio office never worried about any of those things at all. One group of people could bring in all the wetbacks they wanted, more than were ever brought into my State, and more than were ever brought into the State of Arizona, and nearly as many as were brought into California. There was no check-up whatever in those areas, but one individual officer in a particular area was using that discretion.

If we have a law against narcotics, I do not expect that a narcotics officer will come to my house, or to the house of any other Member of the Senate, to say, "I want to search your house today, to see whether you are violating the law." If he has any evidence that I am violating it, let him make it known.

I think I have gone a long way in trying to support the amendments which have been adopted here today. I do not think the farmers of my State like either the Douglas amendment or the Morse amendment; but I consider them to be reasonable amendments, and I am glad to support them. But I see, from my experience with the administration of laws of this kind on the border, that I do not like the pending amendment, because under it a man, in the uniform of the Immigration Service with a pistol on his hip and a big badge on his coat, could go around and inquire as to the legality of the entrance of anyone, including Mexican nationals who are legally here under contract, brought in under certification of the Department of Labor. The alien laborers become scared at that sort of thing and say, "We are going home; we do not know what this officer wants to start, but we are not going to be arrested."

I think the amendment goes too far. If the immigration officers know there has been a violation, they ought to find out about it. They ought to be able to search it out. But they do not need the

language of this amendment to enable them to act.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, will the Senator yield at that point?

Mr. DOUGLAS. I yield to the Senator from Minnesota.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I merely wanted to ask the Senator whether he felt that the phraseology, "permit reasonable entry," was in anyway clarified. I sense some of the fears which the Senator from New Mexico expresses, in that the foreign workers are justifiably concerned. I want the Senator to know that it is not the intent of the Senator from Minnesota to have any type of gestapo method employed against these people. It was merely my intent to try to expedite or to facilitate the enforcement of the law regarding the wetback.

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, I am not trying to criticize what the Senator said. All I am saying is that I think it might be well to take the new authority granted by the Douglas amendment and the authority granted by the amendment of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MORSE] and see if those two amendments do not give us all the administration we need with respect to wetbacks. I believe they do.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, first, I want to congratulate—

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. LONG in the chair). The time of the Senator from New Mexico has expired.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I yield whatever time the Senator from New Mexico needs to complete any interrogation or comments he may wish to make.

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

Mr. ANDERSON. I yield.

Mr. LANGER. Under the amendment of the Senator from Minnesota, could the officers go in at any time of the day or night?

Mr. ANDERSON. There is no restriction whatever on them.

Mr. LANGER. They could go in at midnight and ask anything they wanted to ask?

Mr. ANDERSON. I think so. I know how the Senator from North Dakota is always sympathetic to the cause of labor, but I think he would agree with me that we have to proceed more or less slowly in these matters. We have already made a great step forward in the bill. I commend the spirit of the Senator from Florida and the Senator from Illinois in trying to work out this question. I commend the Senator from Oregon for not opposing the amendment or pleading with the Senator from Illinois to withdraw his amendment. I know troubles can come to the program, and I want to say to the Senator from Minnesota that if it does not work out properly, both he and I, God willing, will be in the Senate a year from now, and I shall lend support to him if it has not worked out well.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, I congratulate the Senator from New Mexico on his fair-mindedness, and to ask whether the Senator from Minnesota is not correct in his fear that at present immigration officers may lack legal authority to enter farms and ranches or other enclosed land to inspect or search

for aliens who have entered illegally. They now have authority to enter private property if they have a warrant, or without a warrant if a deportable alien is on the property and is likely to escape, but I do not think it is equally within their authority to enter farms and ranches to hunt for aliens who have entered the country illegally. That is the fear that is in my mind.

Mr. ANDERSON. What has happened in regard to searches is what has so incensed farmers along the border. The immigration officers do not have the authority to search, but that does not prevent them in the slightest from making searches. Farmers protest. I should like to have the subject treated on the basis suggested by the Senator from Illinois and the Senator from Oregon. If that does not work, we shall have to try something else. I am not asking the Senator from Minnesota to withdraw his amendment. I am going to be compelled to vote against it, because it can hurt what I think is otherwise a good program. My desire is to have wetbacks prevented from working within the United States. There are many employers—Senators know of many of them—who try to work out their problems decently with fair wages, and I think they should have a chance to have a bill that will work properly.

Mr. CORDON. Mr. President, I rise to support the amendment offered by the Senator from Minnesota. In my opinion, we shall never get the wetback problem solved along the border if we handcuff the persons charged with the duty of doing the job. If they cannot go where the wetbacks are and determine who they are and how many there are, there will be no enforcement of the law. Very often we provide penalties that are too heavy, so that the law is not enforced. This amendment gives to the employers who desire to take advantage of a special privilege granted them along the border the right to do so. That is where the wetback problem is found. They must agree, if they are going to take labor from across the border, that they will permit the officers of the United States to determine the question. It is a sound provision, in my opinion, and I shall support it.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. All time for debate has expired. The question is on agreeing to the amendment offered by the Senator from Minnesota. [Putting the question.] The Chair is in doubt. The Chair will ask for a division.

On a division, the amendment was rejected.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, I want to be recorded as voting in favor of the amendment.

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, I call up my amendment A.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the amendment offered by the Senator from New Mexico.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. On page 4, line 21, it is proposed to strike out the word "already" and insert in lieu thereof the word "legally."

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, I merely wish to say that I was almost persuaded that the Senator from Minnesota had a better amendment than

I had, and I have almost persuaded him that I have a better amendment than he has. We are trying only to straighten out a provision which might be misinterpreted. I believe the adoption of my amendment would help greatly in the proper administration of the law. I know the hour is late, and I do not care to discuss the amendment in great detail. I think everyone is familiar with the problem that is posed. I hope the chairman of the committee will take the amendment to conference.

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

Mr. ANDERSON. I yield.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, if I were to choose, I should prefer the amendment offered by the Senator from Minnesota because it conforms more to the amendment adopted by the committee. I hope that is agreeable to my distinguished friend.

Mr. ANDERSON. I think I shall modify my amendment to conform to the amendment proposed by the Senator from Minnesota.

Mr. ELLENDER. To that I have no objection.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, we are being so kind to one another that it reminds me of Alphonse and Gaston, or whoever the duo were. There is a difference between the two amendments. The amendment proposed by the Senator from Minnesota would check on those persons who illegally entered the United States, who had gained illegal entrance, strictly at the entrance points.

The amendment of the Senator from New Mexico not only checks them on illegal entrance, but checks on those who illegally remain. I say his is a more inclusive amendment. It only goes to prove that there is no substitute for legislative experience. I saw only the edges of the proposition, and the Senator from New Mexico saw the entire picture.

Mr. ANDERSON. Mr. President, I absolutely cannot resist that kind of temptation. I insist upon the original language of my amendment. I shall not take the language of the amendment offered by the Senator from Minnesota. I ask the chairman of the committee if he will take my amendment to conference.

Mr. ELLENDER. I shall be glad to do so.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. ANDERSON], as modified.

Mr. ANDERSON. No, Mr. President, not as modified. I left my amendment as it was.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Mexico did not modify his amendment.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, in that situation I cannot agree to take the amendment to conference. The question was thoroughly discussed in Mexico City, and what we are trying to accomplish is: if there are some Mexicans who have legally entered the United States, but whose contract has expired, to make provision whereby they can be recontracted. The amendment of the Senator from Minnesota would permit

that being done, whereas, if we adopted the amendment of the distinguished Senator from New Mexico, it would be necessary for all Mexicans whose contracts had expired to go back to Mexico, and reenter before they could be recontracted.

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

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield.

Mr. ANDERSON. I understand, then, that it is because of contractual obligations to Mexico that the Senator prefers the Humphrey amendment.

Mr. ELLENDER. That is correct.

Mr. ANDERSON. Then, Mr. President, I modify my amendment, and will use the language contained in the amendment of the Senator from Minnesota.

Mr. HUMPHREY. The Senator realizes, does he not, that he is taking the language which is less comprehensive.

Mr. ANDERSON. I realize that, but I also realize that the Senator from Louisiana went to Mexico when some of the others of us refused to go, and worked hard, and accomplished as fine a result as has been accomplished in this field in a long time.

I wish to commend him for saying that the amendment of the Senator from Minnesota is preferable.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the amendment, as modified.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. On page 4, line 22, after the word "in", it is proposed to insert the following: "by virtue of legal entry."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment offered by the Senator from New Mexico, as modified.

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill is open to further amendment.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I call up my amendment lettered "O," of April 25, 1951.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The legislative clerk will state the amendment.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. On page 4, line 18, it is proposed to strike out the period and insert a comma and the following: "and (3) reasonable efforts have been made to attract American workers for such employment at terms and conditions of employment comparable to those offered to foreign workers."

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I believe the language of the amendment is self-expressive and self-defining. It provides that reasonable efforts shall be made to attract American workers, at terms and conditions of employment comparable to those offered to foreign workers. In essence, this is the crux of the bill. As has been pointed out by the Senator from New Mexico, the measure which is being sponsored by the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry is a decided advance. I have indicated again and again to the chairman of the committee that I feel it is a substantial advance in the field of our relationships with Mexico on the whole subject of migratory labor.

However, Mr. President, I am sure that all of us are justly concerned about the standards of employment and working conditions of our own domestic labor supply. As has been pointed out today and on other days during the debate on the pending bill, certain of its provisions in some instances would give the Mexican worker advantages far beyond those granted to domestic workers. I would not deny such advantages to the Mexican worker. I think he ought to have them. I think we are dealing with a great humanitarian service. We are trying to lift his standard of living and his standard of working conditions. However, I feel that as we do such things for the Mexican workers we should provide the same advantages to our own workers. Likewise, I think that before the Secretary of Labor or anyone else makes certification for the importation of foreign labor we ought to be certain that the source of American labor has been fully exhausted, at least to the point where domestic workers could meet the employment requirement.

So I say the amendment is fundamentally expressing the will of the Senate, which I think it is fair to describe as not wishing to discriminate against domestic workers.

There is, of course, no such thing as an absolute shortage of manpower. Shortages of manpower are relative to the terms and conditions of employment offered. It may surprise Members of this body to learn that the report of the President's Commission makes the fact extremely clear that domestic workers are offered less advantageous terms and conditions of employment than are offered to foreign workers. I wish to emphasize that fact. Despite all the hue and cry which is being made about the working conditions of the foreign workers—and they are bad—the fact is that the working conditions of domestic migratory workers in terms of employment are even more sad and despairing than those of the foreign workers. Mexicans are guaranteed minimum employment. The Mexican contract guarantees employment for 75 percent of the contract period, which frequently is 6 months. The Puerto Rican contracts guarantee 160 hours of employment in each 4-week period. The employment guarantee for workers from the British West Indies is in terms of minimum earnings. They are guaranteed minimum earnings of \$25 in each 2-week period.

The striking finding of the President's Commission, from the 12 hearings, which were held across the country, is that domestic workers are not characteristically offered such employment guarantees. In only one instance did the Commission receive testimony indicating that the terms and conditions of employment offered to foreign and Puerto Rican workers were offered to domestic workers, though in two or three other instances it did find contracts offered to domestic workers in less advantageous terms. The most important of the differences in terms and conditions of employment is the employment guarantee.

Mr. President, I shall not burden the RECORD with an extended discussion of the subject, because my friend, the chairman of the committee, is thoroughly familiar with the facts on the migratory labor problem. Everyone who has participated in the debate is in essence a student of the problem. At least he has spent some time and effort to dig out the facts.

If adopted, my amendment would provide, first, that reasonable efforts shall be made to attract American workers. In other words, we shall not legislate a discriminatory pattern against American workers who are available for the job. Secondly, employment shall be at terms and conditions of employment comparable to those offered to foreign workers.

Mr. President, I submit that no one would want to give to people who were imported into the country better working conditions than are given to our own American citizens, who are taxpayers of our country, who are called upon to defend our country, who exercise their duties of citizenship, and who perform their duties of community work and community leadership.

In other words, the amendment would make crystal clear to millions of people in America that as we legislate to alleviate employment conditions for foreign workers we do not legislate against our own brothers and sisters and our fellow citizen in the continental limits of the United States of America. We would give to our American citizens at least equal treatment with foreign workers. We would be giving a written guaranty to the American worker that he would be given as fair and equitable treatment in terms of employment and working conditions as are extended to the worker who is imported from Mexico. He would be given an opportunity to fill the job. If he cannot fill the job we will go to a foreign country—in this instance to Mexico—to find laborers who can fill it. I believe it is a patently fair request of Congress. It certainly seems eminently fair in terms of our domestic labor supply.

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

Mr. HUMPHREY. Yes.

Mr. LANGER. Would it mean, for example, that a farmer in Minnesota would have to give a guaranty to a migratory laborer?

Mr. HUMPHREY. No; it does not mean that at all. I may say to my friend from North Dakota, that first of all it means that before anyone in Minnesota, South Dakota, or North Dakota could import any Mexican laborer every reasonable effort shall have been made to find the necessary labor supply in our own States. I think no one would deny that it should be done. Secondly, it means that the American worker at least ought to get as much pay, as good housing, and as good medical treatment as is supplied to a foreign worker who is imported into the country.

Mr. LANGER. Would it have to be in writing?

Mr. HUMPHREY. No; it would merely establish a number of standards.

Mr. LANGER. In other words, it says much, but it does not mean anything?

Mr. HUMPHREY. Yes; it means something.

Mr. LANGER. What does it mean?

Mr. HUMPHREY. It means that every means must be exhausted to find out whether or not there is available a domestic labor supply. Secondly, the American worker shall not be compelled to work under conditions less favorable than those under which a Mexican worker labors. The amendment can be given meaning in terms of medical care, type of employment, length of employment, wages, hours of work, housing, and all the other factors entering into the employment of foreign migratory workers.

Mr. LANGER. Let us take Mr. X, who is a farmer. He wants to employ some Mexican laborers in his sugar-beet fields. What must he do in order to get American labor? Must he advertise in newspapers?

Mr. HUMPHREY. He would go to his employment office. Perhaps he would go to his newspaper. His major source of supply would be through the farm placement service of his State employment agency.

Mr. LANGER. If he finds all the American labor he needs to work in his sugar-beet fields, must he make some sort of a written contract with his workers, saying, for example, that the workers shall have 160 hours of work?

Mr. HUMPHREY. It would be a good thing to do. However, it is not mandatory.

Mr. LANGER. It is not mandatory?

Mr. HUMPHREY. No. It is an effort to establish a standard. It is an effort to provide that before contracts can be let in an area, such as in Minnesota or North Dakota, first of all the Secretary of Labor shall declare that there a labor shortage exists. It means that there must be examination within that area to determine whether there is a domestic labor supply. Then it says to the prospective employer that at least the American worker has the right to expect conditions of employment which are as favorable as those given to the foreign worker.

Mr. LANGER. Under the Senator's amendment would the American worker get what he expects?

Mr. HUMPHREY. That I cannot say. I will say to my friend from North Dakota that if the American people got from the laws of the land what they expected, we would have fewer complaints.

Mr. LANGER. Under the Senator's amendment would the American worker get what he expects?

Mr. HUMPHREY. He is not guaranteed it.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, I dislike to oppose my distinguished friend from Minnesota again, but I believe that Senators realize that it is to the advantage of the American farmer to hire local help if he can get it, because he does not have to pay the expenses of transportation and other expenses which must be paid in the case of a Mexican worker.

Sometime ago during this debate it was stated that under the terms of the bill efforts would not be made to obtain the services of all available domestic labor. I wish to point out to my good

friend from North Dakota the provisions in section 503 of the bill:

No workers recruited under this title shall be available for employment in any area unless the Director of State Employment Security for such area has determined and certified that (1) sufficient domestic workers who are able, willing, and qualified are not available at the time and place needed to perform the work for which such workers are to be employed, and (2) the employment of such workers will not adversely affect the wages and working conditions of domestic agricultural workers similarly employed.

I believe that domestic workers are protected by that language. If we should adopt the amendment of the distinguished Senator from Minnesota it would mean that before the Secretary of Labor could certify that a Mexican worker is needed it would have to be shown that a domestic worker was offered everything offered to the Mexican worker—that is, his transportation, subsistence, housing, insurance against occupational risks, and everything of that kind. If the Senate is desirous of destroying this measure, it can simply adopt the pending amendment.

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

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield.

Mr. ANDERSON. Is it not true that in the discussion of the bill in the committee we tried to make it advantageous to use domestic labor?

Mr. ELLENDER. Exactly.

Mr. ANDERSON. We wanted it to cost more for an employer to use foreign labor. He must provide insurance, housing, transportation, and other expenses. So he would try to use domestic labor. Would not this amendment destroy the very purpose we tried to accomplish? Would it not destroy the differential?

Mr. ELLENDER. There is no doubt about it.

Mr. ANDERSON. I do not know that the Senator would care to comment, but the first part of the amendment of the Senator from Minnesota reads:

And (3) reasonable efforts have been made to attract American workers for such employment—

Then follows language which makes the provision unworkable, namely—

at terms and conditions of employment comparable to those offered to foreign workers.

The American worker would have to be offered transportation to a border point. He would have to be given subsistence, burial expenses, and other allowances. This amendment would take him completely out from under the workmen's compensation laws and social security laws. I believe that we would be doing a great injustice to domestic workers by adopting this amendment, which would require that they be given the same privileges as are given foreign workers. Therefore it would be made just as attractive and advantageous to an employer to employ a foreign worker or a man from Mexico.

I know that the Senator from Minnesota is interested in the American workingman. I hope he will see that there is a very decided advantage to the American workingman in having a situation in which it costs more to bring in a

worker from Mexico, because of the extra expense involved. Under such conditions the employer will try to use domestic workers, as he should do.

Mr. ELLENDER. That is what I tried to point out a moment ago. I am glad to have the distinguished Senator from New Mexico bring out that point.

The only reason why the Mexican worker is being given all these extras is that the Mexican Government is insisting upon it for its own nationals. As the distinguished Senator from New Mexico has pointed out, the bill would make it more expensive for an American employer to hire Mexicans. Therefore, his inclination would be to employ domestic labor in preference to foreign labor.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I merely wish to point out that the Mexican Government has been most vigilant in its attention to the needs of its own nationals. The Mexican Government insists on certain protections being written into the law for the benefit of its own people. What the junior Senator from Minnesota is attempting to say—possibly with not too much clarity—is that if the Mexican Government can get our delegation to agree to protect the nationals of Mexico, I think we ought to do a little toward protecting the nationals of the United States.

Perhaps my language in this amendment is too stringent, too restrictive, or too comprehensive. I am open to suggestions as to any modification which would tend in any way to make it more palatable or acceptable.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, I believe that the language which is now in the bill, and to which I have referred on many occasions on this floor, is sufficient to protect domestic workers. As I have pointed out many times, the Secretary of Labor, who is to administer the law, must make two determinations. First, he must determine that there is not sufficient domestic labor available; and secondly, that the wages paid to the Mexican labor will not in any manner affect the wages paid domestic workers.

Mr. HUMPHREY. On that point I think we can come to some agreement.

Mr. ELLENDER. It strikes me that that language is sufficient protection. I grant to my good friend from Minnesota that we may have gone a little far in agreeing to what the Mexican Government was demanding. However, the Mexican Government has had some experience in the past; and from that experience have come these new ideas as to how the contract should be formulated.

I may state to my good friend that there is nothing to prevent an American worker from asking for the same terms and conditions as are given to Mexican laborers. The Senator understands that.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Yes.

Mr. ELLENDER. The only reason why we have incorporated such a provision in this bill is that that is the only way by which we can obtain these workers.

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



Mr. ELLENDER. I yield for a question.

Mr. DOUGLAS. I should like to make a suggestion which may reconcile the apparent differences between the Senator from Minnesota on the one hand and the Senator from Louisiana and the Senator from New Mexico on the other.

The objections by the Senator from Louisiana and the Senator from New Mexico seem to be addressed to the words "and conditions of employment comparable to those offered to foreign workers" in line 4 of the amendment. The Senator from Louisiana and the Senator from New Mexico are afraid that this language might be used to require the meeting of transportation costs of domestic workers, sickness costs, and so forth.

If we were to strike the words "and conditions of employment" and substitute the phrase "of wages and hours," the language would then read:

And (3) reasonable efforts have been made to attract American workers for such employment at terms of wages and hours comparable to those offered to foreign workers.

That would eliminate the need for meeting transportation costs, health payments, and so forth, and would merely mean that an employer could not import foreign workers unless domestic workers received equal wages and did not work longer hours.

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

Mr. ELLENDER. That could mean that an employer would have to guarantee the domestic worker work for at least three-fourths of the time covered by the contract whether he worked or not. In other words, suppose the employer employs him for 2 months. Whether the employee works or not, the employer would have to guarantee him three-fourths of the time at whatever pay is agreed on. That was one of the conditions we had to agree to in the agreement made with the Mexican Government, for the reason that the Mexican workers come from afar, spend a good deal of time on the way, and an agreement had to be made that if the contract was, let us say, for 4 months, the workers would be guaranteed at least 3 months of employment; otherwise, it would not pay them to come here. Under the amendment proposed by the Senator from Minnesota, it would be necessary to extend the same conditions to the domestic worker, which would be most costly.

I believe the domestic worker is thoroughly protected under section 503 of the bill, which I have read time and again. I repeat, it is to the advantage of the employer to hire local labor because it is cheaper in the long run. I repeat what the Senator from New Mexico said a moment ago, that all the conditions which are imposed with respect to the employment of Mexican labor make the costs so high that it discourages an American employer from employing a Mexican rather than an American worker.

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

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield.

Mr. HUMPHREY. The Senator refers to the possibility of local labor being able to fulfill employment needs. As a matter of fact, the supply of migrant domestic workers is not always adequate locally. There is a group of domestic labor which travels from one side of the country to the other, and at times it would be necessary to go very far away, to the other side of the Nation, to obtain employees.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, I had a talk with Mr. Don Larin of the Farm Placement Service of the United States Employment Service. I am sure the Senator knows him.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Yes.

Mr. ELLENDER. I asked him to write me a memorandum as to what efforts were made to determine that domestic workers were not available. This is what he wrote:

Statements have been made during this debate that sufficient domestic labor is available for agricultural employment if proper recruitment efforts were to be made. The requirements of the United States Employment Service, before it will certify to the unavailability of domestic labor, are specific. These indicate very clearly the efforts involved before any certification for the importation of foreign labor will be made.

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First, every employer must file an order with a local employment office requesting domestic labor. The local office searches its files for qualified workers, and if unable to recruit the labor on the basis of its records, resorts to other recruitment devices which commonly include use of the press and radio.

When the local office has been unsuccessful in its own jurisdiction, it originates a clearance order which will reach every office in the State before the effort is extended beyond State lines. Each local office attempts to recruit the needed labor.

If there is no labor supply within the State, the State office of the employment service sends the order to adjoining States, where it goes to local offices thought to have a potential supply of labor. Those local offices recruit labor through the use of their own files and by other recruitment devices.

Should adjoining States be unable to furnish the labor, the order goes to a regional office of the United States Employment Service, which sends the order to other States which may have a potential supply of labor.

If the regional office first receiving the order and adjoining regions cannot locate a source of labor supply the order is transmitted to the Washington headquarters, who transmit the order to distant States which may have a potential labor supply.

In every instance recruitment effort is made to secure domestic workers who are qualified and available and willing to accept employment offered.

It strikes me that if the employment service goes through all that procedure or any similar to it, there ought to be sufficient protection to domestic labor. Added to the argument I submitted a while ago, it should be plain that domestic workers will have first preference.

As I have stated, I believe that the committee has provided sufficient protection for domestic workers, and, I repeat, the only reason why we have imposed other restrictions, for instance, such as those relating to insurance against occupational risks, lodging and transportation, and other matters, is be-

cause it is the only way by which we can obtain Mexican labor.

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

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield.

Mr. DOUGLAS. In my effort to be an honest broker and adjust the differences between the Senator from Minnesota and the Senator from Louisiana, I wonder if the following modifying language might not be acceptable to the chairman of the committee, namely, after the word "at" in line 4, to have the remainder of the line read: "wages and standard hours of work comparable to those offered to foreign workers."

This would remove any requirement for a minimum guaranty of employment. It would provide merely that the hourly rate, the standard hours per week, would be comparable to those guaranteed to foreign labor.

Mr. ELLENDER. How would the Senator's amendment then read?

Mr. DOUGLAS. It would then read:

Reasonable efforts have been made to attract domestic workers for such employment at wages and standard hours of work comparable to those offered to foreign workers.

This would remove the question of the guaranty, it would remove the transportation payments, it would remove the health payments, it would remove the requirements for lodging. But it would provide that domestic workers could not be worked more hours a week or at lower wages an hour than apply to foreign workers.

Mr. ELLENDER. I may state to my distinguished friend that I do not have any objection to the language he has suggested, if it is agreeable to my good friend from Minnesota. It strikes me that it is already covered in the bill, so in my opinion it would be duplication, but if it will satisfy the Senator from Minnesota, I have no objection to the amendment as modified by the language suggested by the distinguished Senator from Illinois.

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

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield.

Mr. HOLLAND. In announcing that he will be satisfied with the modified wording, the Senator from Louisiana does not propose to enlarge the requirements placed upon the individual farmer in any way, does he?

Mr. ELLENDER. No, indeed.

Mr. HOLLAND. In other words, the Senator does not propose to substitute new and required activities by the farmer for the activities now performed by the employment service?

Mr. ELLENDER. No. It would simply provide that the domestic worker is offered the same minimum wages and standard hours of work as is given the Mexican under the individual work contract.

Mr. DOUGLAS. And wages per hour.

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I am more than happy to accept the modification proposed by the Senator from Illinois. I think it clarifies and details what is the intent of the Senator from Louisiana. I want that clarification, I want that detailed outlining, because if

there is one field of employment where all the skulduggery in the world has ever been worked, it is in this field of labor supply in the vast stretches of our land. I merely want to see the people of our own Nation given a fair chance to make a living. I am surprised to find that the Government of Mexico can extort from us more protection for their people than we give to our own people. I am glad we have this amendment perfected. I merely wanted to say a word for citizens of the United States, and at the same time pay tribute to the Republic of Mexico.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The amendment, as modified, will be stated.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. On page 4, line 18, it is proposed to strike out the period and insert a comma and the following: "and (3) reasonable efforts have been made to attract American workers for such employment at wages and standard hours of employment—"

Mr. DOUGLAS. It should read "standard hours of work."

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. "Standard hours of work comparable to those offered to foreign workers."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment offered by the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. HUMPHREY], as modified.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, one moment. Is the word "American" changed to "domestic"?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. No.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I believe the Senator from Illinois changed the word "American" to "domestic."

Mr. DOUGLAS. In the copy I have the word "American" had been eliminated, and the word "domestic" had been inserted.

Mr. HUMPHREY. That is the way it ought to be.

Mr. ELLENDER. That is correct.

Mr. DOUGLAS. It should read "domestic" workers.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Does the Senator further modify his amendment accordingly?

Mr. DOUGLAS. I further modify the amendment by striking out the word "American" and substituting the word "domestic."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The amendment is modified accordingly. Without objection, the amendment, as modified, is agreed to.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I now call up my amendment 4-27-51—B.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The amendment will be stated.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. On page 2, line 6, it is proposed to strike the semicolon and add the following: "to be employed at a wage no less than the current prevailing wage rate for the crop and area."

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I do not believe the amendment needs any explanation. It is almost within the text or pattern of the amendment the Senate has just adopted. But I understand the Senator from Louisiana to have said that the workers are protected by the agreement made with the Republic of Mexico. Again, since that is in the agreements which are based on the negotiation at Mexico City, I am merely

one of those who would like to see it spelled out in statutory law.

So the purpose, which is self-evident, is that farm workers, both domestic and foreign, are to be employed at wages not less than those prevailing in the area for the particular crop. In this connection we are not talking about factory labor or skilled labor, but we are talking about the prevailing rate of wages paid for labor on a particular crop in a particular area. The amendment is very specific and clear; it merely provides that there shall be equality as between foreign and domestic farm workers, in respect to the wage rate; and in respect to the foreign farm workers, the amendment relates only to Mexican farm workers.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, again I hesitate to take issue with my good friend, the Senator from Minnesota. However, as I pointed out during the debate a few days ago, the contract which at the present time is entered into between the employer and the Mexican laborer provides for the payment of the prevailing wage as a minimum wage. It often happens that the wage is fixed in the contract itself; that is, it is written into the contract.

I fear that if the amendment of the distinguished Senator from Minnesota is adopted, it will mean that a great deal of red tape will be involved in connection with determining what that rate is and in determining the extent of the area which must be taken into consideration in fixing the wage rate.

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

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield for a question.

Mr. YOUNG. Yes, I wish to ask a question.

Mr. ELLENDER. Very well; I yield.

Mr. YOUNG. Would not it be almost impossible to determine what the wage should be? In a given community tractor drivers might be receiving a very high wage, whereas workers in other types of farm work might be working under quite different wage scales. So it seems to me it would be almost impossible to determine the average wage.

Mr. ELLENDER. I would not say it would be impossible to determine it, but that determination would entail a great deal of red tape.

At the present time a canvass is made in a locality to determine what the prevailing wage is for farm workers. After that is determined, it is certified by the United States Employment Service as the prevailing wage, and that wage is written into the contract itself, as a rule.

I say it is important for us to pursue the method which is now in effect, for the reason that under the terms of this bill the United States government, acting through the Department of Labor, will guarantee payment of that wage to the employee. Since payment will be guaranteed and since the contract will be entered into between the employee and the employer, it will be an easy matter to determine what amount is due the Mexican worker from the employer; and therefore, in case of controversy, the amount due the worker will be known

then and there, by means of the terms of the contract itself.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, will the Senator yield at this point?

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I recognize that the Senator has made a very clear explanation of the contractual relationships which exist between the employer and the employee. I also recognize that under the terms of the agreement with the Republic of Mexico, the Government of the United States has taken on certain obligations for the fulfillment of the contract. However, as yet I have not seen a copy of the over-all printed agreement. Has the Senator put one into the Record?

Mr. ELLENDER. No; I have not yet done so, but I intend to.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I am sure it will be placed in the Record before the end of this debate.

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes.

Mr. HUMPHREY. If the Government of the United States assumes the obligation of seeing that the prevailing wages are paid under the contractual relationships, in accordance with the law of the land—which will be respected by all law-abiding citizens—it will be just that much easier for law-abiding citizens to make contracts that are to be fulfilled on the basis of the prevailing wage. In other words, the Senator from Louisiana is predicating his case on the contractual relationship between the employer and the employee; but what I am predicating my case on, in terms of the wage standards for a particular crop area and for a particular crop, is statutory law.

I am just foolish enough to believe that statutory law is more impressive and is more likely to be lived up to, or is likely to be lived up to a little better, than a contractual relationship between a Mexican employee who is a farm worker and an American employer.

I gather that there is very little difference, if any, between our objectives, because I know that the Senator from Louisiana wishes to have included in this measure every bit of protection which possibly can be included in it for the Mexican worker as well as for the American worker and the American employer. Since there is so little difference between our objectives, I submit to the Senator from Louisiana the fact that if such a provision is enacted into law, it will be a better guaranty of a sounder wage structure in a particular area and for a particular crop than will the precarious type of contract which may be reached between an employer and an employee who is a Mexican national.

I wish the Senator would give this very serious consideration, because this has a great effect upon the American domestic labor market, and has a great effect upon the individual worker who comes into our country from beyond our borders.

Mr. ELLENDER. I am convinced that the committee had that very argument in mind when we considered this bill. I repeat what I have often said, that under section 503, I am satisfied that the domestic worker is amply protected.

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

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield to the Senator from Florida as much time as he desires.

Mr. HOLLAND. Mr. President, I do not care to speak on this matter at length, but I do think that the adoption of this amendment would bring an additional trouble-making factor into the picture. I hope that the Senator from Minnesota will follow me carefully on this. I call to his attention the fact that it is not in the place where he proposes to put this amendment, but in section 503, on page 4, that this particular objective is cared for; and it is cared for in a much more adequate way and in a much clearer way than would be done through this amendment. I call his attention to the fact that section 503 provides that—

No workers recruited under this title shall be available for employment in any area unless the director of State employment security for such area—

This has been changed, of course, as to the officer who makes the determination—

has determined and certified that (1) sufficient domestic workers who are able, willing, and qualified are not available at the time and place needed to perform the work for which such workers are to be employed, and (2) the employment of such workers will not adversely affect the wages and working conditions of domestic agricultural workers similarly employed.

However, I think that, if placed in the bill at the place where the Senator's amendment is proposed to place it, there will be brought into the bill an entirely new concept; that is, the definition of "areas," a word which is not at all defined in the bill, whereas the section from which I have read, section 503, makes it very clear that it is the very time and place where the work is to be performed that governs.

I am not familiar with the Mexican labor problem, but I am familiar with the use of Bahaman and Jamaican labor, and if the Senator will bear with me, I should like to give him this fact, which I am sure applies in greater or less degree in other areas of the country. We have on the east coast of Florida certain areas, for instance, the Miami vicinity, where labor brought in from the Bahamas, which is employed on our farms, has to be paid more money than would be paid 25 or 50 miles away from there, because it competes very definitely with the very highly paid labor which works in the tourist resorts, whereas, if it were 40 or 50 miles away from those tourist centers, in a place that very conceivably might be held by the Labor Department to be the same area, there is a different situation entirely and a different scale of pay. It is for that reason that I think the wording already included in the bill, in section 503, is much the more acceptable, because it provides that it is the rate of pay at the time and place where the work is to be performed that shall govern and I think it is much better cared for there.

I call to the attention of the Senator and of the Senate the fact that we have repeatedly had trouble from administrators of these labor measures, in the definition of "area." We have had it under

the Wages and Hours Act. The Senator from Florida brought, as he understands, the first litigation which was brought under the "area of production" regulation, a regulation which was put out by the wage-and-hour department; and the Senator will remember that that term "area of production" has been in conflict and confusion ever since the act was passed.

Only recently the Senator from Florida has had a similar experience. We have a branch of the Department of Labor—with which the Senator from Florida is not finding fault at this time, but is simply using as an illustration—in connection with the determination of what are the standard rates paid to journeymen carpenters in a certain area, and the Department has included within the area not only the highly urbanized area of Miami but for many miles up the coast, so as to bring about a result which is not at all in accord with the facts, that the same standards are applied in a small community, 50 or 75 miles away, as those which apply in to urban area.

The Senator from Florida hopes that no double standard will be written into the bill in this way, but that instead, the very words, which have been approved of by the officials who have drawn this bill, will be left to fix the standard against which this particular bill will be measured.

Mr. LANGER. Mr. President, will the Senator yield for a question?

Mr. HOLLAND. I yield to the Senator from North Dakota.

Mr. LANGER. Can the Senator tell me how many Mexicans are fighting in Korea?

Mr. HOLLAND. I am not able to say. I may say that I am not familiar with the Mexican problem, and I may remind the Senator that I have repeatedly said in the course of this debate that the average foreign worker employed in the eastern part of the United States, and the governments representing the workers who come in—that is, workers from the Bahamas and from Jamaica—as is known to the Senator from Florida, and, as he understands, also, with respect to those who come in from Canada, though this is not known to him personally, they prefer not to have any regulation or control, because the farmers are paying the cost themselves, and they are working along in complete unity with each other, and they prefer to have that type of handling, so I am not able to answer the question of the Senator from North Dakota.

Mr. LANGER. I am not a member of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, but it seems to me that our farm boys are being taken and sent to Korea, after which the Department of Labor certifies that there is a labor shortage in the United States, and, therefore, Mexicans are brought in to take the places of the farm boys who are fighting in Korea. As a matter of fact, the Mexicans have no quota—at least, they are filling no quota in the United Nations in Korea, at all. I ask my friend whether that is not true.

Mr. HOLLAND. I am not able to state as of this time, but during the period of

World War II, at which time the Senator from Florida was at the head of the administration of selective service in his own State of Florida, the matter was left to the local selective-service boards to exempt agricultural laborers on the basis of whether they were needed by the Nation to remain in production; and I may say to the Senator that it is the understanding of the Senator from Florida that this measure helps to hold up the hands not only of our boys who are fighting in Korea, but of our Armed Forces wherever they are, and of our Allies, who are looking to us for heavier food production, to make it very sure that there will not be a deficiency of workmen on the farm.

In conclusion, because I intended to be heard only briefly, I want to remind every Senator that the local labor is always most satisfactory and cheapest in the long run, which is easiest to work with, which speaks the same language as the employer. There is a particularly personal and friendly relation as a rule which applies on the farm, which is not expected in industrial relations, between employer and employee, and it is simply idle to talk about bringing in these outside people, unless there is a real need for them, and, even though I think it is hardly needed, there is a safeguard provided by the law itself, that there must be a certificate from a branch of the United States Government entrusted with the responsibility of looking into it, that, at the time and place—at the very time and place, and for that particular crop, because conditions may vary with different crops even in the same place and at the same time, that there is a shortage of labor, and that the shortage must be supplied from and furnished by a source outside the Nation.

I hope the Senator will not insist upon his amendment, because I sincerely feel that to do so would bring a dual standard into the act, which will make for greater confusion and difficulty.

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

Mr. HOLLAND. I yield.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I wonder whether the Senator would accept the word "place" instead of the word "area." I recognized the difficulty that we have had under the "area" definition, or a definition of what is known as an "economic or employment area."

Mr. HOLLAND. The Senator from Florida feels that, if the amendment is to be used, it should be used exactly in the same words as it appears in section 503; but, if so used, he thinks there would not be any improvement of the act, because it is section 503 which is applicable to this particular provision. If the Senator wants to restate those words and put the language in the amendment—

Mr. HUMPHREY. No.

Mr. HOLLAND. The Senator from Florida would then have no objection; but he calls attention to the fact that it then becomes duplication and reiteration, and it is meaningless, though, after all, that is much preferable to having confusion, and to having two terms in the bill which might and very probably

would be construed as meaning different things, or be construed by different administrative employees as meaning different things. So the Senator from Florida hopes that his friend, the Senator from Minnesota, will not insist upon his amendment.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I should like to invite the Senator's attention to the language of section 503, to which he refers, and which particularly affects the amendment of the Senator from Minnesota. The language says:

The employment of such workers will not adversely affect the wages and working conditions of domestic agricultural workers similarly employed.

In other words, the language there means that the wages and working conditions of domestic workers shall not be pushed down. The language of the amendment of the Senator from Minnesota takes into consideration the fact that there are certain established prevailing wages in a community; that there are some people who pay less than the prevailing wage in the community, and there are always some who are getting very rich at the expense of someone else. The language of the amendment of the Senator from Minnesota says that no contracts may be arrived at or entered into which do not at least pay the prevailing wage for a particular group, in a particular place. I think that is a very important provision, because I do not think we ought to permit contracts with foreign labor to implement the downward pressures on domestic labor standards in a particular area.

Mr. HOLLAND. I may say to the Senator from Minnesota that, though I have no experience with Mexican labor, I have learned from actual experience with imported labor and our domestic labor that there is no fixed standard, but that the standard tends to change from time to time during the season. If the price for citrus fruit goes up very heavily, the workers find it out and insist on having a little greater share for their labor. If the prices of vegetables in the Lake Okeechobee area go up, the same thing takes place. From week to week there will be variations in a particular season and place. So, it seems to the Senator from Florida that it is a much sounder course to leave in the act the wording which is already there.

I may say that while I have been speaking, the Senator from Louisiana has handed me an individual work contract which I understand he will insert in the RECORD. I notice that it is in two languages, both English and Spanish. He may want to insert it only in its English version. Section 4 deals with the payment of wages. I have not had a chance to read it, but, with the approval of the Senator from Minnesota, I shall read it into the RECORD. This is a provision incorporated in the actual contract:

4. Payment of wages. The employer shall pay the worker the prevailing wage rate paid to domestic agricultural workers for similar work and in the manner paid within the area of employment, or the rate specified on the last page of this contract, whichever is the greater. Where higher wages are paid for specialized tasks, such as the opera-

tion of vehicles or machinery, Mexican workers shall be paid such wages while assigned to such tasks.

That is an excerpt taken from the contract existing between the Mexican Government and the American Government and to be made applicable to individual Mexican employees.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Does that apply to every single contract that may be entered into?

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes.

Mr. HUMPHREY. It is enforceable by the United States Department of Labor?

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes.

Mr. HUMPHREY. In the present situation?

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes. It can be modified if both Governments agree to it, but I am satisfied that the Mexican Government will insist on writing into the new contract the same provisions that were contained in the former contract. I want to say to the Senator that during the hearings in Mexico City we went over parts of the proposed contract, and they insisted on putting into the new contract the same clause.

Mr. HUMPHREY. The Senator from Minnesota is likewise insistent, since there is an opportunity for a quick exit from the agreement, since there is an opportunity for modification, that in this proposed legislation, which will soon become law, we write the requirement of prevailing wages for the crop and in the area or the place involved, because it is perfectly obvious that this is not at the present time stamped, sealed, and delivered; it is still in the stage of negotiation. There is still an opportunity for some modification or change.

Mr. ELLENDER. The Senator realizes that if in the future the terms of the contract on this point are modified by agreement between the two countries, we shall have to change the law. I am insisting that we not incorporate the provisions of the contract into the law. Let the contract be handled in the same manner as it has been handled in the past.

Mr. HUMPHREY. I know the Senator from Louisiana must feel that I am being a little bit stubborn on these issues, and I think I owe him an explanation. If there has ever been one area of American employment which has been subjected to a complete exposé in the past year or two, it has been in the field of domestic and foreign labor in American agriculture. I have read in *Look* magazine an exposé that should make every American ashamed.

Mr. ELLENDER. That was on the wetback problem, was it not?

Mr. HUMPHREY. Yes. I have read in the *New York Times* and in newspapers on the West Coast articles which have exposed things that have been going on in the San Joaquin Valley. The President's Commission on Migratory Labor has given us a great deal of information. The Senator from Minnesota has put up this little effort today for a reason. I digress to say that it does not primarily affect my own State. Everyone knows that the bulk of the migratory labor does not go to the family-

size farm. It does not go to Grandpa and Grandma who are raising a few cattle and chickens, and trying to make a living on a small farm. Migratory labor goes to the big fruit and vegetable farms, the big commercial farms, which are a repudiation of the family-size farms. They go to commercial farming areas in the Imperial Valley in California, and in other places.

So, Mr. President, I am a little bit suspicious. I cannot believe that it is all so lovely when I know that the migratory workers who come into our country, and also our own migratory workers, will have the most miserable working conditions. They live under the worst conditions. Without reference to my home State, in which there is a very decent standard of living and where we take good care of persons who work on the farms, and in the factories, the junior Senator from Minnesota just happens to feel that after all the exposé that has been made about traffic in human misery, I owe it to my conscience and to the Congress to try to put up a little struggle to make this bill a better one. When I see the words "prevailing wages in a particular crop and a particular area," I say to myself, "What can be wrong about that? If it is in the contract, let us put it into the law, because it is already patently clear that it may not be in the contract." There are some very shrewd operators in this country when it comes to making a quick and fancy dollar off someone's labor. The junior Senator from Minnesota wants to make sure that the operators who have never been an honor to American agriculture, but are exploiters of the soil and exploiters of humanity, will not be given a chance to exploit with congressional sanction. I am suspicious of those people; I make no bones about that. I think their record up to this time condemns them as having trafficked in human misery.

Mr. President, I want to pay my compliments to the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. CHAVEZ] who made a brilliant fight on the floor with reference to the whole problem. He went further than I have gone. I say the bill is an improvement over what we had, and for that reason I commend the chairman of the committee. But when there has been a record of trafficking in human-kind, when there has been a record as bad as that which we have had in terms of migratory labor, the Congress cannot be too careful.

I have other amendments. I shall not call them up, because I recognize the fact that many of them will not be agreed to, and I do not want to engage in a fruitless search for an extra vote just to have another chance to make another 10- or 15-minute talk on an amendment. But, as the chairman of the Subcommittee on Labor Management and Relationships—and the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry had a perfect right to go into it, so far as it applied to Mexican workers—I know the migratory labor supply needs to be checked thoroughly, not only in terms of the law, but in terms of conscience, in terms of fair play for fellow Americans.

So, Mr. President, I relieve the tension of my friends and associates by saying that I shall not bring up any more amendments. I have several more at hand. I merely want to say that they were discussed in my minority views. I think they make sense. I hope the Secretary of Labor will administer the law on the basis of some examination of the need; and I commend the reading of the minority views to the Senators who are going to cast their vote on this important bill.

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

Mr. HUMPHREY. I yield.

Mr. HOLLAND. Will the Senator be agreeable to inserting in place of the word "area" the words "at the time and place where the work is to be performed"?

Mr. HUMPHREY. Yes; I accept that modification. I wish to thank the Senator from Florida. I think it is very appropriate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment of the Senator from Minnesota, as modified.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, may the amendment as modified be stated?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the amendment as modified.

The CHIEF CLERK. On page 2, line 6, it is proposed to strike out the semicolon, and add the following: "to be employed at a wage no less than the current prevailing rate for the crop at the time and place where the work is to be performed."

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I want to thank the Senator from Florida, who has been a great help in making this a better bill.

Mr. HOLLAND. I appreciate the words of the Senator. So far as Florida is concerned, there is not a single Mexican laborer, so far as he knows, that comes there. But we want the bill to be a sound one.

Mr. HUMPHREY. With the legal talent and the fine spirit of justice and fair play possessed by the Senator from Florida and my friend the Senator from New Mexico, and the Senator from Illinois, who have worked to make this bill a better bill, along with the firm but temperate judgment and resistance, at times, of the Senator from Louisiana, who has had the responsibility for the bill, and with my pushing and shoving, I think we have done fairly well, and I want to thank my friends.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, after that eulogy, may the clerk again read the amendment?

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I meant to commend the Senator from Nebraska, too; I really did.

Mr. WHERRY. I thank the Senator. The PRESIDING OFFICER. Everyone has now been commending. Does the Senator from Minnesota yield time to the Senator from Nebraska?

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, I merely ask that the amendment be read again.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will again state the amendment, as modified.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. On page 2, line 6, it is proposed to strike the semicolon and add the following: "to be employed at a wage no less than the current prevailing wage rate for the crop at the time and place where the work is to be performed."

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, how much time do I have remaining?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator's time has expired.

Mr. ELLENDER. I should like to take at this time 1 minute of the time allotted to me on the bill itself. I am entitled to do that.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, are we to vote on the amendment?

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes. First I desire to say, on behalf of the committee, that I shall oppose the amendment as modified. As I tried to indicate a moment ago, the contracts entered into between employers in our country and employees from Mexico requires that the prevailing wage shall be paid as a minimum. Furthermore, it often happens that in most cases the actual wage is fixed in the contracts themselves. When it comes to an interpretation of a contract in order to determine how much liability exists as between an employer and a worker, all that is necessary is to consult the contract. It is not necessary to go into questions which must be determined by public hearings.

Mr. President, I ask the Senate to reject the amendment for the further reason that if in the future it should be necessary in any way to modify the present contract, particularly with reference to wages, it would be necessary to amend the law itself so as to permit future agreements to be entered into between our Government and the Government of Mexico. I plead with Senators not to attempt to write parts of the individual work contract into law.

Mr. WHERRY. Is there any more time remaining?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. All time for debate has expired.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, will the Senator from Louisiana yield for a question?

Mr. ELLENDER. I yield.

Mr. WHERRY. In the past, the provisions of contracts have been followed.

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes. In other words, the manner of obtaining Mexican labor was by contract, the terms of which are agreed upon by our Government and the Mexican Government. All the terms and conditions were written into the contracts.

Mr. WHERRY. The advice of the Secretary of Labor was obtained in the writing of the contracts, was it not?

Mr. ELLENDER. Yes, but the reason for the offering of the amendment of my friend from Minnesota is an effort to protect our domestic labor.

Mr. WHERRY. I am in favor of that.

Mr. ELLENDER. But I say that we have already done so under section 503.

Mr. WHERRY. If section 503 does it, why is it necessary to adopt the pending amendment?

Mr. ELLENDER. It is not necessary to do so.

That is why I am asking the Senate not to adopt the amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment offered by the Senator from Minnesota, as modified.

The amendment was rejected.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill is open to further amendment.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, before the bill is finally passed, as I assume it will be, on behalf of the junior Senator from New York [Mr. LEHMAN] I should like to ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD at this point the text of an amendment which he had intended to offer if he had been present, as well as a statement which he had prepared pertaining to the proposed amendment.

There being no objection, the amendment intended to be proposed by the Senator from New York and an explanatory statement were ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

AMENDMENT INTENDED TO BE PROPOSED BY MR. LEHMAN TO THE BILL (S. 984) TO AMEND THE AGRICULTURAL ACT OF 1949

On page 2, after the comma in line 2, insert the words "or from Puerto Rico or Hawaii."

On page 3, lines 22 and 23, strike out the words "in amounts not to exceed \$20 per worker."

On page 4, line 24, after the word "Mexico", insert the words "in the case of workers from Mexico."

STATEMENT BY SENATOR LEHMAN ON HIS AMENDMENT TO EXTEND THE FARM LABOR BILL TO COVER AGRICULTURAL WORKERS FROM PUERTO RICO AND HAWAII

The amendment which I had intended to propose had I been present in the Senate when amendments to the Farm Labor bill were being considered is designed to make sure that the many thousands of agricultural workers who are recruited and brought from Puerto Rico and Hawaii to work in the fields of the continental United States in seasonal agricultural work receive the same protection as that provided by the bill in the case of workers recruited in and brought from the Republic of Mexico. This is necessary in order to protect the wages and living standards of these workers. It is also essential to protect the wages and living conditions of local workers and to prevent unfair competitive disadvantages against the employers of such local workers.

What are the effects of my amendment? The first is that a field of useful employment will be opened up to the very large numbers of unemployed, particularly in Puerto Rico. As I pointed out in my statement to the Senate on April 27:

"There is great unemployment in Puerto Rico. There are great numbers of people on that island, which is part of the United States, who are qualified as expert farm laborers. The Federal Government contributes heavily in relief money and other Federal grants-in-aid to assist Puerto Rico to take care of these unemployed farm workers. It would seem to be the height of sound fiscal practice, as well as sound social practice, to bring Puerto Rican workers here to supply the need rather than to bring workers from Mexico. I mean, of course, no reflection on Mexico or on the necessity of maintaining the closest of neighborly relations with that country. This, however, is not a problem in foreign relations, but a problem in agriculture and in labor conditions in our own country, including Puerto Rico."

If my amendment is agreed to, agricultural workers from Puerto Rico and Hawaii will have the benefit of the reception centers to

be established within the continental United States where they could be housed while arrangements are being made for their employment in the continental United States. Costs of transportation for these workers to these reception centers and from the centers back to their homes upon the termination of their employment would be paid by the Government, with the employer reimbursing the Government for part of such cost. Subsistence, emergency medical care and burial expense, during the period of time when they are being transported to reception centers and while at the centers would also be provided.

Of particular importance, in my opinion, is the provision under which these workers would receive assistance in negotiation for contracts for agricultural employment. They would not have to rely as they frequently do at the present time, on their own individual bargaining, but would have the assistance of the appropriate governmental agencies, just as would Mexican workers under the provisions of the bill. The Government would be required to guarantee that Puerto Rican and Hawaiian workers receive the wages and transportation to which they are entitled under their contracts of employment.

There is need for this amendment, it seems to me, because the conditions of employment of these workers in agricultural employment in the United States are in most respects similar to those under which Mexican workers are employed under the provisions of the bill. In fact, there is special need to make sure that these workers are protected since they, unlike the Mexican workers, are citizens of the United States and consideration of their welfare should come first.

I should like to point out that the effect of my amendment is limited to agricultural workers recruited from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The Senator from New Mexico [Mr. CHAVEZ] has an amendment which would extend this bill to farm workers in the continental United States as well. While I agree with the Senator from New Mexico in the objective he seeks to accomplish—namely, to assure decent working conditions to all our migratory farm workers, domestic as well as foreign—my own amendment has a more modest purpose. Whatever one may think our policy should be when it comes to legislating fair labor standards for farm workers—and I believe that sooner or later we will have to come to grips with this problem, just as we have in the case of workers employed in our interstate industries and commerce—few can deny, I believe, that workers who come from Puerto Rico and Hawaii to work in our fields and help us harvest our crops, should have the same protection that would be extended by this bill to Mexican workers who are brought into the United States for the same purpose.

The amendment is of particular interest to employers of agricultural labor in the State which I represent, and in other sections of the East and far West. In my opinion, it is a very necessary one, and I strongly urge the Senate to agree to its adoption.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, on behalf of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. CHAVEZ], I also ask unanimous consent to have printed in the body of the RECORD a group of letters addressed to him and one letter addressed to the Senator from New York [Mr. LEHMAN], as well as one article from the Albuquerque Journal of May 3, relating to the debate on Senate bill 984.

There being no objection, the matters were ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

NEW MEXICO STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR,  
Santa Fe, N. Mex., May 5, 1951.

HON. DENNIS CHAVEZ,  
Senator from New Mexico,  
Senate Office Building,  
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SENATOR: Enclosed is a copy of letters sent to New Mexico Representatives DEMPSEY and FERNANDEZ.

You have our wires stating our thinking and position on Senate bill 984. Would you please give study to this letter as it gives more detail of our thinking in this matter.

We will appreciate your assistance and passage of favorable amendments to Senate bill 984 and House bill 3283, the Poage bill, which will secure employment for American citizens before the importation of aliens is resorted to.

Sincerely yours,  
W. S. ROBERTS,  
Secretary-Treasurer, New Mexico  
State Federation of Labor.

MAY 5, 1951.

HON. JOHN J. DEMPSEY,  
House of Representatives,  
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIR: The affiliate members of the New Mexico State Federation of Labor, A. F. of L., are opposed to Senate bill No. 984, introduced by Senator ELLENDER, of Louisiana, and H. R. No. 3283, the Poage bill, in their original form.

Our information is that amendments have been made to these bills to permit employment of American citizens instead of Mexican nationals on farm jobs at fair wages and conditions of employment.

We would appreciate your study, consideration, and vote in favor of the amendments which will call for exhausting the supply of labor we have in our country at fair wages and conditions of employment before any importation of labor from outside the continental limits is called for.

Our investigation in the States of New Mexico and Texas reveals that there is a large supply of farm labor available if the above-mentioned conditions are met. Also our investigation shows that these people imported are exploited by the imposition of low wages, high cost of commissary supplies, poor housing conditions, and limitations of work. And further, many of these people leave the farms illegally and infiltrate into other crafts, trade, and industries throughout the United States, which is injurious to the welfare of the laboring people in the United States of America.

We suggest that a complete survey be made in all the urban and rural districts in all States, and laboring people in these districts be contacted through sources available and a program be submitted to them by the farmers calling for fair wages and conditions of employment in the agricultural industry and provisions be made to make these workers mobile for transfer from district to district, State to State when needed.

The immobile seasonable farm worker has become a blight on the State, county, and cities in the Southwest—living in squalor and deplorable conditions injurious to the health, moral, and general welfare of our communities.

This worker is the forgotten citizen. Importation of aliens is not the solution to the problem. This is a notice to other countries that in our own country there are not sufficient people who will degrade themselves to work for such wages and under such conditions of employment. However, our Government believes or knows that our neighbors to the south will be glad to accept sub-

standard wages and our farmers are glad to offer these conditions. And our Government is a party to this exploitation.

It is evident with farm prices set, a better standard of wages can be absorbed into farm production cost, the same as in any other enterprise, and thus remedy this situation.

The New Mexico Employment Security Commission reports employment on the increase. However, thousands of workers are registered for employment for suitable work in this State and millions of others throughout the United States of America.

Thanking you for any assistance given in this matter, I am,

Sincerely yours,  
W. S. ROBERTS,  
Secretary-Treasurer, New Mexico  
State Federation of Labor.

LOVING, N. MEX., April 10, 1951.

HON. DENNIS CHAVEZ,  
Senate Office Building,  
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SENATOR CHAVEZ: Herewith you will find enclosed several clippings of statements made by the Honorable President of our land, Mr. Truman.

Senator, just a few words to urge that you oppose the importation of farm laborers, for the reason that they come and work for lower wages and, furthermore, are a constant threat to the natives. The worst part of it is that the farmers treat them like the lowest possible type of people.

I have read many contracts signed by some of these workers wherein they are promised all kinds of facilities, all of which are false. There have been cases where they have been given water from the Pecos River which you know is very salty. And the most they have slept in on wintry days is the harvesting sacks which is all they possess. Also, among the immigration agents there are many who are cruel to these poor people.

Well, Senator, if you want the names of those farmers, I will be happy to send them at the moment you so request. And this is the time to do something to correct this situation, for it is now rumored here in the Pecos Valley that they are again seeking foreign workers because they are willing to work for less money. This was told to me on the 9th of April by a planter.

Awaiting your reply, I am,  
Sincerely yours,  
MARCELINO HERNANDEZ.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. MEX.,  
April 28, 1951.

HON. DENNIS CHAVEZ,  
United States Senate,  
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SENATOR CHAVEZ: Allow me to congratulate you on your vigorous opposition to the importation of temporary farm laborers from Mexico.

It is impossible to improve the lot of the large segment of Spanish-speaking Americans who make their livelihood from farm labor as long as these temporary workers are allowed to be exploited.

I have seen the viciousness of such a practice in New Mexico and Texas. It takes its worst form in the cotton fields. The contracts spoken about are absolutely meaningless. The employers and their supervisors cheat these illiterate people at the scales and at the pay table. In the case of the large farms you speak of, charge accounts for food are padded and exorbitant prices charged for food.

I will be ready to give of my time and effort when you come up for reelection in 1952.

Sincerely yours,  
VICENTE T. XIMENES, Economist.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF THE  
PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED, INC.,  
Washington, D. C., May 5, 1951.

HON. DENNIS CHAVEZ,  
United States Senate,  
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SENATOR CHAVEZ: Any citizen, deeply concerned with the necessity of seeing to it that our own citizens are given first opportunity for employment prior to bringing in nationals of other countries, could do no other than approve and applaud your battle on the wetback issue.

I congratulate you with all my heart and hope you win.

Sincerely,

PAUL A. STRACHAN, President.

EASTERN SUFFOLK COOPERATIVE, INC.,  
Greenport, N. Y., April 19, 1951.

HON. HERBERT H. LEHMAN,  
United States Senate,  
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SENATOR LEHMAN: On April 9, in response to a recent inquiry I made of Commander Edelstein pertaining to farm labor, he wrote giving me the present status of certain farm-labor measures now before the Congress, also enclosing copies of the Chavez-Yorty and Ellender-Poage bills and copy of your letter dated March 15 to Senator CHAVEZ.

Today we had a meeting of our board of directors at which time we carefully considered the Chavez and Ellender bills and other data which Commander Edelstein so considerably sent along. Without exception or dissention, we fully subscribe to all of your recommendations set forth in your letter of March 15 to Senator CHAVEZ. We strongly favor the Chavez bill and just as strongly oppose the Ellender bill. It appears, even on the first reading, that Senator CHAVEZ thoroughly understands the subject matter not only from the employers' angle but also from the employees'—equal protection is afforded to all concerned.

During World War II we established two camps. In one we housed migrant labor from the South and in the other, Jamaicans and other West Indian British subjects. One year, in this camp, we housed Mexicans. Since the war we have continued to house southern migrants in the one camp and DP's or Puerto Ricans in the other camp. At all times we have satisfactorily met all Federal, State, and local regulations pertinent to migrant or foreign workers. I might add that the records will show that the Eastern Suffolk Cooperative enjoys the finest reputation of any similar organization in the State of New York.

Speaking from experience, the Chavez bill incorporates all of the provisions and regulations to which we were subject during World War II, to which we are accustomed and in which we find no hardship or objection. We have always paid our migrant and foreign workers the prevailing wage rates established in our community and will continue to do so in the future.

On behalf of the entire membership of the Eastern Suffolk Cooperative, I urge you, in no uncertain terms, to do everything in your power to insure the passage of the Chavez bill and the defeat of the Ellender bill.

I thank you for your kind and considerate cooperation and assistance.

Yours very sincerely,

JOHN LASPIA,  
Member, Board of Directors.

[From the Albuquerque Journal of May 3, 1951]

IN THE CAPITAL  
(By Mel Mencher)

FOREIGN MIGRATORY LABOR BAN PLAN INTERESTS  
STATE

SANTA FE, May 2.—The report of the President's Commission on Migratory Labor,

which recommended a ban on the use of foreign labor until all American agricultural resources are tapped, has brought several outspoken responses from New Mexico sources, who are watching with keen interest the final form of a bill now being considered by Congress. It probably will be broader than the Commission recommended.

The cotton-growing areas in the State have attacked the Commission proposal as impractical and unrealistic. But union officials and the Catholic Church in this area have applauded the findings.

The Commission found that about 1,000,000 persons make up the migratory farm labor force in this country. Of this number, some 400,000 are Mexican nationals who have entered this country illegally to obtain farm work. Usually called wetbacks because many of them swim or wade through the Rio Grande to reach the United States, this large labor battalion was the source of the Commission's major objections.

The Commission concluded that these laborers are depressing the wage scale of American workers who are without jobs or forced to take low-paying work in order to meet the competition of the wetbacks. One Commission member, Archbishop Robert Lucey, of San Antonio, said an immediate decision is necessary since agricultural work is shot through with unemployment.

But officials in Eddy and Chaves Counties don't agree. They feel the cotton crops in New Mexico will rot on the ground unless the gates are opened to Mexican labor. The chairman of the Chaves County Farm Bureau's labor committee, E. K. Patterson, said: "I don't know what we will do if we don't get Mexican workers into Chaves County. There aren't enough machines, and local and migrant labor is entirely inadequate."

Agreeing with this stand was the Eddy County farm agent, Dallas Rlerson, who said that farmers in his area would be up against it unless the Mexican nationals are permitted to work in the region.

The problem of foreign labor is fairly recent. Until the war years changed manpower conditions in the country, migratory farm workers from the Midwest were used to harvest crops in areas that had seasonal work. But with the coming of the draft and higher wages in war industries, workers left the migratory labor force. To fill in this vacuum, southwestern farmers began importing Mexican nationals who in turn were pushed into migratory work by economic conditions in Mexico.

This tide started northward in 1942 and 1943. Nothing much was done to halt the wholesale illegal entry of Mexican nationals. This use of Mexican national labor continued during the war. At the war's end, when most people expected it to stop as workers returned to their prewar jobs, the wetback tide still continued.

New Mexico got its share, and it is still getting it. The late Federal district judge in New Mexico, Colin Neblett, described the early tide as a "bad situation." He said the 60 to 90 wetbacks he had in court every month probably represented only 10 percent of the number that actually crossed into the State. Neblett said the farmers told him that "they'll lose their crops unless they can hire these men."

Neblett's successor, Judge Carl Hatch, has inherited what he described recently as a "pitiful situation."

"The men need the work and the farmers claim they need the men," he said. He described the problem as "peculiar and difficult," and added that there "doesn't seem to be any progress in changing the situation."

For some reason, and Hatch said he had no idea of the cause, there have been far less wetbacks in his court so far this year as compared with similar periods in 1950.

In March of this year arrests totaled 26. A year ago in March 81 were arrested and sentenced to the usual 30 days at the Federal prison farm near El Paso.

Abe Jones, the assistant State labor commissioner, has some criticisms of the use of wetbacks. He says that the State labor office is never consulted about the need for farm workers. Requests are made only to the Federal Employment Commission. This takes the problem out of the State's hands, and it also does not allow the State to exercise any control over hiring and working conditions.

He has in his files several complaints relayed to the State office from the Mexican consul that Mexican workers were arrested in this State and shipped back to Mexico before they were paid for their work. Jones says his office cannot do anything about collecting.

The President's Commission also found that in October some 150,000 children under 15 were engaged in migratory work. School population figures for this State in that month are considerably under the attendance totals for January and February, despite the existence in New Mexico of compulsory school laws.

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, I should like to congratulate the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. ELLENDER] for the very able way in which has steered the bill and for the gracious manner in which he has accepted amendments. If he were of a different disposition, he might have resented some of the amendments which were offered. He has received them in a very gracious spirit. I believe the result is largely due to his fine work, and I wish to express my appreciation of it.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I associate myself with the remarks of the Senator from Illinois, because he has expressed exactly what I feel with reference to the chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill is open to further amendment. If there be no further amendment, the question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, and was read the third time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on the final passage of the bill.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, I believe I am in control of the time in opposition to the bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. That is correct.

Mr. LANGER. Mr. President, will the Senator from Nebraska yield me 10 minutes?

Mr. WHERRY. I yield 10 minutes to the Senator from North Dakota.

Mr. LANGER. Mr. President, a few moments ago the distinguished junior Senator from Minnesota said that he desired every Senator to read the minority views on the bill. I ask every farmer in the Northwest to read the minority views. Therefore, Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the minority views be printed in full in the RECORD at this point in my remarks.

There being no objection, the minority views to accompany Senate bill 984 were

ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

MINORITY VIEWS TO ACCOMPANY S. 984  
(S. REPT. NO. 214)

This bill, S. 984, was favorably reported by the committee, after hearings, but before the issuance of the report of the President's Commission on Migratory Labor on April 7, 1951.

The President's Commission was created in June 1950 to inquire, among other matters, into—

(a) social, economic, health, and educational conditions among migratory workers, both alien and domestic, in the United States;

(b) problems created by the migration of workers, for temporary employment, into the United States, pursuant to the immigration laws or otherwise;

(c) whether sufficient numbers of local and migratory workers can be obtained from domestic sources to meet agricultural labor needs and, if not, the extent to which the temporary employment of foreign workers may be required to supplement the domestic labor supply.

The Commission held 12 public hearings in Brownsville, Tex.; El Paso, Tex.; Phoenix, Ariz.; Los Angeles, Calif.; Portland, Oreg.; Fort Collins, Colo.; Memphis, Tenn.; Saginaw, Mich.; Trenton, N. J.; West Palm Beach, Fla.; and two in Washington, D. C. The hearings comprised 26 volumes available to the public. The published report of the Commission comes to 188 pages.

The findings of the Commission bear directly upon the legislation under consideration.

There is no doubt but that it would be far preferable had the members of the committee and the Senate had opportunity to study the report of the Commission before voting and considering this bill.

The reason given for proceeding on this bill at this time is the urgency to enact legislation to enable importation of Mexican agricultural workers beyond June 31, 1951.

The minority, after considering this bill in the light of the Commission's report, believes that the problem of migratory labor is an interrelated one, and affects workers within the United States and in other countries as well. It should be studied in its broad ramifications and comprehensively rather than by piecemeal legislation such as this. The Committee on Labor and Public Welfare through its Subcommittee on Labor and Labor-Management Relations, and in accordance with the Legislative Reorganization Act, has now begun such a study with a view to legislation. The interests of the United States and of American workers would be best protected were the Congress to approach the problem of migratory labor in such a perspective. We would far prefer, therefore, to have this bill delayed until the Congress is prepared to consider and enact comprehensive manpower legislation.

Within the limits of S. 984 and its limited objectives, the minority, in the light of the Commission report, has certain modifications and amendments to present which are presented here in topical form.

The fundamental legislative assumption behind this bill is that an agricultural labor shortage exists which requires the immediate importation of foreign labor for its relief. The majority in describing the background of the legislation under consideration observes that—

"Throughout World War II and since the termination of hostilities, it has been necessary to import agricultural workers from foreign countries in order to assist in the production of adequate supplies of food and fiber for domestic consumption in the United States and for export."

The report of the President's Commission bears this out, but the startling finding of

the Commission in this matter is: "From 1945 through 1948, we employed a continuously larger hired labor force even though our work requirement (total man-hours) was gradually declining. In other words, we have been using more workers to achieve the same or slightly less work, and have thereby been reducing the work contribution per worker. This fact is strikingly reflected in the amount of employment received per hired farm worker:

"Days of farm work  
per farm worker

1946.....	113
1947.....	106
1948.....	104
1949.....	90"

The Commission comments, "The migratory worker gets so little work that for him employment is only incidental to unemployment."

It is the view of the President's Commission that the human resource in agriculture is used extravagantly. However, the Commission recognizes that more efficient utilization of agricultural labor will take time, that it cannot be expected to occur in a few weeks or months. Accordingly, it makes divergent recommendations with respect to the importation of foreign workers, one recommendation for the short-run and one recommendation for the long-run. For 1951, it recommends that "No special measures be adopted to increase the number of alien contract laborers beyond the number admitted in 1950." For the long-run it recommends that "Future efforts be directed toward supplying agricultural labor needs with our own workers and eliminating dependence on foreign labor."

The finding of the President's Commission with respect to the underutilization of agricultural manpower corroborates the research of the staff of the Joint Committee on the Economic Report which published its findings in a joint committee print, *Underemployment of Rural Families*, February 2, 1951. The staff of the Joint Committee on the Economic Report was concerned with farm workers as a whole rather than primarily migrant workers. Through analysis of five groups of low-income farm workers it reached the conclusion:

"If the workers in these five groups of rural families could be employed at jobs where they would produce as much as the average worker on the medium-sized commercial family farm or the average rural nonfarm worker, the production and output of rural people would be increased 20 to 25 percent. This is the equivalent of adding 2,500,000 workers to the total labor force."

If there is any justification to the bill, therefore, it is to meet an immediate, temporary need. Considered in the restricted terms in which its sponsor put forward the bill, certain further changes may be made in S. 984 to incorporate certain of the findings of the President's Commission. It is believed that proposed changes might usefully be considered against four broad criteria:

- (1) That the Mexican importation program be carried out in such a manner as to minimize detriment to American workers.
- (2) That devices be strengthened for assuring that both parties to the individual work contract—employer and employee—will live up to their agreements.
- (3) That more effective measures be taken to meet the wetback problem.
- (4) That the cost to the public of the Mexican importation program be kept to a minimum.

With respect to the first proposition, certain further changes in S. 984 suggest themselves. Section 503 of the committee bill provides that foreign workers may be made available where the Director of State Employment Security for the area of use has determined and certified that willing, able,

and qualified domestic workers are not available for employment at the time and place needed.

In substituting the director of State employment for the United States Secretary of Labor, S. 984 makes an abrupt departure from past immigration policy. Under section 3 of the 1917 immigration law contract laborers are not admissible to the United States except under discretionary powers granted the Commissioner General of Immigration with the approval of the Secretary of Labor. In our view, it would be a step backward to change this and to call for certification by the State director of employment. In our American economy we have a national market. This is true of labor in the same way it is true of automobiles and radios. To propose State determination labor shortage is the same as to propose State autonomy in tariff matters. A labor shortage must be determined from a national perspective.

In order that all interested groups may have the opportunity of effectively expressing their views as to the need for foreign workers, it is proposed that the Secretary of Labor hold public hearings in areas of alleged labor shortage. In this way he may receive the advice of all interested parties.

Inasmuch as a labor supply is necessarily determined in terms of the attractiveness or unattractiveness of the employment offer, it is clearly impossible to know whether or not a shortage of domestic workers exists until domestic workers have been offered the terms and conditions of employment extended to foreign workers. It might at first be thought that domestic workers customarily were offered terms and conditions of employment comparable to those offered foreign and off-shore workers. The findings of the President's Commission in this matter is quite the opposite. The Commission observes: "\* \* \* employers, as a rule, refuse to extend to \* \* \* [domestic migratory workers] the guarantees they give to alien workers whom they import under contract. These include guarantees of employment, workmen's compensation, medical care, standards of sanitation, and payment of the cost of transportation."

We believe further protection should be given domestic workers under the Mexican importation program by adding the requirement, before certifying the need for foreign workers, that reasonable efforts will have been made to secure American workers for the employment. This further emphasizes the important role of the Farm Placement Service of the United States Employment Service in assisting workers to find employment.

S. 984 exempts workers brought in under its provisions from the Federal old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the Social Security Act.

The bill amends the Internal Revenue Code so as to exclude the service performed by such workers from the contribution provisions of the law as well as from the benefit provisions of the insurance program under the Social Security Act. Both the employer and the employee are exempted from the social-security tax.

Under the amendments to the Social Security Act, enacted by the Congress in 1950, a limited group of "regularly employed" agricultural workers were brought in under the insurance provisions effective January 1, 1951. In order for an agricultural worker and his employer to become subject to the insurance contributions, an individual must work for one employer for at least 60 days each out of two consecutive quarters, before any of his agricultural work becomes subject to the contribution provisions of the insurance program. In most cases, it will be necessary for an individual to work 6 to 8 months for one agricultural employer before any of his agricultural work will be subject to contribu-



tions under the insurance program. Due to the relatively short period of time that Mexican contract workers work for a single employer, very few of them will meet the stringent requirements of the new law and consequently very few of them and their employers will be subject to the social-security contributions. It is estimated that not more than 3,000 to 5,000 Mexican workers would become subject to the social-security provisions under the terms of the proposed program and, of course, if all of the Mexican agricultural labor brought into this country return to Mexico within about 5 or 6 months, there would be none of the Mexican nationals who would become subject to the contribution provisions of the insurance program.

But it is still true that the exclusion of Mexican workers from the insurance program could result in the hiring of such workers in preference to American workers since their employers would have the competitive advantage of not paying social-security contributions and it appears to be undesirable to give employers, as a matter of general congressional policy, a financial incentive to hiring foreign labor as against hiring domestic labor.

The major issue, therefore, that is raised by the provision exempting Mexican nationals from the social-security provisions of the law is a matter of fundamental principle and national policy. Since its enactment in 1935, the insurance program under the Social Security Act has covered individuals in specific types of jobs in the United States without regard to the nationality of the individual. It should be noted that social-insurance systems in a number of foreign countries, including Mexico, do not discriminate against American nationals performing services in covered employment. This principle of nondiscrimination as between the United States nationals and the nations of other countries has been advocated and endorsed by the International Labor Organization, by numerous representatives of social-security institutions of various countries, and by the Inter-American Committee on Social Security. A change in this policy which would establish the principle of exclusion because of nationality may eventually result in more harm than good because of the possibility of criticism arising against the United States for discrimination in the application of its social laws. Such criticism would not be in the long-run interest of the United States in world affairs.

One of the reasons given for supporting the exemption in the proposed bill is that the employee should not be required to pay the payroll tax if he is not going to become eligible for any social-security benefits. This difficulty can be overcome by the employer paying the employee contribution as well as his own, without deducting the employee contribution from the employee's wages. This policy is permitted under the present law.

It should be pointed out that many Mexican nationals are already covered under the insurance program and will continue to be covered under the insurance program in the future. Mexican nationals who come to the United States for employment and work in jobs covered under the insurance system have been covered under the program since it first began in 1937. Many Mexican nationals employed in the manufacturing industry, canning, service trades, and domestic service are now contributing to the insurance system. The exemption of one group of Mexican workers while retaining coverage for other groups of Mexican workers would introduce undesirable discrimination. If the employment is rendered within the United States the present law provides for contributions being paid on such service and benefits being paid to Mexican nationals and their

families even though they may be residing in Mexico. At the present time the Social Security Administration is making payments to Mexican nationals residing in Mexico based upon the employment contributions made for service under the law.

If, despite these various considerations, the Congress is of the opinion that some special arrangements should be made on behalf of Mexican nationals brought into the United States for short-term employment, it is suggested that consideration be given to the desirability of transferring the contributions made on behalf of the Mexican contract workers to the Mexican Social Insurance Institute. Such an arrangement would be consistent with a sound policy of international cooperation of nondiscrimination of nationals to other countries and eliminate any contention of giving an incentive to employment of foreign nationals to the detriment of domestic labor.

Before embarking upon a policy which may have far-reaching implications and adverse effects upon the insurance program and upon our foreign policy, it is recommended that the exemption provision in the bill be deleted pending the final determination of a long-run policy in keeping with the principles upon which our social-insurance program has been based in the past.

"Notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation," S. 984 exempts employers of Mexican workers from posting bond to guarantee departure of these workers. It is understandable how the committee recommended this step. It received much testimony on the expense and the frequent unfairness to employers of the bond requirement. Employers testified before the committee that under the existing provision of the law they were required to post bond to guarantee departure of the worker, yet they did not have it within their power to hold the worker to employment. If the worker took it in mind to walk off some night, there was no way that they could stop him.

Important as this factor is in determining policy on this question, certain other considerations need to be taken into account. While it is true that the employer does not have the power to compel the worker to remain in his employment, the President's Commission found that there tended to be correlation over a period of years in the rate of desertions from employers. The Commission found that—

"Desertions from individual contracting employers range from as low as 4 percent to as high as 50 percent. Moreover, it is noted that there is a tendency for those employers having a high desertion rate in 1 year also to have a high desertion rate the next. We interpret this to mean that desertions from contract vary with individual management and working conditions. Where these are good, the desertions are low."

While such correlation could not be taken to explain each individual desertion, the evidence of continuing high desertion rates from some employers and continuing low desertion rates from other employers is so striking, that a relationship between desertion and working conditions would seem inescapable. Accordingly, we are of the view that while it is appropriate to recognize that no employer has it wholly within his power to guarantee contract workers remaining in employment, that he does, however, have a measure of control in this respect.

In discussion of the Mexican contract, it is useful briefly to note practice with respect to the bond requirement for other foreign workers and for Mexican workers in earlier years. On this point, the President's Commission observes:

"These bonds, for British West Indians, have been as high as \$500 per head. For Mexicans, the bond is now \$25 per head. For Bahamians, it is \$50; for Jamaicans, \$100. In

1950, the bond for Mexicans was set at \$50, but under pressure from employers, the amount was reduced to \$25."

If the bond provision for Mexican workers were altogether removed, the present inequity in the differing sizes of these bond requirements would be further heightened.

Before considering abandonment of the bond requirement, it is appropriate to examine the thinking which led to the enactment of the provision originally. The 1917 immigration law was concerned with protecting the standards and conditions of work for American workers from the competition of cheaper immigrant labor. It, therefore, flatly prohibited admission of contract labor, but to provide for unusual or emergency situations granted discretionary authority to the Commissioner General of Immigration with the approval of the Secretary of Labor for temporary admission of such labor. In order to regulate and control the temporary admission of otherwise inadmissible aliens, the act called for the exaction of bonds. Inasmuch as we are today still vitally concerned with the protection of the standards for American workers, we believe that when exception is made and emergency importation of contract labor permitted that it should be accompanied by regulatory and controlling devices. We are, therefore, convinced that it would be unwise to abandon this protection to American workers.

In order to assure effective and satisfactory contract operations, it is fundamental that both parties to a contract live up to the obligations assumed. One of the complaints of the Government of Mexico has been the unsatisfactoriness of measures taken in the past to assure that United States employers will live up to the terms of the individual work contract. Accordingly, it will be noted that S. 984 provides that the United States Government guarantee "performance by employers of provisions of such contracts relating to the payment of wages or the furnishing of transportation." We are of the view that this provision should be broadened to include other payments due under such contracts. Similarly, it is felt appropriate to ask the Government of Mexico to take such measures as it deems appropriate to assure that workers coming to the United States under this program, will honor their obligations under the contract.

In order to assure more satisfactory performance on the part of both parties to the individual work contracts, we believe that the grievance machinery should be materially strengthened. The President's Commission found that—

"The lack of an appropriate way of resolving employer-worker differences is one of the main reasons for a large proportion of Mexican nationals returning home before the completion of their contracts or simply deserting or skipping their contracts."

Existing conciliation machinery is not adequate. The President's Commission observes:

"Complaints alleging violation of the individual work contract may be initiated in three ways: Officially by the United States Employment Service or privately by either worker or employer. If an officially initiated complaint is not adjusted, the Mexican consulate is called in for a joint investigation. Complaints from workers may be received by the United States Employment Service or submitted through the appropriate Mexican consulate. Complaints by employers are received by the United States Employment Service. On all types of complaints the Mexican consulate may be called in for joint investigation and determination.

"As a matter of practice, we find that while employers may refer some complaints to the United States Employment Service, workers' complaint are ordinarily referred initially to the Mexican consulate. Let it be borne in mind that this conciliation procedure is

contained in the international agreement (in English, which the typical Mexican worker cannot read) but is incorporated only by reference in the individual work contract (where the Spanish-reading Mexican worker finds out in Spanish that there is a conciliation procedure available to him if he could read English)."

In 1950, the United States Employment Service had nine inspectors detailed to handle grievances under the Mexican program. This number has recently been increased to 15, but this still seems altogether inadequate. We again quote the report of the President's Commission:

"For the farm employer or association of farm employers, the conciliation provision may be somewhat more adequate than it is for the foreign workers with a language handicap in a strange land. To expect the Mexican contract worker to locate one of the nine United States Employment Service inspectors or to relay his complaint to them through the State employment service is to expect more than is within his capability. Consequently, if he can get in touch with the Mexican consulate, that is about the best he can do. This cumbersome and complicated procedure, involving several Government agencies in general and none in particular, encourages desertion in place of making a complaint because every complaint has the potentiality of being lost or ignored."

Accordingly, we recommended that the United States Employment Service expand its conciliation service.

We believe that S. 984 does not go far enough in meeting the serious social, economic, and security problem represented by the influx of hundreds of thousands of wetbacks over our southern border. The committee comments on "the great economic and social problems" which the wetbacks represent.

The concern of the committee with the wetback problem is fully shared by the President's Commission. The one difference between the two groups could be said to relate to the estimate concerning the magnitude of the recent "invasion," which the committee puts at 1,000,000. The President's Commission is more conservative in its estimate of the number of wetbacks. The Commission uses the figure of half a million.

The committee explicitly comments on the inadequacy of present measures to deal with the wetback problem. Its concern is reflected in the important amendment to section 501 of the bill prohibiting recruitment of wetbacks. Possibly through oversight, the comparable amendment to section 504 has not been made, so that as the bill currently stands it is inconsistent on this vital point. It is accordingly proposed that 504 be amended in the manner of 501. The term "vital" is used deliberately, for it is the view of the President's Commission that one of the most important factors in the recent acceleration of the wetback traffic is the legalization of illegals. It comments:

"The latest and probably worst stage in this erosion of immigration law was when, under the authority of the ninth proviso, Mexican wetbacks were legalized and placed under contract. The ninth proviso allows the temporary admission and return of otherwise inadmissible aliens—under rules and conditions. \* \* \* In the contracting of wetbacks, we see the abandonment of the concept that the ninth proviso authority is limited to admission. A wetback is not admitted; he is already here, unlawfully. We have thus reached a point where we place a premium upon violation of the immigration law."

Prohibition of the legalization of workers illegally in the United States, while most important to the solution of the wetback problem, is not enough to meet the dimensions of the current "invasion." The President's Commission suggests other valuable

steps which may be taken. It recommends that legislation be enacted making it unlawful to employ aliens illegally in the United States. It recommends that the Immigration and Naturalization Service be given clear statutory authority to enter places of employment to determine if illegal aliens are employed. We are of the view that these recommendations of the President's Commission are of utmost importance.

The fourth criterion which we proposed as guide to the measures to be included in a Mexican importation program is that the cost of the program to the public be kept to a minimum. We view as unrealistic the figure of \$20 to cover the round-trip cost of transportation of workers between recruitment centers in Mexico and reception centers in the United States as well as their subsistence during this period. In this connection, it is pertinent to bear in mind that it would be highly unusual if workers were hired by United States employers directly upon their arrival at the reception centers. Therefore, subsistence needs to be considered not only during the period of travel but for the period that they spend at the reception center awaiting employment.

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#### APPENDIX A. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON MIGRATORY LABOR

##### I. FEDERAL COMMITTEE ON MIGRATORY FARM LABOR

We recommend that—

(1) There be established a Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor, to be appointed by and responsible to the President.

(2) The committee be composed of three public members and one member from each of the following agencies: Department of Agriculture, Department of Labor, Department of State, Immigration and Naturalization Service, and Federal Security Agency.

(3) The public members be appointed by the President. One public member should serve full time as chairman and the other two on a part-time basis. The Government representatives should be appointed by the President on the nomination of the heads of the respective agencies. The committee should have authority, within the limits of its appropriation, to establish such advisory committees as it deems necessary.

(4) The Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor have the authority and responsibility, with adequate staff and funds to assist, coordinate, and stimulate the various agencies of the Government in their activities and policies relating to migratory farm labor, including such investigations and publications as will contribute to an understanding of migratory farm-labor problems, and to recommend to the President, from time to time, such changes in administration and legislation as may be required to facilitate improvements in the policies of the Government relating to migratory farm labor. The committee should undertake such specific responsibilities as are assigned to it in the recommendations set forth in this report and as may be assigned to it by the President.

In general, however, the committee should have no administrative or operating responsibilities; these should remain within the respective established agencies and departments.

(5) Similar agencies be established in the various States. The responsibilities and the activities of the Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor and those of the agencies established in the States should be complementary and not competitive. The State agencies should be encouraged to carry forward those programs in behalf of migratory farm workers which, by their nature, fall

within the responsibility of individual States. The Federal Committee will have major concern with interstate, national, and international activities. But at all times there should be close consultation between the Federal and State agencies and a two-way flow of information, suggestions, and effective cooperation.

##### II. MIGRATORY FARM LABOR IN EMERGENCY

Our investigations of the present farm labor problem and our analysis of this country's experience during the years of World War II and since, point to certain conclusions which to us seem inescapable in the present emergency. We therefore recommend that—

(1) First reliance be placed on using our domestic labor force more effectively.

(2) No special measures be adopted to increase the number of alien contract laborers beyond the number admitted in 1950.

(3) To meet any supplemental needs for agricultural labor that may develop, preference be given to citizens of the offshore possessions of the United States, such as Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

(4) Future efforts be directed toward supplying agricultural labor needs with our own workers and eliminating dependence on foreign labor.

##### III. ALIEN CONTRACT LABOR IN AMERICAN AGRICULTURE

We recommend that—

(1) Foreign labor importation and contracting be under the terms of intergovernmental agreements which should clearly state the conditions and standards of employment under which the foreign workers are to be employed. These should be substantially the same for all countries. No employer, employer's representative or association of employers, or labor contractor should be permitted to contract directly with foreign workers for employment in the United States. This is not intended to preclude employer participation in the selection of qualified workers when all other requirements of legal importation are fulfilled.

(2) The United States-Mexican intergovernmental agreement be in terms that will promote immigration law enforcement. The Department of State should negotiate with the Government of Mexico such a workable international agreement as will assure its operation as the exclusive channel for the importation of Mexican nationals under contract, free from the competition of illegal migration.

(3) Administration of foreign labor recruiting, contracting, transporting, and agreements be made the direct responsibility of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. This should be the principal contracting agency, and private employers should secure their foreign workers exclusively from the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

(4) The Farm Placement Service of the United States Employment Service certify to the Immigration and Naturalization Service and to the Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor when and if labor requirements cannot be filled from domestic sources and the numbers of additional workers needed. On alien contract labor, the United States Employment Service and the various State employment services should be advised by the tripartite advisory council provided for in the Wagner-Peyser Act, or by tripartite subcommittees of the council. However, no certification of shortage of domestic labor should be made unless and until continental domestic labor has been offered the same terms and conditions of employment as are offered to foreign workers. After certifying the need for foreign workers, the United States Employment Service should have no administrative responsibilities in connection with any foreign labor program.

(5) In accordance with the policies of the Federal Committee on Migratory Farm La-

bor, the Immigration and Naturalization Service arrange, subject to the terms of the intergovernmental agreements then in force, for the importation of the number of qualified foreign agricultural workers certified as needed by the United States Employment Service, and transport them to appropriate reception and contracting centers in the United States.

(6) The Immigration and Naturalization Service deliver the imported workers to the farm employers who have submitted the necessary applications and bonds, and who have signed individual work agreements. Employment should be under the general supervision of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. An adequate procedure for investigating and resolving complaints and disputes originating from either party should be negotiated in the international agreements and should be incorporated in the standard work contracts. The Immigration and Naturalization Service should be authorized to terminate any contract of employment and remove the workers, and to refuse to furnish foreign workers to any employer or association of employers when there has been repeated or willful violation of previous agreements, or where there is reasonable doubt that the terms of the current agreement are being observed. The Immigration and Naturalization Service should, in the discharge of its obligations, receive such assistance from the United States Employment Service as it may request.

(7) Puerto Rico and Hawaii, as possessions of the United States, be recognized as part of the domestic labor supply, and workers from these Territories be accorded preference over foreign labor in such employment as they are willing and suited to fill.

(8) Where a government-to-government agreement provides for the payment of the prevailing wage to foreign contract workers, this wage be ascertained by public authority after a hearing. The policies, procedure, and responsibilities involved should be determined by the Federal Committee on migratory Farm Labor.

#### IV. THE WETBACK INVASION—ILLEGAL ALIEN LABOR IN AMERICAN AGRICULTURE

We recommend that—

(1) The Immigration and Naturalization Service be strengthened by (a) clear statutory authority to enter places of employment to determine if illegal aliens are employed, (b) clear statutory penalties for harboring, concealing, or transporting illegal aliens, and (c) increased appropriations for personnel and equipment.

(2) Legislation be enacted making it unlawful to employ aliens illegally in the United States, the sanctions to be (a) removal by the Immigration and Naturalization Service of all legally imported labor from any place of employment on which any illegal alien is found employed; (b) fine and imprisonment; (c) restraining orders and injunctions; and (d) prohibiting the shipment in interstate commerce of any product on which illegal alien labor has worked.

(3) Legalization for employment purposes of aliens illegally in the United States be discontinued and forbidden. This is not intended to interfere with handling of hardship cases as authorized by present immigration laws.

(4) The Department of State seek the active cooperation of the Government of Mexico in a program for eliminating the illegal migration of Mexican workers into the United States by (a) the strict enforcement of the Mexican emigration laws, (b) preventing the concentration, in areas close to the border, of surplus supplies of Mexican labor, and (c) refraining from attempt to obtain legalization for employment in the United States of Mexican workers illegally in this country.

#### V. HOW MIGRATORY WORKERS FIND EMPLOYMENT

We recommend that—

(1) Federation legislation be enacted to prohibit interstate recruitment of farm labor by crew leaders, labor contractors, employers, employers' agents, and other private recruiting agents except when such agents are licensed by the Department of Labor. The Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor should develop appropriate standards for regulating and licensing such private agents.

(2) States enact legislation and establish enforcement machinery to regulate and license labor contractors, crew leaders, and other private recruiting agents operating intrastate, such legislation to include private solicitors or recruiters operating on a fee or nonfee basis, either part time or year round. The standards of regulation should at least equal those established by the Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor. The recommendations of the Governor's Committee of California suggest the form and content of such State legislation.

(3) The United States Employment Service and the State employment services adopt a policy of refusing to refer workers to crew leaders, labor contractors, or private recruiting agents for employment.

(4) The United States Employment Service adopts regulations and administrative procedures to safeguard interstate recruiting and transporting of workers, by providing that—

(a) Terms of employment be reduced to writing, such written terms to contain a provision for the adjustment of grievances.

(b) Housing and transportation arrangements available to workers meet the minimum standards established by the Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor.

(c) State employment services shall not recruit farm workers outside their States or assist in bringing farm workers in from other States unless the United States Employment Service is assured that the State does not have the necessary labor available within its own borders.

(5) Neither the United States Employment Service nor State employment services join with employers, employers' associations, or other private recruiting agents in mass advertising for interstate recruitment.

(6) In order to achieve better utilization of the national domestic farm-labor supply, States having legislation restricting recruitment of workers for out-of-State employment (emigrant agent laws) undertake repeal of such legislation.

(7) The Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor establish transportation standards of safety and comfort (including in-transit rest camps). States should be guided by the transportation standards of the Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor as minimum conditions to govern intrastate transportation of migratory farm workers.

(8) The United States Employment Service and the State employment services be advised on farm-labor questions by the tripartite advisory councils as provided for in the Wagner-Peyser Act or by tripartite subcommittees of the councils.

#### VI. EMPLOYMENT MANAGEMENT AND LABOR RELATIONS

We recommend that—

(1) The Agricultural Extension Service, through its Federal office and in those States where migratory labor has significant proportions, make instruction in farm-labor management and labor relations available to farm employers and to farm employees. The Agricultural Extension Services should also make available advice and counsel for the organizing of farm-employer associations similar to those sponsored during World War II, which associations should have the purpose of pooling their joint labor needs to promote orderly recruiting, better em-

ployer-worker relations, and more continuous employment.

(2) The Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 be amended to extend coverage to employees on farms having a specified minimum employment.

#### VII. EMPLOYMENT, WAGES, AND INCOMES

We recommend that—

(1) The Congress enact minimum-wage legislation to cover farm laborers, including migratory laborers.

(2) State legislatures give serious consideration to the protection of agricultural workers, including migratory farm workers, by minimum-wage legislation.

(3) Federal and State unemployment compensation legislation be enacted to cover agricultural labor.

(4) Because present unemployment compensation legislation is not adapted to meeting the unemployment problems of most migratory farm workers, the Federal Social Security Act be amended to provide matching grants to States for general assistance on the condition that no needy person be denied assistance because of lack of legal residence status.

#### VIII. HOUSING

We recommend that—

(1) The United States Employment Service not recruit and refer out-of-State agricultural workers and the Immigration and Naturalization Service not import foreign workers (pursuant to certifications of labor shortage) unless and until:

(a) The State in which the workers are to be employed has established minimum housing standards for such workers together with a centralized agency for administration and enforcement of such minimum standards on the basis of periodic inspections. These State housing standards, in their terms and in administration, should not be less than the Federal standards hereinafter provided.

(b) The employer or association of employers has been certified as having available housing, which at recent inspection has been found to comply with minimum standards for housing then in force in that State.

(2) Federal minimum standards covering all types of on-job housing for migratory workers moving in interstate or foreign commerce be established and promulgated by the Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor. These standards, administered through a State license system, should govern site, shelter, space, lighting, sanitation, cooking equipment, and other facilities relating to maintenance of health and decency.

(3) Any State employment service requesting aid of the United States Employment Service in procuring out-of-State workers submit, with such request, a statement that the housing being offered meets the Federal standards.

(4) The Agricultural Extension Service in those States using appreciable numbers of migratory workers undertake an educational program for growers concerning design, materials, and lay-out of housing for farm labor.

(5) The Department of Agriculture be empowered to extend grants-in-aid to States for labor camps in areas of large and sustained seasonal labor demand provided the States agree to construct and operate such camps under standards promulgated by the Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor. Since such projects are to be constructed and operated for the principal purpose of housing agricultural workers and their families, preference of occupancy should be given to those engaged in seasonal agricultural work. Costs should be defrayed by charges to occupants.

(6) When housing is deficient in areas where there is large seasonal employment of migratory farm workers, but where the seasonal labor need is of short duration, the Department of Agriculture establish transit camp sites without individual housing. These camp sites should be equipped with

water, sanitary facilities including showers, laundry, and cooking arrangements. They should be adequately supervised.

(7) The Department of Agriculture be authorized, and supplied with the necessary funds, to extend carefully supervised credit in modest amounts to assist migratory farm workers to acquire or to construct homes in areas where agriculture is in need of a considerable number of seasonal workers during the crop season.

(8) States be encouraged to enact State housing codes establishing minimum health and sanitation standards for housing in unincorporated areas.

(9) The Public Housing Administration of the Housing and Home Finance Agency develop a rural nonfarm housing program to include housing needs of migrants in their home-base situation.

#### IX. HEALTH, WELFARE, AND SAFETY

We recommend that—

(1) In amending the Social Security Act to provide matching grants to States for general assistance (as we recommended in chapter 7), provision be made to include medical care on a matching-grant basis for recipients of public assistance on the condition that no person be denied medical care because of the lack of legal residence status.

(2) The Public Health Service Act be amended to provide, under the supervision of the Surgeon General, matching grants to States, to conduct health programs among migratory farm laborers to deal particularly with such diseases as tuberculosis, venereal disease, diarrhea, enteritis, and dysentery, and to conduct health clinics for migratory farm workers.

(3) The United States Employment Service make no interstate referrals of migratory farm workers unless the representative of the State requesting the labor shall give evidence in writing that neither the State nor the counties concerned will deny medical care on the grounds of nonresidence, and that migratory workers will be admitted to local hospitals on essentially the same basis as residents of the local community.

(4) The Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor and the appropriate State agencies undertake studies looking toward the extension of safety and workmen's compensation legislation to farm workers.

(5) The Federal Social Security Act be amended to include migratory farm workers as well as other agricultural workers not now covered under the old-age and survivors insurance program.

#### X. CHILD LABOR

We recommend that—

(1) The 1949 child-labor amendment to the Fair Labor Standards Act be retained and vigorously enforced.

(2) The Fair Labor Standards Act be further amended to restrict the employment of children under 14 years of age on farms outside of school hours.

(3) State child-labor laws be brought to a level at least equal to the present Fair Labor Standards Act and made fully applicable to agriculture.

(4) The child-labor provisions of the Sugar Act be vigorously enforced.

#### XI. EDUCATION

We recommend that—

(1) The Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor, through the cooperation of public and private agencies, including the United States Office of Education, State educational agencies, the National Education Association, universities, and the American Council on Education, develop a plan which will provide an adequate program of education for migratory workers and their children. This may include Federal grants-in-aid to the States.

(2) The Agricultural Extension Services, in fuller discharge of their statutory obli-

gations to the entire farm population, provide educational assistance to agricultural laborers, especially migratory workers, to enable these people to increase their skills and efficiency in agriculture and to improve their personal welfare. The extension services should also give instructions to both farm employers and farm workers on their respective obligations and rights, as well as the opportunities for constructive joint planning in their respective roles as employers and employees.

The Agricultural Extension Services should expand their home-demonstration work to supply the families of farm workers, particularly migratory farm workers, instruction in nutrition, homemaking, infant care, sanitation, and similar subjects.

In substance, the Commission recommends that the Agricultural Extension Services assume the same responsibility for improving the welfare of farm workers as for helping farm operators.

(3) The Federal Government, in accordance with the long-standing policy that agricultural extension work is a joint responsibility of the Federal Government and the several States, share in the cost of the proposed educational program for farm workers and their families.

#### APPENDIX B. EXCERPT FROM UNDEREMPLOYMENT OF RURAL FAMILIES MIGRATORY FARM LABOR

Some underemployed farm families leave their farms during the harvest season and supplement their farm incomes by picking cotton, fruit, potatoes, tomatoes, or other crops; others forsake their farms entirely and attempt to make a living by following the crop harvest. Through years of varying economic conditions relatively permanent groups of workers have developed who meet the peak-season labor needs in various parts of the country. These are principally but not exclusively from farm sources. They have developed rather definite paths of movement from the winter work areas in Florida, south Texas, Arizona, and southern California to summer harvest areas in the north.

The number of people in this migratory work force has varied with crop conditions, prices of farm products, displacement by mechanization, and the general level of non-agricultural employment. It has also changed with the opportunity to go into urban occupations. According to a Nationwide survey made in 1949, there were slightly more than 1,000,000 people over 14 years of age in this work force at that time.<sup>1</sup> This number includes several hundred thousand workers from across the Mexican border who compete with domestic labor for the work that is available.

Farm people who go into the migratory labor force do so from lack of better opportunity and then merely change to another and less secure type of underemployment. According to the survey previously mentioned, the average number of days of employment for migratory workers over the country in 1949 was 101, 70 days in farm work and 31 more in nonfarm employment.

Three factors enter into this underemployment. First, a period of several slack months when there is little seasonal employment to be found. Second, irregular and intermittent employment during the harvest season. Some harvests are over-supplied with workers, others last for such a brief period that the amount of work obtained by a worker is small. The third factor is too large a supply of workers for the amount of work available. Migratory workers compete with local seasonal and year-round workers for employment. The latter,

<sup>1</sup> Migratory Farm Workers in 1949, Louis J. Ducoff, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, 1950.

too, then suffer from underemployment; during 1949 they had a total of 120 days' employment of which 91 days were in farm work and 29 nonfarm jobs.<sup>2</sup>

The earnings from the 101 days of farm work which the migratory workers obtained in 1949 amounted to an average of \$514.<sup>3</sup> The value of housing, transportation, and other perquisites amounts to \$36 more.<sup>3</sup> At an average of two workers per family, total family incomes averaged \$1,028 cash or \$1,100 with perquisites. This amount had to feed, clothe, shelter, and educate a family of four.

Underemployment and low earnings are not the only problems among migratory farm workers. Poor housing, lack of sanitation and medical care, child labor, and educational retardation of the children, all tend to make them a disadvantaged group. They have little voice either in community, State, or national affairs and are unable to make effective demands to relieve their situation.

Although they are most essential to meet peak season demands for gathering in the national food supply, they are explicitly excluded from national legislation which protects and advances the rights of workers. Their position is the most precarious of any in our economy. They have no definable job rights and are so far removed from the employer group that they are unable to obtain redress for grievances.

Rather than hire seasonal and migratory workers directly and individually, it is a widespread practice among farm employers to hire in crews through labor contractors, crew chiefs, or labor recruiters. In many areas it is virtually impossible for a worker to obtain a job directly from the farm employer. As a consequence of these practices, a farm worker has to pay heavily from his already-too-low earnings for the privilege of getting work to do.

Mr. LANGR. Mr. President, I wish to call attention to the fact that the President's Commission held 12 public hearings. Where were the hearings held? They were held in Brownsville, Tex.; El Paso, Tex.; Phoenix, Ariz.; Los Angeles, Calif.; Portland, Oreg.; Fort Collins, Colo.; Memphis, Tenn.; Saginaw, Mich.; Trenton, N. J.; West Palm Beach, Fla.; and two hearings were held in Washington, D. C. Not one hearing was held in the Middle West or other agricultural regions.

A few days ago there was published a list of the casualties in Korea. It gave the number of casualties suffered by the various countries who have boys fighting in Korea. Not one boy came from Mexico. Not one casualty was suffered by Mexico. A few moments ago the Senator from Florida [Mr. HOLLAND] said that during World War II the Selective Service Act was in effect in Florida. Under the act boys in Florida were inducted into the service. How does it work today?

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

Mr. LANGR. I decline to yield. How does it work today? A county in the State of Kansas, South Dakota, North Dakota, or Florida, or in any other State, says, "We want so many men." Therefore in any agricultural county so many men must be sent into the service. They

<sup>2</sup> Migratory Farm Workers in 1949, Louis Ducoff, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, 1949.

<sup>3</sup> Perquisites Furnished Hired Farm Workers, Barbara B. Reagan, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, 1945.

have taken away the boys. In some sections of my State, as well as in the adjoining States, including Minnesota, insufficient help was available. The first boy in the family had already died in World War II. They then took the last boy and hired man. Now they come along and say, "We will continue taking the boys. When there is not enough labor available to do the work the Department of Labor will certify that you can get some men from Mexico."

I for one will not vote for a bill that says we are going to send our boys to die in Korea while the Republic of Mexico sends workers to the United States to take the place of our own farm boys and our city boys. Such foreign laborers are sent all over the Middle West, where I am intimately acquainted with the facts, where they draw wages, and the Senator from Minnesota says he wants to be sure that their wages are going to be high enough.

The distinguished Senator from Minnesota says that the reports show that all over the country there has been a terrible situation relative to migratory labor. Let me tell the Senator from Minnesota that I have lived in North Dakota. I am intimately acquainted in his own State of Minnesota, in Montana, South Dakota, and other farm States. I can give him name after name of men who came to those States as migratory laborers and who remained there and made a great success in farming and business. Today they are among the outstanding farmers and businessmen of those States.

I can readily see, by looking at the minority report, that, of course, the committee went to some of the large cities. It was pleasant to go to Phoenix, Los Angeles, and Portland, Oreg. It was nice to go to some of the other places in the wintertime. I note that the committee went to West Palm Beach, Fla., and that it held a couple of meetings in Washington. It was pleasant to go there. But I notice that they did not go to any little cities. They did not go to New Ulm, Minn. They did not go to Moorhead, Minn. They did not go to Jackson, Minn. They did not go to any city in North Dakota. They did not go to Kansas, New Jersey, Nebraska, South Dakota, or Missouri. Yet an overwhelming amount of the sugar-beet labor which comes from Mexico is going to some of the very States which I have named.

So, Mr. President, I for one decline to vote for a bill of this character, under which able-bodied, healthy boys from Mexico, a country which is not helping us in the United Nations, are sent to the United States to be employed at high wages and to take the place of farm boys and city boys who are fighting to save the Republic of Korea.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill having been read the third time, the question is, Shall it pass?

The bill (S. 984) was passed, as follows:

*Be it enacted, etc., That the Agricultural Act of 1949 is amended by adding at the end thereof a new title to read as follows:*

**"TITLE V—AGRICULTURAL WORKERS**

"Sec. 501. For the purpose of assisting in such production of agricultural commodities and products as the Secretary of Agriculture

deems necessary, by supplying agricultural workers from the Republic of Mexico (pursuant to arrangements between the United States and the Republic of Mexico), the Secretary of Labor is authorized—

"(1) to recruit such workers (including any such workers temporarily in the United States under legal entry);

"(2) to establish and operate reception centers at or near the places of actual entry of such workers into the continental United States for the purpose of receiving and housing such workers while arrangements are being made for their employment in, or departure from, the continental United States;

"(3) to provide transportation for such workers from recruitment centers outside the continental United States to such reception centers and transportation from such reception centers to such recruitment centers after termination of employment;

"(4) to provide such workers with such subsistence, emergency medical care, and burial expenses (not exceeding \$150 burial expenses in any one case) as may be or become necessary during transportation authorized by paragraph (3) and while such workers are at reception centers;

"(5) to assist such workers and employers in negotiating contracts for agricultural employment (such workers being free to accept or decline agricultural employment with any eligible employer and to choose the type of agricultural employment they desire, and eligible employers being free to offer agricultural employment to any workers of their choice not under contract to other employers);

"(6) to guarantee the performance by employers of provisions of such contracts relating to the payment of wages or the furnishing of transportation.

"Sec. 502. No workers shall be made available under this title to any employer unless such employer enters into an agreement with the United States—

"(1) to indemnify the United States against loss by reason of its guaranty of such employer's contracts;

"(2) to reimburse the United States for essential expenses, not including salaries or expenses of regular department or agency personnel, incurred by it for the transportation and subsistence of workers under this title in amount not to exceed \$20 per worker; and

"(3) to pay to the United States, in any case in which a worker is not returned to the reception center in accordance with the contract entered into under section 501 (5) and is apprehended within the United States, an amount determined by the Secretary of Labor to be equivalent to the normal cost to the employer of returning other workers from the place of employment to such reception center, less any portion thereof required to be paid by other employers.

"Sec. 503. No workers recruited under this title shall be available for employment in any area unless the Secretary of Labor for such area has determined and certified that (1) sufficient domestic workers who are able, willing, and qualified are not available at the time and place needed to perform the work for which such workers are to be employed, and (2) the employment of such workers will not adversely affect the wages and working conditions of domestic agricultural workers similarly employed, and (3) reasonable efforts have been made to attract domestic workers for such employment at wages and standard hours of work comparable to those offered to foreign workers.

"Sec. 504. Workers recruited under this title who are not citizens of the United States shall be admitted to the United States subject to the immigration laws (or if already in, by virtue of legal entry and otherwise eligible for admission to, the United States may, pursuant to arrangements between the United States and the Republic of Mexico,

be permitted to remain therein) for such time and under such conditions as may be specified by the Attorney General but, notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation, no penalty shall be required which imposes liability upon any person for the failure of any such worker to depart from the United States upon termination of employment: *Provided*, That no workers shall be made available under this title to, nor shall any workers made available under this title be permitted to remain in the employ of, any employer who has in his employ any Mexican alien when such employer knows or has reasonable grounds to believe or suspect or by reasonable inquiry could have ascertained that such Mexican alien is not lawfully within the United States.

"Sec. 505. (a) Section 210 (a) (1) of the Social Security Act, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof a new subparagraph as follows:

"(C) Service performed by foreign agricultural workers under contracts entered into in accordance with title V of the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended."

"(b) Section 1426 (b) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof a new subparagraph as follows:

"(C) Service performed by foreign agricultural workers under contracts entered into in accordance with title V of the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended."

"(c) Workers recruited under the provisions of this title shall not be subject to the head tax levied under section 2 of the Immigration Act of 1917 (8 U. S. C., sec. 132).

"Sec. 506. For the purposes of this title, the Secretary of Labor is authorized—

"(1) to enter into agreements with Federal and State agencies; to utilize (pursuant to such agreements) the facilities and services of such agencies; and to allocate or transfer funds or otherwise to pay or reimburse such agencies for expenses in connection therewith;

"(2) to accept and utilize voluntary and uncompensated services; and

"(3) when necessary to supplement the domestic agricultural labor force, to cooperate with the Secretary of State in negotiating and carrying out agreements or arrangements relating to the employment in the United States, subject to the immigration laws, of agricultural workers from the Republic of Mexico.

"Sec. 507. For the purposes of this title—

"(1) The term 'agricultural employment' includes services or activities included within the provisions of section 3 (f) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, or section 1426 (h) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

"(2) The term 'employer' shall include an association, or other group, of employers, but only if (A) those of its members for whom workers are being obtained are bound, in the event of its default, to carry out the obligations undertaken by it pursuant to section 502, or (B) the Secretary determines that such individual liability is not necessary to assure performance of such obligations.

"Sec. 508. Nothing in this act shall be construed as limiting the authority of the Attorney General, pursuant to the general immigration laws, to permit the importation of aliens of any nationality for agricultural employment as defined in section 507, or to permit any such alien who entered the United States legally to remain for the purpose of engaging in such agricultural employment under such conditions and for such time as he, the Attorney General, may specify.

"Sec. 509. Any person who shall employ any Mexican alien not duly admitted by an immigration officer or not lawfully entitled to enter or to reside within the United States

under the terms of this act or any other law relating to the immigration or expulsion of aliens, when such person knows or has reasonable grounds to believe or suspect or by reasonable inquiry could have ascertained that such alien is not lawfully within the United States, or any person who, having employed such an alien without knowing or having reasonable grounds to believe or suspect that such alien is unlawfully within the United States and who could not have obtained such information by reasonable inquiry at the time of giving such employment, shall obtain information during the course of such employment indicating that such alien is not lawfully within the United States and shall fail to report such information promptly to an immigration officer, shall be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$2,000, or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding 1 year, or both, for each alien in respect to whom any violation of this section occurs.

"Sec. 510. No workers will be made available under this title for employment after December 31, 1952."

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be printed as passed.

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

THE MACARTHUR HEARING—LETTER FROM SECRETARY ACHESON TO SENATOR KNOWLAND

Mr. KNOWLAND. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the body of the RECORD a letter dated April 26, 1951, which I received from Secretary of State Dean Acheson in response to a letter which I had addressed to him asking for certain information relative to the inquiry now under way.

There being no objection, the letter was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
Washington, April 26, 1951.

The Honorable WILLIAM F. KNOWLAND,  
United States Senate.

MY DEAR SENATOR KNOWLAND: I have your letter of April 17, 1951, in which you request that a copy of the Wedemeyer report on Korea of September 19, 1947, as well as certain other documents be made available.

As you may recall, the Korean section of the Wedemeyer report, which was read by you on a confidential basis on August 24, 1950, deals only with the situation existing in Korea in 1947 and is not an integral part of his report on China. Since the preparation of that report the situation in Korea has undergone a fundamental change, the military occupation in being at the time of General Wedemeyer's visit having given way to a sovereign Korean Government established on the basis of elections held in accordance with procedures laid down by the United Nations and under the observation of a United Nations Commission.

Last fall, I informed the Appropriations Committee that I had discussed with the President the request of the committee for a copy of General Wedemeyer's 1947 report on Korea and that the President had instructed me to communicate that it was his view that the declassification of the report in question would be contrary to the national interest.

The special guidance paper No. 28 of December 23, 1949, which you have seen and has been shown confidentially to members of the Appropriations Committee does not, as you know, purport to make foreign policy with reference to Formosa. It is a document which described informational policies and public attitudes with reference to Formosa

at that time. The limited purpose of the guidance paper was thoroughly understood and appreciated by all officers to whom it was sent.

The clear purpose of this document was to protect the interests of the United States by avoiding declarations in our information output abroad at the time which would enable the U. S. S. R. and other anti-United States propaganda agencies to attack or deride the United States should Formosa actually fall, and to avoid making statements as to the significance of Formosa which would make any subsequent action by the United States to prevent the fall of Formosa appear, in the eyes of foreign countries, as a manifestation of United States power politics. The document did not call for any organized campaign, as has been charged, to prove that Formosa was of no strategic value, nor did it state that a decision had been made to write off Formosa. No such decision was ever made. On the contrary, the clear policy of the Government for more than 2 years has been to deny Formosa to the Communists.

This document was prepared because our public affairs officers recognized that Formosa represented a definite information problem for our overseas information program. It was based on existing policy decisions and took into account various intelligence reports and other basic data.

These guidances are prepared regularly on all major aspects of United States foreign policy in order that the international information program, including the Voice of America, will constitute a thoroughly coordinated arm of our foreign policy. The provision of such guidance has been strongly insisted upon by the Advisory Commission on International Information, which was established by the Smith-Mundt Act.

Information guidances of this nature, which keep pace with changing conditions, must be classified, since to make them public would have a decidedly adverse effect upon our foreign policy and upon the information program itself. Revelation of the detailed methods by which the United States conducts its foreign-information program would be of great assistance to the Soviets, not only in advising them of what our information techniques are, but also in permitting an information directive, if unclassified, to be used for extensive counterpropaganda.

The question has already been raised in this case why a particular document must be kept confidential whose content already, in a large part, has been made public. As explained in conversations with you prior to this, the disclosure of an official analysis of foreign public opinion and the disclosure of official attitudes recommended to be taken with reference to it, could be used far more effectively by Soviet propaganda than the partial, unofficial disclosure by the American press. In addition, this is an instance, like many others, where classified information, which became public without official endorsement, cannot be used as effectively as propaganda against the United States as would be the case if it were officially confirmed.

I must emphasize again that this document was not a formulation of political policy, but a development of information policy essential to a coordinated foreign-information program. As such it has been superseded in the light of events.

As to its preparation, you will recall that I stated to the Appropriations Committee that I considered it unwise and contrary to the public interest to indicate which officers in the Department participated, other than to state that 10 different officers in 4 offices within the Department participated in the drafting and clearing of this document. It must be recognized that papers of this kind are always the result of a give-and-take of views among the various persons on the

working level. If the names of the people who participated in drafting documents were to be made public, the inevitable tendency would be for each to keep a careful record of his precise contribution or attitude on any controversial subject. A department in which officers on the working level are busily engaged in making records against one another would, of course, not function as efficiently as one in which the principle of effective responsibility of the top officials is recognized.

With respect to the other classified documents which you request, I am sure you will understand, in view of the pending hearings by the Armed Services and Foreign Relations Committees, that it is necessary for the Department to await the request of the chairman for any classified documents of this nature. At such time the Department will give careful consideration to any such request.

I am sending a copy of your letter and my reply to Senator RUSSELL for his information.

Sincerely yours,

DEAN ACHESON.

THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS,  
1951

Mr. HAYDEN. Mr. President, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, I move that the Senate proceed to the consideration of House bill 3587, a bill making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951, and for other purposes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion of the Senator from Arizona.

The motion was agreed to; and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Appropriations, with amendments.

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

Mr. HAYDEN. I yield.

Mr. WHERRY. As I understand, this is the so-called third supplemental appropriation bill.

Mr. HAYDEN. The Senator is correct.

Mr. WHERRY. In this bill there are appropriations for the Voice of America and for several defense items. Is not that true?

Mr. HAYDEN. The Senator is correct.

Mr. WHERRY. Does the Senator feel that there will be considerable debate on the bill? Several Senators have asked me if I felt that we could conclude consideration of the bill in 1 day. I wonder what the judgment of the Senator is.

Mr. HAYDEN. I can see no reason why it cannot be concluded tomorrow without difficulty. There are some disagreements, but the amendments which have been submitted are comparatively minor, so far as the printed amendments are concerned. I have heard of no desire for extended debate. I think the bill can be promptly disposed of. I wanted to make it the unfinished business with the idea that we would proceed the first thing tomorrow to read the bill for amendment.

I now ask unanimous consent that the formal reading of the bill be dispensed with, that it be read for amendment, and that the amendments of the committee be first considered.

Mr. WHERRY. Mr. President, what is the request?

