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AMERICAN SUMMARY OF BILLS VETted AND ACTION TAKEN
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FOREWORD

This record of the Presidential vetoes of legislation enacted by Congress is intended as an aid in the study of the legislative relationship existing between the executive and legislative branches of Government. The material contained herein is arranged chronologically by Congresses and administrations in which the vetoes occurred. The list includes vetoes and any action taken thereon between the years 1945 and 1947 (79th through the 80th Cong., 1st sess.)

Record of Presidential vetoes prior to 1945 may be found in Senate Miscellaneous Document 53, Forty-ninth Congress, second session; and House Document 493, Seventieth Congress, second session; and in veto messages, 1889-1944, published by the Secretary of the Senate in 1946 (not a Senate document).

The Constitution provides that the bill and veto message of the President shall be first returned to the House in which the bill originated. Further information with regard to subsequent action on each bill may be found in the proceedings of the body in which the bill was originally introduced as published in the Congressional Record and indexed under the bill number in the History of Bills and Resolutions in the Record Index. The originating body may fail to take action or may sustain the veto, in which case no further action is required by the other body. However, if the veto is overridden by the originating body, the proceedings of the other body, to which the veto is then messaged, should be examined for final disposition of the legislation. When both bodies override the veto the bill then becomes law without the signature of the President.

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NUMERICAL SUMMARY OF BILLS VETOED AND ACTION TAKEN THEREON BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE BETWEEN 1789 AND 1947

[Compiled by George C. Robinson, Ph. D., professor of government, Iowa State Teachers College]

President	Regular veto	Pocket veto	Total vetoes	Vetoes overridden
Washington.....	2	-----	2	-----
Madison.....	5	2	7	-----
Monroe.....	1	-----	1	-----
Jackson.....	5	7	12	-----
Tyler.....	6	4	10	1
Polk.....	2	1	3	-----
Pierce.....	9	-----	9	5
Buchanan.....	4	3	7	-----
Lincoln.....	2	4	6	-----
Johnson.....	21	7	28	15
Grant.....	44	48	92	4
Hayes.....	12	1	13	1
Arthur.....	4	8	12	1
Cleveland.....	304	110	414	2
Harrison.....	19	25	44	1
Cleveland.....	42	128	170	5
McKinley.....	6	36	42	-----
Roosevelt, T.....	42	40	82	1
Taft.....	30	9	39	1
Wilson.....	33	11	44	6
Harding.....	5	1	6	-----
Coolidge.....	20	30	50	4
Hoover.....	21	16	37	3
Roosevelt, F. D. (73d to 79th Cong., Apr. 12, 1945).....	1 371	260	631	9
Truman (79th Cong.).....	54	20	74	0
Truman (80th Cong., 1st sess.).....	13	19	32	1
Total.....	1, 077	790	1, 867	60

¹ President Roosevelt had two regular vetoes in the Seventy-ninth Congress.

Presidents with most regular vetoes: Roosevelt, F. D., 369; Cleveland, 346; Grant, 44.

Presidents with most pocket vetoes: Roosevelt, F. D., 260; Cleveland, 238; Grant, 48.

Presidents with most total vetoes, regular and pocket: Roosevelt, F. D., 631; Cleveland, 584; and Grant, 92.

Presidents who failed to use regular or pocket veto power: Adams, John; Jefferson; Adams, John Quincy; Van Buren; Harrison, William Henry; Taylor; Fillmore; and Garfield.

Presidents who failed to use pocket veto power: Washington, Monroe, Pierce.

Presidents whose vetoes were not overridden by Congress in any instance: Washington, Madison, Monroe, Jackson, Polk, Buchanan, Lincoln, McKinley, Harding.

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Cleveland (2 terms), Total 584
 Roosevelt, F. D. (3 terms + 3 mos.) - - - 631
 (2 in 4th term)
 Truman (3 yrs. and 2 mos.) - - - 130

VETO MESSAGES

SEVENTY-NINTH CONGRESS

January 3, 1945, to August 2, 1946

FIRST SESSION

S. 311.—For the relief of Philip Kleinman.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 74) was referred to the Committee on Claims July 17, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr.,¹ p. 7588).

S. 693.—For the relief of the Saunders Memorial Hospital.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 130) was referred to the Committee on Claims December 18, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 12262).

*H. R. 249.—For the relief of Charles R. Hooper.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 133) was referred to the Committee on Claims March 29, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 2963).

H. R. 259.—For the relief of Leo Gottleib.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 278) was referred to the Committee on Claims September 5, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 8322).

H. R. 912.—For the relief of William H. Shultz.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 255) was referred to the Committee on Claims July 3, 1945 (Cong. Rec. pr., p. 7188).

*H. R. 946.—For the relief of the estates of Robert C. Meals, Mrs. Bessie Mae Meals, Mrs. Bessie Mae Morgret, Mrs. Margaret J. Meals, Donald Meals (a minor), and Betty Wrightstone (a minor).

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 123) was referred to the Committee on Claims March 26, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 2784).

H. R. 952.—For the relief of Morgan Creamery Co.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 277) was referred to the Committee on Claims September 5, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 8323).

H. R. 1016.—For the relief of Capt. Millard L. Treadwell.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 214) was referred to the Committee on Claims June 1, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 5460).

H. R. 1303.—For the relief of Daniel D. O'Connell and Almon B. Stewart.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 377) was referred to the Committee on Claims on November 12, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10609).

¹ "pr." refers to the permanent edition of the Congressional Record.

*These were the last bills vetoed by President Roosevelt. Other bills in this Congress were vetoed by President Truman.

- H. R. 1512.—Retirement pay of enlisted men, relative to.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 382) was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs on December 3, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 11331).
- H. R. 1634.—For the relief of the city of Council Bluffs, Iowa.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 292) was referred to the Committee on Claims on September 27, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 9086).
- H. R. 1856.—For the relief of Southwestern Drug Co.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 274) was referred to the Committee on Claims September 5, 1945. (Cong. Rec., pr., pp. 8821, 8823).
- H. R. 1862.—Relative to ranks of chiefs of naval bureaus.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 389) was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs December 17, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 12202).
- H. R. 1877.—For the relief of Maj. William Peyton Tidwell.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 215) was referred to the Committee on Claims June 1, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 5460).
- H. R. 1917.—For the relief of John R. Jennings.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 259) was referred to the Committee on Claims July 9, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 7368).
- H. R. 2055.—For the relief of Ben Grunstein.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 146) was referred to the Committee on Claims April 19, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 3577).
- H. R. 2158.—For the relief of the Cowden Manufacturing Co
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 256) was referred to the Committee on Claims July 5, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 7226).
- H. R. 2518.—To adjudicate claim of the Eastern Contracting Co.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 390) was referred to the Committee on Claims December 17, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 12202).
- H. R. 2856.—Providing for better enforcement of law within the District of Columbia.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 258) was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia July 9, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 7368).
- H. R. 2930.—For the relief of J. D. Whiteside and St. Luke's Hospital.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 391) was referred to the Committee on Claims Dec. 18, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 12266).
- H. R. 3477.—Two Harbors, Minn., authorizing improvement of.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 275) was referred to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors September 5, 1945 (Cong., Rec., pr., pp. 8321, 8323).
- H. R. 3549.—Weather Bureau, Norwich University, Northfield, Vt., to provide for the conveyance of certain property.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 276) was referred to the Committee on Agriculture September 5, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 8324).

- H. J. Res. 106.—To amend the section 5 (k) of the Selective Service Training Act of 1940; as amended, with respect to the deferment of agricultural registrants essential to the war effort.
House voted to sustain the veto May 3, 1945; yeas, 186; nays, 177; not voting, 69. Message (H. Doc. 166) was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 4165).

DISAPPROVALS (POCKETED)

- H. R. 1481.—For the relief of R. W. Wood.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated December 29, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 12549).
- H. R. 1793.—Saunders Memorial Hospital, to adjudicate the claim of.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated December 29, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 12549).
- H. R. 1976.—Eagle Packet Co., Inc., to adjudicate the claims of.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated December 29, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 12549).
- H. R. 4407.—Reducing certain appropriations and contract authorizations available for the fiscal year 1945, and for other purposes.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated December 22, 1945 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 12548).

SECOND SESSION

- S. 75.—For the relief of Thomas C. Locke.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 176) was referred to the Committee on Claims April 29, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 4178).
- S. 884.—Adjudicate claims of Patuxent Development Co.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 241) was referred to the Committee on Claims July 16, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 9066).
- S. 1190.—For the relief of Mrs. Henry H. Hay.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 174) was referred to the Committee on Claims April 26, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 4162).
- S. 1273.—To provide for the acquisition by exchange of non-Federal property within areas administered by the National Park Service.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 230) was referred to the Committee on Public Lands and Surveys June 28, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 7932).
- S. 1480.—For the relief of Charles R. Hooper.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message was referred to the Committee on Claims February 19, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 1510).
- S. 1563.—For the relief of Ferris Ruggles.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 200) was referred to the Committee on Claims June 4, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 6189).

S. 1604.—For the relief of Leo Stuhr.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 199) was referred to the Committee on Claims May 31, 1946 (Cong. Rec. pr., p. 6112).

S. 1805.—To authorize the promotion of personnel of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard who were prisoners of war.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 205) was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs June 14, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 6885).

S. 1932.—Conferring jurisdiction upon United States District Court, South Carolina, to hear, determine, and render judgment upon the claim of the board of trustees of the Saunders Memorial Hospital.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 198) was laid on the table May 31, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 6111).

H. R. 1264.—For the relief of Lt. Col. John P. Maher.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 537) was referred to the Committee on Claims April 20, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 4259).

H. R. 1469.—For the relief of Cox Bros.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 762) was referred to the Committee on Claims July 31, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10659).

H. R. 1480.—For relief of S. G. Leoffler Operating Co., Washington, D. C.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 759) was referred to the Committee on Claims July 31, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10570).

H. R. 1489.—For the relief of Harold B. Alden and Walter E. Strohm.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 498) was referred to the Committee on Claims March 8, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 2060).

H. R. 1498.—An act to correct the naval record of former members of the crews of the revenue cutters *Algonquin* and *Onondaga*.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 763) was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs August 1, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10660).

H. R. 1980.—For the relief of Edward A. Zaj.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 536) was referred to the Committee on War Claims April 30, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 4260).

H. R. 2062.—For the relief of Dave Topper.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 539) was referred to the Committee on Claims April 26, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 4261).

H. R. 2423.—To authorize the exchange of lands acquired by the United States for the Silver Creek recreational demonstration project, Oregon, for the purpose of consolidating holdings therein, and for other purposes.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 764) was referred to the Committee on Public Lands August 2, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10772).

H. R. 2579.—For the relief of John G. Johnson.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 668) was referred to the Committee on Claims June 15, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 7006).

H. R. 2678.—Salish and Kootenai Tribes of Indians, Montana. Conferred upon the Court of Claims to hear, examine, adjudicate, and render judgment of any and all claims.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 685) was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs June 29, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 7998).

H. R. 3003.—For the relief of Mary G. Paul.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 538) was referred to the Committee on Claims April 26, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 4261).

H. R. 3158.—For the relief of Leonard J. Fox and Milford G. Fox, a partnership, doing business as Fox Co.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 751) was referred to the Committee on Claims July 27, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10326).

H. R. 3391.—Lawrence Portland Cement Co.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message was referred to the Committee on Claims June 29, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 7998).

H. R. 3400.—For the relief of Herbert W. Rogers.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 752) was referred to the Committee on Claims July 27, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10326).

H. R. 3480.—For the relief of Ruth L. Cummings.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 756) was referred to the Committee on Claims, July 27, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10400).

H. R. 3494.—For the relief of J. B. McCrary Co. of Atlanta, Ga.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 683) was referred to the Committee on Claims June 29, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 7998).

H. R. 3755.—To establish an Optometry Corps in the Medical Department of the Army.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 576) was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, May 9, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 4766).

H. R. 4458.—For the relief of Rosella J. Masters.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 755) was referred to the Committee on Claims July 29, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10400).

H. R. 4660.—A bill for the relief of Mrs. George Lanser and \$500 to Ensign Joseph Lanser, both of Elkhorn, Wis., in full settlement of all claims against the United States by reason of personal injuries, hospital and medical expenses, and loss of services sustained as the result of an accident involving a United States Navy bus, on August 26, 1944.

No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 767) was referred to the Committee on Claims on August 2, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10745).

- H. R. 4716.—For the relief of Charles B. Borell.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 667) was referred to the Committee on Claims June 15, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 7006).
- H. R. 4908.—To provide additional facilities for the mediation of labor disputes and for other purposes.
House voted to sustain the veto June 11, 1946: Yeas, 255; nays, 135. Message (H. Doc. 651) was referred to Committee on Labor (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 6678).
- H. R. 6042.—Price Control Act, amending and extending.
House voted to sustain the veto June 29, 1946: Yeas 173; nays, 142; not voting, 116. Message (H. Doc. 687) was referred to Committee on Banking and Currency (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 7997.)
- H. R. 6442.—For the relief of Elizabeth J. Patterson, Joy Patterson, and Roberta Patterson.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 766) was referred to the Committee on Claims August 2, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10746).
- H. J. Res. 225.—Known as Tidelands bill—to quiet the titles of respective States, and others, to lands beneath tidewaters, and lands beneath navigable waters within the boundaries of such States and to prevent further clouding of such titles.
House voted to sustain the veto August 2, 1946: Yeas, 139; nays, 95; not voting, 196. Message (H. Doc. 765) was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10745).

DISAPPROVALS (POCKETED)

- S. 334.—For the relief of the Trust Association of H. Kemper.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress. Letter of disapproval dated August 10, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10741).
- S. 528.—For the relief of Thaddeus C. Knight.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress. Letter of disapproval dated Aug. 12, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10742).
- S. 1198.—To authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell certain property in the State of Michigan now occupied by the Weather Bureau and to acquire land in the State of Michigan for the erection of a Weather Bureau station.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Congress. Letter of disapproval dated August 7, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10741).
- S. 1253.—To amend the Interstate Commerce Act as amended, and for other purposes.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Seventy-ninth Congress. Letter of disapproval dated August 13, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10743).
- S. 1277.—To adjudicate claim of William S. Brown.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Seventy-ninth Congress. Letter of disapproval dated August 8, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10742).

- S. 1731.—A bill for the relief of Lester A. Dessez.
Vetoed after adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress. Letter of disapproval dated August 7, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10742).
- H. R. 957.—An act for the relief of Margaret Dunn.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress. Letter of disapproval dated August 8, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10790).
- H. R. 1088.—For the relief of the Eastern Contracting Co.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress. Letter of disapproval dated August 9, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10791).
- H. R. 1570.—For the relief of Edward Pittwood.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Congress. Letter of disapproval dated August 8, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10790).
- H. R. 2161.—To adjudicate the claims of Algernon Blair.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Seventy-ninth Congress August 13, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10784).
- H. R. 2736.—For the relief of Norman Abbott.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress. Letter of disapproval dated August 8, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10790).
- H. R. 4362.—To abolish Parker River National Wildlife Refuge in Essex County, Mass.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Seventy-ninth Congress August 16, 1946 (Final House Calendar, History of Legislation, 79th Cong., p. 97).
- H. R. 4428.—To adjust the rate of dividends paid by Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation on its capital stock and to decrease the premium charge for its insurance.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Congress August 14, 1946 (Final House Calendar, History of Legislation, 79th Cong., p. 98).
- H. R. 4435.—To establish the Theodore Roosevelt National Park; to erect a monument in memory of Theodore Roosevelt in the village of Medora, N. Dak.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress. Letter of disapproval dated August 9, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10791).
- H. R. 5654.—To provide basic authority for performance of certain functions and activities of the Bureau of Reclamation.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Seventy-ninth Congress August 14, 1946 (Final House Calendar, History of Legislation, 79th Cong., p. 98).
- H. R. 6536.—For the relief of Southwestern Sand & Gravel Co.
Vetoed after the adjournment of the Seventy-ninth Congress. Letter of disapproval dated August 8, 1946 (Cong. Rec., pr., p. 10789).

EIGHTIETH CONGRESS

January 3, 1947, to July 27, 1947

FIRST SESSION

- S. 403.—Authorizing the issuance of a patent in fee to Gideon Peon.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 100) was referred to Committee on Public Lands July 25, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr.,¹ p. 10370).
- S. 423.—For the relief of John B. Barton.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 72) was referred to Committee on the Judiciary June 30, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 8064).
- S. 484.—To authorize issuance of patent in fee to certain land to Joseph J. Pickett.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 99) was referred to Committee on Public Lands July 25, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 10370).
- S. 814.—Wool Act, 1947.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 68) was referred to Committee on Agriculture and Forestry June 26, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 7847).
- S. 1231.—To authorize and direct Commissioner of Public Buildings to determine the fair market value of Fidelity Building in Kansas City, Mo.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 77) was referred to the Committee on Public Works July 16, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 9295).
- S. J. Res. 97.—Relative to employment of special counsel by Special Committee To Investigate National Defense.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (S. Doc. 45) was ordered to lie on the table April 22, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 3945).
- H. R. 1.—To reduce income-tax payments.
House voted to sustain the veto, June 17, 1947: Yeas, 268; nays, 137; not voting, 24. Message (H. Doc. 322) was referred to Committee on Ways and Means (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 7297).
- H. R. 617.—For the relief of James Harry Martin.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 377) was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary July 2, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 8224).
- H. R. 723.—For the relief of the legal guardian of Hunter A. Hoagland, a minor.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 368) was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary June 27, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 7989).
- H. R. 2199.—To issue patent in fee to Henry Big Day.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 262) was referred to the Committee on Public Lands May 20, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 5627).

¹ "tr" refers to temporary edition of the Congressional Record.

- H. R. 2306.—For the relief of Myrtle Ruth Osborne and Jessie A. Walts.
No attempt was made to override the President's veto; the message (H. Doc. 413) was referred to Committee on the Judiciary July 24, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 10069).
- H. R. 3020.—Labor Management Relations Act, 1947.
House voted to override the veto June 20, 1947: Yeas, 331; nays, 83; not voting, 14 (two-thirds voting in favor of bill, the bill passed the House) (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 7504). Message (H. Doc. 334) referred to Senate. Senate voted to override veto June 23, 1947: Yeas, 68; nays, 25; not voting, 2 (two-thirds voting in favor of bill, it passed the Senate and became Public Law 101) (Cong. Rec., tr., p. 7692).
- H. R. 3950.—To reduce individual income-tax payments.
House voted to override the veto July 18, 1947: Yeas, 299; nays, 108; not voting, 23. Senate voted to sustain the veto July 18, 1947: Yeas, 57; nays, 36; not voting, 2. Message (H. Doc. 47) was referred to be printed (Cong. Rec., tr., pp. 9448, 9468).
- DISAPPROVALS (POCKETED)
- S. 526.—National Science Foundation Act, 1947.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 6, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4442).
- S. 892.—For the payment of claims of Fidelity Trust Co., Baltimore, Md.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 8, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4443).
- H. R. 597.—To protect American agriculture, horticulture, livestock, and the public health by prohibiting the unauthorized importation into or the depositing in the territorial waters of United States of garbage derived from products originating outside the continental United States.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 7, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4450).
- H. R. 642.—For the relief of Frank F. Miles.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 5, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4450).
- H. R. 673.—To repeal certain provisions authorizing the establishing of priorities in transportation by merchant vessels.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 6, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4451).
- H. R. 704.—For the relief of Mary Jane Sherman.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 1, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4451).
- H. R. 981.—To amend section 2 of the act of January 29, 1942, relating to the refund of taxes illegally paid by Indian citizens.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated July 30, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4451).

- H. R. 1180.—To authorize coinage of 50-cent pieces in commemoration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the admission of Wisconsin into the Union as a State.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated July 31, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4451).
- H. R. 1502.—For the relief of Herman Trahn.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated July 30, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4452).
- H. R. 1534.—For the relief of Graf, Washborne & Dunn.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 6, 1947. (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4452).
- H. R. 1602.—To establish within the Department of the Interior a National Minerals Resources Division and for other purposes.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 8, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4453).
- H. R. 1730.—For the relief of Beulah Hart.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 5, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4453).
- H. R. 1810.—To amend the Criminal Code to permit certain referees in bankruptcy to prosecute claims against the United States before the courts and executive departments and agencies.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 5, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4454).
- H. R. 2331.—To amend section 20a of Interstate Act relating to railroad securities.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated July 30, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4454).
- H. R. 2432.—For the relief of Harry V. Ball.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 4, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4455).
- H. R. 2471.—To provide for periodical reimbursement of the general fund of the District of Columbia for certain expenditures made for the compensation, uniforms, equipment, and other expenses of the United States Park Police force.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 4, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4455).
- H. R. 2693.—For the relief of public utility district No. 1 of Cowlitz County, Wash.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 8, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4455).

- H. R. 3332.—Creating St. Lawrence Bridge Commission and authorizing said Commission to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across St. Lawrence River at or near Ogdensburg, N. Y.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 7, 1947 (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4456).
- H. R. 3997.—To exclude certain vendors of newspapers or magazines from certain provisions of the Social Security Act and Internal Revenue Code.
Vetoed after the adjournment of Eightieth Congress, first session. Letter of disapproval dated August 6, 1947. (Cong. Rec., tr., p. A4456).

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Speech

Rep. Convocation

June 22

Mr. Arthur L. Palmer
California Hotel
324 East Ocean Boulevard
Long Beach 2, California

Dear Art:

Thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing me and sending along the article in the Los Angeles Examiner.

I am glad to know Harry is recovering from his illness. Please give him my warmest regards.

With all good wishes to both of you, I

am

Cordially yours

KENNETH S. WHERRY

KSW:f*

July 20, 1948



CALIFORNIA HOTEL

324 East Ocean Boulevard
LONG BEACH 2, CALIFORNIA

July 20, 1948.

Hon. Kenneth S. Wherry,
Senator from Nebraska,
Senate Office Building,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Kenneth:

Enclosed is the front page of the Los Angeles EXAMINER, 6-23-48, with photograph, featuring Wherry in action addressing Convention. Even if some service has supplied this to you before, an extra always comes in handy.

Crop and political prospects are good. Surely, the Democrats have T-B, and will wither away. Our Nebraska visitors and letters confirm the foregoing.

Harry is recovering from a pernicious anemia that was near fatal, baffled the civilian doctors, and owes his life to the U. S. Naval Hospital and medical staff here. They had the leading American and British blood specialists examine him and lecture the Navy doctors using Harry as exhibit.

The Beta boys at Lincoln seem to be doing well. I suppose you get the reports and booklets. I've been a member 40 years now.

Regards to Taft, Brewster, Kem, my Harvard classmates. Our warmest and best to you.

Sincerely, in - kai -

Art.
Arthur L. Palmer.

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Special Session

Housing

August 6, 1948

Mr. W. J. Kirkbridge
402 South 41st Street
Omaha, Nebraska

Dear Walter:

First let me thank you for both your telephone call and the trouble you have taken to pen out your suggestions which reached my desk a few days ago.

Generally speaking the strategy of the Republicans in Congress is in line with your suggestion on the housing questions. The purpose for calling hearings particularly in the House Committee is to provide a sounding board for bringing out the true facts so that the people will have the best chance of recognizing the fallacy in the present housing proposal. It is hoped that material which can be boiled down and distilled for further use will result.

I am not so sure of the benefit to be gained nor the best procedure to follow on your second suggestion concerning cost-plus contracts. This would involve a considerable invasion of federal control into the field of private contractual relations. It is certainly worth thinking over, however, and I shall make it a point to discuss it with some of the boys who are particularly working on the housing problem. The fact that you have offered it for consideration is certainly constructive.

The main facts as I see them on housing are that we are building at above the maximum efficient rate considering the supply of labor and materials at the present time. Further artificial stimulation can only result in competition among contractors which will result in driving the cost of housing higher rather than producing more total units. I think the housing problem at the moment is more one of price than of volume. Maybe I am wrong. At least that is the way I see it.

With all good wishes, I am

Cordially yours

KENNETH S. WHERRY

United States Senator

July 29th

Kenneth C. Culley

Washington D.C.

Dear Ken,

I understand that Housing is to come up for consideration in this present special session.

There are two very definite causes of the high cost of new & rebuilt homes.

1- Labor cost. Brick layers for instance formerly laid three times as many bricks for a third of the cost, your clerks can get the correct data on it, other technical labor is in proportion, Plumbers, for instance. Who caused that condition? The present administration. Let's put it in their lap.

Here is how it could be done. Get a Senator who is strictly from Rural areas, or Congress man, to lay it all out on the records ^{from the floor.} Put the blame where it belongs. Then, some good princely Senator or Congress man, defend housing, labor, & fix it. In the mean time, smooth things over, eat, In the mean while it is in the records & that will

bring out damaging evidence that
People who need housing will be
very sensitive about, & essentially
good camp aigh material. Carefully
Planned debate with facts, on the floor
will put the Kitten right in Furman's
lap, also Labor's, with out crucifying
any candidate in industrial areas.

2 = Cost Plus Contracts, should be
eliminated, by law, in regard to
Housing. A contractor should be made
responsible. Slow downs, extras, increases
in any cost, make more profit for the
Contractors. Recent prosecutions in New York
showed the margins, material men, picture
men & Contractors are taking.

A recent dwelling remodeling job done
by one of our men, cost three times the
estimate. It's true every where. Squeeze
those excess costs out of Housing &
get a fair days work out of labor & you
will build houses that folks can buy.
Give me your Reaction to this Procedure.

I talked to Ebla & told her I would go
all out for "Ken" this fall. Regards to Loren too
402 80 41 St. Omaha Sincerely "Kii-K".

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JOSEPH L. EGAN
PRESIDENT

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Mr. Charles J. Regan
Interstate Bakeries Corporation
40 East Garfield Boulevard
Chicago 15, Illinois

Dear Chuck:

Thanks a million for your thoughtfulness
in sending the clippings concerning my speech in
Philadelphia. With all the convention activities,
it was difficult for me to read the various papers.
The response to my speech was most gratifying.

With all good wishes, I am

Cordially yours

KENNETH S. WHERRY

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40 EAST GARFIELD BLVD.
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June 24, 1948

Senator Kenneth S. Wherry
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Kenneth:

Indeed I was not at all surprised at the very enthusiastic ovation following your splendid talk; however, just thought you might be interested in perusing what the Tribune Press had to say.

The enclosed clippings are from the Wednesday, June 23, issue of the Chicago Tribune.

My best and -- kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Charles J. Regan:bm
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Natl Republican Speech

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June 9, 1948.

Mr. Walter S. Hallanan,
Chairman, Committee on Arrangements,
Republican National Convention,
Bellevue-Stratford Hotel,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Walter:

Thank you very much for your telegram of June 7, inviting me to deliver a fifteen-minute address at the opening session of the Republican National Convention on Tuesday morning, June 22. It will be an honor and a privilege for me to accept.

With all good wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

KENNETH S. WHERRY

KSW:ER

VETOES

PRESIDENT FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

From March 9, 1933, to May 9, 1936. (3 years and 2 months.)

Seventy-third Congress	REGULAR	POCKET
1st Session—March 9, 1933, to June 15, 1933.		1
2d session—January 3, 1934, to June 18, 1934.....	19	53
Seventy-fourth Congress		
1st session—January 3, 1935, to Aug. 26, 1935.....	35	28
2d session— January 3, 1936, to May 9, 1936.....	<u>34</u>	
Totals	88	82

Total regular and pocket vetoes
From March 9, 1933, to May 9, 1936 (3 yrs., 2 mos.).....170

Total number of Vetoes of President Roosevelt from
March 9, 1933, to his death April 12, 1945.....631.

VETOES OF PRESIDENT TRUMAN

(From April 12, 1945, to June 12, 1948) (3 years and 2 months)

Seventy-ninth Congress	Regular	Pocket
April 12, 1945, to January 3, 1947.....	54	20
Eightieth Congress		
1st session (1947)	13	19
2d session (to June 12, 1948).....	<u>24</u>	
Total regular and pocket vetoes	91	39
Total.....	130.	

Total number of vetoes of President Cleveland (8 yrs.) 584
 Total number of vetoes of President F. D. Roosevelt 631.
 Total number of vetoes of President Truman to June 12, 1948... 130.

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HONORABLE KENNETH S WHERRY=

UNITED STATES SENATE=

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS I AM INVITING YOU TO DELIVER AN ADDRESS OF FIFTEEN MINUTES AT THE OPENING SESSION OF THE NATIONAL CONVENTION ON TUESDAY MORNING JUNE 22ND YOUR ADDRESS WILL BE CARRIED ON FOUR NETWORKS BROADCASTS I HOPE I MAY HAVE YOUR ACCEPTANCE=

WALTER S HALLANAN CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS.

TWENTY-FOURTH
REPUBLICAN
NATIONAL
CONVENTION

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
June 21, 1948



ORDER *of*
BUSINESS



Because of radio commitments, all sessions of Convention must commence on time. Delegates and Alternates are requested to be in their seats promptly.

— *Official Program* —
REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

MONDAY, JUNE 21, 1948 — 11:00 A. M. (D.S.T.)

Convention Called to Order, 11:00 A. M. by Honorable Walter S. Hallanan, West Virginia—Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements of the Republican National Committee
Singing of the National Anthem
Invocation by the Reverend Fred Pierce Corson, Bishop of the Methodist Church, Resident in Philadelphia
Call for Convention read by Mrs. Dudley C. Hay, Michigan, Secretary of the Republican National Committee
Address of Welcome on behalf of the City of Philadelphia by the Honorable Bernard Samuel, Mayor of Philadelphia
Music by Quartette
Address of Welcome on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by the Honorable James H. Duff, Governor of Pennsylvania
Presentation of Temporary Roll
Presentation of Honorable Carroll Reece, Tennessee, Chairman of the Republican National Committee
Address by Chairman Reece
Selection of Committees on:
 Credentials
 Resolutions
 Permanent Organization
 Rules and Order of Business
Election of Temporary Officers
Appointment of Committee to Escort Temporary Chairman to the Chair
Recess until 9:00 P. M.

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MONDAY, JUNE 21, 1948 — 9:00 P. M. (D.S.T.)

Convention Called to Order by Chairman of the Republican National Committee, Honorable Carroll Reece
Singing of the National Anthem
Invocation by His Eminence Dennis Cardinal Dougherty, Archbishop of Philadelphia
Music
Introduction of Temporary Chairman
Keynote Address by Honorable Dwight H. Green, Governor of Illinois
Address by Mrs. Clare Boothe Luce, of Connecticut
Miscellaneous Business
Adjournment until 11:00 A. M., June 22

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TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 1948 — 11:00 A. M. (D.S.T.)

Convention Called to Order by the Temporary Chairman, Honorable Dwight H. Green, Governor of Illinois
Singing of the National Anthem
Invocation by the Reverend H. M. Wyrick, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Barberton, Ohio
Address by Honorable Kenneth S. Wherry, United States Senator from Nebraska
Music
Address by Mrs. Frances P. Bolton, Member of Congress, from the State of Ohio
Quartette
Address by Honorable Raymond E. Baldwin, United States Senator from Connecticut
Address by Honorable Hobson Reynolds, Magistrate, City of Philadelphia
Report of the Committee on Credentials
Report of the Committee on Rules and Order of Business
Report of Committee on Permanent Organization
Election of Permanent Chairman and Permanent Officers of the Convention
Appointment of Committee to escort Permanent Chairman to the Chair
Recess until 9:00 P. M. (D.S.T.)

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TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 1948 — 9:00 P. M. (D.S.T.)

Convention Called to Order by the Temporary Chairman, Honorable Dwight H. Green, Governor of Illinois
Singing of the National Anthem
Invocation by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of the Temple of Cleveland, Ohio
Music: God Bless America
Introduction of the Permanent Chairman of the Convention
Address of the Permanent Chairman
Presentation of the Honorable Herbert Hoover, former President of the United States
Address by Mrs. Katharine St. George, Member of Congress from the State of New York
Adjournment until Wednesday, June 23, 1948—11:00 A. M.

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Because of radio commitments, all sessions of Convention must commence on time. Delegates and Alternates are requested to be in their seats promptly.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 1948 — 11:00 A. M. (D.S.T.)

Convention Called to Order by Permanent Chairman
Singing of the National Anthem
Invocation by Doctor A. Preston Shaw, Bishop Methodist
Episcopal Church, Baltimore, Maryland
Music
Address by Honorable Charles A. Halleck of Indiana, Majority
Leader of the House of Representatives
Address by Mrs. Robert W. Maccauley, Assistant Chairman
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Address by Honorable Ralph Becker, President of the National
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Address by Honorable Harry P. Cain, United States Senator
from Washington
Report of the Committee on Resolutions
Roll Call of States for nominations for President of the United
States
Nominations for President of the United States
Recess until 9:00 P. M.

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 1948 — 9:00 P. M. (D.S.T.)

Convention Called to Order by Permanent Chairman
Singing of the National Anthem
Invocation by Reverend Joseph Clair Hoffman, Pastor of the
Christ Methodist Church of Charleston, West Virginia
Music
Roll Call of States for selection of a nominee for President of
the United States
Adjournment until 11:00 A. M., June 24

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Singing of the National Anthem
Invocation by Doctor Walter A. Maier, Concordia Theological
Seminary of St. Louis, Missouri (Speaker, National
Lutheran Hour)
Music
Roll Call of States for nominations for Vice President of the
United States
Nominations for Vice President of the United States
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of the United States
Election of National Committee and announcements of meet-
ing for organization
Appointment of Committee to notify Candidate for President
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President
Adjournment

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Because of radio commitments, all sessions of Convention must commence on
time. Delegates and Alternates are requested to be in their seats promptly.

United States Senate

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Wherry:

Concerning the telephone conversation with Walter Hallanan, you are to make a 15-20 minute speech opening the convention Tuesday morning on "The Record of the Republican Party". The speech will be on the four networks. It will follow the Monday night speech of Governor Greene.

Details and time will be sent you in a couple of days. Bill Murphy of the Publicity Department of the Republican National Committee, will assist you in any way you desire.

Mr. Hallanan is assigning a car and chauffeur for you during your entire stay at the convention.

He said to advise you that you had been his selection for the keynote address but it finally developed that they had to take care of the governor's group, and this is why Greene was selected.

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June 21
Speech File

June 28, 1948

Mr. Walter W. White
The Lincoln Star
Lincoln, Nebraska

Dear Walter:

One of the most gratifying reactions to my speech on the second day of the Republican National Convention at Philadelphia was the story written by Jimmy Lawrence which appeared on Page 1 of your June 22nd edition of the Lincoln Star.

It was most thoughtful of you to send it to me and I deeply appreciate it. Will you also express my thanks to Jim.

With personal good wishes, I am

Cordially yours

KENNETH S. WHERRY

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'We Have Kept Our Promises,' Senator Wherry Declares In Praising Accomplishments of the Republican Congress

Following is the address of U. S. Senator Kenneth S. Wherry at the Republican National Convention:

It is with profound respect and full understanding of the history-making decisions which this timely Republican convention must resolve, that I accept the assignment to review for you the accomplishments of the 80th Congress under our Republican stewardship.

The 80th Congress now is history. Its constructive program will stand the acid test of public approval. It is undeniable proof of our sincerity.

This invitation provides a golden opportunity to frankly discuss with you our record and to remind you of your responsibility to make that record known to the people back home.

Many of you have been doorbell ringers. So have I. You have canvassed up and down the street. You have carried the Republican cause to the grassroots. You have been chosen to represent the people in this most important of all political conventions, and before you leave you will adopt a platform and nominate a ticket that will move our party into the White House in 1949.

True Liberal Party

We know the Republican Party is the liberal party. There is all the difference in the world between liberalism and New Dealism.

Ours is the only party that has held firmly to the faith of the founding fathers, a faith in the dignity, genius, initiative and the sovereignty of the people.

You are assembled in a free, open convention. It is here, through the free republican processes that you will declare anew our principles, policies and objectives in their application to the momentous issues that confront our beloved Nation.

No clique of alien-minded radicals has captured control of the Republican Party. Ours is the united, forward-looking party. It is the only safe, sound medium through which the will of the people may be translated into action.

In contrast, the American people are offered a warring, quarrelsome, bolt-ridden and disrupted opposition; an opposition of radical left-wing New Dealers who seek to regiment and push around as they please 145,000,000 free American citizens.

Same Old Pattern

The New Deal continues to follow the same old pattern. Calloused by years of gathering unto themselves dictatorial power, the executive branch once again has had the affrontery to dip into the public treasury to finance a purely political junket across the country.

To fool the taxpayer, it was called a "non-political, bi-partisan mission."

No one was fooled. The people knew he was riding around the country scolding and apologizing as he went on a barnstorming campaign blaming Congress for the mistakes and failures of his own Administration.

It's the same old technique. "Fudge the Congress. I am for the people," says the President.

Has the President forgotten all about States' rights?

Has he forgotten that the people elected the Congress?

Fellow Americans, the high office of President of the United States deserves a man of stature above that of a common scold.

It is up to you to see that the people make that decision in November.

For the first time in more than a decade, there has been excellent co-

operation between the Houses of Congress. You delegates and the American people can be proud of the constructive legislation passed by the 80th Congress despite the almost constant opposition of the President.

Excellent Co-operation

Here are some of the major bills which we have passed:

Tax reduction; sensible labor-management relations; a balanced budget; scores of veterans' bills, calling for \$850,000,000 in appropriations; extension of the farm program to insure stability for our American farmers; national defense—including unification, expansion and strengthening of all of our military defenses with special emphasis on air power as our first line of defense; housing got the green light by our removal of hampering controls.

The extension of an improved Reciprocal Trade Agreement Act; extension and expansion of social security and additional benefits for millions of needy children, the aged and the blind. An amendment providing admission for more than 200,000 displaced persons; revision of the Presidential Succession Act and the submission for ratification by the State Legislatures of a Constitutional amendment for a two-term Presidential limitation; legislation to streamline and Modernize Congress and the executive department of our Government; a generous program of American aid to rehabilitate other nations of the world in a mutual effort to stop the expansion of Communism.

Teamwork Praised

Such outstanding major legislation was made possible only by the excellent teamwork and unity of our Republican members in Congress.

And more will be accomplished when we have the co-operation of a Republican President.

It is an amazing fact, that President Truman has vetoed nearly as many measures as did the record-setter, President Grover Cleveland. An the end is not.

You will recall that after the 1946 elections, the President promised the American people that he would abide by the will of the majority and co-operate with the Congress.

He has not kept that solemn pledge.

He has abused the Presidential veto power, the weapon of the minority, to oppose and block the will of the people and their elected representatives.

Vetoes seem to be the order of the day. Moscow vetoes in the United Nations. Truman vetoes in Washington. The people will veto in November.

Record of Congress

Now let's take a look at the record. On December 5, 1945, the Republican members of Congress adopted a statement of principles and objectives on which the 1946 elections were determined. We said:

"Wartime limitations, restrictions, and controls must be removed. The instant a right or liberty can be returned to the people, it shall be returned. Neither the war nor any other excuse shall be justification for fastening regimentation permanently upon the American people."

Fellow Americans, we have kept that pledge!

This was true, notwithstanding the President stubbornly resisted Congress. In one breath he denounced Government controls, Gov-

ernment price-fixing and rationing as the methods of the police state. In the next breath, he asked Congress for power and more power so that he might regiment and control.

But the 80th Congress boldly broke the shackles fastened upon the people by the New Dealers in Washington. When the war ended there were more than 76,000 Government orders, rules, regulations, and directives, that were choking industry, stifling initiative. The Nation had directive indigestion. The people demanded elimination of OPA. Thousands of these orders and directives have been repealed. Across the Nation the ground-swell of relief was reflected in industry, agriculture, mining, and all segments of our economy. And last year, the American people did the greatest dollar volume of business, and produced the highest national income, in all the Nation's history. Let me repeat. They did all this without controls.

Cause of High Prices

Nor let anyone tell you, fellow Americans, that lifting of controls caused high prices. The failures and incompetence of the New Deal Administration are responsible for high prices. In a nutshell, the causes are:

Deficit spending and other loose fiscal policies.

Constantly increasing Government expenditures.

Failures in foreign policy that have made it necessary to distribute more than \$20,000,000,000 in cash and goods to foreign countries; commodities that otherwise would be available for our own people; and expansion of our defenses made necessary by the bungling of the Administration's foreign policy.

All of these causes for high prices must be laid at President Truman's door. He has fired the boilers of inflation. In November he will face the gray ashes of defeat.

In December, 1945, Congressional Republicans likewise declared themselves on labor management relations. This is what we said:

"We reaffirm our belief that the right of labor to organize and bargain collectively with employers is one of the cornerstones of competitive enterprise. The processes of such bargaining must be protected and strengthened if we are to have real jobs and prosperity for all."

We have kept that pledge!

Predictions Ridiculous

The Truman Administration predicted at the end of the war there would be 10,000,000 unemployed. The President himself anticipated a slump in business and asked Congress to prepare for it. These predictions were ridiculous. Instead of men walking the streets looking for jobs, they are today looking for things to buy.

In 1946 before the 80th Congress took over, work stoppages reached an all-time high—a total of 100,800,000 thousand work hours. Subsequently, the Labor-Management Relations Act was passed over a petulant veto by President Truman. Work stoppages diminished. The

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People Not Fooled

The American people will not swallow misrepresentation concerning the 1948 tax bill. They are not fooled by political bromides. Every one of us is enjoying the benefits of additional money in our pocket because your 80th Congress prevailed over the President's bitter opposition. Tax relief is the best tonic I know to keep our free American system strong.

We need a man in the White House who understands this truth—and who has faith in our free enterprise system.

In December, 1945, your Republican Congress told the people it was their objective to cut the cost of government. This is what we said in our Declaration of Principles:

"The solvency of our Government must be assured. Outlay must be brought in line with income. Economy in Government spending must be achieved. Extravagant Government spending now advocated by the Administration in every field can lead only to ruin."

Pledge Kept

We have kept that pledge! For the first time in 16 years the budget is in balance. For the fiscal year 1948, there is a surplus of more than \$7,000,000,000. Instead of the deficits anticipated by the President, your Congress has topped billions of dollars from his pork-barrel budgets for Government expenditures. As bait for votes from the pressure groups, the President demanded that Congress approve a spending program that would add more than \$20,000,000,000 a year to our Federal budget. He is impaled on his own record. His record is a consistent series of demands for more taxes, more job holders, more vote-catching projects, more political emergencies, and more and more costly Federal authority—all of these without regard to the hazards of national bankruptcy.

The economy-minded Republican Congress has called a halt on big government. We will continue to turn the flanks on the army of New Deal spenders.

Once again I refer to the December, 1945, conference for our position on foreign affairs. This is what we said:

"We support the United Nations organization for international peace. We look with particular hope to the general assembly as the 'town meeting of the world' wherein the organized conscience of mankind shall find effective expression in behalf of peace with justice."

Our statement went on to say that we would engage in essential

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We need a man in the White House who understands this truth—and who has faith in our free enterprise system.

In December, 1945, your Republican Congress told the people it was their objective to cut the cost of government. This is what we said in our Declaration of Principles:

"The solvency of our Government must be assured. Outlay must be brought in line with income. Economy in Government spending must be achieved. Extravagant Government spending now advocated by the Administration in every field can lead only to ruin."

Pledge Kept

We have kept that pledge! For the first time in 16 years the budget is in balance. For the fiscal year 1948, there is a surplus of more than \$7,000,000,000. Instead of the deficits anticipated by the President, your Congress has lopped billions of dollars from his pork-barrel budgets for Government expenditures. As bait for votes from the pressure groups, the President demanded that Congress approve a spending program that would add more than \$20,000,000,000 a year to our Federal budget. He is impaled on his own record. His record is a consistent series of demands for more taxes, more job holders, more vote-catching projects, more political emergencies, and more and more costly Federal authority—all of these without regard to the hazards of national bankruptcy.

The economy-minded Republican Congress has called a halt on big government. We will continue to turn the flanks on the army of New Deal spenders.

Once again I refer to the December, 1945, conference for our position on foreign affairs. This is what we said:

"We support the United Nations organization for international peace. We look with particular hope to the general assembly as the 'town meeting of the world' wherein the organized conscience of mankind shall find effective expression in behalf of peace with justice."

Our statement went on to say that we would engage in essential

international relief as the humanitarian obligation and to prevent chaos through misery; that we would help other nations rehabilitate themselves; and that we would do all we could to help small nations maintain the governments of their choice and to be free of outside aggression.

All these pledges we have kept. We have worked faithfully to discharge these clear-cut obligations, but the accomplishment has been immeasurably more difficult because of the secret and short-sighted agreements assumed by the New Deal administrations at Quebec, Yalta, Tehran and Potsdam. In the passing of time, the revelation of these commitments has disclosed how tragic was the failure to perfect a clear-cut American foreign policy, when for a brief moment at the hour of victory we held the destiny of the world in our hands. When a devastated world cried out for American statesmanship, it was not forthcoming. Our representatives were duped, they were out-bargained, they were led into commitments which today stand as road-blocks in the path we now have determined is the true course to world peace.

Notwithstanding the generosity of the American effort to feed the world's hungry and shelter its homeless, our success has been diluted and delayed because the Truman Administration clung too long to the stupid and now repudiated Morgenthau Plan for a de-industrialized Germany. The Republican leadership in Congress was never a party to this ill-conceived program. However, Republican influence was a mighty force in its ultimate abandonment. Our party and its representatives in Congress know that German recovery is the key to recovery for all of Europe. It is essential to our belated American policy to neutralize the threat of world Communism.

Let the record show there has been and will continue to be cooperation by the Republican majority in Congress with all Ameri-

cans of good-will in a fair and reasonable American foreign policy. But the Republican Party and its Congressional leadership have never been the appeasers of Soviet Russia.

If dictator Joe Stalin could cast the deciding ballot in November for President of the United States, I submit that he would not vote Republican.

Our Republican leaders have forced the issue of squarely meeting the threat of Communism at home as well as abroad. It is entirely understandable that the Communists resent American policy which thwarts their world ambition. But this does not mean that we cannot live together in a world where Communism yet exists within its own proper sphere. Nor does it mean that peaceful solutions are beyond our power. These purposes will be achieved under a Republican Administration which can speak with a firm but tolerant voice. And bear in mind, fellow Americans, a Republican Administration will come into the sphere of international affairs, without the deadening handicap of the mistakes of Tehran, Yalta and Potsdam which have rendered the Truman Administration impotent.

Thus, from this brief report of the accomplishments of your 80th Congress we come face to face with the issue which every real American must resolve for himself as he casts his ballot in November. This crucial issue is:

Shall government serve the people or shall government be their master?

The American people will not tolerate a fifth term of New Dealism in the White House. The American people have seen their liberties whittled away in a thousand different ways—grabbing here and grabbing there—through a constant insidious centralization of government in Washington.

All kinds of devices have been used to undermine our historic American way of life—to subordinate and destroy the traditional con-

cept that there shall be states rights and state sovereignty as an indivisible part of the American governmental pattern.

President Truman and the radical groups around him have little faith in American genius, courage, ability, initiative and enterprise.

There is a government of paternalism. There is a defeatist philosophy. Everything they have to offer is in complete contradiction of the traditional philosophy of the American people. In this crucial hour, the American people want opportunity, not alms. They want unity and purpose in their political leadership—not a vacillating Administration held together with baling wire and spendthrift patronage.

In each great hour of crisis, America has brought forth a leader equal to the responsibility of the occasion. The need for a leader was never greater than it is today—a leader who is grounded in the faith of our American tradition—a leader who will keep faith with America's future.

As I stand before you in this historic convention, I know that you, who represent so dynamic a cross-section of the people, who are America, will, before this convention concludes, bring forth that leader.

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Republican Convention Gathers Steam



SPEAKER FROM NEBRASKA—Senator Kenneth S. Wherry, Republican whip of the Senate, addresses morning session of GOP National Convention

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NO DULL MOMENTS—Unidentified delegate from Michigan has own way of reacting to convention tumult. Senator Vandenberg was entering hall at time



ALTERNATE DELEGATE from California, Harold Lloyd, of movie colony, greets a friend. He is backing candidacy of home state's Governor Earl Warren



FOOD FOR THOUGHT—Pennsylvania's caught in a moment of reflection. Earlier Ohio's Senator Taft, prompting sp

