

Mr. MAHON. Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question on the bill and amendment thereto to final passage. The previous question was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the amendment.

Mr. SCRIVNER. Mr. Speaker, I ask for a separate vote on the Sikes amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. There is only one amendment.

Mr. SCRIVNER. Mr. Speaker, there were actually three amendments.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. It is one amendment.

Mr. ALBERT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that further proceedings on this bill be put over until tomorrow.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oklahoma?

There was no objection.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

On May 23, 1958:

H. R. 358. An act to increase the monthly rates of pension payable to widows of deceased veterans of the Spanish-American War, Civil War, Indian War, and Mexican War, and provide pensions to widows of veterans who served in the military or naval forces of the Confederate States of America during the Civil War.

On May 27, 1958:

H. R. 5836. An act to establish a postal policy, to adjust postal rates, to adjust the compensation of postal employees, and for other purposes.

On May 29, 1958:

H. R. 1342. An act for the relief of Mrs. Helen Harvey;

H. R. 4445. An act for the relief of the estate of Mr. Shirley B. Stebbins;

H. R. 6765. An act to provide for reports on the acreage planted to cotton, to repeal the prohibitions against cotton acreage reports based on farmers' planting intentions, and for other purposes;

H. R. 6940. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to reimburse owners of lands acquired for developments under his jurisdiction for their moving expenses, and for other purposes;

H. R. 7645. An act to provide for the release of restrictions and reservations contained in instrument conveying certain land by the United States to the State of Wisconsin;

H. R. 7930. An act to correct certain inequities with respect to automatic step-increase anniversary dates and longevity step-increases of postal field service employees;

H. R. 8547. An act to authorize the disposal of certain uncompleted vessels;

H. R. 9012. An act for the relief of Alexander Grossman;

H. R. 9514. An act for the relief of Valleydale Packers, Inc.;

H. R. 9991. An act for the relief of Felix Garcia;

H. R. 9992. An act for the relief of James R. Martin and others; and

H. R. 11519. An act to authorize the use of naval vessels to determine the effect of newly developed weapons upon such vessels.

On June 4, 1958:

H. R. 1466. An act for the relief of Doctor Thomas B. Meade;

H. R. 4215. An act amending sections 22 and 24 of the Organic Act of Guam;

H. R. 6176. An act for the relief of Fouad George Baroody;

H. R. 6528. An act for the relief of Mrs. Lyman C. Murphey;

H. R. 6731. An act for the relief of Harry Slatkin;

H. R. 7203. An act for the relief of Dwight J. Brohard;

H. R. 8039. An act for the relief of Edward L. Munroe;

H. R. 8071. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Army to convey an easement over certain property of the United States located in Princess Anne County, Virginia, known as the Fort Story Military Reservation, to the Norfolk Southern Railway Co. in exchange for other lands and easements of said company;

H. R. 8493. An act for the relief of Capt. Laurence D. Talbot (retired);

H. R. 8448. An act for the relief of Willie C. Williams;

H. R. 8490. An act to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, with respect to rice acreage allotments;

H. R. 9109. An act for the relief of John A. Tierney;

H. R. 9362. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain real property of the United States to Post 924, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States;

H. R. 9395. An act for the relief of Cornelia V. Lane;

H. R. 9490. An act for the relief of Sidney A. Coven;

H. R. 9738. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to convey to the city of Macon, Ga., a parcel of land in the said city of Macon containing five and thirty-nine one-hundredths acres, more or less;

H. R. 9775. An act for the relief of William J. McGarry;

H. R. 10746. An act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1959, and for other purposes;

H. R. 12065. An act to provide for temporary additional unemployment compensation, and for other purposes;

H. R. 12356. An act to amend the act entitled "An act to authorize and direct the construction of bridges over the Potomac River, and for other purposes, approved August 30, 1954;

H. J. Res. 378. Joint resolution to authorize the President to proclaim annually the week which includes July 4 as "National Safe Boating Week"; and

H. J. Res. 586. Joint resolution to authorize the designation of the week beginning on October 13, 1958, as National Olympic Week.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate, by Mr. McGown, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate agrees to the amendment of the House to the bill, S. 734, an act entitled "An act to revise the basic compensation schedules of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, and for other purposes," with amendments.

FOR THE RELIEF OF HONG-TO DEW—VETO MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 393)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following veto mes-

sage from the President of the United States:

To the House of Representatives:

I am returning herewith, without my approval, H. R. 2763 "for the relief of Hong-to Dew."

This measure would require the Attorney General to pay to Hong-to Dew, a resident of Formosa, the sum of \$2,820.32, representing the proceeds of certain property vested as a consequence of World War II pursuant to the Trading With the Enemy Act.

Mr. Dew was born on Formosa in 1892 when it was Chinese territory. In 1895 Formosa was ceded to Japan by China and remained Japanese territory until the end of World War II. Because of his wartime residence on Formosa which was within the territory of a nation with which the United States was at war, the Office of Alien Property in 1950 and 1951 vested 102 shares of Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. stock which Mr. Dew had acquired during the course of his more than 30 years' employment by that company. The sum of \$2,820.32 represents the proceeds realized from the sale of these 102 shares by the United States.

Mr. Dew filed a claim for the administrative return of the vested stock in 1951. Under the Trading With the Enemy Act, Mr. Dew could receive a return only if after Pearl Harbor he had been substantially deprived of liberty pursuant to a Japanese law, decree, or regulation discriminating against political, racial, or religious groups. The evidence submitted by Mr. Dew, although showing some mistreatment at the hands of Japanese officials, failed to meet the requirements of the law. Accordingly, Mr. Dew's claim was denied.

Both the House and Senate reports on the bill recognize that Mr. Dew is not entitled to a return of the vested property under existing law. Relief is recommended notwithstanding this state of the law because of the action taken against Mr. Dew by the Japanese authorities.

In general, the vesting of alien-owned property under the Trading With the Enemy Act resulted from the owner's residence in enemy territory as distinguished from friendly or neutral territory, and not from his citizenship. Accordingly, there were many cases of vesting action, both before and after the cessation of hostilities in World War II, with respect to the property of individuals having nonenemy citizenship who were resident within enemy territory.

As deserving of sympathy as Mr. Dew's case may be, I nevertheless do not find adequate reason or justification for approving H. R. 2763, for to do so would be to grant preferential treatment to Mr. Dew by according to him a benefit which is denied by a statute of general application to others whose circumstances may be equally appealing.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 4, 1958.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The objections of the President will be spread at large upon the Journal, and, without