

Eighty-Third Congress Ends Session With Some Top Legislation Incomplete

By DON WHITEHEAD
WASHINGTON (AP)—At the stroke of midnight, the Republican-controlled United States Congress wrote final bills to a record of action and lethargy in helping President Eisenhower fulfil his campaign pledges.

But members left behind for their second session beginning Jan. 6—or a possible special meeting this fall—an imposing list of key measures which will make or break their record.

Many of the hottest potatoes, including some of the president's recommendations, were simply left in the bin. Others, on the advice of the president, were handed to study commissions for closer scrutiny.

This first session, of the first Congress in two decades to be Republican-controlled while a Republican was in the White

House, made a firm start toward edging away from the Democratic party's New Deal and Fair Deal philosophies.

ONLY A START

But even Republicans conceded it was only a start, and much of it at that achieved only with Democratic aid.

Eisenhower will give his own estimate of this session's achievements in a radio broadcast Thursday.

Monday night he sent letters of "warm thanks and appreciation" to the House of Representatives and Senate.

There was no hint in the letters of any chagrin over his biggest legislative misfire: a plea to boost the statutory debt limit.

With the debt now \$272,500,000,000 and more borrowing predicted, Eisenhower's fiscal leaders had been insistent that the statutory debt limit be raised from \$275,000,000,000 to \$290,000,000,000.

A special session in October or November was obviously in prospect. But Eisenhower said in his letters to the members of Congress: "I look forward to seeing all of you again in January."

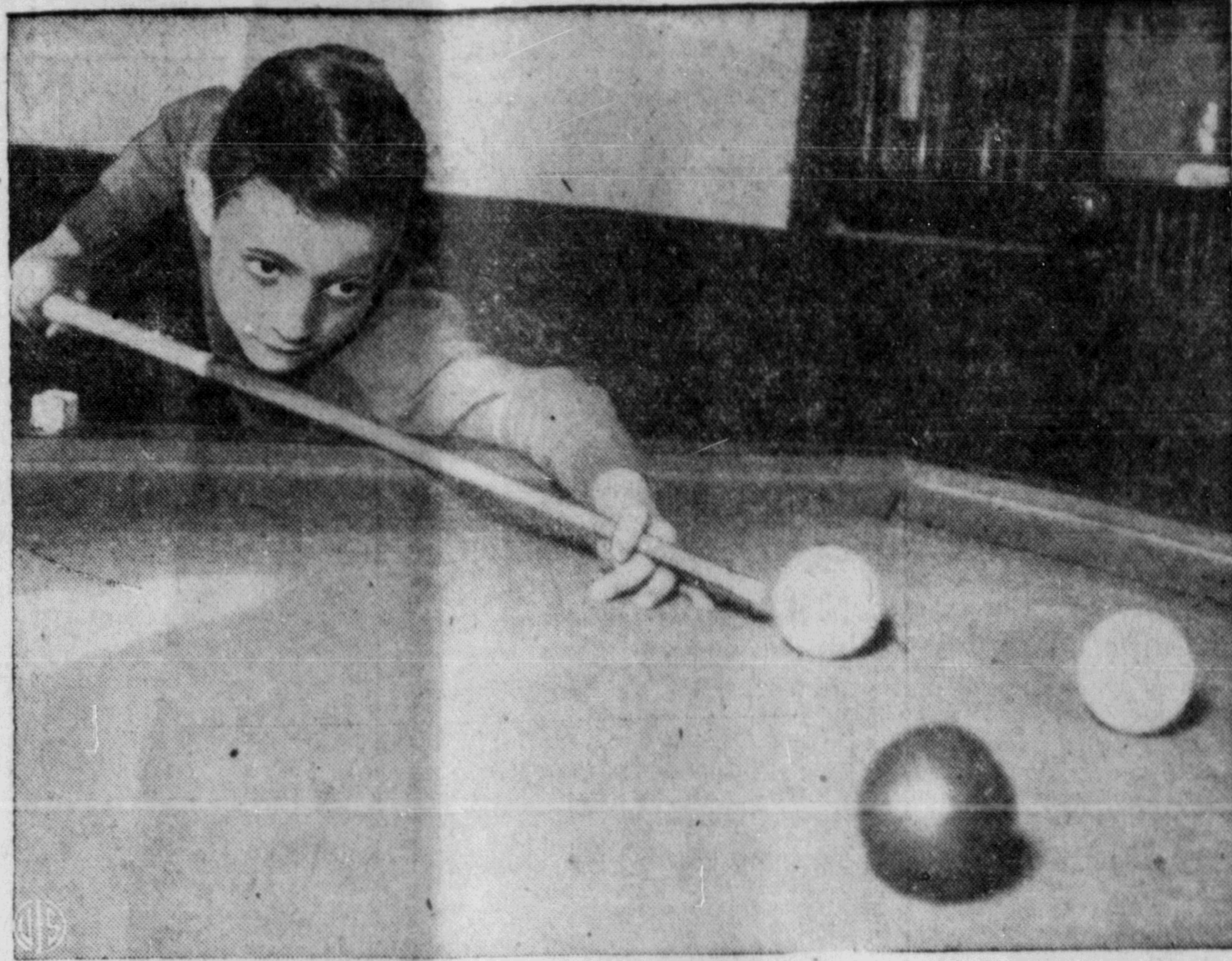
In the closing hours Congress pushed through final agreement on a \$53,500,000,000 program to finance the spending of the government and the armed services in the year which started July 1.

The bill was trimmed, but not enough to balance the budget. The outlook is that despite the cuts there will be a whopping \$5,800,000,000 deficit at the close of the fiscal year.

The money bills also included \$8,500,000,000 for military and economic aid to friendly nations, plus another \$200,000,000 for South Korean rehabilitation.

A Senate committee approved a bill calling for the U.S. to contribute \$100,000,000 toward joint construction with Canada of the St. Lawrence seaway. It was scheduled for debate next January.

Some of the major actions taken included dropping price and wage controls; extending rent controls in critical defence areas; and gave the president authority to send \$100,000,000 worth of food surpluses overseas to help feed hungry nations.



THE LITTLE CHAMP back of the cue ball is seven-year-old billiard ace Guy Delville of Roubaix, France, who inherited his mastery of the cue. He is the son of a seventeen-time national billiards champion of France.

India Sets Up Wild Life Board to Study Problem of Conserving Country's Big Game

By ADRIENNE FARRELL
NEW DELHI (Reuters)—Amateur hunters, prowling the countryside by night with high-powered rifles, are massacring India's wild life.

Herds of deer and nilgai (blue-bull) which used to roam freely through the jungles and fields of northern India, are being liquidated by poachers who hunt them down in the headlights of cars and jeeps with no regard to seasons, sex or size of the beasts they kill.

As the deer vanish, so the bigger game, tigers and panthers, robbed of their natural food, begin to raid villages, killing cattle. Some of them become man-eaters, so that expeditions have to be organized to hunt them down.

The problem of India's vanishing wild life is worrying naturalists here and governments in several of the states have already taken action to try to protect wild animals.

Some are already extinct. The last report of a wild canetta in India was several years ago, though in mogul times they used frequently to be caught and used as "hunting leopards" to catch game.

Lions, the symbol of India, now survive only in the forest of Saurashtra, where they are protected. They are the last lions in Asia. A census last year showed that there are only 250 left.

The rhinoceros, once on its way to extinction, has been protected for 40 years, and elephants are still numerous, despite the shrinking of forest areas.

To preserve the fauna of the country, the Indian government has set up a wild life board which will study the problems of conserving each species and draw strict regulations against illicit shooting.

Former Master of Sail Takes Wife and Family to Kamloops

KAMLOOPS, B.C. (CP)—Captain Seymour H. Biggs, 82, has cast anchor in Kamloops where he lives with his wife, daughter and son-in-law and two grandchildren.

Master of sail, he holds a master's square-rigged ticket of highest competency. He once took a sailing ship through the Straits of Magellan, which is a short cut for steamers around the southern tip of South America but is not considered suitable for sail.

On a West African trip years ago he took a baby parakeet from its nest and the bird has been his constant companion since.

During the depression years of the 1930's he was instrumental in helping hundreds of Canadian youths to get to England to join the Royal Air Force. His old friend, Dr. E. C. Hart, then coroner in Victoria, "agreed to give a physical check-up to my boys for \$2 each," says Captain Biggs. The news got around and boys came from many parts of Western Canada.

Water Rights Fight Resumes

GREAT FALLS, Mont. (AP)—The Montana-Canada fuss over water rights has broken out into the open again.

Canadian members of an international joint water commission were charged with being non-committal in conceding any share of the Waterton and Belly river water with Montana.

Attorney-General Arnold Olson of Montana made the charge in a Great Falls federal-state conference on sharing the waters which rise in Montana and flow into Alberta.

Montana wants to use the waters to recover thousands of acres of northern Montana land by irrigation.

"We have been stymied since 1948 on arriving at a real plan because of the Canadian attitude," Olson said.

"These waters are being traded off for something else the United States wants from Canada. It's been a one-way street and we've yielded every step of the way."

Hot Gasoline

AUCKLAND, N.Z. (CP)—Volcanic cones around this city have been extinct for years but citizens are wondering if they are as dead as they seem. Gasoline in underground tanks have been found to be hot and boring under one tank discolored with air emerging from a fissure.

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