

# Supporters now back watered down version of job bill

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WASHINGTON — Supporters of the Humphrey-Hawkins job bill, a major plank in the Democratic party platform, now are pushing a watered-down version of the measure because the original proposal drew too much opposition.

Rep. Augustus F. Hawkins, D-Calif., with Sen. Robert H. Humphrey, D-Minn., the sponsor of the bill, is trying to get the House Education and Labor Committee to approve the revised measure today. The bill had been passed in the House four days before Congress adjourns for the year on Oct. 3.

The committee passed an earlier version in July. However, that bill was blocked by the House leadership from coming to the House floor after the measure attracted a lot of political lightning.

The Republican National Convention and the bill as a prime example of what the GOP considered the tendency of congressional Democrats to spend huge amounts of tax money and to expand government. And

40 of the 61 Democratic freshmen asked the House leadership not to bring up the costly bill because it might hurt their re-election chances.

Under the bill, the president, Congress and the Federal Reserve would take various steps aimed at stimulating private industry to produce new jobs. To further close the unemployment gap, there would be public service jobs to employ those unable to find work elsewhere.

The Ford administration claims the bill would cost \$20 billion annually. Others estimate the cost from \$9 billion to \$15 billion.

It also has been criticized by some supporters of Democratic presidential nominee Jimmy Carter, and some liberal economists have said it might be inflationary.

Since the early summer, Republicans, labor and civil rights organizations have organized to resist the bill. That resistance is up for dramatic approval. An aide to Hawkins said the revisions have been suggested by Carter campaign aides and are being

presented with vigor by the AFL-CIO and other groups. These are the key changes:

—The goal of getting unemployment down to 3% within two years would be for a total only. The original 3% goal was to include persons between the ages of 18 and 20 as well as adults. By comparison, the August unemployment rate was 7.5%.

—The bill's mandate to plan ahead for balanced growth in the economy with full employment and minimal inflation would apply only to government planning. The original measure held the prospect of government planning for private business.

—An anti-inflationary section was inserted to set the goal of keeping the annual rate of consumer prices at the level they are at the time the bill is enacted into law.

—Providing government jobs to persons who can't find other work — the so-called "last resort" jobs — would be delayed until two years after the bill takes effect. These would be mainly lower skilled jobs.



Journal photo by Iva Lipfert

## Getting ready

Women of the United Methodist Church in Wilton prepare to feed some 400 persons who will stay in Wilton after Thursday's annual meeting of the Eastern Iowa Light and Power Cooperative. The rural

cooperative expects about 12,000 persons for the day, most of whom will be served a barbecue lunch. Bill hungry, some of those will stay and wind up at the church eating the chickens prepared by the women. More pictures of RSCC preparations appear on page two.

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# Defector to come to U.S.



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TOKYO — The Soviet air force pilot who landed in Alaska last July in northern Japan will leave for the United States in a day or two unless some unexpected development delays his departure, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said today.

The pilot, Lt. Viktor Belenko, 30, was taken after he surreptitiously landed Monday that he wanted asylum in the United States. The U.S. Embassy declined to comment, but White House press secretary Tim Wines said reports in Washington.

"If the pilot requests asylum in the United States, I'm sure he will be welcomed here," Washington sources reported that U.S. experts were making a thorough examination of Belenko's plane, but the Japanese government denied this. "As far as I know, no foreigners have lodged the aircraft," he said.

The Soviet Embassy said it hoped Belenko then leave promptly because the Japanese government would not let it see Belenko.

The Soviet Union demanded that both the pilot and the plane be returned. The Japanese Foreign Ministry said the Soviet Embassy's request to interview Belenko "has been denied," and the government took the "humanitarian view" that his request for asylum should be honored. But it was expected that the plane would be given back after American and Japanese experts met.

all they could from it.

The MD35 was still at the commercial airport at Hakodate, on Japan's northern island, where Belenko landed. U.S. military sources in Washington and American intelligence specialists are going over it thoroughly for intelligence and other information from the cockpit.

Officials, however, the U.S. and Japanese governments refused to say that the aircraft was inspected by the plane. Sources in Washington indicated the U.S. government was trying to spare the Japanese diplomatic difficulties with the Soviet Union.

The plane, called the Prutok, has flown more than 2,000 miles an hour at 80,000 feet and is faster than the fastest American interceptor, the F15 Eagle. Although the Air Force experts estimate that the F15 is more maneuverable, Air Force Secretary Robert Seamans in 1973 said the MD35 was "probably the best interceptor in production in the world" at the time.

## Joint examination

Officials of the government MDSB which made an emergency agencies concerned conduct a joint examination Tuesday, of a Soviet

Japan Ministry.

# 24 mile nylon fence generates art controversy in California

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BLOOMFIELD, Calif. — Artist Christo Javacheff's bizarre four-year dream to build a 24-mile nylon curtain across nearly 20 miles of Northern California, glittering in the warm sun. A light breeze rippled the fabric, creating an image of sailing ships across lush farms in the hills high above San Francisco Bay.

If all goes well, he will tear it down again in two weeks.

In a surprise move Tuesday, the helpers, who are paid \$10 an hour, installed a section of the tanning curtain. The project is a landmark in the art world, and Javacheff, 41, who once stretched a curtain across a Colorado canyon, spent four years and \$1 million weaving his way through an array of public hearings and legal battles to see his masterpiece completed.

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James Clark, his business agent and wife, put it mysteriously. "Everything through something to tell an artist's life."

A local sculptor, Mary McManis, said she doesn't like the fence being hung "in my own backyard. I think the project is a hodgepodge. It's a lightbulb idea, says an art dealer. I think his motivation was to make himself famous and rich."

The farmers, who were paid \$10 each for property rights of way and were guaranteed that they could keep the expensive nylon poles and last fence for their own use, were among Christo's staunchest supporters.

But environmentalists fought Christo in the courts and finally compelled him to spend \$80,000 on an environmental impact report. He also had to win approval of a dam and state agencies in 17 public hearings.

The California Coastal Commission, which has jurisdiction over construction within 1,000 feet of the sea, had scheduled a final appeal on Javacheff's application Sept. 25. If approved the art work is scheduled to be dismantled.

Inferred that the illegal portion had been erected, commission executive director Joseph Barovitz said. "We'll have to see some sort of resolution of the Coastal Act and ask the attorney general to take appropriate action." That could mean public hearings and, if approved by Christo, might a court order to remove the fence.

## Probe into Peak murder continues

WAVERLY, Iowa (AP) — The investigation continued Wednesday into the murder of Marie Lisa Peak, daughter of Knoxville veterinarian and former city councilman Dr. Frank Peak.

Miss Peak's nude body was discovered early Tuesday in a cornfield about one mile southeast of here, according to the Iowa Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI).

Miss Peak, 21, a sophomore at Warburg College, had been reported missing by friends after leaving the campus to go shopping Monday afternoon and not returning late Monday night.

BCI director Craig Beck said eight agents were working on the case. An autopsy was scheduled for Wednesday.

Brown County Sheriff Bill Weisner said he had no comment on a possible crime of death.

"The body of Marie Gertha, 26, Iowa Falls, was found in a field south near Iowa Falls on Sunday, Monday is about 40 miles southeast of Iowa Falls. I have no idea if the body is related to the Gertha slaying," said assistant BCI director Myron Stump.

Mrs. Gertha was at the small county church to practice the organ for Labor Day weekend services when she was shot by an intruder.

Athletes said her car was ransacked and robbery they have been notified for the slaying, but they have no leads to her assailant.

The next woman Marie Peak's body was found in about six miles from where Julie Ann Banning, 18, was discovered last March, strangled to death, after she had been missing for nearly four months.

No arrests have been made in Miss Banning's murder and all leads in the case have been exhausted.

A short-unwed murder happened five years ago when the partially clad body of Valerie Lynn Kennedy, 14, of Waterloo was found south of here. She had also been strangled.

## FDA releases medicines for nonprescription use

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration said today it will allow 15 strong medicines, available not only over a doctor's orders, to be sold without prescriptions. The drugs are said to treat symptoms of cough, cold, allergy and asthma.

The agency predicted the decision, coming just ahead of the traditional season for colds and hay fever, will save consumers money by reducing trips to the doctor's office and time lost from work. The average American suffers three colds each year, experts say.

A panel of advice scientists had recommended the action on the basis of its three-year study of 30,000 to 50,000 cough and cold remedies sold without prescriptions.

The panel also said:

—No non-prescription cough or cold drug should contain more than three active ingredients, and each must be from a different group such as cough suppressant, nasal decongestant and antihistamine.

—The FDA should require labels on non-prescription cough-and-cold remedies to be more specific, emphasized that the products give only temporary relief from symptoms rather than cure the ailments, every warning of possible harm, and advise patients to see a doctor if the problem persists.

—There is no scientific justification for the claim that vitamins or herbs are common cold. The report recommended against approving it but that prepare and controlled clinical studies prove it is effective.

The FDA decided to allow the sale of 15 strong drug immediately. The panel's other recommendations were given reviewed by FDA officials, although Barbara Gardner, acting FDA commissioner, indicated that he agreed that over-the-counter drugs should have more detailed labels.

The advisory panel had recommended removing 11 cough-and-cold drugs from the prescription list, but the FDA said it disagreed on three of the drugs and was deferring a decision on another.

The drugs that are to be marketed without prescriptions are products containing the antihistamines brompheniramine and

chlorpheniramine, the bronchodilators metoprolol and albuterol in three forms, and the nasal decongestants xylometazoline, oxymetazoline and pseudoephedrine in two forms.

Non-prescription cough-and-cold remedies raised up sales totaling \$78 million last year, the FDA said.

## ITC taking up barge tax proposal

AMES, Iowa (AP) — The Iowa Transportation Commission has taken up a proposal to ask Congress for a fuel tax for barges on the Mississippi River as well as charges for using locks on the river.

The commission, however, delayed until its Sept. 21 meeting a decision on whether to seek specific changes or to make general recommendations.

"It seems to me that our proposal has come from Washington or otherwise," said commissioner Barbara Dues of Des Moines during the debate Tuesday. "We're staying here in Iowa."

But commissioner Stephen Giese of Iowa Rapids fought against making specific recommendations, saying those should be up to Congress.

Jim Lightfoot, river transportation director for the Iowa Department of Transportation, presented the proposal that would call for a 4-cent per gallon marine fuel tax and a \$50 fee for use of a single lockage on the river.

He said this would generate \$75 million in 1981 annually and would cause water shipping rates to rise from 1 to 4 per cent.

The charge recommended would be similar to those paid by truckers to maintain the highway system. Under the proposal, 45 per cent of the cost of operating locks and locks would be paid by barge companies, Lightfoot said.

Dues said he does not oppose Congress establishing fees for using the Mississippi River, but questioned the Iowa commission making such recommendations.

Jim Lightfoot and DOT Director Victor Prestario said specific recommendations are needed to get federal officials to recognize that there is a workable system.

## Weather

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