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Some cloudiness, low tonight 67. Warm and humid with showers tomorrow. (Full report plus resort forecast on Page A-2.)

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'Package Deal' For Southwest Gains Support

Stevens, Manhattan Financier, Figures in New Area B Offer

By GEORGE BEVERIDGE

A new one-package proposal by a New York syndicate to take over rebuilding of Washington's pilot Area B Southwest Redevelopment Project was given tentative endorsement by the District Redevelopment Land Agency today.

Action by the board does not bind that agency to final acceptance of the New Yorkers' proposition.

But the board agreed not to "close" any contract with any other developers interested in Area B during a 45-day period in which the New York group will prepare a specific development plan.

During this period, the RLA reserved the right to receive any additional proposals—and made plain that it expects some, including one from a Washington syndicate.

The new proposal was submitted in the wake of Norfolk builder Ralph E. Bush's recent withdrawal from the 76-acre project. Proposing a \$100,000 annual rental on nearly all of the Area B land, the new proposal was made by:

Roger L. Stevens, New York and Detroit financier, real estate developer and successful Broadway producer. His real estate deals include purchase of the Empire State Building several years ago. Currently, he is associated on several deals—but not in Washington—with William Zeckendorf, who wants to rebuild the rest of the Southwest Washington redevelopment area.

James H. Scheuer, New York attorney and executive of several large real estate management and development firms in New York and elsewhere. The firms are actively engaged in several "urban renewal" rehabilitation projects.

D. C. Firm Included

Also associated with the syndicate, if the proposal goes through, Mr. Scheuer said, will be Nathaniel S. Keith, consultant and coauthor of the District's new "urban renewal" program, and the Washington architectural firm of Keyes, Smith, Satterlee & Lethbridge.

The New Yorkers' proposal, accepted by the RLA today, agreed to:

1. Prepare within 45 days a new "site plan and building plan" for all the residential and retail business areas in the project. This covers most of the site, and precisely the amount that Mr. Bush's rebuilding plan had covered.
2. Enter a long-term lease with RLA for land on which the new structures would be built, subject to FHA financing "satisfactory to us."
3. Offer to pay total annual ground rent of \$70,000 for residential land and \$30,000 for retail land, subject to a "market survey" to be made during the next 45 days. RLA officials said this amount is about 10 per cent above the ground rental Mr. Bush had proposed paying. The lease probably would extend "at least 40 or 50 years," officials said.
4. Operate new housing in Area B on "a nondiscriminatory basis," give former occupants of the area "a preference in occupancy" and "use local labor, materials, sub-contractors and financing to the maximum extent feasible."

Other Bids Possible

John R. Searles, Jr., RLA director, warned the New Yorkers at today's meeting that they are "running a risk that a better offer than yours might come in."

Mr. Searles praised several features in the Stevens-Scheuer proposal as "very attractive."

One of them was agreement by the New Yorkers, after their redevelopment plan is drawn, to have local investors bid on perhaps 20 to 30 per cent of the rebuilding job if the RLA requests this action. In that event, however, the New York group reserved the right, if it chose, to beat any such offer by at least 5 per cent.

John A. Remon, RLA board chairman, said his agency wanted to make certain that the New Yorkers would agree to do

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Eden Will Control House With Margin of 50 to 60

Smashing Tory Vote Shakes Laborites, Bolsters Bevan's Hope to Oust Attlee

LONDON, May 27 (P)—

Britain has given Prime Minister Eden a smashing vote of confidence in an election that shook the opposition Labor Party to its foundations, strengthening leftist hopes to take over leadership from Clement Attlee.

Nearly complete returns from yesterday's election promised

Election Festivities Over, Britons Learn Outcome. Page A-4

Sir Anthony's Conservatives a majority of 50 to 60 in the 630-seat House of Commons. That guaranteed his government a five-year term of office with a working margin triple the 17-vote majority the Conservatives had when the last Parliament adjourned.

Returns from 620 of the 630 districts gave:

Conservative and allied parties—339, net gain 16.
Labor—275, net loss 15.
Liberal—5.
Others—Net loss 1.

Boosts Eden's Prestige

The result was a tremendous boost in prestige for Sir Anthony, who had stood for so long in the shadow of his predecessor, Sir Winston Churchill.

The outcome apparently reflected voter confidence in the Conservative free enterprise approach to the national economy, Sir Anthony's success in organizing the Big Four "at the summit" talks, and prosperous times under the Conservative government.

A big stay-at-home vote hurt the Labor Party cause. So did intraparty dissension caused by leaving followers of Aneurin Bevan, the Welsh orator.

Herbert Morrison, deputy leader of the Labor Party, said in a television interview that Labor's

defeat demonstrated the need for "a thorough review of policy" in the party. Apparently referring to the Bevan split, he said, "In particular, it really is necessary that we shall have a united Labor Party within our own ranks."

Stocks Leap Ahead

The London stock market leaped buoyantly ahead with news of the Conservative victory. Steel and shares of other companies which might have faced nationalization had the Socialists won highlighted the day's advances. Ford Motors also was outstandingly active.

The Laborites took the government in 1945, in a vote that reflected popular resentment at wartime austerity. The Conservatives came back under Sir Winston's leadership in 1951, winning a majority of House of Commons districts but actually lagging behind the Laborites in the popular vote. This time the popular vote—as well as a majority of districts—was firmly in the Conservative column.

Popular Vote Figures

The latest popular vote figures showed:

Conservatives, 12,804,989—50.03 per cent.
Labor, 11,954,339—46.70 per cent.

Liberals, 650,327—2.54 per cent.
Others, 186,379—7.3 per cent.

Like all the Conservative Party leaders, Mr. Attlee and Mr. Bevan were re-elected in their own districts.

The loss of Laborite prestige was so great that Mr. Bevan was in a more favorable spot than he has occupied since he stepped out of the cabinet. He was in a position to say that the moderate policies of the party's right wing had cost the election, and to push his own program of more socialism and

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Florida Man to Succeed Miss Hennock on FCC

President Eisenhower today nominated Richard A. Mack of Coral Gables, Fla., to succeed Miss Frieda B. Hennock as a member of the Federal Communications Commission.

Miss Hennock, the only woman on the commission as well as its leading headline maker, will leave the FCC on July 1, when her term expires. The White House gave no explanation of why she was not renominated.

Both Miss Hennock and Mr. Mack are Democrats. Mr. Mack will begin a seven-year term on the commission if he is confirmed by the Senate.

A former chairman of the Florida State Railroad and Public Utilities Commission, Mr. Mack, 45, is second vice president of the National Association of Railroad and Utility Commissioners.

Miss Hennock, an attractive blond lawyer, has been a frequent witness before congressional committees.

In an appearance before the Senate Elections Subcommittee last month, she urged that a way be found to make radio and television time available without cost to the major candidates of the major parties.

She declared that if costs of such a program proved burdensome, the Government should help out. She was speaking, she added, as a dissenting member of the FCC.

Just a year ago Miss Hennock started members of a Senate Interstate Commerce Subcom-



FRIEDA B. HENNOCK
Will Be Replaced

mittee when she broke into tears as she protested senatorial pressure on the commission to speed up extension of television into new areas.

She complained that "Senators call up and say 'hurry up and give us television service to our communities and give it to us by tomorrow.'"

In 1951, President Truman attempted to appoint Miss Hennock to a Federal judgeship in the Southern District of New York. The appointment was vigorously opposed by the Bar Association and Miss Hennock later withdrew by refusing a recess appointment to the post.

City Needs Spicing Up, Zeckendorf Asserts

Washington needs a little spicing up if it is to become the "magnificent metropolis" it should be, according to New York Builder William Zeckendorf.

Specifically, the spice should be tobacco, and it should be applied in the Southwest Redevelopment area.

Great cities are like successful recipes, Mr. Zeckendorf said last night at a dinner of the Harvard Business College alumni of Washington. Each has a peculiar flavor that makes it unique. What Washington needs in addition to good music, dining, theater, liquor, wine, art, all the things that demonstrate that man does not live by bread alone.

In short, Washington needs more night life, Mr. Zeckendorf said. Washington residents are infatuated with their city, but what of the thousands of visitors who come here?

"What has a man got here when the sun goes down?" he asked, and answered himself, "no tobacco, one little pinch of which would bring out the flavor of all of Washington's magnificent potential."

Mr. Zeckendorf, who heads the huge development firm of Webb & Knapp, and has been active in helping plan Southwest Redevelopment, said that Washington could look to New York as an example of how it can grow.

New York in 1943, he said, was the most depressed city in the Nation, with rents and real estate values at a 50-year low, while Washington, crammed with a wartime population, was booming.

Today, he said, the picture is reversed. New York has more than replaced its lost manufacturing plants by becoming the financial, advertising and management headquarters of "every corporation in the country of any size." Instead of an industrial city, it became an executive city.

And Washington has dwindled from its wartime peak and is now "on its own bottom." Barring an emergency, he said, "Washington will have to travel from here on what it has to offer."

Mass Injections Program Seen Failing Quotas

Will Move as Fast As Safety Allows, Scheele Tells House

Dr. Leonard A. Scheele told a House committee today that it is unlikely that original plans for Salk anti-polio vaccinations on a mass basis this summer would be met.

The Surgeon General said the cases of polio which have followed use of earlier batches of vaccine "underline the need for, caution."

Testifying before the House Interstate Commerce Committee, he referred to the newer, stricter standards set for production of the vaccine and said:

"I must emphasize that progress will go ahead only as fast as safety permits. We must be sure that protection is given under standards as safe as science can make them."

He said that the manufacturers would be permitted to release the vaccine as soon as it meets the revised standard, but then he cautioned:

"It is unlikely that our original expectations for mass vaccinations this summer will be fulfilled."

No Politics, Mrs. Hobby Says

Mrs. Oreta Culp Hobby, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, was asked by Representative Williams, Democrat, of Mississippi, about charges that politics had been involved in handling the Salk vaccine.

"There has been no politics in this," she replied. "No one has ever attempted to bring undue political pressure on me in the 30 months I have been in office. No one other than the surgeon general of the United States whose duty under the law is to recommend manufacturers to be licensed, has ever mentioned any manufacturer to the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare."

Later Mr. Williams said that the attacks on Mrs. Hobby had come from "hostile political sources." He told the Secretary that the department had been entirely justified in its action.

He asked Mrs. Hobby whether it wasn't true that "Your department has no authority under the law to establish any kind of a program."

"That's correct," she replied.

Safety Standards Set

Dr. W. H. Seabell, Jr., director of the National Institutes of Health, later told the committee that "some vaccine—not as much as we hoped—is going to be available."

Dr. Seabell said the Salk vaccine already has been given to more than five million children and that not more than 100 to 110 cases of polio have developed, including "the tragic Cutter cases."

Dr. Scheele pointed out that in seven weeks since April 1, the beginning of the so-called disease year for polio, there have been more cases this year than in the median of the last five years. He said that so far in 1955 there had been 986 cases.

The House Committee is considering an administration bill which would provide \$28 million to assure that no child would be denied the anti-polio vaccine because of a lack of money.

Dr. Scheele asserted that "no vaccine is 100 per cent effective—no vaccine will prevent all cases of polio." But he said that the Salk vaccine is "a good vaccine" and that any child inoculated with it "runs a far smaller risk of contracting poliomyelitis" than one not vaccinated. At the conclusion of his statement Dr. Scheele was congratulated by Chairman Priest who said:

"I applaud the fact that the Public Health Service and the Department (Health, Education and Welfare) have not been willing to sacrifice safety for speed in carrying on this program of inoculation."

"The appointment of the committee and the agreement with the manufacturers for stricter standards is a real achievement. I think the public will appreciate the fact that safety will not be sacrificed for any other purpose."

Representative Bennett, Republican, of Michigan, echoed Mr. Priest's remarks. He then asked another witness, Roswell D. Perkins, an Assistant Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, why a program of complete Federal control and financing would not be superior to the voluntary plan put forth by the department.

Mr. Perkins replied that the voluntary plan "does provide needed control and establishes priorities and that it would be 'foolhardy and would slow the program tremendously' if Federal officials were substituted in the States for State officials."

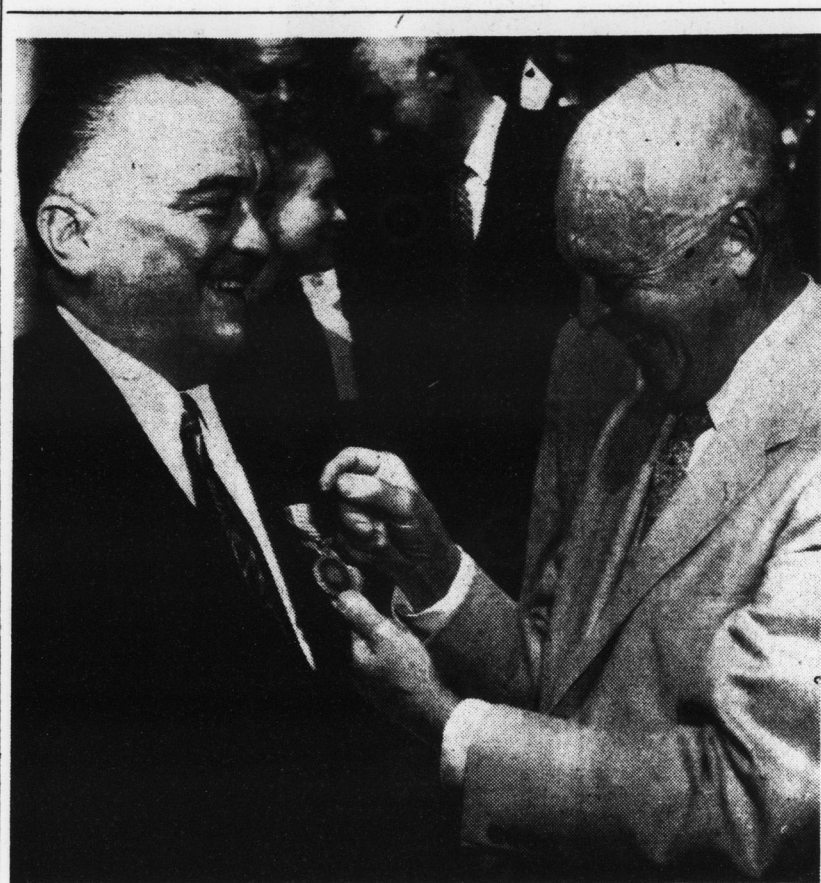
Mr. Bennett told the witness

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Brazilians See Hirohito

TOKYO, May 27 (P)—The head of a 12-man Brazilian trade mission was received in audience by Emperor Hirohito today. ALENCAO GUIMARAES leads the group, which is here on a 25-day tour designed to spur trade between Japan and Brazil.

President Urges Congress To Ease Refugee Curbs



FBI CHIEF GETS SECURITY MEDAL

With evident pleasure President Eisenhower pins the National Security Medal on FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover in the White House rose garden today. Behind them, Secretary of Welfare Hobby exchanges a word with Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey. (Story on Page A-7.)—AP Photo.

Court Orders Passport For Friend of Einstein

Judge Says State Department Evaded Instructions on Hearing for Dr. Nathan

A Federal judge today ordered the State Department to grant a passport to a close friend of the late Prof. Albert Einstein and sole executor of the physicist's estate so the friend can go abroad for the 50th jubilee celebration of the theory of relativity.

Judge Henry A. Schweinhaut of U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia ordered the passport for Dr. Otto Nathan, an economics professor at New York University.

Judge Schweinhaut charged the State Department had evaded an order he gave it last March to grant Dr. Nathan an appropriate and prompt hearing on his passport application, filed more than two years ago.

Gets Evasive Letter

"Instead of doing what the court ordered," the judge declared, "the State Department writes an evasive letter... asking 'What kind of a hearing do you want?'"

Dr. Nathan had asked the court to judge the State Department in contempt for refusing to grant the hearing. Instead, Judge Schweinhaut (paraphrasing Lewis Carroll) declared: "The time has come, the walrus said, to end this matter so far as this court is concerned. . . . I am quite dissatisfied with the fact that the order of the United States Court has not been obeyed. . . . I will sign an order directing that the passport be issued."

Need Affidavits

When Dr. Nathan asked for the passport two years ago, the State Department denied the request and asked for an affidavit that he had not belonged to any Communist-front organizations. After filing affidavits swearing he has never been a member of the Communist Party, Dr. Nathan declined to make blanket statements concerning front organizations unless the specific groups were named.

That was the stage at which the case came before Judge Schweinhaut.

U. S. Unit Backs Coffee Break As a 'Work-Related Activity'

Government workers can relax and sip the mid-morning cup of coffee unhurriedly and at peace.

The United States Employees Compensation Appeals Board has made it official: taking a coffee break is part of the regular day's work.

The board is the last court of appeals for Government workers injured on the job. It is part of the Labor Department.

Its ruling arose out of a claim for compensation by a Government employee who had been injured when she fell on a sidewalk while going from her office

Lias Tax Liability Put at \$2 Million

U. S. Charges Upheld Against Racing Man

By the Associated Press

Judge Clarence P. Lemire of the United States Tax Court held today that William G. (Big Bill) Lias, Wheeling, W. Va., race track operator, owes \$2,012,222 in back income taxes and penalties.

The 75-page opinion upheld all the Government's contentions.

Under the ruling, Lias was held liable also for an additional amount in interest, to be computed later.

During the tax court trial of the 400-pound operator of Wheeling Downs race track and onetime professional gambler, \$2,850,000 was repeatedly mentioned as the total amount owed, including penalties and interest from 1942 through 1948.

Had Offer to Settle

In the spring of 1952 Lias offered to settle the case for \$1.6 million. This was turned down. In February, 1953, Lias offered to settle for \$1.2 million. This too was turned down.

Lias explained his second offer was smaller than the first because the Government in the meantime had placed his properties, including Wheeling Downs race track, in receivership. He said he wasn't in as good a borrowing position as he had been earlier.

Points to Ruling

Judge Lemire's opinion stated: "1. Petitioner's net income for the taxable years in question was properly computed on the net worth expenditures basis."

"2. The 50 per cent addition to the tax for fraud in each of the taxable years 1942 to 1948, inclusive, approved."

"3. The 6 per cent penalty for substantial under-statement of tax in petitioner's declaration of estimated tax for the years 1943 to 1947, inclusive, approved."

"4. Petitioner owned certain bank accounts in the names of his wife and children, and the interest thereon is taxable to him in the years 1944 and 1945."

"5. The rents from two properties collected and retained by petitioner in 1945, after the properties were deeded to Lancia, Inc., are taxable to him as dividends to the extent of the available earnings of the corporation."

"6. Petitioner owned the Aul & Shively and Musee properties, and the rents therefrom in the years 1943 to 1946, inclusive, and the capital gain on their disposition in 1946 are taxable to him, and the interest paid on the deeds of trust on such properties is deductible by him."

"7. The petitioner has failed to establish that the sum of \$10,000, representing salary from Wheeling Downs Racing Association, was not constructively received in the year 1946."

"8. The petitioner has failed to show that he sustained any individual gambling loss in the taxable year 1943."

Ten-Point Plan For Liberalizing '53 Act Drafted

By MARY McGRORY

President Eisenhower sent to Congress today a 10-point program designed to liberalize the controversial Refugee Relief Act of 1953.

The President reminded the lawmakers of the "humanitarian" intent of the law. He said that although substantial progress has been made, "the purposes of the act are not being achieved as swiftly as we had all hoped."

The law was the subject of bitter dispute recently when Edward Corsi, short lived State Department immigration expert, charged it was being "sabotaged" by the State Department and was a "national scandal."

Three provisions in the President's recommendations which seem most likely to speed the flow of refugees and relatives would:

1. Provide for group rather than individual sponsorship.
2. Eliminate the requirement for a two-year history on each person applying for admission under the act.
3. A provision which would lower existing bars against tuberculosis victims. The President, taking note of families declining to emigrate because one member is suffering from this disease, recommended that the afflicted individual be allowed to come with his family and be treated here.

Co-Operation Available

Mr. Eisenhower told Congress the "necessary co-operation of the various governmental agencies, including those related to medical and security matters, has been enlisted."

Mr. Corsi had charged that the reason so few of the 209,000 refugees and relatives provided for in the act had been admitted was that the program had been taken over by the "security gang" of the State Department under Security Chief Scott McLeod, who is administrator of the Refugee Act.

"The men and women handling the program are fully aware of the urgency of their mission," the President said in his message. The President said that so far 30,000 visas have actually been issued and 85,000 applications are in various stages of processing.

No changes in the administration of the act are provided for in the new program.

All of the proposed changes relate to eligibility of applicants. In his message to Congress, Mr. Eisenhower said that the bill of whose operation he himself has been critical, "was enacted

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4th Highest Peak Reported Scaled

NEW DELHI, May 27 (P)—Newspapers reported today that a French expedition has scaled 27,824-foot Mount Makalu, fourth highest in the world.

The reports said Jean Franco, the expedition leader, had sent a message reporting the victory over the Himalayan peak but gave no other details.

In Auckland, New Zealand, Sir Edmund Hillary, conqueror of Everest, announced that in view of the French expedition's success, a New Zealand party's plan to scale Makalu next year would be abandoned.

A California expedition led by Dr. William Siri tried to climb the peak last year but failed because of bad weather and other difficulties of the steep ascent.

POTOMAC SAILORS PLAN BIG HOLIDAY

EXODUS—Washington area yachtsmen, beginning today, will take their boats down the Potomac, not to return until late October. Both Corinthian and Capital Yacht Clubs are planning week-end rendezvous. For all their plans, see page C-5.

PHONICS—The science of sound is discussed pro and con by Dr. Fleisch in today's installment of "Why Johnny Can't Read." Results of research done by several persons is given by the author. This and more reader reaction to the series are on page A-11.

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