

# House Votes Food Sale Ban For Traders With Castro

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The House voted yesterday to tighten the economic noose around Premier Fidel Castro's regime in Communist Cuba.

The lawmakers approved an amendment to a proposed three-year extension of the "Food for Peace" program which would cut off surplus American food to any country which allows its ships or planes to carry goods to Cuba.

The amendment, adopted by voice vote, was proposed by Rep. Paul G. Rogers, (D-Fla.), who was co-author of a similar restriction Congress put in the foreign aid program last year.

The amendment, if approved by the Senate and signed into law, would affect Greece, Yugoslavia and Morocco unless they immediately halted use

of their ships for Cuban cargo, Rogers said.

Greece, which received \$10 million worth of surplus U.S. food last year, had 99 ships which carried goods to Cuba in 1963. Yugoslavia, which got \$78.9 million in surplus food, had 12 ships in the Cuban trade last year. Morocco, which received \$6 million worth of U.S. agricultural commodities, had nine ships which went to Cuba.

Rogers said his amendment was designed to make it harder than ever for the Castro regime to exist by eliminating more Free World shipping to the island.

However, the House rejected by voice vote an amendment

to cut off surplus American food sales to Communist Poland and Yugoslavia and any other countries which might fall under Red domination in the future.

## House Delays Action On Appalachian Aid

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The House postponed for two weeks yesterday any action on President Johnson's proposed \$1-billion program to aid the Appalachian Mountain regions of 11 eastern states.

Administration sources had predicted passage of the bill by a narrow margin yesterday or today over almost solid Republican opposition.

But with almost 100 Congressmen out of town for a variety of reasons, backers of the bill preferred to delay action until every possible vote for it could be rounded up.

The House Republican Policy Committee is on record against the bill. Administration leaders said it would pass only "if everyone shows up to vote."

The bill, not yet considered in the Senate, would authorize Federal expenditure of \$237.2 million over five years to develop natural and human resources of the Appalachian area.

The remaining \$845 million would be spent to build and improve roads in the mountain areas of Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.