

Guns Control Bill To Unhappy LBJ

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WASHINGTON — Dissatisfied with the action Congress has taken, President Johnson is striving for stronger gun-control legislation in the wake of Sen. Kennedy's assassination.

The omnibus anti-crime bill passed by the House late yesterday and sent to the White House contains the first federal gun controls voted by Congress in 30 years.

LONG GUNS

But the bill, which will go into effect 180 days after the President signs it, applies only to hand guns — pistols and revolvers.

The President has asked Congress to pass new legisla-

tion that would cover long guns, as well — rifles and shotguns.

"Today the nation cries out to the conscience of the Congress," Johnson said in a letter to the speaker of the House and the president of the Senate.

"Surely this must be clear without question: the hour has come for the Congress to enact a strong and effective gun control law, governing the full range of lethal weapons."

The bill passed by Congress would prohibit mail order sales of hand-guns, would ban store sales to non-residents of a state and to minors, and would curb traffic in imported firearms and

military-type weapons.

The President wants the same controls applied to long guns.

There had been speculation the President might feel compelled to veto the bill. His reaction yesterday, however, indicated he will sign the bill and then attempt to prod Congress into strengthening it with new legislation.

Besides its gun control provisions, the bill would:

- Authorize federal agents to states and cities for training and improving police departments. The program would provide \$100,000,000 for the first year, \$300,000,000 the second year, and it is expected to grow eventually to \$1 billion a year.

- Authorize for the first time wiretapping and electronic surveillance by federal, state and local law-enforcement officers under court supervision.

- Reverse recent Supreme Court decisions that limit the use of confessions and line-up identifications unless the arrested suspect has been advised of his rights.

President Signs Protection Bill

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — Congress and President Johnson have moved quickly to provide what they hope will be insurance against further political murder.

The President yesterday signed into law legislation authorizing Secret Service protection of major candi-

dates for the presidency and vice presidency.

The House and Senate acted within hours of Sen. Kennedy's death to approve the protection. Johnson, acting extra-legally, already had dispatched federal agents to protect all major candidates after Kennedy's shooting in Los Angeles.

New Envoy

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — Former Gov. G. Mennen Williams of Michigan was sworn in by Secretary of State Dean Rusk yesterday as U.S. ambassador to the Philippines.