

World Tour Revives Speculation Bob K May Move To White House

WASHINGTON (AP) — Atty. Gen. Robert Kennedy's world tour has revived speculation that sometime later the President's brother may move to the White House to expand his operations as presidential adviser.

Although the general accompanying the attorney general have tried to make it clear he isn't armed with specific diplomatic powers, Kennedy has not hesitated to wade directly into ticklish international waters.

Kennedy's blunt weekend declaration to Indonesians that they would be crazy to think the United States will drop its neutral attitude and oppose the Dutch in Indonesia's claim to West New Guinea apparently illustrated the confidence he has that he reflects accurately the President's views.

Republicans already have begun to depict Kennedy's trip as a kind of training mission for him to become what a few of them call a super secretary of state. Others have hinted that the younger Kennedy already is beginning to prepare himself to bid for the Democratic presidential nomination in 1968.

While they can only guess about any such developments, the Republicans have shown that they are assaying line-by-line everything the attorney general says. They obviously are searching for some major boo-boo that goes beyond the attorney general's statement in Jakarta that the 1846-48 war with Mexico was unjustified and not a very bright page in American history.

The Republican National Committee interpreted this as "another startling example of the Kennedy administration's obsession with catering to 'neutralist' opinion."

Texans of both parties howled protests. Some amused Democrats in Congress said that for Kennedy to take on Texas was like taking on the U.S. Marines—you couldn't win. But they didn't regard the matter as more than an incident.

Democratic opinion apparently is divided on whether Kennedy ought to move his advisory shop

to the White House. He is in and out of his brother's office almost daily but still has to spend time in the Justice Department.

There was evidence at the time he was named to the post that Kennedy was reluctant to become attorney general, that he was more interested in foreign than legal affairs. There has been subsequent evidence that President Kennedy has had some second thoughts and has wished he had his brother at his elbow all the time.

But some Democrats privately contend this would create a "clear it with Bobby" situation in the White House.

Attack Claims Bruno Walter, Famed Musician

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Conductor Bruno Walter, a perfectionist with a gentle temperament, is dead of a heart attack at the age of 85.

Funeral services for the famed interpreter of Mozart, Beethoven and Mahler symphonies will be held Tuesday. Cremation will follow.

The German-born Walter, who wielded his baton for 65 years, died suddenly Saturday in his Beverly Hills home.

Walter, a naturalized U.S. citizen, came to this country in 1939 when Adolf Hitler stepped up his persecution of German Jews. He was virtually a world citizen, conducting famous symphony orchestras throughout Europe.

Though known as a perfectionist, Walter didn't have the temperamental fire of some conductors. He didn't even like to be called "genius." "It perhaps gives too big a responsibility," he said on his last birthday.

Walter's career began at 4 when a musician friend told Bruno's shopkeeper father that the youth had true pitch—he could exactly duplicate the finest tonal differences of a pitchpipe. He made his debut as a concert pianist at 9 and at 17 he conducted for the first time.

Walter's wife, Elsa, died in 1945. He lived with his daughter, Lilli, and her husband, actor Carl Ludwig Lindt.

Liz Makes Rapid Recovery From Food Poisoning Bout

ROME (AP) — Elizabeth Taylor was reported making a rapid recovery today after being rushed to the hospital with a mysterious ailment that turned out to be food poisoning.

Doctors said the frail 29-year-old beauty, star of the movie spectacle Cleopatra, now being filmed in Rome, should be able to leave the hospital by Tuesday.

Attendants at Salvatore Mundi International Hospital said Miss Taylor slept peacefully Sunday night after an hour's visit by her husband Eddie Fisher and a busy round of telephone calls to friends.

Fisher interrupted a singing engagement in Lisbon, Portugal, to hurry to his wife's bedside. He arrived in Rome early Sunday afternoon but complied with the doctor's wish that his wife not be disturbed and did not go to the hospital until evening.

Miss Taylor was sped by ambulance to the hospital Saturday night from her luxurious villa. A family spokesman and officials of 20th Century-Fox Film Corp. in Rome denied at first that the actress was sick. This only led to a flood of speculation that she was gravely ill for there was an emergency call for an ambulance to her home here.

Miss Taylor's personal physician said later she was stricken with food poisoning, apparently from eating tainted oysters.

Walter Wanger, 67, producer of Cleopatra, who had been a dinner guest at the Taylor-Fisher villa Saturday, was also taken ill. He was able to treat himself at his Rome hotel suite.

Miss Taylor, still somewhat weakened from an almost fatal pneumonia in London last year and under heavy filming pressures here, fainted from a more severe attack and was hospitalized.

Crippling Snows Batter Midwest

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Crippling blizzard snow and sleet storms which battered the Midwest over the weekend, leaving a blanket of up to two feet of snow and sheets of ice, burst into the Northeast today.

Effects of the damaging weather in the eight-state storm belt from the Dakotas to Michigan were widespread. Some areas were virtually paralyzed.

Thirty-one inches of snow covered Sioux Falls, S.D., as the heaviest snow of the season swept eastern South Dakota and southwestern Minnesota.

The storms spread into areas in North Dakota, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois and Michigan. They moved into northern Indiana and Ohio and headed northward, with heavy snowfall indicated in the northeastern upper lakes to Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

The violent wintry weather which whipped across the nation's midlands from the Rockies created monumental traffic jams. Thousands of motorists were temporarily stranded as strong winds whipped the snow into high drifts on highways and streets.

Traffic was sharply curtailed. Many schools called off classes today. Church services were cancelled in many areas Sunday.

Hundreds of secondary roads were blocked. Travel in southern Minnesota was virtually halted. Many airports in Minnesota and South Dakota were closed.

In Wisconsin, up to 150 cars were stalled on a single highway in Sheboygan and Ozaukee counties.

Some 700 ice fishermen, including women and children, were trapped for several hours Sunday on Lake Poygan, near Oakbrook, Wis., as a blinding snowstorm struck the area. They were brought to safety by State Conservation Department workers and volunteers.

Colder weather moved into northern sections of the Midwest. Temperatures dropped to zero in parts of North Dakota and to the teens in other northern areas of the snow belt.

South of the heavy snow zone, a band of freezing rain or drizzle and sleet pelted areas from northern sections of Illinois and Indiana and southern lower Michigan to northwest Ohio. Walking was treacherous in many cities hit by the ice storm.

In Iowa, the northern half of the state was covered with snow ranging up to 20 inches at Rock Rapids. Ice covered the southern half.

Five storm-related deaths were reported, including four in Chicago, and one in Iowa. The deaths were attributed to over-exertion while shoveling snow.

Thailand, U.S. In Agreement On Laos Crisis

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP)—Thailand and the United States are "in accord" on efforts to settle the Laos crisis peacefully, U.S. Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy said today.

Kennedy, here on a whirlwind 2 1/2 hour visit during his world tour, spent more than an hour in private conversation with Thai Prime Minister Marshal Sarit Thanarat, with Laos as one of their major topics.

In brief comments to newsmen after the meeting in Sarit's office, Kennedy said, "We are hoping—Thailand and the United States—that the matter can be resolved in Laos in a satisfactory manner. We are both in accord on efforts being made" (to reach a settlement).

He declined, however, to be pinned down on whether his reference to efforts meant a U.S.-supported move to form a coalition government for Laos under neutralist Prince Souvanna Phouma.

Thailand is opposed to such a government, fearful that the pro-Communist Pathet Lao led by Souvanna's half brother, Prince Souphanouvong, would eventually gain control of the neighboring Southeast Asia kingdom bringing a threat to Thai security.

U.S. aid to Thailand—which has totaled \$220 million plus \$300 million more in military assistance over the past 10 years—was reviewed by Kennedy in his talks with government officials.

Kennedy went from Sarit's office to the residential palace of King Bhumibol Adulyadej and Queen Sirikit, where he was joined by his wife Ethel for a royal audience.

Kennedy and his wife managed to sandwich an hour sightseeing tour of Bangkok's Grand Palace into their tight schedule.

They were accompanied by ambassador and Mrs. Kenneth Todd Young as they strolled through the sunlit courts of the walled-in palace compound, once the seat of the kings of old Siam.

En route here from Jakarta, Kennedy and his wife touched down briefly Sunday night at the South Viet Nam capital of Saigon. He told officials and newsmen there that the United States was standing fast in support of South Viet Nam and President Ngo Dinh Diem, adding that "the U.S. will remain here until we win."

Cuban Liberation Army Seeks Arms

GUATEMALA (AP) — A group of Cuban exiles here are organizing an army to seek the overthrow of Prime Minister Fidel Castro in Cuba. The organization, however, is still on paper and says it cannot mobilize unless it gets U.S. weapons.

The best available information is that no Cuban exiles are being trained here under arms at this time. Both Guatemalan and U.S. officials deny there is such activity. Guatemala was one of the training areas for the abortive invasion of Cuba last April.

The new organization is called the Army of Liberation of Cuba. Its chief is a former commander of the Cuban army, Gen. Jose E. Pedraza y Cabrera, 58.

In an interview, General Pedraza would say only that "we are now now training our soldiers."

A civilian spokesman for the group, asking that he not be identified, said the organization has "all the men we need" for an attack on Cuba.

These men—all Cubans—are now scattered throughout the continent waiting for the signal to unite and train as an invasion army, he said.

The army cannot be mobilized, however, without weapons from the United States, the spokesman said.

As far as can be learned, the organization's efforts to approach the United States government for backing with arms have not yet met with any success.

The spokesman said that although Gen. Pedraza is commander in all military aspects, the organization is controlled by a directorate of about 30 men. He described them as businessmen, professionals, farmers, laborers, industrialists and bankers.

Weekend Mishaps Claim Two Lives

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Separate weekend highway accidents took two lives in western Oregon.

John W. Stoneking, 68, Tigard, was killed outright in an attempt to cross Highway 99W in Tigard Sunday night. State policeman Clarence Ramseth said he was struck by a southbound car driven by W. L. Cooper of Tigard.

Mrs. Patricia Louise Von Ahn, Cascade Locks, died in the collision of her car and one driven by Frank Luna, 47, Corvallis, on Highway 30 east of Cascade Locks Saturday. Luna was taken to a hospital in serious condition with fractures and cuts.

The accidents increased Oregon's traffic death toll for the year to 47 in the Associated Press tabulation. Eighteen have been killed in February.



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Prospects Dim For Early Approval Of JFK's Urban Affairs Proposal

By BARRY SCHWEID

WASHINGTON (AP) — Prospects were dim for early approval of President Kennedy's urban affairs proposal as Congress resumed a regular work schedule today.

The administration apparently faces at least a week's delay in a Senate test of the controversial plan to create a Cabinet-level urban department.

In the House, the situation was even gloomier for supporters of the plan. Speaker John W. McCormack, D-Mass., acknowledged Sunday in a television interview that the administration does not have sufficient votes at this time to approve it.

Administration leaders feel the Senate eventually will approve the reorganization proposal, but plans to begin debate today apparently have gone by the boards.

Congress mostly marked time last week while many Republican members were away extolling Abraham Lincoln in traditional party rallies. Swinging back into action, the House plans to take up two administration-backed measures Tuesday.

One would permit a \$2-billion temporary increase in the national debt ceiling. The other calls for a program of retraining workers displaced by automation.

The House Agriculture Committee hears today from Secretary Orville L. Freeman on the administration's sweeping new farm program and House tax writers begin a last round of discussions of Kennedy's tax revision proposals.

On the Senate side, a special Armed Services subcommittee resumes its investigation of government censorship practices. The Foreign Relations Committee may conclude today its public hearings on Kennedy's call for U.S. purchase of half a \$300-million U.N. bond issue.

Kennedy's urban affairs proposal has run into a snag in the Senate in the person of Sen. John L. McClellan, D-Ark. The Government Operations Committee heads concluded its hearings Friday, but McClellan says he had no plans to call it into session today to take final action.

To force a showdown and a committee vote the administration could move to discharge the committee. Few thought the administration would want to take on McClellan in any such battle.

FAST TALK WORKED

LUTHER, Okla. (AP) — Frank Prokup, bus station operator here, tricked three gunmen out of a hold-up with some fast talking, said Deputy Sheriff Jim Farris.

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