

Legislators Slash Administration's New Defense Plan

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A Republican senator joined Democratic defense experts today in criticizing the administration's new "master plan" for continental air defense.

400,000 See Rose Festival

PORTLAND (UPI)—The 1959 Portland Rose Festival reached its climax today with the colorful, impressive floral parade through downtown Portland and across the Morrison Street Bridge to E. 29th and Burnside.

The sun came out to make the weather ideal for the parade—bright but not hot. Generously interspersed between the floral floats were bands with charming drum majorettes, marching teams and mounted posses. The theme of the parade, in keeping with Oregon's Centennial celebration, was "A Century in Flowers."

Reigning over the entire festival, including the parade, were Queen Mary Sue I of Rosaria and her royal court of princesses. Grand Marshal of the parade was Vice Admiral R. E. Libby. He arrived on the USS Helena, one of 14 U.S. Navy ships that came to Portland for the Rose Festival. Also in port were six destroyer escorts of the Canadian Navy.

Sweepstakes Winners
The grand sweepstakes award for floats went to the City of Vancouver, Wash., and in the commercial class, to the Hollywood Boosters of Portland.

The Vancouver float, based with red roses and tilted "Salmon Run," had four nine-foot long floral salmon plunging through waves, towing three bathing beauties on water skies.

"Oregon Salutes Hawaii," the Hollywood Boosters float, was an extravaganza of 250,000 orchids, wood roses and other flowers and 65,000 daisies depicting an out-rigger canoe riding waves onto an island beach.

The governor's trophy went to an entry from the Pasadena, California Tournament of Roses. Winner of the best entry from Portland was Meier and Frank Company and the Queen's trophy for exceptional merit went to Pacific Power and Light Company.

Outside Cities
Floats from cities outside Oregon that won firsts were Seattle for its Seafair float and Battle Ground, Wash. The Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce float was first in cities in Oregon outside of Portland.

In the B division, cities under 5,000 population, a float from the Beaverton Junior Chamber of Commerce was first. The Salem Cherrians float was second in the cities over 5,000—class and the John Day Elks club float from Long Creek was second in the B division.

Other first place awards: Community clubs, Oregon Gold Coast from Garibaldi; public utilities and transportation, Portland General Electric Company; department stores, Montgomery Ward; financial and insurance companies, Bank of California; wholesale and retail, Boyd's Coffee; government, A division, 337th Fighter Group, Portland International airport; government B division, Portland fire bureau, engine 21; trade associations, Portland Realty Board.

Reaction of committee members suggested, however, that the plan's cut-back in the Army's Nike-Hercules and the Air Force Bomarc—while retaining both—was not sharp enough.

Favored Deeper Slice
"If you accept some of the premises on which this was based you could go a lot further by way of savings," said Sen. Francis Case (R-S.D.).

The plan reflected the apparent conviction that any enemy attack on this country would be launched by intercontinental ballistic missiles rather than manned planes. Chairman Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.) also said he approved the cutback in the two rival missile programs, but would have favored a deeper slice.

Two Democratic critics of defense policies had sharper criticisms. Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash.) said the plan is "ridiculous... a master compromise" designed to quiet the feuding joint chiefs of staff.

Criticized By Symington
Sen. Stuart Symington (D-Mo.) said the plan "guarantees a further waste of billions of dollars... (and) plans and programs an inadequate defense at the expense of an adequate offense."

Essentially, the new plan would cut spending on Bomarc, already authorized and still to be authorized through 1965, by about \$740,300,000. It would cut Nike Hercules spending by about 469 million dollars and effect additional air defense economies to bring the total cut-back to \$1,500,000,000 over the years.

It would speed development of Nike-Zeus, the anti-missile missile, by the expenditure of an additional 157 million dollars in the year beginning July 1.

Ike Relaxing At His Farm

GETTYSBURG, Pa. (UPI)—President Eisenhower, relaxing for the week end at his farm here, had a golfing date today if thunder showers don't wash out the fun.

He succeeded in getting in 18 holes at the Gettysburg Country Club after his arrival from sweltering Washington Friday. Five minutes after he left the club premises, a drenching rain began to fall.

The President arranged with his playing partner, retired Brig. Gen. Arthur S. Nevin, and club pro Dick Sleichter to see them at the first tee this morning.

The week-end stay in the country brought the President and Mrs. Eisenhower some relief from the hot, humid and smoggy weather that hung over Washington most of the week.

The President was in high good humor as he teed off. He wore a natty straw hat with black stripes tan slacks and a white knit golf shirt.

After clipping out a number of practice wood, middle iron and soft chip shots, he smacked out a drive of 200 yards plus. He walked on the first hole but used his blue motorized golf cart for the rest of the round.

Making the turn near the clubhouse to complete the first nine, both Eisenhower and his partner recorded bogey fives.



FANCIEST FENCE IN TOWN

La Grande Lions Club members brought out the paint brushes this week as their contribution to the city's clean-up, paint-up week activities. The plain white fence covering the fire site on Adams Avenue has taken on a "new look." The amateur artists are right proud of their work which took them several evenings to complete. The fence now illustrates the area's recreational attractions and bids tourists a welcome to La Grande. An Observer carrier boy looks over the new "billboard." (Observer)

Wife Testifies To Save Husband As Florida Rape Trial Nears End

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (UPI)—A slim, golden haired wife fought from the witness stand to save her husband from possible execution for the alleged rape of a Negro college coed.

Mrs. Pearl Collinsworth, 23, wife of one of the four white defendants, told a jury her husband seemed to lose all control after drinking, although he was kind and gentle with her and their children when he is sober.

Mrs. Collinsworth shook with sobs as she talked and, at a table a few feet away, Wilton Collinsworth, her husband, bowed his head in his arms and wept bitterly.

Defense psychiatrist Dr. W. M. C. Wilhoit of Pensacola was called to back up Collinsworth's plea of temporary insanity.

Right and Wrong
Wilhoit told the jury the young man, whom he called "simple minded," knew the difference between right and wrong but under alcohol "did not understand the harmfulness of his acts."

The 19-year-old Negro freshman at Florida A&M University has accused Collinsworth and three younger whites of taking her from her Negro date and forcing her to submit to them seven times the night of her college spring dance.

David R. Bishop Earns Promotion

Announcement was made this week of the promotion and transfer of David R. Bishop from the Wallawa-Whitman National Forest to the Paisley District of the Fremont National Forest. Bishop has been stationed at Baker.

A graduate of Oregon State college, he has occupied positions in range, timber, and as acting District Ranger since being assigned to Baker in 1955. His career in the Forest Service began in 1947 on the Mount Hood National Forest.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1944 to 1946. From 1951 to 1953 he worked with the Soil Conservation Service at Baker and Madras. From 1953 to 1955 he served as project manager of the Central Lane Use project with headquarters at Madras and Prineville.

The smiling deputy premier said Nixon can choose his tourist spots but "he won't be shown any military installations."

Mikoyan recalled U.S. officials allowed him free travel when he toured America earlier this year. "The Soviet Union will do the same for Nixon," he said.

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British Leader Warns Of Dangers In Berlin

Steel Wage Talks Face New Crisis

NEW YORK (UPI)—The steel wage talks, already deadlocked on contract issues, face new trouble where and how the negotiators should meet.

The United Steelworkers International Wage Policy Committee Friday gave union officers the power to strike if necessary to back up the union's contract demands.

The union, admitting it has made no progress in joint talks between four-man teams, has called its full negotiating committees for each of the 12 steel companies to New York to start separate talks with the companies on Tuesday.

The companies, however, served notice they will not attend separate meetings.

The companies said they have delegated the authority to negotiate a new contract to their four-man team and that this group will be at the Hotel Roosevelt Tuesday to meet with any representatives of the union sends.

The union said it will have its negotiators in 12 separate rooms in the same hotel.

Before rejecting separate talks, the industry Friday suggested that the union either call all of its 435 negotiators into a single room or stagger the 12 meetings so its team could attend each one.

The union turned down the first idea and said if the companies want to stagger the meeting times of the 12 sessions they will have to contact each union committee and "set up their own schedule."

At a fiery meeting Friday, the union's 171-man wage policy committee blamed the "complete deadlock" on the industry's "unrealistic and ridiculous" contract stand. The committee warned that the industry's position was "the path to disaster and chaos."

CONFERENCES COMPLETED
WASHINGTON (UPI)—The FBI has completed a series of law enforcement conferences throughout the nation designed to build a "solid front of attack" on organized crime. The meetings were attended by 7,515 law enforcement officers representing 3,790 agencies.

WEATHER

Fair through Sunday with risk of afternoon or evening thunderstorms in mountains; high both days 83-88; low tonight 48-55

HE WOULDN'T BE DISTURBED

LOS ANGELES — A noisy burglar proved no match for a testy newspaper reader Thursday.

James A. Wigmore, 85, just can't stand to be bothered while reading his paper in the dignified California Club. The burglar rattled the window climbing in. "Get out of here!" shouted Wigmore. The burglar got.

Evangelist Surprised At Pictures

MOSCOW (UPI)—Billy Graham, on his first visit to the Kremlin, was surprised today to find crosses and pictures of Christ in the ancient fortress which has become the symbol of Soviet government.

He also found a number of Paris high fashion models posing for pictures in and around the historic buildings, and he caught a fleeting glimpse of Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

The tall, blonde evangelist from Montreat, N.C., headed straight for the Kremlin on the first full day of his visit to Moscow. In addition to a number of government buildings, the ancient walled area includes a number of cathedrals which have been converted into museums.

Graham said he had heard there were cathedrals in the Kremlin, but he was surprised to find gold crosses still standing on their spire.

"Over the heart of the Kremlin, the cross," he commented to reporters who accompanied him on the tour. "To have this religious spirit in the heart of the Kremlin is symbolic of some future date."

Inside the cathedrals, he found a number of the brilliantly illuminated religious paintings depicting the crucifixion.

"It's wonderful to see that picture of Christ," he said. "I am sure that many believers come here, and are moved by it as it moves me."

The sight of the Paris models, here with the Dior fashion show, inspired reporters to tell Graham that Russian women love the French clothes on display here. He grinned.

"Women are women everywhere," he said.

Tonight Graham plans to confer with Baptist church leaders, and tomorrow he will attend services at Moscow's Baptist church. He said he has been told the church has three services Sunday "with standing room only."

Cannot Abandon People

GENEVA (UPI)—Britain warned today that the Berlin situation "may still become dangerous" unless Russia considerably modifies its threats and stalling at the Foreign Ministers' Conference here.

Prime Minister Harold Macmillan sounded the warning at a Conservative Party meeting in London shortly before he met Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd for a first hand report on the conference.

Lloyd flew home during a week-end recess in the conference, which U.S. officials say probably will be suspended Tuesday unless Russia softens its Berlin demands.

"We must be firm," Macmillan said. "We cannot abandon the people of West Berlin, or weaken in any way our right to protect them. At the same time, we have to remember that, unless the present Soviet attitude is considerably modified, the Berlin situation may still become dangerous."

Reports circulating here said Britain is more anxious than its allies to continue the talks, even if Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko refuses to relax his one ultimatum on Berlin.

High U.S. officials here said there would be no point in continuing the foreign ministers' talks at this time if Gromyko does not withdraw Russia's one year demand.

Soviet delegation sources discounted Western reports of a possible break in the conference. They classed them as Allied pressure tactics designed to force concessions from the Russians.

Soviet sources said Gromyko would reject any suggestion for a recess and force the West to trigger the collapse of the conference, if indeed it is doomed to failure.

(In Washington, Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman J. William Fulbright (D-Ark.) said it might be good for the Geneva conference to recess for 10 days so the Russian delegation could "get some instructions" from the Kremlin.)

Recess Talk Increased
Gromyko and Secretary of State Christian A. Herter remained in Geneva for the week end. British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd and French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville went home to London and Paris, respectively.

U.S. sources said Herter did not plan to make any move for a private week-end conference with Gromyko but would be available if the Russian wanted to see him.

Western talk of a possible four-to-six-week recess increased after Friday's plenary session at which Gromyko:

—Refused to take back a demand that the West pull its troops out of Berlin, although he insisted he did not intend the demand as a threat.

—Told the Western ministers flatly that a summit conference should be held whether the Geneva meeting succeeds or not. He warned that if they blocked a summit meeting they must "assume grave responsibilities."

Herter's Three Points
At the beginning of the Geneva talks a month ago, Herter laid down three points which must be met to justify a summit meeting:

—The foreign ministers must reach some areas of agreement.

—They must narrow East-West differences to some extent.

—They must agree on possible summit topics on which there would be some chance of reaching accord.

More Surpluses In Wheat Crops

SPOKANE (UPI)—Ray Pollock, a federal grain official said Friday he predicts greater surpluses of wheat and corn as a result of new hybrid varieties, new fertilizers and more effective insecticides.

Pollock, director of the Grain Division of the Commodity Stabilization Service in Washington, D.C., told the 38th annual Pacific Northwest Grain Dealers Association convention that the grain price support program has become a problem for all Americans.

He urged delegates to "keep the government out of your business." Pollock added the federal government was trying to maintain the free enterprise system.

TIED HAND AND FOOT

Louisiana's Governor Long Claims He Was 'Kidnapped'

GALVESTON, Tex. (UPI)—Louisiana Gov. Earl Long, who has never been known to pull his punches, prepared today for a vigorous fight against any attempt to have him declared insane.

He formally charged in a petition filed in District Court Friday that he was kidnapped from Louisiana. He said he was brought to Texas "tied hand and foot" and that he is being illegally held in a mental hospital.

Mrs. Long was reported shocked at her husband's dramatic plea, but sympathetic.

Executive asked District Judge L. D. Goddard in a petition for a writ of habeas corpus to set him free.

A hearing was set for 10 a.m. Monday, the day before a full-fledged hearing is set in Probate Court on a petition by Mrs. Long and the governor's cousin, Dr. Arthur Long Jr., to have him confined for another 90 days of psychiatric treatment.

Long signed his petition: "Earl Long, governor in exile by force in kidnapping."

Long, 63, was brought to Galveston in a National Guard plane May 30. After efforts by his wife, Blanche, to get him to submit to

treatment voluntarily failed, she asked Probate Judge Hugh Gibson to order him confined.

Gibson did on grounds Long was "dangerous" to himself and others. But it was a temporary order, good for 14 days, and Gibson set next Tuesday as the date for a hearing on whether Long should be confined for 90 days.

The governor's petition was filed by Adrian S. Levy Sr., who is heading a team of four lawyers. Levy said Long would appear in court himself and testify that he was brought to Texas "forcibly, unwittingly and unwillingly."

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FAIR MAIDS ENTERTAIN

The Union County Fair Maids entertained in La Grande last night at the Union Pacific Old Timers banquet, held in honor of the retired members. They are above, back row left to right, Lynn Vancil, North Powder; Ruth Elmer, Cove; Connie Jepson, La Grande; and Marilyn Sherwood, Elgin. Seated in front are Neda McClellan, Union; and Sharon Severns, Imbler. They sang three numbers as a group and also performed individually. One song "I've Been Working on the Railroad" was dedicated to the retired members. (Observer Photo)