

Air Secretary Denies B-36 Deal Illegality

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12-(AP)—Secretary of Air Stuart Symington today hotly denied that the multi-million dollar investment in the far-ranging B-36 atom bomber was based on "any considerations other than national security."

"An effort has been made," he said, "to show that air force and I personally have done wrong in the purchase of the B-36."

"It is not true," Symington snapped. Assuming personal responsibility for the decision to push the controversial super-bomber program, Symington declared that it was made solely for military reasons. He said there were no political or business considerations involved.

At House Hearing Symington gave this testimony to the house armed services committee which is investigation the B-36 project to see whether any outside pressure was brought to bear in the awarding of the plane contract to the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Co.

The inquiry was launched after Rep. Van Zandt (R-Pa) told the house he had heard "disturbing" reports about top defense officials ANE airplane makers. Before Symington took the stand, Gen. Hoyt Vandenberg, air chief of staff, lashed out at the "false rumors and innuendoes," which he told the committee had damaged air force morale.

Provides Major Check At the same time Vandenberg flatly declared that this country's possession of the atom bomb — plus the ability to "deliver it" — provides the major check on "the aggressive designs of Soviet leaders."

The tall slender air chief who has just returned from a military survey in Europe, bluntly told the lawmakers: "There is only one major military threat to the security of the United States and the peace of the world. It is pointless to talk in riddles — this threat comes from the Soviet Union."

Vandenberg then went on to say that "for the next few years the B-36 provides the spearhead for the ready-for-combat force in being which this country must constantly have at hand."

Although he said he was not obligated professionally to defend Symington "I raise my voice, as any man might, who hears a friend unjustly accused."

Baby Coughs Up 'Tinkle'

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 12-(AP)—Every time five-month-old Jay Wallace opened his mouth to coo, his mother heard a tinkle.

Then he began to choke. Hastily, Mrs. Joseph Wallace pried open his mouth. She found he'd swallowed a tiny bell, apparently off a rattle.

Mrs. Wallace rushed Jay to a county emergency hospital. He needed an operation, she thought. But Jay solved his own problem. He coughed, out popped the bell, and back home he went.

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Government Orders Survey Of U.S. Jobless

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12-(AP)—Government employment experts stepped up their drive today to whittle down the nation's jobless total of some 4,000,000 persons.

The bureau of employment security disclosed that it had sent orders to state and local agencies to report by Monday on the work situation in their communities so that "home front" projects can be drafted with federal aid to relieve hardest hit areas.

The plans were divvied by Robert C. Goodwin, head of the employment security bureau, and his top aide, Louis Levine.

The agencies have been requested to survey their areas and report on any community in which seven per cent or more of the work force is idle.

The bureau, which gets regular reports from 97 areas, disclosed that nine of those already have shown 12 per cent unemployment or more. Presidential Assistant John R. Steelman, who heads up the jobless aid drive already has notified government procurement agencies of the need for placing orders in those nine areas.

Goodwin told a reporter the same procedure is planned eventually for sections where there is 7 per cent unemployment. His agency has also suggested that state and local governments channel their purchases to the "home front" distress areas as part of the overall plan for coping with the jobless problem.

Goodwin said that the census bureau figures of 4,100,000 unemployed as of July 8, probably would remain unchanged this month and next. After that, he said there may be a slight decline in the number of people out of work.

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'Gone with the Wind' Authoress Rallies Following Car Accident

ATLANTA, Aug. 12-(AP)—Plucky Margaret Mitchell showed definite improvement tonight from injuries inflicted by a speeding car. Her husband, John R. Marsh, reported from the hospital that she is "definitely better compared with last night."

He added that the shy, modest authoress of the world-famed "Gone With The Wind" was only partly conscious 24 hours after the careening vehicle struck her and dragged her 15 feet.

But, he announced, she has rallied sufficiently to permit removal of an oxygen tent and lend stronger hope for her recovery.

Marsh described his wife as in a "state of extreme shock." He said her physicians are waiting for this condition to wear off before making X-rays and deciding whether an operation is necessary.

They were walking to a peach tree street theatre near their home last night when the automobile slammed her to the pavement. The police said the driver was drunk and on the wrong side of the street.

She was taken to city hospital. Miss Mitchell was placed under an oxygen tent in a room adjacent to the woman's ward. Her personal physician reached the hospital shortly afterwards.

Two hardworking internes and half a dozen student nurses attended the author during the night giving a blood transfusion. The others were given today and Miss Mitchell was reported lightly improved.

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U.S. Aims to Reopen China's Closed Door

LARAMIE, Wyoming, Aug. 12-(AP)—A state department spokesman declared here tonight that "the open door is in danger of being closed" in China — "but we must see that it does not remain closed."

Francis H. Russell, director of the state department's office of public affairs, said that China's communist conquerors "are faced with many problems" which makes it uncertain how completely and how long they can dominate the country.

United States policy, he declared must be conducted in such a manner that the "closed door" will be reopened "by the Chinese people themselves in a renewed assertion of their inalienable right to choose friendship instead of imperialism, assistance instead of exploitation, and freedom instead of subjection to a foreign power."

Russell's remarks were prepared for a delivery before the institute of international affairs at the university of Wyoming.

Russell reviewed the history of American efforts to help save China from communism as the story was told in the white paper which the state department published in Washington last week.

"There is nothing apparent," he said, "beyond the steps that were taken which the United States could have done to prevent the decade short of unlimited aid and intervention with American troops in combat."

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Parsons said the step clears the way for bankruptcy court to turn over some \$400,000 in remaining assets of the Golden Rule church to Bell's present organization, Ecclesiastical Society of Christ's church of the Golden Rule. The attorney said it operates in northern California and southern Oregon.

A suit brought by then Attorney General Robert W. Kenny in October of 1945 attempted to dissolve the original church. The complaint accused the Bells of inducing many persons to turn over their assets to the church on promise of lifelong security.

Truman Asks Senate Pass Reform Bill

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11-(AP)—President Truman, threatened with defeat by his first two government reform plans, told the senate today that if they fail the whole vast reorganization effort "will be imperiled."

Right after his letter was read, Democratic Leader Lucas of Illinois advised the senate he will call up both plans Tuesday. The senate executive expenditures committee has acted unfavorably on them.

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Steel Workers Said Asking for Depression

By Joe Hall NEW YORK, Aug. 12-(AP)—The steel-finding board was told today that steel workers, by their fourth-round wage demands, are asking for a depression and paychecks that go up and down like a roller coaster.

This testimony was given on the second day of the period allotted the steel industry for presentation of its case.

Dr. Jules Backman, a New York university economist who testified as an expert for the industry, attacked the ability-to-pay theory offered by the CIO United Steelworkers to support a demand for a 30 cent an hour package increase.

He told the three-man presidential fact-finding board: "Adherence to this theory would result in drastic wage structures, reduced corporate savings, imperiled incentives and in turn reduce job opportunities, create high wage costs based upon temporary conditions, and cause wages to fluctuate erratically."

PORTLAND, Aug. 12-(AP)—A surprisingly low bid of \$26,440 was submitted by W. Glenn Sexton, Portland, today for surfacing a section of roadway and construction 4,300 feet of the relocated county road No. 360 near Lookout Point.

The Army Engineers' estimate for the job was \$40,394, and 14 other bids ranged up to \$59,946.

The county recently cut wages for the workers, and about 40 of them joined AFL unions. They announced a strike yesterday, and set up a picket line. About thirty failed to report for work. Six others went to work.

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'98 Vets Set State Reunion In Portland

A state reunion of Spanish-American war veterans of the Second Oregon volunteer infantry regiment will be Sunday, August 14, at Laurelhurst park in Portland.

The program will include an address by Col. Carl Abrams, Salem, president of the state organization. Heading the Salem delegation will be Frank Gard, a member of the executive committee and first sergeant of K company, all of which was from Salem.

Gov. Douglas McKay and Mayor Dorothy McCullough Lee also are scheduled to appear on the program. About 1,500 are expected for the reunion. They will celebrate the 50th anniversary of their discharge, Aug. 7, 1899, at San Francisco, Abrams said.

Others planning to attend from Salem include Clyde McClung, Gerry DeSart, Bert Fromater, Richard Churchill and Arthur Welch.

Malheur Road Strike Stymied

ONTARIO, Ore., Aug. 12-(AP)—Neither side budged today as a strike of about 30 AFL roadworkers continued against Malheur county.

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Judge Orders End to Church Of Golden Rule

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 12-(AP)—Nearly four years of litigation virtually ended today with the signing of a judgment dissolving Christ's Church of the Golden Rule.

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A suit brought by then Attorney General Robert W. Kenny in October of 1945 attempted to dissolve the original church. The complaint accused the Bells of inducing many persons to turn over their assets to the church on promise of lifelong security.

A receiver was named in the case, but shortly afterward a petition of bankruptcy was filed in federal court and a referee took over the organization's assets, then valued at \$3,000,000.

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BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 12-(AP)—A mass rally of union sympathizers was staged today at the Bell aircraft plant and acts of violence were reported for the first time in a two-month-old strike of CIO United Auto Workers.

Picket said several persons reported they had been beaten. Tires on some automobiles were slashed and one motorist was arrested for "deliberately blocking" a highway near the plant, police added.

A crowd of union supporters, estimated by a union leader at 7,500 and by a company spokesman at less than 3,000, assembled near the plant this morning.

Hugh Thompson, regional CIO director, said nearly all the 200 CIO locals in this area were represented.

The rally was staged at the start of the second day of the company's effort to resume production despite the strike by UAW local 501, which claims to represent 1,700 of the company's 3,000 employees.

A resolution adopted at the rally criticized the company's use of a state supreme court injunction to restrain picketing activities.

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Senate Set for Public Power Policy Debate

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12-(AP)—Attorney General Tom Clark's nomination to be an associate justice of the supreme court got a 9-to-2 endorsement today from the senate judiciary committee.

Senators Donnell (R-Mo) and Ferguson (R-Mich) voted against recommending confirmation by the senate. Donnell wanted Clark called in for questioning, and Ferguson backed his demand.

Later Ferguson issued a statement saying that the committee's action in refusing to call Clark to testify was "an outrage to the American public."

Engineer to Attempt Mile Drop into Sea

SMUGGLER'S COVE, Calif., Aug. 12-(AP)—A Boston marine scientist may go deeper into the black depths of the ocean tomorrow than man has ever gone before.

Otis Barton, 48, Harvard-trained engineer, hopes to descend 6,000 feet in a cast steel ball, called a bathyscope, dangling from a steel cable. At that depth water pressure would be 27,000-000 pounds on the bathyscope.

Barton and Dr. William Beebe of the New York Zoological society already hold the world's deep diving record, 3,028 feet in a bathysphere off Bermuda in 1934. Barton hopes to nearly double that depth tomorrow.

Vessels of the little fleet engaged in the project rendezvoused tonight at this cove on Santa Cruz island, 25 miles south of Santa Barbara. Early tomorrow they'll put out to the spot in the Santa Cruz basin where the deepest water was found by electric fathometers.

The bathyscope will be lowered from a crane on a 100-foot steel barge nearby.

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