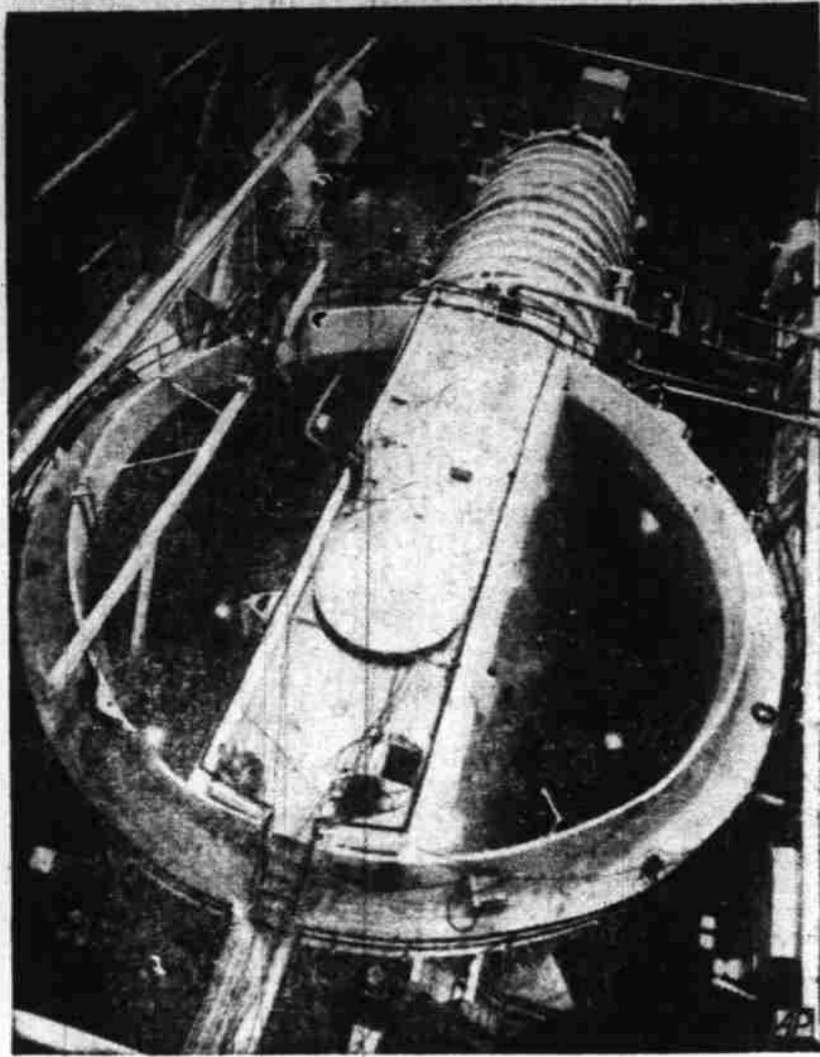


Atom Sub Engine 'Fired Up'



The first atomic submarine engine, built into a land based submarine hull, was generating power when this overhead view was made at the National Reactor Testing Station in Idaho. The engine section is immersed in a sea tank about 50 feet in diameter and almost 40 feet high to simulate actual operating conditions. The nuclear power plant, designed and built by Westinghouse Electric Corporation, is a prototype of the engine in the USS Nautilus, first atom submarine scheduled to be launched Thursday at Groton, Conn. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Nautilus Said Most Livable Sub Yet Built

By EDWARD CURTIS

NEW YORK (AP) — The colors, the lights, the bunks, the space are enough to make an old pig-boatman cry: "This ain't the old Navy."

And it isn't. This is the Navy of the dead Nautilus, the world's first atomic-powered submarine, which will be launched Thursday.

It's also a Navy preoccupied by "habitability."

It would do no good for an atomic-powered submarine to be able to stay at sea indefinitely if its crew couldn't stand up under the wearing days in their cramped quarters.

Men Kept at Peak
To keep men's minds and bodies at their peak on long atom sub cruises the Navy called in industrial designers J. Gordon Lippincott and Walter P. Margulies.

As a result, the Nautilus will be the most livable sub ever built. It is the first craft of its kind in which livability has been a main concern from the outset.

One aim of the designers was to give the crew's quarters a different look. This would give the men a feeling of being away from their jobs when not on watch.

Special berths, with foam rubber mattresses and bedside lights, were installed. There are specially designed shaving mirrors, and washing and drying machines for the laundry.

Red Seat Cushions
In the crew mess area, bright red seat cushions and yellow walls give visual relief from the narrow range of colors used elsewhere.

The mess tables are designed to be folded away or can be converted into benches for use as movie shows, card games and letter writing.

The sub's hull is the first with two decks, one for officers and the other for crew.

The officers' staterooms are designed for two and are planned so one can work while the other sleeps.

Among the other firsts on the atom sub is a dumwaiter to carry food from the galley to the officers' pantry on the upper deck.

Ike Asked to Assure Jobs For Seamen

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower was asked Wednesday to do something about assuring steadier employment for merchant seamen on the West Coast.

The request was made at the White House by Harry Lundberg, president of the AFL Seafarers International Union. He also heads the AFL Sailors Union of the Pacific.

Lundberg said after conferring with Eisenhower that he had discussed some of the problems of the merchant seamen on the West Coast, including "the ups and downs" of the employment situation.

He added that he wants more stable employment for his men, and indicated that he had suggested to Eisenhower that the government take some steps to keep more ships operating.

Lundberg was accompanied to the White House by Sen. Khowland (R-Calif.).

John Lewis Cancels Relief Aid To 35,000 Disabled Miners, Says Government Responsible

WASHINGTON (AP) — The soft coal miners welfare fund headed by John L. Lewis Wednesday discontinued relief benefits to more than 35,000 disabled miners, and their dependents — contending federal and state agencies are responsible for such payments.

The fund's trustees announced the action, effective in March. They said the move was made less for economy reasons than to put the responsibility on federal and state relief programs.

DAV Defines Purposes at House Hearing

WASHINGTON (AP) — The disabled American Veterans (DAV) emphasized to a House Committee Wednesday that its purpose is to help veterans get the government benefits due them, and not to provide direct relief for them.

The organization obtained the hearing before the House Veterans Committee in an avowed attempt to remove the "charity racket" tag it said a New York State legislative committee had pinned on it last month.

The New York state committee, headed by State Sen. Bernard Thompson, heard testimony that the DAV used none of the 21 million dollars it collected from sales of miniature auto tags as payments to needy veterans, but had spent 91 per cent of the money it received for fund raising and administrative costs.

Vivia D. Corbly, of Cincinnati, DAV national adjutant, told the House committee Wednesday the New York group had given the DAV and its national service organization "a black eye," and had refused it a "decent opportunity to refute the misinformation which was presented ... to the public as so-called facts."

Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers Union, is chairman of the fund's three trustees. One other trustee is classed as a neutral and the third represents bituminous coal mine owners.

Officials of the fund said that pensions to retired miners will not be affected and that disabled miners will still get all necessary aid to restore them to best possible health and mobility.

What is being cut out is the additional \$30 monthly maintenance aid the disabled miner has been receiving and \$10 monthly benefits paid for each of his dependents.

Widows of dead miners will continue to get \$1,000 death benefits, but won't receive hereafter the \$30 monthly maintenance payments for themselves and \$10 monthly for dependents.

The bituminous fund is financed by a 40 cent per ton royalty on coal production, paid by mine owners. Lewis reported recently the fund had a balance of nearly 100 million dollars on Nov. 30.

Lewis' aides said there is no connection between Wednesday's cuts in the bituminous welfare fund benefits and those announced Tuesday by the separate anthracite or hard coal industry's welfare fund.

O&C Advisers Favor Timber Sale Changes

PORTLAND (AP) — The O & C Advisory Board recommended several changes Wednesday to aid in sales of timber on O & C land.

The land, originally granted to the O & C Railroad, was taken back by the federal government years ago, and is now administered by the Bureau of Land Management as timber and grazing land.

Among recommendations was one to allow lumbermen outside of a given marketing area to bid on green timber tracts if there are no bidders on first offering within the marketing area.

Another was to let the Bureau of Land Management use either scaling or cruising methods of measuring timber for sales. Earlier, the board advocated scaling alone.

Chairman Charles A. Sprague, Salem, former governor of Oregon, presided.

Official of Canada Says Nation Won't Join Atom Pool

OTTAWA (AP) — Trade Minister C. D. Howe said Tuesday Canada will not be joining other countries in developing atomic power for industry.

Colin Cameron, British Columbia socialist, asked Howe, who reports to Parliament for atomic energy of Canada Ltd., whether Canada is conducting experiments to harness the atom for industrial purposes.

Howe said research into industrial uses of atomic power was actively proceeding to Chalk River, near Ottawa, and much progress was being made.

MOVIE OF IBN SAUD'S LIFE

CAIRO (AP) — The life and wars of the late King Ibn Saud will appear on the screen. The Graham Film Co. will shoot the picture, advised by Dr. George Bentz, an American Orientalist who has heard the complete story of Ibn Saud's life from the king himself. Scenes from rarely-seen places like Mecca, Riyadh and Al Hasa will be included.

Baney Trial Underway

LITTLETON, Colo. (AP) — Dist. Atty. George Priest Wednesday told a Littleton district court jury that John E. Baney, 32, was seen with Mrs. Dorothy Gall shortly before she was raped and beaten near Littleton last September. She died a few hours later.

He denies any connection with the crime. Judge Harold H. Davies denied admission as evidence of the death certificate signed by William J. R. Thornburg, deputy coroner in Denver. The certificate listed the cause of death as "injuries received by beating and raping," but the judge said the jury must decide the cause of death.

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