

## Difficulties Over Appointments Plaguing Eisenhower Again

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Troubles over appointments are plaguing President Eisenhower again, just as they have off and on from the moment he moved into the White House.

A couple of changes this week in the Eisenhower team, one addition, one subtraction, brings these troubles sharply into focus once more.

The addition is Alfred C. Beeson. He finally goes on the National Labor Relations Board, which referees labor-employer disputes under the Taft-Hartley Labor Law.

The subtraction was Clarence Manion. He was booted out of the chairmanship of a commission looking into overlapping operations of federal, state and local governments.

Both cases stirred up rumpuses. Before them, there were some hot, often embarrassing controversies over:

Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson and a trio of his subordinates; Charles E. Bohlen, U. S. ambassador to Russia; Tom Lyon, Eisenhower's pick for director of the Federal Bureau of Mines (Lyon never did make it); Secretary of Labor Martin Durkin; Small Business Administrator William D. Mitchell; Robert E. Lee, member of the Federal Communications Commission.

Beeson's nomination squeaked through the Senate Thursday by a skimpy three votes, after a seething, six weeks' fight on and off the Senate floor.

There were charges, and denials, that Beeson had lied to the Senate Labor Committee. There were complaints about Beeson's pension

arrangements with the Food Machinery and Chemical Corp. of San Jose, Calif., until he agreed to cut all connections with the firm he served as industrial relations expert.

**Objections Raised**  
Some Democrats and labor union officials objected that his business background might make Beeson prejudiced in handling NLRB cases. Beeson said he could serve without bias.

The White House had urged quick action on the appointment. Part way through the battle over it, Eisenhower said he still thought Beeson was a good man. Yet there was all that trouble getting the nomination through. In the end, three Southern Democrats, Sens. Byrd of Virginia, Eastland of Mississippi, and Holland of Florida, gave the administration its margin of victory.

Manion got the gate Wednesday. He said he was fired for backing the Bricker amendment to restrict treaty-making powers, which Eisenhower unalterably opposed.

The White House didn't bring its reasons into the open. But Gov. Dan Thornton of Colorado, a commission member, came out of the White House Friday saying Manion was dismissed because he did not have time for the job.

"I don't think the commission has made the accomplishments it should," Thornton said.

**Started Explosion**  
The ousting of Manion touched off quite an explosion among some Republicans in Congress while Democrats mostly sat back and grinned at the family row. Sen. Bricker (R-Ohio) protested the firing. So did Sen. Jenner (R-Ind.) and others.

Then Rep. Mason (R-Ill.) quit as a commission member in protest against Manion's dismissal and what the congressman termed "autocratic dictatorship."

By way of topping off the week's appointment troubles, Sen. Langer (R-ND) balked at four Eisenhower nominations for postmasterships in his state. Langer didn't object specifically to the people the President picked, but said the choices were "personally offensive to me" because he wasn't consulted ahead of time.

The North Dakotan said he would oppose Senate confirmation of the nominations. Ordinarily that would be enough to block them, since the Senate usually backs up an individual senator who raises personal objections to a presidential appointment for his home state.

Langer, incidentally, was the one Republican voting against Beeson.

Langer also is chairman of the Judiciary Committee, which held up the nomination of former Gov. Earl Warren of California to be chief justice of the Supreme Court.

And there was an uproar over the release of a staff summary of uncharged, unproved charges that Warren, among other things, appointed dishonest judges, followed the "Marxist" line and once was controlled by a "notorious liquor lobbyist."

**"Fantastic, False"**  
Vice President Nixon denounced the charges as fantastic and false.

Sen. Knowland of California, Republican leader, said the Langer sub-committee's action in spreading them on the public record was the most shocking thing in his Senate experience.

The charges were made public Friday—24 hours after Langer had denounced the four postmaster nominations.

The Judiciary Committee, which has had the Warren nomination under consideration since Jan. 11, may get around to acting on it next week.

Appointment problems, of course are nothing new for a President. Presidents Roosevelt and Truman also had their difficulties in getting some people into the government and in getting some out.

But most of the Roosevelt-Truman troubles developed after they had been in office for a while. Eisenhower's began right at the start of his administration.

General "Ike" was a newcomer to politics and had to rely to some extent on coaching from the people around him. Some of the coaches apparently failed to point out possible trouble spots.

Otherwise, some stumbling might have been avoided, some of the difficulties dissolved before hand. There might not have been all the uproar and fuming over Secretary of Defense Wilson, for example, if somebody had let him know before he agreed to enter the Cabinet that he would have to get rid of his big holdings of General Motors stock.

As it was, Eisenhower was up against the Wilson controversy the minute the President took office.

## Texas Project Seeks to Tame Cancer Cells

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP) — One of nature's top secrets is being explored here, with the goal of taming cancers, making savage cancer cells become good citizens again.

The secret is why some cells of your body become skin cells or liver or nerves, hair, glands, or teeth.

They all started from one single fertilized cell. Then something made them take up special duties, somewhat as humans become lawyers, clerks, doctors, taxi-drivers or schoolteachers.

The secret of their specializing is something called organizers. The organizers went to work at certain times as the single cell kept dividing to become billions of cells.

No one is sure yet whether the organizers are chemicals, or mysterious forces, perhaps like electricity or magnetism.

But if science could learn what the organizers are, then it might be possible to control cancers.

For cancers are thought of as cells which have gone wild, no longer doing specialized jobs. The cancer cell does no useful work, simply keeps dividing, robbing civilized cells of food and living space, causing pain, weakness and death.

**Can They Be Reformed?**  
Could the cancer outlaws be reformed if the mysterious organizers were isolated, and applied to the cancer cells to turn them back into specialists again?

These are questions which Dr. Jack Trunnell, head of experimental medicine at M. D. Anderson Hospital, University of Texas, has posed himself.

He and associates are trying to crack the secrets of the organizers. They began with study of a single, living fertilized cell which would become a chicken.

Within 21 days, a group of cells springing from this single cell has been organized into the chick's thyroid gland.

At the end of the first five days, the researchers find, the future thyroid cells have become different from all other cells in the growing embryo. They can trap iodine, other cells can't. But as yet, this group of cells can't do anything with the iodine.

**Thyroid Gland Cells**  
At the end of 8 1/2 days, these cells suddenly are able to turn the iodine into thyroid hormone. The organizer which did its miracle at five days disappeared. So did the organizer which appeared at 8 1/2 days. By 14 days, another organizer has made the same group of cells become irreversibly thyroid gland cells.

A thyroid cancer cell very possibly may be a thyroid cell which later escapes from its controlled destiny. But if it were treated in the right sequence with organizers again, might it reform?

The search for organizers is extremely difficult. Two years ago nothing was known about this one set of organizers. Dr. Trunnell said now one fact has been learned. It is known WHEN they go to work. The what, why and how must still be answered.

And if one set of organizers worked to tame thyroid cancer cells, other sets would be needed to tame other types of cancer.

**Dairymen Oppose Price Reductions**  
PORTLAND (AP) — The State Department of Agriculture reported Friday that hearings will be held in March on a proposal for overhauling the state milk plant and fluid milk codes.

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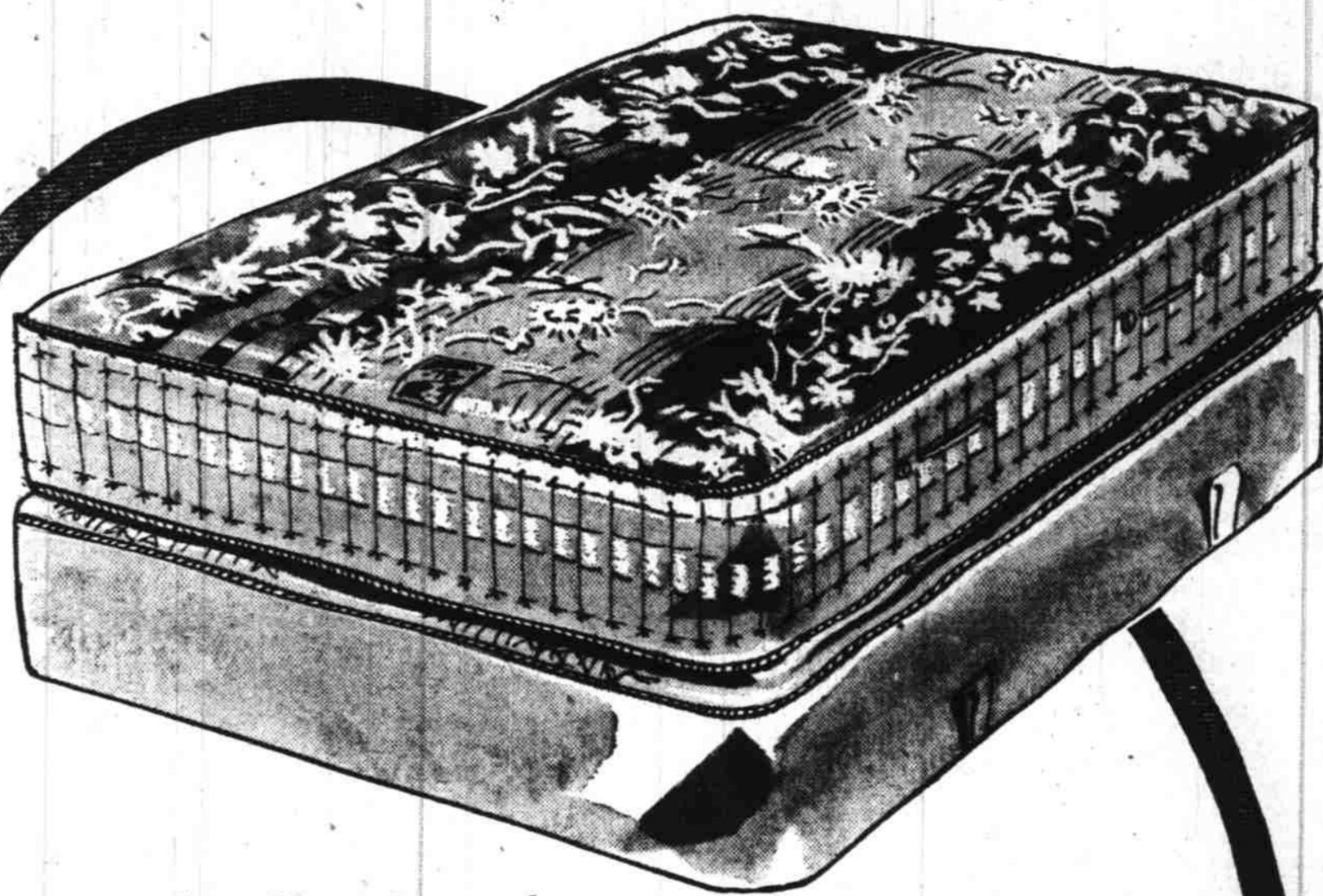
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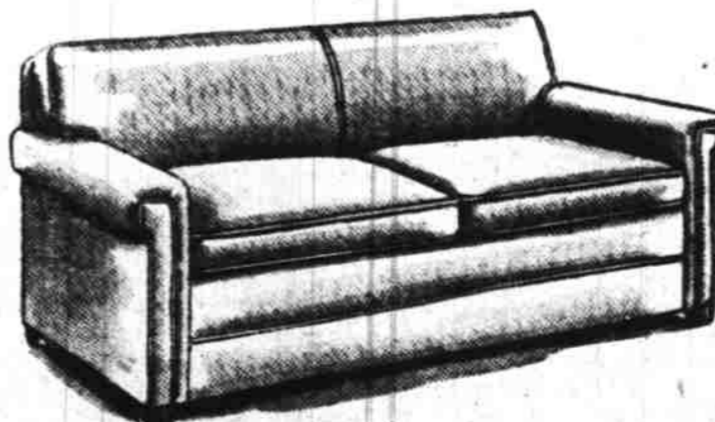


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