

Investigations Hit Stumbling Blocks

WASHINGTON (AP)—Two Senate investigations involving Sen. McCarthy were threatened with schedule-upsetting delays Thursday, but apparently not because of disputes over the controversial Wisconsin Republican.

Leaders of both Senate groups said the stumbling block was unexpectedly difficult work.

The Senate investigations subcommittee, which conducted the 36 days of McCarthy-Army hearings, just about gave up hope of reaching a verdict by the end of this week—the date Chairman Mundt (R-SD) had set.

NO PROTEST

And a special Senate committee headed by Sen. Watkins (R-Utah) to study a proposed resolution of censure against McCarthy indicated it may have to postpone the start of public hearings beyond the scheduled premiere Aug. 30.

McCarthy announced he would enter no protest against a deferred start.

Edward Bennett Williams, McCarthy's counsel, said, "We have no plans to ask for a continuance," but it would be "working under pressure," he said, if he had to get ready his defense by Aug. 30.

Mundt said in an interview he still sees some hope of getting out a verdict by Saturday.

But Senators Jackson (D-Wash.) and Dirksen (R-Ill.), assigned by

the other five subcommittee members to write a tentative draft report, expressed no such confidence. Jackson told reporters he doubts the job can be finished before Tuesday.

Dirksen said one delaying factor has been that the two-million-word official record of the McCarthy-Army hearings consists of "about two thirds surplusage—testimony entirely irrelevant to the charges."

At issue were accusations by Secretary of Army Stevens and Army Counselor John G. Adams that McCarthy and Roy M. Cohn, then chief counsel to the subcommittee, had exerted improper pressures to get special favors for Pvt. G. David Schine, a former subcommittee staff aide. For their part, McCarthy and Cohn accused Stevens and Adams of using blackmail tactics in an effort to halt McCarthy's search for Reds in the Army.

COUNSEL ARRIVES

Watkins, declaring he still hopes to get his censure inquiry under way Aug. 30, told a news conference Wednesday he would not want to do so at the expense of overburdening the committee's 70-year-old special counsel, E. Wallace Chadwick, who had just arrived in Washington. Watkins mentioned the possibility of a postponement.



TO WEIGH CENSURE CHARGES — S. Wallace Chadwick, Chester, Pa., attorney, right, newly appointed counsel of the Special Senate Investigating Committee weighing charges against Sen. McCarthy, meets with Sen. Arthur V. Watkins (R-Utah). Latter is committee chairman. (NEA)

Marcantonio Will Filed for Probate

NEW YORK (AP)—Former Rep. Vito Marcantonio has left an estate valued at "less than \$10,000." His will, filed for probate Wednesday in Surrogate's Court, left everything to his wife Miriam. Marcantonio, a left-wing New Yorker who represented Manhattan's East Harlem district for 14 years, died Aug. 9 while on his way to his law office.

Atom Workers Accept Terms

Settlement Puts Squeeze on CIO

OAK RIDGE, Tenn. (AP)—By voting to accept a previously rejected 6-cent hourly wage increase, AFL atomic production workers put the squeeze on disturbed CIO union leaders who said Thursday the AFL vote would not block their demands for a 15-cent boost.

The AFL workers put teeth into their leaders' recommendations by voting about 2-1 in secret ballot Wednesday to accept the 6-cent wage hike suggestion handed down June 15 by the President's atomic energy labor relations panel.

Disappointed CIO Local President Emerson Pownall said Thursday, "We thought that they would back us up. We wanted their support but they're not going to stop us."

SIMILAR STATEMENTS

Always in the past, Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Co. has granted identical increase to the CIO and AFL at bargaining time. The company operates all four atomic plants involved here and at Paducah, Ky., for the Atomic Energy Commission. A wage increase won't cost Carbide anything for, under the cost-plus contract, the firm will pass along the increase to the government.

Leaders of the unions, which represent about 4,500 workers each, have been requesting more money to offset rent increases in government-owned housing here. Pownall said the increases ranged from "28 to 51 per cent." Both unions draw scale ranging from \$1.58 to \$2.40 an hour.

MEET IN CAPITAL

The next action in the four-month-old wage wrangle probably will come Aug. 23 when CIO representatives meet in Washington with AEC officials. The meeting was approved by the Labor Department when the CIO workers returned in July from a four-day strike here and at Paducah, where the country's entire supply of uranium-235 is produced.

The CIO workers — members of the Gas, Coke and Chemical Workers — sought 21 cents an hour at first, then scaled demands to 15 while the AFL — members of the Atomic Trades and Labor Council — had asked 19 cents.

Door Holds, Comic Hurt

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Comic Red Skelton suffered a brain concussion and a severe neck sprain during a rehearsal for his CBS TV show only half an hour before the program was due to go on the air, the studio said Wednesday.

A spokesman said Skelton, carrying on his head a hunk of balsa wood painted to look like a concrete block, charged toward a "breakaway" door which didn't break. He was tossed back to the stage floor unconscious, the studio said.

Taken by ambulance to his Beverly Hills physician, Skelton regained consciousness and was taken home.

Jimmy Carson replaced Skelton on the TV show.

Steen Faces 2nd Complaint

SALEM (AP)—A Pendleton Republican added another complaint Wednesday against Republican State Sen. Lowell Steen of Milton-Freewater on Steen's primary campaign expenditures. George W. Wicklander, Pendleton construction worker, said Steen received \$500 in contributions that were in violation of the Corrupt Practices Act.

Wicklander said the law prevents Steen from spending in a campaign more than 10 per cent of his legislative salary of \$600. The law also says that contributions from relatives, fellow business associates and employees are to be considered contributions from the candidate himself.

Wicklander said Steen's father, a brother, two fellow officials in an equipment company, and an employee of a canning company were listed as contributing \$100 each to his campaign. Wicklander said Steen was an official in the equipment and a vice-president of the canning firm.

Earlier Howard Morgan, state Democratic chairman, had filed a complaint over Steen's campaign expenses.

Named CD Official

WASHINGTON (AP)—Philip D. Balson, Seattle, Wash., this week was named federal civil defense regional administrator for the states of Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington. Regional headquarters is at Santa Rosa, Calif.

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