

Scelba Keeps Shaky Grip on Premiership

ROME (AP) — Premier Mario Scelba set about clearing up strife in his party Friday to save his 15-month-old government.

His stay in office was continued Thursday night when the new Italian President, left-inclined Giovanni Gronchi, rejected his resignation. By custom, premiers always submit a resignation to a new president.

Gronchi's election April 29 rocked Scelba and his center coalition government. Although the

Oppenheimer In California

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Science is still remarkably ignorant of the deeper nature of the atom, says Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer.

"We've got a little bit of order in one tiny corner but we have a real shambles in other parts," he said in an interview Thursday while here to lecture at California Institute of Technology.

"Atomic physics has never been in such a disorganized, chaotic state. There are more things we don't understand than we do understand."

"Specialization has gone so far, said Dr. Oppenheimer, "that mathematicians no longer understand physics and vice versa."

Some of the mysteries of the sub-nuclear particles that make up the atom are beginning to show up in the laboratory, Oppenheimer said, "but we don't as yet understand them."

It was once thought, he said, there might be as many as 2,000 of these particles. But he now believes the number is "finite" and may be even as few as "a couple of dozen."

The first director of Los Alamos Laboratory made no reference to nuclear or thermonuclear weapons.

Now head of the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, N.J., Oppenheimer said his colleagues are gathering notes and papers of the late Dr. Albert Einstein for possible publication. Dr. Einstein worked for years at the institute.



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CONTINUED SUPPORT

Scelba's retention of the premiership was assured by statements of continued support Wednesday from the two minority parties in his coalition, Vice Premier Giuseppe Saragat's Right-Wing Socialists and the Liberals.

With the Premier still in command of a parliamentary majority, Gronchi had no alternative to rejecting the resignation. Italy's President cannot unseat a government chief; he only names a new one after the Chamber of Deputies secedes.

However, Scelba appeared to have averted the threat to his government only temporarily. Some observers believed a temporary truce had been called until after the Sicilian regional elections, in early June. Then they expected the Premier's foes to seek a showdown vote of confidence in Parliament.

CHIEF TASKS

The Premier's chief tasks are to heal a split within his own party and quiet the restlessness of his minority allies. One Christian Democrat faction would like to replace him with Party Secretary Amintore Fanfani, who is to the left of the Premier.

Atomic Sub Back at Sea

GROTON, Conn. (AP) — The atomic powered submarine Nautilus left here at 8:30 a.m. Thursday in a second try at starting on her first long shakedown cruise. She is scheduled to arrive at Puerto Rico on Sunday, and then head for the Virgin Islands.

The Nautilus returned to her berth here Wednesday after a steam pipe burst off Block Island, R. I. She had started on the cruise Tuesday with Adm. Robert Carney, chief of naval operations, on board.

The spokesman said the pipe break occurred after Adm. Carney was transferred to another ship off Long Island for a flight back to Washington.

The break was so small, the Navy said, that the submarine could have continued on its journey. But she was so close to her base at the Electric Boat Division of the General Dynamics Corp. that Cmdr. Eugene P. Wilkinson decided to take her back for the repairs.

Nationalist Planes Attack Red Shipping

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP) — Chiang Kai-shek's warplanes attacked a flotilla of more than 20 armed motorized junks Friday in the first reported Formosa Strait action in a week, the Nationalist air force said.

It claimed one junk destroyed, another heavily damaged and several lightly damaged.

The attack was west of Red-held Pingtan Island, 35 miles south of the Matsu group and 80 miles west of Formosa.



DOING THE 'PRINCESS MARGARET'S FANCY' — Fun loving Princess Margaret joins in the spirit of a folk dance especially devised for her and named "Princess Margaret's Fancy" by the English Folk Dance and Song Society at its exhibition in London. Her partner is Peter Kennedy, son of the society's director. He has been Princess Margaret's companion in recent public gatherings.

U.N. Charges Commie MIGs Made 'Unprovoked' Attack

MUNSAN, Korea (AP) — The U.N. Command charged Friday that Communist MIGs made an "unprovoked" attack on American Sabrejets Tuesday "over international waters" of the Yellow Sea. Peiping Radio declared the Sabres had "intruded over North-east China."

Peiping's broadcast a few hours after the U.N. Command's protest to the Military Armistices Commission quoted the Reds' official People's Daily as declaring "Tuesday's incident was a pre-meditated act of aggression."

The U.N. protest and Peiping radio also differed on losses in the eight-minute air battle.

The U.N. protest said the Sabres, attacked "some 55 miles southwest of Sinuiju," were obliged to defend themselves and in so doing destroyed two or more MIG aircraft while sustaining no losses.

People's Daily said one Sabre jet was shot down and two were damaged. It called the U.S. report of two MIGs downed and two probably destroyed a "brazen wilful perversion of the truth."

It said, "Chinese fighters rose to intercept them, the Sabres, and shot down one and damaged two. These are the facts."

In the protest the U.N. Command charged the Reds were "endeavoring to utilize" Korean bases as a "privileged sanctuary."

The protest through the Military Armistices Commission told the Chinese and North Korean members:

"You are officially warned that if the aircraft of our side are attacked they will defend themselves."

Fifth Air Force Sabre pilots said they shot down two MIGs and probably destroyed two more. They said they were attacked by 32 MIGs. No American plane was hit, they said.

The U.N. protest did not specify the planes were Red Chinese, acknowledged by the Peiping radio. It did not specifically charge either that the MIGs operated from Korean airfields.

But it said, "The fact that you are now endeavoring to utilize the armistice to provide a privileged sanctuary in Korea for your aircraft, similar to that enjoyed by your side in utilizing bases

north of the Yalu River during the period of hostilities, is becoming apparent to the world."

The protest charged the "KPA-CPV"—Korean People's Army—Chinese People's Volunteers had moved jets from Manchuria and China into Korea as soon as bombed-out runways were repaired after the armistice.

The protest asserted the Sabres were attacked over international waters and declared they had not approached Communist territory.

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The Air Force released enlarged prints from gun camera film showing two MIGs burning and going down in the eight-minute battle.

Artillery Fire Touches Off Japanese Ice

JI-YOSHIDA, Japan (AP) — Violence flared Friday in the boiling protest against the American Army using the slopes of sacred Mt. Fuji for artillery practice.

The newspaper Asahi reported 20 injured in a clash between Japanese police and some 60 demonstrators who tried to force their way into a restricted area.

Most of the injured, none hurt seriously, were police, the newspaper said.

The government assigned some 400 police to the area to keep Japanese protesters out of areas where the Army is firing 155mm guns under a training agreement with the government.

The big artillery pieces rumbled again Friday as the forces mounted and the number of demonstrators swelled to more than 700.

Labor union members sped to this mountain community in trucks and buses to join villagers who have clustered about the gates of the American maneuver area.

Reaction in newspapers, radio broadcast and Diet parliament speeches has been feverish. One Right Socialist member was so angry he pounded the podium and shouted for mobilization of the Japanese Army to "chase out all the Americans who are desecrating our race's pride."

The Army plans to continue the firing sporadically through June. The shooting started Tuesday.

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