

U.S. Tightens Arms Control

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WASHINGTON—The Defense Department believes the U. S. system to guard against triggering a nuclear war by accident or error is improved, but is spending hundreds of millions more or further tightening of the command and control set-up.

Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara, responding to views of both the White House and State Department, gave the program top priority at the outset of his administration.

The over-all purpose of the complex system is to prevent any element of the U. S. air, sea or land forces from using nuclear weapons — intentionally or because of communications trouble — without specific authorization of the highest level of government.

The system also is intended to make effective the doctrine of "controlled response and negotiating pauses in the event of thermonuclear attack."

This means, simply, withholding retaliatory fire by U. S. missiles and bombers until it is certain that the enemy attack is intentional and not an accident. The pause also would provide an opportunity to be certain from which country the attack was coming.

The control system applies to all military units armed with nuclear weapons—Navy carriers and Polaris submarines, Army and Marine tactical weapons—but it is especially applicable to the Strategic Air Command's ICBM and manned bomber elements.

SAC headquarters at Omaha is circulating, for public attention, a brief resume of its positive control system.

SAC insists that "positive control rules out the possibility of inadvertent hostile action by the SAC force. It also says that multiple safeguards are employed to prevent firing without presidential direction of ICBMs at dispersed and underground launching bases.

Positive control, as applied to the manned B52, B47 and B58 bombers, is explained this way by SAC:

"After reaching a certain point on their routes, well outside enemy territory, the bombers automatically return to their bases unless they receive positive coded voice instructions to proceed to their targets. Authority from the President is the only means whereby a SAC force would proceed to target, beyond the positive control point. If the 'go' code is not received, they turn back.

"The 'go' code, transmitted only upon orders of the President, would be authenticated at several levels of command and ultimately by more than one member of the bomber crew. It would be transmitted to the airborne force by a variety of means from widely dispersed sites. Use of dispersed transmitters and different methods of communications eliminate the possibility that the 'go' code might not be received by the aircraft. In addition to the communications procedures of positive control, the weapons in the aircraft are not armed until the bomber is ordered to attack."

It is the addition of radio facilities and development of new preventive devices that requires big new spending. The preventive devices include the new "electronic lock" for warheads of missiles. The warhead of a missile can't be armed for firing until a radio signal transmitted from a remote headquarters releases the lock on the triggering system.

State Camping Group To Meet Monday

The American Camping Assn., Oregon Section, will meet Monday night in Salem for a slide and commentary program on three kinds of summer camping.

The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. at the China City Restaurant.

Market Drop Is Worst In 3 Weeks

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market took its worst loss in three weeks as Wall Street's pessimism deepened last week amid uninspiring news.

Volume also swelled to the largest total in three weeks, emphasizing the conviction in the decline.

By week's end, the Dow Jones industrial average was down 13.8 to 573.29. This put it close to the level of 571, which served as a support July 18 and Oct. 1. Rallies followed from that point.

The question for the week ahead is: Will the list rally again from the same level or will it break through to a deeper "floor"—possibly to the year's low of 535.76 reached last June 26.

In the week just ended, however, the market answered a question which bothered the financial community for the previous two weeks of indecision: Is the market headed upward or downward? The answer was, conclusively, "downward" this week.

Worst Decline Friday

The worst decline was Friday, when the news background might have enticed traders to hopes of a rally, if general sentiment had not been so bearish. The Federal Reserve Board cut reserve requirements of member banks to 4 per cent from 5 per cent, apparently to insure business an ample supply of lendable funds. This action, while stimulating in the long run, seemed to signify to Wall Street that the economy was not in very good shape and needed some kind of medication.

The result was that tickers ran late in the wake of the news Friday, when more than four million shares were piled up and traders rushed to unload.

The market's fall was accompanied by a rise in bearish sentiment as reflected by an increase in the short position on the New York Stock Exchange to near-record levels. This is the total of borrowed stock sold with the intention of repaying the stock with shares bought at lower prices in the future.

Because short sale contracts represent commitments to buy stock in the future — or acquire it somehow to repay the loans — the total "short interest" is supposed to be technically bullish. But it didn't work out that way this time.

Weak Market Tone

Analysts said the general market tone was so weak that few "shorts" were scared into covering their contracts.

Volume was 16,682,300 shares compared with 11,822,758 the previous, semi-holiday week.

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Kitty Caught

No one knows how this sad cat managed to get its big head through the tiny spaces in the wire fence but grease and tugging couldn't free her. Finally it took Oval Moreland of the Huntington, W. Va., city pet shelter to cut the fence to free the feline. Her mistress watches the extraction operation closely Friday.

Conservatism 'Close Call' Cited By Dirksen

CHICAGO (AP) — Sen. Everett M. Dirksen, R-Ill., said Saturday night the United States "would already be flat broke and busted" were it not for the forces of conservatism.

The senator, who is seeking re-election next month, said conservative forces are "a vital check on those more reckless, irresponsible elements in our society which seem to be seeking to remake the world in their own image—but at the sacrifices of somebody else's money and somebody else's freedoms."

Dirksen expressed his views during his acceptance of an award of merit from the American Coalition of Patriotic Societies, Inc., of Washington, D.C., for exemplary public service.

The organization is composed of more than 100 civic and fraternal groups.

He spoke a day after President Kennedy came to Illinois to heap praise on Dirksen's election opponent, Rep. Sidney Yates.

Dirksen, Senate minority leader, said there is a strong and growing undertide of conservatism. He said this movement "constitutes the greatest bulwark against the insidious aims and a dangerous element which seems to be knowingly or unknowingly working for a visionary, one-worlder, classless society along Marxist lines in which the only role of the United States would be to foot the bill."

'Close Call' Cited By U.S. Scientist

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ralph E. Lapp, a nuclear physicist, said Saturday the State of North Carolina had a close call last year from a jettisoned nuclear bomb that packed a potential wallop of 24 million tons of TNT.

The Defense Department declined to affirm or deny Lapp's report.

In a book being published Monday, Lapp, who is not connected with the government's atomic program, says "Nuclear weapons have been involved in about a dozen major incidents or accidents, mostly plane crashes, both in the United States and overseas."

"In one of these incidents," he writes, "a B52 bomber had to jettison a 24-megaton bomb over North Carolina. The bomb fell in a field without exploding."

"The Defense Department has adopted complex devices and strict rules to prevent the accidental arming or firing of nuclear weapons. In this case the 24 megaton warhead was equipped with six interlocking safety mechanisms, all of which had to be triggered in sequence to explode the bomb."

When Air Force experts rushed to the North Carolina farm to examine the weapon after the accident, they found that five of the six interlocks had been set off by the fall! Only a single switch prevented the 24-megaton bomb from detonating and spreading fire and destruction over a wide area.

Lapp ostensibly was referring to an incident that occurred on Jan. 24, 1961, when a huge \$8-million Air Force jet bomber, which had been carrying two "unarmed" nuclear weapons, crashed in a rural area about 15 miles north of Goldsboro, N. C.

News reports at the time said one of the nuclear devices was parachuted safely to the ground and that the other was recovered from the wreckage.

Lapp's report did not include the source of his information.

Candidate, Proxy Discuss Problems of Lumbermen

By DAN SELLARD
Of the Register-Guard

A candidate for Congress and a substitute for another talked about problems of the lumber industry Friday evening at a meeting of the Eugene chapter of the Society of American Foresters.

The Republican candidate was Carl Fisher of Eugene. George Balsiger, Blue River, county Democratic chairman, substituted for the Democratic candidate, Robert Duncan who was at Medford with Vice President Lyndon Johnson.

Solutions Offered

Balsiger outlined the problem thus: "... the Northwest lumber industry is having difficulty in marketing its products at a price that can compete with other competition, particularly Canadian imports."

Balsiger said that Duncan's proposals for solutions are:

- Government agencies should show preference to U.S. manufactured lumber whenever possible.
- Foreign markets for lumber should be exploited further.
- The government should build more access roads so that the financial burden on the purchaser of timber is lessened.
- Modification, or elimination, of the Jones Act which does not allow American ships to use foreign ships between American ports.
- A re-inventory of the public timber and an increased harvest where possible.

'Lumber Bloc' Advocated

Duncan, according to Balsiger, does not favor placing a quota on the import of Canadian lumber into the U.S.

500 Phones in Area Still Out of Order

SOME 500 telephones in the greater Eugene-Springfield metropolitan area were still out of order Saturday evening, according to Pacific Northwest Bell.

Mike Pezel, phone company manager, has requested that subscribers who still lack service go to the nearest operating phone and dial operator to report the outage.

Crews will work Sunday to try to complete final restoration of service.

Commandos Armed

JOHANNESBURG (AP) — The Johannesburg Star reports the surrounding area soon will have more than 8,000 men under arms as commandos to guard public installations against sabotage or assault.

Woman Found Dead at Oakridge

OAKRIDGE — Lucille Sue Coate, 50, of no permanent address, was found dead Saturday afternoon in a railroad dormitory car here, apparently a suicide victim.

Dr. Hughes Browne, acting medical examiner, said the woman apparently died of an overdose of barbiturates. She was found about 12:30 p.m. Saturday.

Brown said she appeared to be depressed when she sought medical aid from him Friday.

Eugenean Awarded Scholarship at OSU

CORVALLIS — James H. Husband of 1944 Charnelton St., Eugene, has been awarded a \$750 scholarship in engineering at Oregon State University.

He was selected to receive the electrical engineering undergraduate scholarship sponsored by Standard Oil Company of California.

Husband is a senior at OSU.

Fisher's main thesis was that the congressional delegations from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and northern California should form a "lumber bloc," such as the maritime bloc in the New England states and the farm bloc in the Midwest.

"When members of this bloc deal with problems of the lumber industry, politics should be forgotten and the delegates should work together for a common solution."

One area of governmental action, Fisher said, should be in a universal overhaul of building codes so that "wood products could be put into full use."

DFFPA 'Lesson' Cited

He also proposed "increased emphasis on promotion" to increase the demand for wood products and cited the "lesson taught us by the Douglas Fir Plywood Assn."

He pledged his efforts toward "getting the full allowable cut (of public trees) on the market, and if more staff is needed then it should be available to the agencies involved."

Fisher said that the formation of the European Common Market offers a "great opportunity to U.S. lumber" and that every effort should be made to get into the new market.

Reciprocal Treatment

He also suggested that the U.S. try a policy similar to Canada's which says that if a U.S. merchant sells something in Canada he must sign a pledge that he'll not sell it cheaper than he would in the U.S. The government, he proposed, should investigate doing the same thing to Canadian merchants who sell lumber in the U.S.

In rebuttal to this suggestion, Balsiger said "if Canadians were made to sell lumber in the U.S. at Canadian prices, the competition would be worse because their Canadian price is still cheaper."

'Turn Toward Peace' Official Says U. S. Unease Growing

The American public is growing "uneasy" over the international situation and more and more people are thinking there is another way to peace beside reliance on nuclear armament.

This what Robert Pickus, national coordinator for the Turn Toward Peace movement, told about 40 persons in the First Methodist Church, Eugene, Saturday afternoon.

Pickus and others in the TTP organization conducted an all-day workshop.

'More and More'

"Thousands of peace organizations are working and, although they have very little impact and are not always regarded as serious or patriotic, there is a growing awareness that peace cannot be attained by armament," he said.

When Americans are given only the choice between reliance on military strength or surrender, "they take the form-

er," he said. "But more and more they are interested in seeing if there is yet another way."

Most of Pickus' remarks and most of the effort of the day was directed at how to best coordinate the efforts of all these groups into one major movement.

Thoroughly Fragmented

"It isn't enough to just have a peace movement — there was a powerful peace movement in the U.S. before World War II, it enlisted millions, but it was wrong in that its isolationist attitude didn't halt the war."

Turn Toward Peace, Pickus said, is now bent on getting the public coordinated in a program which screens all ideas and comes up with the best.

"The movement is so fragmented," he said, "that there is one man in Chicago who spends all his time putting out a directory of peace organizations."

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