

Ike to Keep Stassen Despite GOP Kicks

By JACK BELL. WASHINGTON — President Eisenhower reportedly plans to keep Harold E. Stassen as his disarrangement assistant despite some GOP demands for his retirement. The subject came up at a recent White House conference attended by members of Congress.

1,500 Attend Portland Tax Protest Meet

PORTLAND — Fifteen hundred Multnomah County homeowners attended a tax protest meeting Tuesday night in the public auditorium and heard a speaker assert the courts will get their story if no administrative relief is found.

Wayne Woodmansee, president of the newly formed Homeowners Tax League, speaking against a county Board of Equalization directors' proposal that residential assessments be increased by 35 percent, said "it seems incredible that responsible public officials should be guilty of such an act."

Park Service Eyes Beaches

WASHINGTON — The National Park Service plans to start soon a survey of beach areas along the Pacific Coast to find out how much land still is accessible to the public.

Rep. Westland (R-Wash.), who recently proposed such a survey, said he was advised by Conrad Wirth, Parks Service director, that the check is planned in the "immediate future."

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Soviet Short Of Industrial Output Goals

Sixth 5-Year Plan Put Expansion Ability Far Too High

By THOMAS P. WHITEY. NEW YORK — The Kremlin's production goals for 1957 give a good indication of how greatly the sixth five-year plan overestimated the Soviet Union's ability to expand output.

In announcing the 1957 economic plan to the current session of the Supreme Soviet (Parliament), economic czar Mikhail Pervukhin gave no revised goals for the five-year period ending Dec. 31, 1960.

But if production increases from now on by no more than the additional amount anticipated for 1957, the 1960 output of some basic industrial products would stack up this way as compared with the targets announced a year ago:

Original Goal	Revised Goal
Coal	593 497
Steel	68 60
Pig Iron	53 45
Petroleum	135 137
Electricity	320 288

(Last figure in billions of kilowatt hours)

It can be estimated similarly that Pervukhin's revised plan involves increasing total industrial output 40 to 50 per cent by 1960. The original plan called for a 65 per cent increase over 1955.

The FBI Story by Don Whitehead CHAPTER 27 Tightening Up the Spy Net

It was nearing the end of September, 1949, less than a month after the FBI had learned of Russia's theft of the secrets of the atomic bomb.



Harry Gold, right, Swiss-born chemist, has handcuffs unlocked after conviction on espionage charges. Gold took A-bomb secrets from Dr. Klaus Fuchs, atom scientist, for relay to Russia.

Then a small alarm bell sounded. An agent digging through old Nazi records seized by intelligence officers in Germany during World War II spotted an entry bearing the name of Klaus Fuchs. It carried the symbol A2, identifying the special file into which the Gestapo dropped the names of those they listed as Communists.

By itself, the old Gestapo file was proof of nothing. The Nazis, for political and other reasons, undoubtedly had accused many innocent persons of being Communists.

Agents sifted through every record they could find that might produce any sort of lead. They turned to the file of the 1946 Canadian spy case in which Igor Gouzenko, the cipher clerk, had fled from the Russian embassy at Ottawa to disclose the operation of an atomic spy ring.

Fuchs seemed surprised. "I have not done any such thing." Fuchs continued to deny his guilt. But on Jan. 24, 1950, he sent word to Skardon that he wished to see him.

A significant little scene took place when Skardon accompanied Fuchs to the War Office on Jan. 27, 1950, where Fuchs was to make a formal statement. Skardon faced Fuchs, the man who had betrayed England, the United States, Canada, his associates, and men of freedom everywhere.

Fuchs on Trial. The Briton said, "I ought to tell you that you are not obliged to make a statement, and you must not be induced to do so by any promise or threat which has been held out to you."

Lord Chief Justice Goddard, after hearing the evidence, said to Fuchs: "You have betrayed the hospitality and protection given to you with the grossest treachery... The maximum sentence ordained is 14 years. That is the sentence I pass upon you."

FBI concentrated on finding a chemist who would fit the description. Agents pored over files and records. The task was enormous. For example, in 1945, New York City alone had issued 75,000 licensing permits to chemical firms.

But by the slow process of elimination, the possibilities thinned to 1,500... 1,000... 100... 20... and then at last to Harry Gold.

Gold's name had come to the FBI's attention in May, 1947, during an investigation which grew out of information supplied by Miss Elizabeth T. Bentley, a self-confessed Communist courier. The file showed that Gold was a chemist.

A further check disclosed that Gold was now in charge of biological research at the Philadelphia General Hospital's heart station. On May 15, 1950 — some six weeks after Fuchs' conviction — two FBI agents visited the Philadelphia hospital.

No, he didn't know anyone in Santa Fe, N. M. As a matter of fact, he had never been west of the Mississippi river. He answered questions willingly and even with an air of candor, as a man would with nothing to hide.

Map a Giveaway. A week passed, during which Gold was questioned several times, and finally he said to the agents: "I've told you everything I know. I've got nothing to hide. If it will help, go ahead and search the place."

He gave his written consent for the search of his home. One of the agents looked behind a bookcase. He picked up a yellow folder, one of those Chamber of Commerce maps for tourists. It was a map of "Santa Fe, the Capital City."

The agent spread the map open. From the time Fuchs confessed, the FBI concentrated on getting the answer to one question: Who was the Stranger, the mystery man to whom Fuchs slipped atomic information on at least 10 occasions?

The single clue on which to work was a vague description by Fuchs of a man in his middle years, say 40 to 45, about 5 feet 10, round face. Not a physicist. Probably not even an atomic employee. Perhaps a chemist.

The search narrowed. Now the

Bedwell Goes Free on Bond

CHICAGO — Edward Lee (Bennie) Bedwell, who signed and then retracted a confession admitting the slaying of Barbara Grimes, 15, and her sister, Patricia, 13, was released Tuesday from Cook County jail on \$20,000 bond.

Bond for the 21-year-old Skid Row odd jobs man was arranged by Morris Brown, of Champaign, Ill., a professional bondsman, who told reporters he believes Bedwell is innocent.

Gold was indicted by a Brooklyn grand jury on a charge of conspiracy to violate the Espionage Act of 1917. He pleaded guilty in Philadelphia on July 20, 1950, and was sentenced to 30 years' imprisonment. (Tomorrow: "I Am From Julius.")

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Refugees Threaten Lynching of Reds

VIENNA, Austria — Angry Hungarian refugees threatened to lynch a Communist repatriation commission from their homeland Wednesday when it began conducting interviews in Vienna's refugee camps.

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