

McCarthy Tentatively Dropped For Censure Committee Attack

Zwicker Charge Temporarily Wiped Out by Amendment

Washington—(U.P.)—The Senate voted tentatively today to condemn Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy's attacks on its censure committee and on the Senate itself.

But it also wiped out, at least temporarily, another of the censure counts against him—that he abused Brig. Gen. Ralph W. Zwicker.

The Senate adopted an amendment by Sen. Wallace F. Bennett (R-Utah) condemning certain of McCarthy's statements to the press in a radio-TV broadcast and in a speech inserted in the record, all made since the censure committee recommended a reprimand for him.

The vote was 64 to 23 for the Bennett amendment.

Bennett's count was adopted as a substitute for a charge by the censure committee that would have condemned McCarthy's denunciation of Zwicker.

A short time earlier, the Senate by a 55 to 33 vote refused to drop the Zwicker charge entirely without adopting something in its stead.

Sen. Herbert H. Lehman (R-N.Y.) indicated he might try to revive the Zwicker count, but its chances seemed slim.

Adoption of Bennett's substitute was the second rap on the knuckles for McCarthy. The Senate last night voted 87 to 20 to condemn his attacks on a subcommittee which investigated him in 1951-52.

As amended, no part of the Senate resolution any longer carried the word "censure." Instead it would "condemn" McCarthy's conduct.

The amended resolution was still subject to further amendments and to a final vote of approval.

Senate Contempt
Yesterday the Senate voted 67 to 20 to condemn McCarthy for being contemptuous of a Senate elections subcommittee which investigated his financial and other activities in 1951-52. This was the first count which the censure committee had recommended.

The first blow fell heavily on Wednesday night when the Senate voted 67 to 20 to adopt the first of two censure counts returned by a special committee. It censured McCarthy for "repeatedly abusing" a 1951-52 elections subcommittee.

Grand Isle, La. —(U.P.)—Four oil workers were killed today when a helicopter bringing them to shore missed a landing strip and crashed into the Gulf of Mexico.



SEN. JOSEPH MCCARTHY
First Count Adopted

Roll Call Vote Given on First Item of Censure

Washington—(U.P.)—The 67-20 roll call vote by which the Senate last night tentatively approved censuring Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy for his conduct toward a 1951-52 elections subcommittee.

For censure—67.
Republicans for—23—Abel, Aiken, Beall, Bennett, Bush, Carlson, Case, Cooper, Cotton, Duff, Ferguson, Flanders, Hendrickson, Ives, Millikin, Payne, Potter, Saltonstall, Smith, of Me., Smith of N. J., Thye, Watkins and Williams.

Democratic Vote
Democrats for—43—Anderson, Burke, Byrd, Clements, Daniel of S. C., Daniel of Tex., Douglas, Eastland, Ellender, Ervin, Frear, Fulbright, George, Gillette, Green, Hayden, Jennings, Hill, Holland, Humphrey, Jackson, Johnson of Colo., Johnston of Tex., Kefauver, Kerr, Kilgore, Lehman, Long, Magnuson, Mansfield, McClellan, Monroney, Murray, Neely, O'Mahoney, Pastore, Robertson, Russell, Scott, Sparkman, Stennis and Symington.

Independent for—1—Morse.
Votes Against
Against censure—20.
Republicans against—20—Barrett, Bridges, Brown, Butler, Dirksen, Dvorshak, Goldwater, Hickenlooper, Hruska, Jenner, Knowland, Kuchel, Langer, Malone, Martin, Mundt, Purtell, Schoeppel, Welker and Young.

Democrats against—None.
Paired for—Gore (D) and Smathers (D).
Paired against—Bricker (R) and Capehart (R).
Announced for—Chavez (D).
Not recorded—Cordon (R), Kennedy (D), McCarthy (R) and Wiley (R).

DOW-JONES AVERAGES
New York —(U.P.)—Dow-Jones final stock averages 30 industrial 385.63 up 1.59; 20 rails 131.66 up 1.86; 13 utilities 60.87 up 0.14; 63 stocks 141.54 up 0.94. Sales today approximated 3,190,000 compared with 3,100,000 shares traded yesterday.

Woodburn, Ore. —(U.P.)—The annual two-day Oregon State Corn Show opens here tomorrow with exhibits entered from all parts of the state where corn is grown.

President Summons Top Officials for Mobilization Talk

Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower summoned seven cabinet members and four other top officials today to a discussion of plans for mobilizing the nation's economic resources in case of war.

The 11 officials constitute the Defense Mobilization Board. Spokesmen described the meeting as "routine," but it was noted the board rarely meets with the President unless important matters are to be discussed.

May Air Experiment
There was speculation the group would discuss the Defense Program Production Act and a new experiment by the Office of Defense Mobilization in setting up a reserve of industry and labor executives to be called to government service in an emergency.

The current Defense Production Act was passed by Congress in 1953, after a wrangle over whether to include "stand-by" federal controls on such things as wages, prices, production and credit, to be applied when needed. The administration did not want them then, and it is not expected that the President will ask for them this time.

Stockpiling Governed
As it stands now, the mobilization law, which expires June 30, governs some aspects of stockpiling critical and vital materials. It also controls a program which provides the framework for emergency controls on fabricated materials, though there is no rationing on civilian use now.

Liquor Employee Admits Money Gift

Salem—(U.P.)—Thomas J. Sheridan, suspended assistant administrator of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission and former state police lieutenant, readily admitted in his hearing before the State Civil Service Commission here today that he received some \$40 from a fellow employee, money he presumed had been given the employee by a distillery representative.

He further said that when first questioned he denied having received the money, but later corrected the record with an admission.

But what observers said they considered the most astonishing phase of the hearing was acknowledgment by George S. Woodworth, attorney for the liquor commission, that the commission has no regulation against any employee accepting a gratuity, "gift or thing of value from anyone."

Weather Causes Little Delay on Highways

Driving conditions on southern Oregon's mountain highways were causing little delay this morning. Only over the Siskiyou was there any trouble with snow.

State police reported that from Ruby's Kitchen to the California state line about five inches of packed snow is on the highway, and that chains are recommended. There is about a foot of snow at Mt. Shasta city, but chains are not required. Other highways in the area were clear, state police said.

Radio Operators Call Ship Strike

San Francisco —(U.P.)—CIO radio operators called a quickie strike today against West Coast shipowners in a dispute over contract ratification.

The strike affected an estimated 170 ships operated by some 20 shipping lines belonging to the Pacific Maritime Association.

Most of them were at sea when the strike became effective at 12:01 a.m. (PST). They will be shut down as they come into port or complete voyages.

At least eight ships were tied up in the Los Angeles-Long Beach harbors because of the strike, and five more due in port today also were expected to be affected by the strike.

Intercoastal ships operating under East Coast contracts, tankers and steam schooners were not involved.

Radio Contract Issue in Strike
At issue was whether a contract exists between the CIO American Radio Association and the PMA. The PMA said none existed; the ARA then said its men would not work after today.

That meant no ship could sail. Under federal law, a radio operator must be aboard every vessel.

Other West Coast maritime unions pledged themselves to observe ARA picket lines.

Honolulu —(U.P.)—A West Coast shipping strike caused dismay today in the Hawaiian Islands, already feeling a squeeze from another maritime dispute involving AFL sailors.

A strike, called today by CIO radio operators, imperiled Hawaii's annual "Christmas Tree Ship." The ship, the Hawaiian Packer, had been scheduled to leave San Francisco for Honolulu with 100,000 trees from the Pacific Northwest.

The ship also carried a load of Christmas merchandise.

Adverse Economic Chain
But even before today's strike, Harry Lundberg's sailors had already started an adverse economic chain reaction in Hawaii because of their refusal to work overtime.

The sailors are disputing certain cargo loading rights with Harry Bridges' International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union. The ILWU and the shipowners have offered to negotiate a settlement.

Hawaii is 95 per cent dependent on imports from the mainland.

United States Seeks Nationalist Promise

Washington—(U.P.)—The United States will press for a Nationalist Chinese promise to refrain from provocative attacks on Red China under the new U.S.-Formosa security treaty, informed sources said today.

They reported that the United States hopes to get such a promise in the set of working rules which Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said will be worked out when the treaty becomes effective.

Dulles announced late Wednesday that the United States and Nationalist China have concluded negotiations on a mutual defense treaty and expect to sign the pact here in two or three days. Under the treaty, the United States will retaliate against Red China if the Communists attack Formosa.

Portland —(U.P.)—The Oregon Wheat Growers League opened its annual three-day convention here today with a program to increase domestic consumption of wheat products one of the items on the agenda.

Communist Nations Of Europe Agree On E. German Army Military Alliance Formation Decided

Moscow —(U.P.)—Eight Communist nations of Europe today agreed to create an East German Communist army.

They also decided to form an East European military alliance if the West rearms West Germany.

China Present
The agreement was signed by the Soviet Union and the seven Communist nations of Eastern Europe attending the Russian-sponsored European Security Conference. They are East Germany, Poland, Romania, Bulgaria, Albania, Czechoslovakia and Hungary.

Communist China, which sent an observer to the four-day conference, did not sign as one of the prospective members of the alliance. But Red China's delegate made it plain his government backs the plan.

Soviet Premier Georgi M. Malenkov and other top leaders attended the historic signing of an 18-page "declaration of intention" concluding the Communist conference.

The document was signed in the Grand Palace of the Kremlin.

Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav M. Molotov signed first, followed by Poland's Premier Jose Cyrankiewicz. Then the other Communist premiers or deputy premiers committed their countries to the new grouping of world power.

More than 100 correspondents, including Western newsmen, watched the smiling, hand-shaking crowd of world Communist leaders. It was one of the largest groups of Red government leaders ever seen at one spot.

Moscow —(U.P.)—The Soviet-sponsored European Security Conference of eight Communist nations met today to draft a resolution against a rearmament West Germany.

Leonid F. Ilyichev, Soviet Foreign Office press chief, said the resolution would be in the form of a draft collective security treaty or a declaration of intention by the eight participating nations to form such a system.

Great Britain Warns Red China on Attacks

London —(U.P.)—Britain revealed today that she has formally warned Red China against attacks on the Nationalist-held islands off Formosa but she has urged the United States and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to go slow in that potentially explosive area.

A Foreign Office spokesman said Britain's warning to Red China was handed to Peiping through the Chinese charge d'affaires in London.

Official sources here said Red China's reaction was decidedly cool and gave no grounds for hopes that the Communists would curtail their series of increasingly violent attacks on Formosa's chain of islands.

Two Murder Cases Here Marking Time; DA at State Meet

Two Jackson county murder cases marked time today.

There were no new developments in the Margaret Ann Cornell case, Marion Franklin Plening, 50, of 425 South Grape st., who was booked yesterday on suspicion of second degree murder in connection with her death, is still lodged in the county jail.

Deputy District Attorney Gene Piazza indicated this morning that Plening may appear in court today. It was not known this morning whether Plening would obtain the services of an attorney, or whether it would be necessary for the court to appoint counsel for him.

Appeal Time Asked
In the case of James Norman Jensen, 25, Larkspur, Calif., sentenced to die in the state's lethal gas chamber for the April 24 slaying of Mrs. Fern Hile, defense attorney Edward Kelly has filed a motion for extension of the time for preparation of a transcript, or bill of exceptions, to be used in an appeal. Notice of appeal had been filed this morning, according to court officials.

District Attorney Walter Nunley was in Portland today attending a two-day convention of the Oregon Association of District Attorneys, of which he is a committee chairman. He plans to be back in his office Saturday morning.

Dulles Accused of Changing Policy

Washington —(U.P.)—Secretary of State John Foster Dulles was accused today of changing policy to placate Republican critics on the question of blockading Red China to win freedom for 13 American prisoners.

Dulles or Wednesday a naval blockade might be considered as a last resort if peaceful efforts fail to free the prisoners who were jailed on "trumped-up" spy charges.

This brought a charge by Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.) that Dulles had revamped his position since his major foreign policy address at Chicago Monday. In that speech, Dulles ruled out use of a blockade on grounds that it would amount to "war action."

Medford Water Passes Tests 100 Per Cent

More than 200 samples of Medford city water, taken during the past 12 months, have received a 100 per cent perfect rating from the State Board of Health, according to City Superintendent Robert Duff.

About 20 samples are taken each month from various points on the distribution system. They are analyzed by the county health department.

The state has recommended that Medford water be certified by the U.S. Public Health Service for use in interstate commerce. Certification is made annually.

Weather

FORECAST: Considerable cloudiness with occasional light rain through Friday. Fog patches Friday morning. Low tonight 35. High Friday near 50.

Highest Yesterday	Temp.
Lowest this Morning	49
Prec. to 4:30 a.m. Today	21

Thousands View Yuletide Opening Parade Yesterday

Crowds estimated by police at between 6,000 and 8,000 people swarmed throughout gaily-decorated downtown Medford last night in one of the best-attended and most festive Christmas openings ever held here.

The big attraction was a 17-foot parade, but spectators too showed interest in the lighted windows of the downtown mer-

Microwave Relay System Studied By Telephone Co.

Studies on a possible radio microwave relay route for telephone and television use between Chico, Calif., and Portland now are being made at Medford and other Oregon points by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company.

Experimental towers are being put up on a temporary basis at approximately 30-mile intervals along a line-of-sight path roughly paralleling the present underground coaxial cable, according to Telephone Manager Jack Creager.

Must Get Bugs Out
Dates for the start of permanent construction of the new microwave system cannot be set until the project is thoroughly "bugged out," Creager said. He stated, however, that the present exploratory work is part of the long range planning needed to keep up with the growing need for more long distance telephone and TV channels into the northwest.

The additional facilities would supplement circuits in the coaxial cable and would connect with radio equipment at Portland to boost connections with Seattle and other Washington cities, Creager said.

Beekeepers State Conclave To Open

The 35th annual meeting of the Oregon State Beekeepers association will open in Medford tomorrow for a two-day session. Convention headquarters will be at the Medford hotel. About 100 delegates are expected.

The first general session will be at 9 a.m. with addresses of welcome, appointment of committees and reports.

In the afternoon new officers will be elected, and there will be further reports and technical discussions. At 4:30 p.m. a tour will be conducted by the Rogue River Valley Beekeepers association.

At 7 p.m. a banquet will be held, and a talk given on the history and significance of the use of beeswax candles in religious services.

Legislation, bee diseases and farm crops will be discussed at the Saturday morning session, and the final business meeting will be held in the afternoon, with adjournment scheduled for 4 p.m.

James W. Wright, Newberg, is president of the association. George W. Nichols, Ashland, the only southern Oregon officer, is chairman of the nectar and pollen plants department.

Salem—(U.P.)—Average weekly earnings of Portland metropolitan area manufacturing production workers reached a new high of \$78.93 a week in October, compared with \$75.34 in September and \$77.05 in October, 1953.

Prizes totaling \$400 were awarded to entries in the parade, which was divided into four groups. Winners were:

Youth groups, Biblical theme: First, St. Mary's Girl Scout troop, \$50; second, Roxy Ann Grange, \$25; and third, fourth and fifth, \$10 each, Senior High Pep club, Council of Church Women and Eighth Grade Tri-Hi-Y.

Youth groups, fairyland theme: First, Letter Carriers' auxiliary, \$50; second, Lady Activists, \$25; and third, fourth, \$10 each, Medford Lions club and Lady Lions of Crater club.

Adult groups, fairyland theme: First, Loyal Order of Moose, \$50; second, Medford Public Library, \$25.

Express Thanks
Bill Rombach, co-chairman of the parade for the Jaycees, this morning expressed his appreciation for the cooperation and assistance the group received from the Medford Retail Merchants association, the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, and others.

Five police officers were detailed to assist with the parade, which went off without a hitch. After the parade auto and pedestrian traffic was as heavy in the downtown section as it usually is on the busiest shopping afternoons.

Pope Suffers Heart Attack

Vatican City —(U.P.)—Pope Pius XII was reported by Vatican sources tonight to have suffered a heart attack.

A press office announcement at the Vatican said "the Holy Father suffered a heart collapse at 8:30 a.m. (P.S.T.)."

The announcement described the ailing Pontiff as "very ill and in a state of serious collapse."

Official fears were expressed that the 78-year-old Pope might not survive the night.

Doctors maintained a bedside vigil after the frail pontiff took a sudden turn for the worse in a stomach ailment that has plagued him and sapped his strength for 10 months.

In addition to hiccups that disturbed his sleep last night the Pope is seized with occasional stomach pains, sources said.

Health Officer Gets Offer From California

Dr. A. Erich Merkel, Jackson county health officer, has been offered the position of director of health for Tulare county, Calif., he said yesterday. He indicated that he has reached no decision on the offer.

Dr. Merkel was interviewed last week by members of the Tulare county board of supervisors. Following the conference, the formal offer of the position was made.

Tulare county is located in south central California and Visalia and Tulare are its two largest cities. The population of Tulare county is approximately twice that of Jackson county.

Dr. Merkel has been Jackson county health officer for about 17 years.

Eisenhower Considers Blockade as War Act

Washington —(U.P.)—President Eisenhower said today that a blockade of Red China would be an act of war which he would not undertake in anger and without first going before Congress.

The Chief executive also told a news conference that the United Nations could not retain its self respect if it avoids responsibility for the American soldiers who are still held prisoner by the Chinese Communists.

Expects U.N. Action
The President intimated that he expected some sort of action within the U.N. looking to the peaceful release of the 13 American prisoners, but he gave no

indication of whether he expected it to be successful.

Meanwhile, Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R-N.J.), announced that the United States called a conference today with 15 other United Nations members to discuss what can be done about Red China's illegal imprisonment of American servicemen.

Meeting Called by Lodge
Smith said the conference was called to meet this afternoon in New York by Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., U.S. Ambassador to the U.N., with the 15 nations which joined with the United States in the fighting in Korea.

In a lengthy and voluntary discussion of the Red Chinese conviction of 13 American pris-

oners as spies, the President was angry and resentful because 11 of the prisoners were soldiers in uniform captured in the Korean war and entitled to treatment as prisoners under the Korean Armistice. He declined to discuss the status of the other two prisoners, saying this was a cloudy situation about which he could not talk.

Should Be Home
As for the 11 uniformed soldiers, however, he said their imprisonment was completely indefensible and they should be home now.

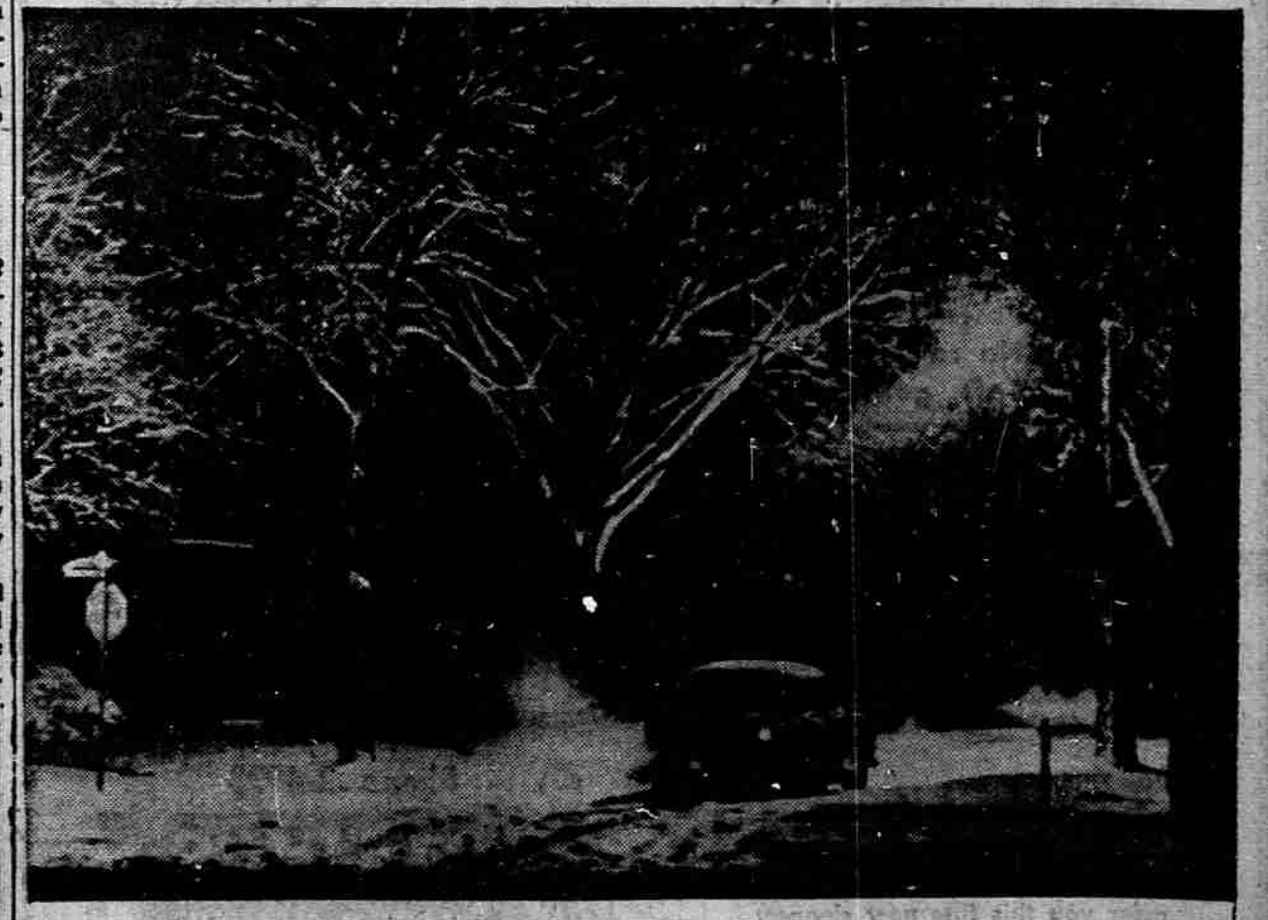
Mr. Eisenhower painted a menacing picture of what might happen if the United States were to impose a naval and air

blockade of Red China as demanded by Sen. William F. Knowland (R-Calif.).

He said this was time for the courage to be patient and the exploration of every possible peaceful solution.

He said that if the United States ever took a fateful decision that could lead to war, it should be done not out of anger but, as former President Woodrow Wilson said, only if there was no other means of protecting our rights.

Impulse To Lash Out
He admitted that his first impulse was to lash out in resentment and anger, but he said a President could not permit himself such an emotional reaction to a deadly serious situation.



LOOKS LIKE A WHITE CHRISTMAS—As pretty as a picture on a Christmas greeting card is this street scene in Milwaukee as six inches of snow fell during the night in the season's first snowfall.