

# Committee Seeks To Devise Practical Safety Plan for Salk Vaccine Program

## Air Force To Step Up Production In View of Recent Russian Gains

Washington — (U.P.) — The Air Force said today it will step up production of some of its latest planes in view of recent Russian air power gains.

Chairman Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.) of the Senate Armed Services Committee, disclosed these plans after high Air Force officials had briefed the group on U.S. and Russian air power.

Russell said Air Force Secretary Harold E. Talbott "indicated there would be some acceleration of our program."

Asked if that meant stepping up production of such planes as the jet B52 intercontinental bomber, Russell said, "I don't think there is any question about it."

Democrats have been questioning whether the United States is still superior to Russia in air power. Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson asserted Tuesday that it is. Russell told reporters that the "important thing now is to get on with our production of planes."

He said he believes the Air Force should give manufacturers the facts about the danger facing the United States in order to "get them on their toes" in turning out more planes.

Two Shifts Advised  
Russell said he had "heartily recommended" that airplane manufacturers step up their production by going on at least two shifts a day.

Russell said Congress stands ready to give the Air Force any additional sums it may feel are needed to boost plane production.

Sen. Henry M. Jackson earlier had called for an increase in air

force goals to cope with what he called the alarming increase in Soviet warplane production.

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## Partial Resumption Of Vaccinations Next Week Possible

Washington — (U.P.) — Scientists, drug manufacturers and government officials set out today to devise a practical safety plan for Salk vaccine which would permit early resumption of the nation's inoculation program.

An informed source said enough Salk vaccine may measure up quickly to the government's tight new safety standards to permit partial resumption of the program next week.

'Move Pretty Fast'  
The Public Health Service said the committee "can be expected to move pretty fast" in its batch-at-a-time check of vaccine. It will review vaccine already produced but not yet released as well as vaccine produced in the future.

The new standards, it was understood, mainly call for a major increase in the volumes of the samples of vaccine to be tested at various stages during production. One source said the volume of samples tested in tissue cultures and live monkeys would be increased about twenty-fold.

At the same time, industry and health service officials met to discuss the standards further and try to decide how they should apply to each manufacturer since they are a guide to production and do not spell out every step the manufacturer must follow.

Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, U. S. surgeon general, described the new standards as additions and extensions of tests previously set up by the health service. Another source said they are "not drastic."

But Homer O. Fritsch, executive vice-president of the Parke-Davis Co., Detroit, said he and other producers feel the revisions are not acceptable "as presently written."

Both Fritsch and Dr. Betty Lee Hampill, director of virus research for Sharp & Dohme, Philadelphia, said the manufacturers were given only "tentative" specifications.

Standards Are Firm  
But a Public Health Service spokesman said the standards are firm and the government "insists on the standards it considers necessary."

An official of one company said his firm "is still hopeful the final standards will be realistic."

The clearance committee will report directly to Scheele, who has the final responsibility for releasing vaccine.

The committee was scheduled to review first "frozen" stocks of the Wyeth Laboratories and Pitman-Moore Co. which were rechecked recently by health service scientists but not released.

Rechecked stocks produced by Parke Davis and the Eli Lilly Co. were released following a similar recheck. Officials of the two firms told newsmen that together they have more than 3,500,000 more doses awaiting clearance.

State Vaccination Program Declared Moving Along Well  
Portland — (U.P.) — The State Board of Health said yesterday that Oregon's Salk polio vaccination program was moving along as well as could be expected considering overall confusion over the vaccine.

Health office figures showed that 74 per cent of Portland public school children were inoculated during the first day of the program and 66.6 per cent of Multnomah county first and second graders got their shots during the second day.

Based on Sign-ups  
The percentage figures were based on the number of children who signed up for shots, not on total enrollments in the schools.

However, the board pointed out that accurate figures were hard to obtain because of the many factors involved. At one school, 50 children were absent with measles and at another, 19 had moved before the vaccination program began.

9,000 in Lane County  
In Eugene, the Lane County Health Department reported an estimated 9,000 boys and girls in the first four grades will have been inoculated by tomorrow.

Dr. Madeline Marr, city school director said there had been a net loss of less than 10 per cent from the total number who at first were scheduled to take the shots.

In Albany, however, cancellations were reported much higher. The same was true of some eastern Oregon towns near the Idaho border.

Dead line Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 8:30 previous day.

## Youths Thwarted In Wedding Plans

Vancouver, Wash. — (U.P.) — Two teenagers from Oregon who tried to obtain a marriage license in Vancouver were returned to their homes by their parents yesterday.

Sheriff Clarence McKay of Clark county said John S. Martin, Harbor, Ore., would be turned over to Oregon authorities on a warrant from Gold Beach, Ore., charging child stealing. He was picked up in Vancouver on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of minors.

McKay said Martin had brought the children, a 16-year-old boy and a 14-year-old girl from Brookings, Ore., to Clark county to be married. They had been away from their homes four days before they appeared at the Clark county courthouse and applied for a marriage license, McKay said.

A suspicious marriage clerk refused to issue the license.

ONTARIO VOTE SET  
Vale — (U.P.) — The Malheur County Court has set June 30 as the date for rural residents of Ontario to vote on a road district proposal.

## Printer Strike Idles Newspapers in France

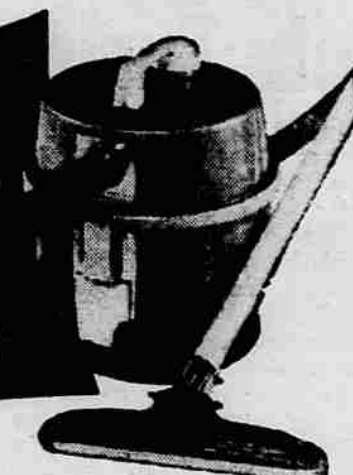
Paris — (U.P.) — A Communist-led printers strike left Paris and several other French cities without newspapers today.

The 24-hour news blackout was called by the Red-bosssed General Confederation of Labor (CGT) in protest against a National Assembly decision to discuss a bill making it no longer compulsory for printers to register with the union.

The city's major morning newspapers were unable to publish. The European edition of the New York Herald Tribune was among the newspapers affected. The strike was to last through tonight and was expected to prevent publication of evening papers.

Burke Plans Cruise  
Norfolk, Va. — (U.P.) — Rear Adm. Arleigh Burke, named by President Eisenhower to be commander in chief of naval operations, today made plans for a cruise aboard the atomic-powered submarine Nautilus.

Burke said his first objective in preparing to assume his new command next Aug. 16 pending approval of his appointment would be to familiarize himself with the atomic submarine.



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