

# Military Chiefs in Seclusion To Work on New Defense Strategy

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Washington—(U.P.)—America's military chiefs are working on new defense strategy in the seclusion of a comfortable Puerto Rican air base, far from the din and controversies of Washington.

Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson faced questioning about the high command's secret mission late today at his first news conference since Feb. 1.

The Pentagon, which concealed the exodus of the Joint Chiefs of Staff for two days, said Monday night they are at Ramey Air Force base "to devote their full time this week, without interruption, to JCS business."

A major item of business is the chief's order from Wilson to take a detailed "new look" at

the size and makeup of the armed forces that will be needed in the coming three years.

In the background are changing Russian economic and military policies, and increasing threats from Soviet technological progress in such fields as guided missiles and long-range air power.

Congressional and Pentagon concern over the threats had led to a Senate investigation headed by Sen. Stuart Symington (D-Mo.). His armed services subcommittee Monday named Fowler Hamilton, New York trial lawyer and World War II Air Force official, to be counsel for the inquiry which is planned

to start by April 1. Symington said a major goal will be to determine whether under present policies "the United States and its allies could survive a sudden all-out atomic attack and be able in turn to rise up and destroy the attackers."

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joint chiefs in their Puerto Rico discussions. Symington's subcommittee, as well as Wilson, will be looking to them for some expert answers.

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## Draftee's Chinchillas Offered by Society

Chicago—(U.P.)—The Anti-Cruelty Society today offered 44 chinchillas free to anyone who can make a good home for them.

The chinchillas' former master has been drafted into the Army. Society officials estimated that the pets would have been worth about \$50,000 about 10 years ago. They added they wouldn't give them to anyone interested "in making a large profit."

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## Dental Association Urges Fluoridation

Portland—(U.P.)—The Oregon State Dental Association today urged that communities go ahead with plans for fluoridation of water supplies as soon as possible.

The association, in the strongest stand it has taken on the issue to date, made the statement in its first official action following the State Supreme Court decision upholding the right of communities to add the chemical to municipal water supplies.

"We recognize that the addition of these compounds reduces decay 40 to 65 per cent and there is nothing that has come along which can compare to any extent with this procedure," Dr. J. Warner Henderson, president of the group, said.

The association opened its 63rd annual convention here yesterday.

Dr. Paul W. Kunkel Sr., Portland, newly-elected president-elect who will take office in 1957, pointed out that medical pioneers and authorities in nearly every field have been hampered by lack of public acceptance of new programs. He mentioned vaccinations and chlorination of water as examples.

Dr. Kunkel said, "Fluoride has no odor, taste or unpleasant feature. This is not a drug. It's a food element."

## Thornton Points To Career Plan

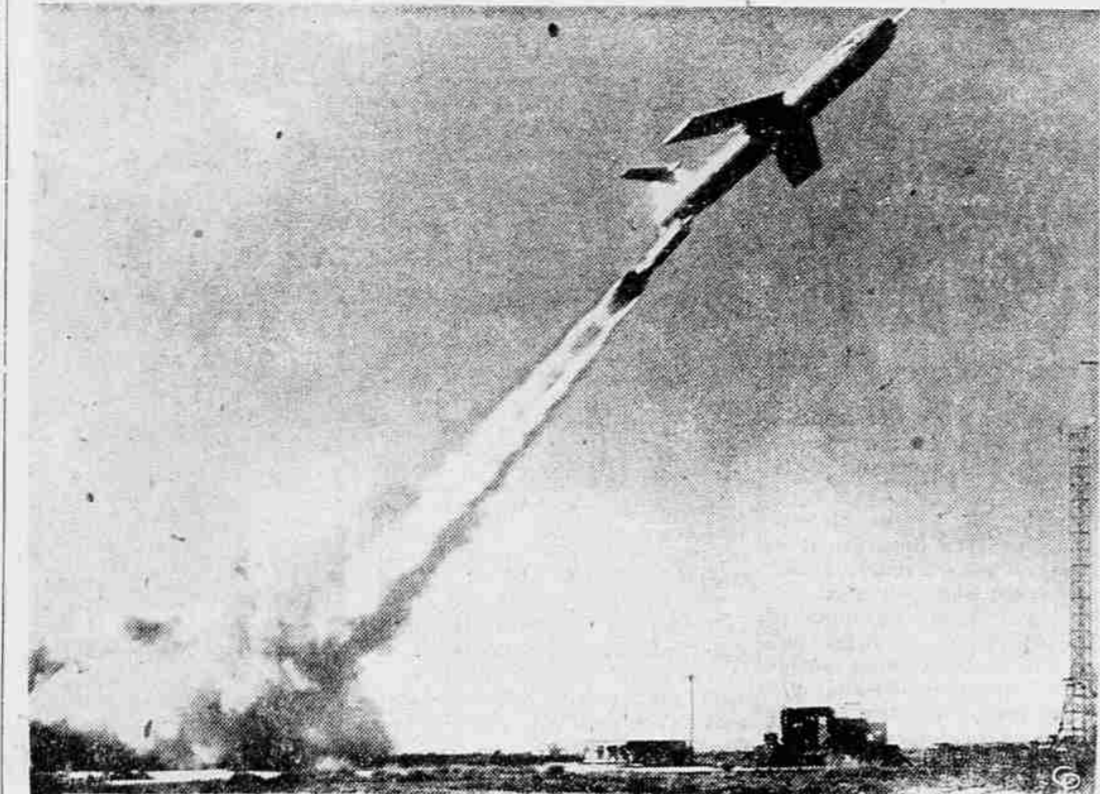
Salem—(U.P.)—Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton said last night that public confidence in the impartiality of the attorney general's office could be assured only if appointments were made under a career plan such as the one now in force.

Thornton reviewed his administration as attorney general in a speech to the department of justice bar association here.

He listed the main objectives of his office as providing clear and understandable ballot titles on measures voted by the people, cracking down on public welfare fraud and non-support cases, and cooperating with local and state police and prosecutors in cracking down on prostitution.

A further objective, Thornton said, was establishment of a non-political career system for the appointment and promotion of attorneys in all state departments, boards and commissions.

He expressed vigorous opposition to a proposal made during the 1955 Legislature that the attorney general be appointed by the governor instead of being elected by the people, as he has been since 1892.



**ZOOMING INTO SPACE** after "enemy" attackers, Matador tactical missile TM-61B is test fired at Holloman Air Force Base, N. M. New missile is longer and carries larger nose section than earlier models. Electronic guide from ground calls turn as missile is propelled at near sonic speed (over 650 miles-per-hour). (International Soundphoto)

## Lawyers Said Latest Dupes of Communist Party Policy Shift

Washington—(U.P.)—Lawyers are the latest "dupes" of a major policy shift by the American Communist Party, Assistant Attorney General William F. Tompkins said today.

The head of the Justice department's Internal Security division said volunteer defense of Communist leaders by local bar associations is helping the party in one of its "new look" drives, the attempt to undermine the Smith act.

**Other New Drives**

Other new drives by the party include renewed efforts to infiltrate "intellectual" groups, organization of smaller but more numerous "front" groups and a campaign to gain acceptance as a legitimate American political party.

"The basic aim of the party remains the same," Tompkins said. "That is the overthrow of the U.S. government by any means available."

A number of bar associations have been "dupes" in the Communist drive to discredit the Smith act through offering their legal services to defend so-called second-string Communists, Tompkins said.

He cited the Cleveland Bar association which took up a collection to defend 10 Smith act defendants. Four of the defendants recently were acquitted, while the others were convicted.

**Chief Legal Weapon**

"I would like to see them take

up a collection to defend a narcotics addict," Tompkins said.

The Smith act prohibits advocating the overthrow of the government by force and violence. It has been the government's chief legal weapon against Communist leaders.

"The bar associations that lend their support to this move are themselves dupes of Communist party strategy. And an indication of the effectiveness of Communist party propaganda is the fact that many of the persons challenging the Smith act sincerely believe they are defending civil rights," Tompkins said.

## Chest X-Ray Clinic Open Tomorrow Night

The chest x-ray clinic at Sacred Heart hospital will be open between 7 and 9 p.m. tomorrow as well as Thursday afternoon this week. L. O. Boomer, x-ray chairman for the Jackson County Public Health association, announced today.

Last Wednesday evening almost 40 residents of the Prospect area were x-rayed. The program was sponsored by the Prospect Health committee with Mrs. Marcus Dey as chairman and the Prospect Lions club and auxiliary.

Boomer pointed out that the x-ray takes only a short time.

## Monaco Prince's Dad To Wed Ohio Woman

Washington—(U.P.)—Prince Pierre of Monaco, future father-in-law of actress Gene Kelly, is reported planning to beat her to the altar.

The Washington Post and Times Herald said today Prince Pierre plans to marry heiress Audrey Emery of Cincinnati, O., this spring in Europe.

The newspaper said the marriage is scheduled to take place before the April 18 wedding of the prince's son, Prince Rainier III, and his Hollywood princess.

## Grange

**Upper Rogue Grange**

Upper Rogue Grange met March 1 with the seating drill and business meeting conducted by Master Caroline Harding. An unusually large attendance was noticed. Lecturer Bob Darrohn had an interesting program. Pomona Master Herb Carlton reported on agriculture. Harold Barker reported on legislature and several members reported on road conditions.

Brother and Sister Barber were welcomed home after their two months' vacation in Mexico City, Hollywood, Los Angeles and parts of Washington.

Next Grange meeting will be a potluck supper March 15 honoring all members who have had birthdays in the past month. The Rev. Elcho Redding and family will be special guests. He will give a talk on India and also show slides. Mr. Redding is on a furlough from missionary work in India and will have to return some time this summer. All members are urged to come out to this dinner at 7 p.m.

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