

Aided in Postal Crisis, Budget Chief Says

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Eastland, Jenner Say Information Confirmed by FBI Transcript Cleared For Publication

Washington—(U.P.)—The Democratic chairman and a Republican member of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee said today that the State Department had checked with the FBI and "corroborated the truth" of subcommittee information linking a Canadian diplomat with Communism.

They asserted also that the State Department "cleared for publication" the transcript of a hearing last month at which old subcommittee charges were reviewed and aired again.

Phoned To Press

The statement was made by Sens. James O. Eastland (D-Miss.), chairman of the subcommittee, and William E. Jenner (R-Ind.). It was telephoned this morning to press associations by a subcommittee staff member.

Later, the subcommittee asked that the statement be withdrawn but one of the press associations (not the United Press) already had sent it out on its wires and refused to withdraw it.

Eastland gave this explanation of wanting the statement pulled back:

"He (Eisenhower) said it ought to be dropped and we killed it (the statement)," Eastland told the United Press.

FBI Remains Silent
The State Department had no immediate comment but said it would issue a statement later.

The FBI declined comment. The diplomat, E. Herbert Norman, committed suicide last Thursday in Cairo where he was serving as Canadian ambassador to Egypt. Canadians attributed his act in part to the subcommittee's action in publishing charges which the Canadian government said it had disproved in 1951.

Angry Canadian reaction to the incident reached a climax Wednesday. The Canadian government said in a note that it no longer will supply security information to the U.S. government unless it receives a guarantee the information will not be given to congressional committees without Canada's advance consent.

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Blame State Department
Today, however, in the statement which they tried to withdraw, Eastland and Jenner retorted in a joint statement that "the State Department did not and could not disclaim" the Senate group's action.

The Canadian note angrily demanded guarantees that any security information supplied to this government be kept out of congressional hands without Canada's consent.

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Company Formed To Explore Josephine Nickel Deposits
Cave Junction—(U.P.)—John H. White Jr., president of Chemical Metallurgical Inc., Salt Lake City, announced Wednesday formation of the Nickel Corporation of America for the purpose of exploring and developing nickel deposits in Josephine county.

The Salt Lake firm has been joined in the enterprise by New Delhi Ltd., Toronto, Canada. Lionel Simard, of the Canadian firm of Simard & Knight, will be in charge of exploring and drilling operations to be started in the mountain area adjacent

Chlorine Fumes Rout Over 1,000

Ellwood City, Pa.—(U.P.)—A chlorine tank car parked at a chemical plant in nearby Frisco sprang a leak early today sending green clouds of deadly gas billowing over a mile-square area.

Thirty nine persons were treated for gas poisoning at Ellwood City hospital. A score of other residents jammed Ellwood City physicians' offices.

More than 1,000 persons were routed from their homes until the choking fumes were dispersed. The leak in the railroad tanker, parked on a siding at

the Ellwood City Chemical Co., was discovered after a man and wife, ill from the fumes, stumbled into police headquarters.

Firemen, wearing masks to protect them from the World War I type gas, went to the scene. They went from house to house waking residents. In some cases they were forced to break down doors.

Daniel Pelloni, one of the owners of the plant, dashed into a concentration of the gas, climbed to the top of the car, and closed a faulty valve with a pipe wrench. He suffered a severe hand burn.

President Requests New Airways Board

Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower asked Congress today for a new, independent "airways modernization board" to solve the growing menace of air collisions.

The plan promptly collided with a Democratic charge that it does not go far enough.

Eisenhower called for establishment of a three-man board which would coordinate all civil and military research on the nation's air traffic control problem. It would be composed of two representatives from the De-

fense and Commerce departments and headed by a chairman appointed by the President.

But Sen. A. S. Mike Monroney (D-Okla.), said such a board "invites delay, dissension and compromise."

"The emergency is too great and requires immediate action," Monroney said. "I doubt the wisdom of a three-man board as proposed by the President."

Monroney, whose Senate Interstate Commerce Subcommittee will hold hearings on the proposal, said he fears the board organization as proposed by the White House lacks sufficient authority.

"Its scientific goals are admirable," Monroney added, "but such a board must be given the power to order civil and military aviation officials to put its recommendations into effect. It should be run by one man, not three. The three-man set-up just invites delay, dissension and compromise."

Eisenhower's plan went to Capitol Hill in the form of a special interim report by Edward P. Curtis, chief of the President's aviation facilities planning group established in March, 1956.

Around May 1, Curtis will issue a comprehensive blueprint for overhauling the present air traffic control system. His interim report contained only one specific recommendation—the airways modernization board.

Education Conclave In Final Session
San Francisco—(U.P.)—The Western Regional Conference on Education moved into its final session today as western educators, governors and laymen made plans for a tremendous influx of college students during the next decade.

Tracy E. Streyve, dean of the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences at the University of Southern California, told the group that in dealing with students, "We are dealing with our most important resource."

"It is our youth—the oncoming generations of young people who are currently progressing through our schools—who in their day will determine the destiny of our country and probably that of the world," he said.

President O. Meredith Wilson of the University of Oregon was scheduled to speak later in the day, and Utah Gov. George D. Clyde will deliver the closing address tonight.

Air Force Calls for Bids at Camp Adair
Portland—(U.P.)—The Air Force has announced it will receive bids May 2 for construction of a safe defense facility at Camp Adair, near Albany. Plans have been issued to six selected contractors.

The project will include a four-story central building and a two-story powerhouse. Both buildings will be reinforced concrete with insulated built-up roofs.

Other facilities will include paved access roads, fencing, towers, tanks, boilers, generators and accessory utilities and similar work.

Witnesses Testify Langley Failed To Stop Gambling

District Attorney at Fund-Raising Party

Portland—(U.P.)—Portland racketeer James B. (Big Jim) Elkins testified today that Multnomah County District Attorney William Langley took a share of the proceeds from a private gambling party at a Portland nightclub Feb. 25, 1955.

Under direct examination, Elkins said Langley had protested that his share of the gambling proceeds was "a piddling amount."

Portland—(U.P.)—The state called more witnesses today to back up its charges that District Attorney William Langley failed to prosecute gambling at a 1955 fund-raising party.

The state called nine witnesses Wednesday at Langley's trial on the misdemeanor charge and indicated it may rest its case today.

Special Prosecutor Elliott Cummins told the jury of six men and six women that Langley saw illegal gambling going on at a party of the Portland Paint, Lacquer and Varnish Dealers Association. He said the district attorney, who also is under indictment on several other counts, failed to move to prevent or prosecute any of the operators.

Defense attorneys K. C. Tanner and Richard R. Carney claimed Langley could not prosecute under the law because the statute said violation does not apply to charity fund-raising.

The state said high dice and blackjack were in operation at the party.

William B. Nettleton testified he installed two dice and three "21" tables at the party and that he obtained them from racketeer James B. Elkins who he said bankrolled the operation.

Nettleton testified he saw Langley "out in the foyer, part of the cocktail lounge, sitting at a table with a man and a lady... perhaps five minutes." Nettleton said he now lives at Wapato, Wash.

Other witnesses told of seeing gambling at the party. Joe Hennessy, a former associate of Nettleton, said he helped get the gambling tables ready. Hennessy denied he ever said he saw Langley at the party. Meanwhile, the county grand jury went back into session today after taking Wednesday off.

In Federal Court a hearing continued on a motion by Elkins and Raymond Clark to suppress evidence the government plans to use against them in a case accusing them of illegal wiretapping. The hearing might last until the eve of their trial, scheduled to start at 10 a. m. next Tuesday.

Woods Employees Idle at Coos Bay

Coos Bay—(U.P.)—More than 400 woods employees of Weyerhaeuser Timber Company refused to go to work today after a dispute over working hours of a nine-man boom crew.

The employees work at Allegheny in Coos county and are members of local 2562 of the AFL-CIO Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union.

President Max Barber of the local said the company tried to split up the boom crew to have four men go to work at 7 a. m. and five at 11 a. m. The crew had been working with seven men going to work at 8 a. m. He said that when they showed up this morning the company refused to let them work unless they split off.

A. O. Karlen, general manager of the Coos Bay branch of Weyerhaeuser, said the busses took the men out and then brought them back when they refused to work.

Tulsa, Okla.—(U.P.)—W. G. Skelly, pioneer oilman and board chairman of Skelly Oil Co., died today.

Saudi Arabia To Fire on Israeli Ships in Aqaba

Formal Protest Against Tanker Flee

By UNITED PRESS

A Cairo newspaper said today King Saud of Saudi Arabia had warned Israel that Saudi artillery will open fire on any Israeli ship trying to pass through the Gulf of Aqaba.

The warning was reported by the independent newspaper Al Ahram which also said Saudi Arabia and Egypt had protested formally to the United States against passage of an American tanker through the gulf to an Israeli port.

At the same time an Egyptian spokesman said Israel had refused to withdraw troops from positions on Egyptian territory covering the approaches to the Israeli port of Eilat at head of the Gulf of Aqaba.

In Jordan, where a major political crisis was feared, King Hussein was reported arresting all known Communists in Amman and other Jordan cities in a desperate effort to stay in power.

New Cabinet Boycotted
Hussein also was reported considering placing his country under military government following the resignation of pro-Soviet Premier Suleiman Nabulsi. No outbreaks were reported, but Nabulsi has shown before he can call out mob support from among the Palestinian refugees if he needs it.

A dispatch from Amman—one of the few to penetrate the heavy censorship there—said King Hussein today asked former Foreign Minister Hussein Khalidi to form a new cabinet. Diplomatic circles predicted he would be unable to do so.

The three major parties in Nabulsi's cabinet announced they would not enter the new cabinet.

Syria Would Aid Jordan
A United Press dispatch from Damascus said Syrian newspapers expressed fear today that Israel might "commit aggression against Jordan" if a conflict breaks out between Hussein's and Nabulsi's followers.

Political circles in Damascus affirmed that the Syrian Army was ready to aid Jordan in the event of an Israeli attack.

American-Egyptian negotiations on operation of the Suez Canal remained stalemated, and Cairo reports said Egyptian Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi had used the last meeting with U.S. Ambassador Raymond Hare to protest against transit of the Gulf of Aqaba by the American tanker Kern Hill with oil for Israel.

Aerobee-HI Rocket Fired in New Mexico

White Sands Proving Grounds, N. M.—(U.P.)—The Navy fired an Aerobee-HI rocket 126 miles high Thursday in the first test of sensitive instruments to be carried in the earth-circling satellite sometime after July.

Electronic devices began sending back signals 20 seconds after launching and officials said they received 360 seconds of data before the rocket crashed into a rugged area of the testing ground, 17 miles from the launching site.

John W. Townsend, who headed the test for the Navy, pronounced the first checkout of the instruments "very successful."

GAO Considering Cancelling Contract

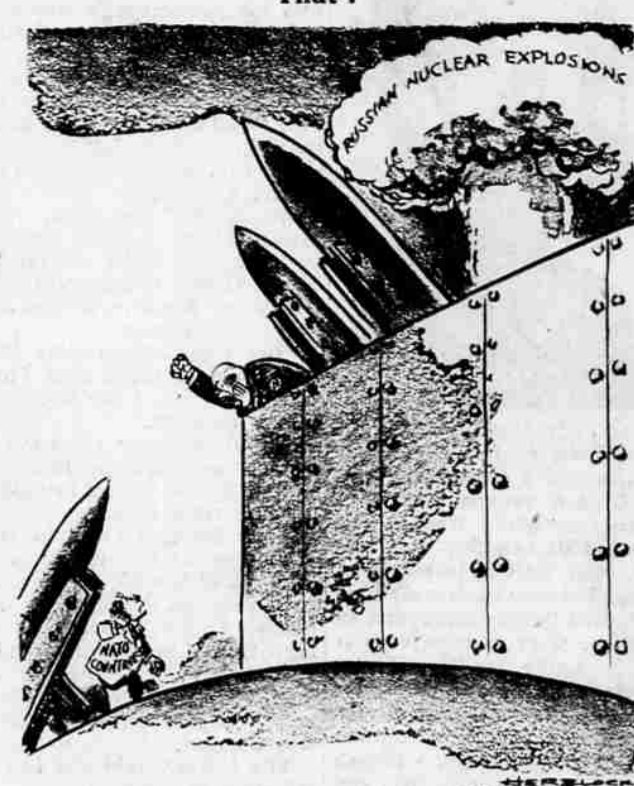
Washington—(U.P.)—A House Government Operations Subcommittee today authorized steps which could lead to cancellation of a \$834,150 Army clothing contract held by the family of Robert Tripp Ross, former assistant secretary of defense.

Comptroller General Joseph Campbell notified the subcommittee that his General Accounting Office will consider cancelling the contract, provided such action would not interfere with an investigation being conducted by the subcommittee.

Subcommittee Chairman Chet Holifield (D-Calif.) promptly gave Campbell a go-ahead. "Any action which the Comptroller General might contemplate will not affect the committee's investigation," Holifield said.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES
New York—(U.P.)—Dow-Jones financial averages: 30 industrials 484.70, off 0.47; 20 railroads 147.11, off 0.27; 15 utilities 71.50, up 0.14, and 65 stocks 170.80, off 0.09. Sales Thursday were about 2,350,000 shares compared with 2,920,000 shares Wednesday.

"I Said, 'How Dare You Have Weapons Like That!'"



Graduation Speaker Will Be Dr. Robinson

Dr. Clifford Robinson, supervisor of secondary education, state department of education, will speak at commencement exercises for Medford High school at Hedrick Junior High school June 6.

Dr. Robinson formerly was principal at Ashland and Albany High schools, and has been with the state department for the past 12 years. He is vice-president of the national association of secondary school principals and consultant for several national education publications.

Commencement speaker was announced at a Medford school board meeting this week.

Building Specialist
School officials announced that Dr. Keith Goldhammer, school building specialist with the University of Oregon, will meet with local officials and the board April 17 to discuss a study and survey of high school building needs and location.

Dr. Goldhammer recently completed a two-year course at the building and research department of the school of education at Stanford university. He just returned from Little Rock, Ark., where he studied building needs in the Little Rock school system in cooperation with Kellogg Foundation, which makes grants for studies for various phases of education.

Negotiations are under way for an elementary school site in the northwest portion of the district, school board officials said. The board recently purchased a seven-acre site in the southeast portion of the district from Dr. Ira Phipps for an elementary school.

The site, east of Modoc ave. at the end of Siskiyou blvd., was approved by the state department of education, board members said.

Preliminary meeting on the proposed 1957-58 school budget will be April 24, and the full budget committee will meet May 2, board members announced. A budget committee is being appointed, they added.

The board granted a leave of absence to Gatewood Smith, science instructor at Hedrick Junior High. Smith recently received a scholarship from the National Science foundation for advanced study in science at Oregon State college.

The board this week completed its annual inspection of all school district buildings and sites, including the West Side and Oak Grove facilities, which were consolidated with the Medford district last year.

He stated that persons who asser that youngsters can read the magazines and not get some ideas from them are "crazy."

Drawing from his experiences as a lawyer, state police superintendent and district attorney, Haviland took the position that indecent, filthy magazines are "not merely a symptom" but a cause of delinquency and crime. He maintained that "sex deviates are not born. They develop from things like this."

The attorney contended that obscene magazines develop sex desire. He asked, "How are they (young people) going to release this desire?" He warned that "your kids may be the victims" of those releasing such desire.

Moral Courage
Haviland brought out that laws forbidding sale of pornographic and immoral literature are adequate but he pointed to the need for moral courage to enforce the laws or otherwise combat the sale of such ma-

Misunderstanding Of Bookkeeping System Disclosed

Expected Revenue Said Reason For Delay

Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower's budget director has admitted he helped bring on the Post Office Department's present money crisis because he didn't understand part of the federal bookkeeping system.

Budget Director Percival F. Brundage told a House Appropriations subcommittee recently that the post office told him as early as last July that it would run out of money this spring. But he said he kept turning down their request for more funds.

"I just said no, no, no, no," he said.

Brundage was called on the carpet by the subcommittee March 27 to explain why he didn't pass on the Post Office Department's request sooner. His testimony was made public today.

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield told Congress last month that he needed \$47 million in emergency funds to keep the post office operating through July. He threatens to curtail post office services drastically beginning Saturday unless the money is forthcoming.

The full House Appropriations Committee so far has approved only \$17 million of the request. The committee is scheduled to meet again Friday to act on it. House Democratic Leader John W. McCormack (Mass.) said a deficiency appropriation bill, which will include the postal appropriation, will be taken up in the House Monday.

Although the postmaster general hasn't said so, members assume that Summerfield will delay the postal cutbacks if the committee gives him approximately what he wants.

Expected Revenue Increase
Brundage told the subcommittee that the reason he kept refusing the post office's request for additional funds was that he thought there would be an increase in postal revenues of \$20 million.

Brundage, who was appointed budget director in April, 1956, after serving as deputy director two years, said he thought the increase would be turned in to the postal agency for its use.

He admitted that a staff member of the House Appropriations Committee had to explain to him that the extra revenue "would not help" because postal revenues are turned in to the Treasury just as are other funds collected by the government. Any money to operate the post office still must be appropriated by Congress.

Brundage said that finally his staff recommended he approve the \$47 million request and he did so "reluctantly" March 12.

But "I still am not entirely satisfied that they could not make some savings there," he told the subcommittee. "I just don't have time to go into it myself in detail."

Brookings Girl Dies After Heart Massage

Gold Beach, Ore.—(U.P.)—A six-year-old Brookings girl died in a local hospital Wednesday after a physician had started her heart beating again by massaging it.

The girl was Linda Nichols, daughter of Mrs. Lola Nichols.

The girl's tonsils were removed Wednesday morning. Later, in her hospital room, her heart stopped beating. She was rushed to surgery and a physician massaged her heart until it began eating again. However, she died about 4:45 p. m. in her room.

Her mother said the girl had been in ill health previously.

Kiwanians to Name Committee to Study Problem of 'Obscene' Magazines, Books

Medford Kiwanis club members moved yesterday to have their board of directors name a committee to investigate the problem of obscene, immoral and indecent magazines and books on newsstands and to see what can be done about the matter.

Their action followed a talk by Paul Haviland, Medford attorney, on "What Our Young People Are Reading Today."

Displaying covers and tear sheets from a number of magazines, Haviland termed indecent literature "the most cancerous thing in our society today." He declared that such material "needs just as much control as anything that is a blight on our society."

Material on Display
Stating that the materials on display were "picked up from places where your kids hang out" the attorney called upon Kiwanians to look at such literature in the eyes of young people.

terial.

The speaker told of the need for a businessman to be as careful with his newstand as he is in removing "bad apples." He expressed the belief that some merchants "don't know what they are putting out." Haviland mentioned the matter of having merchants take care of the problem themselves. "They are personally responsible," he said.

Haviland spoke of the efforts along other lines to meet juvenile problems and declared that the good done can be wiped out from the "poison" in obscene magazines and books.

In discussion at the meeting, one Kiwanian with a background in handling magazines, stressed that "all magazines aren't bad." Another, who has a newstand, stated that it was the adults who wanted the magazines and that to correct the problem it's the adults who must be controlled. He said he had no problem with young people.