

NO CLUES TO MISSING AIRLINER

Defense Chiefs, Ike To Discuss Satellite Plans

Washington — President Eisenhower confers with his defense chiefs today, presumably on plans for speeding U.S. missile-satellite research. The meeting followed an official admission this country cannot hope to catch up with Russia soon in earth satellite development.

The President scheduled a late afternoon meeting with Defense Secretary Neil H. McElroy and Deputy Defense Secretary Donald A. Quarles.

Purpose Not Announced

While the purpose of the meeting was not announced, it was expected to deal with plans for speeding U.S. missile and satellite work.

Quarles said Sunday night outer space control is going to be "increasingly important and I think that we must undoubtedly move energetically into this area."

Asked whether this country would be "up with" Russia by March when the first fully instrumented U.S. satellite is slated for launching, Quarles replied:

"I would expect we will not, because I would expect they would do other things in the meantime along this general line." He did not elaborate.

Quarles said, however, he did not consider Russia's space advances as serious a threat to U.S. security as some leading American scientists and rocket experts claim.

He also said this country has rockets as powerful as the missile apparently used by Russia to launch its second Sputnik, and predicted the two countries will not be far apart in attaining "operational capability" of "very long-range" ballistic missiles.

Ahead In Electronics

He said the United States is ahead of Russia in military electronics, atomic weapons and much of its aviation.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles was due back this afternoon from a "working vacation" at his Duck Island, Lake Ontario, retreat. He was expected to have ready a tentative blueprint for following up the President's call for wider military-scientific cooperation with the nation's Free World allies.

Dog Aboard Sputnik Generally Believed Dead, Moscow Says

London — Moscow dispatches said today the space dog aboard earth satellite Sputnik II was generally believed to be dead.

United Press Correspondent Henry Shapiro said Moscow scientific circles believed the little dog had been given a sleeping draught to make death painless as the power supplies failed aboard the satellite.

'Eternal Sleep'

The Italian Communist organ

Siskiyous Combed For Car Thieves

A search is underway by state police officers in the Siskiyous for two men who stole an automobile in Medford during the night and abandoned it early this morning on Highway 99, two miles south of Blue Star Memorial park.

The 1957 automobile was discovered by state police at 2:24 a.m. parked on the shoulder of the highway with the front doors open. Officers believed that the occupants had left the vehicle only shortly before as the motor was still warm.

The car is owned by Curtis Butterfield, 813 Minnesota ave., Medford. It was left parked at his residence Sunday evening with the car keys in the ignition, police said. It was reported that approximately \$500 worth of antibiotics were in the car at the time of the theft. Reports were not available whether the contents was still intact when the car was discovered.

The search this morning, police said, was centered in the Southern Pacific railroad tunnel number 13 area where several strangers were reported seen early today.

County Jail Death Results in Autopsy

An autopsy has been scheduled for Tuesday, according to sheriff's officers in an attempt to determine the cause of death of James Vear Spicer, 44, of 319 Jeanette st., who was found dead in the Jackson county jail Saturday afternoon.

The man was lodged in the county jail Friday evening on charges of issuing a false check, officers said, by the Medford city police. Spicer is reported to have a previous police record involving similar charges.

Wreath Laid at Tomb of Unknown Soldier In Last Rites Solely For War I Dead

Arlington, Va. — Wreaths were to be laid at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery today in the last Veterans Day ceremony honoring solely the dead of World War I.

By next Nov. 11, remains of unknown soldiers of World War

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Eisenhower 'Fine' After Checkup At Walter Reed

To Speak Wednesday At Oklahoma City

Washington — President Eisenhower today completed his overnight medical check-up at Walter Reed Army hospital and pronounced his own condition as "fine."

Before returning to the White House for lunch, the President stopped to greet a group of medical consultants to the armed services.

The President was escorted out of the hospital by Maj. Gen. Leonard D. Heaton, the Walter Reed commanding officer; Maj. Gen. Howard McC. Snyder, the White House physician, and Press Secretary James C. Hagerty.

Says He Feels Fine

As he came down the hospital steps a reporter asked, "How do you feel?"

"Fine, fine," Eisenhower replied.

The President entered the hospital Sunday afternoon for his first full scale physical examination since October, 1956.

Larson's presence at the hospital this morning was not explained, but he is assisting in preparation of a speech Eisenhower will make Wednesday night at Oklahoma City as part of his "chins-up" campaign to bolster confidence in U.S. scientific and military strength.

Eisenhower was scheduled to confer late this afternoon at the White House with Defense Secretary Neil H. McElroy and Deputy Defense Chief Donald A. Quarles, presumably about the stepped-up missile and satellite program.

He also planned to take time out to see an old friend from Abilene, Kan., Charles A. Case, and his son, Charles Jr.

Eisenhower went to Walter Reed Sunday after taking his grandson, David, to services at the National Presbyterian church.

Movements Call For Emergency Cabinet Session

Unrest in Jordan Continues To Grow

By UNITED PRESS

A new war scare swept through Syria today with reports of large scale Turkish maneuvers along a wide stretch of the border.

All Syrian army units along the border were alerted. The Syrian cabinet held an emergency session after midnight.

The Foreign Office in Damascus said Turkish troops massing took place at four points on the frontier early today.

Troops Move in Dark

The points were said to be in the general area of Bab El Hawa north of Aleppo. Extensive troop movements were said to have been carried out under cover of darkness.

The Syrian Foreign Office said an estimated 300 Turkish vehicles including tanks were seen moving along the border through the darkness of early morning. Villages and border posts on the Turkish side of the frontier were reported blacked out.

The maneuvering of troops and vehicles was said to have lasted several hours. No incidents were reported.

Informed sources in Damascus said it appeared the Turkish military activity was related to reported growing unrest in Jordan, where there was said to be more outspoken opposition to King Hussein.

The reported Turkish "show of strength" was felt in Damascus to be a veiled warning to Syria not to interfere in Jordan.

Students March

Officials in Damascus said they had no intention of interfering with Jordan's affairs.

Meanwhile, some 5,000 Palestinian Arab students and school children marched through the streets of Damascus today chanting anti-Hussein slogans, including "Hussein must go" and "Hussein is a traitor."

Planners To Meet, Discuss Ordinance

The Medford planning commission will consider suggested changes in the proposed subdivision ordinance at a meeting in the city council chambers at 7:30 p.m. today.

The suggestions were made at an informal meeting of the council and commission on Oct. 30. The changes are relatively minor, according to city hall sources.

Other items on the commission agenda include reviewing a tentative plat of the Earhart Park subdivision and a zone change request from class IB, single and two family, to class VI, heavy industrial, in several lots in the Narraigan addition at Clark and Cedar sts.

The commission will also consider a zone change request from class IA, single family, to class V, light industrial, for property south of the intersection of Crater Lake highway and East of Biddle rd. An offer by the Medford school district to dedicate the extension of Siskiyou blvd. is also on the agenda.

Autopsy To Seek Cause Of Truck Driver's Death

The Dalles — An autopsy was scheduled today to determine the cause of death of a Portland truck driver whose body was found near his truck this morning off the Warm Springs Junction highway about nine miles north of Madras.

Wasco County Coroner Kenneth Libby identified the man as Max A. Hutchens, 48, of Portland. Libby said it appeared that Hutchens had died of natural causes.

Man Admits Slaying Of Teen-Age Girls

Dayton, Ohio — A 31-year-old father of four surrendered to police Sunday after the bodies of two teen-age girls he murdered tumbled from his auto.

Police said Robert Crites phoned from his mother's home and told them of the shooting and where the girls' bodies could be found.

The victims were identified as Mrs. Deanna Jean Fouch, 16, separated from her husband, and Beverly Eldred, 17, both of Dayton.

Crites told sheriff's deputies that he killed the two because he "didn't know how to get out of the mess."

He said he had promised to marry Miss Eldred but was in love with Mrs. Fouch. Crites said he was "afraid" his wife would find out about the affair.

Benson in Portugal En Route To Paris

Lisbon, Portugal — Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson arrived here today from Madrid for an 11-hour visit to Portugal before leaving for Paris.

He was accompanied by his wife and two daughters, and five members of the Department of Agriculture.

Our Skies Tonight

Forecast — Considerable cloudiness through Tuesday with occasional rain beginning late tonight or Tuesday. Low tonight 42, High Friday 52.

Highest Yesterday 52
Lowest This Morning 42
Precip. to 4 a.m. Today .19

Sunrise 6:47 a.m.
Sunset 4:54 p.m.
Moonrise 8:41 p.m.
Last Quarter Thursday
Saturn sets earlier each evening and will soon be lost in the rays of the setting sun. It will return as a morning star late in December, appearing below Mars.

Scare Sweeps Through Turkish Troops On March

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Committee Still Seeks Compromise On Tax Reduction

Salem — Gov. Robert D. Holmes put his signature today on House Bill 2 raising state basic school support from \$95 to \$105 per census child.

The signing took place on the first day of Oregon's observance of Education Week.

Salem — The second conference committee trying to find a compromise on Oregon's tax reduction needs started work again at 11 a.m. today.

The committee has been working since last Friday afternoon on amended House bill 1 which provides for a 30 per cent reduction in state income taxes.

Democrats were understood to have agreed to a cut of between 15 and 20 per cent.

House Meets Briefly

The House met for just 20 minutes today and recessed until 2 p.m. after a motion to take Senate bill 11 from committee failed.

The bill, sponsored by Sen. Andrew Natertin, Newport Democrat, cuts the tax on shrimp from 3.4 of a cent per pound to 1-10th of a cent. The bill previously passed the Senate.

Other House action saw vetoed Senate bill 470 laid on the table. It would expand functions of the state police bureau of criminal identification and provide for forwarding fingerprints, photographs and daily crime reports from local police agencies to the state police.



1.92 Inches of Rain Dumped on Brookings; Willamette Soaked

By UNITED PRESS

The Oregon Coast and the Willamette valley were struck by a storm overnight that dumped 1.92 inches of rain on Brookings and around half an inch on Willamette valley points.

The storm had power companies hopping to maintain service.

Newport registered .74 of an inch of rain. Portland had .39, Eugene .48 and Roseburg .63.

Hot Line Falls on Roof

In Portland a hot line fell on the roof of Mrs. Robert MacDonald's home and cut off light and power in the area.

Stucco blown from a nearby apartment punched a hole in the roof of Refrigerating and Power Specialties in Portland.

The wind howling down the Columbia gorge blew a rooster through a window of the Troutdale Security bank. Multnomah county police, investigating a reported "break-in," found the rooster in fine feather, except for minor cuts on his legs.

The Portland weather bureau said periods of rain and wind would continue through the week, with a succession of Pacific storms dumping two to three inches of rain on the area.

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Character Assassins' Get Blame for Space Race Lag

Welch, W. Va. — Former President Harry E. Truman charged today that one of the main reasons this country lags in the earth satellite program is that "character assassins" drove many leading scientists out of government service.

No Reason for Lagging

In an address prepared for a Veterans Day program here, Truman said, "there is no reason in the world why the Russians should be ahead of us in this satellite program."

"It is all because of the attacks that were made on some of our great scientists," he declared.

Speaking before some 1,200 persons after taking part in a Veterans Day parade, Truman said he was addressing his remarks to the American Legion, which sponsored his visit here. He has been an active Legion member for many years.

100 Per Cent Americanism

Truman said the "100 per cent Americanism" to which the Legion is pledged includes "protection of freedom of speech... the right of people to say what they think regardless of how much we may disagree with them."

Hope Fading Any Of 44 on Board Will Be Rescued

Explosion in Flight Possible Explanation

Honolulu — Searchers checked out a series of fruitless clues to the missing Pan American Stratocruiser "Romance of the Skies" today. Hope was fading that any of the 44 on board the plane would be found alive.

There was considerable speculation as to the plane's fate, most of which centered on the possibility that an explosion was responsible for its sudden and mysterious disappearance.

Radio Contact Lost

Earlier 36 planes and 23 ships pressed the third day's search in good weather. The aerial search was spearheaded by 11 Navy WV2 Super Constellations jammed with radar gear.

Radio contact was lost nearly 72 hours ago after a regular, routine check-in near the point of no return between San Francisco and Honolulu leading some officials to theorize the craft exploded in the air.

Admitting directors of the vast air-sea search for the 44 survivors had many theories to explore, Capt. Sam Read, chief press information officer at Pearl Harbor, said the explosion theory is receiving the priority.

Pan American revealed at San Francisco the huge double-decked Boeing craft had three separate power systems, including an emergency generator which could operate radio, lights and some instruments, even if the others went out suddenly.

No Explanation

But the airline spokesman had no explanation for the failure of the Honolulu-bound flight to radio a distress message on its regular or emergency power supply.

No debris or authenticated radio signals were turned up after more than 60 hours search bolstering the theory the plane met its fate suddenly and mysteriously.

"We just do not know what happened to it," the PAA spokesman said. "To speculate at this point would serve no purpose. Once we get something concrete to go on we'll give out the information."

Officers at search headquarters here believed a fuel explosion could have derailed the plane, but admitted they had no real evidence to go on.

Ample Power Supply

Pan American said its Strato Cruisers have a "split" electrical system based on six generators, two each on the inboard engines and one each on the outboard engines. Either side of the system located in the lounge area amidship, can carry the full load of power for the plane's instruments and lights.

State GOP Asks Time To Reply To Holmes

Salem — The Republican State Central Committee today protested to KION-TV, Portland, that Gov. Robert D. Holmes, "Report to the People" program Sunday was biased.

The Republicans asked for equal time to answer the governor's report on the tax reduction compromise now being sought in Salem.

"A simple report of the action of the Legislature in its handling of his 10 per cent tax reduction plan as contrasted with the Republican-backed bi-partisan plan for a reduction of 30 per cent would not have been objectionable," the Republicans wrote to Program Director Ted Cooke.

"Gov. Holmes, however, did not merely make such a report. He requested that Oregon citizens apply pressure to Republican legislators in order to facilitate passage of his 10 per cent program," the central committee said.

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Accident Victim Leaves Hospital

Carol Ann Heavilin, 20, of 33 South Front st., was released from Rogue Valley hospital Sunday afternoon after being treated for a concussion and bruised leg suffered in a Sunday morning accident, according to city police.

Police said Miss Heavilin was a passenger in a car operated by Leslie Richard Combs, 21, of route 1, box 387, Talent. Combs suffered a cut lip in the accident, police said.

Police said Combs apparently fell asleep at the wheel of his car and the vehicle hit a car owned by Ralph Carl Moore, 816 South Riverside ave., which was parked on South Riverside ave. near Boyd st. The Combs car then struck a telephone pole, according to police. Both cars were heavily damaged, police said.

Senate Passes Bill For Court Building

Salem — After an hour's argument today, the state Senate by a 17-13 vote, passed a bill directing the state Board of Control to prepare preliminary plans and estimates of cost of a new Supreme Court building in the Capitol Mall.

Such information would be ready for presentation to the 1959 Legislature.

Three Children Found Hanged in Home

Toronto — Three little girls were hanged in the basement of their fashionable home today. An infant sister, found barely alive, was rushed to a hospital and revived.

Police charged their mother, Mrs. Melville O'Donohue, 30, with murder.

Dead were Maureen, 4; Eileen, 3; and Kathleen, 2. Mary Jo, six months, was hanged with her sisters but was revived by artificial respiration.

The children were hanged with ropes tied to cellar beams. Police said artificial respiration was applied to all four after their bodies were cut down but only the youngest, apparently hanged last, responded. Doctors at the Toronto hospital for Sick Children said Mary Jo was still in serious condition.

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