



UNDER SCRUTINY—This is a general view of the Senate caucus room as the Senate Preparedness subcommittee investigates the nation's defenses. Dr. Edward Teller, regarded as the "father" of the H-bomb, is on the witness stand, lower right, in this picture. At the committee table, left to right, are Democratic Senators John Stennis, Miss., and Estes Kefauver, Tenn., and Cyrus Vance, assistant counsel, Edwin Weisel, chief counsel, and Democratic Senator Lyndon Johnson, Texas, GOP Senator Leverette Saltonstall, Mass., Ralph Flanders, Vt., Margaret Chase Smith, Maine, Francis Case, S.D., Prescott Bush, Conn., and Frank A. Barrett, Wyo. The subcommittee went into closed door hearings today in its investigation.

STREAMLINED MISSILE PROGRAM IS SOUGHT

Intelligence Head Called Back Behind Closed Doors Today

Authority in Program Questioned at Hearing

Washington — The Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson called today for a streamlining of the nation's missile and satellite programs as a necessary step in bettering Russia in space weapons.

The Texas Democrat told newsmen the Senate Preparedness subcommittee which he heads "will have to inquire very carefully into who is running what."

The subcommittee called back Central Intelligence Director Allen W. Dulles and his chief aides for further questioning behind closed doors on what they know about Russia's missiles, Sputniks, war industry and overall military power.

Johnson said the "one clear pattern that has emerged" in the first two days of the broad investigation is "the extreme difficulty of pinning down lines of authority in the missile and satellite program."

"I do not believe in shaking everything up and turning things upside down," he said. "But we will have to find out how to streamline the organization."

Several scientists testifying so far also have criticized the missile and satellite programs for weaknesses in organization and line of authority.

Dr. John P. Hagen, director of the U. S. satellite project Vanguard, Tuesday called for immediate creation of a single government agency to control all satellite and space ship programs.

Hagen also revealed that defense officials in 1955 refused to give the U. S. satellite top priority. If this had been done, he said, he was sure the Russians wouldn't have been first with their Sputniks.

The scientist agreed with Johnson the United States "took a calculated risk and we lost."

"Allen Dulles reported Tuesday that Russia is encountering growing difficulty" in maintaining its high level of military spending and at the same time improve living conditions of the people.

Acres Purchase Okayed By Council

The Medford city council approved the purchase of about 30 acres of land on the north end of the airport property during a special meeting yesterday afternoon, according to city officials.

This completes the purchase of land on the north side of the airport for a safety zone of one-quarter mile long and 1,000 feet wide, required by the Civil Aeronautics Administration. The south safety zone has two small plots of land still to be purchased, Robert A. Duff, city manager, said.

The land purchased is owned by Marshall Day. It will be sold to the city for \$24,000, Duff said. He said the council and Day had arrived at the price by negotiation rather than by condemnation suit.

He said the runway lights would be extended onto the land. No buildings or signs will be permitted on the land under CAA rules, he said. Sultz and Riddle rds., which run through the zone, will remain open, Duff added.

Atlas May Be Fired Saturday, Some Say

Cape Canaveral, Fla. — Informed sources said today that the Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile would be fired Saturday if scheduled ground tests today are successful.

The Air Force, however, refused to confirm or deny the reports. The big projectile has fizzled in its only two previous tests, leaving the U. S. still without a missile to match Russia's continent-spanning ICBM.

In today's expected "static test" the huge, 90-foot rocket would be bolted to its launching pad and its powerful engines revved up.

Committee Leaves

Meanwhile, Rep. George Mahon (D-Tex.), chairman of a House Appropriations subcommittee investigating the missile program, termed Tuesday night's unsuccessful launching of the Army Jupiter rocket as "spectacular, but disappointing." The committee left this morning after a two-day inspection of the big missile launching site here.

To observers watching from nearby beaches, the 3,000-mile range Jupiter appeared to take off without a hitch.

But the Defense Department issued a statement shortly after the missile was triggered saying the Jupiter "failed to complete its programmed flight because of technical difficulties."

The announcement did not elaborate on the difficulties, or

say whether the missile had been detonated from the ground by remote control.

Appeared To Explode

Observers said the projectile seemed to explode in a distant ball of flame just before disappearing from view high in the sky.

The Atlas, capable of delivering a nuclear warhead 5,000 miles, has been on its launching pad here for some time being readied for a third test flight, which may come near the end of this week.

The Atlas was tested twice previously, in June and September, both times unsuccessfully.

Formal Dedication Slated Next Month For Student Center

Ashland — Dr. John R. Richards, chancellor of the Oregon system of higher education will deliver the main address at the formal dedication ceremonies in the Britt Student Center building at Southern Oregon college on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 2:30 p.m.

Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson, president of the college, will extend greetings following the invocation, to be given by the Rev. Peter Barker, rector of St. Luke's Episcopal church, Grants Pass. The ceremonies will also feature a welcome from the students by Herbert H. Colley, president of the senior class, and greetings from William E. Walsh, Coos Bay, a member of the state board of higher education.

Dr. Arthur S. Taylor, chairman of the social science division, will introduce guests, and Frank Van Dyke, president of the Western Inter-state Commission of Higher Education, will speak briefly. Dr. Alexander Petersen Jr. will announce the program for the half-time observances in the physical education and health building to be held that evening with Dr. Roy McNeal as the principal speaker. Dr. McNeal was the first coach at SOC. The program will conclude with a benediction by the Rev. Mr. Barker.

Following the program, a tea and open house under the direction of Miss Seri Scanlon, SOC director of dining services, will be held in the new student center. Pouring will be Dr. Dorothy Stolp, Miss Marion Ady, Mrs. Alvin Fellers, and Mrs. Alex Petersen Jr. Incidental music will be provided by Mrs. Herbert Cecil.

Invitations have been sent to alumni, friends of the college, state board of higher education members, and state and local dignitaries.

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Air Force Planes Make Run Between Coast, New York

Three-Hour, 10-Minute Trip Made Early Today

New York — Two Air Force F101 Voodoo reconnaissance jets today laid unofficial claim to breaking the Los Angeles to New York air speed record.

An Air Force spokesman said the two jets passed over Floyd Bennett Naval Air station at 10:13:29 a.m. (pst) and at 10:15:02 p.m. on a flight from Ontario International Airport, Calif.

Capt. Robert J. Kilpatrick, 32, Bristol, Conn., pilot of the first plane, made the trip of 2,445.90 statute miles in an unofficial flying time of three hours, 10 minutes and 11 seconds, shaving 10 minutes and 39 seconds off the record set July 16, 1957, by a Navy F8U Crusader.

Another Voodoo piloted by Capt. R. W. Schreengost Jr., 31, Kittanning, Pa., also broke the old record, making the flight in 3 hours, 14 minutes and 12 seconds.

Return To California

The jets flew over Floyd Bennett field at 500 feet and headed back for California in an attempt to break the round trip record, also set by the Navy.

The flight times and unofficial claims to the record were made by the Air Force, pending release of the official report of William Zint, National Aeronautical timer who clocked the ships in over Floyd Bennett field.

In Kansas City, it was reported that one of the four F101 Voodoes attempting to smash three transcontinental speed records broke the sound barrier twice over the city, sending the town into a case of explosion jitters.

Swamped With Calls

Police, wire service and newspaper telephones were swamped with calls from citizens reporting explosions.

The planes took off at intervals from Ontario starting at 6:57:58 a.m. (pst).

The first jet, piloted by Schreengost, was followed in "Operation Sun Run" by two others within 10 minutes to make up a group of three, one plane to act as alternate should either of the others encounter difficulty.

Couple Appointed For Juvenile Home

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swan have been appointed superintendent and matron of the Jackson County Juvenile Detention home it was announced today by Circuit Judge Edward C. Kelly.

The Swans succeeded Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bjornsen, who recently resigned effective Dec. 1. The Swans will take over the detention home at the fairgrounds from their present home at 916 South Holly st.

Judge Kelly, who has been handling juvenile matters in the circuit court, stated the Swans have had some five years of experience in operating a shelter home for dependent and delinquent children, both for the juvenile department and the welfare department. He has been an employee of the Bruce Bauer Lumber company.

The detention home will be placed in use in mid-December after public dedication ceremonies and an open house.

Three-Way Contest Develops in State

Baker — A three-way contest for a state Democratic chairman to succeed Robert Boyer of Medford shaped up today as Pat Davis, chairman of the Baker County Democratic Central committee, announced he is a candidate for the post.

Others include Dave Epps of Lebanon and Richard Groener of Milwaukie.

Boyer, who has announced his resignation, has sent letters to members of the state committee asking for their suggestions on a date for the meeting at which a new chairman will be named.

"What Do I Hitch My Wagon To?"



Weather May Hamper Thanksgiving Events

Residents of the Rogue Valley area will sit down to Thanksgiving dinner tomorrow with perhaps a few family get-togethers delayed possibly by fog settling down over the valley.

The U. S. weather bureau forecasts considerable fog throughout the valley tomorrow with partial clearing in the afternoon. Federal, state, and local offices, retail stores, and banks will be closed tomorrow in observance of Thanksgiving day.

On normal working schedule, officials report, will be law enforcement agencies in the city and county and fire departments.

The post office will provide regular holiday service, postal authorities report and the Mail Tribune will publish a noon edition.

Services, Dance Scheduled

The annual American holiday locally will be highlighted by Thanksgiving services and the annual Firemen's ball at 9 p.m. in the National Guard armory. The Union Thanksgiving services will be held in Medford at the First Assembly of God church, 1108 West Main st., and in Ashland at the First Baptist church. The services in both cities are sponsored by the two Ministerial associations and are participated in by most churches.

The weather appears to be the only dampening factor on a day when Americans throughout the United States and the world will set aside Nov. 28 as a day for giving thanks.

Any flights which are diverted by fog from the Medford municipal airport will go into Yreka or Klamath Falls, airlines officials said this morning. Both West Coast and Southwest airlines said their normal alternates are Yreka, Calif. United Airlines officials said their flights landed at Klamath Falls yesterday when visibility was estimated at one-eighth of a mile at the airport here. A spokesman said United flights are expected to land locally this afternoon.

Both West Coast and Southwest expected flights in this afternoon.

State police are advising all Thanksgiving day drivers to use extra caution while driving tomorrow. Too many people are still using parking lights when the regular driving lights should be used, they warned. So far, they said, drivers are doing "very well" in the difficult road conditions.

"We will make every effort to cut down the number of accidents which might occur, through strict law enforcement," a spokesman said. "This applies particularly to rules of the road."

The spokesman reminded the driving public again that no warnings are now being issued on violations of the basic rule.

The annual firemen's ball at the new National Guard armory tomorrow night will feature Jerry Van Hoomissen's orchestra from Portland. Proceeds from the dance will be used for the toy project fund of the fire department, according to Medford Fire Chief Gordon Barker.

About 350 families received toys from the firemen and the Lady Lions during the 1956 Christmas season.

Probably more people will be eating turkey tomorrow because of the lowest price since 1941, according to a turkey raiser here. Normal price for hens has been 52 cents to 55 cents a pound and this season is 49 cents a pound. Toms, the large male birds, usually sell for 45 cents a pound and up and are now 40 cents a pound, it was reported.

Salem — No new snow fell in Oregon overnight but spots of ice continued to be a highway hazard.

President Confers With Nixon, Signs Official Documents

Ike Has Restful Night, Hagerty Says

Washington — The White House announced today that President Eisenhower is making "excellent" progress.

Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said the President still is suffering from a slight impairment of his speech "but improving greatly" from the cerebral attack he suffered Monday.

At 9:53 a.m. PST, Hagerty said on behalf of Maj. Gen. Howard McC. Snyder, the White House physician:

"The President rested quietly throughout the night and slept well. He has spent the morning painting, talking with Mrs. Eisenhower and other members of his family and holding brief meetings with the vice president, the assistant to the President and with the staff secretary."

"His progress to date has been excellent."

The brief mid-day medical bulletin referred to Eisenhower's morning conferences with Vice President Richard M. Nixon and Presidential Assistant Sherman Adams who saw him for about 15 minutes while the chief executive was painting in his small studio on the north side of the second floor of the White House.

Lunches With Brother

The President also scheduled a lunch meeting with his brother, Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower, president of Johns Hopkins university.

Earlier the President signed his name 12 times on official documents, initiated one other and discussed "White House business" for about 30 minutes with Brig. Gen. Andrew J. Goodpaster, the White House staff secretary.

The White House had announced that the President awoke "refreshed this morning," showered and shaved himself, and ate "a normal breakfast" featuring chipped beef on toast.

Under repeated questioning by reporters, Hagerty said attending physicians "quite advisedly" had not described the brain occlusion suffered by the President as a "stroke."

Hagerty said the word "stroke" was not a medical term. He said it normally was associated by the public with paralysis or brain hemorrhage.

Impairment of Speech

Asked if partial impairment of speech did not involve paralysis Hagerty said, "I would not think so."

Private specialists here and throughout the country contended that Dr. Snyder was quibbling in refusing to use the word "stroke," insofar as laymen's language is concerned.

The White House announced Tuesday that Eisenhower suffered "an occlusion of a small branch of a cerebral vessel that has produced a slight difficulty in speaking."

Hagerty said today that there was still some trace of speech impairment; that the President was having difficulty pronouncing certain words, but that Eisenhower found it "amusing."

Hagerty was asked whether the physicians, including a group of neurologists brought in on the case, had been able to determine whether the occlusion was caused by a blood clot or a spasm. Hagerty said he could not answer this question and would have to check back with the physicians.

Hagerty said there had been no cancellation of the scheduled meeting of Republican and Democratic congressional leaders next week, but he did not know whether the President would be able to attend.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Considerable valley fog through Thursday with partial clearing in afternoon. Low tonight 30, High Thursday 40.

Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise 7:16 a.m.
Sunset 4:42 p.m.
Moonset 4:34 p.m.
First Quarter Nov. 28
PROMINENT STARS
Altair, low in west 8:55 p.m.
Procyon, low in east 9:44 p.m.
VISIBLE PLANETS
Venus, sets 7:21 p.m.
Jupiter, rises 4:02 a.m.
Mars, rises 5:51 a.m.