

### Generals Who Criticized Ike Called Professionally Jealous by Truman

New York — (UPI) — Former President Harry S. Truman says that two British generals were suffering from professional jealousy in their criticism of President Eisenhower's military ability during World War II.

He referred to the memoirs of Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery and Field Marshal Viscount Alanbrooke which were critical of Eisenhower as a general.

"To begin with, we have to remember that it was a hard pill for some of the British generals to swallow to have an American general put in complete command of the allied forces," Truman said. "They probably thought there was no military talent in the United States on a level with their own."

"They were mistaken, but I have an idea some of them are going to keep talking about it for a long, long time."

Truman said in an article in Look magazine that he believed such books served a useful purpose.

**Mistakes Known**

"We all know mistakes were made, and in looking back, it is always easier to recognize them," he said. "Mistakes have been made in every war."

The former president said he believed that many books written by generals tended to be "mainly alibis," but the recent ones appeared to be a little more personal and vindictive.

"I find that personal rival-

views of each other until another time. But I do not think there is any real harm in the current battle of the generals."

**Expressed Opinion**

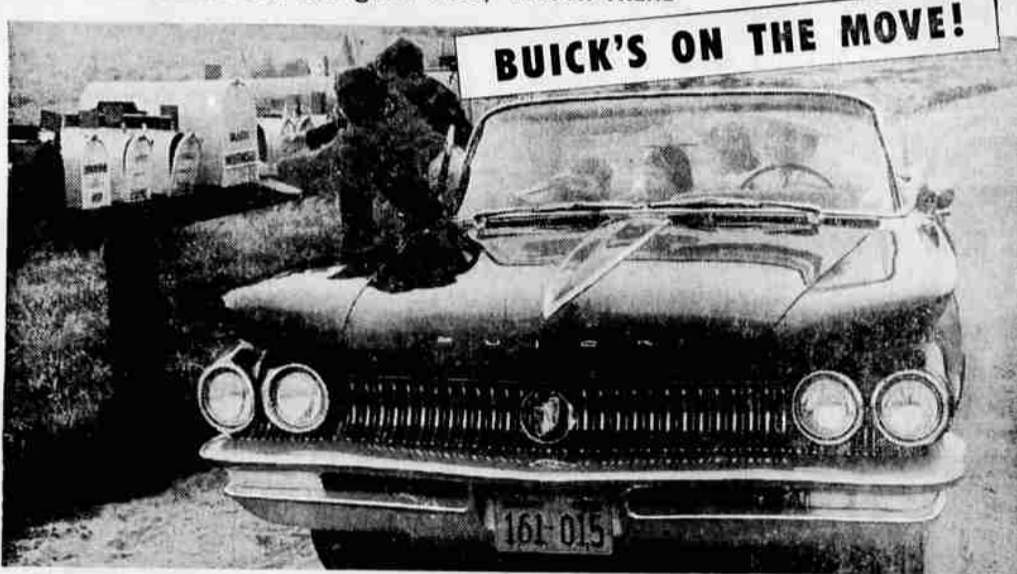
Truman said he expressed his own opinion of Eisenhower as a soldier and a leader when he appointed him chief of staff and recalled him to organize the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

"During the war, he coordinated the allies, kept them together and made the historic crossing of the English Channel to invade Nazi-occupied Europe," he said. "I think he came out of the situation in Europe in very good shape, no matter what others may think or say."

But Truman said that he thought Gen. George C. Marshall was the "brains" of the campaign.

"He was the man who really made the military organization work, both in the Atlantic and the Pacific, and this is what brought about victory," Truman added.

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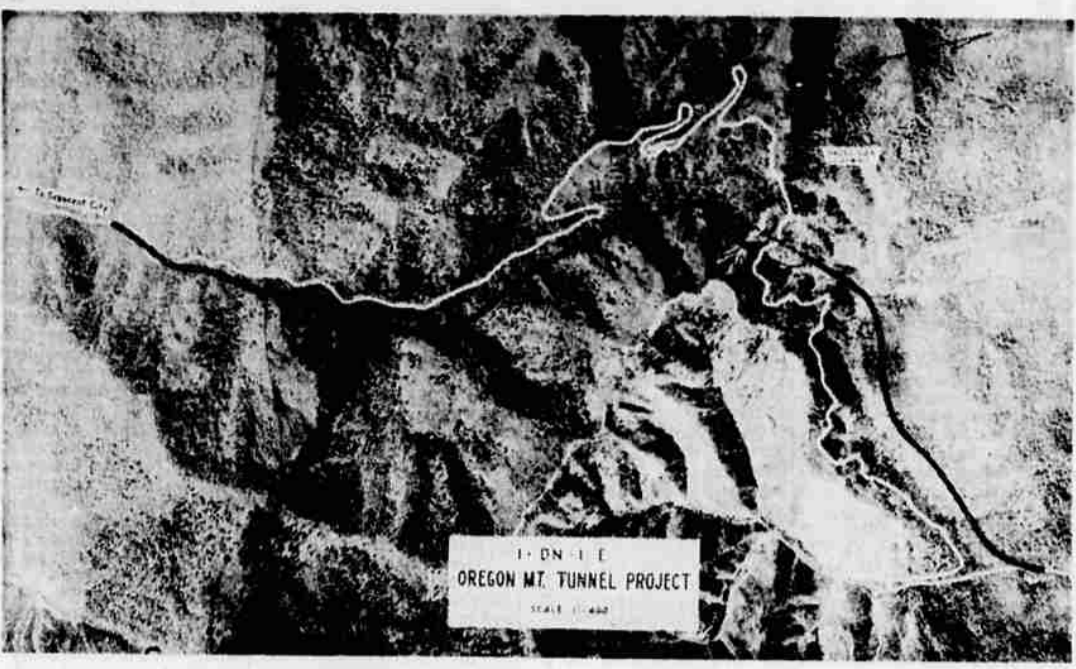
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**ROAD ROUTES**—Showing an aerial photograph on which the present route of the Redwood highway over Oregon mountain is shown as the white line, California Highway department engineers have drawn the proposed new highway as the black line and the proposed Mountain tunnel as the broken line where the new highway crosses the old

one in the right center portion of the picture. Plans call for shortening and straightening the route between Grants Pass and Crescent City. Ground-breaking ceremonies for the project have been set for July 8 at a point on the present old highway near Hazel View summit. The endeavor is slated to be completed in 1962.

### Africa's Largest Territory Will be Independent June 30

Leopoldville, Belgian Congo — (UPI) — Africa's largest and potentially richest territory becomes independent June 30 against a backdrop of flight and fear among thousands of white residents.

The territory is the 905,000 square mile Belgian Congo, one of America's principal suppliers of uranium. Most westerners—except for the handful of Europeans who settled it—know so little about the Congo they are inclined to associate only exotic jungle drums and grade-B adventure movies with the huge land.

But people aware of the gathering force of African nationalism and of the uranium, diamonds, zinc, tin and cobalt that pack the Congo subsoil are awaiting June 30 with not ungrounded fears.

With less than three weeks to go before the 13,000,000 Congolese take over their own government, many of the 115,000 white settlers are nervous and in fear of native violence.

**Mass Exodus**

The mass exodus of independent white settlers—who have hooked solid virtually every means of transportation out of the Congo in the next two months—is an indication of their belief that Europeans will have a very limited future in the mineral-rich Congo.

The main fear is that rivalries among the 60 odd tribes and growing resentment against whites will erupt into massacres.

Violence already has occurred between rival tribes and between Congolese and European police with terrifying frequency since the first rumblings of independence were heard early last year.

Last January, after 111 Congolese were killed in a tribal war, Belgian troops were flown into the diamond-rich province of Kasai to pre-

vent a "war of extermination" between the rival Lulua and Labuba tribes.

Congolese riots against police in Leopoldville, Elizabethville and Stanleyville in the past year-and-a-half have been as bloody as any of those in South Africa or in Kenya during days of Mau Mau terrorism.

**Occupation State**

Last month during the Congo's first legislative election a "state of military occupation" was declared in Leopoldville because of the threat of open warfare between rival tribes.

Crack Belgian troops were flown in to help the 20,000 colonial troops maintain order during the transfer of power to the new state.

The troops were instructed to keep an especially keen eye on Congolese city slickers who were trying to hoodwink their less worldly cousins into "buying" from them white women for use as wives after independence day.

It is no wonder that the white man with financial interests in the Congo is worried.

The Congo was annexed by Belgium in 1908. It never was a colony in the traditional sense because Belgium did not encourage settlers. At the peak of her "paternal" rule in mid-1958 there were only 120,000 Europeans in the area which is one-third the size of the United States and three times the size of Texas. Among the Europeans were 5,000 independent settlers.

**Don't Want Whites**

Most of the Belgians have transferred their money to banks in Belgium if, indeed, they are not already packing up in anticipation of post-independence day violence.

The new Congolese leaders, headed by Patrice Lumumba of the extremist national Congolese movement, do not want

the whites to remain. They have deprived them of the vote unless the Europeans assume Congolese nationality.

But with less than one-quarter of the Congolese population literate enough to vote and few Congolese past the high school level, the natives may find themselves dependent on European help. White technicians will be needed to operate the vast mining concerns which provide 60 per cent of the Congo's exports.

White lawyers and doctors also will be required. There is not one single qualified doctor among the native population in the entire Congo.

Whether the Europeans will fill the technical and professional gaps will depend on the young republic avoiding anarchy and bloodshed.

The outcome is of vital interest to the United States, which signed an agreement with Belgium in 1955 giving the U. S. and Britain a virtual monopoly over all the uranium produced in the Congo.

In January, 1959, after bloody riots in Leopoldville, Belgium announced the creation of locally and provincially elected councils in preparation for eventual Congo independence.

A year later at a spirited round table conference in Brussels, Congolese leaders, headed by Lumumba, demanded total independence from Belgium, instead of membership in a Belgian commonwealth or federation of states.

**Belgium Approves**

Because there were only a few thousand permanent European settlers in the Congo, Belgium said yes.

It was decided that the republic's administration was to be patterned closely upon Belgium's except that a president (appointed by the two legislative chambers) would replace the king.

Three million males, all of them either literate or recognized as tribal or political leaders, went to the polls for the first time last month to elect a 137-seat chamber of deputies and an 84-man senate. At least 14 members of the senate had to be tribal chieftains to ensure the tribal feuding tribes and ethnic groups of equal representation.

King Baudouin of Belgium will appoint the first prime minister who, in turn, will select a cabinet. It will have to be approved by the legislature. It is reckoned that the formation of a coalition cabinet is essential to avoid anarchy and bloodshed.

The election campaign itself was more than just a lively contest among 20 various parties. Superimposed upon party politicking were the deep ingrained tribal and provincial rivalries.

This was particularly evident May 22, the last day of the election. It was reported that Joseph Kasavubu, leader of the Association of the Lower Congo party, demanded a recount on the grounds that witch doctors employed by the rival African Solidarity party had loaded the ballot boxes which, he claimed bore the snake symbol of that party.

**Delinquent Balloon Has Navy Guessing**

San Diego — (UPI) — The delinquent 40-story balloon kept the Navy guessing Saturday after drifting almost 2,000 miles from where it was supposed to land with its valuable cargo of cosmic ray research instruments.

"It's just sitting out there," said one rather frustrated member of the office of naval research team that chased the balloon across the country.

At mid-afternoon, the sphere was 450 miles west of here at about 50,000 feet. It had moved very little during the day.

The balloon, half as tall as the Empire State building, was launched Sunday from Glyco Naval Air Station at Brunswick, Ga., to sample cosmic radiation—as possible danger to future space travelers—at high altitudes.

Portland — (UPI) — Film star Jayne Mansfield proved a favorite at the Rose Festival parade here Saturday when she suddenly dropped out of the sky aboard a red helicopter to ride the Hollywood Booster's float.

**Mrs. Vanderbilt Okays Marriage**

Bitburg, Germany — (UPI) — Mrs. Patricia Wallace Vanderbilt gave her consent Saturday for the marriage of her pretty 18-year-old daughter, Nanette Wallace, to the handsome GI son of a tobacco farmer she met on the Riviera.

The former wife of Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr., thus swept away gossip that she might try to block the wedding of Nanette to Wiley Lockamy, a 23-year-old Army missile specialist from Clinton, N.C. Nanette ran away from the Riviera with Lockamy two weeks ago.

Nanette disclosed through friends that her mother had approved her plans to marry Lockamy after Mrs. Vanderbilt took her daughter to neighboring Luxembourg for a three-day vacation to "think it over."

**Wasted No Time In Getting Ticket**

Waterville, Me. — Thirty minutes after parking meters were installed, Edward Milton was ticketed and he paid a fine for over-time parking.

**TOO EARLY BLUES**

Hartshorne, Okla. — (UPI) — The band here really was eager. The director rushed his musicians to a meet at Oklahoma State University and arrived to find he was one week early.

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