

# RS70 Warplane Prospects Seen Nearing Vanishing Point

## Adenauer Runs Into Political Complications

Bonn, Germany — (UPI) — Defense Minister Franz Josef Strauss' dramatic victory in Bavaria's elections has complicated Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's efforts to rebuild a coalition government, political observers said today.

Returns from Sunday's voting in Bavaria made it harder than ever for Adenauer to dismiss Strauss. But West Ger-

many's Free Democratic Party has said it will not rejoin the coalition government unless Strauss goes.

Unless the FDP returns its support to the government, Adenauer will be left at the head of a minority government that could be toppled by a parliamentary defeat on a major issue.

Strauss was not a candidate Sunday. But he led his Christian Social Union — the Bavarian branch of Adenauer's Christian Democratic Party — to slight but unexpected gains in voting for the Bavarian legislature.

The opposition Socialists also gained ground, at the expense of smaller splinter parties. But Strauss' party appeared to retain power in the Bavarian legislature, despite earlier predictions of a defeat.

## Amnesia Victim Is Sought by Parents

Relatives in Mount Vernon, Wash., are attempting to locate their son, who is believed to be suffering from amnesia following a fall in Seattle.

Missing is Theodore Rasmussen, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Rasmussen, who fell on the steps at his boarding house and disappeared en route to the beautician school he is attending.

He is described as five feet, eight inches tall, weighs about 160 pounds and has dark brown hair and brown eyes. He has a history of amnesia, disappearing from Kansas in February after he had been hit on the head. He is a Jehovah's Witness minister.

If located persons should contact the Medford police department.

## Officials Attend Portland Session

Three Jackson county officials were among those who attended a meeting in Portland of the staff and advisory boards of mental health clinics throughout the state.

Attending from here as representatives of the Jackson County Family and Child Guidance clinic were Dr. A. Erin Merkel, public health officer; Thomas Goff and Edward A. Collins.

Dr. Joseph Treleven, administrator of the mental health division of the state, said that it is hoped there will be 16 mental health clinics in operation by next June in the state compared to 11 last July.

Some 54 persons attended the conference which will be the first of a series.

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## Administration Spending Plans Undergo Change

Washington — (UPI) — Air Force prospects for building a fleet of 2,000-mile an hour RS70 warplanes neared the vanishing point today with disclosure of new administration spending plans for the controversial craft.

The RS70 has been the center of a bitter administration-congressional fight, with influential members of Congress demanding that the plane be put on the road to production, and Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara stoutly refusing.

President Kennedy had to step in with a compromise last spring, temporarily placating Chairman Carl Vinson (D-Ga.) of the House Armed Services committee, with agreement to make a new study of the reconnaissance-strike plane.

With Kennedy's approval, McNamara announced Sunday night that an additional \$50 million will be spent on the complicated radar and other electronics equipment such a plane would need.

There was scarcely any comfort for the Air Force in that, and a new furor in Congress next year is a safe bet.

Three Planes Approved The McNamara announcement said the extra money would be spent on the "currently approved" RS70 development program. All that is currently approved is the building of three experimental versions of the plane, a behemoth designed to operate above 70,000 feet over an 8,000-mile range at three times the speed of sound.

The first flight of the plane recently was postponed from December until next spring because of mechanical problems.

The statement, it was noted, said nothing about additional airplanes such as Congress evidently had in mind in voting \$191.6 million more than the administration wanted for the RS70 this year.

Cost Slightly Higher McNamara said the total RS70 project through 1965 now would cost \$1.35 billion instead of the \$1.3 billion previously planned for the three experimental planes. The portion that will be spent this year is now to be \$221 million instead of \$171 million, an increase that had been expected if the Air Force could show a need for it in developing electronics equipment.

The announcement said the additional money was for "highly complex radar and other components of manned aircraft reconnaissance systems."

That left an inference that RS70 experimental models might wind up serving only as test beds for equipment that might later be used in other aircraft and for flight research.

## Small Craft Warnings Remain Up Along Coast in Wake of Blow

By United Press International Small craft warnings remained up on the Oregon coast today in the wake of a week end blow that caused little major damage despite strong winds and heavy rain.

The Mt. Hebo Air Force station in Tillamook county recorded a gust of wind of 121 miles per hour, the Coast Guard said. Newport had gusts to 85 mph, Astoria recorded winds to 81 mph and Portland got a gust of 66 mph Sunday.

Twenty-foot seas were reported at Newport. Salem got 1.88 inch of rain and Portland 1.45 in the 24 hours ending early today and the weather man said streams were rising again. Some flood-

ing was forecast near the communities of Whiteson along the south Yamhill river and Dilley on the Tualatin river because of heavy rain in the Coast range.

There were numerous reports of slides, downed trees and power lines and some scattered telephone outages, but damage was minor compared to the Oct. 12 wind-storm.

A slide just east of Newport broke a water main and parts of the city were without water for a time. A road between Siletz and Kernville was closed by downed trees.

Astoria had some power outages when wind damaged a 115,000 volt line between

there and Tillamook. There were scattered outages in Portland.

Telephone service disruptions were reported in Cannon Beach, Astoria, Salem and at Mitchell and Spray in Eastern Oregon.

The weather bureau forecast heavier than normal rain for the next five days in Western Oregon. Winds up to 35 mph were forecast for the coast today, with an increase to 40 mph Tuesday.

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## Foreign Briefs

**WORLD'S BIGGEST STEEL PLATE MILL DUE** London — (UPI) — French and British interests have won a contract to build one of the world's biggest steel plate mills in Romania, it was announced today.

A Franco-British consortium won the \$36.4 million order in heavy competition with West German bidders.

**SLOVAKIAN POLITBUREAU CHANGES REVEALED** Vienna — (UPI) — Nearly half the membership of the Slovakian Communist party's ruling politbureau has been replaced, radio Prague disclosed Sunday night.

It said 4 of the 10 members were dropped during the recent Slovakian party congress but described this as a minor change of party leadership.

**ISRAEL, ECM BEGIN COMMERCIAL TALKS** Brussels — (UPI) — Commercial talks between Israel and the European Common Market began today and opened an entirely new field of negotiations with third countries.

**NATIONALIST PARTY LEADING IN URUGUAY** Montevideo, Uruguay — (UPI) — Early returns today showed the National Blanco party leading in its attempt to retain control of the country's nine-man governing council in nationwide elections.

## Kennedy Children Will Be Feted at Party on Tuesday

Washington — (UPI) — Diplomacy and politics may be set aside for a moment Tuesday while the White House throws a double birthday celebration.

The guests of honor will be Caroline Kennedy and her brother John Jr., President Kennedy's two children.

Technically young John was two years old Sunday, but a cold kept him in the White House when the first family left for a Thanksgiving holiday in Hyannis Port, Mass., and there was no celebration. But Tuesday is Caroline's

fifth birthday and a party is planned for her and her brother.

John Jr. now is a healthy three-footer and tips the scales at 31 pounds. One of the youngest inhabitants of the White House, he was only two months old when his father moved into the executive mansion.

Caroline is only nine inches taller than her brother and weighs 47 pounds. Her brother is not often seen around the White House, but Caroline frequently makes unannounced appearances.

The White House released photographs of the children last week end. One showed John Jr. and Caroline dancing a jig in the President's office. The other showed Mrs. Kennedy riding her prize horse Sardar with John Jr. sitting astride a pony alongside her mother.

**Stocks Continue In Higher Ground** New York — (UPI) — Stocks continued to move higher today.

Chemicals paced the rally with Kodak up nearly 3, and Du Pont and Dow up at least 1 apiece. Tobacco also performed well with Lorillard, Philip Morris and Reynolds up around a point each.

Grumman and General Dynamics were delayed in opening because of heavy buy orders. The two companies were named over the week end to develop the new TFX fighter plane. Boeing which lost out on the \$2 to \$4 billion contract, dropped nearly 4. Grumman appeared nearly an hour after the opening, up about 2 1/2.

Jones & Laughlin and Lukens added around 1 each in the steels and autos were mixed. Electronics, finance shares, stores, and aircraft were higher. Oils were mixed with General American off roughly 1 and Amerada up about a point.

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## Retired Millionaires 'Private Club'

New York — (UPI) — Harry Coffey, who has now retired from Wall Street and his New York manufacturing business, has always had a soft spot in his heart for millionaires and used to worry about where they would live when they retired.

Worrying with him was a man named Samuel Halperin, a rich and successful Florida real estate operator. So they put their heads together and came up with an apartment house which is in effect a private club for millionaires.

One of the tenants of their establishment in Miami Beach, Fla., a Chicago banker and hotel investor, signed a five-year lease for \$120,000 and then spent \$100,000 for furnishings.

Coffey, who calls his modest little place the Imperial House, admits it probably is the most expensive apartment house in the world.

Millionaire Class "You have to be pretty far up in the millionaire class to rent here," Coffey said. "The greatest percentage of tenants will be retired and the rest will be executives in the top echelon of business. They used to go to hotels but hotels have lowered the barriers and don't cater to the wealthy any more."

Coffey, in New York to look into a few details of managing the \$8 million project, said he had tried to think of everything millionaires needed and wanted.

The swimming pool was a foregone conclusion since Miami Beach is Miami Beach. But beneath this one is a garage big enough to house more than 200 Rolls-Royces.

Coffey installed an 18-hole putting green, a steam room and solarium, a catering service and a lounge for the millionaire's chauffeurs if they get tired.

Coffey was reluctant to identify his tenants but did name two of them — Jake Arvey, the Illinois Democratic leader, and Ben Marden, one-time owner of night clubs in New York, Havana and Las Vegas.

## Firemen Check Two Fires; Floor Burned

City firemen, summoned to the home of Mrs. Charlene Combs, 806 1/2 North Riverside avenue at 10:40 p.m. yesterday to investigate the cause of smoke, found the floor under the washing machine burning.

They said the floor had been ignited by a 300-watt electric light bulb placed there to prevent freezing.

Firemen were called to the residence of Anthony Paschale, 602 West 11th st., about 2:30 a.m. yesterday. They said that wiring in the basement had shorted, igniting the ceiling. There was minor fire damage, according to firemen, who reported smoke damage to main floor rooms.

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