

# Cuban Buildup Denials Said Unconvincing

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### European Pressure on De Gaulle To Reverse Veto Said Increasing

#### Complaints Filed To Seek Recovery Of Poker Losses

##### Use of Marked Cards Charged

Three complaints seeking recovery of \$6,140 lost in poker games in Medford in which plaintiffs charge marked cards were used have been filed in Jackson county circuit court.

Plaintiffs are David M. Chandler, Trail; Louis C. Burns, McLaughlin rd., Medford; and Earl Pidecock, 744 West McAndrews rd. Defendants are Virgil Stickle, 509 Beatty st.; L. W. Howell, Eagle Point, and Crater Lake aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, 217 West Main st., the location of the alleged poker games.

According to the complaints, Chandler, Burns and Pidecock, at different times, were engaged in and played poker for money with Stickle and Howell. They charge Stickle and Howell, in collusion with one another by using a marked deck of cards, cheated them of their money.

It is further charged that the officers and employees of the lodge were aware of the games being played and were played with their consent, and that the aerie collected from the gambling games a fee as proprietor.

Chandler states losses of \$2,075 in 21 games from Jan. 26 through Nov. 28, 1962; Burns, losses of \$1,025 in nine games from Aug. 3 through Dec. 7, 1962; and Pidecock, losses of \$3,040 in 24 games from Dec. 21, 1961 through Nov. 23, 1962. Each seeks recovery of twice the amount lost, as provided under Oregon state statute, plus costs.

#### Dunes Proposal Near Realization

Washington - (UPI) - A proposal to establish an Oregon dunes national seashore appeared closer to realization today than ever before.

Oregon members of Congress said undivided administration support for plans to set up the second national seashore on the Pacific Coast was virtually assured. A far-reaching agreement between the Agriculture and Interior Departments on recreational development was viewed as sharply increasing chances for congressional approval.

Sen. Maurice B. Neuberger (D-Ore.) expressed satisfaction that the two departments, long at odds over development of recreation areas, had gotten together on plans for management of the Oregon Dunes area.

Rep. Robert B. Duncan (D-Ore.), in whose district the park would be established, termed the inter-departmental agreement "a very significant step forward."

### NEWS BRIEFS

**SENATE ENDS ANTIFILIBUSTER FIGHT**  
Washington - (UPI) - The Senate today laid to rest the 1963 antifilibuster rule fight which has blocked other business for three and a half weeks.

It made its key decision to end the rule change struggle on a 54-42 vote by which it refused to apply its controversial gag rule to hot debates. Then, in a swift leadership move, the Senate voted to adjourn until Monday.

**NLMA EXPECTS TO LOSE TARIFF CASE**  
Washington - (UPI) - The National Lumber Manufacturers Association expects to lose its tariff commission case to restrict Canada's more than \$260 million annual lumber sales in the United States, it was learned Wednesday.

**GAITSKELL SUCCESSOR NOT YET PICKED**  
London - (UPI) - The opposition Labor party failed tonight to reach agreement on a man to replace the late Hugh Gaitskell as party leader and possible future prime minister.

**CRACKDOWN SEEN NO BOTHER TO CUBA**  
Washington - (UPI) - The Kennedy administration's new crackdown on shipping to Cuba is expected to have relatively little effect on the Cuban economy, officials said today.



**STRIKE THREAT DISCUSSED** - Chairman of the Federal Mediation Board, Frank O'Neill, right, is shown with Ken Schomp, manager of personnel for the Southern Pacific railroad, as they discussed the long-threatened strike of clerks against the railroad in San Francisco. (UPI)

### Strike by Southern Pacific Clerks Declared Imminent

San Francisco - (UPI) - A federal conciliator struggled today to head off the first major strike against the Southern Pacific railroad in 16 years, but a railway clerk's spokesman said the union may walk out before midnight tonight.

Frank O'Neill, chairman of the Federal Mediation Board, held separate meetings with the company and the union this morning in efforts to settle a dispute over jobs eliminated by automation.

He met with the company at 9:30 a.m. and the union at 11 a.m.

"We may walk out before midnight tonight," a spokesman for the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks said, declaring that a new company offer was unacceptable.

But he said arrangements had been made with other railway brotherhoods to make sure that San Francisco Bay Area commuters are able to get home in the event that a strike is called before this evening's rush hour.

The 11,000 member union, which claims the support of 39,000 other SP employees, could tie up the railroad's operations in seven western states, extending from Oregon to Texas.

O'Neill gained a few hours of time in meetings with both sides Wednesday. The union earlier had threatened to go out anytime after midnight today, but there were indications that time was all he gained.

James Weaver, the union's SP chairman, said the company offered a revised proposal to end the dispute over

loss of jobs through automation, but that the offer was "absolutely not what we want."

The union has demanded a retraining program with the company for workers displaced by machines and new procedures. The railroad maintains it "cannot agree

to the retention or creation of unnecessary positions which would stifle technological advances."

The lengthy dispute has brought two previous strike threats by the union in the past year, but they were postponed by federal mediation efforts.

### Adenauer Claims Promise Made To Renew Discussion

##### France Rebuffs Soviet Premier

London - (UPI) - Western Europe put increasing pressure on France today to force President Charles de Gaulle to reverse his veto of Britain's bid for membership in the European Common Market.

In Bonn, West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer said he told De Gaulle last October that he favored British entry. And he repeated today that "I am for British membership in the Common Market above all else."

Adenauer added that De Gaulle had promised to renew discussion of Britain's Common Market membership as soon as the pending France-German friendship treaty is ratified.

In other developments: -Delegates attending the six-nation European Parliamentary Assembly in Strasbourg criticized De Gaulle and by implication supported strong European ties with the United States - despite the French president's bid to form a European "third force" bloc led by France.

In Paris, De Gaulle's government dispelled last week's rumors that he was working for a Paris-Moscow axis. France delivered a stinging rebuff to Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev by bawling a filmed interview with him on the state-operated French television network.

In London, Britain's Princess Margaret canceled her scheduled March visit to France in the wake of De Gaulle's veto of Britain's bid for Common Market membership.

British Foreign Secretary Lord Home journeyed to Brussels for an important policy meeting with Belgian Foreign Minister Paul-Henri Spaak.

Both Home and Adenauer have tabbed United States armed might as the key to Europe's security against communism. And the move by the Strasbourg delegates in criticizing France indicated a tightening of lines against Paris and behind Washington in the current power struggle over the Common Market.

### Old Water Main Being Replaced

A crew from the Medford water department set out Monday to replace a defective valve on a pipe in the library park, and ended up having to replace more than 100 feet of water main they did not know existed.

When crews dug down below the valve, they discovered it was connected to an old 6-inch steel pipe, which was apparently installed in 1886 as part of the city's initial water system.

There are no records of the old system, but City Water Superintendent Robert L. Lee said today that according to his information the pioneer system was removed in the early 1900's.

All of it, that is, except the 100 feet which the crews inadvertently found Monday. No one had known it was there.

### Man Held Pending Altercation Probe

Louis Albert Wright, 50, of 338 North Front st., was treated for a cut on his cheek at Rogue Valley hospital Wednesday afternoon.

Wright told city police officers he had been cut by Eddie Mack Patton, 62, also of 338 North Front st., during an altercation between the two men earlier in the afternoon.

Officers lodged Patton in city jail on a drunk in public charge, pending further investigation of the incident.

**TO CONTINUE MILD**  
Portland - (UPI) - Oregon continued to enjoy springlike temperatures today and the weather man said mild daytime readings were expected through Friday.

### Legislature Could Tap Vets' Bond Sinking Fund

##### Thornton Submits Transfer Opinion

Salem - (UPI) - If the legislature finds a "legal surplus" in the veterans' bond sinking fund, it can transfer the surplus to the general fund to help pay for state services, Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton said today.

The opinion offered a possible way of dealing with the shortage of general fund money that has threatened a severe cutback in state services for the remainder of the current biennium between now and July.

The grounds for Thornton's finding were different from those suggested earlier by Gov. Mark Hatfield - but they may make more money available.

**Money Appropriated**  
The legislature started out the veterans' lending agency by appropriating tax money in 1945. It took some of that back in 1953. Hatfield proposed taking the remaining \$5.5 million back as "tax moneys" this winter.

Thornton declared "the present reserve . . . does not involve any tax moneys."

He noted, however, accounts of the agency show it has earned a profit of \$10 million . . . representing earnings over and above expenses." This is the same finding made in a report by Legislative Fiscal Officer Kenneth Bragg, who suggested the legislature tap the profit for general fund money.

**Up To Legislature**  
Thornton said it is up to the legislature to decide whether the \$10 million represents a "legal surplus."

He said this would be "over and above the amount necessary to amortize the bonds" sold by the veterans agency to provide money to lend.

Thornton noted "although there is \$251 million of outstanding bonded indebtedness, there are no bonds due or callable at this time."

Sen. Ward Cook (D-Portland), co-chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, said the committee will make a recommendation on the matter after holding a special hearing, probably next week.

### Boost in National Debt Limit Seen

Washington - (UPI) - Treasury Secretary Douglas Dillon told Congress today the legal limit on the national debt will have to be boosted to about \$320 billion this summer because of the deficit spending and tax cuts budgeted by President Kennedy.

There now is a temporary ceiling of \$308 billion. In using the \$320 billion figure, Dillon said the ceiling the President eventually will ask may give or take \$5 billion.

Dillon also told the House Ways and Means Committee that it was "a fair assumption" that the next budget which Kennedy will submit to Congress next January will call for spending more than \$100 billion.

The President last month sent Congress a budget of \$98.8 billion for the fiscal year starting next July 1. This budget, which envisioned red-ink spending of about \$12 billion, is the largest ever proposed in peacetime or war.

### Local Man Revived Following Mishap

Benjamin Cecil Satterfield, 1815 Prune st., Medford, was revived by personnel of the Central Point city fire department rescue unit this morning after being pinned under water for five minutes at Lininger's Sand and Gravel on Hamrick rd.

State police said that they were told that a self-propelled scraper being operated by Satterfield tipped over in a small pond of water pinning him. About five minutes went by before rescuers could get a bulldozer and get the equipment off him.

A doctor was called and Satterfield was taken to Rogue Valley hospital by ambulance.



**PARKED DOG** - Skipper, above, who is shown above as he waits with patience and aplomb outside a Medford restaurant, must think by now that parking meters are just fancy hitching posts. His owner Lewis Parker occasionally takes him for walks uptown, and since dogs are not allowed in stores Skipper just sits outside and watches the people go by. He has made more friends this way and seems to enjoy the friendly comments he gets from passersby. Parker never keeps him waiting very long.

### Kennedy Delivers Health Blueprint

Washington - (UPI) - President Kennedy sent to Congress today the administration blueprint for improving the nation's health and boosting its medical facilities and manpower.

In a special message "on Improving American Health," Kennedy said Social Security health insurance for older people "must be enacted this year."

He said such a measure was "long overdue" and should be "the top of the congressional agenda on health."

**Message on Aging Due**  
But he reserved the details of the controversial medicare program for his special message on aging expected to go to Congress late next week.

Administration officials declined to give the total cost of today's proposals, mostly familiar items. Officials said the financial recommendations were included in the 1964 budget.

Among the requests Kennedy renewed were grants for medical and dental schools, air pollution control, health research, vocational rehabilitation, encourage ment of group practice, improving

### Hearing on Zoning Changes Scheduled

Grants Pass - A public hearing on four proposed zoning map changes will be held at the next meeting of the Grants Pass city council Feb. 20, the council voted last night.

The planning commission has approved the changes, which include the off-street parking requirements, which were deleted when the zoning ordinance was adopted in August. The committee, which was later appointed to make a study of the parking situation, brought in its report and the council is now ready to conduct another hearing.

The ordinance is essentially the same as proposed, it was noted, with the exception of minor changes in the parking requirements for the downtown core area.

The council last night called for bids on \$400,000 of sewage bonds. The bids will be opened March 6.

A project, designed to bring the stop signs in the city up to date by adding and deleting some, was approved by the council.

**GRANT APPROVED**  
Washington - (UPI) - The Department of Health, Education and Welfare has "approved a federal grant of \$29,734 to help build a 22-bed nursing home and convalescent wing addition to Western Lane Hospital at Florence, Ore., Sen. Wayne Morse said today. Total cost is \$91,102.

### Congressional Critics Fail To Accept Evidence

##### Symington Sees Further Problems

Washington - (UPI) - The Kennedy administration today pursued its all-out attempt to prove that Soviet forces in Cuba pose no military threat to the United States. But congressional critics remained unconvinced.

President Kennedy was expected to elaborate at his afternoon news conference on the case the Defense Department laid out Wednesday in an unprecedented intelligence briefing on live television.

But Sen. John Stennis (D-Miss.), chairman of the Senate preparedness subcommittee, wound up two days of questioning of Central Intelligence Agency Chief John A. McCone by asserting he found "no evidence of lessening military threat" from Soviet forces in Cuba. He said there has been "no evidence of any general withdrawal."

Sen. Stuart Symington of Missouri, a Democratic military expert, agreed with Stennis. Symington said that if the Soviet forces remain "it can only result in further Communist problems in this hemisphere."

**Admirably Presented**  
Some members of Congress agreed that the administration's case was admirably presented in the television "spectacular."

Sen. Leverett Saltonstall (R-Mass.) said "public reaction will undoubtedly be one of greater confidence" and Sen. Thomas Kuchel (R-Calif.) said he felt Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara was "quite convincing."

But the preponderance of available Republican reaction was critical. Senator GOP Leader Everett M. Dirksen said, for example, that the report "actually demonstrated 'as nothing else could' that Cuba still is a Soviet base endangering the Americas."

### Awards Banquet in Ashland Tonight

Ashland - The Ashland Chamber of Commerce's annual awards banquet will start at 7 o'clock tonight at the Mark Antony hotel.

Awards will be presented in the senior citizen, junior citizen and man of the year categories. Certificates and merit awards will be presented to solicitors for the Ashland-Talent United Fund.

Sponsoring the event along with the chamber are the local Kiwanis club and junior chamber of commerce.

Glenn L. Jackson, Medford, chairman of the state highway commission, will be the principal speaker.

Sid Ainsworth will act as master of ceremonies. Entertainment will be provided by the Populaires.

### Australia Orders Russian To Leave

Canberra, Australia - (UPI) - Australia denounced a Soviet diplomat today as head of a vast new spy ring and gave him seven days to get out of the country.

The accused spy was identified as Ivan F. Skripov, first secretary of the Soviet Embassy in Canberra and the first Russian diplomat sent to Australia when diplomatic relations were restored in 1959.

External Affairs Minister Sir Garfield Barwick told a news conference that the latest espionage ring had been uncovered largely through the clock-and-dagger efforts of a woman counterspy working in an investigation lasting almost two years.

### Newby Unimpressed By Civil Defense Effort

Salem - (UPI) - Oregon's civil defense program took another battering today.

The criticism came from five ways and mean subcommittee legislators as Wayne Nunn, aide to Gov. Mark Hatfield, testified.

The committee is considering a proposed \$195,000 budget for civil defense.

"I am unimpressed by the accomplishment of civil defense up to this point," said Sen. Lynn Newby (R-Ashland).

"If you have shelter spaces for 50 per cent of the population," he asked, "what are you going to do with the other half, stand there with a sub-machine gun and keep them out?"

Rep. Sidney Leiken (D-Roseburg) said the agency was ineffective during the Oct. 13 storm. He questioned "continuing an organization that after 12 years hasn't been able to do anything."

Newby said the civil defense agency could be abolished and its communications functions shared by other agencies.

Nunn defended the agency. He said it was primarily a communications and coordination agency which has "done a good job educating the public."

He said even if the agency were abolished, a coordinator would be needed to take on some of its work.