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## Forum to Consider KF Line Extension

### War Surplus Grab Revealed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Hoyer, D-N.C., told his Senate investigations subcommittee Monday a group of U.S. political figures ran a \$101,000 investment in war surplus ships into a 3 1/2 million dollar profit in three years.

Hoyer made the statement at the opening of public hearings on the deal.

He said the purpose of the hearings is to determine whether the deal was "consistent" with law; whether federal taxes were avoided on the profits; and to inquire into the legal, brokerage and other fees involved in the transaction.

Hoyer's statement was the first public mention of \$3,250,000 as the profit on an eight-ship deal.

Joseph E. Casey, Washington lawyer who has acknowledged he headed the group which got the right return, had spoken previously of a \$2,800,000 profit on five of the eight oil tankers involved.

Casey, has named as others who shared with him in the profits Adm. William F. Halsey, World War II hero; the late Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., war time Secretary of State, and Kullus C. Holmes, minister to the U.S. embassy in London.

### Boy Fumbles, Applauded

MANITOWOC, Wis. (AP) — A flustered Georgia boy fumbled a line while responding Monday to official greetings for his 29 Mason companions—but drew a resounding round of applause just the same.

"We come from Macon, Ga.," Jay Dennis, a Lanier High School student told a student assembly at Lincoln High School here. "It's a city of fast women and pretty houses."

The auditorium of the big high school rocked with applause and laughter, but young Dennis recovered his composure and went on to say how happy he and his companions were at arriving here for two weeks of study and entertainment in the "Par North."

# Truman Offers Water Policy Tightening Federal Control

## MIG Swarm Beaten Off By Sabres

By STAN CARTER

SEOUL, Korea (AP) — American Sabre jet pilots out-numbered more than two to one, damaged two Communist MIG jets in a battle high over North Korea Monday the Fifth Air Force said.

On the ground, an Allied tank infantry task force penetrated deep into the Communist's old Iron Triangle, in Central Korea, drove Chinese Reds off a high hill, then pulled back.

Another U.N. raiding party broke out of a Communist trap east of the Pukhan River in central Korea Sunday night and returned safely to Allied lines.

The party was pinned down six hours by machine-gun fire and grenades.

**LONG ODDS**

The air battle matched 19 Sabre jet against 40 Communist MIG-15s. The MIGs tried unsuccessfully to break through a screen of Sabres protecting fighter bombers attacking North Korean supply lines. Lt. Kenneth C. Gieser of Sherburne, Minn., was credited with damaging two MIGs.

All told 250 MIGs in four groups were sighted over North Korea during the day, but no other battles developed. The MIG total was above average but not a record.

The Fifth Air Force flew 552 sorties up to 6 p.m. as Operation Strange—the campaign to cut Communist supply lines—entered its seventh month.

Sabre pilots shot down three MIGs Sunday. The Sabres were escorting fighter-bombers on the continuing assault on Red supply lines. They were jumped by a flight of MIGs.

An Air Force spokesman said Operation Strange had caused the Chinese Reds "terrible expense" and probably had prevented the Communists from attempting a major offensive.

## Reds Argue Russ Refuse

MUNSAN, Korea (AP) — The Communists Monday challenged Allied rejection of Russia's nomination to a neutral inspection commission which would help police a Korean truce.

The Reds declared that by every standard the Soviet Union qualifies as a neutral.

Minutes earlier the Communists called off a full dress meeting of truce negotiators—just as Allied delegates prepared to leave for Panmunjom to learn whether the Reds had accepted U.N. terms for a Korean peace conference.

There was no explanation. But the Communists asked for another plenary session at 10 a.m. Tuesday, 5 p.m. PST Monday.

Red staff officers demanded that the U.N. Command explain its objection to Russia's nomination.

The neutral nation would make behind-the-scenes inspections during an armistice.

The Communists argued that Soviet combat forces have not fought in Korea and that if Russia cannot be considered a neutral "there would be no neutral nation at all existing in the world."

An Allied staff officer replied only "I note your statement."

## Airliner Hits Peak, 34 Die

BURGIO, Sicily (AP) — Police reached the wreckage of a British airliner on the side of Sicilian Mt. Rose near here Monday and reported all 34 aboard were dead.

Although the airline operating the chartered craft said it was carrying 31-26 passengers and a crew of five, a police captain with the search party said he counted 34 bodies—17 men, 14 women and three children.

A police communiqué from Sicily at the foot of the mountain where the crash occurred, said 23 of the 34 bodies had been identified and attributed the disaster to icing of the wings.

Many of the victims were reported to be families of British soldiers stationed in Kenya, Britain's Eastern African colony.

The plane, a twin-motored Viking, was en route from London to Nairobi, the Kenya capital.

## 'War Babies' Laid to U.S.

TOKYO (AP) — The newspaper Yomiuri stood firm Monday behind its assertion that U.S. troops had fathered 200,000 bastards in Japan since the end of World War II.

It said the figure was based on off-the-record data supplied by Japanese government officials.

The officials, it said, declined use of their names because they feared the "displeasure" of the occupation.

Another Japanese newspaper, Tokyo Shimbun, said the 200,000 children were listed on government food ration rolls.

A U.S. occupation official and a Japanese government authority said the figure was far too high.

"It's way off the beam," said an American officer in the Public Health and Welfare Division of occupation headquarters.

# England Plans Atomic Test

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### U.S. Eyes More Aid For Franco

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States is considering giving special aid to help Franco carry on the fight against a Communist conquest of Indochina.

State Department officials believe that additional assistance—in the form of either dollars or increased military supplies to Indochina—would be sufficient, provided the Chinese Communists do not intervene in the Indochina war as they did in Korea.

Should the Chinese Reds launch a major assault there, however, it would pose an issue of aid of a different sort—whether the United States and other United Nations would send in troops to help the French and native defense forces or strike directly at Communist China itself.

### UNDECIDED

What the American government would do in that event is still undecided.

The problem of financial assistance has arisen at this time because American studies of France's continuing economic crises have convinced officials here that maintenance of the present forces in Indochina is a heavy drain on the French economy and an important factor in France's long range ability to build up military strength in Europe.

The subject is understood to be up for discussion between Secretary of State Acheson and French Foreign Minister Schumann in their London talks.

The French parliament has voted 400 billion francs—about \$1,100,000,000—for the Indochina war this year.

This is expected to be from one-third to one-fourth of France's total military budget, the European section of which has yet to be fixed.

### SCHEDULE

If additional American aid to ease France's Indochina burden is agreed upon, the present tentative planning here is to begin it in fiscal 1953 which starts July 1.

President Truman has estimated the foreign aid outlay next fiscal year will total 10 1/2 billion dollars for all purposes but whether Congress will grant this sum is yet to be determined.

## Mastedon's Tusk Found

PORT ANGELES (AP) — A huge tusk of a prehistoric mastodon has been found buried in a bluff overlooking Washington Harbor near Sequim on the Olympic Peninsula.

The tusk, 13 to 14 feet long, was found last week by a schoolboy, Teddy Blair. The youngster said he spotted the tip of it poking out through the gravel.

It was found 20 miles from the site where about one-fourth of the skeleton of another mastodon was unearthed two years ago. University of Washington anthropologists estimated the skeleton had been buried from 50,000 to 100,000 years.

The tusk discovered last week was more than twice as long as that of the earlier find. It was laboriously dug out by Reed McCarthy and David Burrows and taken to Sequim.

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MRS. MARSHALL CORNETT

## Respite GOP Delegate Post Sought

BOISE (AP) — April has been proclaimed "no proclamation" month in Idaho by Gov. Len Jordan.

The governor pointed out that he had 68 requests for proclamations in 1951 and 16 last month.

His proclamation "whereas" that there aren't enough days and weeks to give satisfactory emphasis to each proclamation, and that the public is "entitled to some respite from this epidemic."

## Red Controlled Union Argued

WASHINGTON (AP) — Labor, management, and government officials agree something should be done about Communist-dominated unions but they can't get together on how to tackle the problem.

A Senate Labor subcommittee study made public Sunday said even labor leaders disagreed among themselves except on one point: Labor is slowly weeding out Communism in its ranks, and wants no new laws in this field.

On the other hand, the Justice Department, the head of the National Association of Manufacturers, and an AFL economist all urged stronger legislation. But they did not agree on the type of laws needed.

These viewpoints were expressed in reply to a questionnaire sent out by the subcommittee, which plans public hearings on Communism in labor early next month.

## Morse Backs Joint Chiefs

DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — Sen. Wayne Morse (R-Ore.) said Sunday those who want a joint Chiefs of Staff are unduly critical of the joint chiefs of staff.

Morse defended the joint chiefs in a speech before the United Jewish Appeal regional conference here. He said the joint chiefs were doing what they could to absorb the first shocks of all out war, when and if they come.

Morse's comments could be interpreted as critical of Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio), Taft, a candidate for Republican nomination to the presidency, criticized the joint chiefs while he was in the Pacific Northwest last week. He said they had failed to meet commitments.

Morse told his audience that "unless we help Europe to defend itself and to raise its standards of living, its people will be an easy prey of Communism. We cannot walk out of Europe in Asia and be unduly critical of the joint chiefs of staff."

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## Weapon May Outdo U.S. Bomb

By ERNEST AGNEW

LONDON (AP) — Britain announced Monday she will test a new atomic weapon this year.

The probable date and place are late September or early October on the bleak Woomera Rocket Range in Australia.

British experts believe their weapon is better than any produced to date by the United States, but perhaps not as powerful.

The official announcement did not say whether the new weapon is a bomb.

There was speculation that it might be a bomb, shellhead or some other device whose explosions could be controlled and thus used in support of ground troops.

**AIR USE**

But Chapman Pincher, well-informed science reporter for the London Daily Express, said "the weapon will almost certainly be a high powered atomic bomb designed for use by aircraft."

Authoritative sources said the new weapon will be set off by an entirely new but still secret process.

Guided missiles have already been tried out on the Woomera Rocket Range.

Weather conditions will be at their best in late September or early October for an atomic test on the Central Australian desert. Preparations for the test include the removal of aboriginal tribes from the area.

The brief announcement said only that the test of an atomic weapon will be held in Australia this year.

**STRIDE**

But London newspapers hailed it as proof that Britain had made a tremendous stride forward in a drive to restore the country to military equality with the United States and the Soviet Union.

Most papers played prominently a remark by Sen. McMahon, D-Conn., chairman of the U.S. Senate-Atomic Energy Committee on Atomic Energy, that the development could cause the U.S. to revise its policy against sharing atomic information with the British.

## Queen Wants Usual Activity

LONDON (AP) — Queen Elizabeth II wants public functions connected with Britain's government, trade, charity or arts to take place as scheduled despite mourning for her father, King George VI.

The announcement of this by the Lord Chamberlain's office said, however, that "holding of other functions must be left to the discretion of the organizers, who may wish to allow a week or two to elapse before recommending arrangements."

With the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh, the Queen Mother and Princess Margaret spent the weekend at Windsor Castle, where King George was buried Friday. Sunday they attended a memorial service for him in the private chapel adjoining the royal lodge.

**REUTHER TO PORTLAND**

PORTLAND (AP) — Walter Reuther, CIO labor leader, will speak on the topic "1952: the year of the meeting of the Americans for Democratic Action" here Feb. 27. ADA officials reported Saturday.

## Weather

FORECAST: Klamath Falls and vicinity, partly cloudy with snow showers Monday night. Tuesday considerably cloudy and more frequent snow. High Tuesday 33, low tonight 17. Northern California, partly cloudy with scattered snow showers. Continued cool.

High Sunday	27
Low last night	8
Freeze Sunday	03
Precip since Oct. 1	12.23
Period last period	7.56
Period last year	11.71

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## NATO Meet in Lisbon May Affect GOP Race

By The Associated Press

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## Plan Favors Basin-Wide Use Basis

WASHINGTON (AP) — After a year on President Truman's desk, a plan to develop the country's water resources has been brought into the open.

Calling for 15 river basin commissions to chart future development, it is the work of the President's Water Resources Policy Commission, headed by Morris L. Cooke.

Saying he had the President's consent, Cooke released the commission's final report carrying its recommendations Sunday, although it was given Mr. Truman a year-ago.

It does not name the river basins for which commissions would be established.

The proposal has been under study in the executive departments for months but has not been sent to Congress.

### FIRST STEP

Rep. Engle, D-Calif., chairman of the House Committee on Irrigation and Reclamation, called the plan the "first definite step to try to resolve the very complex problem of a national water resources policy."

"Whether we agree with all of it or not," he told a reporter, "the proposed bill certainly is a good starting place. It should have been started a long time ago."

However, a spokesman for local watershed and conservation groups said the Commission's program already is a "dead duck."

David J. Guy, executive vice president of the American Watershed Council, said Mr. Truman has asked the Bureau of the Budget to draw up substitute legislation.

Guy said the Commission proposal aims for "iron-clad federal control" in that there would be seven federal representatives on each of the proposed nine-member basin commissions, leaving only two to be named as regional representatives.

### REVIEW BOARD

The Commission draft of proposed legislation calls for an overall federal board of review to coordinate all federal activities related to water resources.

It also proposes numerous changes in existing law dealing with flood control, reclamation, navigation and other water projects.

It would require states or local communities benefiting from flood control projects to reimburse the federal government to the extent of such benefits.

It would permit owners of more than 100 acres of land, now barred from participation in federal reclamation projects, to get water for their land by paying their share of the cost of the project plus an additional charge representing interest.

It would permit state or local communities to help repay federal reclamation investments by collecting taxes to pay for "secondary regional benefits."

### QUESTION

Engle said: "The first inquiry Congress will want to make is whether the creation of these additional agencies will provide for elimination of any existing agencies or any functions of existing agencies."

"If not, then we would be only pyramiding the bureaucratic edifice and in all probability compounding the confusion."

The bill, he said, has some "good points."

"First, it recognizes basin wide development as superior to the present piecemeal system. Second it considers and requires payments for secondary benefits, where heretofore water and power users have paid for all."

### RED THREAT

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — A ranking Greek police officer says about 30,000 Greeks are being trained in neighboring Communist countries for a Red attack on Greece. The officer, Theodore Rakinizis, was a government witness against 29 persons put on trial Friday for spying for the Communists.

### 9 O'clock Special

HEADED FOR THE DENTIST this morning was Wanda Richerson of 2048 Orchard Ave.