

Ike Blasts 'Washington Mess' In First Speech of Southern Drive

By The Associated Press
ATLANTA (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower today called the Democratic administration a mess of corruption and scandal and demanded a wholesale clean-out of the political bosses in Washington.

The Republican presidential nominee cut loose at the Truman regime in an address prepared to open a flying Southern campaign tour.

"A refreshing is not what we need," said Eisenhower.

"A face-lifting job won't do it either," he added. "What the Washington mess must have is the full treatment."

Eisenhower said corruption and scandal were brewed by "too many men who are too small for their jobs, too big for their breeches and too long in power."

He said a wholesale clean-out was needed to restore decency, honesty and integrity to the national government.

"This Washington mess," he said, "is not a one-agency mess or a one-bureau mess or a one-department mess—it is a top-to-bottom mess."

The general declared it was enough to make Americans "hang our heads in shame."

The tone of the speech fulfilled advance word from his regional campaign headquarters in New York that he would "pull no punches" on his Dixie trip.

Some of his warmest admirers had complained that Eisenhower's campaigning was too soft.

The general's aides said, however, that he had planned deliberately not to fire his ammunition too soon.

Eisenhower named no names in his prepared text.

He said the cost of the "Washington mess" was being taken out of every American through higher taxes, higher prices and by "cutting down the value of every dol-

lar you have put away for the future."

"You pay for the incompetence, stupidity and corruption on the part of those who have been caught and those who have not been caught," Eisenhower said.

He said newspapers reported that "we are getting two airfields in North Africa for the price of five" and that the papers carried countless other items concerning waste.

The general asserted:

"If you are as sick and tired of all this as I am, if you are as tired as I am of picking up your newspaper every morning and reading about a fresh government scandal, then let's get together and restore decency and honesty and integrity to the nation's capital."

In his bid for Southern support, the Republican nominee said some Democratic spokesmen were "counting the votes of the South ahead of time along with the cemetery tombstones and the vacant lots that they carry in the election rolls in some of the cities they run in North."

Eisenhower said he had been hearing "the wild exultance of the rebel yell."

"They are hearing it in Washington, too," he said. "And they don't like it. They like voters who follow orders."

The GOP nominee said he himself likes rebel yells.

"I heard them all the way from North Africa to Central Germany," said Eisenhower, the Allied wartime commander in Europe. "All along that road to victory, they meant an end to Nazi tyranny. In

this campaign, they mean an end to the mess in Washington."

Referring to Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson of Illinois the Democratic presidential nominee, Eisenhower said:

"Even my distinguished opponent admits that his party had

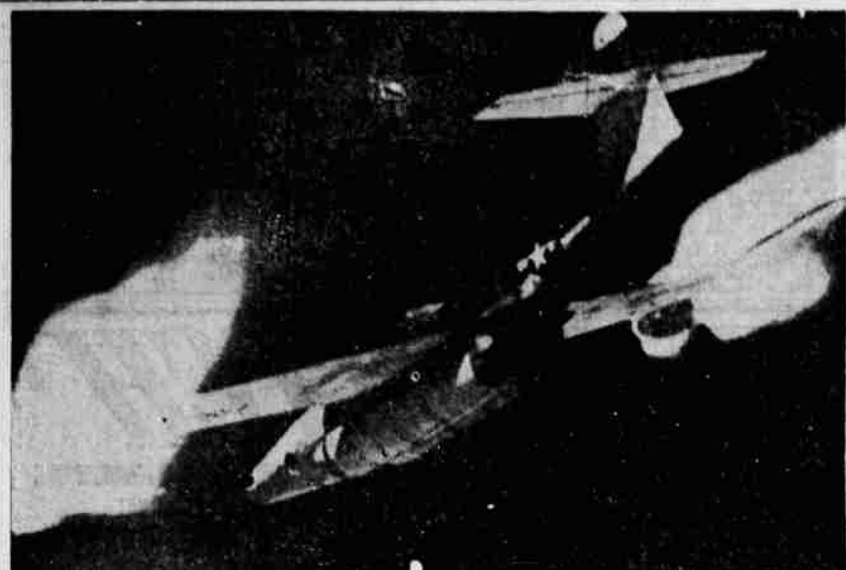
produced a mess in Washington."

Stevenson told an Aug. 20 news conference that crime, corruption and misconduct are "messy" wherever they are, and they must be eradicated. He also said the convictions for wrongdoing showed there had been a mess in Wash-

ington. "I intend to deal with corruption ruthlessly," he declared.

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House Investigators Hear T. Lamar Caudle

WASHINGTON (AP)—House investigators called T. Lamar Caudle into a closed-door session today to tell about his handling of tax cases before he was fired as an assistant attorney general last Nov. 16.

Caudle's name figured in two cases which came under the scrutiny of a House judiciary subcommittee last week.

The first was the alleged attempt to "whitewash" a grand jury investigation in St. Louis, which eventually led to the indictment and conviction of Internal Revenue Collector James P. Finnegan on charges of misconduct in office. Finnegan is appealing.

The second was a war frauds case against a Detroit man which languished without prosecution for six years and finally was dropped, "enfeebled by age."

Caudle was in charge of tax prosecutions for the Justice Department at the time both cases were pending.

Whether he will appear later at a public hearing depends largely, said Rep. Keating (R-NY), on what develops at this afternoon's closed-door session. Keating is ranking minority member of the subcommittee.

Caudle, before leaving his home at Wadesboro, N. C. last week end, said he would be "delighted as I have with other committees."

Federal Judge George H. Moore told the subcommittee in a statement last Thursday that the Justice Department, from former Atty. Gen. J. Howard McGrath on down, dragged its feet in the grand jury investigation of the St. Louis revenue office.

Moore said the department took no action to get a complete investigation going until he served notice he was going to order an inquiry himself.

There was earlier testimony that, until Judge Moore intervened, the St. Louis grand jury did nothing but present a preliminary report which one juror called a whitewash.

Ellis N. Slack, who was Caudle's assistant at the time and who now holds Caudle's job, denied suggestions that he had approved this preliminary report.

Caudle accompanied Slack to St. Louis when the grand jury was starting its inquiry.

Rep. Chelf (D-KY), chairman of the subcommittee, declared in a statement last week:

"It appears to me that there was a definite attempt to either flag down, delay, sidetrack, derail or entirely wreck this grand jury investigation."

The Detroit case involves an indictment returned early in 1944 charging Norman E. Miller, an industrial engineer and designer with defrauding the government of \$14,000 in charges for work on government contracts.

After numerous delays, during which Miller changed lawyers several times, the case finally was dropped in October, 1950. The government lost four of its key wit-

nesses during the six-year hiatus. Caudle's name appeared on one of the letters read into the record last week. Replying to a letter from one of Miller's attorneys in August, 1945, Caudle suggested the defense lawyers be given "opportunity within reason" to present facts bearing on the truth or falsity of the charges in the indictment.

Caudle was fired by President Truman for engaging in "outside activities" not in keeping with his duties as chief tax prosecutor.

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Police Have Busy Weekend

City Police here made 47 arrests over the long holiday weekend and investigated minor wrecks, thefts and other crimes by the wholesale lot.

Two persons were arrested on drunk driving charges, by coincidence both of them from San Leandro, Calif. Mrs. Libby Bush, 45, was booked on that count Saturday night, and also for having no operator's license, running a red light and failing to yield the right of way to pedestrians.

She posted \$115 bail.

Louis Loper, 34, was picked up on S. 6th Sunday afternoon. He also was charged with having no operator's license and posted \$105 bail. His wife, Ruth Loper, 43, was booked for being drunk in an auto.

Mrs. Phyllis Davis 707 Addison, was kept overnight at Klamath Valley hospital Saturday after allegedly receiving a beating at her home. Her husband, Clayton Davis, was arrested on a disorderly conduct charge.

Police found the woman on the floor at 1825 Academy, where she had gone for help. She had a bad cut over her left eye.

The weekend arrests included 21 persons on drunk charges, nine for traffic law violations, three for being drunk and disorderly, and two for disorderly conduct.

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