ngressmen Say Offshore Oil Order Due to be Overturned by Republicans

By JOE HALL

INGTON (AP) — President 's imminent order setting ffshore oil for Navy use quickly overturned by Pres- ect Eisenhower or by Con- several congressmen pre- today.

President announced yester- would issue the hotly con- al order before he leaves 1 noon Tuesday. It will turn erves over to the Navy as nal defense move, he said. ageous"..."an illegal power "personal spite" — these were some of the terms used on Capitol Hill to describe the action.

Truman also found a few defenders, but they made clear they had little hope his order would stand very long.

Forty senators already have introduced a bill to give to the states control of the lands under the marginal seas, containing billions of dollars worth of oil. President-elect Eisenhower has said he favors doing so. His stand may have helped him carry Texas, which is one of the states primarily affected. The others are Louisiana and California. Democratic nominee Adlai Stevenson, like Truman, favored retention of the offshore lands by the federal government.

The Republican Senate leadership has given a high place on its program to the bill to give control to the states. Top-ranking GOP senators said they were sure Truman's order would have little or no effect on the drive to speed passage.

The Senate passed an identical measure last year 50-35 and the House by an even bigger margin.

Truman vetoed the bill with the assertion that it would amount to a 100-billion barrel steal for oil companies — a contention he repeated at his news conference yesterday.

Advocates of federal control have insisted it would be easier for the oil concerns to exploit the lands if they were administered by the states than if the U. S. controlled them.

Sen. Ferguson (R-Mich) said after yesterday's White House announcement that the proposed order could be revoked by Eisenhower just as easily as Truman could issue it. Or, Ferguson added, Congress could wipe it out with new legislation.

In New York, Eisenhower headquarters said the President-elect would have no comment because his views were well known.

Laurence F. Lee, president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, denounced the forthcoming order as "a usurpation of the right and duty of Congress to determine the ownership of the properties."

Sen. Long (D-La) said that "of all the illegal power grabs and seizures of President Truman, his tidelands grab is the most outrageous."

The lands in question are often erroneously termed tidelands. They extend outward from the low tide line—three miles out generally, 10½ miles in the case of Texas and the Gulf Coast of Florida.

The Supreme Court has held that the federal government has paramount rights in and dominion over the lands. But it also said Congress could turn them over to the states if it wished.

When Truman confirmed persistent reports that he would issue an order dedicating them to defense use, Rep. Hebert (D-La) was prompted to call him "the most contemptible character who ever disgraced the White House."

Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Tex), the Democratic Senate leader, disclosed he had written the President urging him not to issue such an order.

Sen. Humphrey (D-Minn) defended the President vigorously, saying the offshore lands should be kept firmly under federal control so that the revenues "can be used for all of our peoples."

y Ponders 2nd String Reds

YORK (AP)—The jury pon- he fate of 13 second-string Communist party leaders with conspiracy had key e case sent in for further study fter it failed to agree in rs.

they were sent to a hotel night, the jurors asked that documents used as evi- e ready for their examina- en they reconvened.

eliberate pace of the jurors keeping with the tone of he conspiracy trial. They got the case yesterday after 8½ months of testimony and arguments.

Turning the case over to the jury, Federal Judge Edward J. Dimock warned in a two-hour charge:

"Ideas are not crimes."

He said Communist party membership was not an issue, and added that the 13 were not charged with actually advocating overthrow of the U. S. government by force.

What the prosecution must have proved, the judge went on, was that they "conspired with each other and with others" to teach and advocate violent overthrow of the government—as charged. Conviction carries a possible maximum penalty of five years in prison and a $10,000 fine.

The defendants—10 men and three women—took over the reins of the Communist party after the conviction of 11 top Reds in 1949 on the same conspiracy charges. They held positions ranging from national committee posts to local chairmanships in the party.

The 13 were indicted June 20, 1951, under the 13-year-old Smith Act.

Eight other top Communists also were indicted.

Four of them fled and still are fugitives. They are James E. Jackson, Sidney Stein, Fred Fine and William Marrow.

Israel Amter, 70, and Mrs. Marion Maxwell Abt Bachrach, 53, have not been tried because of illness.

Two others — Simon W. Gerson, 43, and Isidore Begun, 48—won acquittal during the trial at Judge Dimock's direction. He did not specify his reasons.

Of the 13 on trial four are American-born and five are natives of Russia.

The 13 are:

Alexander Bittelman, 61; George Blake Charney, 46; Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, 60; Betty Gannett, 44; Victor Jeremy Jerome, 54; Arnold Samuel Johnson, 46; Claudia Jones 36; Albert Francis Lannon, 43; Jacob Mindel, 69; Pettis Perry, 54; Alexander Leo Trachtenberg, 65; Louis Weinstock, 48; and William Wold Weinstone, 53.

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INGTON (AP)—Commission- ducation Earl J. McGrath is forbidden by law to in- with racial segregation of ople on Army posts.

s a local practice, he said, of his jurisdiction.

Humphrey (D-Minn) had d such segregation at Ft. ston and Ft. Bliss in Tex- Sill in Oklahoma and Ft. in Virginia.

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schools are operated by ity authorities with the federal funds granted upon of McGrath's office.

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YORK (AP)—Dense fog kept Force chief of staff's plane nding at LaGuardia Field hours yesterday, but he kept his luncheon speak- anyhow.

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ths Admit le Killing

ELIMAR, France (AP)—Po- last night that two young from a psychiatric asy- admitted the killing Wed- of a farmer and his wife ghter.

e youths, arrested yester- they stabbed Arsene Cru, his wife Louise, 68, with and strangled their 31- daughter Odette at their ar here, according to the

STEVE MICHAEL is the new manager at Kalpine Plywood Company, coming here from Crescent City, Calif., and replacing H. J. Widger. He has announced plans to increase the production rate at the local plant.

Medical Teaching May Be Aided by TV

BALTIMORE (AP)—Television and amplified sound joined hands here today in an experiment that could mean a drastic revision in post-graduate medical teaching.

It could mean that doctors in remote areas wouldn't have to leave their patients and travel to the big cities where medical universities are usually located.

They could band together as county groups before a television screen and see the latest in techniques and new developments brought to them from the universities.

The experiment was conducted at University Hospital here under the sponsorship of the Maryland Academy of General Practice.

It was done in miniature. The one room or another throughout the entire day.

Baltimore station WBAL—TV supplied the facilities and doctors from the University of Maryland Medical School conducted demonstrations and performed surgical operations. demonstrations were telecast from

It was noted that about 60 medical men at one time could sit in chairs in a large hall and watch what normally only one man or a few at the most could observe.

For example, one demonstration involved diagnosis of a heart disturbance. Through amplification of sound, the beat could be heard in the farthest corner of the room. No stethescope needed.

It was a heart with a murmur, and it sounded like a bullfrog clearing his throat.

There was no need, either, for the doctors to crowd around the little machine which traced with a moving line the peaks and valleys as the heart contracted.

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By timing the amplified sound with the moving line, those watching could tell at what point in the heart action the murmur was taking place.

If the state's top medical men decide the experiment was a success, the University of Maryland may proceed with plans to adopt a regular program of closed circuit telecasts to the county medical societies. Doctors could then get together and absorb post-graduate teaching without leaving their areas of practice.

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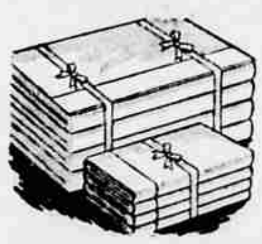

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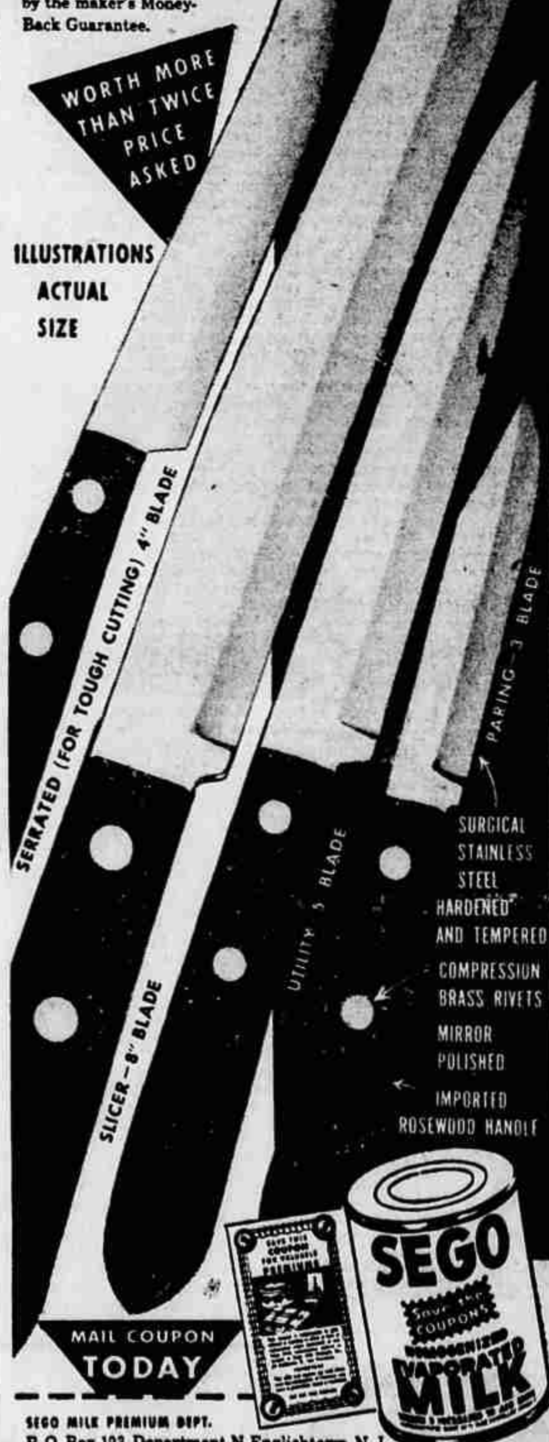

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