

# McCarthy Attacks H-Bomb Program; Ed. R. Murrow; In Latest TV Broadcast

NEW YORK (AP)—Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) says research on America's hydrogen bomb was deliberately stalled for 18 months in the face of reports that Russia was "feverishly" pushing a similar project.

"If there were no Communists in our government, why did we delay?"

McCarthy asked last night in a telecast billed as a reply to criticism of the senator by CBS commentator Edward R. Murrow.

The H-bomb reference was interjected into an attack in which McCarthy termed Murrow "the leader and the cleverest of the jackal pack which is always found at the throat of anyone who dares to expose Communists and traitors."

"Who caused it?" McCarthy demanded of the alleged H-bomb delay. "Was it loyal Americans or was it traitors in our government?"

"Our nation may well die be-

cause of that 18-month deliberate delay," he added.

**RIDICULES**

McCarthy's statement was called "absolutely ridiculous" by Rep. Melvin Price (D-Ill.), a member of the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy.

"He doesn't know what he's talking about," Price said in Washington. "He showed complete ignorance."

Price said there may have been some delay in getting the H-bomb project started, but "certainly not for the reasons" McCarthy indicated.

Rep. Cole (R-N.Y.), chairman of the atomic committee, said this country took "a long time" on the decision to go ahead with the hydrogen bomb.

"But that does not mean there was anything sinister necessarily," he added.

The Atomic Energy Commission declined to comment.

The H-bomb statement was a by-product of McCarthy's reply to charges by Murrow that he has abused his authority as a Senate investigator.

**ATTACK**

Murrow attacked McCarthy on March 9. He offered to turn his 20-minute See It Now show over to the senator for his reply. The answer was filmed over the weekend and telecast while McCarthy was in Arizona.

Although the film was kept secret until shortly before air time, Murrow, through sources he declined to divulge, obtained knowledge of the charges and drew up a reply which was released at the time of the telecast.

CBS said first listener reaction, via telephone calls and telegrams, was "overwhelmingly" in favor of Murrow.

The charges and answers included:

McCarthy: That Murrow "as far back as 20 years ago was engaged in propaganda for Communist causes . . ." The March 9 attack "followed implicitly the Communist line laid down in the last six months" by various Communist publications.

Murrow: "McCarthy's reckless and unfounded attempt to impugn my loyalty is just one more example of his typical tactic of attempting to tie up to communism anyone who disagrees with him."

McCarthy: That as acting director of the Institute of International Education in the 1930s Murrow "sponsored a Communist school in Moscow. In the selection of American students and teachers, who were to attend Mr. Murrow's organization, (Murrow) acted for the Russian espionage and propagandist organization known as VOKS-V-O-K-S. Many of those selected were later exposed as Communists."

Murrow: "In 1934, the Moscow University had organized an Anglo-American Institute which proposed holding summer sessions in Moscow for English and American students . . . I, as a representative of the institute . . . was one of the 24-member national advisory council which was set up to advise the director of the American group . . . The only contact which VOKS had with the American group was in connection with procuring living and travel facilities for the group while it was in Russia . . . Contact with it was necessary if the students were to sleep and eat. . . . Soviets refused, after the 1934 summer season, to have anything more to do with the institute . . ."

**IRRESPONSIBLE**

Arthur A. Houghton Jr., chairman of the board of trustees of the institute, commented: "Sen. McCarthy's remarks . . . are so irresponsible and so far from actually as to be undeserving of a reply . . ."

McCarthy: Murrow, by his own admission, was a member of the Industrial Workers of the World, "a terrorist organization" of the early 20th century.

McCarthy noted that in the March 9 telecast Murrow said "the actions of the junior senator from Wisconsin have given considerable comfort to the enemy."

"That is the language of our sta-

immediate gauge of public response to the telecast was "overwhelmingly in favor of Murrow." It listed the following score for telephone and telegraphed messages:

New York—A two-hour period after the program—2,012 for Murrow, 977 for McCarthy.

Los Angeles—two hours—949 Murrow, 144 McCarthy.

Chicago—70 minutes—454 Murrow, 147 McCarthy.

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## Use Of Atomic Power Studied

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Atomic Energy Commission, which has been moving steadily toward giving private industry a greater role in working for peaceful use of nuclear energy, announced Wednesday appointment of an assistant general manager for research and industrial development.

Alfonso Tammara, manager of the Chicago operations office of the AEC since 1947, was named to the post. The commission's announcement said his duties would include assisting in "coordinating and directing the AEC programs currently under the direction of the divisions of reactor development, biology and medicine, and research, and the office of industrial development."

The AEC last month said it was canvassing private firms to see which ones might be interested in constructing experimental electric generating plants using nuclear power. Earlier, President Eisenhower advocated a greater role for non-governmental industry in peacetime nuclear power expansion and suggested Congress amend the atomic energy act to facilitate such development.

## Captured GI's Refuse To Answer Russian Questions

By TOM STONE

FULDA, Germany (AP)—Two U. S. soldiers held 30 hours in the Soviet Zone of Germany said Wednesday they refused to give their Russian captors military information although they were warned they would be "dealt with as spies."

"I just gave them the old 'canned answers'—my name, rank and serial number," said Sgt. William Jack Young, 22, of Rochester Mills, Pa.

Pvt. Luther G. Wood, 27, of Winna, W. Va., said: "I just told them I couldn't answer their questions even though they said we'd be dealt with as spies."

Both soldiers were returned to the West German border near here Tuesday night by Russian authorities after U.S. authorities protested their arrest. They had been seized Monday while on a routine patrol of the border.

At a news conference here, the two soldiers said they were "well inside" of the West German border when five armed Russian soldiers arrested them.

"We were driving along a back trail near the village of Fladungen," Young said, "when we saw them. We turned our jeep around and started back when it skidded into a tree. Another jeep with us got away."

Young continued: "There were three Russian soldiers with guns. Then two others drove up in a jeep. They did not level their guns at us but they had them ready."

"They motioned for us to get out of our jeep and come with them. They were speaking Russian and we did not know what they were saying. They searched us and took our weapons, then they drove us across the 10-meter (six-mile) border strip into East Germany to a building on the edge of a village seven or eight miles away."

"They did not mistreat us, but we were warned that if we did not answer their questions we would be dealt with as spies."

The two soldiers said they were questioned until midnight, then were taken to a room where they spent the night in small, hospital-type beds with sheets and blankets.



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