

State Department Studies New Foreign Aid Policies

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WASHINGTON (AP)—Foreign Relations Committee senators attacked a State Department proposal today on a plan which by year's end could snap the foreign aid pipe-

line to two major U. S. allies, France and Italy. Acting Committee Chairman H. Alexander Smith (R-N.J.), who took the virtual ultimatum to department chiefs for a quick study yesterday, said he believes they welcomed it but wanted to be "perfectly clear as to just what the language means" before the senators take a final vote—perhaps at a scheduled closed session today.

Tax Exempt Foundations Defended

NEW YORK (AP)—The Carnegie Corp. says witnesses in a congressional investigation have attacked several tax-exempt foundations "through a shocking combination of innuendo and implication."

In a statement sent to the special House committee to investigate tax-exempt foundations, Corporation President Charles Dollard said yesterday: "The question has been raised in these hearings as to whether foundations have supported pro-American projects and, through a shocking combination of innuendo and implication, the impression has been left that perhaps they have failed in this respect."

"As far as the Carnegie Corp. is concerned," he said, "there can be only one answer to such a question. The corporation regards its entire program as 'pro-American.' . . . It is the whole purpose of the corporation trustees and officers to work in behalf of their country, to strengthen it and to ensure its future."

An attorney for the multimillion dollar foundation also took the committee to task for ending the hearings before spokesmen for the foundations had a chance to testify, even though the foundation critics were heard at length "and with full publicity."

Atty. John E. F. Wood said, "I doubt that any other congressional inquiry ever followed a procedure so alien to American standards of justice and so obviously unfair and prejudicial to a group of respected persons and institutions."

The committee chairman, Rep. B. Carroll Reece (R-Tenn.), could not be reached in Washington for comment. The foundation's case was contained in a 32-page statement and 19-page memorandum which Dollard asked the committee to include in records of the hearing.

Dollard defended the work of foundations as a valuable asset to American education. Public funds for education, he said, are far greater than those from private foundations. "Yet," he added, "the private contribution is substantial and without it the pattern of higher education in this country would have lost an element which has given richness and diversity to the whole system."

Dollard denied that foundations were used as a tax dodge and added: "Both the Rockefeller and Carnegie foundations were set up at a time when there were no federal income or estate taxes."

Irrigation Law Change Asked
WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Engle (D-Calif.) Monday proposed a compromise change in the 160-acre limitation for irrigation water under the reclamation law.

His proposal would permit a farmer to get water for more than 160 acres from a federal water project by paying a price that would return to the federal government the full cost of serving the additional lands, including interest.

Engle offered as an amendment to the reclamation act a bill to provide for a two-price system for water sold from a federal project. The price for 160 acres, or 320 acres for a husband and wife, would be lower because it would be designed to repay the federal investment without interest as at present. The price on lands in excess of 160 acres (or 320) would be stepped up to include repayment of principal and interest.



COUNT 'EM! Seven cream-colored Siamese kittens romp with mother Tai Mau on a brown salin quilt at the home of their owners, Mr. and Mrs. Michael D. Kelley, 506 Owens Street. There were eight in the litter but one was smothered by Tai Mau soon after birth. This many kittens at one time is something of a record for Siamese cats who usually have no more than four. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley now have 11 of the same breed. Tai Mau is a prolific mamma. She has given birth to 35 kittens since she was born, February 28, 1948.

Tourist Trade Holding Up

PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon's summer tourist trade is holding up pretty well, considering the wet, chilly early vacation period. P. L. Crowe, manager of the Oregon State Motor Assn.'s travel department, said that, in fact, the weather hasn't cut tourist travel at all.

H. Ray Henderson, executive secretary of the Oregon Motor Assn., said motel operators have reported a slight increase in July business although three told him last week the weather cut the same amount in the time for all June volume.

V. A. McNeil, the Portland Chamber of Commerce's visitors service manager, said indications are tourists are here in normal numbers although forecasts of bad weather have hurt beach resort business.

Relief Ship Hunts Raft

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A relief vessel with supplies for the five hungry and thirsty crew members of the raft Lehi renews its search Monday with an assist from airplanes.

The motorless raft was sighted from a Navy plane about 35 miles southwest of Santa Cruz Sunday—but couldn't be located by the Princeton, a fishing boat with supplies aboard.

The 32-foot Lehi was towed outside San Francisco's Golden Gate Friday. Aboard were five rank amateurs trying to drift 2,200 miles to Hawaii.

They took no water or food. They were relying upon nature in the vast Pacific to supply their needs—wind, rain, or water from a solar still, and fish for food.

They got off to a poor start. Saturday they caught one salmon—then no more fish. They made one quart of water with the still.

But instead of drifting toward Hawaii, they were carried slowly southward.

Skinner Devere Baker, 38, radioed Sunday his hope that a new tow would take the Lehi far enough into the Pacific to find a current for Hawaii.

Oklahoma Plans Primary Runoff

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—Sen. Robert S. Kerr (D-Okla.) failed by 9,780 votes to win a majority in Oklahoma's primary election last Tuesday, final official tabulations showed.

Figures released by the state election board Sunday confirmed Kerr would have to face former Gov. Roy J. Turner in the July 27 runoff primary for the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate.

Although Kerr out-pollled Turner 238,943 to 205,211, seven other candidates had sufficient strength to prevent a majority.

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Adlai Blasts Ike Policies

EUGENE (AP)—Adlai Stevenson charged Saturday the actions of the Eisenhower administration amount to "a drastic change in what has been virtually a bi-partisan policy for almost half a century."

The 1952 Democratic presidential nominee told a statewide Democratic rally here the administration has favored "the benefit of the few at the expense of the many."

He has moved "with menacing swiftness against our traditional and time-tested programs of public resources and conservation," he said.

A crowd estimated at 3,000 cheered as Stevenson raked Republican power and water policies. He came here after vacationing for the week on a Central Oregon ranch.

The former governor of Illinois said he did not believe that when the people voted Republican in 1952 they "intended their vote as a license to turn the national domain over to private interests."

"I often warned during the campaign of 1952," he continued, "that the Republican policy of relinquishing the tidelands was also dangerous as a precedent for giving away other assets of the nation that belong to the people. And that is exactly what appears to be happening."

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New Defense For Germ War Shown

WASHINGTON (AP)—The latest and most valuable gadget the military has for countering germ warfare attack is a flimsy disc of paperlike substance, slightly larger than a silver dollar.

The chief of the Army's chemical warfare service, Maj. Gen. William M. Creasy, calls it a significant step toward "development of a revolutionary detection device around which a workable defense" against stealthy bacteriological warfare is being built.

In a recent speech, Creasy mentioned "a very thin filter which will trap bacteria, permitting them to be identified within 15 hours, or one span of the time previously required."

The Defense Department, in response to inquiries, today displayed the gadget, an unimpressive disc looking like it might have been cut from a thin sheet of cross-ruled paper.

But its production took the brains of some wartime German bacteriological warfare experts and improvements for mass producing by American experts who captured similar filters at the end of World War II.

Like the membrane filters used in all laboratories, this one is designated as a "millipore" filter. Its extreme porosity allows water to run through it quickly and freely, but trapping on its surface all microorganisms or their poisonous products which constitute one of the chief instruments of bacteriological warfare.

Until development of this method, a gelatin plate-culture method was needed, a process requiring almost four days.



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