

# Solons Urge Peace Uses For H-Bomb

WASHINGTON (AP)—Two members of the Senate-House Atomic Energy Commission are urging the Atomic Energy Commission to speed work on harnessing the H-bomb for peaceful purposes.

Sen. Anderson (D-NM), committee chairman, and Rep. Price (D-III), head of its Research and Development Subcommittee, said yesterday they believe the Geneva atoms-for-peace conference should give impetus to this project.

"They were part of a committee delegation which returned yesterday from the conference."

Anderson said, "We know we are in a race for this type of development," and added there were clear indications at Geneva that Russia, Great Britain and India also were working at the problem.

He said "only a handful" of American scientists are assigned to this research. He suggested the number be increased.

Price said the announcement of hitherto secret programs looking toward a controlled thermonuclear (hydrogen) reaction was "the most important event" at the Geneva meeting.

"The mere fact that this (American) program has been declassified should speed up research on it," he said, adding it had been so deeply secret many AEC scientists did not even know of it.

However, Rep. Hinshaw (R-Calif.), another committee member who was at Geneva, said he felt U.S. progress on this work had been "as fast as could be expected" considering the extreme difficulties.

AEC Chairman Lewis L. Strauss disclosed at Geneva that this country had been engaged in a "moderate program" of research in harnessing the H-bomb and had made some progress.

Anderson, Price and Hinshaw agreed that the Geneva parley had shown Russia is not ahead of the United States in peacetime development of the atom.

Rep. Hollifield (D-Calif.), another committee member who attended the Geneva meeting, said the first impression is that American scientists learned nothing new from a multitude of papers presented at the meeting but that Russian experts probably acquired fresh technical data.



**TWO YREKA WOMEN** display their tickets for a bus circle tour of the United States, which will cover 16 states. They are, left, Mrs. Rose Drake and, right, Mrs. John Snyder; in center is Mrs. Cora Heath, local Trailways agent, who sold the tickets. The travelers were scheduled to be among the first to leave on the new Trailways Vista Liner, shown in background, but when departure date came around, they discovered they were among the last to leave on the old buses, most of which have been retired by the bus firm.

## Action Against Railroad Asked

MEDFORD (AP)—The U. S. Justice Department was asked Tuesday to take action against the Southern Pacific Railroad because of its suspension of passenger service between Portland and Ashland.

State Sen. Philip B. Lowry of Medford made the request, contending that abandonment of service was a "deliberate, openly flagrant and continuing violation" of an 1866 act of Congress.

He said the act specified the route as a condition for enfranchising the railroad and for granting federal lands as right-of-way.

Lowry, in a letter to Atty. Gen. Brownell, asked that a suit be filed to compel the railroad to resume service.

## Angry Farmers Halt Survey

TACHIKAWA, Japan (AP)—Enraged farmers and labor unionists locked arms and formed human walls Wednesday to block a government survey of land for expanding a U. S. Air Force base.

There was some shoving and pushing but no injuries were reported. The conservative villagers of nearby Sunakawa and leftist outsiders finally opened ranks late in the day and let the 29 surveyors go home.

In the afternoon, 200 men squatted on the highway and for 25 minutes kept more than 200 armed metropolitan Tokyo police reservists from entering Sunakawa.

The police convoy of armored cars and trucks later forced its way into the village. But the crowd, led by Sunakawa's mayor and four Socialist members of the Japanese Parliament, warned they will resist the survey again Thursday even if the government makes good its threat to force the issue.

By terms of its security treaty with the United States, Japan agreed to provide 50 acres of Sunakawa land to extend the runways of Tachikawa air base. The farmers, backed by Tokyo unions, Socialists and Communists, are protesting it will cut their village in two.

Zane Grey, famous western novelist, was born in Zanesville, Ohio.

## Children Evacuated From Camps In East Flood Area

ALLENTOWN, Pa. (AP)—The first evacuees from three children's camps in the flood-stricken Pocono Mountains arrived here Wednesday and told how one of the camps had been wiped out by surging waters from the Delaware River. They said, however, that there had been no loss of life or injury.

The statements, given to reporters, contradicted previous statements by officials that none of the children's camps had been hit by the floods.

The officials had said many were cut off but had adequate supplies of food and water and were in no danger.

Leonard Rice, 18, Bethlehem, a counselor at Camp Miller, located on the Delaware River near here, said all but 4 of 28 bungalows had been washed away by rapidly rising waters. It was a "terrifying experience," he said.

Rice, who came here on one of 15 buses that evacuated more than 300 children from Camps Miller, Hagen and Ministerium, said that Ministerium was the only one not affected by the flood.

Camp Hagen was threatened by the waters which stopped just short of it. All its children and those from Miller were brought to Camp Ministerium, he said, and slept on floors and in barns until the buses took them out last night.

"Last Friday morning at 7 a.m. all department heads were called together," said Rice, and told that flood warnings had been received. "At 11 a.m. we got a warning that the waters would be here (at Camp Miller) in another 20 minutes."

Camp buses and cars were loaded with the 206 youngsters and moved to Ministerium hurriedly, he said.

Rice said that after the floodwaters receded he got a chance to go back to Camp Miller and "I still don't believe what I saw. Tents had floated away and all but four of the 28 bungalows were gone."

Reporter Jack Yoe of the Allentown Call-Chronicle newspaper said the children seemed in good spirits, and few realized the danger which had faced them.

Most of the campers, he said, knew of the flood only from damage they were able to see on their early morning trip here and from what they had heard.

Eight-year-old Carole Smith, of Perkasie, Pa., one of those evacuated from Camp Hagen, told of seeing "lots of high water." Her only complaint was that she "didn't like sleeping in the barn on a hard floor. It scared me," she said.

Judith Ann Reppert, 9, of Egypt, Pa., who came from Camp Hagen, bolted from her bus and ran to her mother shouting, "Mommy, we had a flood." Clutched in her hand was a battered box that contained her dancing shoes and other dancing equipment purchased for

her shortly before she went to the camp. There was laughing and crying as the parents, many of them worried despite assurances of their children's safety, gave vent to their emotions.

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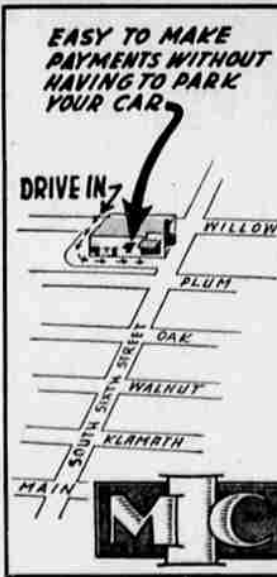
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