

DIPLOMATS DENY SPY CHARGES

Debate Dare Turned Down By Ellsworth

WASHINGTON (AP) — A proposal by Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore) that they debate the Al Sarena mining patent controversy in Oregon this fall was rejected Saturday by Rep. Ellsworth (R-Ore).

Ellsworth said, however, he is willing to debate either Neuberger or Sen. Morse (D-Ore) on his bill for joint local-federal construction of Green Peter and Cougar dams in Oregon. The senators oppose this bill.

PUBLIC CHALLENGE

Ellsworth, making public both Neuberger's challenge and his own counter proposal, wrote:

"I am ready and willing to go on the platform with you both or singly, but I feel that Sen. Morse is the more appropriate spokesman for your point of view because he is a candidate for reelection and because I think he has a greater background of knowledge on the subject."

The Sarena matter involves the grant by the Interior Department of 15 mining patents to Al Sarena Mine, Inc., on claims in the Rogue River National Forest. The matter recently has been under investigation by a House-Senate committee.

Democrats, including Neuberger, have been critical of the grant. They say the company wanted the property more for the timber on it than for mining.

GOP CONTENTIONS

Republicans contend, however, that the department was bound by mining law to grant the patents and that Democrats merely are seeking to "smear" the administration.

Clarence A. Davis, interior undersecretary, testified at the committee hearing that Ellsworth contacted him on the matter at one time, urging that Davis expedite a decision. He said Ellsworth had not tried to influence him.

Neuberger, in his challenge, said it was obvious from a statement Ellsworth made to the committee "that you consider the Al Sarena decision as in the public interest."

"Equally obviously," said Neuberger, "I take the opposite view." Rejecting Neuberger's challenge, Ellsworth called the Sarena decision "an administrative action made in accordance with the law and based upon the facts." Therefore, he said, "I do not consider that question debatable."

GENUINE ISSUE

Ellsworth said he considered his bill for partnership construction of Green Peter and Cougar dams "a genuine issue" for discussion. He said he would be "glad to debate with you and Sen. Morse—one at a time or both of you at once—the Sarena matter and the Sarena decision in Albany and Eugene."

(Morse said at Salem Saturday, "I expect to be debating Mr. Ellsworth all through the campaign on his partnership giveaway plan in his Green Peter-Cougar Dam bill. If he wishes, I shall be glad to debate the issue with him at any time.")

Search Continues For Bad Wheat

PORTLAND (AP) — Search continued Saturday for four tons of wheat, described as poisoned, which was stolen recently from a north Portland loading platform.

Thomas M. Rice, of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, said the wheat had been treated with a benzene derivative for use as seed. But, he explained, too much of the chemical was used and it now is unfit for human or animal consumption. The chemical gave the wheat a pink tinge.

The wheat was taken from a boxcar load that had been left on the platform.

Guy Mollet Returns Home To Face Arab Policy Riots

PARIS (AP) — Premier Guy Mollet returned Saturday night from a rebellion-torn Algeria and found a stone-throwing demonstration in progress against any French concessions to Arab Nationalism.

About 1,000 demonstrators, most of them of student age but including many French Indo-Chinese war veterans, scuffled with police on the busy Champs Elysees. At least 100 demonstrators were arrested. Immediately upon his arrival Mollet called a cabinet meeting to report on his findings in Algeria and offer his ideas for halting violence by Arabs demanding self-rule. The 15-month-old Algerian revolt already has taken hundreds, if not thousands, of lives.

Mollet, whose experience in Algeria included a shower of rotten tomatoes from angry French colonialists opposing Arab concessions, was conferring with French President Rene Coty only a few blocks from the scene of Saturday night's demonstration.

The shouting demonstrators, defying a bitterly cold wind as well as a police line, smashed glass windows in the office of L'Express. This is the newspaper identified with former Premier Pierre Mendes-France, state minister in Mollet's cabinet and with him a leader in the left-of-center Republican Front movement.

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Stevenson's Color Stand Irks Allies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Adlai E. Stevenson apparently has put some of his Northern and Southern supporters on a political spot by his "moderate" approach to the problem of school integration.

Stevenson, who is running for the Democratic presidential nomination, recently said that if he were elected he would not cut off federal funds from segregated schools or use U. S. troops to enforce racial integration.

He called for a gradual approach to this problem, suggesting that the goal for achieving integration might be set for 1963, a hundred years after the Emancipation Proclamation.

For some Southerners who don't think integration ever will be accomplished in some sections of the South, this represented little more than a promise to conform with a Supreme Court opinion they are committed to oppose in every legal way.

NEVERTHELESS

Sen. Sparkman (D-Ala.) said nevertheless that he believes Stevenson helped himself in the South by taking the stand he did. Sparkman, the 1952 Democratic vice presidential nominee, is backing Stevenson even though Sparkman is strongly opposed to integration.

Sen. Humphrey (D-Minn.), an advocate of integration who is supporting Stevenson, made it clear he would have preferred a much stronger stand against segregation.

Stevenson may need more Southern support than he received in 1952 if he is to win the nomination at this year's Chicago convention.

As the situation now shapes up states likely to have favorite sons and thus deny their votes to Stevenson on the early ballots could tie up 360 votes. These include Ohio, Michigan, New York, Texas, New Jersey, Missouri and Kentucky.

Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee, apparently is going to get Wisconsin's 32 votes, might win Wisconsin's 32 by default, and boost his total in other primaries.

This year 664 votes are needed to win the nomination. Any combination of favorite sons, a Solid South and Kefauver followers, which picked up scattered support elsewhere probably could stymie Stevenson in the early balloting.

EARLY SUPPORT

On the other hand, if Stevenson can get early support from such potential favorite sons as Gov. Robert B. Meyer of New Jersey and break into the South, opponents might find him hard to stop.

They hope to halt him in the critical primaries in Florida and California where Kefauver is his chief opponent. If Stevenson doesn't win both of these tests, his opponents think most of his strength will melt away.

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NO GRASS WILL GROW under the feet of Congressman Walter Norblad (right) in his campaign for the Republican nomination for governor of Oregon. Norblad arrived in Klamath Falls Saturday afternoon to confer with GOP leaders during a whirlwind swing around the state. He is shown with George Proctor, chairman of the Klamath County Republican Central Committee.

Josephine Kittredge Quits Post As GOP Vice Chairman

Resignation of Mrs. Josephine Kittredge as vice chairman of the Klamath County Republican Central Committee was announced Saturday by George Proctor, chairman of the GOP group.

Subsequently, Mrs. Kittredge said that reports that she plans to enter the race of Republican national committeewoman for Oregon are unfounded.

Proctor said that the post relinquished by Mrs. Kittredge on the county committee will be filled at a future meeting of the organization.

In commenting on her resignation, Mrs. Kittredge said: "I am considering the possibility of 'lingering' for an elective political office. The administration of President Eisenhower has been marked by honesty and integrity and, to me, that is the important consideration."

"The function of the Republican central committee," she continued, "is to encourage a well-informed electorate to vote its maximum registration during a primary election. Its purpose is not to influence a choice between one candidate and another."

"I am offering my resignation as vice chairman of the Klamath County Republican Central Committee in order that the democratic principle of the primary election may be ethically carried out. It has been a great privilege for me to associate and work with this committee."

"Good government means balancing the need for development of Klamath County and Oregon with the individual needs for service by all the citizens. A realistic review of Oregon's program for financing and taxes is necessary. Courageous leadership is needed to solve these problems."

Mrs. Kittredge declined to elaborate further on the statement that she is contemplating filing for an elective office.

Bridges, who was in Washington, entered the March 13 primary picture by remote control. A messenger acting for the state's senior senator appeared at the secretary of state's office here just 25 minutes before the 6 p. m. deadline.

The messenger handed Deputy Secretary of State Harry E. Jackson a formal declaration of Bridges' candidacy for one of the 14 GOP convention seats at stake in the first test of voter sentiment in this presidential campaign year.

Bridges has served notice that he will fight for a "free delegation" if the President doesn't run. The senator told a newsmen last month that he would enter the primary himself if there were any attempt to "corner" the delegation.

Gov. Lane Dwinell, leader of the organized Eisenhower forces in this state and generally regarded as less conservative in his political outlook than Bridges, said he agreed with Bridges' stated views.

But Dwinell conceded that if the President decides against trying for another term in the White House, there could well be a factional battle that would split the Eisenhower ranks.

Dwinell's secretary appeared at an hour before Bridges filed. The governor's secretary handed Jackson a letter in which one of the originally announced Eisenhower delegates candidacies withdrew and replaced as a candidate for alternate delegate.

Another Eisenhower delegate candidate friendly to Dwinell had withdrawn from the top-heavy Eisenhower delegate slate earlier in the day.

Otherwise, there were few significant late changes in the primary lists.

A total of 36 candidates will seek 14 GOP convention seats. And 33 Democrats will fight it out for the 12 seats allotted to their party at the national convention.

In the GOP column, 25 delegate candidates are running as favorable to Eisenhower, 7 favorable to Sen. Knowland (R-Calif.), 1 favorable to Chief Justice Warren and 2 uncommitted.

Missing Englishmen Turn Up In Moscow

MOSCOW (AP) — Missing British diplomats Guy Burgess and Donald MacLean turned up in Moscow Saturday a stone's throw from the Kremlin and denied they ever have been Soviet agents.

They told reporters at a news conference they had come to the Soviet Union to work for peace. The two, who disappeared in 1951, broke their silence for the first time and said they had come to Moscow to help achieve a

"greater mutual understanding" between East and West.

They met British correspondents of Reuters News Agency and the London Sunday Times and reporters for Tass and Pravda in the National Hotel.

"It seems to us," they said in a statement, "doubts as to our present whereabouts and our former activity may represent a small but significant factor which has hitherto been used and may be used again by opponents of Anglo-Soviet understanding."

THESE CONSIDERATIONS "In view of these considerations we thought it better to publish this statement."

"We arrived in the Soviet Union in order to make our contribution to a policy aimed at achieving greater mutual understanding between the Soviet Union and the West, having become convinced on the basis of official information which was at our disposal of the fact that neither the British, nor still more the American policy at that time was seriously pursuing this object."

"The position which we occupied gave us every reason to think such a mutual understanding absolutely necessary if we wish to preserve peace."

"We had every reason for coming to the conclusion that such mutual understanding was the object of Soviet policy."

"We had every possibility to know the plans of a small but powerful group of men who opposed the achievement of such a mutual understanding and for this reason we had every grounds to fear these plans."

The British Foreign Office in September conceded the two men, who disappeared in May 1951, had presumably gone over to the Soviet Union. Britain said they had been longtime Soviet agents.

Burgess and MacLean disappeared May 12, 1951 after British intelligence agents had been on their trail. MacLean was head of the Foreign Office's American department at the time. Burgess had been an official in the British Embassy in Washington.

LABOR CHARGES Last October a Labor member of Parliament charged that a British diplomat in Washington had tipped off the pair that security agents were on their trail. The Laborite Lt. Col. Marcus Lipton, named the third man as Harold Philby, a former third secretary of the Washington Embassy who was recalled to London a month after Burgess and MacLean fled. Philby challenged the charges and Lipton later withdrew them.

In November the Foreign Office, however, announced that two Foreign Office officials had resigned as a result of involvement in the affair. No names were given.

"When we were in Cambridge we were both Communists. We ceased our political activities, not because we were to any extent not in agreement with the official analysis of the situation which we still observe at the present moment, but because as has now become clear to us, we wrongly presumed that being in the service of the state we could more than anywhere else put into practice our ideals."

"Wrongful interpretation of our actions — the need to cease political activities when entering the service of the state — apparently led to the statement of the Foreign Office that the Foreign Office presumes that we had become Soviet agents in Cambridge."

"The Foreign Office can, of course, presume anything it wishes. But what matters is that we, not the Foreign Office, are competent in this question."

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Considerable cloudiness with a few light rain showers Sunday. Brief sunny periods Sunday becoming more frequent Monday. A little cooler Sunday night and Monday. High Sunday 38-48. High Monday 36-46. Low Sunday night 24-34. High yesterday 39. Low last night 20.

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