

Determined Herter Leaves For Geneva

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Christian A. Herter took off Saturday for the Big Four talks at Geneva with a pledge to strive for "a reasonable agreement with the Soviet Union on the problems of Germany and Berlin."

But, Herter said, he has "no great expectations for success" and that bargaining with the Russians requires "infinite patience and long labor."

Herter spoke at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., near Washington, just before soaring away in a brand new jet plane, a giant military version of the Boeing 707 airliner. It was one of three bought for President Eisenhower and other top officials. Herter's flight is the first official use of the new craft.

Aides said the U.S. foreign affairs chief is not ruling out the possibility of at least a temporary agreement on the cold war crisis issue at the second round of

the foreign ministers' conference. Such an agreement could pave the way for a summit meeting later in the year.

"My colleagues of France and the United Kingdom and I will strive, as we did before, to reach a reasonable agreement with the Soviet Union on the problems of Germany and Berlin," Herter said in his airport statement.

"We go to Geneva resolved, as before, to negotiate in good faith, and equally determined to maintain our obligations to the more than two million free people of West Berlin."

"Before I left for the first series of discussions in Geneva I said I had no great expectations for success. Negotiations with the Soviet Union require infinite patience and long labor. That remains my view as we approach the second series of discussions."

"I am confident that the same close unity among the Western Allies which brightened our work at Geneva will again prevail."

Herter, who talked with President Eisenhower and other top officials Friday, planned to make his first stop in Ottawa Saturday.

In the Canadian capital he will confer with Prime Minister John Diefenbaker and Foreign Secretary Howard Green.

He commented in mentioning the Canadian conferences that "in the difficult period ahead the continuing close friendship between Canada and the United States on the basic issues involved will be invaluable."

He would leave Ottawa at 6 p.m. for Geneva via a fueling stop at Harmon, Newfoundland, and is expected to arrive at the Swiss city at 9 a.m. Sunday.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Highways and politics:

Some weeks ago, President Eisenhower warned the congress and the country that work on the 41,000 mile interstate superhighway network must soon slow down to a walk unless the federal gas tax is boosted 1½ cents — from the present 3 cents to 4½ cents per gallon.

The money, he said, is running out. If the federal highway system is to be completed within the time envisioned, more money must be provided. It was his opinion that the money should be provided by TAXES, and he so informed the congress.

Democratic leaders emphatically rejected the President's proposal. Presumably they were looking forward to next year's election and reasoned that an addition to the gasoline tax wouldn't be a popular campaign issue.

But—Oregon's Senator Neuberger went along with the President. He sponsored the 1½ cent increase in the gasoline tax (which he had recommended) as an amendment to the revenue bill of 1959. Explaining his reason for doing so, he said:

"I believe that, if the federal government is to provide 90 per cent of the cost of building 39½ BILLION DOLLARS WORTH of interstate highways, it makes sense to raise the federal motor-fuels tax from 3 to 4½ cents per gallon to PAY FOR THESE ROADS."

It should be added that the senate defeated his amendment by a vote of 46 to 33.

Let's take a sharp look at this federal highway program, as the problem of financing it is beginning to shape up. Loosely, there are three choices:

1. Call the program off — or stretch it out over a MUCH longer period of years.
2. Go ahead and PUT IT ON THE CUFF—that is, add it to the national debt to be paid for by posterity, if posterity has anything left to pay with.
3. Pay for it as we go — by taxes; preferably by gas taxes, which are paid a little at a time, as we use the roads.

The first is probably OUT. People want the roads. They want

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Mother's Letter To Son Urges Care, Conscience

(Editor's note—A 14-year-old boy ran away from home after police arrested him in a friend's car for driving without a license. His mother, who requested anonymity, wrote a letter to him to the Salt Lake Tribune. Her son was later found, but she said the letter could as well go to the estimated 100 youths a month who leave home in Salt Lake City.)

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah (AP) — "Dear Son:

"It has been nearly a week. Now I don't jump so fast to the telephone or to the sound of a door opening. At night I keep a fan running in my bedroom. The noise makes me stop listening so hard; I can sleep."

"The police officer said that usually boys who leave home don't do dishonest or criminal things. Sometimes their consciences work even better than they do when their mothers are close to—let's face it—nag them."

"There are two reasons most of you run away. You feel more grown up than your parents think

you are. The other reason is that you have got into some trouble that you hate to face, and often you think it is more important than it is."

"But don't you know by now that parents yell their heads off . . . trying to prevent trouble but when it comes . . . stop yelling and go to bat for you . . . ?"

"I think there must be another reason, too. The day you left I drove to see if I could find you. There was a little breeze blowing down the canyon. The blue sky and green pine trees were so beautiful that I wanted to take my sleeping bag and leave home, too."

"I miss you terribly, though I can get used to that if I must. But I want to be sure that you will not do anything you know is wrong; that you will use good judgment so that you will not be injured in an accident."

"When you come home we will have some one look over our backs and help us work out a compromise. Take care of yourself. Do what you know is right."

"Mother."

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THE BEAUTY OF UPPER KLAMATH LAKE was given an added boost by this water-skiing beauty, Jo Anne Gordon, 19, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gordon, 416 Pine, was busy enjoying the popular art of water skiing when photographer Donald Kettler happened by. Miss Gordon poses with proper equipment to best enjoy the advantages of

Upper Klamath Lake on the docks of the Dugan and Mast Marina. Color engraving work was done by Jack Metz, Herald and News engraver. Recreational activity on Upper Klamath Lake has shown a tremendous increase this year, and facilities are being fully appreciated.

Uncelebrated Anniversary

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sunday is an anniversary that U.S. taxpayers will not celebrate.

Fifty years ago—on July 12, 1909—Congress passed along to the states a proposed constitutional amendment empowering the federal government to levy income taxes.

The amendment—the 16th—was declared ratified Feb. 25, 1913. It was approved by legislatures of 42 of the 48 states, approval by three fourths of the states being necessary.

The United States had had an income tax during the Civil War period. It was abandoned in 1872, and a subsequent effort to tax incomes was ruled unconstitutional in 1895.

Air Force Captain Stays; General Hunts New Home

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—An Air Force captain who protested his eviction from a duplex apartment to make way for a general will get to keep his quarters. The general will be housed elsewhere.

Eviction notices came last Wednesday to Ellington Air Force Base Capt. Joel Saldinger, 28, and Paul Gilliland, 28, both doctors.

They were, said the order, bumped from their base duplex apartments in favor of incoming Civil Air Patrol commander Brig. Gen. Stephen D. McElroy. The CAP moves here from Washington, D.C., next month.

Saldinger, from Boston, gets out of the service next month after a two-year hitch. Gilliland is a regular Air Force flight surgeon.

Saldinger said he fired off telegrams to his Massachusetts relatives to protest to Sen. Leverett Saltonstall (R-Mass.) and John Kennedy (D-Mass.).

Mrs. Saldinger similarly briefed Sen. Edmund Muskie (D-Maine) and Rep. Fran Coffin (D-Maine), representatives of her home state.

"It is not in the best interests of the Air Force and it is not the policy of this base to dispossess captains from their quarters because of the arrival of a general," Base Commander Col. H. F. Bronson said in cancelling the order.

Bronson was away ill when the original order was given by the acting commander, Col. Vennett Browder.



Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair through today with variable high cloudiness. Low 60; high 85-90.

High Saturday 72

Low last night 56

Northern California: Variable high cloudiness. Above normal temperatures with high fire hazard today, tonight and Monday.

Giant Steel Firms Prepare For Strike

NEW YORK (AP) — The steel industry said Saturday it saw no possibility of a contract agreement to avert a strike at midnight next Tuesday.

In announcing this, R. Conrad Cooper, chief industry negotiator, said there was no other recourse but to notify steel firms later Saturday to begin shutting down.

After an hour long negotiating session with the steelworkers union, Cooper said, "I regret to announce we see no possibility of an agreement."

Cooper said no further negotiating session was scheduled with union President David J. McDonald until Sunday morning, "but the outlook for an agreement is not hopeful."

The industry spokesman said the companies again had asked the union to extend labor contracts indefinitely so bargaining talks could continue while plants remained in operation.

Cooper said the union rejected any further contract extension beyond the two-week truce expiring at midnight Tuesday.

The two-week postponement of an earlier steel strike threat on July 1 was granted by the union at President Eisenhower's request for more negotiating time. But the union last Wednesday turned down Eisenhower's plea for a further contract extension.

Cooper broke off the practice of joint industry-union announcements to meet the reporters Saturday morning in announcing the industry's view that it now appears no strike-free solution appeared possible.

So far, it was reliably reported from both sides that the top dozen steel firms have stood firm on

their refusal to raise wages or benefits resulting in any cost increases.

Instead, the industry bargaining team headed by R. Conrad Cooper, U.S. Steel Corp. vice president, has been insisting on contract changes that would give steel firms more leeway in making work assignments and otherwise slashing operating costs.

David J. McDonald, Steelworkers Union president, has pledged "no backward step" from present contract terms.

Arson May Have Caused Canyon Fire

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Twenty-eight homes are known destroyed in a brushfire—possibly touched off by an arsonist—which swept through 1,000 acres Friday in Hollywood's rustic Laurel Canyon.

Fifteen other homes were damaged. Three hundred persons were forced to flee for their lives.

Most of the homes were in the \$30,000 to \$40,000 class. Seven firemen were injured trying to save them. A woman resident and her son suffered burns running from their home as flames raced down upon it. It was destroyed.

A family in a 1959 auto barely escaped when the driver, blinded by smoke, drove off the road. The occupants fled on foot. Flames caught the car moments later and set it afire.

The blaze broke out in two different places on Laurel Canyon Boulevard, like the cross on a T, at the ridge of the Hollywood Hills. The flames spread from Lookout Mountain Drive north through hills and canyons crossed by two dozen streets.

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Weekend In Reno Prize For New Name Contest

The Kingsley Field - Klamath Falls Community Council has launched a contest to find a new name for the 230-unit Capehart housing development five miles south of the air base.

Announcement of the contest was made jointly this weekend by the council's co-chairman, Col. Jack W. Williams, commander, 408th Fighter Group, Kingsley AFB, and Lawrence E. Slater, mayor of Klamath Falls.

The contest will be open to anyone—civilian or military—living in the Klamath Basin. The person who submits the best name, in the opinion of the judges, will be awarded an all-expenses-paid weekend for two at the fabulous Holiday Hotel in Reno.

The idea of selecting a new name for the military housing area was discussed at a base-community council meeting after one member suggested that the names "Capehart Housing" or "Kingsley Annex" were not appropriate for

so fine and attractive a housing development.

The 230 units, completed earlier this year at a cost of 4.5 million dollars, currently house about 1,500 military men and their dependents.

The modern, fully-equipped single family and duplex homes quickly won the reputation of being the finest of their kind at any Air Force installation.

In suggesting a new name for the military housing area, contestants are advised to keep it short—preferably two or three words.

Entries should be sent, along with the contestant's name and address, on a post card or in an envelope to "Name Contest," Office of Information Services, Kingsley Field.

The contest will close at midnight August 1. The name of the winner will be announced August 10. Council members arranging the contest point out that in case of ties, the entry bearing the earliest postmark will be declared the winner, and the decision of the judges will be final.



THIS DEVELOPMENT, until now, has been called the Capehart Housing Unit. The Kingsley Field - Klamath Falls Community Council is looking for a new name. An expenses-

paid weekend for two in Reno is the prize offered for the best suggestion.