

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS From Washington: President Kennedy is reported "far from convinced" today that U.S. troops should be sent now into South Viet Nam's war against communist guerrillas.

One of the President's closest advisers, Special Assistant Walt Rostow, is reported to have urged consideration of stronger measures, including the dispatch of U.S. combat troops to South Viet Nam as a reserve force.

A reliable source says that neither Secretary of State Dean Rusk nor Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara has joined Rostow's side of the still informal debate.

Well, as one American, I can't help hoping that Special Assistant Rostow loses out in the argument. One of the first laws of war is to choose your battle ground with great care. When that fundamental law is disregarded the consequences can be terrible.

Example: Some 2,000 years ago, Rome and Carthage were lined up against each other for the mastery of the world. Carthage's great military leader, Hannibal, invaded Italy. With a relatively small force, that had to live off the country, since there were no lines of supply back to Carthage, he raided Italy for years.

But, eventually, it came to a showdown. Hannibal's brother-in-law Hasdrubal chose the Metaurus river as the spot for a decisive battle with the Romans. He fought with the river AT HIS BACK. It was a bad choice. The Romans attacked before Hannibal could effect a junction with his brother-in-law's forces, and defeated Hasdrubal. The river IN HIS REAR prevented an orderly retreat, and Hasdrubal's army was destroyed.

The end result of his defeat at the Metaurus was that ROME WON THE WAR and Carthage was destroyed. That's what can happen when the WRONG PLACE TO FIGHT is chosen.

It's hard to escape the conclusion that South Viet Nam, in the jungles of Southeast Asia, would be a bad choice of a place for US to fight. It's a long way from home. Our lines of communication could easily be destroyed. It might be as disastrous to us as the Metaurus river was to Carthage.

If we have to fight, let's pick a better place than South Viet Nam.

Planes Hit; Six Killed

SANFORD, Fla. (AP)—Two Navy twin-engine attack bombers collided Thursday over Sanford Naval Air Station. All six men aboard were killed. Flaming wreckage of the jets fell within 200 feet of Seminole High School but no one on the ground was injured. Pupils had been dismissed for the day but 20 teachers were attending a meeting in the school's administration building when the accident occurred.

One of the planes was on ground control approach for a landing and the other was practicing field mirror landings, a Navy spokesman said.

Weather Klamath Falls and vicinity — Fair through Saturday with patchy morning fog. Lows 33-48. Highs 70-75. High yesterday 62. Low last night 42. Precip. last 24 hours .05. Since Oct. 1 .21. Same period last year .56.

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Weather Mt. Shasta-Siskiyou—Fair and warmer through Saturday; lower humidity; local strong east winds. Northern California—Fair and warmer through Sunday except morning fog on northern coast.

Africa Ouster Sought In UN

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—Ghana sought support today for a resolution calling on the Security Council to expel South Africa from the United Nations. Ghana Ambassador Alex Quaison-Sackey said his delegation had drawn up a draft demanding the ouster of the white supremacist nation and would put it before the 26-nation African group today. Quaison-Sackey declined to say on what grounds the demand was based until he had consulted the rest of the group. Presumably it says South Africa is unworthy of U.N. membership because it is continuing its apartheid — race segregation — policies in defiance of repeated U.N. appeals. Some Africans doubted Ghana would get strong support from their group for such a drastic demand. A number of African delegates, although bitterly opposed to South Africa's racial policies, have said privately they feel it is wiser to keep the republic in the U.N. where other members can bring pressure to bear and perhaps eventually get some results. At least seven affirmative votes would be required in the 11-nation Security Council to expel South Africa. Observers doubted that many could be mustered. Ghana's resolution reportedly was drawn up before South African Foreign Minister Eric Louw made his policy speech in the General Assembly that brought down the wrath of the African group and resulted in a 67-1 vote of censure against Louw. Louw has claimed the concerted black African move against his government was decided long before he spoke and that his address served only to trigger the censure vote and move for expulsion. "We knew this was coming before I came here for this assembly," he told reporters. "It's all part of a prearranged campaign." Louw said the unprecedented censure of his speech was sure to lose a tide of resentment among South Africans who have long smarted under U.N. attacks. He said it might provoke demands that South Africa pull out of the world body. Louw declined to speculate if his government would agree to such demands.



HIGH HOPES — Not witches nor goblins but students from Klamath Union High School firing up their hopes for a victory over the Black Tornado of Medford High School in their homecoming clash on Modoc Field tonight. The bonfire was a roaring success and touched off homecoming plans which include a parade, queen crowning at the game and dance following the gridiron clash.

Commie Police Shoot At MP's

BERLIN (AP)—East German police fired repeatedly today on U.S. military police and West Berlin police after nine refugees broke through the barbed wire ring of West Berlin. No one was hit in the shooting and the Western police did not return the fire. The nine refugees dashed into the American sector of West Berlin after their truck got stuck in the Communists' barbed wire entanglement. West Berlin police called the shooting the most serious incident since the Communists barricaded the border Aug. 13. A U.S. Army spokesman confirmed there had been shooting. He said a U.S. military police patrol was at the scene but merely observed it. East German police shouted warnings to the Americans and West Berlin police to stay away from the fence where the refugees' truck was stuck in the wire mesh and then opened fire with rifles and submachine guns, eye-witnesses said. The East Germans kept shooting sporadically for an hour. They rushed an armored car to the border with a heavy machine gun mounted on it but did not fire. The East Berlin guards have been shooting almost daily along the tense Berlin border, bringing warnings from both West and East officials of the danger of setting off the powderkeg. The shooting stopped shortly after the East German police had dragged the truck free from the wire fence. West Berlin police said their forces and military police never closer than 50 to 60 yards to the East Berlin police. Including the nine refugees, a total of 20 East Germans escaped to West Berlin in the 24 hours ending at 7 a.m. Among them was one East German policeman. On the border between West and East Germany, a West German newspaperman trying to interview East German farmers near Gifhorn was shot and dragged off into the Communist zone, witnesses reported Thursday. The newsman apparently stepped over the frontier line during his interviews. In Bonn, West German Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano said new instructions are being sent Ambassador Wilhelm Grewe in Washington on the Berlin crisis but made clear his government is holding fast to the policy it has pursued toward East Germany for years. He said West Germany is counting on the Western allies to stand by their 1954 pledge to recognize it as the only spokesman for the whole German people.

Mock Space War Rages Saturday

WASHINGTON (AP)—Mock aerospace war on a vast scale will rage Saturday through North American skies. Unprecedented in the variety and volume of modern weapons involved, the make-believe conflict will ground non-military aircraft for 12 hours. From noon to midnight Eastern Standard Time, no airliner or private plane may operate above the U.S. or Canadian mainland or over Alaska. Streams of B52 and B47 jet bombers will hurl themselves at prime U.S. and Canadian targets. They will fire no weapons, drop no bombs. But they'll test to the limit the resources of NORAD, the North American Air Defense Command. From headquarters at Colorado Springs, the NORAD commander, Gen. Laurence S. Kuter, will direct the interceptor aircraft, the anti-aircraft missile stations and the supporting installations that have been woven into the continental defense network. Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, Air Force chief of staff, planned to keep a critical eye on activities from his command post in the Pentagon. Air Force Secretary Eugene Zuckert and N. E. Halaby, administrator of the Federal Aviation Agency, arranged to observe the operation from the northeastern regional headquarters of the Air Defense Command at Hancock Field, Syracuse, N.Y. Halaby has put out an order banning flying by non-participating civil aircraft during the 12-hour exercise period. "This was necessary for safety reasons," he said. "Enemy" jamming tactics may put out of commission many of the radio navigation aids upon which civil aviation depends.

Reds Charge UN 'Seized'

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian A. Zorin charged today that one man—apparently member of an acting secretary-general to replace the late Dag Hammarskjold. He said if Hammarskjold's successor were named without such agreement, "this will cause the organization to collapse." Zorin called the news conference to deny what he called published distortions of the Soviet position. He was asked whether the Soviet Union was satisfied with the situation in the secretariat since Hammarskjold was killed in a plane crash in Africa Sept. 18. He replied that the situation was "abnormal." "No one appointed an acting secretary-general, whereas in reality one is extant and is acting, and leading the secretariat," he said. "I submit that this is an illegal procedure. One man is acting by right of seizure of power without asking anybody." This man, Zorin continued, is performing "not in the interest of the organization as a whole and by no means as a neutral person." "If you want to know who it is," said Zorin, "read the New York Times." This seemed to refer to a Times story that said the undersecretaries at U.N. headquarters were deciding things "around Cordier's desk." Cordier, a U.S. citizen, long was Hammarskjold's executive assistant, but on Aug. 1 became undersecretary for Assembly affairs.

Shooting At Power Line Dangers Life, Property

Thoughtless and careless hunters taking pot shots at electric power lines and insulators are endangering their own lives and others, greatly inconveniencing electric consumers in their homes and at work and increasing forest fire hazards in the region, it was reported today. In a warning to adults that their irresponsible acts will bring arrest and an appeal to parents to inform their sons with 22 rifles of the hazards they create, Sam Ritchey, manager for Pacific Power and Light Company, described the damage to PP&L's lines this fall hunting season as the worst in recent years. One of the most critical areas is along the 66,000-volt power line running east of Madison Avenue and through the Hot Springs residential neighborhood north of Klamath Falls. Ritchey reported Friday the lives of two infants being kept alive in an electric-operated incubator at the Cedarville Medical Center were placed in peril in the past week when a hunter's shot snapped a PP&L line in Modoc County, disrupting service to Cedarville for more than two hours. The line break also set off a gas fire that required forest fighters to control. The PP&L manager said the outbreak of shooting of insulators is general through Southern and Eastern Oregon, particularly in rural areas where deer hunting is now in full swing. He reported PP&L is informing the sheriffs in each county and asking for investigations where possible. Ritchey reported a recent patrol of the company's line east and north of the city disclosed 38 insulators—each worth \$7 — damaged by shots. He said these probably were shot at by young boys who were not aware of the seriousness of their choice of targets.

Fund Campaign Near 70% Mark

Klamath County United Fund said that although nearly 70 per cent of the \$135,309 goal had been collected, only about 60 per cent of the firms had been contacted. United Fund will be accepting walk-in donations for the next week at the office, 1401 Esplanade Avenue. Mailed contributions should be sent to P.O. box 839. Contributions in these two manners will be credited to the appropriate division as well as the individual contributor. Division chairmen and their percentage standings: Paul Meier, 102 per cent; Charles Howard, 83 per cent; Chuck Burman, 78.8 per cent; Al Nyback, 73.1 per cent; George Filcraft, 53.3 per cent; Barney Cavanaugh, 68 per cent; Mike Balsiger, 57.7 per cent; Nelson Reed, 65.6 per cent; Jack Kallnoski, 52.1 per cent; Al Lynch, 47.1 per cent; Norman Duffy, 41.4 per cent; Cliff McGinty, 25.1 per cent; Bob Rutter, 23 per cent; George Price, 22 per cent. Nyback's division had the largest percentage increase with 30 per cent gain at Friday's session.

Trust Laws Said Broken

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A federal grand jury has returned antitrust indictments against General Motors Corp., four Chevrolet sales executives and three Southern California dealer associations. The jury charged the defendants with conspiring to stop individual dealers in Southern California from selling through discount houses. GM Board Chairman Frederick Donner denied the accusation. He said GM frowned on the discount dealers' lack of service facilities and other customer conveniences—but did nothing to discourage the discounters. The indictment, prepared by the Justice Department's antitrust division, said "shoppers" were hired by the defendants to determine which dealers were selling cars through discount houses. The shoppers would buy cars and the defendants would "induce or persuade" dealers to buy the cars back. Retail sales of Chevrolets, through all sources, totaled \$250 million last year in Southern California, the jury said. It said discount house car sales in this area have grown from a trickle in 1953 to a retail total of about \$5 million.

Boy Gunman Surrenders To Police After Fight

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP)—Surrounded and with his hysterical mother appealing to him, a 15-year-old gun-happy boy surrendered after shooting one officer in the wrist. Stocky young John D. Russell emerged from beside a farmhouse into the glare of spotlights and dropped two guns he carried. The scene in rural eastern Arapahoe County, southeast of Denver, climaxed an afternoon of violence which began when the high school freshman abducted two neighbor women, one of them an expectant mother. Both later were freed unharmed. Sheriff's Sgt. Chester Halligan, 44, was shot in the left wrist by a bullet from young Russell's .38-caliber pistol. Russell, a 5-8, 170-pounder, is a gun enthusiast and worked last summer as a fast-draw gunslinger at an amusement center. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton W. Russell. Sheriff's investigator Bill Maraggos gave this account of the incident: Young Russell entered the home of Mrs. Sarchet, who is pregnant, pointed a .38 revolver at her and ordered her to give him her husband's .22 pistol and 16-gauge shotgun. Then he forced her to call another neighbor, Violet McFay. When Mrs. McFay arrived, the youth told her to drive to a Denver shopping center and buy ammunition for the weapons. She returned from her mission, and the two women and the boy drove off in Mrs. McFay's car. Russell halted the car in a rural area, allowed the women to drive away.



Eisenhower Frowns On TV Debates, Lack Of Progress For Peace

NEW YORK (AP)—Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower says that, if he were in office, he would not debate a political rival on television. The former president was seen Thursday night over the CBS television network in an hour-long interview with Walter Cronkite. It was taped at Gettysburg, Pa., Eisenhower's home, last spring. Among his major disappointments, Eisenhower said, was the failure of Vice President Richard M. Nixon to win election as his successor and "a lack of definite proof we had made real progress toward achieving peace with justice." As his most important accomplishment in office, he listed "creating an atmosphere of serenity and mutual confidence." As for his feelings about the late Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, Eisenhower felt the way to defeat the Wisconsin Republican was to ignore him. His 1955 heart attack, Eisenhower said, might have been brought on by his temper, and since then "I've never gotten angry again." Eisenhower's views of TV debates were given while discussing Nixon's defeat by John F. Kennedy. Said Eisenhower: "I can't think of anything that's worse. Any man that is an incumbent has to stick to the facts. He is a responsible man debating with someone who, if he chooses, can be irresponsible. "No, if I were giving a political piece of advice to my associates in government, I would say: 'When you're in, never debate with an out.' " At several points in the interview, Eisenhower referred to his temper. "Like most people," he said, "I am a man of considerable temper. . . . One thing that's damaging to anybody that aspires to a position of leadership of any kind . . . must learn to control his temper. And this sometimes gets to be quite a tough job."

As for a possible cause of his heart attack, Eisenhower said: "On Sept. 23, 1955, I was playing golf—and I was playing well—and I started off about the fourth hole, and I had a message to come into the clubhouse, and I had a car. "So I dashed up, and there was a call from the State Department. And it turned out that while, although I'd answered in a matter of a couple of minutes, some little emergency had happened, and they'd like to talk to me in about an hour—they'd let me know. So I went on my golf date. "Eisenhower then told of being called back to the clubhouse again for another call on the same subject, which he said "was important—but I mean it wasn't too immediate a character." "And finally, we started back on another nine—and I got another one," he continued. "This one was by someone who didn't realize that I'd had the thing. And by this time—I say I had an occasional temper—it had gotten completely out of control. "And this one doctor says that he'd never seen me in such a state—and that's the reason I had a heart attack. . . . So I've never gotten angry again." The former president was asked what he now thought, in looking back, would have been the best possible way to handle McCarthy and his congressional probes into alleged Communist infiltration into government. "The other day, Walter," said Eisenhower, "I ran into a memorandum I wrote to myself, about April, 1953. "And in this memorandum, I said I have looked over this matter ever since it's come to my attention, and I am convinced that the way for me to defeat Sen. McCarthy is to ignore it. "Never to admit that he has damaged me, upset me, or anything else. "I will take the positive basis that I will never support any action or any individual who is guilty of un-American methods in whatever official acts he may find it necessary to carry out. "As far as I can recall, I never mentioned his (McCarthy's) name and I happen to know that this had a very great effect." Discussing what he considered his greatest achievement of his eight years in office, Eisenhower said in part: "When I came to the presidency, the country was rather in an unhappy state. There was bitterness and there was quarrelling, and so on. . . . I tried to create an atmosphere of greater serenity and mutual confidence, and I think that it . . . was noticeable over those eight years that that was brought about. "Concerning Nixon, Eisenhower commented: "I say that one of my greatest disappointments was the defeat of Mr. Nixon. As you know, I thought that he was highly qualified to take over the office of the presidency, and I was certain he would be leading the country in what I thought the path of responsible progress. . . . "He said eliminating atomic testing, and disarmament, are "the purpose of America—to preserve freedom and seek a peace with justice." The former president said he thought the danger of a nuclear war being touched off by accident was less than it was sometimes represented, but he added: "We've got to be determined that we have the courage to live, possibly for decades, with the threat of aggression against us, possibly a nuclear aggression. . . . "The price of safety today is probably not only vigilance but alertness and strength." In another observation, Eisenhower said he still considers Sherman Adams, the assistant who resigned as the result of criticism over his acceptance of favors from industrialist Bernard Goldfine, to be "one of the most honest, hard-working, dedicated men I've ever known." But he added that Adams probably was "naive and unwary."



GET PROOF TONIGHT — Tonight, Friday the 13th, on Modoc Field the Klamath Union Pelicans will find out whether "Fly Through the Tornado" week has produced the desired effect. They tangle with the Modoc Black Tornado at 8 o'clock. Here, Klamath Falls Mayor Bob Veatch approves the Pelican proclamation of the week. Pictured with him, from left in back, are Sherm Allan and Ricky Currin, Pel gridiron co-captains, and athletic director Jim Johnson. Mayor Veatch is flanked by Karen Leaming, at left, and Claudia Lane. The pretty Misses are members of the KUHS rally squad.