

McCarthy Group To Probe Army Row

WASHINGTON, March 17—(AP) The Senate subcommittee headed by Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) voted yesterday to conduct its own investigation of the angry row between McCarthy and Army officials—and to do it in public with the embattled chairman out of the driver's seat.

This was just about what McCarthy wanted and he described himself as "perfectly satisfied." His Army antagonists couldn't be reached for comment but associates said they'd be certain to appear at the hearings.

The sessions probably will be televised. Today's action came at a show-down session of McCarthy's Permanent Investigations subcommittee. That's the group McCarthy wanted to handle the probe. Democratic members contended its parent body, the Government Operations Committee, should do it. Sen. Mundt (R-SD) insisted to the last some committee remote from the fray should get the job.

McCarthy won his point, though, and then all seven members agreed on other ground rules for the inquiry into the bitter controversy between McCarthy and the subcommittee's counsel, Roy Cohn, on the one hand and Army Sec-

retary Stevens and Army counsel John G. Adams on the other.

Highlights of the agreement: 1. Cohn will be sidelined for purposes of this investigation and a special staff will be hired. A rumor spread, but couldn't be nailed down, that committee Democrats failed in an effort to have Cohn suspended as chief counsel. 2. Mundt, as second-ranking Republican, will sit in for McCarthy as chairman. All other business will be shunted aside, another meeting will be held next Tuesday and the public hearings—with witnesses under oath—probably will get going later next week.

Info Agency Rejects Books By McCarthy

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP)—Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) said today the U. S. Information Agency has rejected as "not suitable reading" for its purposes two books he has written.

McCarthy told a reporter he had offered the agency a free supply of his books "McCarthyism, the Fight for America" and "America's Retreat from Victory" for use in overseas libraries, operated by this government in many foreign lands.

He said Theodore C. Streibert, new head of USIA, has written him, rejecting his offered gift on grounds the books are "not suitable reading" for the purposes of the library program, which is to provide foreign readers with easy access to information giving a true picture of life in this country as one answer to Communist propaganda.

McCarthy asserted: "If I was really interested in getting these books into the libraries, I presume I could accomplish that by joining the Communist party. I'm not that interested."

He obviously was referring to charges he made frequently during an investigation of the overseas library program last year that many books by Communist or Communist-sympathizing authors were included in the libraries.

Airliner Crash In West Texas Has No Injuries

MIDLAND, March 17—(AP) A crippled airliner made a forced landing yesterday on a mesquite dotted ranch, skidding a half mile and tearing off a wing.

The pilot and two of the eight passengers aboard the 44-passenger Continental Airlines craft were slightly hurt. All were shaken up. The plane, a Convair 340 en route from El Paso to Tulsa with scheduled stops at Midland and Wichita Falls about four minutes after takeoff.

The airline would not say what caused the mishap. Passengers said the plane lost its power shortly after takeoff, recovered it momentarily, then lost it again.

The pilot, H. E. Persing of El Paso, evidently was attempting a turn in hopes of making it back to the Midland air terminal. Plane parts were scattered along the half-mile skid path, three miles southeast of the airport and about eight miles west of Midland.

Persing was treated for scalp cuts and bruises. The other two crew members were not hurt. Two passengers, M. L. Sweeney, of Altus, Okla., and Paul Shaffer of Odessa, suffered slight injuries.



DOC HULL will be the master of ceremonies for the Intercollegiate Talent Show. Hull is KVOO's disc jockey for the Sleepwalker Serendae.

Taxes

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page revision bill a proposal reducing taxes on dividends to stockholders.

He said the dividend proposal "follows the Republican party's policy of favoring the few." He estimated the loss in revenue from this proposal alone would amount to \$14 million dollars. But only eight per cent of American families own stock, he said. And six-tenths of one per cent of American families own 80 per cent of all stock and thus would get 80 per cent of the tax benefits, Rayburn added.

"Just imagine," Rayburn declared. "Giving \$14 million dollars in tax relief to six families out of every thousand in the country, while all other families put together would not get anything like this amount."

The human brain reaches almost its full weight in the seventh year.

Whoops!

New Weapons List Loses Secrecy Tag

WASHINGTON, March 17—(AP) A virtually complete catalog of American weapons—existing, new, in production and ordered for production—turned up today without any kind of secrecy label.

Identified as a "production record" and bearing the signature of retiring Deputy Secretary of Defense Kyes, this Defense Department directive became available to reporters in a daily batch of ordinary departmental orders.

Public relations officers obviously were taken by surprise. The intended purpose of the document was to serve as a basic form for reporting production progress of all weapons for the armed forces.

By coincidence, it was circulated in the Defense Department at about the time the Army was announcing it had invited approximately 115 members of Congress to attend a series of demonstrations of recently developed weapons at Ft. Bliss and Ft. Hood, Tex., and the White Sands Missile Proving Ground, N. M., March 25-27.

It also followed by a day a cryptic statement by Gen. Matthew Ridgway, Army chief of staff, before a Senate Appropriations subcommittee that the Army will "extend our anti-aircraft capability by the development of a markedly improved missile to be used with essentially the same ground equipment as the present Nike system."

Here are some of the items listed or indicated in the production report:

1. The Nike anti-aircraft guided missile now is in its seventh form of revision, apparently the markedly improved missile of which Ridgway spoke.

2. The Army is using or plans to use in addition to its own Nike missile one developed and used by the Navy, the Terrier. The list carries that anti-aircraft missile for both Navy and Army and includes a land-based launching rack for use by the Army and Marine Corps.

3. The first indication of the huge size of the Army's big bombardment rocket, "Honest John." The report shows the rocket is of 726 millimeter diameter—about 30 inches. Honest John is intended for reaching well back of enemy lines with a powerful explosive. It is not a guided missile, but is aimed like any rocket or shell.

4. References to a large number of new aircraft, some of which hitherto have been on the secret list.

Navy items included new torpedoes, tubes and related equipment specially designed for destroying enemy submarines.

In addition to already generally known guided missiles, the department identified such other weapons as the "Talos," an anti-aircraft missile, apparently still experimental, designed by the Navy; the Navy air-to-surface missiles Dove, Petrel and Gordon; air-to-air missiles launched from aircraft against other aircraft weapons named the Oriole and Sidewinder.

Will Speak Over WTAW

Mrs. R. E. Leighton of the A&M Methodist Church will speak at 9:30 p.m. Thursday over WTAW. The topic is "What Have You Done With Your Time?"

Forest Fires Burn 6,800 Acres

Forest fires, fanned by high winds, continued to scorch large areas in Southeast Texas. J. O. Burnside, head of the Fire Control Department of the Texas Forest Service, reported today.

The high winds of the past week end caused 100 wild forest fires to spread rapidly, burning approximately 6,800 acres on Saturday and Sunday. Eight fires remained uncontrolled Monday morning.

"Already this year we have lost twice as many acres of East Texas woodlands in forest fires than were burned in the 12-month period last year," Burnside said. "More than 50,000 acres have burned this year, compared to only 25,000 in the calendar year 1953."

Incendiaries were responsible for setting most of the forest fires. Many of the fires were set at night, which handicapped detection and suppression efforts.



SEEING DOUBLE?—These six-year-old twins, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burney of Edinburg, make friends with some more doubles—the three-day-old calf twins born to their Jersey milk cow. The boys, Charles Lee and Chester Wayne, are used to the twins, since another cow gave birth to twins last July.

State Officer Talks To Water Workers

The Texas state health officer said today at Texas A&M College that at least 29 new public water systems were constructed last year to serve communities or subdivisions, the residents of which were utilizing unsafe facilities up to this time.

Dr. George W. Cox, speaking at the Texas Water and Sewage Works Association meeting at A&M, also said that 41 new sewage treatment plants or major plant additions were completed in 1953 and 33 other communities had new plants or major additions under construction at the close of the year.

"To give better assurance that water of safe quality was being supplied 19 communities also initiated continuous chlorination or provided additional facilities for disinfection and 47,322 samples of water from public water systems were submitted to our laboratories for check bacteriological analysis," Dr. Cox said.

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L'L' ABNER

By Al Capp

AT DAWN, IT'LL BE LEGAL TO SHOOT YOU, MY LITTLE HORNED BEAUTY!

Y'LL NEVAH SHOOT PAPPY!

—WIF THET BIG ELEPHANT GUN!— L'L' ABNER'S COMIN'!— HE'LL SHOOT PAPPY, N-NICE AN' EASY—

—WIF A NICE, EASY GUN!— ??—WONDER HOW NEAR HE IS—AH'LL WHOMP UP A VISION!

HE'S STALLED!—HE CAN'T MAKE IT IN TIME!

DON'T WORRY, MADAM. I WON'T DAMAGE THE HEAD!—I WANT THAT IN TROPHY ROOM!

POGO

By Walt Kelly

WITH THIS GARBAGE HANGIN' GUTEN MY BAG FOLK, I THINK I DON'T KNOW HOW TO PACK!— I'LL GO BACK IN AN' SHIP OFF THE HANGERS!

OW! DAG NAG THAT POGO—I FERGOT 'BOUT HIM HAVIN' 'THAT MISSIN' DOORSTEP!

OR...UM, LET'S SEE... I FERGOT 'BOUT HIM NOT HAVIN' A MISSIN' DOORSTEP.

STILL, HOW COULD HE NOT HAVE IT IF HE DO BUT HOW COULD HE DO IF...YAWK!

BY JING! HE DOG-DONE WELL BETTER GIT IT FIXED! GOT IT OR NOT!

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