

Weather Forecast

Considerable cloudiness, high near 65 today. Mostly cloudy with possibly occasional light rain late tonight or tomorrow.

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Nimitz Pleads For Revival of Supercarrier

Eisenhower, Bradley, Johnson, Air Force Get Hearing Next Week

Admiral Denfeld, chief of naval operations and a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told the House Armed Services Committee this afternoon that current Navy concern stems from the fact the service "is not accepted in full partnership in the national defense structure."

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, former chief of naval operations, who directed the Navy's Pacific campaigns in World War II, made a strong plea for revival of the \$185,000,000 supercarrier project in a statement to the House Armed Services Committee today.

Rear Admiral Thomas B. Hill, Navy weapons evaluation specialist, read Admiral Nimitz's statement as the Navy headed toward the windup of its presentation in the committee's public hearings on defense strategy.

Chairman Vinson announced that the inquiry will be recessed this afternoon until 10 a.m. Monday. Next week, he said, the committee will hear Gen. Eisenhower, Gen. Bradley, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Secretary of Defense Johnson, and Air Force and Marine Corps chiefs.

Striking Forces Stressed. In addition to Admiral Nimitz' contention that the huge carrier, canceled last spring by Mr. Johnson, is needed for the proper development of defense techniques, hearing highlights today included:

1. Admiral Raymond A. Spruance, retired, wartime task force commander, gave the committee his ideas of "how the United States could best fight a war against the Soviet Union," declaring that war plans would require strong naval striking forces to guarantee adequate bases in the Eastern Hemisphere.

2. Rear Admiral Luis de Florez, USNR, special devices expert, also called for construction of the big flush-deck carrier and urged "aerial war games involving naval aviation and the Air Force strategic bombing command to form a basis for future weapons development."

3. If another war comes, Admiral Nimitz predicted in his statement, it would be "global or world-wide in nature almost from the beginning."

Cities Need for Bases. Although it might start with a sneak attack, such as that of Pearl Harbor, he said, "more likely it will occur as the climax of a period of tension, or as the result of an act of violence or aggression against us."

Recalling the importance of naval striking power in obtaining advance bases in the Pacific conflict, Admiral Nimitz commented: "It is inconceivable that we will deliberately plan to fight a global war without the use of bases as close as reasonably safe to our objective and enemy territory. Also it is inconceivable that we will depend entirely on allies across our bordering oceans to supply these bases for us."

As was done by many naval witnesses who preceded him on the stand, Admiral Nimitz declared that overemphasis is being placed on the strategic bombing concept, as represented by the Air Force's B-36 carrying atomic bombs.

"There can be no doubt that the atom bomb is the most terrible weapon of great destruction ever conceived," Admiral Nimitz admitted, "but still that does not make it an efficient weapon of war. It cannot be pin-pointed—it must be used in area bombardment, and the chances are that its use will be offensive to public feeling."

Late News Bulletins

Executive Pay Bill Voted. The House today approved the conferees' version of the bill raising salaries of cabinet officers and other high-level executives.

Discharge Petition Filed. Representative Kennedy, Democrat, of Massachusetts, today filed in the House a petition to discharge the House District Committee from further consideration of the Senate-passed bill to give the District limited home rule and a reorganized city government. Signatures of 218 members are needed to bring the issue up on the House floor.

'Unabashed Perjury' Charged To Senator Downey by Ickes

Legislator's Attacks On Reclamation Unit Scored at Probe

By the Associated Press. Harold L. Ickes, former Secretary of Interior, today accused Senator Downey, Democrat, of California, of "unabashed perjury" in his attacks on Reclamation Bureau officials.

Mr. Ickes suggested to the Senate Interior Committee that the record of Senator Downey's sworn testimony be sent to the Attorney General for "appropriate action."

The former Secretary was called as a witness in the committee's investigation of Senator Downey's charges of corruption and mismanagement in the Reclamation Bureau.

In a blistering attack on Senator Downey, Mr. Ickes denied the Senator's statements that Harry W. Bashore, former reclamation commissioner, was forced by political pressure to resign.

Mr. Ickes said Gen. Downey also presented to the committee a "totally false" account of the



SENATOR DOWNEY. —AP Photo.

appointment and services of Richard L. Boke as California regional director for the bureau.

Mr. Ickes quoted this testimony of Senator Downey before the committee on July 21: "Mr. Bashore sat in a big chair in my room with tears in his eyes, told me that he was a beaten and a defeated man, that he loved his job. He thought he could do a

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Atlee Rejects Plea For Parliamentary Election This Fall

Announcement Made To Bar Speculation's Effect on Business

LONDON, Oct. 13.—Prime Minister Atlee today turned down demands for a general parliamentary election this fall and decided that his Labor government would ride out Britain's economic crisis.

The announcement that there would be no early election was made, an official statement said, to quiet "disturbing effects on trade and industry" caused by widespread speculation of a vote this fall.

The Labor government's five-year term runs until next July. Under Britain's constitutional system, the Prime Minister has authority to call an election at any time.

Mr. Atlee announced he would not advise King George VI to dissolve Parliament this year. General elections in Britain are precipitated by dissolving Parliament.

Mr. Atlee's announcement set a precedent. It is the first time a Prime Minister has used an official statement to say "no" to an election.

Ever since Britain devalued the pound from \$4.03 to \$2.80 on September 18, there has been a rash of predictions that Mr. Atlee might seek an early vote of confidence from the people.

Left-wing Laborites had urged a vote soon on the ground that rising prices caused by devaluation might cut into the government's popularity within a few months.

Opposition Pressure Rises. Devaluation also was followed by rising pressure from the opposition Conservative Party and some sections of the press and business for a general election. Generally, those groups contended the government should place its Socialist politics and planning and finance before the electorate this autumn.

Following a cabinet meeting, this statement was issued from the Prime Minister's residence: "Having regard to disturbing effects on trade and industry and on the national effort by the continuation of speculation, as to an early general election, the Prime Minister thinks it right to inform

Shirley Temple's Marriage On Rocks, Attorney Says

By the Associated Press. HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 13.—Shirley Temple's marriage is on the rocks, her attorney announced today.

The 21-year-old actress and John Agar have separated. Attorney George Stahlman said, and he is drawing up divorce papers. He said the grounds have not been determined.

A friend, however, said she probably will charge mental cruelty.

Truman Receives Third Setback As Senate Rejects Olds, 53-15

White House Pressure Ignored in Vote For Power Post

By the Associated Press. A smarting 53-to-15 defeat on the reappointment of Federal Power Commissioner Leland Olds today handed President Truman his third—and sharpest—Senate rebuff this year on an important nomination.

Despite the pressure of party discipline which Mr. Truman marshaled behind the nominee, the Senate refused overwhelmingly to return Mr. Olds to the commission for a third term.

The vote came shortly after midnight. It followed weeks of debate which steadily mounted in heat and bitterness.

Opponents shouted that Mr. Olds is a foe of capitalism, that 20 years ago he wrote articles that helped promote communism.

Described as "Chameleon," Senator Johnson, Democrat, of Colorado, called him "a warped, tyrannical, mischievous, egotistical

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Canton Troops Flee West as Reds Approach

Defense Is Abandoned; Communists' Arrival Awaited by City

HONG KONG, Oct. 13.—Nationalist forces tonight abandoned Canton and plans for all organized resistance ended within the city. Entry of Communist troops is now awaited.

The main body of the Canton garrison fled westward down the main highway.

A few Nationalist soldiers were still seen on the streets about 9 p.m., but they were hurrying to join units that already had left the city. No defense preparations were evident.

Police were still on duty. No large-scale looting was reported, most of the population remaining indoors. Gunfire was heard near North Station, 3 miles north of the city, but its cause was not known.

All regular land, sea and air transportation out of Canton was broken off. The British steamer Wushih, the last vessel to get away tonight, left for Hong Kong with Chinese practically clinging to the rails. A few foreigners were aboard.

Telephone contact with Canton was still open.

New Zealand Presbyterian missionaries told an Associated Press correspondent in Canton they had heard heavy gunfire around Kongsun, 10 miles distant.

Million Await Change. A million Cantonese waited, tensely, nervously, for the transition to Communist rule.

Communist troops last were reported driving directly down the Canton-Hankow railroad to within 30 miles of Canton. There was no telling whether the gunfire at Kongsun was Red or Nationalist artillery or both.

Earlier reports said 80,000 government troops in the Canton region face isolation by encircling Reds and by insufficient shipping to escape to the sea.

The British massed troops near the border separating British Kowloon territory and China proper, but they did not expect trouble.

The Nationalist government fled to Chungking. Acting President Li Tsung-jen left by plane for Kweilin in neighboring Kiangsi Province where an army of some 250,000 has been salvaged out of recent setbacks.

Li has been feuding with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, and there was speculation that he might not go on to the new refugee capital.

The Kwangtung provincial government ceased functioning at noon. It will be transferred to Hainan Island, off the South China coast.

The Canton city government announced it would quit functioning this afternoon.

People there are fear stricken. (See CHINA, Page A-5.)

John L. Lewis Willing To End Strike Under 'Bona Fide' Seizure

Not Recommending Action, However; Demands Will Cost 30 to 35 Cents a Ton

By James Y. Newton. Star Staff Correspondent. WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W. Va., Oct. 13.—John L. Lewis said today that his soft coal miners would end their 25-day strike and return to work under "bona fide Government seizure and operation of the mines for the account of the people and not of the coal operators."

Mr. Lewis told reporters he was not recommending such seizure, but if the Government decided to intervene in the coal strike, he suggested that "bona fide" seizure was the method that should be employed rather than the "black-mailing, paper mache" methods which had been used in the past. He also urged that the Government should not "beat down the miners" with the court injunction procedures of the "iniquitous Taft-Hartley statute."

Cartoon titled 'SECURITY DOLLAR' showing a man with a rifle and a list of appropriations: AIR FORCE - 34 CENTS, ARMY - 33.6 CENTS, NAVY - 32.4 CENTS. Text: 'WHAT WE'VE GOT TO REMEMBER IS THAT A DOLLAR WILL GO JUST SO FAR. But a Lot of People Forget It'

Missing Colesville Boy's Body Reported Found Near Home

Rockville Police Say Searchers Find Child After Hunt Since Tuesday Night

BULLETIN. The body of 6-year-old Otis T. Mason was found "near his home" early this afternoon, Rockville police announced.

Silver Spring police said it was found at a girl scout camp. The detail finding the body was headed by Pvt. Harry Turner, of Montgomery County police.

The 40-hour search for missing, 6-year-old Otis T. Mason moved from the Colesville area to near the Laurel race track—10 miles away—this afternoon.

The new direction for the blanketing search came after a Jessups taxi driver, Howard Nalley, told military and Montgomery County police he may have seen the missing child along the road near Laurel at dusk Tuesday.

Mr. Nalley's report, first made to Capt. Samuel Wolford, assistant provost marshal at Fort Meade, after the cab driver had

seen photographs and descriptions of the child in newspapers, came as a ray of hope to the boy's parents.

Metropolitan Police broadcast a lookout shortly after noon that a boy answering the description was seen in the cab of a Washington-bound tractor-trailer. The truck, bearing Pennsylvania license, was reported in Berwyn and was stopped in Hyattsville, where identity of the youthful rider was established as some one else.

As searchers fanned out at dawn this morning, the haggard father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy T. Mason, had virtually given up hope of finding their son alive. Mr. Mason is a plumbing and heating contractor.

Mr. Nalley told Capt. Wolford he was driving slowly along the road near the Laurel track shortly after he had turned on his lights Tuesday evening when he

action on DP Bill Due In Senate Today With Approval Expected

House-Passed Measure Reaches Floor on 7-3 Vote in Committee

By the Associated Press. The battle over displaced persons legislation shifted to the Senate floor today amid indications that opponents are waging a losing fight.

Majority Leader Lucas said he planned to call the House-passed bill up for action during the day. It is one of the major hurdles still in the way of an early adjournment.

The measure would raise the number of displaced persons eligible for admission to the United States from 205,000 in two years to 339,000 in three years.

Five House Members Are Named to Probe Crime in District

Davis of Georgia Heads Inquiry; Public Hearings To Start in January

A bipartisan subcommittee of five members was appointed today from the House District Committee to launch an investigation of crime and punishment here and to plan for public hearings in January.

Representative Davis, Democrat, of Georgia, a former prosecutor and judge in his home State, was named subcommittee chairman.

It was Mr. Davis who sponsored the legislation calling for the inquiry here.

Chairman McMillan of the House District Committee announced that the subcommittee will meet shortly, select "not more than two" special investigators and direct the inquiry.

Public hearings by the subcommittee, however, are not due to open until the next session of Congress in January.

Four Other Members. Besides Mr. Davis, the members of the special subcommittee are: Representative Smith, Democrat, of Virginia, a former prosecutor and judge who represents the Virginia district adjacent to Washington.

Representative Teague, Democrat, of Texas. Representative Bates, Republican, of Massachusetts, who has had long service on the District Committee.

Representative Simpson, Republican, of Illinois. The special subcommittee was established, because the District Committee has no subcommittee with authority over the four main agencies dealing with crime and the punishment which is given out in court here.

The agencies are the police, prosecutors, courts and probation officials.

'Weak Link' Is Sought. The committee, Mr. McMillan said, does not want to criticize any one of the four agencies of government dealing with crime. But it does want to find out if there is a "weak link." The committee met in closed session this morning and Mr. McMillan said later there was general discussion of the whole problem.

Mr. Davis put before the committee a comprehensive report on crime statistics designed to show that in the past four years violent crimes have tripled in number here. The inquiry is to deal with crime from 1945 to the present and will be concentrated principally on "violent crimes" such as murders, rape and robbery, Mr. McMillan said.

Mr. Davis announced that he would call the subcommittee this afternoon or tomorrow to map a program. One of the first problems will be the question of employees for the subcommittee. At least one and probably two will be hired to start work under authority of the special House resolution which passed Tuesday. The District Committee has about \$2,500 to handle expenses to launch the investigation. But if more money is needed, the House will be asked for funds from its contingent expense funds.

U. S. Cruiser at Singapore. SINGAPORE, Oct. 13 (AP)—The American heavy cruiser St. Paul arrived here today for a five-day courtesy call.

Hot Weather Departs, Probably Until Next Year. Hot weather moved out of Washington during the night—"gone 'til next year," the Weather Bureau ventured. Cooling air from the Pacific northwest and Canada moved in during the night and in a two-hour period from 5 to 7 a.m., dropped temperatures five degrees to 60.

12 Die as B-50 With Live Bombs Falls in England

Plane Dives Into Field In Practice Mission To Helgoland

By the Associated Press. ISLEHAM, England, October 13. An American Air Force B-50 bomber with a load of live bombs dived into a wheat field today and exploded with a roar heard 12 miles away. All 12 crew members were killed.

The plane, designed as the atom bomb carrying version of the B-29, was on a 180-mile practice mission to the North Sea island of Helgoland with twelve 500-pound bombs.

Villagers said the plane appeared to burst into flames just before it dropped through a light ground fog and struck the field. Flaming bits of the four-engine craft were blown hundreds of yards in all directions from the huge central crater dug by the blast.

Burning gasoline set fire to a ring of farm buildings and to 60 tons of stacked wheat. Windows were shattered and plaster ceilings fell in Isleham houses. Fire equipment was summoned from nearby Newmarket, 60 miles northeast of London, and from Cambridge, Mildenhall and Oxfordham.

First B-50 Crash in England. The United States 3d Air Division in London said the plane crashed at 9:25 a.m. local time, only a few minutes after it left Lakenheath airfield, 7 miles away in adjoining Norfolk County, for its Helgoland mission. Both British and American aircraft regularly use Helgoland for live bombing practice. Helgoland was a Nazi submarine and anti-aircraft base during the war.

The Third Air Division said this was the first accident involving a B-50 since the 43d Group arrived August 18 from its Tucson (Ariz.) base. The group is stationed at Southorpe, Norfolk County, for 90 days of operational training. A B-50 bomber crashed near Fairbanks, Alaska, last December 22, killing all 10 men aboard.

The 3d Air Division withheld the names of today's dead until next of kin are notified. It also refused to furnish the nickname of the plane, since this would serve to identify the crew to persons familiar with the 43d Group when it was in Tucson. The B-50's usually bear nicknames, the most famous of which is "Lucky Lady," which flew non-stop around the world earlier this year.

12 Bodies Recovered. A Royal Air Force rescue squadron recovered the 12 bodies from the smoking, twisted wreckage within two hours after the crash. The RAF threw a guard around the wreckage to protect secret equipment.

The tremendous explosion which accompanied the crash was heard in Newmarket, 10 miles away, and in Mildenhall, two miles further distant in Suffolk County.

There was no immediate indication of the cause of the crash. Air Force headquarters said visibility in the area was about an eighth of a mile.

Miss Dorothy Brown, who works in a nursing home near the scene of the crash, said she saw the plane burst into flames before it dived into the ground. Several other villagers gave the same account.

Dr. E. L. Sergeant said the force of the blast shook down some ceilings and smashed windows in Isleham houses.

"One of my patients, cycling near the scene, was blown off her bicycle by the explosion," he told reporters.

5,000 Men in Britain. The United States Air Force has approximately 5,000 men in Britain at bases established after the Russians began their blockade of Berlin. Some of the men formerly used to service planes on the Berlin airlift, before the Russians lifted the blockade last summer.

A group of 30 B-50s arrived in England in August to relieve a group of B-29 Super Fortresses which were part of the heavy (See BOMBER, Page A-5.)

Star Classified Ads Bring More Prospects For Better Results. For the first nine months of 1949, The Star carried a total of 760,248 individual classified ads. This was 129,811 more than were carried by the three other Washington newspapers combined.

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