

Schuman Dropped By New Premier

PARIS, Jan. 8 (AP)—France dropped her veteran foreign minister Robert Schuman, from the Cabinet today and headed for a slowdown on European rearmament.

The new Cabinet, with ex-Premier Georges Bidault as foreign minister, was announced by Premier Rene Mayer little more than 24 hours after Mayer had won approval from the French Assembly 389-204.

Himself a tough finance man, Mayer succeeds Antoine Pinay, who resigned Dec. 23 when his parliamentary majority melted away as he tried to press through a narrowly balanced budget.

Sharp Conflicts

Dropping of Schuman from the Cabinet had an immediate repercussion in Germany. There he was considered the Frenchman most likely to succeed in developing the long sought collaboration between France and Germany in a new postwar peace policy.

Despite sharp conflicts over the troublesome question of the Saar coal and iron pocket, Schuman and Konrad Adenauer, West German chancellor, had lent massive support to one another in their efforts to end the age-old French and German rivalry.

Deep concern was expressed in government circles in Bonn. But Adenauer's opponents sang a hal-lalujah.

"The dropping of Schuman means a substantial weakening of Chancellor Adenauer's position in his fight to gain ratification of the German-Allied treaties," said Fritz Heine, press chief of the Social Democratic party, Adenauer's bitterest opposition.

Will Present Treaty

Heine's comment touched on the tenderest spot of French-German relations. It was not the grounds on which the Pinay government went out. That was over the budget. But the European Army Treaty, under which West Germany would raise a half million troops for Western defense, took on monumental proportions during negotiations of the past two weeks while various French leaders sought to form a new government.

Finally, Mayer agreed that he would present the treaty for ratification, but would not make it a do-or-die demand upon those deputies supporting him. By that means he won the support of deputies piloted from behind the scenes by Gen. Charles de Gaulle.

5 Killed in Crash Of B50 Bomber

SAVANNAH, Ga., Jan. 8 (AP)—At least five persons died tonight in the crash of a large plane, apparently an Air Force B50 bomber, in marshland near Savannah.

Ben Byrd Jr., who said he was an Air Force pilot in World War II, reported from the scene that two bodies were recovered from the forward section of the plane and three others were found outside the wreckage.

Byrd said the completely demolished craft dug a deep crater about 250 feet from a residential district of the Isle of Hope, a Savannah suburb about seven miles southeast of the city.

The plane sheared off the tops of several trees. It sprayed gasoline over the area and set fire to the woods. The area was still ablaze nearly two hours after the crash.

Officials at nearby Hunter Air Force Base said they still had no information to release on the crash. The telephone operator at the base said Col. Henry J. Amen, the commander, had ordered no information released for 24 hours.

Pittsburgh Couple Sue

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 8 (AP)—A Pittsburgh woman and her husband, injured in a Pennsylvania Turnpike auto-truck crash which killed her mother and orphaned seven young brothers and sisters, have filed suit for damages.

Charging the truck driver, Richard Christie, 30, of Pittsburgh, with negligence, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Hrubovcak asked in excess of \$2,500 yesterday from the Baltimore and Pittsburgh Motor Express Co.



Robert Schuman

C46 Search In Second Day

MONTPELIER, Ida., Jan. 8 (AP)—Stormy weather seriously hampered one of the biggest aerial searches in Rocky Mountain history as more than 50 planes today failed to turn up any new clues on a C46 transport missing with 40 persons aboard.

Heavy clouds closed in and snow and rain swirled around jagged mountain peaks, forcing part of the aerial armada out of the skies.

Fresh snow also covers the wild rugged Bear Lake country where a nonscheduled, twin-engine plane vanished early Wednesday on a flight from Seattle to Ft. Jackson, S.C. Aboard the plane were 37 enlisted soldiers, en route to their homes in the South after months of Korean fighting, and three crew members, including a stewardess.

Marshall Tito May Form Own Catholic Church

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, Jan. 8 (AP)—Premier Marshal Tito called in Yugoslavia's leading Roman Catholic churchmen today for a conference, possibly on establishing a new Catholic church independent of the Vatican.

The Belgrade radio announced after the two-hour meeting at the Premier's house that it had been decided to set up a "special commission to prepare detailed material on the basis of which relations between the state and church could be settled."

These relations, it said, will be within the framework of the Yugoslav constitution, which decrees separation of church and state but declares for religious freedom.

The seven prelates who attended the meeting refused to comment.

It is considered likely the meeting was the result of last month's break in diplomatic relations between the Vatican and Yugoslavia. Yugoslavia was the last

Police Seek Sex Slayer In Reading

READING, Pa., Jan. 8 (AP)—One of the biggest manhunts ever organized in this Eastern Pennsylvania city was on today for the sex slayer of 14-year-old Dorothy Schlappig.

City police, Berks County detectives and state investigators joined the search for the person who strangled the quiet junior high school girl Tuesday night and stuffed her body in a metal ash barrel in an alleyway near her home.

The blood-spattered body, nude except for a brassiere and the tattered remains of a blouse, was found early yesterday by her foster-father, Louis Sauber, after he notified police that the child was missing.

Sauber had reared Dorothy since she was an infant, getting her from the Children's Aid Society.

Police started a systematic house-to-house check in the neighborhood of the crime hoping that some resident might furnish a clue.

Police Chief Robert H. Elliott said it is possible that someone, afraid to talk, may have seen or heard something that would aid in tracking down the killer.

Dr. Paul D. Good, Berks County coroner, said finger and pressure marks around the girl's neck indicated she was killed by a "person of great strength." He added that there were indications that a piece of clothing might have been used to strangle her. Dorothy had been raped also, Good said.

Sauber said he and his wife did not formally adopt Dorothy because the girl frequently needed hospital care which the couple could not afford. This medical care was provided by the Children's Aid Society.

Lovett Wants More Security Legislation

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8 (AP)—The outgoing secretary of defense, Robert A. Lovett, called today for tighter security legislation "to protect this country against traitors, spies and blabber-mouths."

Lovett said the problem extends beyond the defense establishment to other government agencies. In a two-hour closed-door session with the House Armed Services Committee, the retiring secretary was described as having made these other major points:

In Stalemate

1. The world situation is as tense as it was three years ago and "this is no time to relax."

2. "We are in a stalemate in Korea" and Lovett offered no solution, although he suggested more economic pressure on Communist China.

3. "We have got to maintain the strength of our forces as they are now until there is some definite change in the situation." There are now about 3,600,000 persons in the armed forces.

4. The only "satisfactory method" of reducing the fixed annual costs of defense is universal military training.

Shows Concern

Some of Lovett's views were quoted to newsmen by Chairman Short (R-Mo.) He said Lovett, in giving the House group a comprehensive review of the world military situation, described it as "practically the same" as it has been since the European buildup began a few years ago.

Lovett was pictured as showing some concern at an apparent letdown in rearmament efforts of some European allies, but in talking about applying more pressure on Red China, Short added:

"We have to be careful not to lose the friendship of our allies."

Two matters which have been on congressional minds in connection with solving the Korean stalemate were not even brought up at the session with Lovett, Short said. They were the use of atomic weapons and the use of Chinese Nationalist forces now on Formosa.

The secretary expressed doubt, Short added, that "it would be worthwhile to use all-out force trying to drive the Communists out of Korea."

Benson to Seek Limits On Agriculture Aid

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8 (AP)—Ezra Taft Benson, designated to be secretary of agriculture, said today the incoming Eisenhower administration would limit government farm aid programs to needs that cannot be met best by private action.

In directing the department, Benson said, his guiding purpose would be to "strengthen the economy of the country and to maintain a prosperous agriculture with a minimum of government control within the free enterprise system."

Guided Missile Progress Seen By N.M. Paper

SANTA FE, N.M., Jan. 8 (AP)—The Santa Fe New Mexican said today it has learned of fantastic strides in guided missiles and rockets which may explain, in part, reported sightings of strange objects in the skies.

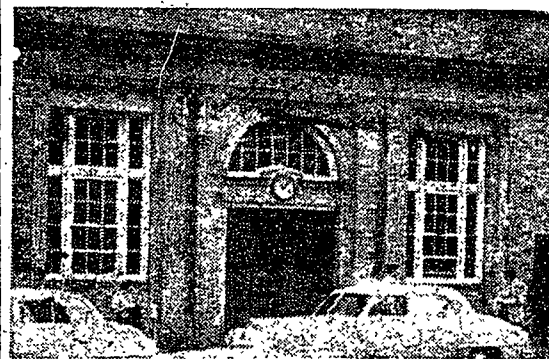
In an article by Managing Editor Richard W. Everett, the daily newspaper reported it has learned of "unbelievable" advancements in guided missiles and high speed, high-altitude rockets in experiments centering in New Mexico.

The newspaper said that although details are still shrouded in official secrecy, the wraps may be removed from some aspects of the program at a special demonstration. The event, it said, now tentatively is scheduled for White Sands Proving Grounds in Southern New Mexico within a few months.

Based on information from official and unofficial sources, the New Mexican said, "the most logical conclusion" is that the country's guided missiles experts have succeeded "in developing unmanned craft capable of maneuverability range and speeds heretofore undreamed of except in comic strips."

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