

Reds Will Hesitate To Start War—Ike

WASHINGTON, April 5 (AP)—President Dwight D. Eisenhower said tonight the Russians would hesitate a long time before starting an atomic war "as long as they know that we are in a position to act strongly and to retaliate" with vastly superior power.

But he said the United States must prepare itself "very coldly and very carefully" against the danger that power-loving men in the Kremlin might attack "in a fit of madness or through miscalculation."

In a radio-TV talk designed to calm hydrogen bomb jitters on the part of Americans and some of their allies, the President declared without qualification that "we are not going to start a war."

To Check Reds

Almost in the same breath he said nothing will do more to keep the Russians in check than "the retaliation that would certainly be visited upon them if they were to attack any of our nations or any part of our vital interests aggressively and in order to conquer us."

Eisenhower interrupted a White House stag dinner for his half-hour, more or less off-the-cuff address. His 15 businessman dinner guests watched him deliver it—saw him perched informally on a desk, speaking as conversationally as though he were chatting over after-dinner coffee.

One of these was the problem of Communist penetration in this country—and Eisenhower said that while this is a danger the FBI is doing "a magnificent job" of combatting it.

'Grave Offenses'

The President said "very grave offenses" can be committed "against an innocent individual if he is accused falsely by some one having the immunity of congressional membership."

But in the long run, Eisenhower declared, "Public opinion is the most powerful of all forces, and it will straighten this matter out whenever and wherever there is real violence to our people."

Nowhere did the President refer directly to individuals such as Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) or other members of Congress whose methods of hunting Reds have become the subject of controversy.

'Fear Exaggerated'

But he stressed that the nation's bulwark against Red infiltration—and he said "This fear has been greatly exaggerated as to numbers"—is the FBI. Twice he called attention to a report on this subject which Atty. Gen. Brownell is slated to give on radio and TV Friday night.

There was very little in the President's talk that he hasn't said in somewhat different words on other occasions.

What it added up to was: Face the facts and don't get panicky. Or as he put it himself:

"We do not have to be hysterical. We can be vigilant; we can be Americans. We can stand up and hold up our heads and say, America is the greatest force that God

Churchill Backs U.S. In A-Weapons Race

LONDON, April 5 (AP)—Prime Minister Winston S. Churchill said today that although the Russians are "well behind" the United States in development of the hydrogen bomb, they are making a closer race than they ever did with atomic weapons.

The 79-year-old statesman told a grim, tense House of Commons that both East-West giants have the dread H-weapon in "large scale production." He urged Left wing laborites to do nothing to destroy British-American cooperation.

Churchill was armed for the parliamentary fray with special nonsecurity information about the H-bomb supplied by President Eisenhower himself.

Crackling with oratorical fire, the Prime Minister also:

1. Declared the H-bomb in the hands of the United States serves as a deterrent to war.
2. Refused to ask U.S. authorities to call off their Pacific H-tests.
3. Said that now—with the Geneva conference coming up April 26—was hardly the time for a top level meeting among himself, President Dwight D. Eisenhower and Soviet Premier Georgi Malenkov on disarmament or other problems.
4. Revealed a secret 1943 agreement between himself and the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt in which Britain and the United States pledged never to use the atomic bomb against a third country without each other's consent. The agreement also provided for exchange of atomic information between the two countries and with Canada.

The agreement is no longer in effect because, Churchill implied, the Labor government bungled things.

Flashing with oldtime vigor, Churchill tried to calm the fears roused in Britain by current massive American H-tests in the Pacific. He spoke only hours before President Eisenhower took to radio and television in the United States to perform a similar task.

Debate was on a Labor party motion urging Churchill to call a special meeting with President Eisenhower and Soviet Premier Malenkov on ways of ending the hydrogen race.

The Laborites, however, decided not to press for a vote, after former Prime Minister Clement Attlee declared he sought "no partisan advantage" in bringing the matter up.

Giveaway Shows OK'd by Court

WASHINGTON, April 5 (AP)—The Supreme Court today put the stamp of legality on most radio and television giveaway programs.

Only those which require contestants to contribute a "price" or a "thing of value" are outlawed.

The decision said the Federal Communications Commission, in trying to put giveaway programs off the air, exceeded its rule-making power.

Radio and TV network officials said the ruling would have no effect on present programs or policies, since the FCC ban never had been invoked.

has ever allowed to exist on his footstool.

"As such it is up to us to lead this world to a peaceful and secure existence, and I assure you we can do it!"

Norway Mourns Death Of Crown Princess

OSLO, Norway, April 5 (AP)—Norway's royal court entered four months' mourning for Crown Princess Martha who died today.

The 53-year-old wife of Crown Prince Olaf died of a liver ailment which had plagued her for three years.

Althouse Will Speak To Pre-Vet Club

Paul M. Althouse, professor of agriculture bio-chemistry, will speak to the Pre-Vet Club on "A Student Leaves Low Land" at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow at Alpha Gamma Rho.

Vietminh Divisions Remass for Attack

HANOI, Indochina, April 5 (AP)—Vietminh shock troops kept the French busy plugging gaps in Dien Bien Phu's battered northwest defenses today while the main rebel force regrouped for another mass assault on the fortress.

The French high command said the rebels apparently were under orders to keep the garrison occupied defending the bastion's weakest point while the Vietminh massed along the dusty plain for another attempt to break through to the heart of the northwest Indochina fortress.

Two Vietminh divisions, which had been hammering at the bastion from the east and southeast, have eased back several hundred yards from the barbed wire barriers.

Assault Preparations

Late reports from Dien Bien Phu's garrison said the rebels were moving up ammunition and making other assault preparations.

But despite the new threat, French sources voiced confidence the tide had turned in the battle for Dien Bien Phu.

A high command spokesman said the Vietminh lost "more than 1000" men in their latest attempt to widen the northwest gap. French troops, backed by tanks and artillery, plugged every new breach and mowed down the attackers.

U.S.-Supplied Planes

U.S.-supplied French war planes ranged over the field of combat raining explosive and fire bombs on the rebels.

The latest attack on the northwest defenses began before dawn Monday. At one point it looked as if the rebels would break through to the bastion's vital center. But French tanks and artillery finally blasted the rebels back.

Israel Requests UN Investigation

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., April 5 (AP)—In a sharp diplomatic counterattack, Israel today demanded Security Council action on a series of armistice violations allegedly committed against her by Jordan.

Abba Eban, Israeli delegate to the UN, said these actions by Jordan "constitute a virtual repudiation of the general armistice in both letter and spirit."

The Israeli action came a few days after Lebanon, acting for Jordan, lodged a complaint with the Council charging that Israeli raiders killed nine Jordanian villagers in Nahalin, near Bethlehem, on March 27.

Republican Machine To Begin Drive

HARRISBURG (AP) — Republican organization candidates get started this week in a campaign designed to turn back their independent opposition at the May 18 primary.

The GOP organization ticket, headed by Lt.-Gov. Lloyd H. Wood for governor, will open campaign headquarters here on Wednesday under direction of Otto F. Messner, secretary of revenue, as campaign manager.

The Democratic organization slate of candidates still have to select a campaign manager but Sen. George M. Leader, York, its candidate for governor, already has started campaigning. So has Coroner William D. McClelland of Allegheny County, who has challenged Leader for the nomination as has Charles J. Schmitt of Erie County.

Leader said he doubted if Democratic organization headquarters would be opened before next week, but added:

"However, this isn't slowing down our campaign one bit. I have been contacting county Democratic leaders all along and this delay in setting up headquarters won't hurt us a bit."

Wood told reporters over the weekend that the planned to make a swing around the state before the May primary and would try to take as many of the other organization candidates with him as he could.

Sears Inquiry Vote Scheduled

WASHINGTON, April 5 (AP)—Members of the Senate Investigations subcommittee agreed to take a vote tomorrow on whether Samuel P. Sears, prominent Boston lawyer, is impartial enough to act as special counsel in their probe of the fight between Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) and high army officials.

One thing the subcommittee expected to consider is a statement by James M. Walsh, another Boston lawyer, that McCarthy's wife recommended Sears as the man to defend her husband in a debate March 11 on, "Is Sen. McCarthy an influence for good or evil?"

The debate was cancelled, but Walsh, chairman of a forum which had intended to put it on, said Sears had agreed "to support McCarthy's position."

Sears himself claims no sides were assigned for the debate.

He also told reporters after his appointment last week that he had never taken a stand, publicly

or privately, on McCarthy or "McCarthyism."

From several other sources have come reports that Sears not only had praised McCarthy and his Red-hunting activities in the past but tried to raise money to assure his re-election in 1952. There are also reports that the 58-year-old attorney actively interested himself in getting the special counsel's post.

Acting chairman Karl E. Mundt (R-S.D.) has said Sears will not be retained if the Army objects to him.

If Sears is dismissed and a search begun for another counsel, it will mean that the investigation will not be launched next Monday, as was planned.

The controversy revolves around the Army's charge that McCarthy and Roy Cohn, the subcommittee's regular counsel, high-pressured the Army to get favored treatment for draftee G. David Schine, a friend of Cohn's and a former subcommittee consultant.

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