

Stevens Blasts McCarthy's Acts

WASHINGTON, April 22 (AP)—Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens gave the lie to Sen. Joseph T. McCarthy (R-Wis.) today as the McCarthy-Pentagon row flared up into the stormy hearings before a nationwide television audience.

The Army secretary first accused McCarthy and his chief aids of waging a "persistent, tireless" campaign—the most strenuous one in his official experience—to get special treatment for Pvt. G. David Schine.

The Schine case, Stevens declared, is "an example of the wrongful seeking of privilege, of the perversion of power."

Then Stevens labelled as "absolutely false" McCarthy's charge that Stevens urged him to "go after" the Navy and Air Force instead of looking for Communists in the Army's ranks.

"I never made any such statement," Stevens declared. And he denied, too, McCarthy's charge that he tried to use the Schine case as "blackmail."

And he bitterly objected to Stevens speaking "for the Army." He blasted the Army secretary as one of the "Pentagon politicians" who are trying, he said, to block investigation of "communism in the Army."

Mainly, though, it was the Army's day. The Pentagon officials embroiled with McCarthy were called on first to back up, if they could, their charge that McCarthy and aides Roy M. Cohn and Francis Carr sought by "improper means" to get favors for Schine.

Maj. Gen. Miles Reber was the lead-off witness. He testified that in ten years of dealing with Congress he couldn't recall any "greater pressure" than McCarthy's office turned on to get a quick commission for the about-to-be-drafted Schine.

McCarthy was ready with a counter-attack. He demanded to know if it wasn't true Reber's brother, Sam, had been ousted from the State Department as a security risk.

Reber, now commander of U.S. Forces in Western Europe, replied that his brother retired at the age of 50 as he was entitled to do by law.

Red Captain Flees, Gives Top Secrets

BONN, Germany, April 22 (AP)—A Soviet Secret Police captain sent to West Germany to kill a Russian resistance leader has deserted to the West and bared some of the Kremlin's top secrets, including new type assassination weapons.

This was announced here today by U.S. authorities, who said two veteran East German Communists and the Secret Police captain made up a three-man murder squad assigned to the killing of Georgi Sergevich Okolovich, a member of the anti-Soviet organization in Frankfurt.

The captain is Nikolai Evgenyevich Khokholov, 31, a staff officer of the Soviet MVD.

At a news conference arranged here by the U. S. State Department and the Central Intelligence Agency, Khokholov said he was deterred from carrying out the slaying by a stirring appeal from his "wonderful wife." She remains in Moscow, along with their 21-month-old son and his wife's 14-year-old sister.

Khokholov appealed to the free world to save his family from what he said were certain Soviet reprisals, possibly death.

At his side as he spoke, was Okolovich, the man he was supposed to kill.

The Russian told the news conference that he abandoned the assassination plot after an emotional appeal from his wife, just before he left Moscow three months ago.

Housing Files Investigated By Capehart

WASHINGTON, April 22 (AP)—Housing administration files showing that a New York builder made a \$500,000 profit on a \$1000 investment were read into a Senate investigation record today by Sen. Homer E. Capehart (R-Ind.).

In another case, Capehart said five stockholders of a building corporation invested a total of \$2000, or \$400 apiece, and got \$624,000 back on their money. Split five ways this would be \$124,800 for each \$400 invested.

Capehart cited these examples of quick profits at a hearing on multimillion dollar housing scandals before the Senate Banking Committee, of which he is chairman.

The senator said the statistics were taken from files supplied by the Federal Housing Administration, chief target of the inquiry.

No names were mentioned in Capehart's recital. In the New York case, Capehart said the builder was able to obtain a 4½ million dollar FHA-insured loan with a cash outlay of \$1000. The building project cost about \$4 million, Capehart said, leaving him a "profit" of a half a million.

Officials have explained that this was possible because FHA required that rents and operating costs of the finished project be adjusted to repay the full amount of the loan, rather than the actual cost.

In the case of the five stockholders, Capehart said the amount of the FHA-insured mortgage was \$4.85 million, while the final cost of the project, built under the now-expired emergency postwar rental housing program, was \$4.23 million.

CAB Moves Clearfield Airline to Philipsburg
WASHINGTON, April 22 (AP)—The Civil Aeronautics Board today granted Allegheny Airlines authority to serve Clearfield-DuBois-Philipsburg, Pa., through the Philipsburg airport.

West Rejects China As Conference Host

PARIS, April 22 (AP)—An American source said tonight the Western Powers have reached a firm, fresh agreement on refusal to accept Communist China as a host nation at the Geneva conference.

This source disputed a statement from a non-American informant earlier that still unsettled procedural questions might delay the Geneva meeting on Indochina and Korea from opening on Monday as scheduled.

The American source said there was no prospect of postponement.

Adrian Pelt, the United Nations official in Geneva who has been consulting with U.S., French, Russian and British representatives there, said from a "purely technical view" the conference can open as scheduled.

U.S. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, Foreign Minister Georges Bidault and British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden met for two hours today to iron out preconference details.

One big hitch is Russia's insistence that the Geneva meeting be a five-power conference with Red China as one of the hosts. The Western Powers maintain that the Big Four Berlin meeting decided that the Peiping government would be only a participating power.

When the discussion of the Indochina conflict opens, there will be another big issue—who is to participate. The West expects the

Communists to demand that the Vietminh's Communist leader, Ho Chi Minh, or his delegates be admitted. The French-sponsored Associated States of Indochina already have served notice they will not treat with Ho or any of his aides.

The informant said that faced with this situation, the opinion of Western diplomats is that further talks with the Communists will be required at Geneva before the conference can formally be opened.

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