

# McCarthy Reveals Stevens' 'Threats'

WASHINGTON, April 28 (AP)—In an atmosphere of ever-growing bitterness, the Senate's McCarthy-Pentagon investigators began delving today into whether Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens "threatened reprisals" against a general for praising and cooperating with Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R.-Wis.)

This new line of inquiry developed near the end of a hectic day punctuated by irate exchanges between McCarthy and opponents—especially over new Army charges of de luxe treatment for a drafted aide of the Senator, Pvt. G. David Schine.

Ray H. Jenkins, special counsel to the Senate Investigations subcommittee, brought up the question of "threatened reprisals," naming Maj. Gen. Kirke Lawton, commander of the Army Signal Corps Center at Ft. Monmouth, N.J., as the general involved.

Jenkins announced he proposed to read Lawton's testimony at a secret subcommittee hearing last Oct. 14 on the subject of alleged Communist infiltration at Ft. Monmouth and its radar laboratories. He said he would do this in preparation for cross-examining Stevens on whether "he did or did not threaten reprisals against Gen. Lawton" because Lawton cooperated and "complimented" McCarthy and his subcommittee.

Democratic Senators Stuart Symington (Mo.) and John L. McClellan (Ark.) objected to this testimony being made public before they had a chance to read it, so the hearing recessed overnight. Stevens testified he "had a talk with" Lawton, and discussed the possibility of removing him, as a result of an address the general gave to Ft. Monmouth officers—to the effect that soldiers with pro-Communist leanings seem to come from a certain eight or ten colleges.

## 52 Arrested By Police In Cairo

CAIRO, Egypt, April 28 (AP)—In swift pre-dawn raids squads of Egyptian military police arrested 12 army officers and 40 civilians today on charges of conspiring with Communists to promote May Day riots.

The police acted on direct orders of Lt. Col. Gamal Abdel Nasser, Egypt's strong man Premier. A spokesman for Nasser said the action, taken after a lengthy meeting of the ruling Revolutionary Council, was aimed at purging the army of "dissident elements."

Among the 12 officers were nine who had opposed Nasser last February when he removed Maj. Gen. Mohammed Naguib as President and Premier. The nine had been arrested then on charges of engaging in Communist activities, but released a short time later.

Naguib was restored to power as Premier and President for a while, but Nasser emerged as undisputed No. 1 man ten days ago when he took over the premiership from the ailing Naguib, who retains his title as President.

Maj. Aamin Shaker, chief aide de camp to Premier Nasser, told newsmen the 12 officers would be tried by court-martial and handed out the "most severe punishment."

## Queen Defies Death Threat

ENTEBBE, Uganda, April 28 (AP)—Queen Elizabeth II defied a Mau Mau death threat and flew to Uganda today on her world tour. And thousands of Baganda tribesmen, ignoring nationalist demands that they stay away, turned out in a tremendous welcome to the young monarch.

Elizabeth, all smiles, stepped from the British airliner which brought her to this British protectorate in East Africa from Aden, accompanied by her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh.

Strict security precautions were taken to guard Elizabeth and her husband. Native police lined the two mile route from the airport to Government House, where 5000 guests attended an afternoon garden party in honor of the royal guests.

### Fuels Conference

WASHINGTON, April 28 (AP)—Governors of coal producing states today set up a "permanent fuels conference" to help pull the coal industry out of its present slump.

They also adopted a resolution calling upon Congress members from their states to back legislation curbing imports of fuel oil that competes with coal.

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## Industry Warned To Protect Itself

WASHINGTON, April 28 (AP)—The United States Chamber of Commerce warned industry today to be ready to protect itself from the "devastating new weapons" of modern war, and offered to take the lead in a program of planning.

To get the campaign rolling, it called a "businessmen's conference on industrial defense in the atomic age" to be held here June 15. Military and mobilization officials will be invited to help develop the plans.

In the final policy session of its 42nd annual meeting, the U.S. Chamber called on the government for a stronger continental defense, including early warning of enemy attack.

It advised companies to duplicate and store important records and blueprints for rebuilding, and to be ready when necessary to transfer production from bombed-out plants to undamaged ones.

### Nehru, Ali Clash

COLOMBO, Ceylon, April 28 (AP)—A bitter clash between India's Prime Minister Nehru and Pakistan's Mohammed Ali over Kashmir marked the opening sessions today of the five-nation conference of Asian Prime Ministers.

## French Halt Rebel Drive

HANOI, Indochina, April 28 (AP)—French troops today hammered back attempts by Vietminh rebels to crack Western barricades within 600 yards of the command headquarters of besieged Dien Bien Phu.

The Communist-led rebels were increasing their pressure also on Dien Bien Phu's southernmost stronghold—three miles from the center of the fortress and cut off from road communication with it.

There was no estimate of the forces involved in clashes at either point, or any announcement on casualties.

Additional fortifications were being built within the hard-pressed main fortress area, now less than a mile in diameter.

The main rebel pressure at the Isabelle stronghold was on the eastern bank of the Youm River, which flows through the heart of the Dien Bien Phu plain in north-west Indochina.

French military sources said the rebels were expected to launch an attempt soon to smash the stronghold and then move north in a drive to tighten the noose around the main fortress area.

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## Red China Leader Rejects U.S. Policy

GENEVA, April 28 (AP)—Red China's Premier Chou En-lai, admitted to the councils of the world's major powers for the first time, today rejected American policy in the Far East. He called for a program of "Asia for the Asians" with foreign troops and bases banned.

Chou spoke at the 19-nation Far Eastern conference after U.S. Secretary of State Dulles rejected North Korea's proposals for all-Korean elections on the ground they would transform the country into a Communist puppet state.

Outside the conference hall work progressed on first steps toward halting the bloodshed in Indochina. Russia suggested an immediate meeting of belligerents on the evacuation of "hundreds upon hundreds" of French wounded from besieged Dien Bien Phu.

The Soviet Union proposed also that representatives of the Communist-led Vietminh be admitted to the Geneva conference when it takes up the question of a peace settlement for Indochina.

Chou Demands Status In a bitter denunciation of the West, Chou ranged over a wide field. He demanded a standing alongside the Big Four, opposed rearmament of Western Germany and even demanded a ban on the H-bomb.

"For the first time, the Chinese people are the real masters of their fate," he said. "No force can or will prevent China from becoming strong and prosperous."

Although twenty nations with a population of one billion recognize China, he said, the United States had withheld recognition.

Chou Accuses U.S. Chou said U.S. policy in the Far East is aimed at creating an aggressive bloc and that this is the main source of tension in Asia. The Korean war, he contended, was planned by the United States "as a springboard for aggression against China." He accused the United States of dragging out the truce negotiations on the pretext of concern for war prisoners and said 48,000 Red prisoners had been retained.

"This question," he said, "is in no way closed. This conference cannot escape it."

## Reds Poise 22 Divisions In Germany

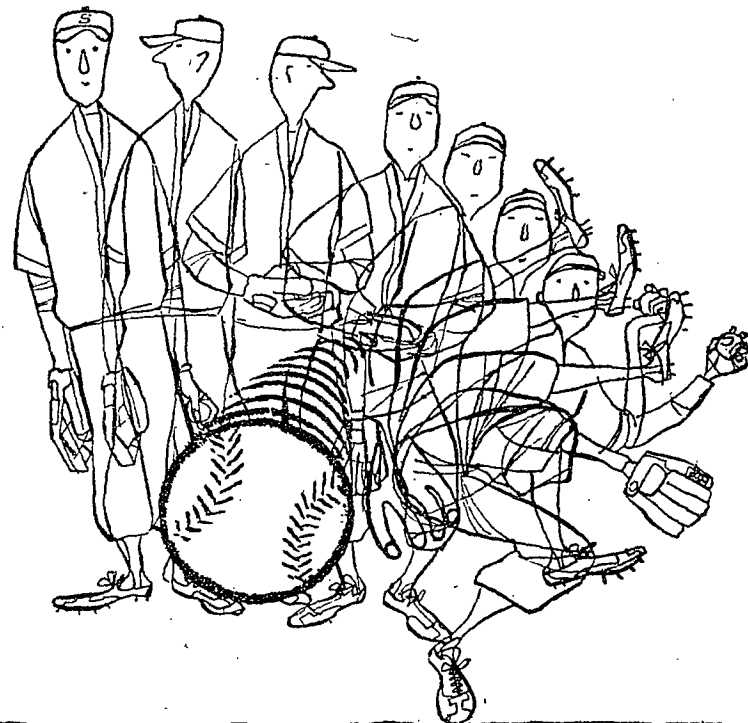
WASHINGTON, April 28 (AP)—Washington heard tonight that Russia has a ready-made spearhead of 22 divisions, most of them armored outfits, spotted in Germany where they could advance into Western Europe.

Within 30 days of the jump-off on any such attack, Soviet and satellite countries could muster 400 divisions, it was stated. The total of men under arms today in Russia, Eastern Germany and in East European satellites is placed at over six million, of whom about 4½ million are in ground armies.

The Soviet Union's 20,000-plane fleet of fighters, battlefield bombers and heavy bombers is being converted swiftly into a deadly and completely modern jet force.

This new assessment of communist military power came from informed diplomatic officials who may not be identified otherwise.

Arrayed against this Communist strength are about 100 divisions available to the Supreme Command of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization forces, with about 2000 planes in condition to fight immediately. These latter figures were disclosed recently by Sen. J. Lawton Collins, U. S. representative on the military committee of NATO.



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