

# Military 'Buy-off' Denied by Adams

WASHINGTON, May 13 (AP)—Army Counsel John G. Adams denied under oath today he ever tried to buy off a McCarthy investigation of the Army by offering tips on homosexuality or subversion in the Navy or Air Force as "bigger bait."

This is one of the more serious charges hurled at Adams by Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R.-Wis.) and aides. Calmly, in a day of rapid-fire cross-examination, the Army lawyer denied that one and also a volley of similar charges, among them:

1. That Army officials gave special treatment to Pvt. G. David Schine to curry favor with the McCarthy committee and halt its investigation of alleged subversive activity at Ft. Monmouth, N.J.

2. That Adams "leaked" to the press a series of charges against McCarthy aids—mainly against Roy M. Cohn—to block subpoenaing of Army Security-Loyalty board members. Adams acknowledged, however, he discussed these charges with five newsmen.

3. That Adams tried to sponge a free prize fight ticket from Schine and did accept free theater tickets from Cohn. Adams testified he paid Cohn back for the theater tickets and "I never asked Dave Schine for a stick of gum."

**Law Partnership Mentioned**  
4. That Adams tried to wangle a \$25,000 a year law partnership through Cohn. Adams said such a thing never was mentioned except in a "for amusement only" vein and he said Cohn knew this perfectly well.

The high strung but low-voiced Army lawyer did accept the truth of one allegation—that he telephoned Maj. Gen. Kirke Lawton at Ft. Monmouth, N.J., and asked him to withdraw security risk charges against nine persons.

Adams said he did so because Pentagon screening officials felt there wasn't enough evidence against these individuals to justify a case before a loyalty-security board.

**Heart of Testimony**  
The meat of Adams' testimony came in a three-hour afternoon session, after he had freely acknowledged going out of his way to be nice to McCarthy staff members but insisted he did nothing to hamper their probe of alleged Communist infiltration in the Army.

## Government To Study Testimony

WASHINGTON, May 13 (AP)—Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell said today the Justice Department will look into every legal question raised by the testimony in the Army-McCarthy hearings.

The attorney general made the statement at a news conference in response to a question whether he is now investigating the case of an Army Intelligence officer said by Sen. Joseph McCarthy to have given him the contents of a secret FBI memorandum on Ft. Monmouth personnel.

"The Army has already started its investigation, and normally this is a matter in their primary jurisdiction. We will decide later what else might be necessary to be done."

Asked whether this pointed to possible prosecution, under statutes relating to the handling of confidential information concerning the national defense, the attorney general did not use the word prosecution. He simply replied, "or further investigation."

He also said he would not at this time interpret the phrase "unauthorized persons" as used in the statutes forbidding the passing of confidential defense information to unauthorized persons.

## Senate OKs TV Sponsors

NEW ORK, May 13 (AP)—The Senate Permanent Investigations subcommittee today gave the green light to sponsorship of telecasts of the Army-McCarthy hearings.

Sen. Karl E. Mundt (R-ND), chairman of the subcommittee, asked the networks to use "good judgment in the types of sponsorship which they secure, since these televised hearings will be going into homes and some school classrooms."

The only two networks carrying the hearings on live TV—Dumont and ABC—both said they are trying to line up sponsors, although they have none as yet.

## Costello Convicted Of Tax Evasion

NEW YORK, May 13 (AP)—Frank Costello, once the king of gamblers, was convicted tonight on three counts of federal income tax evasion.

The 63-year-old Costello, dressed as conservatively as any banker, bowed his head into his trembling hands as the foreman of the jury announced the verdict.

It was the third time in his long and checkered career that Costello was convicted of a crime.

The 62-year-old racketeer was accused of cheating Uncle Sam out of at least \$52,239 in income taxes for the years 1946 through 1949.

## Girl, 2½, Suffocates In Accordion Case

DETROIT, May 13 (AP)—Little Carole Timte was found suffocated today in an accordion case, 14 hours after more than 250 searchers looked everywhere but in the living room of her suburban Farmington Township home.

Her grief-stricken mother, who wears a hearing aid, unknowingly sat only a few feet from Carole's tomb while the all-night search went on.

# U.S. Invites India, S. Asians to Unite

WASHINGTON, May 13 (AP)—The United States, it was learned today, is opening conversations with several South Asian countries, including India, to give them an opportunity to join a united front against Communist power.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and his chief aides regard the diplomatic move as an extremely delicate one. They have designed it in such a way that none of the five countries principally involved has to say "yes" or "no."

Of the five it is expected that India and Indonesia will show no interest in joining any such cooperative enterprise at this stage. Their foreign policies to date have aimed at a kind of neutrality between the Communist and non-Communist blocs.

On the other hand Western officials have believed that Burma, Pakistan or Ceylon—perhaps all of them—are interested in lining up with the free world nations in opposing Red aggression.

These five are known as the "Columbo powers." The Prime Ministers of the five nations met last month at Columbo, Ceylon, where they split along policy lines. India and Indonesia sought to concentrate on the denunciation of colonialism whereas the other three wanted also to include communism among threats to world peace. The result was a compromise resolution warning Reds and anti-Reds alike to watch their step.

While Secretary Dulles has been concentrating on trying to win the active and early cooperation of five other Asian countries and five Pacific powers in the development of a new anti-Communist alliance, Deputy Undersecretary of State Robert Murphy has handled the talks with the Columbo group. The British government has also been in close contact with the Columbo group, all of which are members of the British Commonwealth except Indonesia.

## Reds Launch Heavy Attack Near Hanoi

HANOI, Indochina, May 13 (AP)—Vietminh troops today hurled their heaviest attack of the year in the vital Red River Delta against French forces near Phuly, 30 miles south of Hanoi. The French said their battalions smashed the assault, but suffered "serious losses."

The Communist-led Vietminh threw 2000 to 3000 regulars against the French one mile south of Phuly—a key point in the delta on a direct road to Hanoi. Rebel losses were described as "extremely heavy."

In repelling the assault the French used intensive artillery fire, "massive" air strafings and bombings, and counterattack by infantry spearheaded with tanks, the high command said.

Other French Union forces hurling grenades and charging with bayonets drove Vietminh troops from two villages only eight miles from Hanoi and lying close to the important rail and highway link with the seaport of Haiphong.

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## Ike Signs St. Lawrence Seaway Bill

WASHINGTON, May 13 (AP)—President Eisenhower signed the St. Lawrence Seaway bill today, authorizing the United States to join Canada in digging the great new waterway.

The project will open the heart of the American continent to ocean shipping. A companion project calls for a dam on the broad St. Lawrence River, to provide a new source of electric power for the northeast.

The engineering plan is to dredge the St. Lawrence deep enough to allow salt water ships with a 27-foot draft to sail from the Atlantic to the Great Lakes and as far inland as Toledo, Ohio. Locks and canals also will be constructed. The federal government will spend an estimated 105 million dollars on the work.

A 46-mile stretch of rapids beginning near Ogdensburg, N.Y., will be dammed and a \$600 million electric power plant constructed. It is expected to generate more than 12 billion kilowatt hours of electricity annually. Eisenhower backed the bill for security as well as economic reasons.

## Hydrogen Tests Ended

WASHINGTON, May 13 (AP)—The Pentagon and the Atomic Energy Commission today announced "successful" completion of the 1954 hydrogen explosion tests in the Pacific.

## Eden States Plan To Unify Korea

GENEVA, May 13 (AP)—British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden laid down today the "absolute minimum" of Western requirements for a formula to unify Korea.

He urged action upon them by the 19-nation conference on Korea, but most of the principles Eden cited have been rejected already by the Communists.

Two of the points made by Eden today—free elections supervised by the United Nations and proportional representation of North and South Koreans on any information organs—are absolutely opposed to the Communist program for Korea.

Eden made three other points in his listing of "basic principles" for solution of the problem—elections for the formation of an all-Korean government, universal adult suffrage and a secret ballot and absolute freedom in balloting. They drew only silence from the Communist seats. Universal adult suffrage seemed to be the only idea acceptable to the Communists in the present atmosphere. Eden rejected the charges made

by Red China's Chou En-lai that the United States was embarked on a policy of "imperialistic aggression" in Asia and warned that "we shall not achieve our aim of achieving peace by raking over the embers of the past."

"In our judgment," Eden declared, "the action of the United Nations in Korea has been no more or less than its duty. If it had failed to take up the challenge of the aggressors, its authority would have been destroyed."

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