

# Strauss Refutes Atom Slowdown

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12 (AP)—Chairman Lewis L. Strauss testified today the Atomic Energy Commission's weapons program has not been impaired in the long uproar over the Dixon-Yates power contract.

Appearing before the Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee, which is studying the contract, Strauss said he was afraid the hearings had produced "a misleading impression" to the effect "that the weapons program has been impaired."

"In my opinion," he said, "it has not."

### Take Stand

AEC Commissioner Thomas E. Murray had said in previous testimony that the Dixon-Yates issue had diverted the commission's attention from its primary job-producing fissionable materials and atomic weapons.

With Strauss and other AEC officials on the witness stand today, the Committee was combing over the contract paragraph by paragraph.

Signed yesterday, the contract is between AEC and a utility company formed by E. H. Dixon, president of Middle South Utilities, Inc., and E. A. Yates, board chairman of the Southern Co.

### Replaces TVA

It calls for Dixon-Yates to supply 600,000 kilowatts of energy, with the government paying \$20 million a year for 25 years for the power. Under the contract, Dixon-Yates is to build a \$107 million generating plant at West Memphis, Ark., to replace power the Tennessee Valley Authority now supplies to atomic installations.

Rep. W. Sterling Cole (R-NY), chairman of the Senate-House Committee, said he hoped to wind up hearings on the contract and then get a vote tomorrow on waiving a 30-day period in which the document would be considered by Congress at a time when both Senate and House are in session.

# Belgium Plans Uranium Pact

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12 (AP)—Prime Minister Paul Henri Spaak disclosed today that Belgium plans to work out a new agreement with the United States and Great Britain for using uranium from the rich African Congo fields.

He said it would carry provisions under which the United States would lend a hand to Belgium's own atomic industrialization.

The agreement would replace a 1944 pact, since altered in some degree, which has come in for hot political criticism in Belgium.

For one thing, critics of the government have accused it of virtually giving the uranium away without getting help in return for Belgium's nuclear research program. The price has been kept secret.

Spaak talked to reporters today after he and Minister Sir Robert Scott of the British Embassy had conferred for an hour with Undersecretary of State Herbert Hoover Jr.

# Physiologist Says Men Are Capable Of 'Button' Warfare

CHICAGO, Nov. 12 (AP)—Could you drum enough savagery to press the push button on a city-busting, atomic-loaded rocket?

A world-renowned authority on animal and human behavior said today that many normal men would find it less emotionally upsetting than slapping a defenseless little girl.

And that's the reason, says Dr. Konrad Z. Lorenz, that humanity has been on "the razor edge of self-extermination" since the first primitive weapons were devised. Dr. Lorenz is director of the Max Planck Institute of Behavior Psychology in Buldern, Germany.

He has found: The raven that deliberately pecks out the eyes of some small animals and other birds refuses to use this form of attack against another raven, even when fighting.

A wolf will turn his head away and halt his attack on a hated rival if the defeated wolf bares his neck in submission.

A dog will halt his attack if his dog enemy freezes or turns submissively on his back during a fight.

Dr. Lorenz says a dog will not bite a puppy under 4 or 5 months old, despite the provocation.

The person who starts a push-button war, Dr. Lorenz contends, could—through repression—keep himself from realizing the consequences of his act.

# McCarthy Accused Of 'Slush' Spreading

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12 (AP)—Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis) was assailed today as a spreader of "slush and slime," and defended as a victim of spiteful slanders, in the week's final session of the Senate debate on the question of censuring him.

The slush and slime charge came from Sen. John C. Stennis (D-Miss), a member of the special committee which recommended censure for McCarthy. Stennis argued the Senate must "condemn" McCarthy's conduct in order to set a standard of political honor.

Republican Sen. John W. Bricker (Ohio) and Barry Goldwater (Ariz) came swiftly to McCarthy's defense, praising him as the symbol of American resistance to communism and blaming Communist influence for the move to rebuke him.

Finally a second member of the censure committee, Sen. Frank Carlson (R-Kan), took the floor and protested sharply against McCarthy's charge that the committee member were "unwitting handmaidens" of the Communist party.

Carlson declared McCarthy's accusation—made in a speech he put into the Congressional Record Wednesday—was untrue, was a violation of Senate rules and "is therefore out of order."

Goldwater described the censure move as "the culminating act to destroy America's foremost fighter against communism," and accused McCarthy's foes of hypocrisy.

"The masterminds in this fight have said one thing and meant another," Goldwater declared.

# Ellis Island Closes After 62-Year Use

NEW YORK, Nov. 12 (AP)—Ellis Island, through whose portals some 20 million immigrants passed in 62 years, was closed today.

The last alien housed on the historic little isle in New York harbor came off at 10:15 a.m. and a few hours later the last load of furniture needed immediately by the Immigration Service also was ferried ashore.

All immigration activities have been consolidated at the district headquarters in mid-Manhattan occupied by the service a decade ago.

In its peak years in the early part of the century it channeled as many as 5000 newcomers a day into the new world.

# \$112 Million Cost Set

LONDON, Nov. 12 (AP)—Carol, Dolly, Edna and Hazel today sent the bill for their tragic sprees to Lloyd's and it came to a whopping \$112 million.

The four are the code names for hurricanes which roared out of the Caribbean this year and cut paths of devastation there and in the United States and Canada.

# New England Train Crash Injures 21

NASHUA, N.H., Nov. 12 (AP)—A crack Montreal-Boston express derailed, overturned and smashed into a mass of wreckage at dawn today in the Union Railroad Station yard here.

One passenger was killed, 21 others injured. It was the first fatality to a passenger on the road since 1918.

Cause of the wreck was not immediately determined.

A Boston and Maine Railroad spokesman said the train approached the station—where it was scheduled to stop—"at excessive speed." He said brake failure of the speed could have caused the accident.

The train was the Red Wing, made up of eight cars and a double unit Diesel engine.

Only the foremost of the engine units and a Pullman club car at the rear end of the train remained upright.

The others overturned and demolished the tracks as they skidded to a halt.

The baggage-mail car landed on its roof. Other cars smashed into freight cars standing on a siding, wrecking two of them, and ripping through the concrete and masonry wall of an adjoining building.

The trucks under several cars tore loose and smashed through the wall of a freight shed, coming to scattered rest in the railroad yard.

Taxicabs were pressed into service to help the overworked local police ambulance carry injured to hospitals.

# Ike Bags 5 Pheasants;

# Prexy Sees 2 Ducks

TOLEDO, Ohio, Nov. 12 (AP)—President Eisenhower went duck hunting today for the first time in 20 years and brought down the daily limit of four birds in the first half hour of shooting.

In 2½ hours, the President bagged five pheasants on which there is no limit.

But the President's youngest brother, Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower, president of Pennsylvania State University, wasn't so fortunate. He reported ruefully that he not only brought down no ducks, but saw only two during the morning. He blazed away at them, but missed.

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