

# Ike Says Atomic Weapons OK on Military Targets

WASHINGTON, March 16 (AP)—President Eisenhower declared today that "of course" the United States will use atomic weapons—against military targets—in event of war.

Under the law, the President alone must decide whether to use such weapons.

"Now, in any combat where these things can be used on strictly military targets and for strictly military purposes," Eisenhower told a news conference, "I see no reason why they shouldn't be used just exactly as you would use a bullet or anything else.

"I believe the great question about these things comes when you begin to get into those areas where you cannot make sure that you are operating merely against military targets. But with that one qualification, I would say, yes, of course, they would be used."

### Supports Dulles

Eisenhower thus put his support behind Secretary of State Dulles.

Dulles said yesterday he assumes tactical nuclear weapons, such as small bombs and artillery projectiles, would be employed in any major military action anywhere in the world. He emphasized he was speaking of small weapons that could hit military targets with precision without endangering civilian areas.

The tandem statements by the secretary and the President appeared designed to impress upon an uneasy world and the Chinese Communists that:

### Military Action

Any major military action is likely to touch off atomic warfare.

Such a war need not inevitably involve use of hydrogen bombs capable of mass destruction of vast areas.

In response to questions on civil defense, Eisenhower said, "This is one of the most serious problems facing us today." A recent Atomic Energy Commission report on effects of nuclear weapons, he said, shows it is possible for an individual to take care of himself. It was intended to be reassuring rather than terrifying, he said.

## Matusow Sentenced To Three Years

EL PASO, Tex., March 16 (AP)—U.S. Dist. Judge R. E. Thomason today sentenced turnabout witness Harvey Matusow to three years in federal prison.

The judge said he was convinced Matusow was lying in recanting testimony against accused Communists.

Thomason sentenced Matusow for criminal contempt of court for filing an affidavit taking back testimony as to the Communist connections of Clinton Jencks at a trial here in 1954.

Matusow and other witnesses testified against Jencks who was convicted of falsifying a non-Communist affidavit under the Taft-Hartley Act and sentenced to five years in prison.

## House GOP Leaders Predict Defeat for Cuts in Income Tax

WASHINGTON, March 16 (AP)—House Republican leaders voiced strong confidence today that a Democratic drive to cut everybody's income taxes next year is all but beaten.

They commented as the battle over the issue shifted from House and Senate floors to a 10-man Senate-House Conference Committee.

## A-Blast Planned Near Tank Troops

WASHINGTON, March 16 (AP)—The Army will demonstrate under an actual atomic explosion condition next month its theory that tank troops can survive and fight in nuclear warfare on the battlefield.

It announced today that 55 M48 tanks will stand two miles from a tactical-size bomb burst at the Nevada proving ground, probably sometime about mid-April. In them will be their crews—four men to a tank, or 220 men in all.

The Army said that "for the first time in history, American soldiers will depend on armor protection from an atomic detonation."

The thick steel of a tank turret about three inches affords protection not only against the shock wave of the explosion but against heat from the blast of the bomb. At two miles, with a tactical-size bomb, there would be no dangers of instant radiation from the explosion.

## North Korea Called 'Red'

SEOUL, March 16 (AP)—President Syngman Rhee today pictured North Korea as a virtual Red China province; its population cut more than half by war and disease, its women forced to marry Chinese soldiers.

"According to what refugees have told us," Rhee said, "There are only about three million of our people left in North Korea."

The committee must decide the next step in the politically important scrap.

The House passed a bill to cut income taxes \$20 for each taxpayer and each dependent—\$100 for a family of five—starting next Jan. 1. The same bill would postpone for one year about three billion dollars in annual corporation and excise tax cuts now set for April 1, just 15 days away.

The Senate yesterday voted 61-32 against the \$20 per person tax cut. It passed a bill merely extending the corporation and excise taxes—just what President Eisenhower has urged. The Senate defeated a milder Democratic "compromise" tax cut 50-44.

That action drew a one-word comment from President Eisenhower at his news conference today: "Hurrah!"

House Republican Leader Joseph Martin (R-Mass.) and Deputy GOP Leader Charles Halleck (R-Ind.) joined in confident predictions the conference committee eventually will accept the Senate tax bill, without any income tax cut.

Martin declared that even if the conference committee approves a tax cut, Republicans now have the votes to defeat it on the House floor.

House Democratic leaders were wary about predictions. They gave no outward indications of yielding on the issue, but they expressed none of the sure-fire optimism emerging from the Republican side.

## Bevan Ousted From Job In British Parliament By Divided Labor Party

LONDON, March 16 (AP)—Britain's divided Labor party blotted the Laborite brand off rebel Aneurin Bevan so far as his career in Parliament is concerned and turned him loose as a political maverick today.

Laborite members of Parliament kicked the fiery, 57-year-old leftist out of their ranks by a vote of 141-112 for challenging the moderate leadership of former Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee over the past three years.

The final breach came two weeks ago when Bevan led 57 MPs, including asserted pacifists, in bucking rigid party voting discipline in the House of Commons on the hydrogen bomb issue.

Bevan demanded party support of a move to bar Britain from ever using the H-bomb except in retaliation against an H-bomb attack. Attlee refused. Then the Bevan bloc abstained from a vote on a Labor party motion to censure Prime Minister Churchill's government for its general handling of the defense program.

### Penalty is Grim

Bevan's penalty—life as an independent barred from parliamentary party councils—is considerably grimmer under the British system than in the United States, whose foreign policies he has often attacked.

He is still a Laborite outside Parliament. A Moderate move to strip him of even that status is subject to action by the National Executive Committee, which Attlee controls. It meets next Wednesday.

### Conflicting Reports

Britons heard conflicting reports as to whether Bevan will ever ask reinstatement. He would have to petition to be taken back and pledge to obey orders to return. He was thrown out once before, on the eve of World War II, but got back in the party's good graces.

The expulsion of this often brilliant, usually controversial and seldom contrite Welshman summoned up fogs of doubt not only about Bevan's future, but about the suture of the party.

Bevan insists he did not challenge the party's leadership, but its policies.

## Harlan Appointed To Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, March 16 (AP)—The Senate today confirmed President Eisenhower's nomination of Judge John M. Harlan to be a justice of the Supreme Court.

Harlan, 55, now a judge of the Second U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York, was nominated last November to fill the Supreme Court vacancy left by the death of Justice Robert H. Jackson.

The vote was 71-11. Harlan's nomination was approved after wide-ranging denunciation that hit the court itself and the United Nations.

Nine Democratic senators and two Republicans voted against confirmation.

Voting for confirmation were 32 Democrats and 39 Republicans.

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