'Superior' Atomic Sub To Be Built by Navy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—The Navy announced today it will build a new atomic submarine with a new hull design expected to give it "superior" performance to the two present nuclear subs.

The hull will be patterned on that of the high-speed test submarine Albacore, which reportedly has exceeded the underwater speed of the atom-powered Nautilus even though the Albacore has conventional diesel engines. The Nautilus has a submerged speed of more than 20 knots.

The new hull design also will be utilized for the building of three new submersibles using diesel engines.

Original plans for the four submarines to be built under the 1956 ship construction program called for hull design based on the conventional Tang class boat. The Navy said in its announcement today that "success of the submarine reappraisal of plans and the decirine Albacore, however, led to sion to change."

Better Design—Save Cost

The Albacore design, the Navy said, "offers the advantages of greater range, greater underwater speed, and improved maneuverability at approximately the same cost." The Albacore has a fish-shaped body with sharp nose, a blimplike tail and airplane type controls. It uses a single, five-bladed propeller.

The Albacore type hull will be used for the nuclear submarine USS N585. The Navy announced on Oct. 18 that this vessel will be built by the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics Corp.

Shorter, Thinner Hull

The new hull will be shorter and thinner than the conventional attack submarines. But the N585 will have a "slightly greater displacement." It will use a reactor built by Westinghouse and have a single propeller instead of the usual two.

The Navy announcement said the new hull program would result in "some delay" in building the first of the three conventional powered subs at Portsmouth, N.H., naval shipyard.

One of the other two Albacore hulls will be built by the Ingalls Shipbuilding Corp. at Pascagoula, Miss. Bids for the other vessel will be requested later.

NAM Splits With Meany On Tactics

NEW YORK, Dec. 9 (AP)—Business and labor leaders today swapped peace overtures but wound up bitterly feuding over union tactics in politics and bargaining.

George Meany, president of the newly-merged AFL-CIO, and Charles R. Sligh, Jr., executive committee chairman of the National Assn. of Manufacturers, split widely in their views. Both spoke to a crowded NAM luncheon at the Waldorf Astoria ballroom.

Sligh questioned whether the new 16 million member AFL-CIO would become "a ghost government" to control the country. He lashed at compulsory union membership arrangements, at irresponsible strikes, and at wage levels so high that products are "priced out of the market."

Meany, speaking first and extemporaneously, had extended an olive branch to business and said it was "silly" for labor and management to quarrel constantly when they had so much in common.

Sligh said he would be willing to meet with Meany at any time to try to "clear up some things" but "naturally we are not prepared to admit that all of his grievances are legitimate."

Their rift deepened shortly after Sligh finished his prepared speech. Newsmen cornered the two together on the speakers' platform and it appeared for a time both men were having trouble controlling their tempers.

Ike May Announce Plans Soon

NEW YORK, Dec. 9 (AP)—Sen. William F. Knowland (R-Calif) said today he believes President Dwight D. Eisenhower will disclose by the middle of next month whether he will run for re-election.

This would advance the date of the President's announcement by six or seven weeks over previous indications.

Contradicts Hall

Republican National Chairman Leonard W. Hall has held there was no need for the President to speak out before late February or early March.

Knowland refused to tell a news conference whether he himself will seek the GOP presidential nomination until Eisenhower "has the opportunity to make a decision which I believe will be made during the month of January."

Decision by January

He recalled he had said after his meeting with the President that the Eisenhower decision should be made clear "in mid-January" before the end of filings for state primaries.

The logic of events, he said, will "require a statement at that time" by the President.

In referring to his talk with the President, Knowland said: "I wouldn't want to mislead you by saying that the question of 1956 didn't enter the discussion."

Knowland made his prediction prior to addressing a dinner of the National Assn. of Manufacturers.

Defense Criteria Outlined by Russell

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga) said today that Democrats will judge the administration's new military budget by how much defense it offers—not how many billions are in it.

Russell, who is chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, serves as a principal Democratic party spokesman on defense issues.

In advance of a White House briefing for leaders of both parties on defense and foreign policies next Tuesday, Russell said in an interview he will fight a reduction in over-all arms strength.

Must Retain Power

"I am not willing to sell security short to attempt to balance the budget," the senator said. "What is involved is not a question of the billions to be spent but of the retention of our present over-all military striking power.

"If the administration proposes what I believe will involve a reduction in our ability to defend ourselves, I will oppose it."

Russell said he would not go along with military cuts that were aimed at providing a tax reduction next year.

No Tax Cut Seen

"I haven't yet seen much chance of cutting taxes unless it is to be done with continued deficit spending," Russell observed.

The senator said he had been informed that consideration is being given within the administration to a military budget of about $35,200,000,000 for the year beginning next July 1.

Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson has said he hopes the level can be held to the approximately 34½ billions estimated military outlay for the current year. Wilson said this would be "tough" to do. But after a conference with President Eisenhower at Gettysburg he forecast "no major change" in the over-all total.

Attache Arrested

PARIS (AP) — French officials announced today that a Polish military attache was arrested for spying in the French sector of West Berlin three days ago.

GOP Chiefs Plan Caucus On Tax Bill

HARRISBURG, Dec. 9 (AP)—The scene of possible attempts to break the Commonwealth's tax deadlock today shifted to New York where Senate Republicans were planning to attend the annual Pennsylvania Society dinner.

The dinner, fixed for tomorrow night, is usually an occasion for behind-the-scenes discussions among the top leaders of the Republican party.

Both Sen. M. Harvey Taylor, influential GOP figure and Senate president pro tempore, and Sen. Rowland B. Mahany, Senate Republican floor leader, left for the New York event.

Conference Is Monday

Mahany said a Republican conference among legislative leaders is planned for Harrisburg Monday but declined to predict if that session would mean a final decision on taxes.

Gov. George M. Leader's proposed 3½ per cent manufacturers' excise tax is now before the Senate after passing the House last month. Democrats need at least three GOP votes to pass it.

Governor Declines Prediction

The governor himself declined to predict at his news conference what will happen to the excise levy which, after a series of Democratic amendments, is now written to yield 320 million dollars.

Leader said it will be up to the GOP-controlled Senate to raise an additional 100 to 150 million dollars by turning to a series of House-passed business levies which are also in the hands of the Senate.

$30 Million Set For Hospitals

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 9 (AP)—State Welfare Secretary Harry Shapiro said tonight he plans to spend 30 million dollars for the construction of hospitals for the mentally ill in Pennsylvania over the next two years.

Shapiro said the funds will come through a combination of state and federal aid as provided under the federal Hill-Burton Act with the government contributing a third and the state matching two-thirds of the amount.

"These funds have been available for the past 8 years and not a cent was ever allocated by the state to such vital needs as the treatment of emotionally disturbed and mentally retarded children," he said.

Membership Fight Brewing in UN

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Dec. 9 (AP)—Nationalist China demanded today that the UN Security Council give first priority to its resolutions opening UN doors to 13 non-Communist candidates. It maintained a veto threat against at least one of five Red aspirants for UN membership.

The Western powers, meanwhile, were in almost constant consultation on the best way to tackle the ticklish membership problem at an open meeting of the Council tomorrow. The Soviet Union held aloof, reiterating its determination to veto all Western candidates if its favorites are not admitted.

Disagreement Seen On Freight Rates

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—Railroad executives, who are planning to seek a new increase in freight rates, were reported today to have failed to agree on details of the request.

Railroad sources reported that there is now no disagreement among the railroads on the question of seeking another hike—probably 7 per cent.

However it was said that today's meeting was inconclusive because of disputes over whether the proposed application to the Interstate Commerce Commission should exempt certain commodities in whole or in part from the rate advance.

Benson Urges Reduction

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Benson said today that if farmers will cut down on pig production next spring, they'll benefit from higher hog prices.

New Paratyphoid Cases

LANCASTER, Pa. (AP)—Twenty-seven new cases of paratyphoid were reported in Lancaster County yesterday, raising to 81 the number of persons known to have been stricken.

Peron Assets Frozen

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, Dec. 9 (AP)—The provisional government today froze the assets of Juan D. and the late Eva Peron and scores of other individuals and corporations.

GM Dealer Says Charges Distorted

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (AP)—A contented General Motors dealer asserted today a Senate subcommittee has presented "a distorted picture" of dealer relations with the giant automotive corporation.

Lester A. Malkerson, who sells Oldsmobiles in Minneapolis, told the Antitrust and Monopoly subcommittee he thinks that most of GM's 17,000 dealers are satisfied with their present contracts. As for himself, he said, he's happy and prosperous.

Malkerson added in a statement placed in the record of the subcommittee's hearings that he expected "a representative cross-section" of the GM dealers to be called as witnesses, but that "so far the committee has heard from only a handful of dealers who have testified adversely."

The senators are investigating General Motors in what they described as a case study of bigness in business.

Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D-Wyo), subcommittee chairman, introduced into evidence today a report that 4069 of 8276 GM dealers who answered a questionnaire indicated "pressure from factory to take more cars than needed" was one of the primary causes of automobile bootlegging.

Bootlegging is used in this sense to describe the sale of new cars by nonfranchised dealers, usually at bargain prices. The practice is not prohibited by law, but is a matter of concern to the investigators.

O'Mahoney said he got the report from Sen. A. S. Michael Monroney (D-Okla) and that it was the result of a questionnaire sent out by a Senate Commerce subcommittee in a separate investigation of car-marketing practices.

Another development in today's hearing was O'Mahoney's decision to subpoena a group of Chicago automobile dealers and others to clear up conflicts about GM's policy on the installation of heaters in cars.

William J. Marshall Jr., a Chicago attorney representing E. L. Schofield, Inc., of Rockford, Ill., testified that dealers have told him they couldn't buy Schofield heaters because they would be unable to get GM cars unless they installed GM heaters.

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