

McCarthy Probe Ruled 'Outside Jurisdiction'

BOSTON, Jan. 5 (AP)—A federal judge ruled today that Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis) acted outside the jurisdiction of his committee two years ago in a one-man probe of subversion in defense plants.

In handing down his lengthy opinion, Judge Bailey Aldrich acquitted Leon J. Kamin, 28, former research assistant at Harvard, of charges of contempt of Congress.

Aldrich said the Senate Committee on Government Operations—of which the Senate Permanent Investigations subcommittee is a part—had no powers to investigate the general subject of communism; that government operation meant the operation of government departments, not private operation of private industry, even though under government contract.

Acquittal 'Ridiculous'

Sen. McCarthy called the acquittal of Kamin on contempt of Congress charges a "ridiculous" decision by a judge who, he said, "should have disqualified himself."

"It is ridiculous to the point of being ludicrous," McCarthy told reporters in Washington. He said Judge Aldrich "should have disqualified himself since he was a member of the Board of Overseers of Harvard University and Kamin was a Harvard professor."

Voices Disagreement

He voiced vigorous disagreement with Aldrich's finding that McCarthy had exceeded the Senate's investigations subcommittee's authority in questioning Kamin in a search for evidence of subversion and espionage in privately owned defense plants. McCarthy said the subcommittee had "not only the right but the obligation" to conduct the inquiry.

Kamin, now connected with Queens University, Kingston, Ont., refused to answer Sen. McCarthy—in the same building where today's opinion was handed down—as to whether he knew any Communists in defense plants.

Party Member

Kamin had admitted being a member of the Communist party at times between 1945 and 1950.

Evidence had been introduced that Kamin worked in Harvard's project at Beavertail Point, Jamestown, R.I., on radar equipment. And a Harvard official had testified Kamin did not have "authorized access" to classified material or contracts.

"It seems to me," Judge Aldrich's opinion said, "that as a pure matter of language private operation of private industry is not 'activity performed by the government' on an operational level, and that the general economy and efficiency of such private operation is beyond the scope of the committee. I cannot believe that Congress intended otherwise."

Pacts Denounced By Tito, Nasser

CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 5 (AP)—President Tito and Prime Minister Gamal Abdel Nasser today jointly denounced military pacts and blocs as "suicidal and increasing world tension."

A statement agreed on by Nasser and the visiting Yugoslav leader during their Nile River trip to the Cairo Dam was released by Yugoslav Minister of State Koca Popovic during a news conference.

Tito and Nasser emphasized what they called the "policy of nonalignment" practiced by both their countries as making a vital contribution to world peace.

They declared their nonalignment with the major power blocs is "not passive, but a positive, active and constructive policy seeking to lead to worldwide collective security and to a substantial extension of the area of peace in the world."

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European Economic Aid Insured

PARIS, Jan. 5 (AP)—European economic planners today received assurance of continued American aid which probably will prevent any "dollar gap" for the next 2½ years, despite an over-all aid cut of one billion dollars.

U.S. representatives gave these assurances to a special committee of the 17-nation Organization for European Economic Cooperation which is drafting an annual report on the progress and prospects of member countries to be published at the end of this month.

The OEEC, originally founded to help distribute Marshall Plan funds, now acts as the coordinating agency among European nations in breaking down trade barriers and promoting economic integration. One of the key factors in any OEEC estimate of the European situation is the sum of U.S. dollars available.

The U.S. representatives, who attend most OEEC sessions as observers, outlined probable dollar expenditures in OEEC countries and their dependent overseas territories for the fiscal years of 1956-57 and 1957-58—that is, up to June 30, 1958.

The Americans told the OEEC, reliable sources said, that American expenditures will be at an annual rate of roughly \$1,600,000,000 by June of 1958, barring some unexpected change in plans. This is much more than the current European trade deficit with the dollar area.

GOP Praises Message, Democrats Find Fault

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 (AP)—A chorus of praise for President Eisenhower's State of the Union message rose from the Republican side of Congress today. Democrats heard "political overtones" in it and found fault on many other counts.

That President's emphasis on a balanced budget won widespread applause but some legislators in both parties still spoke hopefully of a tax cut this year.

"I am still hopeful that the budget will be balanced in 1956 and will justify some reductions in lower and middle income brackets," said Sen. George of Georgia, a Democratic leader.

"There may be a possibility of reducing individual income taxes," commented Sen. Flanders (R-Vt.), while another leading Republican, Sen. Dirksen of Illinois, said he considers Eisenhower has left the question of taxes "open pretty much for what action Congress may decide."

Democratic criticism of the President's report was concentrated mainly on what party members called its vagueness and overly optimistic tone.

Celebrates 80th Birthday



Konrad Adenauer

'Copter Falls, Two Men Die

SWEDESBORO, N.J., Jan. 5 (AP)—Two men were burned to death today in the crash of an experimental-type U.S. Air Force helicopter in a field near the New Jersey Turnpike.

Witnesses told police the craft plunged to earth after the tail section broke off.

The pilot, identified by police as Harold Peterson, 34, of Media, Pa., and co-pilot George Callahan, 36, of Chester, Pa., were trapped in the forward section of the helicopter, which burst into flames after the crash.

The fliers were employees of the Piasecki Helicopter Co., Philadelphia.

They had left International Airport, Philadelphia, on a test flight in the U.S. Air Force helicopter type YH16-a at 2:45 p.m.

The airport control tower said it lost contact with the helicopter at 3:15 p.m. The crash occurred at 3:50 p.m. in Woolwich Twp., Gloucester County, about 8 miles north of the Deepwater terminus of the turnpike.

Bits of the wreckage were found as much as a mile from the scene, state police said.

Pope Studying Russian

VATICAN CITY, Jan. 5 (AP)—Pope Pius XII, who speaks seven languages fluently and has a smattering of a dozen more, is now studying Russian. His intent, Vatican sources said, is to achieve a passing acquaintance with it.

World Joins Celebration Of Adenauer's Birthday

BONN, Germany, Jan. 5 (AP)—Chancellor Konrad Adenauer was 80 today—and his countrymen gave him his biggest birthday party.

Tributes and gifts by the thousands flowed in to the "grand old man" of Germany from his people and world statesmen on both sides of the Iron Curtain.

Flip of Coin Decides Contest Between Judges

MERCER, Pa., Jan. 5 (AP)—A flip of the coin and a lucky draw of the highest of 20 numbers has made Herman M. Rodgers president judge of Mercer County.

The Pennsylvania Supreme Court yesterday ordered Judge Rodgers and Judge Leo H. McCay to cast lots for presiding judge after they were unable to decide between them who should hold the senior office.

Both jurists had been appointed by former Gov. John S. Fine and started their terms on the same day, Dec. 31, 1953. The court originally had only one judge but the Legislature passed a bill providing for the second jurist.

Unable to decide who should hold the senior office, the two judges asked the Pennsylvania Supreme Court to rule on the issue. The high court told them to cast lots. After winning the coin toss Judge Rodgers on the first pick drew No. 20.

The Bonn Republic's leaders and foreign diplomats trooped to the white Chancellery on the Rhine to wish him "herzliche gluckwunsche" (hearty good wishes). Throughout the nation, newspapers printed pictures of Adenauer and praise of his statesmanship.

Paid Respects

Hundreds of Germans paid their respects by standing throughout the day in raw winter chill at the entrance to the Chancellery. All mail delivered in Bonn bore a postmark of roses in his honor. Adenauer is a famous rose grower.

It was a great day for the iron-willed man who in six years has piloted West Germany from ruin to recovery and a position of honor in the free world. And Adenauer, despite a head cold, enjoyed every minute of his all-day birthday celebration.

Like Sends Greetings

There were congratulatory messages from President Eisenhower, Prime Minister Eden, Soviet Premier Bulganin, Sir Winston Churchill and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles. From Pope Pius XII he received the Vatican's second highest award—the Order of the Golden Spur.

A book and three paintings were sent by President and Mrs. Eisenhower.

Grace Kelly Plans Marriage To Prince Ranier of Monaco

Grace Kelly, blonde, beautiful and elegant star of the movies, today announced her betrothal to Prince Rainier of Monaco and said the wedding date will be soon after Easter.

Announcement of the engagement, which came after a courtship on the Riviera, was made jointly in Monte Carlo and by Miss Kelly's parents in Philadelphia.

Plans for the actual marriage were disclosed later in the day at a news conference in the Kelly home—an event which sent hundreds of newsmen and photographers, film cameramen and television technicians to the scene.

Grace's father, John B. Kelly, millionaire builder, gazed with a slight touch of dismay at the big crowd and said:

"It's a good thing that I built this house myself or there'd be no place for any of them."

The humor in his voice and in his demeanor generally showed plainly that it was to be a jolly occasion.

Both Miss Kelly and the prince, head of the tiny European principality and considered one of the most eligible bachelors in the world, were in high spirits, indeed.

Someone asked the star if she planned a large family.

She laughed, nodded a blithe yes. Then her mother, herself a decidedly attractive woman, cut in:

"Why certainly she'll have a large family. I'm a grandmother and I like a lot of grandchildren."



Grace Kelly


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