

Ike Reappoints Military Chiefs

WASHINGTON, March 26 (AP)—President Dwight D. Eisenhower today ordered the biggest reshuffle of top military leaders since the year he took office. Named to head the Joint Chiefs of Staff was Air Force Gen. Nathan F. Twining.

Twining, a member of the Joint Chiefs since 1953, will succeed Adm. Arthur W. Radford as chairman on Aug. 15.

Radford will step down after serving two two-year terms—the longest tenure which the law allows.

AF Chief Nominated
Eisenhower also nominated—subject to Senate confirmation—a new Air Force chief of staff, a new deputy secretary of defense and a new secretary of the Air Force.

These changes were the most sweeping in the Pentagon since Eisenhower replaced in 1953 the Joint Chiefs appointed by former President Truman.

Donald A. Quarles, now secretary of the Air Force, was named deputy secretary of defense, the No. 2 position in the defense establishment now held by Reuben Robertson.

Robertson Resigns
The resignation of Robertson, who came to the Pentagon in August 1955 with the understanding he would remain not more than two years, also was announced by the White House. Robertson asked that it become effective April 25.

To succeed Twining as commander of the Air Force, Eisenhower nominated Gen. Thomas D. White, now the vice chief of the USAF.

James H. Douglas, undersecretary of the Air Force, was chosen to fill the secretaryship being vacated by Quarles.

Adm. Burke Renominated
Adm. Arleigh E. Burke was at the same time nominated for a second two-year term as chief of naval operations.

The White House said Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor will continue in his term as Army chief of staff until June 29, 1959. The Pentagon said that, unlike the other chiefs who get two-year terms, the Army commander serves "during the pleasure of the President but not for more than four years."

3 Pittsburgh Men Killed in Crash

ROANOKE, Va., March 26 (AP)—Three Pittsburgh area businessmen returning home from a Havana vacation were killed today when their private plane crashed while attempting to land at Woodrum Field here.

Killed were:
John Raymond, 44, Pittsburgh, who is believed to have been flying the plane. He operated an auto body repair shop.

Edward T. Albert, 43, Pittsburgh grocer.

Ronald R. Scholter, 40, McKeesport, Pa., who operated a refrigeration service in Duquesne, Pa.

The trio left Pittsburgh 11 days ago to join a sportsmen's pilot cruise to Cuba.

Ed Council Nominations Will Close on Friday

Application blanks for self-nomination to the Education Student Council will be available until noon Friday at the Hetzel Union desk.

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The council elections will be held on April 3 and 4.

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Bill to Hold Budget Even Finds Favor

WASHINGTON, March 28 (AP)—A drive to hold government spending next year to not more than this year's level met initial success today in the House.

It succeeded in trimming \$416,300 from new funds recommended by the House Appropriations

WASHINGTON, March 26 (AP)—Congressional moves to whittle President Eisenhower's record peacetime budget inspired talks today of a possible income tax cut—perhaps as soon as Jan.

Committee for the Labor Department. The committee already had cut the department's funds substantially.

Today's actions are subject to roll-call votes tomorrow.

Announced objectives of today's cuts, embodied in four amendments, was to force federal agencies to curb expansion plans and to keep personnel generally at current year levels. Increased funds to meet mandatory charges such as contributions to the employees' retirement program, were not affected by the amendments.

A score or more other amendments, designed to chop from 75 to 100 million dollars from 1958 funds for the Department of Labor and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare are awaiting action tomorrow.

Red Satellite Uranium

NEW YORK, March 26 (AP)—Efforts of Russia's satellites to regain control of their uranium resources are one of the lesser-known causes undermining Communist unity, Dr. Serge L. Levitsky, a Fordham University professor, reports.

Soviets Reject Bermuda Plan On Atom Tests

MOSCOW, March 26 (AP)—Soviet Russia today gave the brush-off to the Bermuda plan to give advance notice on atomic test explosions and to invite international observation of the experiments.

But Leonid F. Ilyichev, Foreign Ministry press chief, stopped short of outright rejection of the proposal made by President Eisenhower and British Prime Minister Macmillan.

Ilyichev at the same time rejected, in effect, a Japanese note asking that Russia's atomic test explosions be suspended. Without a big power agreement to end tests, he said, the Soviet Union would have to continue perfecting its weapons, including nuclear weapons, in the interest of its own security.

Thus Russia and Britain on the same day turned down Japan's protests. Macmillan's government announced in London that it had rejected Tokyo's fourth protest in three weeks against a series of H-bomb tests.

Blizzard Ravages Great Plains Area

March 26 (AP)—The staggering toll of damage and death left across the snow-desolate Great Plains by a hit-and-run spring blizzard over the weekend mounted Tuesday as the storm blew itself out in the Ohio Valley.

Nine states counted 35 dead, including eight from exposure, six from carbon monoxide poisoning, two from fire, four from exertion and 15 in traffic accidents.

The breakdown by states: Texas 7, Illinois 7, Oklahoma 5, Kansas 6, Nebraska 3, Indiana 3, Missouri 2, New Mexico 1, Iowa 1.

Meanwhile, the Panhandles of Texas and Oklahoma, eastern New Mexico and Colorado, western Kansas and Nebraska dug themselves out of snowdrifts which reached 30 feet in places.

Highway and rail traffic, brought to a dead-stop by the sudden storm, started to move again. Near normal rail service was expected by tomorrow.

The task of rescue and repair was vast. Volunteer workers pitched in. Acts of mercy during and after the storm were legion.

Small towns, snowed in and without power and water in some cases, welcomed the storm refugees, many of them passengers of stranded buses. Farmers took in

Dulles Wants UNEF To Remain in Egypt

WASHINGTON, March 26 (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles moved today to keep Egypt from arbitrarily kicking out United Nations peace troops and to avoid a shooting showdown in the Gulf of Aqaba.

Dulles told his news conference:

● Egypt has no right at this time to order withdrawal of the UN Emergency Force.

● The United States will ask the United Nations to seek an advisory opinion from the World Court on whether the Straits of Tiran, which form the narrow mouth of the Gulf of Aqaba, embrace international waters.

Dulles made his statement during a 45-minute questioning, in which he also said he is cautiously optimistic about UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold's Cairo talks.

Dulles said he has no interim report from Hammarskjold on the talks with Egypt's President Nasser. But he said Hammarskjold soon will be reporting to the UN on efforts to plan the future of the Suez Canal.

Dulles underwent questioning also on the U.S.-British talks at Bermuda, which ended last Sunday. In response, he declared:

● It seemed unprofitable to try to reach a formal arrangement for a common U.S.-British policy toward the Middle East. But, he said, hope for such was made more likely during long, informal talks.

● The United States believes that Egypt possesses no belligerent rights under the 1949 Palestine truce.

Senate Asked For Student Loan Agency

HARRISBURG, March 26 (AP)—The Senate tonight was asked to establish a nonprofit authority which would lend money to Pennsylvania college students for higher education.

Sen. Silvert (D-Phila), one of the sponsors, said the Pennsylvania high education assistance authority would derive all its funds from individual and group donations.

He said no state funds would be involved. Silvert said the authority would "back bank loans of up to \$500 a year for a three-year total of \$1500."

Loans would be repayable by the students at low interest rates.

Another set of companion measures would "standardize" all housing codes in Pennsylvania political subdivisions.

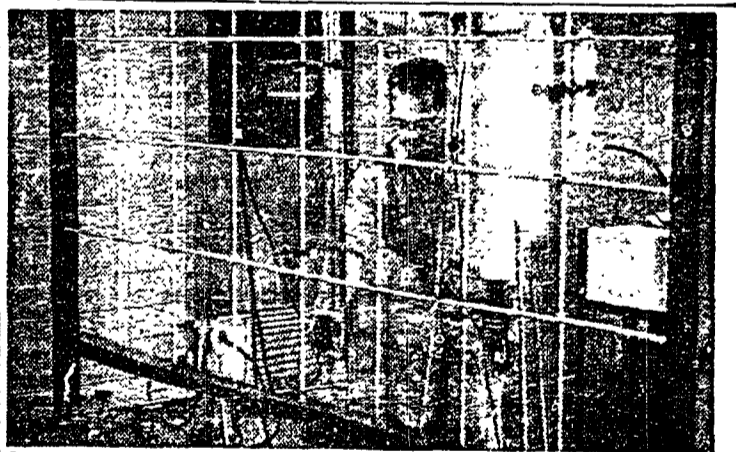
"Unless communities can adopt and enforce codes, Federal assistance in redevelopment and related fields will be denied," said Sen. Stevenson (R-Clinton).

Disaster Insurance Demanded by G.E.

WASHINGTON, March 26 (AP)—A General Electric Co. executive told Congress today he will recommend stopping work on the country's biggest atomic power plant unless government catastrophe insurance is provided.

GE's vice president for nuclear development, Francis K. McCune, urged the Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee to approve pending bill providing up to 500 million dollars indemnity for damages.

This would supplement, in case of a major reactor accident, the much smaller liability coverage obtainable from private companies.



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