

De Gaulle's Power Soars With New Constitution

PARIS (AP) — The power of Premier Charles de Gaulle was bolstered yesterday by the greatest vote of approval since Frenchmen succumbed to the charm of Napoleon III a century ago. Some Frenchmen were having sober second thoughts

Monitors Take Legal Actions To Oust Hoffa

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new legal maneuver that could lead to the removal of James R. Hoffa as president of the scandal-marred Teamsters Union was prepared by the union's court-appointed monitors.

The move was announced shortly after the Teamsters asked a federal court to remove one of the monitors, Godfrey P. Schmidt.

The monitors said they would amend today a pending court request for broader powers to invoke Teamster reforms.

The amendment, the monitors said, would question whether the original consent order under which the monitor system was set up was legal in the first place. They claim the Teamsters membership as a whole should have been notified of the original order before it became effective.

The original consent order represented a compromise settlement of a suit by rank-and-file teamsters seeking to bar Hoffa from office a year ago. Schmidt was attorney for the group.

Auto Production Rises

DETROIT (AP) — The auto industry increased production of 1959 model cars last week despite numerous work stoppages

Folsom Saves Handyman From \$1.95 Death Sentence

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — Jimmy Wilson, 55-year-old Negro handyman under death sentence for a \$1.95 robbery, was saved from the electric chair yesterday by Gov. James E. Folsom.

Wilson received the news that the governor had spared his life calmly.

"Thank you sir," was the 55-year-old Negro handyman's only comment when informed by Dep. Warden Curtis Simpson that the governor had commuted his death sentence to life imprisonment.

He showed no visible sign of emotion and it was almost as if he were expecting the governor to take that action.

Wilson's conviction by an all-white jury for robbing an 82-year-old white widow of \$1.95 and the resulting death sentence stirred up a storm of protests over the world.

It even prompted a telegram from Secretary of State John Foster Dulles to Folsom suggesting that the case was causing some concern as to U.S. relations with other nations.

The robbery victim, Estelle Barker, received a number of letters urging that she intercede with the governor in Wil-

son's behalf. Robbery, which is a capital offense in Alabama, is defined as the taking of money or goods of value from another person by force or fear of violence, with or without a weapon. The amount doesn't matter.

son's present firm stand on the Quemoy issue. He said himself some of his remarks were directed at the U.S. public.

Even as Chiang spoke, Communist guns that have pounded and partly blockaded Quemoy for 38 days began thundering again. By nightfall, Red artillery had rained more than 5,000 shells on Quemoy and supporting islands, defense officials estimated.

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Reds Claim 'Sidewinder' Downs Plane

TOKYO (AP) — Red China claims one of its warplanes has been knocked down by an American Sidewinder missile fired from a Nationalist China plane.

A Peiping radio broadcast heard in Tokyo yesterday said the action occurred last Wednesday. It was the first time the Communists have charged the Nationalists with using the U.S. Navy-made air-to-air guided missile.

There has been speculation that the Nationalists were using Sidewinders, but Nationalist Air Force officials have denied the reports.

Quoting a statement from the Communist Chinese Ministry of Defense, radio Peiping said Nationalist forces launched five Sidewinder guided missiles above the area of Wenchow, Juian and Yetsing in Chekiang Province. It said they were fired on a day Nationalist planes flew 143 sorties over Fukien, Chekiang and Kwangtung provinces.

Peiping said parts of missiles were found near Wenchow, including the nose that receives infrared rays that help guide the missile to its target. The missile parts have been put on exhibition in Peiping, the broadcast said.

In Washington, the Pentagon wouldn't say yes or no when asked whether the Chinese Nationalists do have Sidewinders.

This missile—developed by the U.S. Navy and named after the desert rattlesnake—has been standard equipment in the 7th Fleet for nearly two years and has been produced by the thousands for the U.S. Air Force as well.

Four Officers Killed As Stratojet Crashes

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP)—Four Air Force officers were killed at Little Rock Air Force Base yesterday when a six-engine Stratojet crashed and burned.

Base officials said the plane apparently stalled on takeoff.

Three student officers and the instructor pilot were killed. Names were withheld until next of kin are notified.

Chiang Will Strike Only as Last Resort

TAIPEI (AP) — President Chiang Kai-shek's pledge to strike back at Red China only as a last, dire resort appears to be a bow to public opinion in the United States.

The 71-year-old Nationalist Chinese leader told a rare news conference yesterday he would send his bombers against the mainland only if that is necessary to save the soldiers and civilians on Quemoy.

"There will also be no call for American ground forces," he said. "All we expect from our American friends is material and moral support and such naval and air support as they are giving us today."

The President's remarks at his first full news conference since early in 1955 were taken as a major statement of policy against any action that might deepen the Formosa crisis.

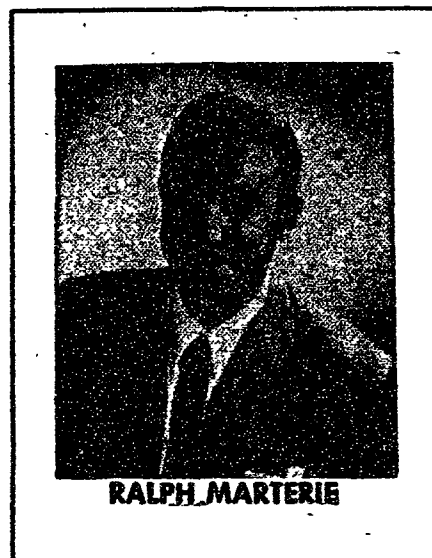
His words reflected concern over reports that there is a strong current of public opinion in the United States against Washing-

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