

Military Budget Cuts Manpower

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — President Eisenhower agreed tentatively yesterday to a new 1962 military budget which proposes to trim manpower slightly while keeping defense spending at about the present \$41 billion level.

Modern weapons apparently will get the nod over personnel.

Military manpower now is about 2½ million. How much and where it might be pared was not disclosed.

Majority of Cranberries Are Cleared

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Welfare Arthur S. Flemming last night announced seizure of 25 cases of canned cranberries grown in Wisconsin and shipped to Nashville, Tenn.

But Flemming added in a prepared statement.

"The great majority of the tests for the weed killer has shown no contamination. This is encouraging and a trend that I hope continues as the testing proceeds."

Flemming said that to date some 3½ million pounds of cranberries had been tested by Food and Drug Administration chemists.

Of this total about 80,000 pounds were found contaminated by the weed killer aminotriazole, he said.

As of late yesterday, he said, FDA laboratories had tested 337 lots of cranberries and cranberry products, with 324 lots shown to be free of contamination.

Only four lots were definitely contaminated, with the others being rechecked, he said.

Flemming said that of the lots cleared to date, 159 were shipped from Massachusetts, 53 from Wisconsin, 44 from New Jersey and 27 from Washington State.

He said the origin of the remaining 41 lots has not been determined.

In New York City, federal inspectors gave a clean bill to 188,000 pounds of fresh and canned cranberries. Included were batches from Long Island, New Jersey and Massachusetts.

2 Americans Appointed to Cardinalate

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John XXIII yesterday appointed two new American cardinals, bringing U.S. representation in that Roman Catholic body to six.

Archbishops Albert Gregory Meyer of Chicago and Aloisius J. Muench of Fargo, N.D., are among eight cardinals-designate who will be elevated to the purple at a secret consistory Dec. 14 and receive their red hats at a public ceremony three days later.

The consistory, the second in Pope John's reign of little more than a year, will increase the College of Cardinals to 79 members, highest in history. Only two nations, Italy with 31 and France with 7, will have more than the United States among the princes of the Church.

For a brief time after a 1946 consistory called by the late Pope Pius XII, at which four new American cardinals were created, the United States had five cardinals. But John Cardinal Glennon, archbishop of St. Louis, died on his way home from the consistory.

The four present American cardinals are Francis Spellman of New York, James F. McIntyre of Los Angeles, Richard J. Cushing of Boston and John F. O'Hara of Philadelphia.

Vatican sources said all eight of the new cardinals except Archbishop Meyer, 56, will become members of the Roman Curia, the central executive body at the Vatican, to strengthen the group in its preparations for the World Ecumenical Council.

Teamster Monitors To Speed Cleanup

WASHINGTON (AP) — Teamsters monitors said yesterday they will move soon to lay the basis for ouster of James R. Hoffa as president of the scandal-ridden Teamsters Union.

Martin F. O'Donoghue, monitor board chairman, said his three-man cleanup group will press ahead harder than ever now that the Supreme Court has refused to interfere with monitor reform enforcement powers.

The court Monday refused to review lower court decisions giving the monitors sweeping reform authority.

Plane Plummets Into Shark-Infested Gulf

NEW ORLEANS, La. (AP) — A 4-engine National Airlines plane plummeted into the shark-infested waters of the Gulf of Mexico early yesterday with 36 passengers and 6 crewmembers aboard.

Coast Guard rescue units picked up nine bodies and intensified the search for others, with little hope held for any survivors.

The big DC7B lost radio contact shortly after midnight as fog slipped in over the Gulf and all but closed operations at Moisant Airport, destination for the Miami originated flight.

One of the pilots of the two Coast Guard helicopters which guided search vessels to the scene said, "There probably will be more bodies found, but it's getting difficult because of sharks."

Lt. James L. Sigman, executive officer of the Coast Guard air detachment at New Orleans, said he couldn't miss seeing the sharks as his helicopter swept low over the 300-foot deep waters.

"They were so big," Sigman said, estimating the sharks were 12 to 15 feet long.

Three Coast Guard vessels reported picking up the nine bodies amid the scattered debris. The bodies were to be taken to Gulfport, Miss., the Coast Guard said.

The plane left Tampa, Fla., at 11:02 p.m., and was due in New Orleans at 2:20 a.m. Its last contact with a radio point was at 12:33 a.m.

The plane went down about 100 miles southeast of New Orleans, about 25 miles from the marshy Louisiana coast near the mouth of the Mississippi River.

Sigman said it was his opinion that the plane blew up when it hit water. This, he said, was indicated by the clothing stripped off the bodies, severe burning of the bodies and peeling of the skin.

He discounted any explosion in the air, pointing out the wreckage was spread over a comparatively small area of two to three miles.

Fire Kills 3 Brothers; Parents, Sisters Escape

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Fire killed three small brothers yesterday as they slept.

The boys' parents and five sisters escaped unhurt. Their grandmother was hospitalized.

Masked firemen found the brothers in bed in a second-floor room of their home in Pittsburgh's Greenfield section.

Dead of suffocation and burns were James Jennings, 9; Nicholas, 7; and Gregory, 5.

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Herter Reports On Violence Warnings

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Christian A. Herter said yesterday he has reports "which indicate the threat of further violence" against Americans in Panama.

He told Panama's ambassador Ricardo Marias that he is "increasingly concerned for the safety of American citizens resident in the Republic of Panama."

Herter requested the precautions against rock-throwing demonstrations and clashes of the kind which erupted against Americans Nov. 3 and 4.

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Government Defends State Blue Laws

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—The federal government, speaking up for the first time in Pennsylvania's Blue Law fight, asserted yesterday that a ban on Sunday sales in no way violates a citizen's rights.

To claim that it does, in the government view, is to indulge in "a fairy tale of the first order."

Harry J. Rubin, assistant U.S. Attorney General, rose to the defense of the state's revised Blue Law code in a brief filed with a special panel of three judges.

The judges are considering a key appeal by Two Guys from

Harrison, a chain discount house with branches in Allentown, Pa. Their decision in this test case is expected to have far-reaching effects.

Rubin said the attempt, led by the Two Guys, to have the Blue Law declared unconstitutional "was conjured up from a variety of irrelevant circumstances."

Those who are not Christians, he argued, "are not forced to observe any spiritual requirement of Christianity simply because the law compels them to remain at rest on Sunday."

"Simply because such legislation may bear religious connotations indirectly is not sufficient

reason for a court to strike it down."

Another brief, supporting the government, was filed by the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor. It holds the law to be "an essential regulation for the health, morals and general welfare of society."

Harold Kohn, counsel for Two Guys, reemphasized what he has said before: That a ban on Sunday sales violates a man's constitutional rights.

The case is being heard by Judge William H. Hastie of the Circuit Court of Appeals and District judges John W. Lord Jr., and George A. Welsh.

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