



## GENERAL McCARTHY, COHN DEMAND COMMISSION FOR SCHINE

### Leroy Kendrick Reported Seen East Of City

Man Says Escapee  
Was Seeking Cook

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Police cars rushed to Amity, Hickory Grove Rd. early this afternoon after a citizen reported spotting what he believed was the stolen 1948 Buick driven by Leroy Kendrick, sought in two states following a break from the North Carolina prison for the criminally insane.

Earlier police checked a report from an elderly Negro farmer who lives off Plaza Rd. Ext. near Lemmond's Store. His name withheld for protection, the farmer told officers that a man resembling Kendrick's photograph drove up to his house shortly before 11 a.m. The white man asked if any Negro woman lived there who could come and cook for him.

When the farmer told him no, Kendrick reportedly left in a dark green car before county police and state highway patrolmen could be alerted. By early afternoon search continued in vain.

City Police meanwhile have signed a warrant, charging Kendrick with larceny of the automobile of Mrs. Margaret Hayes, 2020 Crescent Ave., the First Ward School teacher whose 1948 Buick was stolen by a man posing as a workman with the City Engineering Dept.

#### LONG RECORD

Having a long record of store-breaking and larceny, house-breaking and forgery, Kendrick escaped Monday from the state prison for the criminally insane at Raleigh. County police hold a warrant charging him with the attempted rape of a young Negro girl, who said a man driving a 1948 Buick tried to molest her about two hours after the theft of Mrs. Hayes' auto was reported.

The 18-year-old Mallard Creek girl said a man whom she identified from police photos as Kendrick came to her home off Plaza Rd. Ext. and asked her to go with him to Indian Trail to do housework for his wife. The girl said Kendrick drove her to a wooded area off Mallard Creek Rd. and threatened her with a knife before she managed to elude him.

#### TWO-STATE ALARM

Police have sent a two-state alarm, labeling Kendrick as "dangerous." Last night, Union County officials said they wanted to question Kendrick about several break-

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### OUR WEATHER

Partly cloudy to cloudy weather today, tonight and tomorrow. Chance for scattered showers or thunderstorms late this afternoon or tonight. Scattered thunderstorms tomorrow.

High temperature yesterday, 79 degrees.  
High temperature expected today, 80 degrees.  
Low temperature this morning, 56 degrees.

Low temperature expected tonight, 61 degrees.  
Sunrise, 5:43 a.m.; sunset 7:01 p.m.

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### ON MURDER MISSION

## 3 Soviet Agents Desert To West

BOON, Germany (AP)—Three Soviet agents sent to West Germany on a murder mission have given themselves up to U.S. authorities, an American spokesman said here today.

The spokesman said the agents—a Russian MVD (secret police) captain and two East Germans—had been assigned to kill a member of an anti-Communist Russian group in Frankfurt called the NTS.

But he said the three surrendered and disclosed the details of the plot to American counter-espionage agents.

The spokesman said MVD Capt. Nikolai E. Khoklov and Germans Hans Kikowicz and Kurt Weber were reported by Red agents last week.

The switch here followed sensational breaks to the West by two Soviet diplomats in 1954 in a pattern set eight years ago by Igor Gouzenko, a cipher clerk in the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa.

Vladimir Petrov, third secretary of the Soviet Embassy in Australia, asked the Australian government for asylum April 6. He took with him many documents concerning a Soviet espionage net in Australia.

His wife is now in refuge with him. Australian security officers wrestled her Monday from the custody of Soviet diplomatic couriers who wanted to fly her back to Russia.

Yuri Rastvorov, second secretary of the Russian mission in Tokyo, was reported as having disappeared on Jan. 27, 1954. Later American sources said he had defected and is in American hands.

Correspondents were given a 25-page document giving details of the assassination plot. This document said:

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FRENCH GUNS REPLY

French guns thundered an echoing answer to the Vietminh fire. The bastion's defenders also rumbled a buildup of winding trenches barring the rebels' path to the heart of the fortress.

The Vietminh now holds trenches on the main Dien Bien Phu air strip and are within grenade-throwing distance of some French positions. Masses of rebel northern troops captured from the French.

As the embattled defenders braced for the next all-out Vietminh assault—expected at any time—help was on its way. American C-119s carrying French parachute troops were enroute to Indochina from France.

INFAINTY FIGHT

The task of holding the fortress against expected mass rebel attacks looked more and more as it would be completely up to the foot soldier. Heavy rainstorms last night turned the Dien Bien Phu plain into a sea of mud, bogging down French armor and forcing

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### EVENING PRAYER

Dear God, the Father of us all, forgive us our foolish pride and unshared hearts. Help us to have true humility of our Lord. Pour into our souls His love for all mankind everywhere. Help us to pray with understanding prayer that Thy kingdom come upon this earth. Amen.

### Geneva Parley Opening May Be Delayed

Preliminary Issues  
Still Unsettled

PARIS (AP)—Informed sources said an impression developed during a meeting of the Western Big Three foreign ministers today that the opening of the Geneva conference might be delayed.

The feeling was reported to be that so many preliminary issues remain to be settled that further consultations among the Western Powers and also private talks with Russia would have to precede the formal opening of the conference, scheduled to begin Monday.

The major question which must be settled, an informant said, is the role Red China will play in the talks.

Additionally there are questions of the organization of the conference, which have not been settled in the preliminary contacts at Geneva between Western and Soviet representatives.

U.S. Secretary of State Dulles, French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault and British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden got together here to consider these and other problems concerning the parley on Korea and Indochina.

The informant left the impression that almost all the questions of how to conduct the conference are unsettled.

It was learned that representatives of the Big Four have not even determined the form of the meetings, that is, whether it would be a round table conference or conducted in an auditorium, with speakers going to a rostrum.

Cost Of Living  
Shows Decline

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government reported today that lower food and clothing prices brought the nation's living costs down in March for a second straight month, to the lowest point since last year.

The March decline as shown by the Bureau of Labor Statistics index was two-tenths of 1 per cent. The index sagged to 114.8 per cent of the 1947 average.

Between January and March, food and clothing prices averaged four-tenths of 1 per cent lower, with transportation costs declining three-tenths of 1 per cent.

There were slight advances in the cost of rents and such services as medical care, personal care, and reading and recreation.

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Sen. McCarthy

## Space At Premium As Big Show Gets Started

WASHINGTON (AP)—Breathing room only!

That was the sign Capitol officials should have hung today outside the caucus room in the Senate Office Building for the premiere of the new extravaganza "The McCarthy-Army Story."

Into the caucus room, measuring 72 by 32 feet—about four times the size of a normal living room—officials arranged to jumpstack some 650 to 700 persons.

"The biggest arrangements for a single news event in my 25 years in the Capitol," said Harold R. Beckley, superintendent of the Senate press gallery, who carefully portioned out every inch of space.

"The largest coverage of any news event we ever have done in the Capitol," Beckley said.

Washington was the consensus of radio and television networks, representatives working with Beckley. Everything was set for scores of reporters to tap out hundreds of thousands of words for transmission by teletypewriters and telegraph to newspapers across the country.

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## Pressure Great, Reber Testifies

By G. MILTON KELLY

WASHINGTON (AP)—Major Gen. Miles Reber testified today that in 10 years as Army liaison officer with Congress he recalled no case where he was "put under greater pressure" than he is in demands for an officer's commission for G. David Schine, aide to Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.).

Reber told Senators investigating the McCarthy-Army row that "unusual" methods were used to seek a commission for Schine.

"It wasn't normal action," Reber said in describing what he called appeals by McCarthy and Roy Cohn, chief counsel of McCarthy's Senate investigating subcommittee.

But Reber said he was never "intimidated" by the senator. Schine, with the draft pressing on him, applied for an Army commission last July 15.

A wealthy New Yorker, Schine was then an unpaid consultant to McCarthy's subcommittee.

Turned down for a commission, Schine eventually was drafted and is now an Army private.

Reber told of repeated telephone calls to Schine's behalf from Cohn, and said he received "two or three" from McCarthy.

Ray Jenkins, committee counsel, said Reber if he thought Cohn's action was "improper."

"I felt I was being put under definite pressure," Reber replied. Sen. Dirksen (R-Ill.) asked if the requests by McCarthy and Cohn were made in "good temper and with restraint."

"Yes, entirely, sir," Reber replied.

ASKED ABOUT NUMBER

McCarthy, exercising his right to question witnesses, asked about the number of requests Reber received from members of Congress and specifically from members of the subcommittee, dealing with military matters.

Reber said that altogether there were "about 1,000 cases a week" during his 10 years in the liaison post and "I know I received a lot of cases from members of this committee."

But he said his figures embraced all kinds of inquiries concerning Army activities.

Sen. Potter (R-Mich.) asked if Reber hadn't received many requests from members of Congress for action in commissions and Reber replied the number was "sizeable."

Potter: "These requests are not improper, are they?"

Reber: "No."

McCarthy asked whether there was any difference between Cohn's calls and those Reber received from employees of other Senate committees and senators.

Reber replied affirmatively, saying Cohn's "specific calls were pressing me for speed and favorable action."

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## WHAT'S INSIDE

MABEL IS IRATE because she thinks that Dr. George Crane is always picking on "us women." Mabel is 42 and a little plump. But the doctor, in his column on Page 14-C, says that a good wife should put butterflies in a man's stomach and not apple pie.

THE SHMOOS ARE AT IT AGAIN and this time it looks like they have prevented a serious uprising in Lower Slobbovia. Follow LIT Abner and his comic cronies on Page 8-C.

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### Few Defenders Are Found

## Charlotte Opinion Is Agin' McCarthy

Everybody knows what this country's big names think about Senator McCarthy, but nobody has ever consulted the people in midtown Charlotte . . . until The News put three reporters on the job this week.

It wasn't a far-reaching "poll." No effort was made to question hundreds of persons, isolate a "trend," or draw any Dr. Gallup-type conclusions.

The object was to talk quietly with a few citizens about the most controversial man in America today, and pass along these opinions.

WRONG MAN

Almost interviewed an aged man who said he had served under McCarthy in World War I. Further questioning indicated he had confused the name with Gen. Douglas MacArthur . . . and

that he had never heard of McCarthy.

Still another reporter found several persons apathetic; they had heard of McCarthy but entertained no opinions about him at all.

The interviews reproduced here are distilled from six man-hours of conversation with Charlotteans who stopped at the request of reporters for sidewalk chats.

Al Hunnicutt, 1747 B. Evergreen Dr., said: "Wouldn't mind telling you what I think

of McCarthy, but you couldn't print it."

"A man doesn't have a chance when he's called up before McCarthy. If a general in the Army can't stand up for himself and get a fair hearing, what chance would a little guy like me have?"

Moving up the street from the Wilder Bldg., a reporter sought some feminine opinion.

"I don't think McCarthy is right, but I think he's sincere. See CHARLOTTEANS on page 13-A



M. H. WHITE

"Sometimes I think . . . And then again . . ."



DELEETE NYVUM

"He causes more excitement than anything."



AL HUNNICUTT

"I could tell you . . . But you couldn't print it."



BETTY PITTS

"He just made more reckless charges."

(News Staff Photo by Tim Franklin-Hunter)

"It's like this. You got to fight fire with fire."