

Dixon-Yates Cancellation Pay Held Up

By JOE HALL

WASHINGTON (AP)—Chairman Lewis L. Strauss of the Atomic Energy Commission has conceded publicly for the first time that "there may be a question as to the validity" of the Dixon-Yates contract.

He said in an Oct. 7 letter made public yesterday by Sen. Anderson (D-NM) that any cancellation payment to the Dixon-Yates power group is being held up while the question of validity is studied intensively.

Both Edgar H. Dixon and Eugene A. Yates, heads of the two major utility companies involved, renewed their contentions that the now-abandoned contract was a valid one.

Anderson, chairman of the Senate Atomic Energy Committee, said in a statement that AEC now appeared to be moving toward the position he has maintained all along. He has contended it never was a binding obligation on the government, and that no cancellation fee was due Dixon-Yates.

The AEC consistently has maintained heretofore that the contract became legally effective some time last winter.

TERMS OF PACT

The contract was negotiated by AEC last year at President Eisenhower's direction. It called for a 107-million-dollar plant at West Memphis, Ark., to supply power to the Tennessee Valley Authority to replace TVA electricity and used elsewhere by AEC.

On July 11 this year the President directed that the contract be terminated and the AEC has been conducting negotiations looking toward a final settlement of the contract since that time. If it is binding, the government is obligated to pay costs incurred by the Dixon-Yates group. There have been estimates these could run to several million dollars.

Strauss wrote Anderson last Friday, "It appears on the basis of our study thus far that there may be a question as to the validity" of the contract.

"Under these circumstances," he said, "the commission has decided to hold in abeyance the negotiation of the major aspects of a settlement with the company until our analysis has been completed."

Canada Urges Closer Ties

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP)—Diplomats looked today for Canada to urge closer U.N. ties for the proposed atomic-energy agency than those suggested by the United States.

They predicted Canadian Delegate Paul Martin would take this stand in his appearance in the atomic energy debate before the U.N. Assembly's top Political Committee this afternoon.

The United States, with British support, has insisted that the body should be similar to a specialized agency and not too closely linked to the U.N.

Observers recalled that Canada's Foreign Secretary Lester B. Pearson and other Ottawa government leaders have stressed repeatedly that the U.N. should not be bypassed when the proposed atomic agency is finally set up.

The United States, Canada and seven other powers have drawn up a draft statute for the agency and distributed it to all governments for comment. The draft has left open the question of U.N. ties. India and a number of smaller countries want the agency subject to recommendations of the U.N. Assembly.

Blast Rocks Oil Refinery

MARCUS HOOK, Pa. (AP)—An explosion rocked a low-pressure receiving unit of the Sinclair Oil Co. refinery in nearby Trainer yesterday and showered workers and supervisors with liquid fire, injuring at least 18 men, four critically. Flames poured out of the unit and covered those closest to the explosion. Homes and stores in a 20-square-block area were shaken. A company spokesman said a bad break had developed in a gas-line line in the basement of the receiving unit and the explosion occurred while 9 to 12 men, mostly supervisors, tried to repair it.

The receiving house, a 20 by 40-foot brick and steel building, was wrecked. The flames were put out in about an hour and a half. The receiving unit takes in and dispenses a variety of petroleum products after the refining process. It handles an average of 50,000 barrels of oil daily. Some 1,400 persons are employed at the refinery. The blast occurred a few minutes after the day force had left the plant but some of the workers upon hearing the explosion rushed back and helped fight the fire. There was no estimate of damage.

RECORD FOR IKE
SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A \$100-a-plate California Republican audience listened last night while Brian Sullivan, Metropolitan Opera singer, recorded for President Eisenhower a favorite song, "Bless This House." The recording was sent immediately by plane to Denver.

A pound of magnesium now costs 73½ cents compared to 23 cents for a pound of aluminum.

Births

MEMORIAL

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Little, 1547 Meridian Ave., a girl, Oct. 5.
Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Scorsone, 2723 Ducas Ave., a boy, Oct. 5.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bacon, 2400 Carwell Ave., a girl, Oct. 5.
Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Smith, 2515 Kennesaw Ave., a girl, Oct. 5.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Wyatt, 322 Kase St., a girl, Oct. 5.
Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Callahan, 2809 Virginia Ave., a boy, Oct. 5.
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dew Jr., 1210 Avenfield Rd., a girl, Oct. 6.
Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Jones, 2230 Parson St., a girl, Oct. 6.
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Caldwell, 2508 Remount Circle, a girl, Oct. 7.
Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wiley Jr., York St., a girl, Oct. 7.
Mr. and Mrs. F. Cobb, 3632 Boyd St., a girl, Oct. 7.

PRESBYTERIAN

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Vance, Rt. 9, Box 206, a boy, Oct. 5.
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Blanchard, 411 N. Graham St., a girl, Oct. 6.
Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Carlette, 229 Lillington Ave., a boy, Oct. 6.
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Clark Jr., 1031 Boushaker Ave., a girl, Oct. 6.
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Doolittle, 1309 Division Dr., a girl, Oct. 6.
Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Cravath, Rt. 11, Tallo Rd., a girl, Oct. 6.
Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Lord Jr., 609 Fuzelle Ave., a girl, Oct. 6.
Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Teal, 2718 Eastway Dr., a boy, Oct. 7.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Barnardson, 628 Lockridge Rd., a girl, Oct. 7.
Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Adkins, 2921 Meyer Blvd., a boy, Oct. 7.
Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Reid, 2227 Posture Pl., a boy, Oct. 7.
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Elliott, 2025 Clemm Ave., a boy, Oct. 7.

OUT-OF-TOWN
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Whitley of Wilmington, Del., announce the birth of a son on Oct. 9. Mrs. Whitley is the former Miss Evelyn Guenz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Guenz of Rt. 6, Box 109.

PTA Notes

ENDERLY PARK

Enderly Park PTA will sponsor a barbecue Friday at Firemen's Hall beginning at 11 a.m. Delivery service will be available. Tickets are on sale in the school cafeteria.

PINEWOOD

Pinewood PTA will meet tonight at 8 p. m. in the school cafeteria. Classrooms will be open for visitation after the business meeting.

PIEDMONT

Piedmont Junior High School PTA will meet tonight at 8 p. m. in the auditorium. After the business meeting, Donald Neuman, principal of the school will direct parents of seventh, eighth and

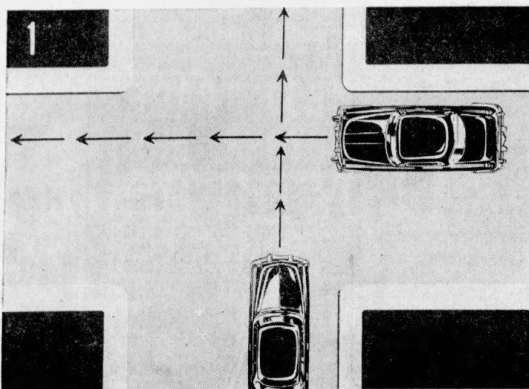
ninth grade pupils to rooms for meetings with teachers.

HAWTHORNE

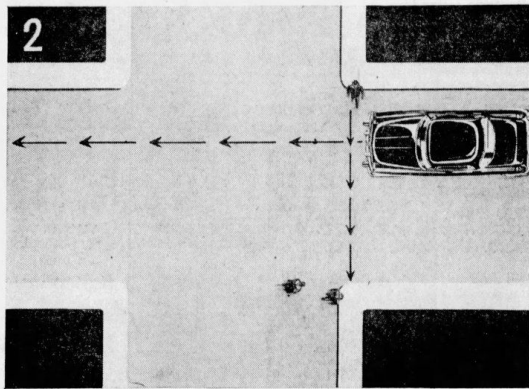
Hawthorne Junior High School PTA will meet in the auditorium tonight at 8 p. m. A panel discussion on "The Physical Life of the Teenage Child," will be held. Mrs. Ernest B. Hunter will be moderator.

SHELL PUBLIC SAFETY QUIZ NO. 5

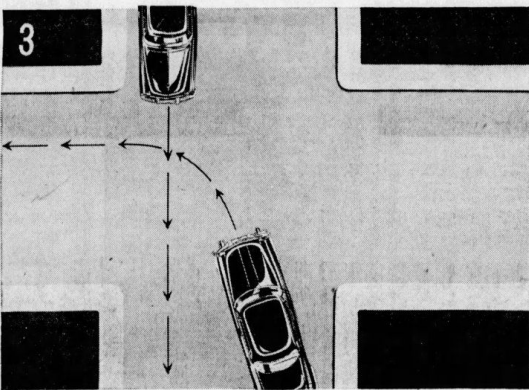
When do you have the right of way?



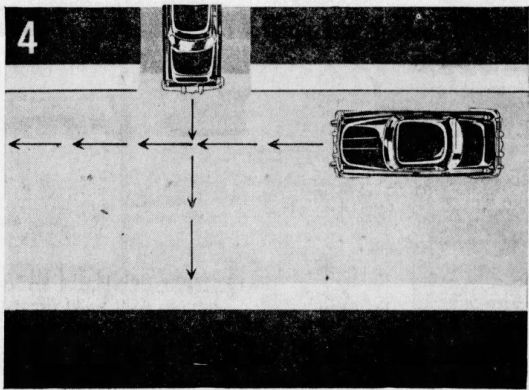
If two vehicles approach an intersection from different highways at the same time, the driver of the vehicle on the right has the right of way. There are exceptions to this rule; be sure you know them. It is too late to learn after an accident occurs.



No less than drivers, pedestrians should adhere to traffic regulations for they can cause many an accident. But to be on the safe side, drivers should always give pedestrians the right of way. Pedestrians in turn should be cautious at all times.



If you intend to turn left, you must yield right of way to any vehicle approaching from the opposite direction which is in or near the intersection. This rule varies in some localities. Know the rules in your area. They are made for your protection.



When you're backing out of a driveway - or driving out of a private road - onto a public thoroughfare, you must always yield the right-of-way to drivers of on-coming vehicles. Chances are they can't see your car, so let them pass before you exit.

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