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Ike, Experts In Muddle Today On '61 Military \$\$\$

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — President Eisenhower surrounded himself today with a team of defense officials to discuss the defense budget and to begin a 1961 military budget of some \$41 billion.

Secretary of Defense Neil McElroy and plenipotentiary of Washington officials flew in with the defense budget and motored to Eisenhower's vacation headquarters at Augusta National Golf Club.

The flight landed at the Augusta airport 25 minutes before the

Rocky Mountain Area Engulfed In a New Storm

DENVER, Colo. (AP) — A new arctic storm swept out of Canada into Montana Sunday and today had most of the Rocky Mountains and Northern Great Plains in its grip.

Temperatures today dropped as low as 37 degrees below zero. Snow driven by winds up to 40 m.p.h. in parts of Kansas, the Dakotas and Montana Sunday reduced visibility to near zero in some localities.

Winds died down during the night, and limited visibility was reported today at only scattered sections in western Nebraska and northwestern Iowa.

Low temperatures included 37 below zero at Helena and —32 at Jutte, both in western Montana. Billings, in the east, had 13 below. Sheridan and Cody, both in northern Wyoming, had 23 below. Akron, Colo., near the Kansas line, had two below.

Cold wave warnings were posted for most of the Rockies and Midwest, with sharp drops in temperature and snow in store for more than dozen states.

The cold weather was expected to invade most areas from eastern Wyoming and Colorado, northwest New Mexico, northwest Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, the Dakotas, Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Missouri and northern Illinois.

Below zero readings were predicted for northern states, along with strong northerly winds and snow.

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Little Hope For 42 Persons On Wrecked Plane

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A National Airlines seaplane pilot splashed the wreckage of a four-engine passenger plane in the Gulf of Mexico today, leaving little hope for the 42 passengers and a crew of six.

The Miami-to-New Orleans airliner lost contact with radio points shortly after midnight.

The crash was the second involving a National Airlines plane in six years. Another plane crashed in the gulf in 1953 taking 48 lives.

Capt. Charles H. Ruby, chief pilot for National, spotted the plane's wreckage about 108 miles east-southeast of New Orleans. His radio report said there was no sign of survivors.

The Coast Guard's earlier report said its planes had spotted an oil slick and life raft, but no survivors.

The plane, National Flight 967, vanished in a fog that enveloped the area so quickly that Moutain International Airport at New Orleans had to amend its midnight forecast. The plane was already overdue at its scheduled time when the amended forecast came out.

The plane was about a half-hour off of Moutain when it dropped off the radar screen that had been tracking it. The aircraft was flying at 14,000 feet over the 450-mile overwater route from Miami.

A radar station at Dauphin Island, south of Mobile, Ala., said it was watching the plane on its screen "when it just dropped off."

The plane carried standard escape equipment for over-water flight, including inflatable life jackets for each crewman and passenger.

The plane stopped at Tampa, Fla., after leaving Miami and picked up 10 more passengers.

The crash today and the one in 1953 had some striking parallels. The planes were on the same route, the weather conditions were about the same and both carried approximately the same passenger load.

The 1953 crash resulted in a rash of law suits, one of which was settled only last week by the U.S. Supreme Court.

The high court denied a National Airlines petition for a review of an order awarding \$250,000 to Mrs. Boryle Whiteman Sills, widow of the victim.

The Coast Guard ordered an all-out search, including a specially equipped 95-foot search and rescue cutter. Tens of doctors and full medical equipment were loaded and private vessels joined the hunt.

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Nothing in Residence Found in Disarray

Four Members of Garden City Family Slain; Murderer, Motive Are Sought

GARDEN CITY, Kan. (AP)—In a farm home far off the beaten path of this vast wheat area four members of a respected, well-to-do family were murdered over the weekend.

Liebert Clutter, 48, his wife, Bonnie, 45, their daughter, Nancy, 16, and son Kenyon, 15, were bound and gagged and all were shot in the head. Clutter's throat was slashed.

The victims were slain by a shotgun. Neither the gun nor the weapon with which Clutter's

throat was cut have been found. Nothing in the house was in disarray. No valuables appeared to be missing. Money which Nancy had placed in an envelope for church lay on her bedroom dresser beside a diamond ring.

The coroner, Dr. Robert Fenton, said Mrs. Clutter and Nancy apparently were not molested sexually. He placed the time of death between 11 p. m. Saturday and 2 a. m. Sunday.

The Clutters gave a ride each Sunday to two of Nancy's school

mates. The girls, Mary Ewalt and Susan Kidwell, stumbled on the killings when they were driven to the Clutter home.

Clutter was a founder of the Kansas Assn. of Wheat Growers. He was a past president of the National Wheat Growers Assn., president of the Garden City Equi Exchange, a director of the Consumer's Cooperative. President Eisenhower appointed him in 1954 to the Federal Farm Credit Board. Clutter declined reappointment two years later.

The family apparently had been ready to retire when they were attacked. All except Kenyon were in pajamas. The boy wore blue jeans and a white T-shirt.

The bodies of Mrs. Clutter and Nancy were in separate bedrooms. Clutter and Kenyon were found in the basement.

The home, seven miles west of Garden City, is nearly a mile away from any through road. The only persons living close by are the family of Alfred Stocklein,

who has worked 11 years as a farm hand for the Clutters.

Stocklein said he saw the Clutters early Saturday evening, before he and his wife and three children went out. They returned about 9:30 p.m. They heard no disturbance.

Nancy and Kenyon attended high school in Holcomb, a village of 270 population a mile from their home. Both were honor students and Nancy last week won the school's good citizenship award. She appeared in the junior class play Friday night.

A classmate of Nancy's, Bob Rupp, said he left the Clutter home at 10:30.

The Clutters had two other daughters, Mrs. Donald Jarcho, 23, of Mount Carroll, Ill., and Mrs. Beverly Clutter, 28, a student nurse at the University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City, Kan.

Mrs. Jim Thurman, 1401 Sheridan, Great Bend, is a niece of Clutter. "Harbort" is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Fox, Pasadena, Calif., and three brothers, Harold, Visalia, Calif., Howard, Oregon, Ill., and Glenn, Kansas City. Kenyon was in the Clutters' large farm home near Holcomb.

Clutter is survived by his father, James, Larned; two brothers, Arthur E. Larned and Clarence L. Wichita; and two sisters, Mrs. Harry Nelson, Larned; and Mrs. Elaine Nelson, Palisade, Pa.

Mrs. Clutter was born Jan. 7, 1914, in Rock, Mo. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Fox, Pasadena, Calif., and three brothers, Harold, Visalia, Calif., Howard, Oregon, Ill., and Glenn, Kansas City.

Nancy Mae was born Jan. 2, 1943, and Kenyon Neal Aug. 28, 1944, both in Garden City.

In addition to two daughters, the Clutters are survived by a grandson, Tracy Clutter, 10, of Garden City.

Services for the Clutter family will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday from the First Methodist church, Garden City, with the Rev. Leonard Brown officiating. The casket will not be opened.

Larry Bryant, formerly of Great Bend and now with the Phillips Funeral Home, Garden City, said the place of burial had not been decided yet, although it might be in Larned.

Forecasters predicted clearing and much colder in the southeast this afternoon, otherwise fair and continued cold through Tuesday morning. He said a warming trend would begin in the west Tuesday afternoon.

He said low temperatures tonight will range from zero to five below in the west and north central to 5-10 above in the southeast. Highs Tuesday are scheduled to be in the 20s.

There was quite a bit of warming over Kansas Sunday with top marks varying from 38 at Olathe to 56 at Garden City. Lows last night were from 2 above at Goodland to 36 at Pittsburg.

The Weather

GOLDEN BELT AREA — Fair and much colder Monday night. Lows near zero. Tuesday fair and quite so cold. Afternoon temperatures in the 20s.

Local Weather Data

Sunday's High: 45, Low: 22

Air: 40 p.m. Today: High: 72, Low: 35

Precipitation: 36 Hours Ending 7 a.m. Monday: None

Humidity at Noon Monday: 36.90 percent

Barometer: 30.40 rising

Monday's: High: 50, Low: 20 p.m.

Tuesday's: High: 71, Low: 36

Tuesday's Sunset: 5:22 p.m.

Dag Risks New Soviet Protest

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — U.N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld, risking another Soviet protest, will leave a Finnish U.N. official in rebel-ruled Laos as his personal representative.

Hammarskjöld, now visiting the Indochinese kingdom, called ex-Premier Sakari Tuomioja of Finland to join him and to remain up to four weeks in Laos after the secretary-general leaves next weekend to return to U.N. headquarters.

Officially, Tuomioja is to study the economic situation of Laos and the little country's needs in U.N. aid. But the Laotian government hopes his presence will serve as a restraining influence on Communist rebels.

Before Hammarskjöld left New York, the Soviet delegation wrote him that his visit to Laos and "the proposed stationing of a personal representative" there could only complicate the situation and " entail dangerous consequences for peace."

Nehru Rejects Commies' Plan on Troop Pullouts

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Prime Minister Nehru today rejected Communist China's proposal to pull out of India 100,000 troops along the disputed Tibetan-Indian border and for an immediate meeting with Premier Chou En-lai.

Nehru told anxious members of Parliament that Chou's No. 7 proposal for troop withdrawals seemed impractical.

Hawaiian Volcano Eruption Now in 3rd Day

HONOLULU (AP) — Angry Kilauea volcano belched streams of searing hot lava and sent a gray pall of thick smoke high into the sky today as the eruption roared into its third day.

The 4,090-foot volcano's Kilauea Iki crater showed little sign of abating its fiery temper. Two waterfalls of liquid rock — bright red-orange in daylight — gushed from a 300-yard rift in the crater's inner south wall into its pit some 200 to 300 feet below.

Kilauea Iki — or Little Kilauea — on the southeast side of Hawaii Island some 200 miles southeast of Honolulu, began erupting Saturday night. White-hot rocks were blasted up to 100 feet in the air before they tumbled into the million-mile-wide crater.

Honolulu Star-Bulletin reporter Mark Waters, in a telephone call from the volcano site, said Sunday night, "One huge fountain of erupting lava is pouring tremendous streams of molten rock into the floor of the crater."

He said, "Channels of glowing lava, which at night look like streams of 24-carat liquid gold, 300 feet down the inner wall of the crater. The bed of the pit is a shimmering mass of golden fire."

Presidential Hopefuls Sprouting Everywhere

Editor's note: In this season, when presidential hopefuls sprout everywhere, The Associated Press is taking an on-the-spot, closeup look at each contender. Here Arthur Edson, a politician-watcher with 15 years in Washington, gives his report on three days of travel with Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

By ARTHUR EDSON

WASHINGTON (AP) — Presidential politics is a chancy business, where any plan and scheme and covet but only one is chosen.

And nowhere are plans more carefully thought out and drawn than in the young, bustling political camp of Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

Right now the plans call for Nixon to lie low. He has only one speaking engagement the rest of this year, at a sports award dinner in New York. The big drive comes in January and February.

Identical politician never has an acquaintance without being able to recall his name immediately, without having a ready answer.

Politically, this was no campaign at all. Nixon hasn't announced whether he will be a



SAFETY CHECK AWARD—This award was presented to Great Bend Monday by William E. Woodard, (center) traffic-safety consultant for the state traffic department of the Kansas Highway Commission. It was received by Chief of Police Roy Hester (right) and Safety Officer Jim Bennett. The award is made possible through the Inter-Industry Committee on Highway Safety and Look Magazine. It is for Great Bend Police department and citizen effort during the annual vehicle safety check campaign conducted May 13 through 18 this year when 8,268 vehicles were inspected by the police officers and volunteers. Bennett said 1,385 defects were found on vehicles inspected, and 6,883 of the total were found free of defects. The award is "Certificate of Achievement" for noteworthy performance in National Vehicle Safety Check for Communities.

Just Trying to Help

ROME, N.Y. (AP) — Taxicab driver Arthur M. Carr explained in court that the reason he drove on the sidewalk was to pick up a fare who was having difficulty walking straight. Carr was fined \$5.

New Protest From Growers Is Keeping Cranberry Stew Hot

WASHINGTON (AP)—The national cranberry stew bubbled again today with a new protest from growers.

Chicago health officials were holding a shipment of Wisconsin cranberries which they said were contaminated with the same kind of weed killer found earlier on some West Coast berries.

C. P. Olson, president of Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc., a national cranberry cooperative, asked President Eisenhower to declare as disaster areas the cranberry-growing states of Washington, Oregon, Wisconsin, New Jersey and Massachusetts.

In a telegram sent from Plymouth, Mass., to the vacation White House at Augusta, Ga., Olson asked that the federal government immediately relieve thousands of small farmers for losses caused by the unnecessary, untimely and imprudent action of the Welfare Secretary Arthur S. Flemming.

At a news conference last Monday, Flemming said traces of a weed killer had been found in some of the cranberries grown in the Pacific Northwest. He said the weed killer, Aminoflazole, had caused cancer in rats when it was injected in their diets.

The secretary advised against eating the berries until tests could be made to be sure they contained no traces of Aminoflazole.

The cranberry growers immediately protested that Flemming had pulled the rug from under them just before the holidays.

Two shipments of cranberries grown in Oregon were seized last week by health authorities. On Saturday, the Chicago Board of Health seized 20 tons of cranberries grown in Wisconsin and impounded them. The board said its tests showed four of six samples of the shipment were contaminated with the weed killer.

Sales of all cranberries and cranberry products were barred in Chicago.

Waters said he saw brilliant white light sparkle in the pit when stunted scrub trees burst into sudden flame.

"The noise from the erupting fountains is akin to the roar of the ocean pounding against a rocky cliff," he said.

Six volcanologists, led by Dr. Jerry Eaton, of the volcano observatory on Hawaii Island, climbed into the fiery pit Sunday wearing thick asbestos gloves and protective hoods, the group believed belched streams of molten lava. They stuck thermometers in to liquid rock and took samples of lava for testing.

Naturally there's more to this than homework. Otherwise our presidents would merely be memory experts.

Nixon seems to avoid details on many issues.

His thinking peace will be much talked about in 1960, and that President Eisenhower's visits abroad will give the Republicans a big advantage.

On such subjects as the farm problem, where Democrats are already firing their biggest guns, Nixon says forcibly that something must be done, and then quickly says he's not prepared at this time to say what that something is.

Probably Nixon has planned it this way. Issues can be kicked in a lot of directions before the national Republican convention in Chicago next summer.

Certainly Nixon seems confident. In discussing 1960 with reporters, he said he thought the campaign train may still have its pace especially in the East.

"There's something dramatic about a train," he said.

And he smiled dramatically, as if he were seeing himself, waving gaily from the back of that train.

Kennedy Says Prestige Of U. S. on Wane

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.) says America's global prestige has been on the wane in recent years, threatening the survival of freedom.

"Since 1932, the power, prestige and standing of the United States in relation to the Communist world has declined," Kennedy told a conference of Maine Democrats Sunday night.

"Every time we fail and demonstrate that we are not No. 1, we not only let down our country, but we let down the cause of freedom around the world," he said.

Kennedy said the very existence of world freedom may depend on the election of Democratic President and Congress in 1960.

Kennedy, an unannounced candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, was introduced to 500 cheering partisans by Sen. Edmund S. Muskie (D-Maine). Muskie described his colleague as a man qualified "for any office to which he may aspire."