

## ADENAUER URGED TO GO TO MOSCOW

3 German Parties  
Think Invitation  
Should Be Accepted

By GEORGE BOULTWOOD  
BONN, Germany (R)—Three West German political parties urged Chancellor Konrad Adenauer today to accept an invitation to visit Moscow to discuss "normalization of relations" between the Kremlin and Bonn.

They were the Free Democrats and the Christian Democrats, members of the Adenauer government coalition, and the opposition Socialists.

A session of the Bundestag was suspended for an hour so that deputies could caucus on the startling suggestion. The Free Democrats, second largest coalition party, afterward issued a statement that Adenauer had "no choice" but to accept the invitation.

**UNIQUE POSITION**  
If he accepts, the Free Democrats said, "the German people can congratulate themselves that this man, possessing such unique confidence of our Western partners, assumes the task of bridging the gap with our Eastern neighbors." The party said no one except Adenauer could undertake this task "without causing misunderstanding."

Adenauer declined any public statement, evidently because he wants to talk with Western leaders first. His Christian Democrat



Harry Lev at Senate Hearing (AP)

## Graft Inquiry

# Lev Says Aide 'Definitely Sneaky'

WASHINGTON (R)—Wealthy hatmaker Harry Lev, who has denied bribing government procurement officers, testified today one of his aides was "definitely sneaky" in turning over a letter from his file to Senate investigators.

The Senate investigations subcommittee is seeking evidence of possible graft in contracts for clothing items for the armed services. Lev's Chicago firm held contracts for hats and Lev has denied paying any alleged bribes in connection with these.

The committee questioned Lev today about former quartermaster officers who may have been on his pay roll after leaving the armed services.

Lev denied that retired Army Maj. Gen. William H. Nicholson, whom he had hired, ever helped him to land any government contracts.

**LETTER PRODUCED**  
Sen. McMillan (D-Ark.), presiding, promptly produced a letter which, he said, showed Nicholson had been very active. The letter, McMillan said, had been subpoenaed from the files of Lev's painter, one of Lev's top aides. Painter once headed the Quartermaster inspection service.

Lev obviously was surprised. "Why," he demanded, "would he (Painter) turn over a document of that kind?"

"I'm not saying he's not honest," Lev said. "But certainly he's definitely sneaky. A man works for you he's supposed to be faithful."

He said he never had heard about the letter before, and it made him wonder whether he got some "wrong people" on his staff who did and wrote things he didn't know about which related to his government contracts now under the subcommittee's scrutiny.

**ADDS WARNING**  
The party added a warning that Moscow would be "making a fundamental mistake in assuming it can separate the Federal (West German) Republic from the West." The party claimed the Moscow invitation was a direct result of Adenauer's policy of close alliance with the West.

The Chancellor, staunch exponent of his country's rearmament as an ally of the West, declined last night to comment on the Soviet bid. He was known to be personally reluctant to make such a trip because of his past policy of uncompromising anticommunism.

But pressure mounted from political allies and foreign allies. Peacemakers generally acknowledged it would be difficult for him to refuse.

## Nike Passes

## Arctic Tests

OTTAWA (R)—Canadian army headquarters reported today that sub-arctic tests had proved the Nike ground-to-air guided missile developed in the United States, is successful in the most severe weather. The Nike is designed to locate and destroy enemy aircraft by means of an electronic beam.

Six points of tests were conducted near Churchill, Man., on the western shore of Hudson Bay by Canadian artillery and engineer personnel. Previously the missile was tested in New Mexico. The army said the northern tests were aimed at determining the Nike's performance in low temperatures and whether it would require modification in such conditions.

## Our Weather

Cloudy today, tonight and tomorrow, with occasional showers.  
High yesterday—53.  
High today—74.  
High tomorrow—55.  
Low tonight—52.  
Sunrise 5:08 a.m.; sunset 7:36 p.m.  
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# Like Certain Adenauer To Stay Loyal To West

## GM Believed Planning New Offer To Union

Wildcat Strikes Hit  
Both Ford And GM

By NORMAN WALKER  
DETROIT (R)—General Motors Corp. today was believed reading a fresh offer for the CIO United Auto Workers aimed at reaching a contract settlement before a new Sunday midnight strike deadline.

Nobody at GM would say so but UAW officials said they fully anticipated a new offer.

The union leaders, who they never would have granted a five-day contract extension from midnight last night to midnight Sunday unless they felt GM was ready to do business along the lines of the recent Ford Motor Co. agreement including a guaranteed wage plan, GM requested the extension.

## WILDCAT STRIKES

With the GM bargaining table scheduled to resume at midday, both GM and Ford were plagued with a series of scattered wildcat strikes in plants across the nation.

Most serious was the walkout of tool and die workers, maintenance crews and skilled craftsmen in Ford's giant Rouge plant at nearby Dearborn, said to be the single largest production facility in the world.

The tool and die workers, denying local union leaders who sought to persuade them to accept the Ford settlement terms, complained the Ford contract provided too little for them in wage increases. They pooled weapons of 8 to 18 cents an hour, plus additional annual "improvement" raises of 4 cents an hour. They said they wanted a 30-cent raise.

Skilled workers have been getting a base pay of around \$2.50 an hour compared with the average hourly wage of \$2.10 in the auto industry. Their crafts are little affected by layoffs and they feel the Ford package benefited them least.

Rebelling tool workers voted unanimously to strike and threw pickets around the Rouge plant, keeping out production workers. Nearly 50,000, or more than a third of Ford's overall 140,000 employees, work at the Rouge plant.

## OTHER PLANTS HIT

Other Ford plants at Monroe, Mich., St. Louis, Kansas City and Buffalo also were hit by walkouts, some due to local grievances.

GM was experiencing walkouts in St. Louis, Cleveland, Lincoln, N. J., and Tarrytown and Rochester, N. Y., but the UAW said local union leaders were striving to get them back on the job. The workers were apparently impatient for a new contract.

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JOHN W. LIVINGSTON, UAW vice president, addresses members of the auto workers' council at a morning session of bargaining with General Motors heads. The council was considering a contract extension to avert a strike. (AP Wirephoto.)

## Informed Source Says:

# Douglas To Leave C&D Post

By JULIAN SCHIEER  
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Ben E. Douglas, director of the state's Dept. of Conservation and Development, will leave that position next month on a leave of absence.

The News learned from informed Raleigh sources today that the former Charlotte mayor will request a leave of Gov. Luther Hodges and the Governor is expected to grant the leave of absence at the Charlotte City meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

The former state highway director, Mr. Douglas, was learned, will be replaced by Mr. J. P. Hixson.

Mr. Douglas has confided in friends for some time that he was anxious to get back to Charlotte and also to become more active in his business here.

However, under his leadership, the C & D board has been instrumental in bringing many new industries into the state.

If Mr. Douglas leaves office for good, there is also a strong possibility that Gov. Hodges will appoint Cap Wynick of High Point to the directorship.

Mr. Wynick, former ambassador to Colombia and Nicaragua, was recently asked by Gov. Hodges to head a study for the C & D Dept. of the state's small industries.

**TEMPERATURE BELOW**  
Freezing In Smokies  
GATLINBURG, Tenn. (R)—The temperature dropped to a sub-freezing 30 degrees atop Mt. Le Conte today.

Mt. Leconte rises to 6,333 feet and is one of the highest peaks in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

**SENATOR SEEKS PREMIER**  
TOKYO (R)—U. S. Sen Earl C. Clements (D-Ky.) called on Prime Minister Ichiro Hatoyama today.

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**SOLUTION SEEN IN STICKY SEAT SAGA**

There's a sequel to the saga of the sticky seats today—and maybe a solution.

County police officer John Kelly Wall added his name to the list of those who have been glued up by sitting down on the amphitheater seats at Freedom Park.

Officer Wall says the humor involved in the "mass booby trap" but he still advocates removing the pine benches with their offending resin (brought out by the hot sun) and replacing them with some other wood.

But Park Supt. Marion Diehl says to remove the seats—of pine, oak and fir—would be a \$3,000 job. Mr. Diehl thinks there's life in the old lumber yet.

So the Park & Recreation Dept. will soon scrape the goo away, give the wood an anti-resin treatment, paint the benches—and then hope for the sun to stay behind the clouds over Freedom Park.

**HARDLY APPROVED** form, but effective, shoeless Joe Bowen demonstrates his way of sighting during the Maryland National Championship Muzzle-Loader Shoot at Annapolis. His rifle is one of the Davy Crockett type. (AP Wirephoto)

**Invitation To Soviet Discussed**

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH  
WASHINGTON (R)—President Eisenhower said today he has the utmost confidence that West Germany's Chancellor Adenauer will stand by the Western world in any dealings with Soviet Russia.

Eisenhower volunteered the remark at his news conference in taking note of Moscow's bid for establishment of diplomatic and trade relations with the newly sovereign republic of Western Germany. The Kremlin yesterday invited Adenauer to visit Moscow to discuss those matters.

Eisenhower said it is only natural that Russia would extend such an invitation, in view of what the President termed recent developments in Western Europe.

The invitation, Eisenhower went on, seems to him to be a logical gesture on the part of Russia. He added the decision whether Adenauer accepts is one which must be made exclusively by West Germany.

At another point, Eisenhower referred to Adenauer as one of the world's greatest statesmen and said he trusts him.

Eisenhower also discussed these other topics:

**MANPOWER RESERVE**—The President spoke out emphatically against adding anti-segregation amendments to administration legislation to create a new military manpower reserve program. Such an amendment was tacked onto the bill in the House and the action caused the measure to be sidetracked a few weeks ago.

Eisenhower said he is hopeful the Senate will be able to take the initiative on the bill if the stalemate in the House cannot be broken.

Republican legislative leaders expressed the reserve bill with Eisenhower at their regular conference with him before the news conference. The administration rates the measure as necessary backing for its program to cut down the size of active forces.

In regard to a question, Eisenhower said that his opinion is entirely erroneous to try to tack on amendments to legislation such as the reserve program. He added that he believes the record of his administration's opposition to segregation is a good one, but that he is against trying to add anti-segregation riders to bills dealing with other matters.

As for the reserve program itself, the President said emphatically that we just must have it. BIG FOUR—Eisenhower said he

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**Evening Prayer**  
Dear Father in heaven, help us to choose our friends and Jesus and to seek His influence in our lives, that we may grow more like Him, and seek to do the things He would have us do. We pray this in His name. Amen.

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