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Secretary Getting Out Of Disputed Firm

President Awaits
End Of Inquiry

WASHINGTON (P)—Secretary of the Air Force Harold Talbott said investigating senators today he is getting out of the management consulting firm of Paul B. Muligan & Co.

Even as Talbott was giving this word to the senators, President Eisenhower was telling a news conference he will decide after the Senate inquiry ends whether Talbott has used his office improperly and should be fired.

Eisenhower said that in general the actions of a public official must be impeccable from the standpoint of both law and ethics, and should avoid giving any impression of wrongdoing.

Talbott told Senate investigations subcommittee he decided five days ago to get out of the Muligan firm which he has received \$132,002 in profits since becoming Air Force secretary in early 1953.

WRITES PARTNER

The air secretary said he has already written his partner, Muligan, saying he is taking legal steps to divest himself of his role in the partnership.

It was Talbott's partnership in the firm which led to the hearings by the subcommittee on the propriety and legality of Talbott's role in the private business enterprise.

The Muligan firm is a management engineering concern. It specializes in instructing businesses on ways to cut costs in record keeping and clerical hire.

Some Muligan clients have government contracts.

REALIZES MISTAKE

Talbott told the committee he realized he had done nothing illegal or unethical in connection with the company but that he now realizes he was "mistaken" in allowing his Pentagon office to be used for letter writing dealing with Muligan activities.

"My greatest concern is the Air Force," Talbott said. "Rather than injure the Air Force, I would divest myself of my interests 10 times over."

Therefore, he said, he decided to write Muligan that he had "decided to dissolve our partnership."

Talbott had a 50-50 interest with Muligan in the firm.

Talbott said he wrote the letter after an earlier appearance before the subcommittee in which he said he would give up his partnership if the senators thought he should do so.

The reason he hadn't mentioned his letter before, Talbott said, was because he didn't want to create the impression he was trying to "cut short" the hearings.

Talbott said that he has been so busy as air secretary he has not had much time to examine the Muligan company affairs.

He said he didn't mean this to appear to be a reflection on Muligan.

But, he said, "in the past two and a half years, I don't believe I have devoted 2½ days to the Muligan company."

DIRECTED BY MULLIGAN

Talbott said nearly all the firm's activities have been directed by Muligan ever since Talbott became air secretary.

Eisenhower indicated that what decision he makes about Talbott will turn on ethical considerations.

Eisenhower said there has been no suggestion Talbott has been guilty of fraud or wrongdoing in a legal sense. He also said the air secretary has performed his duties.

Adjournment Uncertain Six Major Bills Before Congress

By JOE HALL

WASHINGTON (P)—The remaining legislative program for the 1955 congressional session appeared today to have dwindled to six major bills. But the final adjournment date remained uncertain.

Sen. Clements (D-Ky.), acting majority leader, said he was quite hopeful the lawmakers can head for home, or on trips, by Saturday night or sooner.

House leaders kept Saturday at their official windup target. But they had more work on hand than the Senate, and some said privately they expected the session to spill over into at least a few days of next week.

MUST ITEMS

The six measures which constitute the bulk of the remaining program include three money bills—all "must" items—as well as a housing bill, a minimum wage increase bill and the multi-billion-dollar highway construction bill.

The House votes today on the controversial highway bill, with the issue in doubt. Senate leaders have

promised quick consideration if the House acts. The Senate already has passed its own bill, but without any of the disputed features of the House measure.

The minimum wage bill is deadlocked in conference, but the Senate and House delegates get together again today in an effort to reach agreement. Both branches have passed bills to raise the floor from 75 cents to \$1. They differ on the effective date.

The housing bill, continuing a wide assortment of government aids to that industry, is stuck in the House Rules Committee, but there were indications it might be dissolved today.

HOUSING FIGHT

A bitter fight over public housing is in prospect.

One fight which might delay adjournment involves the foreign aid money bill. The Senate voted for almost 600 million dollars more than the House, and House managers of the bill have said they will not accept a penny of this increase.

Conferees make their first attempt to get together on it today.

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Ike Would Allow Air Inspection For Peace

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL

WASHINGTON (P)—President Eisenhower said today he believes he would allow peaceful foreign planes to fly over any area of the United States to carry out his Geneva proposal for exchange of military blueprints and aerial inspection.

The Eisenhower proposal was made at the Geneva summit meeting, contingent on agreement by Russia to allow the same full information this country would give.

At a news conference at which Eisenhower again stressed gains at Geneva but minimized the hope of any new era of peace right now, he also touched on these subjects:

RED CHINA — The President said he cannot discuss now as to the possibility of a U. S.-Red China meeting on the foreign ministers level. What the next step will be after next week's Geneva conference between the two countries on the ambassadors level, he said he is not sure.

DIXON-YATES — Eisenhower disclosed that former Budget Director Joseph M. Dixon, who initiated the controversial project, will go before Congress to tell complete details of the matter.

The President said he is sure

that Chairman J. Sinclair Armstrong of the Securities and Exchange Commission has given the entire story of the role played by Sherman Adams, No. 1 aide to Eisenhower.

He said Adams told a Senate investigating subcommittee he

had been captured in a bedspread by the great blue heron that sailed down from the tree-tops yesterday into the yard of the Rev. Leslie Frerking.

Shortly eight hours after he had been captured in a bedspread by the great blue heron that sailed down from the tree-tops yesterday into the yard of Edmon O. Clarkson, near Freedom Park.

He had been placed in the Freedom Park lake with his wings clipped yesterday morning.

about 11:30 a. m., according to Mrs. Mabel Lake, summer program director of the Charlotte Nature Museum, the great blue heron, named and all, a little later, he was carried to the Clarkson home, where nature classes are held on Tuesdays, and by 6 o'clock he was dead.

Mrs. Lake cleared up a few of the mysteries about the bird today. First of all, he wasn't a

crane, though that is his common name. "Great blue heron" is the proper tag.

THE REASON

His presence over Charlotte was an unfortunate coincidence.

It seems that herons, after the breeding season, fly inland. This one probably came from the Wilmington area and would have been a temporary visitor.

The combination of bedspread capture, wing-clipping and excitement did the bird in. Nature Museum workers speculated ponds sprayed around the Freedom Park Lake may have contributed to the heron's death.

Local bird authorities said the story could have had an even sadder ending, since the powerful bill of the bird is used to fend off enemies and is capable of removing a human's eye with a single prick.

Heron Just Before Capture

Israeli Plane Downed In Bulgaria; 57 Killed



Dwight Phillips' Parking Lot Next To Coliseum . . . The Council Said "No."

Coliseum's Joint Parking Proposal Is Turned Down

By HARRY SHUFORD
Charlotte News Staff Writer

City Council turned thumbs down today to a proposed contract calling for joint operation of parking facilities at the new auditorium-coliseum.

The city is now developing a parking lot that will handle about 1200 cars, and Dwight L. Phillips' own adjoining property which would park up to 1800 cars.

The contract submitted to the council today would call for operation of both lots by Mr. Phillips with proceeds from the 25-cent-a-car parking fee to be split on a 50-50 per cent basis between Mr. Phillips and the city.

Under the proposal Mr. Phillips would get 60 per cent based on the fact that his section of the lot covers 60 per cent of the total parking area.

ALPHA OBJECTS

After the proposed contract was read to the council today, Councilman Claude Alpha strongly objected on the grounds that the city should not be joined in a private enterprise.

Councilman H. E. Brown and W. Everett Wilkinson then led a protest against the proposed contract by pointing out that Mr. Phillips would be getting a "cut" of proceeds from cars parked on the city-owned section of the parking lot.

The council instructed City Manager Henry A. Yancey to drive further into the situation and see if the contract can be amended to strike out the 60-40 split in proceeds. In the meantime the problem of finding more parking space at the auditorium-coliseum was held in abeyance.

Councilman Claude Alpha said flatly at the conclusion of the discussion that "somebody went to sleep when they started to build that place," and that such situations "should have been foreseen."

It was pointed out by Mayor Phil Van Every that the council named an auditorium-coliseum building committee to handle such things.

Councilman Steve Dellinger interjected, however, that "We can't find anything out from them, though they won't talk to us about it."

At least I've never been able to find out anything from them. In the meantime both parking lots continue to be put into shape.

City Council today gave approval by the Council, and that the management of the coliseum, the council expressed strong approval.

Mr. Odell showed Council members a large chart of the dressing room facilities of the coliseum and apparently convinced them that all the necessary requirements have been met.

When he first was questioned on the coliseum construction, he was almost in the lion's den of "called on the carpet."

Councilman H. H. Baxter followed this with lengthy praise but that he wanted questions and the coliseum cleared up, partly by Mr. Odell's explanation of the work done recently at the coliseum, partly by Mr. Odell's explanation of the work done recently at the coliseum, partly by Mr. Odell's explanation of the work done recently at the coliseum.

**IKE'S FOURTH
GRANDCHILD
IS EXPECTED**

WASHINGTON (P)—A beaming President Eisenhower announced at a news conference today he expects to be a grandfather for the fourth time.

Newsman greeted the President's disclosure with applause and cheer.

Eisenhower broke off a discussion of the Big Four conference to say with evident happiness that immediately upon his return from Geneva his daughter-in-law, Barbara, told him that if all goes well she will have a fourth child next Christmas time.

Barbara, wife of the President's only son, Maj. John Eisenhower, now has three children—a boy and two girls.

Evening Prayer

O Lord, accept our thanks for all. Thy precious promises. We are confident that Thou wilt not break Thy covenant with us. Strengthen our faith through the knowledge that we can depend upon Thee to fulfill Thy precious promises. In the name of Jesus, who always put this Trust in Thee, we pray Amen.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Martha Evans, the City Council today rescinded its action on buying coliseum chairs and agreed to re-advertise for bids.

This morning's action took place following a contention by Bill Fowler of Fowler's (local chair company) that there was not an open and public reading of all bids for coliseum chairs at the last council meeting.

Councilman questioned Architect A. G. Odell Jr. and the Auditorium-Coliseum building committee as to whether all bids were read as North Carolina law requires.

Mr. Odell replied that he was not sure whether he read all base bids or not, but added that he believed he did so.

He further explained that he did ask the assembled council and audience if there was anyone who wanted to say anything about all terminate bids.

At the July 13 session, the Council agreed that the contract for coliseum seats should go to the American Seating Co. of Grand Rapids, Mich., low bidder for 3,000 chairs at \$14,700.36.

ATTORNEY SPEAKS

Through Attorney Francis H. Fairley, Mr. Fowler maintained that his bid of \$14,500 for these chairs was the lowest bid which was read in the public session.

Contracts from the city for the chairs from American Seating Co. have not yet been forwarded to Grand Rapids, Mich.

With this in mind, Councilwoman Evans asked whether it would be too late to rescind the action of the Council's last meeting and re-advertise for bids.

When she was told that it was not too late, she made the motion that bids be reopened.

NO DELAY

Mr. Odell and members of the building committee agreed that the delay in re-advertising for bids and awarding contracts would not delay the scheduled opening of the coliseum on Sept. 11.

Mr. Evans' motion was seconded by Councilman Herman Brown.

The council then turned to a discussion of bids on vending machines for the auditorium and the coliseum.

Our Weather

Generally fair and quite warm today, tonight, and Thursday, with chance of afternoon or evening thunder showers.

High yesterday—96.
Mrs. AX — 35.
Low tomorrow — 95.
Low this morning — 73.
Low tonight — 73.
Sunrise — 5:27 a. m.; sunset — 7:30 p. m.

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Red Guns Shoot Up Airliner

ATHENS, Greece (P)—An Israeli airliner was forced down in flames in Communist Bulgaria today, Greek authorities said. Bulgarian anti-aircraft guns shot it down near the Greek border and that all but perhaps one of the 58 persons aboard must be considered dead.

At least three Americans were aboard. The airline said they were Mrs. J. Sheinbaum, a Mrs. Katz and the latter's small daughter. It did not release their home addresses, but said they were en route from London to Tel Aviv.

Israel alerted that the Constellation had crashed from some cause, said it had no official information that Bulgarians fired on it. A Foreign Ministry spokesman in Jerusalem said the Israeli legation in Sofia has been instructed urgently to investigate circumstances of the crash.

GREEK STATEMENT

A special Greek government statement, based on observation of soldiers of the 10th Greek army division in Macedonia, said the four-engine American-built craft of the El Al Airlines was felled north of Pefkari on a flight from London to Lydda, Israel.

The crash in rugged territory of Bulgaria, a member of the Communists' Warsaw military alliance, came only four days after the winding of the Big Four summit conference to ease world tensions.

The first word that anything was amiss with the Constellation, which took off from Vienna's Scheuch Airport at 4 a. m. today on the last night of its southward journey, was an SOS intercepted by the airline operations office and Room Monitors. The message said the plane was going down in flames.

LINES ANNOUNCEMENT

Then came an announcement by the El Al office in London that the plane, which took off from London last night, was believed to have gone down, afire, near the Greek-Bulgarian border. A crew of 7 and 14 passengers were aboard when the plane left London. Other passengers were picked up in Paris and Vienna.

In Tel Aviv, the airlines general manager said the Constellation made a forced landing in Bulgaria after being fired on by Bulgarian anti-aircraft guns.

Against the Greek account that persons were aboard, he said the Constellation carried 57—30 passengers, including 3 children, and the crew of 7.

At 6:27 a. m. local time the operations branch of El Al Airlines received an SOS from an El Al Constellation on its way from Vienna to Lydda.

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By BETTY BOYER

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