

# Ferguson Charges Red Spy Probe Stymied By Truman

## Asserts Vital Data Withheld By President

### House Group Quizzes Mystery Witness

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (UP)—The Senate side of the Red spy investigation was closed to the public today with a declaration by its director that the Truman administration has stymied the inquiry.

Chairman Homer Ferguson (R. Mich.), of the Senate investigating committee said his group has reached a point where "it feels it cannot proceed with public hearings because it is denied information," by Mr. Truman.

The House Un-American Activities Committee meanwhile released its espionage hearings while a special secret subcommittee questioned an unnamed mystery witness somewhere away from Washington.

**Withhold Identity**  
Committee members would not identify the mystery witness but said his testimony would "break this spy case wide open."

The Washington Times-Herald said the mystery witness was found by a committee investigator in Paris.

It said he arranged shipment of 500 pounds of uranium to Russia at a time when this country was developing the atomic bomb. The newspaper described the witness as a personal friend of Henry Wallace.

The Senate committee has been concentrating on the case of William W. Remington, suspended Commerce Department official who held a War Production Board job and later a naval assignment in the commission during the war.

A Key "Contact"  
Elizabeth T. Bentley, confessed courier for a Soviet espionage gang she said operated here in wartime, told investigators Remington was one of her "most valuable" contacts.

Sen. Ferguson has been trying to find out why Remington was kept in his Commerce Department job for three months after his superiors knew the FBI was investigating his loyalty. He was suspended June 23.

Sen. Ferguson said his group in closed hearings will use "every legal means" to get the information it wants about Remington from Attorney General Tom Clark, the Navy, and the Commerce Department.



**BLUE-RIBBON EXHIBITORS**—Helen Mills (left) of Decatur Township shows her ribbon-winning dress to two other exhibitors in the county 4-H Girls' Achievement show at IPALCO Hall. With her are Maura Chillon (center) of Warren Township and Jean Cooper of Decatur Township. Each of the many contestants who entered more than 1500 exhibits in the county show was a winner in her own township.

## Study Radio Quiz Show Ban

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (UP)—

The Federal Communications Commission today gave the nation's quiz programs until Sept. 10 to come up with an answer to its own \$64 question.

That question was: Why shouldn't the commission ban most of these programs as violations of the radio lottery law?

The commission yesterday issued a proposed ruling to this effect. Its scope was so broad that it would banish from the air a good many of the big-name guessing programs in which sponsors give away everything from money to truckloads of merchandise.

The major networks withheld comment, pending a detailed study of the proposed ruling. But it was estimated that the edict—if it becomes final—will affect some 40 network "give-away" shows and hundreds of similar programs aired by local stations throughout the country.

**Specific Case Cited**  
The commission handed down its tentative ruling in a case involving station WAIL, Arlington, Va. It held that that station's telephone quiz violated the ban on lotteries.

The commission mentioned no specific quiz shows in its proposed ruling. It made it clear that even if the new rule goes into effect each type of program will be judged on its own merits.

Under the ruling a program would be considered illegal if, as a condition of winning, a contestant chosen by lot must first:

ONE: Furnish money or any other thing of value, or possess the sponsor's product.

TWO: Be listening to the program or seeing it on television.

THREE: Give the correct answer to a question, the answer or clue to which is given on the same station, even if on a previous program.

FOUR: Answer the telephone or write a letter where the conversation or contents of the letter is broadcast by the station.

## 2d Kremlin Talks Open on Berlin

### Allied Envoys Confer With Molotov

MOSCOW, Aug. 6 (UP)—Diplomats representing the three western powers went to the Kremlin tonight to renew their talks with high Russian officials on the German crisis.

U. S. Ambassador W. Bedell Smith, French Ambassador Yves Chataigneau and Frank Roberts, secretary to British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, visited the seat of the Soviet government.

They expected to see Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov, who attended their meeting with Premier Josef Stalin last Monday night.

Several conferences of the diplomats with the western states have apparently had produced an agreement on proposals to be presented on their next visit to the Kremlin.

**Impose Rigid Secrecy**  
The most rigid secrecy has been imposed on the East-West negotiations, and officially there was nothing to report. But Western officials made it plain that they expected further consultations with ranking Soviet spokesmen.

Premier Stalin was understood to be demanding a voice in control of the Ruhr as the price for lifting the blockade of Berlin.

There was every reason to assume that elimination of the Berlin blockade was the major condition of the western powers before agreeing to another foreign ministers council meeting on Germany.

**Aside From All That, It's a Good Car**  
SAN DIEGO, Cal. (UP)—Calvin Lee Jr. was minus his car after police pinned the label of "unsafe" on the windshield.

Patrolman Paul Tristle listed the 1935 car as without brakes, headlights, spotlight, horn, front floorboards, front license, windshield wiper and left front-wheel bearings. In addition, the rear license plate was wired to the gas cap cover; all four fenders were loose; the front and rear bumpers were both loose and "tacked" on.

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**TONIGHT AND TOMORROW**—Temperatures in the central portion of the U. S. are expected to rise slightly tonight and early tomorrow. By dawn the mercury should be in the 60s. Unseasonably cool weather will continue in the east for the next 24 hours as the high cell over Indiana drifts toward the Atlantic.

## FSA Chief Defends Use Of U. S. Chef in His Office

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (UP)—

Federal Security Administrator Oscar E. Ewing said today he considers it "entirely proper" for him to use a \$3,200-a-year government hospital chef in his private office dining room.

"I propose to keep it up," Mr. Ewing told a news conference.

A Senate Appropriations Subcommittee yesterday raised the question of the Ewing's private chef, neater James Kelley, who is paid by a local government hospital.

Mr. Kelley told the Senators at a closed hearing yesterday that for the past 10 months he has spent about five hours a day whipping up luncheons for Mr. Ewing and his office guests in a private dining room in the Federal Security Building.

The subcommittee said this violated federal budgetary rules. Mr. Ewing said, however, that his budget experts have assured him there is "nothing improper or illegal" about it.

He said having a private chef saved time and money because he and his aids could talk business while they ate instead of taking time to go out for lunch.

Mr. Ewing also used his news conference to answer charges of "censorship" by John W. Studebaker, former U. S. Commissioner of Education.

Mr. Studebaker, who resigned recently, said this week that Mr. Ewing's aids forced him to call off a planned anti-Communist campaign in the schools.

Mr. Ewing accused Mr. Studebaker of "utter falsehood." He said he had planned to ask Mr. Studebaker to resign "but he beat me to it."

"To infer that I am lukewarm in my opposition to communism is pure undiluted falsehood," Mr. Ewing said.

"The man who made that inference knows he deliberately made it."

He said Mr. Studebaker's "inference" that Mr. Ewing tried to exert "political control over education" is an utter falsehood.

## Engineer Rescues Woman From Train

Times State Service

CRAWFORDVILLE, Aug. 6—A railroad engineer was credited today with saving the life of a woman who police termed as mentally ill.

C. R. McMillan, operating a Pennsylvania switch engine at the east edge of the city yesterday afternoon, said he saw the woman running down the tracks towards an oncoming train. He said he called to warn her but she paid no attention.

The engineer pulled the woman from the track just in time to save her from being struck.

## Retired Madison Mail Carrier Dies at 72

Times State Service

MADISON, Aug. 6—Louis Layton, retired rural letter carrier, died yesterday at his home here, he was 72.

Mr. Layton was the first rural letter carrier out of Madison post office after free delivery was inaugurated. He was also secretary of No. 3 fire company.

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