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MEMORANDUM FOR: DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, COMPTROLLER
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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, DEVELOPMENT
DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, OPERATIONS
DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, MATERIEL



SUBJECT: Appointment of Lieut. General Doolittle as Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff

1. Lieut. General James H. Doolittle is acting as my special assistant to advise me in matters of mutual concern to the Air Materiel Command and the Air Research and Development Command pertaining to the establishment, organization, and operation of the Air Research and Development Command.

2. Problems in connection with this Air Force reorganization of mutual concern to the Air Materiel Command and the Air Research and Development Command which cannot be resolved by mutual agreement between the two Commands will be forwarded with a clear statement of each of the conflicting views to me for decision through General Doolittle who will study the problem and make recommendations to me. Similar action will be taken on problems arising in the Air Staff which cannot be resolved by mutual agreement between the Deputy Chief of Staff, Materiel and the Deputy Chief of Staff, Development.

3. General Doolittle will base his recommendations on the best interest of the Air Force as a whole, with due consideration to the Continuing capability of both the Air Materiel Command and the Air Research and Development Command to perform their assigned functions and responsibilities.

Gen Vandenberg

Friday - 26 November 1948

- 0825 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Sgt at Motor Pool, Bolling Field, and Mrs. Munroe re transportation for AF funerals.
- 0920 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Miss Hatton, Dir of the Press-Radio Analysis Divn - Gen Van would like to have copies of daily summary of press and radio comment which is to be printed daily by the Office of Public Information.
- 0945 - Gen Van to office.
- 0945 - Congressman Coffin (Mich) and Gen McIntyre in to see Gen Van re Blanchard. (originally thought to want appointment to West Point - now wants appointment to Annapolis).
- 1000 - Gen Van to Mr. Symington's office with Gen Fairchild.
- 1045 - Gen Van back with Gen Fairchild - Gen Norstad and Gen Samford waiting in Gen Van's office.
- 1050 - Col Ariburum and Col Remzi Soyoguz - departing and new Turkish attaches.
- 1055 - Col Richmond Harris.-re appropriations.
- 1100 - Gen McKee in.
- 1110 - Tel- Gen Strother to Maj White - what dress is to be followed at Mr. Forrestal's reception? Maj White checked and found that dress to be as formal as individual wardrobes would allow. Not to buy formal attire for this occasion.
- 1210 - Gen Kepner in to pay respects.
- 1220 - Gen Van back in office.
- 1230 - Gen Van to lunch.
- 1305 - Back in office w/Gen Whitehead.
- 1350 - Mr. Symington in.
- 1450 - Tel - Sid Shallett to Maj White - to do story on Chattanooga first. Will contact Gen Van when he returns the latter part of Dec re story on Philadelphia and flying saucers. Will call Mr. Leo and Gen Cabell and give this information to them.
Chief
- 1515 - Tel - Air/Marshall Medhurst's secretary to Sgt Thomas - appointment set up for 1530, today.
Chief
- 1530 - Air/Marshall Medhurst in to see Gen Van.
- 1630 - Tel - Maj White to Gen Anderson - Gen Van wanted him to know would be out of town next week, and neither he nor Mrs. Van would be attending dinners For Cliff Anderson.
- Gen Van to Philadelphia to attend Army-Navy game tomorrow. (Score 21-21).

Thursday - 30 Dec 48

- 0940 - Arrived.
- 0950 - Gen Everest in with papers.
- 1015 - Col John Hartigan to present a 1st Aero Squadron pin to Gen Vandenberg.
- 1025 - Gen McKee in.
- 1030 - Tel - Gen Van to Mr. Lovett - wanted appointment to see for about 3 mins. Mr. Lovett asked him to come over now.
- 1030 - Tel - Gen Van to Gen Everest - going to see Mr. Lovett if he wants to go along - Gen Everest to come right down.
- 1031 - Gen Van and Gen Everest to Mr. Lovett's office.
- 1100 - Gen Van back w/Gen Everest.
- 1110 - Richard Boutelle in.
- 1125 - Tel - Gen Van to Mrs. Van - sending Blankenship up to get gunsight for Mr. Boutelle.
- 1130 - Tel - Gen Van to Gen Eckert - wanted to know whether there is anything constructive on P-86 - allowing Canada to manufacture - Gen Eckert said he would call back.
- 1145 - Tel - Sid Shalett to Gen Van - ready to start "Flying Saucer" story on Monday. Gen Van said he would talk with Mr. Leo and get our stuff lined up and that Mr. Shalett should call Mr. Leo in the afternoon.
- 1150 - Mr. Leo in re "Flying Saucer" story.
- 1200 - Colonel Powell in.
- 1205 - Tel - Gen Eaker to Gen Van (from Los Angeles) - bad publicity on sale of Hughes Tool Company - Mr. Hughes wanted the General to know that they were retaining Hughes Aviation.
- 1220 - Tel - Maj White to Mrs Van - have ordered 51 30x64 venitian blinds at \$2.75@ and asked that they be consigned to Col Funch at Bolling AF Base. (Station Hospital)
- 1225 - Tel - Gen Van to Mrs. Van - am going to have to go to Governor Lane's reception on January 1st - help receive at a luncheon. If she would like to go, will accept for four (Sandy and guest). Ok with Mrs. V.
- 1230 - Gen Eckert in.
- 1235 - Tel - Gen Richards to Gen Van - has a draft of letter they were discussing yesterday - Gen Van said to bring it up.
- 1235 - Gen Richards in with above letter.
- 1240 - Gen Van to lunch.

Friday - 4 Feb 49

- 0940 - In and to Mr. Symington's office.
- 1000 - Back in office.
- 1010 - Gen Van to Mr. Symington's office.
- 1035 - Back in office.
- 1105 - Tel - Mr. Boutelle to Gen Van - Wanted to know how long the General was going to be tied up, and Gen Van said he would see Mr. Boutelle at the Hawks Trophy Dinner in NY on Tuesday.
- 1110 - Tel - Gen Rawlings to Gen Van - to appear on The Hill Monday at 1000.
- 1100 - Gen Fairchild in.
- 1125 - Mrs. P. M. Hamilton in to have photo taken with Gen Van for National Symphony Orchestra drive.
- 1130 - Gen Fairchild in.
- 1135 - Gen Van to Mr. Symington's office.
- 1210 - Mr. Leo with Karen Salsbury, who is writing an article for Newsweek.
- 1245 - Tel - Gen Van to Lucius P. Ordway (Palm Beach, Fla.) - coming down for weekend, and will stay with Mr. Ordway if possible - Mr. Ordway delighted.
- 1255 - Gen Van to Lunch.
- 1330 - Back in office.
- 1335 - Gen Everest.
- 1410 - Tel - Gen Van to Senator Vandenberg - before going ahead with proposal Tydings and Hickenlupper have to make to the Senator, Gen Van would like him to get McMahon's point of view - Senator Vandenberg will do.
- 1445 - To Secretary's office and back.
- 1505 - Air Commodore Nowell in re Egypt situation.
- 1545 - Tel - Admiral Hill to Gen Van - tentative appointment for Gen Van to speak on May 17 on Air Force role in future war. Admiral Hill to send written info later.
- 1550 - Tel - Sid Shallett to Gen Van - set up appointment for 0915, Thursday, 10 Feb, on flying saucers.
- 1645 - Tel - Gen Van to Gen Ginsburg - going south and wants copy of speech to read on the way.
- 1645 - Home.

Thursday - 10 Feb 49

0847 - In with Gen Doolittle.

0850 - Tel - Gen Van to Gen Putt - Jimmie Doolittle is in my office and wants to ask some questions re Research and Development. Gen Putt to come down.

0855 - Gen Putt in and out with Gen Doolittle.

0905 - Tel - Gen Craig to Gen Van - wants to see for a few minutes.

0905 - Gen Craig and Gen White.

0915 - Sid Shallett in re "flying saucer" story.

0940 - Gen Norstad in.

1000 - Mr. Epstein, Col Grubbs, Sgt Ankas, and another EM in re new USAF uniform.

1010 - Gen Van to Mr. Symington's office with Gen Norstad.

1050 - Back in with Gen Norstad.

1110 - Mr. Symington in.

1145 - Mr. Boutelle in for a moment.

1145 - Telephone - Col Roberts to Secy of Agriculture - regretted invitation for Gen Van to speak to Red Cross keyworkers on 23 Feb - to be in Texas.

1155 - Tel - Mrs. Munro to Maj White - Funeral tomorrow - pick up Mrs. J. K. Gerhart at 1200 at 3286 Worthington Road. Sgt Thomas notified Sgt Ream at Bolling.

1155 - Tel - Gen Putt to Gen Van - Mr. Victory, NACA, wanted Gen Putt to tell Gen Van that if he could attend the NACA meeting this afternoon, it would be the first time a full committee had been present, and they want to take a picture. Gen Van said he would like to attend, but JCS would prevent.

1215 - Gen Anderson in to brief for JCS.

1235 - To JCS with Gen Norstad.

1415 - Back in office.

1425 - Tel - Maj White to Col McHugh - asked that he regret for Gen Vandenberg that he will not be able to attend cocktail party at Col de Schinkel's tonite.

1500 - Tel - Maj Baumgardner to Maj White - wanted to arrange an appointment for a handshake with the new and departing air attaches of Peru. Gen Llona, former Chief of Staff of the Peruvian Armed Forces, is replacing Col Suero. A tentative appointment was set up for 1100, Tuesday, 15 Feb, but Gen Vandenberg said to have Gen Fairchild see them. ~~EMIX~~ Maj Baumgardner was so informed.

1730 - Gen Fairchild in.

1800 - Home.

achieve results through subtlety. As an instructor in pursuit plane tactics at the Air Corps Tactical School from 1936 to 1938, he promoted close working relations between previously hostile advocates of pursuit planes and bombers.

After graduation from the Army War College in 1939, Vandenberg was assigned as a captain at Air Corps Headquarters, under Henry ("Hap") Arnold. Winning Arnold's favor he rose to colonel before going overseas in August 1942, to be chief of staff of the Twelfth Air Force, charged with supporting the North African campaign. His performance in a situation where virtually all of the American military forces had no previous combat experience earned the approval of the overall commander, Dwight D. Eisenhower, and he became brigadier general in December 1942.

Arnold recalled Vandenberg to Washington as deputy chief of the Army Air Forces Headquarters Staff in August 1943 and soon appointed him senior officer on the air mission to Russia. Vandenberg's main task was to help negotiate for the bases in Russia used briefly by American bombers attempting shuttle raids against enemy targets. Vandenberg was also a member of the presidential party at the Quebec, Cairo, and Tehran conferences.

In March 1944 Vandenberg rejoined the Eisenhower team in England as a major general and deputy to Air Chief Marshal Trafford Leigh-Mallory, commander of the Allied Expeditionary Air Forces, a support agency for the Normandy invasion. Vandenberg soon came under close consideration by Eisenhower for appointment as commander of the First Allied Airborne Army, which carried the rank of lieutenant general. General George C. Marshall, chief of staff of the United States Army, was reluctant to allow the forty-five-year-old Vandenberg such rapid promotion and suggested that he be given command of the Ninth Air Force, ultimately a more significant responsibility.

Beginning in August 1944, Vandenberg led the 400,000-man Ninth Air Force in direct support of the advance by Lieutenant General Omar Bradley's Twelfth Army Group into Germany. His wholehearted support provoked criticism from those anxious to use airpower in other ways but Vandenberg won Eisenhower's recommendation for promotion to lieutenant general in March 1945.

After the war Vandenberg held brief assignments as head of Army Intelligence and as second director of the Central Intelligence

Agency. In 1947 he became a full general and vice-chief of staff of the newly established United States Air Force. When Carl Spaatz, Vandenberg's senior air associate in Europe during the war, retired as chief of staff, Vandenberg was named to the post.

Critics of Vandenberg's appointment in April 1948 feared that he was too easygoing to be effective. A more assertive personality, however, might have provoked even greater acrimony than that which engulfed the newly created Department of Defense.

Vandenberg presided over the air force for more than five years. In this period the new service bore the brunt of the Berlin airlift, engaged Communist air forces for the first time during the Korean War, and, as appropriations began to increase after 1950, dramatically enlarged the nation's strategic air capability.

As a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Vandenberg wrestled with the priority to be given the demands of the Korean War compared with those of the emerging North Atlantic Treaty Organization. He and his colleagues concurred in the Truman administration's refusal to support General Douglas MacArthur's call for an expanded war in Asia to counter the Chinese Communist invasion of Korea. On the other hand, the members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff were far from unanimous in their appraisal of another controversial policy question directly involving Vandenberg: the relative merits of B-36 intercontinental bombers and the navy's aircraft carriers. The result was a standoff, in that both kinds of weapons systems survived in the enlarged defense structure of the 1950's.

In May 1952 Vandenberg underwent abdominal surgery. He retired from the Air Force in June 1953, and less than a year later died of cancer in Washington, D.C.

[There is no critical biography of Vandenberg. His papers from his years as chief of staff of the United States Air Force are at the Library of Congress. Authoritative insights into his achievements in World War II are available in Alfred D. Chandler et al., eds., *The Papers of Dwight David Eisenhower: The War Years* (1970). Brief and rarely critical biographical articles include Sidney Shallett, "Man on a Hot Spot," *Saturday Evening Post*, May 29, 1948; and *Time*, Jan. 15, 1945; Apr. 12, 1948; and Mar. 10, 1952. There are obituaries in the *New York Times*, Apr. 3, 1954; and *Time*, Apr. 12, 1954.

Other useful sources are *Howitzer 1923*, his graduation yearbook at the United States Military Academy; *Gen. Cullum's Biographical Register of the Officers and Graduates of the United States Military*

VANDENBERG, HOYT SANFORD (Jan. 24, 1899–Apr. 2, 1954), World War II air leader and second chief of staff of the United States Air Force, was born in Milwaukee, Wis., the son of William Collins and Pearl Kane Vandenberg. His father was president of a bookbindery and later a street-car company in Lowell, Mass., where Vandenberg was raised. His interest in a military career emerged after the United States entry into World War I, and he enlisted in an army officer training course at Plattsburgh, N. Y. The war ended before he could use his training, and, following his father's advice, Vandenberg established residence in Grand Rapids, Mich., where his uncle, Arthur H. Vandenberg, then publisher of the *Grand Rapids Herald* and later a powerful U.S. senator from Michigan, helped him to win congressional appointment to the United States Military Academy.

Vandenberg's record at West Point was undistinguished. His lifelong reputation for affability began there, but he won no military rank in the Corps of Cadets and graduated in 1923 number 240 out of 261.

A demonstration flight at the academy by a barnstormer sparked Vandenberg's interest, and he applied for pilot training after graduation. On Dec. 26, 1923, while taking flight training in Texas, he married Gladys Merritt Rose of Sloatsburg, N. Y.; they had two children.

In 1924 Vandenberg began a ten-year round of flying assignments in the Army Air Service (later Army Air Corps). He developed an excellent reputation as a pilot. He commanded attack squadrons in Texas and Hawaii and served two tours as a flying instructor in California and in Texas. He completed his studies at the Air Corps Tactical School in 1935, the Command and General Staff School in 1936, and the Army War College in 1939.

Vandenberg gradually won recognition for his

Data on Air Force General Officers, 1917–1952 (1953). For insights into the 1941–1953 context in which Vandenberg served, see W. F. Craven and J. L. Cate, eds., *The Army Air Forces in World War II*, II and III (1949–1951); R. F. Futrell, *The United States Air Force in Korea, 1950–1953* (1961); and Paul Y. Hammond, *Organizing for Defense* (1961).

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- 1215 - Tel - Air Marshal Medhurst's office to Maj White - wire received from Lord Tedder, cancelling Sir William Elliott's trip to US. (Gen Van had invited Sir Wm Elliott to visit US to accompany jets when visit is made of Vampire Sq). Appropriate staff agency notified.
- 1230 - Tel - Col Smith to Mr Gill Robb Wilson, New York - Reservations made on American Airlines, 1100, July 10th, to Frankfurt, Germany, for Mr. Wilbur Forrest (see previous entry). Mr. Forrest's passport to be sent to Washington for authentication by Civil Affairs Division, War Department.
- 1330 - Tel - Gen Everest to Gen Van - likely candidates for golf either already on golf course or tied up. Gen Everest to contact Gen Norstad when he returns from a luncheon, and will call Gen Van back about 1400.
- 1355 - Tel - Gen Everest to Gen Van - Gen Norstad tied up until at least 1515. Suggested they (Gen Everest & Gen Van) go ahead and play at either Burning Tree or Army-Navy Club. Gen Van said he would meet him at Army-Navy Club at approximately 1430.
- 1245 - Tel - Col Smith to Dr Bowles, Boston - Inquired whether or not he could come to Washington on Monday or Tuesday of next week. Dr. Bowles stated Tuesday would be a convenient date with him. Col Smith said transportation would be arranged for him, and it was agreed that Dr. Bowles would leave from Logan Airport, Boston, at about nine a.m. on Tuesday morning. If the pilot who goes up for Dr Bowles will call him at his home - telephone Wellesley 5-2444 - the necessary arrangements for take-off can be made at that time. Dr Bowles asked if he should be prepared for any special thing, and Col Smith told him that Gen Vandenberg had specified nothing except that he wanted to see Dr. Bowles.
- 1430 - Gen Van out to play golf with Gen Everest.
- 1500 - Mr Boutelle was in and said he had a 20 pound salmon he wants to bake, and would like to know if and when General Van could come up to have some.

- 1350 - Gen McKee in to see Gen Van.
- 1355 - Gen Rawlings and Gen Fairchild in to see Gen Van.
- 1430 - Tel - Mr Luddington (Secy Forrestal's office) to Gen Van - inquired whether a survey had been made on the subject Gen Van had discussed with Secretary Forrestal. Gen Van said he didn't think anything had been done, since they had only just encountered the problem. Mr. Luddington said he'd like to know where it would be, the curriculum to be followed, etc, and if a survey had been made he'd like copies sent to Miss Foley, who will forward to him.
- 1445 - Secy Symington in to see Gen Van.
- 1453 - Gen Vandenberg to Secretary Royall's office.
- 1557 - Tel - Gen Van to Mr Christie - inquired whether he found out anything further about Saturday. Mr. Christie said he talked with George and he is going to see if he can get place at Rehobeth Beach, for the weekend. Doesn't think the place at Cambridge would be as comfortable. If they don't go, would like to get together Saturday night anyway. Gen Van said O.K.
- 1557 - Mr Boutelle in to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 1600 - Gen Vandenberg, Gen Fairchild, and Gen McKee to a meeting.
- 1620 - Tel - Dr Bowles to his Boston office - arrange for transportation to meet him upon arrival at Boston tonight.
- 1630 - Col Young (Gen Craigie's office) in - would like pictures of the firing of the V-2 rockets (for Dr Bowles).
- 1710 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Col Dusard, duty officer, giving Gen Vandenberg's itinerary
- 1720 - Dr. Bowles in to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 1745 - Home.

- 0920 - Arrived.
- 0940 - George McManus, CIA, in to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 0945 - Tel - Gen Kenney to Gen Vandenberg - re bases presentation. Gen Kenney said for Gen Vandenberg to make decision, and he would do what they decide.
- 0945 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Mrs Williams (State Dept) - Under Secy of the AF, Mr Barrows, to attend Secy of State Luncheon today instead of Gen Vandenberg.
- 1015 - Gen Norstad in to see Gen Van.
- 1030 - Air Marshal Curtis in to see Gen Van. Gen Powers joined them, at Gen Vandenberg's request.
- 1040 - Tel - Cadillac Co to Gen Van - Cadillac needs new oil gasket. Price will be \$21.62. Gen Van said he would call Bill Boyer (General Motors) and if he advised installation, would send it down.
- 1100 - Col Reddoch brought Col Page (his replacement) in for introduction.
- 1100 - Tel - Mrs Monts, Secy Symington's office, to Sgt Thomas - inquired whether Gen Arnold would be in Washington tomorrow? (Check was made & found he would not, and Mrs. Monts was advised accordingly).
- 1120 - Tel - Mr. Boutelle to Gen Van - re invitation to help eat salmon. Gen Van said he had tentatively accepted invitation to the shore. Will call back.
- 1150 - Tel - Mr. Pierce (General Motors) to Maj White - having luncheon on 23 July at Statler Hotel (Town Room) at 1230 to show new Turbo-prop Engine. Wants to know if Gen Van will attend.
- 1210 - Dr Bowles (Boston) in to see Gen Van.
- 1210 - Mr. Barrows in to see Gen Van.
- 1215 - Tel - Gen Van to Mr Arthur Christie - Gen Van said George had said something about Saturday. Mr Christie said he didn't know how they were going to get down there, where they'd stay or anything. Gen Van said he had to know in order to accept another invitation if they weren't going. Mr Christie will call back.
- 1320 - Tel - Gen Vandenberg and Gen Grow - Gen Vandenberg wanted to know, in case something should happen, surprisingly, which hospital would he suggest that we try to get as a general hospital. Gen Grow had not given it much thought in view of what Gen Fairchild had stated at a Staff Meeting that we wouldn't consider acquiring any of them in this first move. Offhand, however, he would say the one at San Antonio, because of its central position & because we have such a big AF concentration in that neighborhood - he hadn't thought the thing through, other than to just establish the principle that we want a Medical Center. Gen Vandenberg said that the information he had given him was sufficient at this time.
- 1330 - Gen Spaatz in to see Gen Vandenberg.

Gen Lutes also asked about possibility of getting a brigadier to work in survey on needs of this kind to supervise the staff. Gen Van said they had no vacancy to make any new general officers, but he would check to see if the AF didn't have one to put in that spot. Gen Lutes said he thought the Navy and Army ought to be ranked by an AF officer.

1700 - Tel - Gen Van to Gen Everest - what about Alaskan Air Command Book. Gen Everest said there were a couple charts listed in tabs he wanted the General to see.

1705 - Tel - Gen Van to Gen Spaatz - things mighty hot, and thought he ought to be brought up to date on the picture. Gen Van said he had recommended Secy Symington not go to Alaska. The Secy would like to talk with Gen Spaatz and Gen Van at Gen Vandenberg's quarters tonight at 2100. Gen Spaatz said he would be there.

1730 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Lt Burkett, duty off, Gen Vandenberg's itinerary.

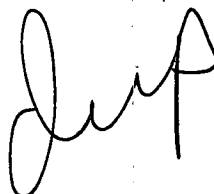
1750 - Home.

- 0905 - Arrived.
- 0907 - Tel -Gen Vandenberg to Col Powell - come in and see.
- 0907 - Secy Symington in to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 0915 - Col Powell in to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 0940 - Col Powell back in.
- 0955 - Gen Grow in to see Gen Van.
- 1030 - Gen Norstad in to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 1050 - Tel - Gen Vandenberg to Gen Ankenbrandt - sent out first "redline" about 1730, 19 July, to LeMay about sending representative with the Chief coming over. Check on time it took. General Norstad asked Gen Ankenbrandt to check on time of "redline" received this office this morning - indication of two hour delay in getting to office of C/S.
- 1110 - Tel - Mr. Ed Lynch to Gen Vandenberg - is batching (in Cincinnati) for a few weeks. Had dinner with Mr. Ruehy who suggested Gen Van come down for an evening this week or next. Gen Van said he might be able to come next week, dependent upon situation in Berlin. Mr. Lynch said any time until the 30th of July, when he is going to pick up his family. Gen Van said he would call back and let him know.
- 1120 - Gen Lee (TAC) in to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 1145 - JCS briefing - Gen Norstad and Gen Anderson.
- 1200 - Gen Van to JATO briefing and lunch in Secy's office.
- 1330 - Gen Van to Gen Bradley's office. JCS Meeting.
- 1350 - Tel - Col Smith to Mr. Harvey - expressed Gen Vandenberg's thanks for a telegram, and gave Gen Tunner's phone extension.
*** See below.
- 1705 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Duty Officer - Gen Vandenberg's itinerary.
- 1800 - Tel - Gen Kenney to Gen Van - Think should go over and see LeMay and Tedder about the show over there. Leaving for Roswell, Tucson, and Los Angeles in the morning. Gen Van said he thought should check with State Dept and find out the implications on that. Gen Kenney asked that Gen Van let Gen McMullen know.
- 1805 - Home.
- *** 1450 - Tel - Howard Bailey, Asst Managing Editor, Evening Star, to Maj White-
Would like Gen Van to present awards at Natl Capitol Model Air Show, Sunday, 25 July (1700). Second choice: Gen Spaatz. Third Choice: Jimmy Doolittle. Major White checked w/PRO, who advised there was no reason for Gen Van to attend.

Jup

- 0825 - Tel-Mrs Burkhead to Sgt Thomas - Air Force to designate a pallbearer for Gen Pershing's funeral. Sgt Thomas will call back.
- 0835 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Gen Vandenberg - briefing he wanted will take about 15 minutes - briefers standing by in his office. Gen Van said he would be right down.
- 0845 - Arrived.
- 0850 - Gen Vandenberg w/Gen Bradley to Secretary Forrestal's office.
- 0900 - Gen Eckert in . Would like to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 0900 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Gen Echols - appointment tentatively set for 1000 this morning moved up to 1100.
- 0910 - Tel - Mr Max Abelman, NY, to Maj White - wants to bring papers in tomorrow for the recall to AD of a Capt Milton Fuerst (1171 Morrison Ave, The Bronx). Maj White suggested the officer write a letter requesting recall, and necessary application forms will be forwarded.
- 0920 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Mrs. Burkhead - M/Sgt Edward T. Ancas, Bolling AF Base, to be pallbearer for Gen Pershing.
- 0940 - Tel - Gen Vandenberg to Admiral Whitney - if we are able to scrape out another airdrome in Berlin, and take all the facilities of MATS - Navy and Air Force, the whole shooting match - how much lift could we make during the winter months? Adm Whitney said he would like to take a look, and would call back with an answer.
- 1005 - Tel - Adm Whitney to Gen Van - If we take off all aircraft from outlying bases, we could send a total of 130 cargo-type C-54's in addition to what's already over there, making a full total of 183 C-54's. Averaging about 10 tons per day per C-54, the approximate liftage would be a maximum of 3000 tons. In an emergency MATS has about 55 C-54E's which can be converted into cargo-type. Gen Van said he thought it would be necessary to have a major air depot, and Admiral Whitney said it certainly would.
- 1020 - Mr. Whitney in to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 1029 - Colonel Wood in with a paper for Gen Vandenberg and Mr. Whitney.
- 1045 - Gen Sam Anderson in to see Gen Vandenberg and Mr. Whitney.
- 1050 - Col Gruesendorf in to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 1100 - Gen Echols in to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 1130 - Tel - Gen Van to Gen Craigie - Gen Van asked Gen Craigie whether or not Dr Theodore von Karman was going to be replaced as Chairman, Scientific Advisory Board. Gen Craigie said he was deadset against this in view of Dr von Karman's general acceptance by the top scientific circles as a leader.
- 1135 - Tel-Maj White and Miss MacVickar in Congressman Lucas' (Tex) office. requested information on TWX sent to Gen Vandenberg by Cong Lucas regarding the Air Reserve Program. Asked if the inactive duty training pay for Air Reservists is

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- 0855 - Tel - Col Smith to Col Maylon - Gen Edwards and Col May to attend meeting in Secy Symington's office re AF policy on WASPs.
- 0915 - Tel - Gen Taylor and Maj White - time to be at Andrews Field changed to 1030.
- 0935 - Tel - Gen Vandenberg to Gen Taylor - suggested cutting out of ceremony the passing in review of pilots.
- 0945 - Gen Vandenberg to Mr. Symington's office.
- 1015 - Gen Vandenberg, Gen McKee, and Maj White to Andrews Field to review Vampire Squadron.
- 1145 - Tel - Gen Wheeler to Gen Vandenberg - Just returned from Alaska, and Gen Twining would like Gen Van to visit Alaska. Gen Van said he would like to when and if the Berlin situation is settled.
- 1500 - Gen McIntyre and Col McCade in to see Gen Vandenberg.
- 1515 - Tel - Maj White to Mr. Christie - express regrets Gen Van will not be able to accept invitation to Rehobeth Beach next weekend, in view of ceremonies at Idlewild and AF Exposition in New York.
- 1530 - Tel - Gen Van to Gen Gruenther - re selection of budgetary advisor to Mr. Forrestal.
- 1535 - Tel - Gen Fairchild's office to Maj White - Jimmy Doolittle has called Gen Fairchild to inquire whether or not Gen Vandenberg will attend the luncheon given by Shell Oil Co, 28 July, at the Statler, where film will be shown on "The Birth of an Oil Field." This invitation was regretted on the basis of JCS. Another invitation extended for cocktails at 5:30 the same day, when this film will be shown again. Jimmy Doolittle will be present.
- 1530 - Gen Vandenberg and Gen McKee to Secy Symington's office.
- 1530 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Col Jenkins, duty officer - Gen Van's itinerary.
- 1820 - Home.

0915 - Arrived.

0925 - Tel - Gen McNarney (Wright Fld) to Gen Vandenberg - Gen McNarney had talked w/Mr Symington about a matter being discussed, and was left a little hazy on the subject. Wanted to know if there was an agreed war plan. Gen Van advised that they were agreed on certain things and in dispute on others. Gen McNarney said he was going to see Dr Bowles in Boston on a matter Gen Van had asked the Dr to check, and arrangements were made for Gen McNarney to see Gen Vandenberg Thursday, 29 July, about noon.

1015 - Tel - Air Marshal Medhurst to Gen Vandenberg - One of American B-29's crashed into the sea immediately after taking off from Aden. The plane was being flown by Lt Weaver, and there is only one known survivor, M/Sgt Gufstaffson. (Time of crash: 1610Z, 27 July).

1025 - JCS briefing - Gen Norstad, Gen Anderson, and Gen Lindsay.

1040 - Gen Ritchey in to see Gen Van.

1048 - Gen Picher in to see Gen Van.

1100 - Mr. Whitney in to see Gen Van.

1115 - Gen Van to Mr Forrestal's office.

1120 - Gen Van to White House to see President Truman.

1125 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Col Lewis' secretary - regretted invitation to attend Leech Trophy Tennis Matches, on Friday and Saturday, July 30-31.

1130 - Tel - Col Bob Harper to Miss Adkins - To see if a copy of an article on Gen Vandenberg, which appeared in the SAT EVE POST the last week in May or 1st week in June, could be provided. At a committee Hearing Mr. Vinson (Georgia) had requested permission to have that article inserted in the record of their proceedings.

1145 - Tel - Col York to Maj White - Wanted to make appointment for Ambassador Lane (former ambassador to Warsaw) to see Gen Van, regarding a memorialization idea honoring American fliers, who were shot down over Poland. A story is to break in Newsweek Magazine on this. Ambassador Lane leaving city tonight, and Col York will call back for answer on appointment. (Gen Edwards to see Mr Lane).

1230 - General Vandenberg to JCS meeting.

1310 - Tel - Miss Hackworth (Douglas Acft) to Sgt Thomas - appointment tentatively set up for 1000, 29 July for Mr Gelly, and two field representatives of Douglas.

1450 - Tel - Mr. Squier (VP Lockheed Acft) secretary to Sgt Thomas - inquired whether Gen Van to attend christening of "Constitution." Regretted.

1615 - Tel - Mr. Rex Smith to Sgt Thomas - is staying at Carlton Hotel, and would like to see Gen Vandenberg. Will call back in the morning about appointment.

1635 - Gen McIntyre in to see Gen Vandenberg.

1655 - Mr. Leo in to see Gen Vandenberg.

1740 - Tel - Mr. Rex Smith to Gen Van.

1750 - Home.

** 1400 - Tel - Col Dietz to Maj White - Flags will be ready in about two weeks.

0920 - Tel - Ted Hays to Maj White-luncheon invite. Advised Gen had 2 tentative engagements already.
0920 - Arrived.

0930 - Tel - Maj White to Mr. DeBardelaban - invited Mr. DeB to have lunch w/Gen Van in his office. Mr. DeB said he would not be able to accept.

0950 - Tel - Mr. Burdette Wright to Gen Van - Gen Van advised would not be able to attend luncheon at La Guardia today. Mr. Wright suggested he send a wire to Mr. Guy Vaughan, president of Curtiss-Wright, that he would try to see flight simulator demonstrated at a later date and Gen Van said he would do so. Gen Van said he would also talk w/Gen McNaughton and Carl Brandt who were going to be present at demonstration.

1000 - Tel - Col Clark to Miss Adkins - has contacted Mr. Hayes in Sen Meyers office and advised that Harrisburg Iron Works was to be taken over by a contractor as yet unknown, and all employment would be under their jurisdiction, and Mr. Small, whom Sen Meyers called about yesterday, should contact their employment agency.

1015 - Tel - Comdr Terry (OSD) invited Gen Van to luncheon w/Secy Forrestal at 1245. (Gen McNarney, Gen Norstad, Gen Richards, Adm Carney and Col Kilbourne-Johnston to be present).

1030 - Gen McKee in to see Gen Van.

1040 - Maj Saylor in w/paper for Gen Van.

1035 - Tel - Comdr Terry called to say Secy Forrestal would withdraw luncheon invitation today if breakfast at the Secy's home would be more convenient for Gen Van. (Maj White called back and accepted breakfast engagement).

1100 - Tel - Capt Lewis (Protocol) called to ask for appointment for B/Gen Russell E. Randall, who is going to Moscow as Air Attache, this afternoon or tomorrow. (Appointment later set up for 1400, today).

1120 - Gen Van to Secy Symington's office.

1130 - Gen Van back in.

1150 - Secy Symington in with three others for few minutes.

1200 - Gen Fairchild in to see Gen Van.

1215 - Gen Carpenter and Col Travassos (Brazilian AF representatives) to lunch in Gen Van's office.

1315 - Gen Carpenter and Col Travassos out.

1330 - Gen Van to Mr. Symington's office.

1335 - Gen Van back in.

1410 - Gen Randall in to see Gen Van.

1420 - Secy Symington in to see Gen Van.

1425 - Tel - Gen Van to Gen Fred Smith - arranged golf game at 1500, A&N Club.

Tuesday - 7 September

- 0745 - Tel - Lt Green, ATC, to Sgt Thomas - Gen Van's ETA 0930 DST.
- 0945 - Arrived.
- 1000 - Gen McKee in to see Gen Van.
- 1010 - Gen Norstad in to see Gen Van.
- 1012 - Gen Van and Norstad to Secy Symington's office.
- 1025 - Tel - Sgt Thomas to Mr. Wolff (Adm Hill's office) regretted invitation to attend luncheon Sep 10th honoring Gen Simonds (Canadian Army), Deputy to Imperial Defense College in London.
- 1110 - Tel - Gen Norstad to Gen Gruenther - Gen Gruenther wanted to know possibility of having Chiefs meeting to discuss the Air Force putting on a presentation on what might amount to atomic readiness. Finally agreed on 1230 Wednesday Sept 8.
- 1120 - Gen Van and Gen Norstad to Gen Bradley's office.
- 1150 - Gen Van back.
- 1150 - Gen Eaker in to see Gen Van.
- 1150 - Tel - Col Smith to Air Chief Marshal Medhurst - advised could see Gen Van if he came up immediately.
- 1150 - Tel - Gen Van to Secy Forrestal - not in - left word to call.
- 1155 - Gen Van to Secy Symington's office.
- 1200 - Air Chief Marshal Medhurst in to see Gen Van.
- 1202 - Tel - Gen Van to Gen Gruenther - Gen Van said he had talked w/Mr. Forrestal and Gen Bradley and they want to attend JCS meeting tomorrow. Also thinks Carpenter and Nichols should be present. Gen Gruenther asked if Bush should be asked, and Gen Van said he had no objections.
- 1220 - Secy Symington in to see Gen Van.
- 1230 - Gen Van to lunch.
- 1330 - Gen back from lunch.
- 1335 - Mr. Leo in to see Gen Van.
- 1417 - Gen Van to Secy Symington's office.
- 1440 - Gen Van back.
- 1442 - To Secretary's office.
- 1445 - Gen Van back.
- 1457 - Tel - Dr. Bill Morgan to Gen Van - invited Gen Van and Secy Symington to Watchaprig on 21-22-23 September for shooting birds. Gen Van advised he

M/S Dr. Lt. Col. 11/12/82
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Vandenberg - day diary July '47

→ 10/48 1/49 re Est. of bkm.
Prob. reached bkm 10/15/48

Bush - Farbocker connection

* Reviewed Vandenberg's "Day Diaries" for period 10-1-48 thru
3-1-49: No mention of "estimating situation" matter.

Mat in Vandenberg's "Appointment Book" (Copying not permitted)

Weds. July 9, 1947.

7:00 Rawlings

9:30 Ben Pearce

10:30 Dr. Little

11:00 C/S Moeley

11:30 Kissner

12:00 JCS

1:00 JCS Luncheon

2:30 To Sec. Royall's of Mr. Symington (erased)

4:00 Dental appt. Lt. went Rem 1015 Gracely Pt.

Stop 15 Mr. Pettick + Mr. Lawrence - Reaction Motors -
Gen. LeMay.

6:30 Jim Underwood, Statler Hotel

7:00 Together w/ Birthday Party for Gen. Morrison in Ball Room.

H. S. Vandenberg

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Biographical Note

1899, Jan. 24 Born, Milwaukee, Wis.

1918-19 Student, Columbian School

1923 Graduated, U.S. Military Academy at West Point
Married Gladys Rose

1923-47 Commissioned 2d lieutenant, U.S. Army Air Corps;
promoted through grades to general

1927 Instructor at Air Corps Primary Flying School, Maxwell Field, Calif.

1929 Joined and assumed command of the 6th Pursuit Squadron

1931 Instructor in flying at Randolph Field

1933 Flight commander at Randolph Field

1934-35 Student in Air Corps Tactical School

1936-38 Instructor, Air Corps Tactical School

1938-39 Student at Army War College

1940-41 Assistant Chief of Staff, A.A.F.

1942 Chief of Staff, Northwest African Strategic Air Force

1943 Deputy Chief of Staff

1944 Commander of 9th Air Force in France

1946 Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Appointed Director of Central Intelligence

1947 Chief of Air Staff, Army Air Forces
Vice-Chief of Staff, U.S.A.F.

1948-53 Chief of Staff, U.S.A.F.

1953 Retired from service

1954, Apr. 2 Died, Washington, D.C.

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- 1:10 P.M. Mr. Hicks of the Toronto Star, Toronto, Canada on phone - He spoke in regard to the "flying discs". They understand these discs are a U.S. plane that is still on the secret list. He asked Gen. Van what he thought they were and Gen. Van was quite noncommittal. Gen. Van said that some National Guard Planes were on duty on their own volition to search for the discs, but that no planes have been put on duty from Hq, AAF.
- 1:20 P.M. General Tommy Power
- 1:40 P.M. Cong. Drewry of Va. on phone requesting a B-29 be sent to Blackstone, Va. for a celebration by the CAP and volunteer fire organizations in the vicinity. Date - July 27. May be able to do some recruiting on that day. Gen. Van said he would look into the matter and advise Mr. Drewry's office.
- 1:50 P.M. Mr. Leo on phone re article on "Saucers". Said one had been found with instructions on it to get in touch with Colonel Frank Hackett in Spokane. Mr. Leo reported the matter to General Schulgen, G-2.
- 1:52 P.M. Mr. Zuckert on phone informing him with reference to National Guard that all planes where we haven't squadron or group headquarters should take their people away.
- 1:55 P.M. Mr. Leo and General LeMay with reference to discs.
- 2:00 P.M. Colonel Frank Hackett, Spokane, Washington on phone - General Van informed Colonel Hackett that we had gotten a call from the Houston Chronicle saying that a flying disc had landed there with his (Colonel Hackett's) name on it. Gen. Van asked if he knew anything about it. Colonel Hackett stated that he knew nothing at all about it. Gen. Van told Col. H. that it was reported here that Col. H. said that his people knew all about it and that a statement was coming out from Washington. Col. H. said, "I have said nothing". Col. H. had the Chronicle called and told to get in touch with the F.B.I. - get photographic proof - and then get in touch with Gen. Twining.
- 2:20 P.M. Colonel Bob Warren, Ellington Field, Tex on phone. - Gen. Van informed Col. Warren that the Houston Chronicle had found a disc about 20" in diameter and 5 or 6" thick. It is supposed to have Col. Frank Hackett's name on it. We are most anxious to explode this thing. I would appreciate it if you would get in touch with the Chronicle, ask them where it is, go out and see the thing and then call me back. The line of approach is that we have nothing like that, we don't understand what it is, but we are leaving no stone unturned to be sure. Colonel Warren said it would be a couple of hours before he could call back.

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1:00 P.M. Returned from Wichita Falls, Texas.

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9:15 A.M. Arrive Office.

9:15 A.M. Gen. Rawlings .

9:40 A.M. Gen. Boatner with mail.

9:43 A.M. Colonel Garland on phone with reference to memorandum from General Kenney on how to have more groups and fewer people. Was that approved? Approved to extent instructions given that SAC units be left alone until September and at that time make a decision as to approval of Kenney's organization and how extensively it will be used in the Air Force. Find out if Kenney has been advised and let me know.

9:45 A.M. Colonel Galloway thanking General Vandenberg for what he put on for CIG.

9:50 A.M. Colonel Garland advised that General Hood had handled the matter of SAC units and would be right down to brief Gen. Vandenberg.

9:55 A.M. Gen Chauncey on phone from Pocatello, Idaho to state that Gen Cannon doesn't want Moody or Turner in Georgia. Doesn't want Columbus at all—wants to substitute San Marcos. Wants to concentrate all expansion in a little bunch in Texas and take over fields that belong to ^{other} commands like Brooks and Bergstrom. General Chauncey says that it is possible we will have to give up the two in Georgia. Gen Chauncey stated he advised Gen Cannon to put his wants in writing and not to telephone as Gen Chauncey feels Gen Cannon is not too sure of himself, as two months ago he wanted to get out of San Marcos and now he wants it and also Brooks & Bergstrom.

10:00 A.M. Gen Hood & Col Hobson —briefing on SAC units.

10:55A.M. Mr. Zuckert re civilian personnel and limitations and personnel at inactive installations or installations which we are not planning to retain in our permanent structure.

11:05 A.M. Mr. Robert Gross and Mr. Maher of Lockheed

11:55 A.M. Gen. Sam Anderson

12:00 To War Council in absence of Gen. Spaatz

12:20 P.M. Returned and then to lunch

1:00 P.M. Returned

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2:30 P.M. To airport to meet Mr. Symington and then to Mr. Symington's office.

4:10 P.M. Returned.

4:15 P.M. General O'Donnell

4:20 P.M. General LeMay

4:20 P.M. Col. Warren called back re Gen. Vandenberg's directive that he run down the story about the flying discs. Col. W. finally located the reporter who picked up the story from another man. This man lives in Goose Creek. He now says that it was entirely a figment of his imagination and that he just made it up. Col. W. talked to a Mr. Evans who is handling this thing at the Chronicle — and they took it up with somebody up at the Air Depot at Spokane. - - - - He said to them that he just made the thing up. Col. Warren said that the Chronicle seemed to be satisfied that the thing was just a cock and bull story. Col. W. is going to check with the local F.B.I. and possibly drive over to see the man at Goose Creek. If anything further develops he will call Gen. Vandenberg.

4:30 P.M. Mr. Leo on phone - Gen. Van told him the above story. A civilian, Joe Shipman, who works with Col. Hackett is reported to have told the Chronicle to contact Gen. Twining.

5:00 P.M. To see Mr. Symington

5:15 P.M. Departed for office of Congressman Hoffman.

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APPENDIX R: Letter from General N. F. Twining to Commanding General, Army Air Forces 23 September 1947

(Formerly Classified Secret) 23 September 1947

SUBJECT: AMC Opinion Concerning "Flying Discs"

TO: *Let Wright Field*
Commanding General
Army Air Forces
Washington 25, D. C.

ATTENTION: Brig. General George Schulgen
AC/AS-2

1. As requested by AC/AS-2 there is presented below the considered opinion of this Command concerning the so-called "Flying Discs." This opinion is based on interrogation report data furnished by AC/AS-2 and preliminary studies by personnel of T-2 and Aircraft Laboratory, Engineering Division T-3. This opinion was arrived at in a conference between personnel from the Air Institute of Technology, Intelligence T-2, Office Chief of Engineering Division, and the Aircraft, Power Plant and Propeller Laboratories of Engineering Division T-3.

2. It is the opinion that:

- a. The phenomenon reported is something real and not visionary or fictitious.
- b. There are objects probably approximating the shape of a disc, of such appreciable size as to appear to be as large as man-made aircraft.
- c. There is a possibility that some of the incidents may be caused by natural phenomena, such as meteors.
- d. The reported operating characteristics such as extreme rates of climb, maneuverability (particularly in roll), and action which must be considered evasive when sighted or contacted by friendly aircraft and radar, lend belief to the possibility that some of the objects are controlled either manually, automatically or remotely.

e. The apparent common description of the objects is as follows:

- (1) Metallic or light reflecting surface.
- (2) Absence of trail, except in a few instances when the object apparently was operating under high performance conditions.
- (3) Circular or elliptical in shape, flat on bottom and domed on top.

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- (4) Several reports of well kept formation flights varying from three to nine objects.
- (5) Normally no associated sound, except in three instances a substantial rumbling roar was noted.
- (6) Level flight speeds normally above 300 knots are estimated.

f. It is possible within the present U.S. knowledge—provided extensive detailed development is undertaken—to construct a piloted aircraft which has the general description of the object in subparagraph (c) above which would be capable of an approximate range of 7000 miles at subsonic speeds.

g. Any developments in this country along the lines indicated would be extremely expensive, time consuming and at the considerable expense of current projects and therefore, if directed, should be set up independently of existing projects.

h. Due consideration must be given the following:

- (1) The possibility that these objects are of domestic origin—the product of some high security project not known to AC/AS-2 or this Command.
- (2) The lack of physical evidence in the shape of crash recovered exhibits which would undeniably prove the existence of these objects.
- (3) The possibility that some foreign nation has a form of propulsion possibly nuclear, which is outside of our domestic knowledge.

3. It is recommended that:

a. Headquarters, Army Air Forces issue a directive assigning a priority, security classification and Code Name for a detailed study of this matter to include the preparation of complete sets of all available and pertinent data which will then be made available to the Army, Navy, Atomic Energy Commission, JTRDB, the Air Force Scientific Advisory Group, NACA, and the RAND and NEPA projects for comments and recommendations, with a preliminary report to be forwarded within 15 days of receipt of the data and a detailed report thereafter every 30 days as the investigation develops. A complete interchange of data should be effected.

4. Awaiting a specific directive AMC will continue the investigation within its current resources in order to more closely define the nature of the phenomenon. Detailed Essential Elements of Information will be formulated immediately for transmittal thru channels.

N. F. TWINING
Lieutenant General, U.S.A.
Commanding

NOTE: 10/11/86

MORE INFO ON THIS IN
TOBEY, FRANK FILE.



HOUSTON, Texas, July 9 (AP)—Military authorities from coast-to-coast Monday were investigating a report that a Harris County business man found a mysterious flying disc Sunday on a beach at Trinity bay on the Texas Gulf coast, 30 miles east of Houston.

Norman Hargrave, a jeweler,

Norman Hargrave, a jeweler, told a Houston Chronicle reporter that he had found the aluminum disc floating near the beach while he and his wife were walking along the beach.

He said the disc was about 20 inches in diameter and six inches thick.

Monday, however, Hargrave said it was all just a joke.

But the Chronicle, in its final edition Monday, pointed out that there are some mysterious facts

contained in his (Margrave's) first report that lend credence to the
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Hargrave reported the discovery of this inscription at the States of America army air force M-4339658. Anyone damaging or revealing description or whereabouts of this missile subject to prosecution by the U. S. government. Call collect at once 1-81-446 army air force depot Spokane Washington.

In big letters, Hargrave said, were plainly printed "non-explosive."

Hargrave was quoted as saying he talked in the Spokane number and that a "Colonel Vance" thanked him for calling, and then cautioned him about revealing any of the information. He instructed him, Hargrave said, to turn the missile over to local police.

Police would not say they had the missile.

A long distance call from Houston Monday to Spokane brought interest on the part of Col. Frank D. Hackett, commanding officer of the airport. Hackett would not confirm or deny that the missile may have carried the message.

AT THE THEATERS

Wednesday
Longview—Claudette Colbert in
"The Egg and I"

Columbia—Ann Southern in "Undercover Maise," Lawrence Tierney in "The Devil Thumbs a Ride."

Kelton-Sydney Greenstreet in
"The Verdict" Gene Autry in
"Guns and Guitars"

Liberty—John Wayne in "Ango
and the Madman" The Three
Stages in "Out West"

A group of older boys from the Community YMCA summer camp arrived at Spirit Lake climbed Mt. St. Helens on Sunday. The group then left on a three-day hike in the dark lake country yesterday from the camp. The group will return from their 10 days at the camp on Friday while the intermediate will begin their period on the same day. They will leave camp the 1st at 1:30 p.m.

PORTLAND, July 9. (AP) National guard air units of the 123rd fighter squadron here were alerted to resume patrols of the "disputed" area over the Washington Oregon area early tonight.

(Ch) G. Robert Dodson reports the "patrols" remained on the ground yesterday on an alert basis regarding numerous reports of Portland residents of nighttime mysterious sky objects.

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. JULY 9 (AP) —

Observers noted the similarities between this proposal and with the time leadless.

Of London's morning papers only the ruling Labor Party Daily Herald refrained from criticizing government economic policy. The Communist Daily Worker said the policy "appears to be to drift until the Americans come over with a form of lend-lease."

Britain now is running in debt at the rate of 450,000,000 pounds — about \$1,800,000,000 — yearly to pay for food for her people, still on thin rations, and raw materials for her industry, slowly recuperating from the war. At the current rate on her \$3,750,000,000 U. S. credit, it will be gone by the end of next winter.

LOS ANGELES, July 9 (AP)—Antonio Mondragon, 20-year-old steel metal worker, was booked on suspicion of murder at University division jail early today in the slaying of his estranged wife, youthfi

The nude and battered body of 20-year-old Mrs. Mondragon, who had been strangled yesterday with a silk stocking, was found yesterday in a gutter a few blocks from the city hall.

Mondragon was locked up after several hours of questioning by Det. Lieut. Robert Lohrman, Det. Sgt. Harry Fremont and other officers of the homicide division.

Mrs. Mondragon was the eighth woman victim in the last months in a series of brutal slayings in the Los Angeles area.

WASHINGTON, July 8 (AP)—War veterans' organizations, American Legion and American Veterans of Foreign Wars, today urged Congress to speed a bill

with never before
restoring them
and those who
contact

Green spoke at a special conference held to determine the new labor law. He said:

The Taft-Hartley bill is a determined effort to weaken unions and to make it impossible for the people of the country to

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conference business

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can congressmen
fire house delega
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bill to cut income
next Jan. 1

They were
Holmes, Moran,
Tollefson, Oregon
with Norblad.

Democratic Sen.
of Washington
bill

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DONOR