

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU  
Tucson and vicinity: Cloudy,  
warm, high 90 to 95. Low 60.  
Temperatures  
Yesterday: HIGH 84 LOW 60  
Year Ago: HIGH 62 LOW 48

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## FHA Dept. Head Frentz Is Fired In Scandal Probe

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The Federal Housing Administration's head of home repair loan insurance was fired today as a senate investigation turned to that phase of its housing scandal probe.

Earlier the committee heard about a \$500,000 profit on a \$1,000 investment.

Later to get the act was Arthur J. Frentz, assistant housing commissioner in charge of Title I operations, the program that insures private lenders to home repair and improvement loans.

In announcing Frentz was through as of today, Housing Administrator Albert M. Cohn said he had "no evidence of any illegal activities" on the assistant commissioner's part but gave no reason for the dismissal.

**Fifth in Shakeup**  
Frentz is the fifth official affected by a shakeup of the housing agency's top office since the act was passed.

President Eisenhower started it off by "accepting" the resignation of Commissioner Guy T. O. Hollister on April 15. Hollister was asked to step aside while a five-month investigation of the agency's affairs was undertaken.

Cohn produced at the time there would be more firings, and possibly some resignations, as a result of alleged laxity in the housing of loans to home repairs and apartment house building.

Frentz had been with the home repair loan section since it started in 1951 and had been in charge of its operations since the end of the year.

**Precautions Urged**  
A senate committee charged the chairman of the senate banking committee, a "black list" of firms which he said had obtained home loans by paying bribes to FHA officials.

Committee members said the firms could have been caught by the FHA if the agency had been more vigilant.

**French Repel  
Vietnam With  
Heavy Losses**

HANOI, Indochina, April 22.—The French command announced tonight Communist led Vietnamese troops had been repelled with heavy losses in the northeast corner of the Dien Bien Phu fortress.

Simultaneously, however, under temporary Chinese attack, struck heavily at the Vietnamese forces entrenched upon a 200-foot hill on the southeastern rim of the bowl and "probably several companies" of the enemy were destroyed, the French said.

**Link Defense Note**  
In the northeast, the French said, their strong patrols succeeded in linking up communications with all their defense posts which for the last 48 hours had been under heavy Vietnamese pressure.

These patrols were attacked by Vietnamese infantrymen who were beaten back in savage hand-to-hand fighting. Before the infantry attack, the Vietnamese pounded the French heavily with mortars and machine gun fire.

**Most Gaps Filled**  
Some of the enemy were still there tonight, but the French said most of the gaps had been filled with "heavy losses."

Officers explained that because of the winding system of trenches and masses of barbed wire strung all around their positions it was not difficult for the attacking force to re-enter some of the areas from which they had been driven.

Generally speaking, the French said, all defenses in the corner were in good shape. The night, and the Vietnamese had made no appreciable headway in creating a breakthrough for a general assault.

## Pentagon May Request New Defense Plan

Draft, Reserve Setups  
Would Be 'Radically'  
Altered, Aide Says

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The Pentagon may soon ask Congress for a new draft-reserve program involving "radical and dynamic changes" in the nation's man-power defense setup.

Testifying before the Senate Armed Services committee, the nation's top military official today said the new program is still in the final approval by President Eisenhower, the National Security Council and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

It is designed, he said, to fit the present period of emergency "when we are neither in all-out war nor at peace."

**Program Outlined**  
As outlined by Haman, the program would include:  
1. A requirement that youths within the 18-24 year draft bracket—now subject to two years—would now take only six months of active duty. Thereafter, they would be required to attend regular drills and active training in the form of reserve units, including the National Guard.

A requirement that men completing two years or more of active service would attend regular national guard training for most of the eight years of service, now obligated but not enforced.

Haman said the program would be a new program to Congress had been delayed pending a formal decision by Attorney General.

**Flaw in New  
Welfare Law  
Stirs Furore**

PHOENIX, April 22.—Two more problems stemming from the recent 90-day meeting of the Arizona legislature—one of them capable of precipitating a special session—erupted today.

One is a discovery that Arizona's welfare program, as it was being thrown out of conformity with national regulations, is the so-called "administrative review act."

**Night Forfeits Funds**  
The second problem is a federal matching funds for welfare work. The other is a discovery that approximately 15 out of 20 welfare units have been left with no means of financial support because of a new law requiring that all school monies derived from state taxes must go into the regular county school fund.

Only the first is believed to be a seriously important matter to bring the legislature back into session.

**Litigation Possible**  
The administrative review act provides that courts can review the administrative decisions of all the boards and commissions. The Federal Security Administration office today informed Fredrick E. Pettit, state welfare commissioner, that any person denied welfare assistance would be liable for litigation.

**Spills Many of Kremlin's Top Secrets**  
The Soviet secret police captain sent to West Germany to head a Russian resistance unit has deserted to the west and handed over a mass of top secrets, including a new type of atomic weapon.

**India Asked to Attend  
Fission Bomb Meeting**

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., April 22.—India is being asked to attend a meeting for discussing the A-bomb and H-bomb, according to a representative to London to meet with the UN disarmament subcommittee May 9, a diplomatic source said today.

## Stevens Charges 'Lie' To McCarthy's Blast

Principals in Investigation in Hearing Room

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Secretary of the Army Stevens gave the lie to Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) today as the McCarthy-Pentagon row flared up into stormy hearings before a nationwide television audience.

The army secretary first accused McCarthy and his chief aides of waging a "persistent, tiresome" campaign—the most strenuous in his official experience—to get special treatment for Pvt. G. David Schine.

Then Stevens labeled as "absolutely false" McCarthy's charge that Stevens urged him to "go after" the navy and air force instead of looking for Communists in the army's ranks.

"I never made any such statement," Stevens declared. And he denied, too, McCarthy's charge that he tried to use the Schine case as a "blackmail."

**Direct Conflict**  
And so ended, in the kind of direct conflict that can lead to petty charges against somebody, the first day of hearings in the short-tempered atmosphere of an overcrowded, overheated hearing room—with TV floodlights glaring and spectators jammed together in a perspiring mass.

McCarthy got in some licks, too, for all that he has removed himself from the Senate Investigations subcommittee for purposes of this inquiry.

He denied any "improper pressure" by himself or his staff on Schine's behalf.

He bitterly objected to Stevens' speaking "for the army." He blasted the army secretary as one of the "Pentagon politicians" who are trying, he said, to block investigation of "Communism in the army."

While Stevens' lips worked in speechless irritation, McCarthy said he knew plenty of army people from privates to generals who want it understood that "Mr. Stevens speaks only for Mr. Stevens."

Mainly, though, it was the army's day. The Pentagon officials embroiled with McCarthy were called on first to back up, if they could, their charges that McCarthy and aide Roy M. Cohn and Francis Carr sought by "improper means" to get favors for Schine.

Mail Gen. Miles Reber was the lead-off witness. He testified that in 10 years of dealing with Congress he couldn't recall any "greater pressure" than McCarthy's. He turned on to get a quick commission for the about-to-be-drafted Schine.

McCarthy was ready with a counter-attack. He demanded to know if it wasn't true Reber's brother, Sam, had been ousted from the state department as a security risk.

**U. S. Commander**  
Reber, former army liaison man with Congress and now commander of U. S. forces in Western Europe, replied that his brother retired at the age of 56 as he was entitled to do by law. The general said he didn't know anything about any security case involving his brother.

McCarthy also contended Sam Reber made "vicious attacks" on Cohn and Schine when he was acting U. S. high commissioner for Germany and the subcommittee aides made a quick inspection trip there in 1953.

**2 Die, 2 Escape  
In Crash of C-119**

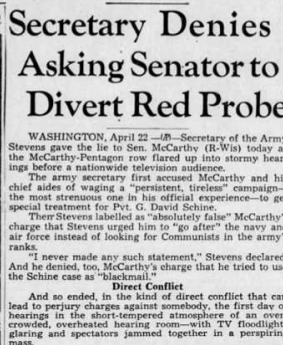
FAIRFAX, April 22.—The 14 Atlantic post foreign military, meeting tomorrow, will be told that in 1953 Soviet forces were only 20 per cent of what they were today, nearly all of them in the hands of military intelligence experts had prepared a report on the military picture of the growth of strength behind the Iron Curtain.

**Anti-Aircraft Defense  
Site Planned in Calif.**

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The army said today it is planning a new anti-aircraft defense site in California, as a location for one of the most powerful anti-aircraft sites in the world.

**Cost of Living Index  
Drops 2-Tenths Pct.**

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The nation's price index for all consumers dropped 0.2 per cent in the first week of the year.



Principals in the big, televised senate investigations subcommittee in Washington sit at a table in the hearing room. Left to right: Army Secretary Robert Stevens, Maj. Gen. Robert Young, Rep. McCarthy, and Sen. McCarthy. (AP Wirephoto)

## Charges to Be Filed In Dump Truck Death

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## Nixon Featured Speaker at GOP Banquet Tonight

Richard Nixon, vice-president of the United States, is scheduled to arrive at the Tucson municipal airport at 1:30 p.m. today as featured speaker at a banquet to be given at the Arizona Hotel convention city (Page 3A).

The vice-president will be met at the airport by officers and members of the conference, who will escort him downtown for a scheduled appearance at Arizona State University at 8 p.m.

Local officials of the conference were not certain last night whether Nixon would be a brief speaker at the park or whether he would make an appearance.

His office has turned down a request for a press conference prior to his address at the banquet, but for which he is being handled at Republican headquarters.

Nixon will board a plane for the return trip to Washington shortly after midnight.

**Youngster Has Making  
Of First-Rate Lawyer**

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., April 22.—A 17-year-old boy, who was a resident of this town, was today named as a defendant in a lawsuit filed in federal court here.

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