

Gen. Chapman new Marine commandant

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Johnson's choice to be the new Marine Corps commandant is a brainy Leatherneck general whose two Marine sons served in Vietnam.

The President named Lt. Gen. Leonard F. Chapman, 54, deputy to retiring Commandant Gen. Wallace M. Greene and a 32-year Marine known for intelligence rather than swagger.

Johnson ended months of infighting within the corps Monday.



GEN. LEONARD CHAPMAN

day with the announcement of Chapman's appointment. He was picked over two other leading contenders, Lt. Gen. Lewis W. Wall, deputy chief of staff for manpower and former Marine commander in Vietnam, and Lt. Gen. Victor H. Krutak, commander of the Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, at Honolulu.

No significance in terms of Vietnam war policy was read into the appointment and Johnson emphasized he considered it a routine promotion.

"One man is going out and his first assistant is going in," Johnson said. "That's not unusual."

Introduced to newsmen, Chapman vowed "to do my very best for my country and the Marine Corps."

Chapman's elder son served in Vietnam before transfer to the nuclear carrier USS Enterprise, and his younger son is now a platoon leader in a Marine amphibious force there. During World War II Chapman commanded an artillery battalion, and won the Legion of Merit and Bronze Star during Marine operations on Peleliu and Okinawa.

After the war, Chapman held a series of increasingly more important commands and was named deputy commandant of the Corps July 1, 1967.

Ten years ago he was tagged by his colleagues as "the smartest man in the Marine Corps."

Plans second transplant in near future

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (UPI)—The doctor who performed the world's first human heart transplant announced today he was planning a second such operation.

Dr. Christian Barnard said he is "perfectly satisfied" with his heart surgery Sunday on grocer Louis Washkansky and will perform his second transplant soon—possibly in several weeks.

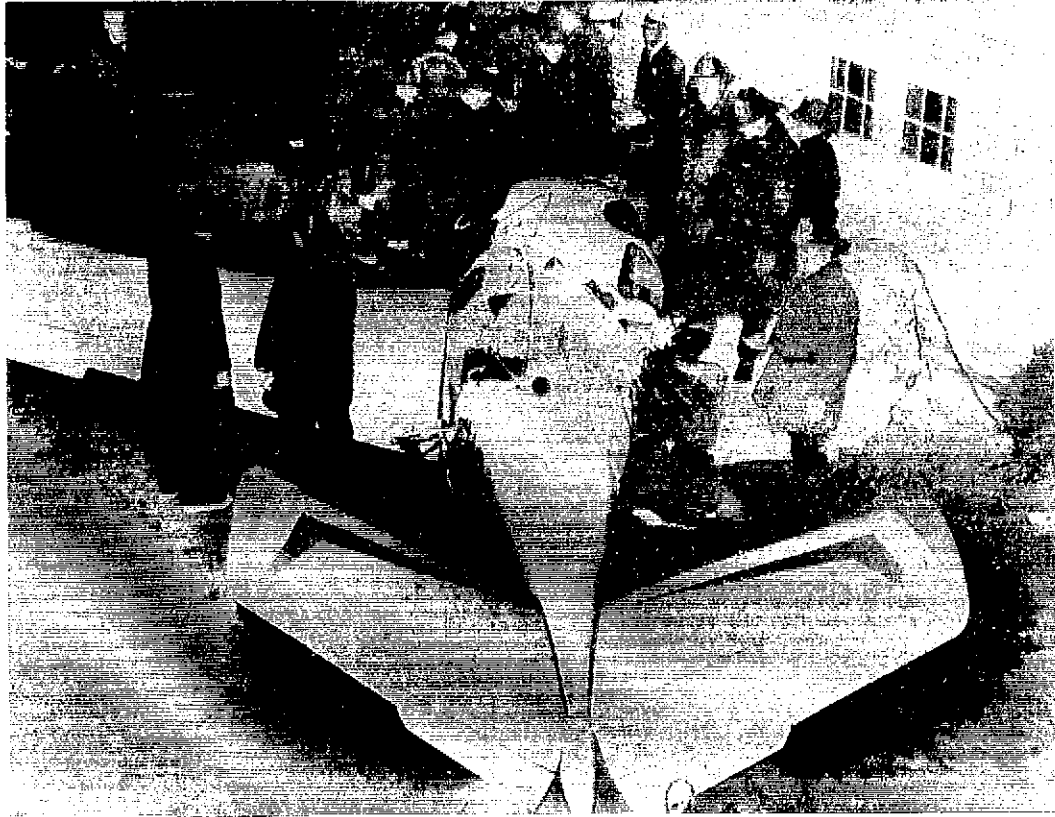
He told newsmen he wants to be fully sure Washkansky is all right before a second attempt is made. The 55-year-old Washkansky today was reported joking with his nurses, sipping soup and eating a soft-boiled egg, his first solid food after surgery.

Barnard said the second transplant will be performed on a Cape Town dentist. The dentist suffers from a serious heart condition, he said.

Washkansky had been so seriously ill with cardiac trouble that he was given but a few weeks to live, prior to his receiving the heart of a 25-year-old girl who died of injuries suffered when hit by an automobile Saturday.

Barnard said the second operation in Groote Schuur Hospital would come when Washkansky is out of danger and when a "suitable donor" was found.

Washkansky remained in an oxygen tent and doctors were treating him with cobalt radiation to help his body accept the transplanted heart's "foreign tissue." Barnard said first X-ray pictures show the grocer's new heart functioning normally.



CHICAGO: Firemen and rescue workers look over damaged single engine plane which crash landed in yard of home here. Pilot of the craft, John A. Drew, 61, Berwyn, Ill., was fatally injured and his passenger, Edwin R. Kellogg, 53, Winneconne, Wis., was hospitalized in serious condition. Plane struck roof of the house, then hit the garage. (UPI Telephoto)

Enemy ambush failure

SAIGON (UPI)—A Viet Cong guerrilla with an itchy trigger finger fired prematurely and tipped off U.S. and South Vietnamese troops to a 400-man Communist ambush in the Mekong Delta. When the battle ended most of the guerrillas were killed, U.S. spokesmen said today.

The Allied troops, alerted by what U.S. Brig. Gen. William Pullan called a "hell of a mistake," swarmed ashore from Civil War-type armored boats and shattered the Red force in one of the great victories of the Mekong Delta. The 11-hour battle was fought Monday.

The Americans put Viet Cong dead at 235 and said 15 guerrillas were caught trying to hide underwater by breathing through reed tubes. U.S. losses were put at 13 killed and 123 wounded; South Vietnamese Marines lost 41 killed in one of their most heroic attacks.

Ninety miles north of Saigon today Viet Cong terrorists using flamethrowers and hurling hand grenades overran a Vietnamese refugee village near the Cambodian border. A military spokesman said four villagers were killed, 15 wounded and 20 apparently kidnapped.

Initial unconfirmed reports from civilian advisers at the scene near the Cambodian border had placed the death toll as high as 300 but a military spokesman said later the first reports were wildly exaggerated.

These reports said about 800 Communists struck the village in the Bo Duc area where U.S. troops have fought off a series of attacks on a U.S. Green Beret Special Forces camp during the past week. Many of the villagers had been taken to the village from the battle area.

A military spokesman said 20 of the villagers were missing and presumably kidnapped by the Viet Cong marauders who have made frequent forays against refugee villages in the past to terrorize Vietnamese who might have thrown their lot with Saigon.

Two killed at Iowa steakhouse

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa (UPI)—Two men were found slain early this morning at Club 84, a fashionable steakhouse located about two miles east of here.

The victims were the manager of the club, Paul Rayer, about 55, of Ralston, Neb., and John Stephens, 32, an off duty Council Bluffs policeman.

The policeman was found slumped in a chair and had been shot three or four times in the chest and once in the neck. Rayer's body was found on the floor of his office, behind his desk. Sheriff deputies said he had been shot at least once in the head.

Officers reported that it appeared at least eight shots were fired.

Receipts from Monday night's business were reported missing. It was estimated that about \$1,400 was missing—\$800 in receipts Monday night and \$600 cash normally carried by the club.

Negotiators start on final version of benefits plan

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Congressional negotiators began work today on the final compromise version of the multi-million Social Security package they hope will be finished by Christmas for 23 million Americans.

The House Ways & Means Committee chairman, Wilbur D. Mills, D-Ark., who led the House negotiators, said the group may finish work on differing House and Senate bills this week.

Mills and Sen. Russell Long, D-La., chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, led respective teams resolving differences between House and Senate bills. Among the differences to be resolved:

Benefits: The Senate voted a 15 per cent across-the-board increase in Social Security benefits for an estimated 23.8 million persons plus an increase in the minimum monthly payment from the current \$44 to \$70. The House approved a 12.5 per cent increase and a \$50 minimum.

Payroll Taxes: The Senate would increase the payroll base from \$8,600 to \$8,000 Jan. 1, meaning a tax increase for middle and upper income workers next year. By delaying a tax rate increase—from 4.4 to 4.8 per cent—until 1969, persons making \$6,600 and less wouldn't feel the extra bite until after the elections.

The House wants the same rate increase scheduled but only

a \$1,000 base increase, to \$7,600. But the House would probably go along with a slightly larger base. The future Senate tax increase—a \$10,800 base by 1972—may not survive. In 1969, for a worker earning \$8,000, the annual payroll tax would go from the current \$290.40 to \$422.40, compared to a House level of \$369.60.

Earnings exemptions: Almost certain death awaits the Senate provision increasing the earnings exemption from \$1,500 to \$2,400 a year. The figure is how much a person may earn and still get full benefits. The \$2,400 level would cost almost \$1 billion a year more. The new level would probably be slightly higher than the \$1,680 voted by the House.



PLAQUE IS PRESENTED TO Merle Jansen, right, by Columbus Chapter President Bill Merrill. Jansen will be interviewed on Channel 2 from 6 to 6:15 p.m. Wednesday. (Telegram Photo).

Bridge collapses, workers entombed

MEXICO CITY (UPI)—An estimated 20 to 50 workmen were entombed today under tons of concrete and splintered lumber after the collapse of a 1,000-foot bridge under construction over a deep gorge west of Mexico City.

A center support of the bridge gave way with a rumbling shudder Monday night sending an estimated 350 tons of debris into the 550-foot deep gorge.

Estimates of the number of dead varied greatly. Two bodies were recovered and workers said they saw 14 other bodies stuck in the wreckage.

Man surrenders to police after 18-hour holdout

DETROIT (UPI)—A Negro whose son was shot to death during Detroit's July riots surrendered to police today after holding members of his family hostage for more than 18 hours.

A drama that began with rifle shots at mid-afternoon Monday ended at midmorning today when Eugene Ector, 52, emerged from his two-story frame house and talked to a minister friend on his front porch.

Members of Ector's family and two off-duty policemen in plain clothes joined the huddle, and talked the gray-haired, gray-mustached Negro into walking toward a police car.

He seemed to change his mind part way down the sidewalk, and police carried him the rest of the way to the car. He was taken to receiving hospital.

Ector started with five hostages. Four other members of his family went inside the near West Side house during the night to urge him to come out. All came out today except Ector and a woman said to be his common-law wife.

The Rev. Alphonso Campbell of the Ethiopian Orthodox Temple, said he worked with Ector at a Ford Motor Co. factory where Ector was a pipefitter and had known Ector for 20 years.

The Rev. Campbell talked Ector onto the porch. "He is a very nice fellow, but he has different troubles," the minister said later. "I think he is a little depressed."

Ector's son-in-law, George Waters, who spent most of the night inside the house, said Ector never pointed a gun at anyone, never threatened to kill members of his family and fired the rifle only to show that the weapon was powerful.

Ector had held members of his family inside the house through the night. But his daughter, Helene, led some of the captives out through the door 17 hours after the all-night drama began. Police said the affair began as a domestic spat.

Mrs. Hicks, her daughter, Joanne Liggins, 20, and grandson, Rodney, 2, and son, William, 16, walked out of the house with Helene.

"He let us go voluntarily," Mrs. Liggins said. "Mother is the only one in there. I don't know why he let us go."

She seemed near collapse and sobbed as she spoke.

Helene and a brother had entered the house shortly after midnight. Another son and Helene's husband, George Waters, went in later to plead with Ector to give himself up.

After some of the captives sneaked out and others were led from the house by Helene, she and her husband and a brother, Walter, went back inside to try again.

A neighbor, Harold Smith, said Ector had been shaken by the death of his son, Herman. The son, a 32-year-old Army veteran, was shot and killed while walking past a supermarket on the second day of the July riots.

Turkish premier: Cyprus is warehouse of weapons

By ANTHONY TOBIN United Press International Premier Suleyman Demirel of Turkey said today Cyprus was a "warehouse of weapons" and that Turkey retained the right to intervene if Turkish kinsmen on the island were menaced.

Speaking in Ankara at a meeting of Turkey's ruling Justice party, Demirel said this right was contained in the new agreement with Greece which kept the two NATO partners from war.

"Turkey does not bluff," he said. "We have power and we promise to approach the problem sensitively."

Demirel said he planned to make the speech before a flareup of violence on Cyprus three weeks ago brought his country close to war with Greece but now that the threat of war has been defused he can speak freely.

"Cyprus is like a warehouse of weapons," he said. "Trenches have been dug. About 15,000 Greek soldiers had landed and been supplied with war equipment. The national guard (Greek Cypriot and officered by Greeks) had reached 30,000. This was the situation when we acted."

Demirel said that before threatening to invade Cyprus, Turkey had tried to resolve the crisis by peaceful means but that did not work.

Part of the agreement called for removal of the Greek troops. A Greek passenger ship was expected to arrive in Cyprus today to begin evacuation of the men.

Reports in Nicosia said withdrawal of the "illegal" Greek army troops from the island in the Mediterranean is expected to begin within a few days.

Presidential Envoy Cyrus R. Vance, who engineered the peace formula proposed by U.N. Secretary General Thant, was scheduled to report to President Johnson in Washington today on the successful conclusion of his two-week mission.

Vance said on his arrival in Washington that further steps must be taken to assure continued peace between the two NATO partners and American allies. He said he had recommendations but refused to elaborate.

Johnson paid tribute to Vance's efforts in a speech to a group of business leaders in Washington Monday night. He said he, Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey and Secretary of State Dean Rusk would discuss with Vance his "successful effort in which Greece, Turkey and Cyprus drew back from the brink of war."

At the United Nations, diplomats were gratified that a war between Greece and Turkey had been avoided. But they said a permanent solution of the animosities between Greece and

Cloudy and cooler seen in Nebraska

By United Press International Cloudy and cooler weather is shaping up for Nebraska Wednesday after several days of comparatively balmy conditions.

The forecast calls for a chance of rain in the central area Wednesday and increasing cloudiness in the east. Highs are expected to range from the 40s central to the 50s east.

Lows tonight will vary from the 20s central to the 30s southeast.

Most weather reporting stations had highs in the 50s Monday. A few points had peaks in the upper 40s.

North Platte had the state high of 58 and also recorded the overnight low of 14.

NEBRASKA: Partly cloudy tonight and little warmer over most of the area. Lows 20s central to 30s southeast. Wednesday cloudy and cooler with chance of rain central and increasing cloudiness east. Highs 40s central, 50s east.

EASTERN NEBRASKA: Partly cloudy and little warmer most sections tonight. Lows mid-20s north, around 30 south. Increasing cloudiness and a little cooler Wednesday with highs 45 to near 50 north, 50-55 south.

U.S. Steel started the increases in cold rolled steel sheet last Friday. Bethlehem matched it Monday, and other producers were expected to follow suit.

National Steel Corp., third leading producer, Inland, Republic, Jones & Laughlin, and Wheeling said they still were "studying" the situation.

At the same time it announced a reduction in the price of long term sheets, lead-coated sheets used in making automobile and lawn mower gasoline tanks, by \$3 a ton.

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Health grant authorization signed today

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Johnson signed into law today a three-year, \$569 million health grant authorization, including grants to fight rats in the nation's slums.

The law also requires clinical laboratories operating across state lines to be licensed and inspected, either by the government or by an accredited medical or pathological association.

Titled the "Partnership in Health" law, the measure primarily authorizes block grants to state and local governments for the health services they deem most urgent. The money must be appropriated separately.

Included is an extra \$40 million for rat extermination programs—the main point of controversy in the legislation.

The House in July—to the tune of puns about "civil rats" and "rat corps"—rejected, 176-107, a similar rat control program to be run by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The action drew heavy criticism from the White House on down to a group of Harlem residents. The Harlemites conducted a noisy demonstration in the House gallery and were ejected.

Jansen receives award as outstanding young engineer

Columbus Chapter of the National Society of Professional Engineers announced Monday the selection of Merle Jansen as the chapter's Outstanding Young Engineer. Jansen is now eligible for competition on the state level.

Jansen was graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1956 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering, and was employed by the Western Power and Gas Company as a heating engineer.

In 1960 he was transferred to Columbus, and currently serves as division utilization engineer of the 54 cities of the Nebraska Division.

Constantly involved in technical society work, he served as secretary of Region 7 of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers during 1965-66. During 1966-67 he served as chairman of the civic affairs committee of the Nebraska Section of ASME. During the same year he was chairman of the Industrial committee of the Blue Flame Gas Association of Nebraska.

His activities in civic affairs are also impressive. He served as president of the Columbus Junior Chamber of Commerce during 1964-65, and received the Williams-Praxier Memorial Leadership Award. In 1965-66 he served as the state vice president of the Nebraska Junior Chamber of Commerce and during that term received the Charles Thome Award as the Outstanding State Vice President.

During 1966-67, Jansen was state director for the Columbus Jaycees and was state chairman of the Nebraska Jaycee Humanitarian Award Committee. In 1967 he received the Distinguished Service Award from the Columbus Chapter.

He is a registered Professional Engineer and served as the 1965-66 president of the Columbus Chapter of the National Society of Professional Engineers. The past two years he has served as vice president of the Professional Engineers of Nebraska.

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