

# Dead End Reached By United Nations On Balkans Issue

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The United Nations has come to an ominous dead end in its efforts to halt the menacing march of events in the Balkans. Once again the Soviet veto has been invoked to nullify the will of the majority of civilized mankind. The comparatively mild and inoffensive Australian and American proposals — they amounted only to an appeal to the Soviet satellites to cease and desist in their campaign against Greece — were thrown out although only Russia and Poland of the 11 Security Council members opposed them.

The atmosphere at Lake Success after this breakdown of the peace machinery was charged with gloom. The Security Council admitted its inability to go further. The United States delegate already had said that this country would not stand idly by even if the United Nations were unable to act. But even that assurance of American determination to help Greece had an ominous significance for advocates of the United Nations and world peace machinery. If it is carried into effect it means that once more the United States and its friends, in order to get effective action, must bypass, work outside, perhaps eventually even abandon, the organization that was erected so hopefully in San Francisco as victory was being won on the battlefields.

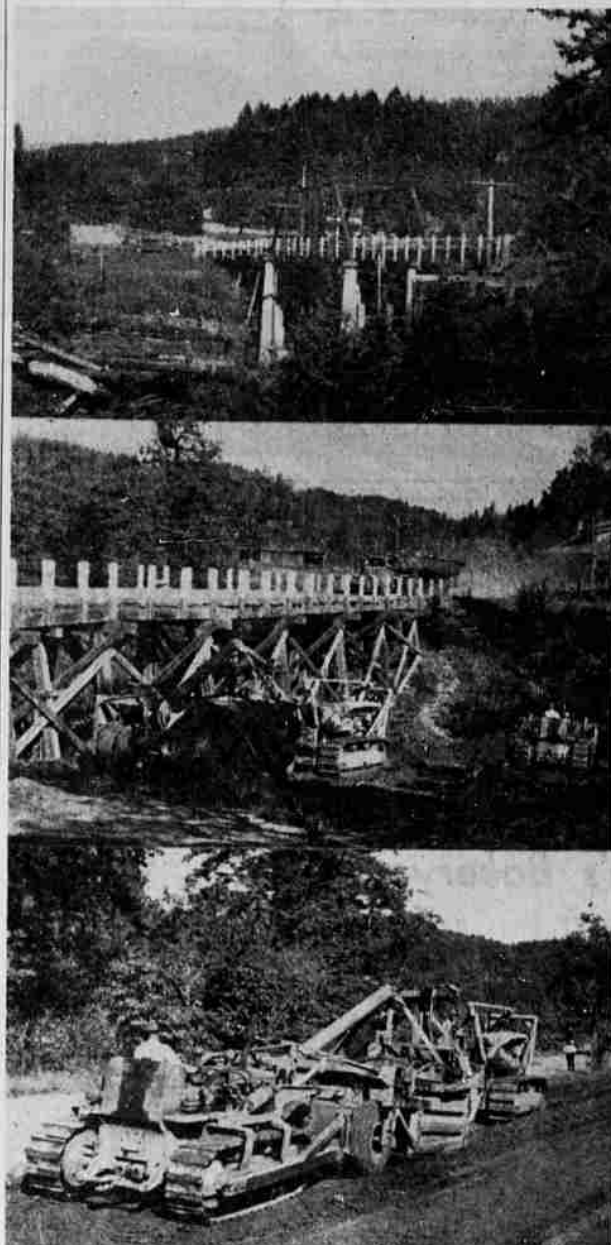
**Guerrillas Have Foothold**  
How America and her friends can move to prevent the engulfment of Greece in the totalitarian tide that has swept over most of Southeastern Europe remains to be indicated. Any effective course must be plotted with the utmost care, for the consequences may be far-reaching and terrible. But the course of those who have worked to prevent a unified effort to keep the peace in the Balkans is becoming clearer.

The indications are strong that the now familiar device of the puppet state is to be invoked as the next major step. It is hard to escape any other conclusion concerning announcement by "Gen. Markos" Vlasov, leader of the guerrillas defying the Greek government in the north, that he had undertaken to administer a "democratic government" until "provisional government" could be formed. News of the fighting indicates the Markos forces are consolidating a foothold from which it must be difficult for the present Greek Army to oust them. And behind them are friendly territories into which they may retire when too hard pressed and from which help will be expected.

The Greek government has been predicting such a development for some weeks; first, a formation of a guerrilla government; second, its recognition as the legitimate Greek government by the states which are blocking United Nations action; third, direct and undisguised aid and support to such a regime by those states. They would argue that such aid was as legitimate as any given the Athens government by the United States or any other power. And then the battle lines really would be drawn.

## Japanese Population On West Coast Drops

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20. — (AP) — Although 60 per cent of the Japanese-Americans moved from their West Coast homes at the start of the war have returned, the War Agency Liquidation Unit said today that Washington, Oregon and California now have only 55 per cent of the nation's Japanese-American population as



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# Impatience Over U. N. Stems From Russian Vetoes

By SIGRID ARNE  
WASHINGTON — Impatience with the United Nations machinery is piling up suggestions for its change. They range all the way from the mild idea that the rules must be altered to the gloomy prediction that either Russia must get out of U. N. or the United States will have to break it up and form a new organization.

Criticism of the U. N. stems from irritation over the Russian use of the veto. It includes the American Legion's colorful charge that the Security Council is a "perpetually hung jury" and comes from all manner of other people—from Joe Doakes, who writes his senator, to the men in Congress who help shape United States policy.

In many quarters, however, U. N. prestige rose when it recently compelled a truce in the flareup of war between the Dutch and Indonesians.

**Road Block in Charter**  
The policy makers think changing the U. N. is highly improbable. They point out the road-block in the U. N. charter itself.

The charter says the 55 member states can call a conference to write amendments. The conference can take decisions on a two-thirds vote, but the amendments must be sent to the home governments for ratification, and then all of the "Big Five" powers must approve. That leaves the gate open for another Russian veto.

The veto could hardly fall to be the center of a battle to change the charter. The Russians have consistently opposed any change. That brings the Washington conjecture around to "What happens next?" The few who are intimate with the working rules of U. N. are guessing:

That Russia may withdraw under a much more determined

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stand by the western nations. That Russia will be the last to withdraw.

That if a U. S. led break should come it would have to be over a clear-cut issue, and Russia's veto of the Balkan "watch dog" commission isn't big enough.

**What Could Do it**  
The guess is that the issue could be:  
1. Control of atomic energy.  
2. U. N. police force.  
3. Some angle of the German and Austrian peace treaties.  
4. The Japanese treaty.

The treaties are not the official business of U. N. They are being written by the foreign ministers of the U. S., Britain, the Soviet and France. The feeling is that they could kick up an issue that would reverberate through the U. N. Assembly which will get to work Sept. 16 at Lake Success, N. Y.

On the other hand, there are several thoughtful suggestions for changing U. N. rules and leaving the organization intact. Most of the suggestions are made on the assumption (which has little to stand on) that changes can be made in the face of that possible veto.

**What Legion Wants**  
The American Legion would like to see:

1. The United Nations take action against aggression, or even preparation for aggression, on a mere majority council vote.
2. International authorities control not only atomic energy but all mass destruction weapons.
3. Quotas put on heavy armament.
4. A strong U. N. police force.

In Congress two resolutions have been adopted asking (1) revisions of the charter and (2) a call from the President for a general U. N. conference to strengthen itself.

Senator Byrd (D. Va.) has suggested that a veto in the Security Council should be passed on to the U. N. Assembly. He thinks the Assembly should be free to override a veto by a two-thirds vote. In his speech to the Senate he said:

"I make the confident prediction that shortly the necessities of the situation will force a showdown with Russia within the United Nations."

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