

U.S. Forms \$125 Million Plan To Aid World's Backward Areas

WASHINGTON, May 15.—(AP)—The administration is drawing up a \$125,000,000 program to develop the world's backward areas, government officials disclosed today.

The United States would contribute about half of this estimated sum if congress approves. The rest is expected to come from wealthier members of the United Nations and countries that would be helped.

Specific projects, it is said, are being drafted by the American government in response to President Truman's inauguration day call for a "bold new program" of general improvements in underdeveloped regions to combat human misery and aid world prosperity.

Under a tentative plan of action, the biggest share of funds would go to develop Latin American areas. Two other regions of the world—Asia and the Far East, and Africa and the Near East—would get almost as much, followed by Europe and its dependencies.

Most of this money, officials said, would be allocated for specific health programs in an effort to stamp out disease such as malaria which has retarded development of many natural resources in the past.

Projects designed to improve agriculture and forestry would rank next in importance. The third highest task would be to try to improve native educational standards.

Government officials putting the final touches to the program said they plan to concentrate on these other fields: also, reclamation, flood control, hydro electric power, fisheries, exploitation of minerals resources, transportation and industry.

They said the administration hopes that by laying out these long-range programs it can influence private American capital to invest its money in these areas and eventually raise the standards of living, in cooperation with the local governments.

If the plan goes through congress, officials said, the administration plans to present the program to the United Nations in order to weld the work it is doing in the field into one giant, coordinated program.

Sec. Acheson Works Long on New Strategy

By John M. Highower

WASHINGTON, May 15.—(AP)—Secretary of State Acheson, his diplomatic sword drawn with Russia impending, worked overtime this weekend on strategy.

Aides sounded warnings that a threat of Russian aggression still hangs over the continent of Europe.

The warning appeared to be a dominant theme in Acheson's last preparatory work for the big four meeting in Paris May 23 where he will come face to face with Soviet Foreign Minister Voshinsky on the German question.

It indicated that he and his aides will have to be shown whether the Soviet Union has undergone any real change of purpose in lifting the Berlin blockade.

William F. Maddox, director of the foreign service institute in the state department, put it bluntly that the Berlin race has not lifted Russia's aggressive "threat." And it would be lifted, he said, in a speech and Russia has unequivocally repudiated aggression of all kinds in its policies and actions and ready for genuine cooperation with all United Nations.

Pores Over Papers

Acheson went home from the department with a mass of papers and he spent Saturday and Sunday poring over them. He will leave for Paris late this week.

One of his own initial acts, probably next Saturday, will be to have a strategy huddle with British Foreign Minister Bevin and French Foreign Minister Schuman before all three sit down with Voshinsky.

One of the questions expected to come up is the attitude the west will take toward Russia's expected proposal for withdrawing troops from Germany. Diplomatic authorities said today that a discussed plan to offer to pull all troops back to northern seaports in Germany had about been decided.

Favor Counter Proposal

British, French and American planners still lean to the idea that the west probably should counter any Russian troop proposal with a proposition of its own for shortening the occupation time.

But there is increasing support among the policy advisers more or less to ignore the whole issue. It is felt that German political leaders would regard it as a phony Soviet propaganda move anyway.

Acheson and his British and French colleagues apparently hold little hope of obtaining real change in major Russian policies—yet expect enough concessions at least to give the appearance of Soviet willingness to try to reach agreements on Germany.

Air Rescuers Snatch Man From Snow

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, May 15.—(AP)—By the sputtering light of signal flares, an air force glider-transport rescue team snatched a young University of Alaska professor from a snow-covered central Alaska river island at midnight Saturday.

The air force said it was the first night glider rescue ever attempted. Brought to safety in the daring pickup was Bert E. Griffin, Seattle, Wash., geology professor who disappeared Thursday on a flight from Fairbanks to Galena.

An air force search craft, one of several that combed the area for 50 hours, spotted Griffin's rented plane yesterday afternoon upside down on a tiny Innoko river island about 250 air miles west of Fairbanks.

Two crewmen and a medical officer, dropped to the island in a glider. They found Griffin apparently unharmed after huddling for more than two days in his sleeping bag, munching chocolate bars while awaiting rescue.

The glider pilots, Lts. Robert A. Bruns, Phoenix, Ariz., and Walter J. Klatt, Corpus Christi, Tex., and medical officer, Cpt. Charles H. Manlove, Portland, Ore., tramped a crude runway in four feet of snow.

Then they erected a pickup frame, clambered into the glider with Griffin and moments later were snatched into the darkness by the C-54 tow plane.

Second 'Grab'

This was the second successful glider "grab" for Sgt. Willie C. Norris, Plainville, Ark., tow reel operator aboard the C-54. His job is to play out 1,000 feet of nylon rope with the proper amount of tension during the pickup and in flight.

Norris was abroad the mother ship which last December snatched the occupants of a downed C-47 from the frozen crust of the Stewart river in the Yukon territory.

Capt. George Accas, New York City, the navigator, also participated in both rescue operations.

Piloting the C-54 on the mid-night flight were Capt. George H. Wood, Battle Creek, Mich., and Lt. Richard G. Lind.

Griffin told his rescuers he became lost, ran out of gas and then turned turtle in his plane in a forced landing on the island.

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'Art' Dispute Centered on Paper Torso

NEW YORK, May 15.—(AP)—A 23-year-old brunette, arrested for displaying a nude female torso in her bookshop, testified in court today for holding that "this ain't art."

Mrs. Rosetta Goldman told the judge a policeman entered her Greenwich Village shop and said: "Look, lady, I'm ignorant, but this ain't art."

When she refused to remove it from her window, she said, the policeman returned with five other officers.

The paper mache torso is being held at the police station where Miss Goldman was released after posting \$500 bail.

Mrs. Goldman described the torso, which has a devilish red painted-on face, as an artistic representation to advertise a French love story called "Devil in the Flesh."

"Who are the cops to say what art is?" asked Samuel S. Goldberg, her attorney.

The hearing was adjourned until tomorrow, when Goldberg said he would produce at least six art experts to testify in Miss Goldman's behalf.

Eisler Dragged Off Polish Ship



SOUTHAMPTON, England, May 15.—Gerhart Eisler (partly obscured by rail), fugitive Communist from the U. S., is carried down the gangway of Polish ship Batory off Southampton, Eng., by British policemen after his arrest May 14. Eisler, who jumped \$23,500 bail in the U. S., where two prison sentences are hanging over him, was carried into the tiny cabin of the tender Romsey. After a swift run from Batory's anchorage to Southampton docks, the squat, 52-year-old Eisler was taken ashore without undue protest. (AP Wirephoto to the Statesman.)

Equipment Moved During Fire



DALLAS, May 15.—Volunteers and firemen are shown removing valuable medical equipment from Dallas General hospital Sunday after a fire broke out in the building's attic. No one was injured and no equipment was lost. (Statesman photo). (Pictures also on page 1).

Solon Drafts Atlantic Pact Amendments

WASHINGTON, May 15.—(AP)—Senator Watkins (R-Utah) disclosed today he plans to draft a reservation to the North Atlantic treaty spelling out congress' sole right to declare war.

The Utah senator, who walked out on senate foreign relations committee hearings on the past because he said Chairman Connally (D-Tex.) was "insulting" to him, said this may be only one of several reservations he will offer when the treaty comes before the senate.

Connally has been driving to end the pact hearings this week. Thus far, however, he has not had any assurance that the treaty will be taken up immediately in the senate, where the legislative hopper is jammed with important bills. Senate approval by a wide margin is strongly indicated. A two-thirds vote is required. House action is not necessary.

Watkins is not a member of the committee. He attended the hearings to question witnesses at his own request. He has been a persistent critic but recently said he

had not made commitments for or against the treaty.

"All of the government's witnesses have said there is nothing in the treaty that infringes on congress' sole right to declare war," Watkins said. "If that is true there ought not to be any objection to making a reservation on that point. We'll see what happens when I propose it and we'll see how the senate will vote."

Before he quit the committee hearings, Watkins and Senator Donnell (R-Mo.) also a non-member of the committee, inquired time and again whether the treaty's pledge to regard an attack on one of its signers as an attack on all didn't in fact shear congress of the power to decide whether this country shall enter a conflict.

McKay to Fly to Washington, D.C.

Gov. Douglas McKay will leave Salem by airplane Tuesday for Washington, D.C., where he will attend a hearing of a congressional committee on the Columbia basin report.

McKay served as chairman of the Willamette basin commission for several years prior to becoming governor. He will be accompanied by Elmo Chase, Eugene, now chairman of the commission.

Poles Say U.S. Threatened to Seize Liner

LONDON, May 15.—(AP)—The Polish Embassy charged today that the U. S. state department threatened to seize the liner Batory unless her master surrendered the fugitive communist Gerhart Eisler.

Eisler, held in Southampton jail after being carried off the Polish liner Saturday by four stalwart British policemen, himself issued a statement through the embassy declaring "I am the first prisoner of the North Atlantic Pact."

The state department in Washington said there would be no immediate comment on the Polish charges.

The 52-year-old communist who jumped \$23,500 bail and stowed away on the Batory while two prison sentences were impending against him in the United States, charged that he had been "kidnaped" and his rights as a political refugee "brutally" violated.

The embassy, in a statement, said it took a serious view of the whole occurrence and was lodging a strong protest with the British foreign office tomorrow against what it regarded as a flagrant violation of Polish sovereignty.

"Virtually Commandeered"

The spokesman, who said the statement was issued after consultation with the communist-dominated Warsaw government, declared Poland was especially exercised at "the virtual commandeering of a Polish ship in British littoral (shoreline) waters."

At one stage of the eight hours of negotiation on board the vessel at Southampton, the captain, Jan Cwiklinski, was virtually held prisoner on his own ship by Scotland Yard officers, the spokesman asserted.

Albert Morski, counselor of the embassy, told a news conference the British officers who boarded the Batory apparently feared members of the crew might interfere. He said Detective Inspector W. E. Bray of Scotland Yard warned that a British tender was tied to the Batory and was equipped with radio to call for assistance "instantly should it become necessary."

40 Officials Aboard

Jan Panski, chief of the Polish shipping mission in Britain, estimated that "about 40" British and American officials boarded the ship.

He said that at one stage Capt. Cwiklinski and other Polish officers were told they must not leave the cabin in which they were gathered and plainclothesmen blocked the door.

The treatment of Eisler which the crew might have resented, Panski added, included "bumping him on the floor and dragging him to a companionway."

It was during the conference, Morski said, that a statement from the U. S. state department was read which threatened seizure of the Batory should she ever return to American waters if Eisler was not surrendered.

Witness



NEW YORK, May 15.—William Cummings of Toledo, O., (above) smiles in a news room at federal court building in New York City after testifying for the U. S. government in the conspiracy trial of 11 communist leaders. Cummings said he served as an undercover contact for the federal bureau of investigation within the communist party. (AP Wirephoto to the Statesman.)

Shanghai Port, Airport Held By Nationalists

SHANGHAI, Monday, May 16.—(AP)—Communist steel tongs closed tighter on Shanghai today. But two key objectives—the airport and the harbor entrance—still were held by the nationalist defenders.

For the fourth straight night, artillery hammered at Wusong fortress guarding the largest Asian city's gateway to the sea. But at daybreak the nationalists still had not been dislodged from this all-important target. By 8 a.m. three small steamers had passed down the Whangpoo river to the sea.

Lungwa international airport, at the equally vulnerable southwest edge of Shanghai, was reported quiet. The two American airlines announced, however, they would halt service from here after today.

Northwest air lines had two planes in and out today—one from Manila, one from Tokyo. The last Pan American World Airways plane left at 10 a.m. for Hong Kong enroute to the United States.

The Chinese companies—China National Aviation corp., Central Air Transport corp. and the American-owned Civil Air Transport—will continue to operate to Hong Kong, to the nationalist provisional capital at Canton and to Formosa. All warned service may stop at any time.

The nationalists continued to claim success in the fighting around Wusong. Judging from the sound of the artillery, the fighting was at a greater distance than last night. Then it seemed at one time to be into the environs of Shanghai around Kiangwan airfield, a scant half-dozen miles away.

Bullet Fired Into USO Club

OAK HARBOR, Wash., May 15.—(AP)—Sheriff J. B. Kennedy reported today that a bullet was fired last night through the game room of the local USO club while it was crowded with sailors from the nearby navy base. No one was injured.

Navy authorities who are conducting an investigation said the shot is believed to have come from a spot 100 feet away where sounds of a fight were heard.

The .38 caliber slug buried itself in the ceiling after passing over a ping pong table.

East Germany To Ballot on Red Congress

By Daniel De Luce

BERLIN, May 15.—(AP)—Russia allied herself with German nationalism today in a drive to impose Moscow's peace terms on the western powers.

Eastern Germany was urged by its communist rulers to roll up a mammoth "yes" vote today and tomorrow for the so-called German People's congress.

When the Big Four foreign ministers convene in Paris May 23, that congress will act as a German mouthpiece for Russia's demands.

Of the 18,000,000 Germans in Soviet-occupied territory the communist front apparently expects at least 10,000,000 to vote "yes."

All former Nazi party members, whose franchise was taken away by denazification commissions, have been invited by east German communists to participate in the election.

The new line for Germany, as exemplified in the congressional election propaganda, appeases several basic demands of German nationalism.

It proposes a final peace treaty and quick withdrawal of all occupation troops.

It supports the unification of Germany.

Hints Reparations End

It hints that Russia, after having taken as much as \$10,000,000,000 in booty and reparations from the eastern zone, is prepared now to have all victor powers renounce further reparations claims.

In the western sense of the words the election in eastern Berlin is not an election and the People's congress is not a congress.

The ballots have only a single list of candidates, of which at least 60 per cent were chosen by the socialist unity (communist) party and affiliated "mass organizations." The remainder were handpicked from non-communist parties which have had to cooperate with the communists for four years under direct Russian pressure.

This statement is printed in bold type on the ballots:

"I am for the unity of Germany and a just peace treaty."

"I therefore vote for the following list of candidates for the Third German People's congress."

Number Varies

Beneath is a list of about 90 names, the number varying from district to district. The congress is supposed to have 2,000 members in all.

In some parts of Eastern Germany, no envelopes were reported available for the ballots because of "a paper shortage," making it difficult to cast a secret vote.

Some election officials are known to have been instructed officially to count as "yes" all ballots which are left blank or are completely scratched out.

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WINS CYCLE TEST

YACOMA, May 15.—(AP)—Monty Montgomery of Tacoma took first place in the 80 cubic inch expert event at the annual hill climb here today sponsored by the Blue Baron Motorcycle club. Second place was won by Wilbur Hanson, Portland; third by John Martinovich of Portland.

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Puyallup City Hall Blazes

PUYALLUP, Wash., May 15.—(AP)—Puyallup's old city hall, evacuated after it was seriously damaged in last month's earthquake, was nearly destroyed by fire early this morning.

The three-story frame building with a brick facade was one of the city's oldest. Its Russian-type architecture had made it a landmark for years.

Every Puyallup fireman was called out to fight the three-hour blaze. The flames were kept from spreading to nearby business structures.

Before the quake, the city hall housed the water, light and police departments and the jail.

Cause of the fire and the loss have not been determined.

POLISH SHIPYARDS BUSY

GDANSK, Poland, May 15.—(AP)—Polish shipyards have just launched the third of a series of six new coal and ore carriers. It is designed to carry a dead weight of 2,540 tons, has a draught of about 16 feet and a speed of 11 knots.

Polish shipyards also are building two medium sized motor vessels, five general cargo motorships, four tugs and two trawlers.

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