

Russ Refuse to Probe Peace Pact Violations

WASHINGTON, June 13—(AP)—Russia has refused to take part in an investigation of American-British charges that three soviet satellite states violated their peace treaties.

The state department said today Moscow made the counter charge that the western powers were trying to use the treaties to interfere in the internal affairs of Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria. The Russian note was delivered Saturday.

Russia also supported the denials by the three countries that they have violated their treaty pledges. Britain and the United States have accused them of failing to live up to pledges to grant fair trials, free speech and other human rights to their peoples.

Moscow's note was a reply to the formal British-American request made May 31 that Russia join in investigating the dispute, as provided for in the treaties. All three countries, now soviet satellites, were axis allies during the war.

The next step presumably is for the United States to demand creation of three-member commissions to take up the dispute with each satellite country. Under the treaties, the first step was to try for a settlement through the big three powers.

By the treaty terms, one member of the commissions would be chosen by the western powers, one by the satellite country involved and the third by the secretary general of the United Nations.

President Truman prodded congress indirectly again today to give him unrestricted power to reorganize government agencies and departments.

He was quoted by Dr. Robert L. Johnson, president of Temple University and chairman of a citizens committee backing the Hoover commission reorganization plan, as saying he wants such authority without any exemptions, Johnson called at the White House.

A basic reorganization bill is tied up in a senate-house conference instructed to iron out differences between versions passed by the two houses. One of the stumbling blocks is a house provision exempting seven agencies unless any reorganization affecting them is submitted separately.

Rhode Island Man to Head Rotary Clubs

NEW YORK, June 13—(AP)—The leadership of Rotary International passed today from a retired Australian grain broker to a Rhode Island yarn manufacturer.

Percy Hodgson, 47, of Pawtucket, R.I., was elected president by acclamation at the 40th annual Rotary convention, the biggest in the service organization's history.

In a speech prepared for delivery tonight, outgoing president Angus S. Mitchell of Melbourne, Australia, urged Rotarians to be even better Rotarians, even better citizens of the world. He urged them to intensify their effort to gain support for the United Nations.

"Peace, like war," he said, "is a state of mind. We must condition the mind of man so that he will work as diligently and as patiently for peace as he has always been willing to work toward victory in war."

McElhinney Wins 'Leader' Rating For 28th Year

Charles S. McElhinney of Salem, employed by the Standard Insurance company for the past 31 years, has qualified for the organization's "Leaders Club" for the 28th year, it was reported here Monday.

McElhinney has sold insurance in Salem for the past 20 years. Prior to that time he was in Roseburg. Qualifications for the leaders club are sale of at least \$150,000 worth insurance and \$1,500 premium income in a year.

Only one other man in the company surpasses McElhinney in time of service. The Salem man will attend the annual convention of the leaders club in Victoria, B. C. later this month. G. C. Brown of the same company, who also qualified for the club, will attend the convention from Salem.

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200 See 31-Year-Old Stand of Grass at OSC's June Field Day

By Lillie L. Madsen
Farm Editor, The Statesman

The 31-year-old stand of alta fescue, the original planting of a grass developed at Oregon State College experiment station, was inspected by more than 200 persons who attended the June field day during the weekend arranged to inspect past accomplishments and present work of the college in the field of soil conservation.

Among the fields viewed were the grass fields of Floyd Fox, noted east-Marion county sheep man.

Alta fescue was praised as being one of the best tools of soil conservation in America, with ladino clover being a close second.

Alta fescue is considered probably the most nearly universally adapted grass and the most promising single grass in the country as a soil saver, a soil fertility improver and all-around forage producer.

Visitors also viewed plots at the state college experiment station where irrigation and rotation experiments were started in 1907 when many farmers believed that irrigation in western Oregon would "kill the soil." Instead the experiments have shown that fertility can be improved through a practical program of irrigation, rotation and fertilization. Some 80,000 acres in western Oregon are now irrigated, according to reports made on the annual field day.

Original 11 Acres
Ladino clover fields were also viewed by visitors who saw the original 11 acres seeded in 1927 on land that had been abandoned for ordinary crop production. Through this and later trials the experiment station has demonstrated that an acre of irrigated ladino and grass will yield four times as much usable feed as an acre of tame grass pasture and eight times as much as even good native grass pastures. The forage yield per acre from such ladino-grass mix-

tures as measured by milking cows is equal to five tons of alfalfa or 200 bushels of oats. It will carry about 2 1/2 cows per acre for a 200-day pasture season.

A plea for getting the new science of land use applied to every acre of land in the United States was made by Kent Leavitt, Millbrook, N. Y., president of the National Association of Soil Conservation districts. He condemned, however, the policy of what he loosely termed governmental bribery of "paying everybody to do everything" and said that this should not be the basis of soil conservation.

The ship had loaded at Portland and was moving here for additional grain bound for Japan when it appeared to be aground in the Columbia current and shoved aground on the Washington side.

River tugmen said the Liberty ship was making a difficult turn when it was grounded. Tugs later freed it.

Chambers' Wife Rattled on Witness Stand

NEW YORK, June 13—(AP)—A rapid-fire cross examination so confused Mrs. Whitaker Chambers today that she became uncertain when and where she last saw Alger Hiss.

Federal Judge Samuel H. Kaufman called a five minute halt at one point in the Hiss perjury trial to give her a chance to "think it over."

Last week, Mrs. Chambers testified she entertained Hiss and his wife at a wedding anniversary in December, 1939, and that she was a guest at the Hiss home for a New Year's eve party Dec. 31, 1937.

The dates are vital because Hiss told a grand jury that he did not see Chambers after Jan. 1, 1937.

The grand jury accused him of perjury and added a second count to the indictment when Hiss said he never gave Chambers state department secrets.

Chambers said she was a courier for a prewar Soviet spy ring during her association with Hiss.

Earlier, Mrs. Chambers admitted covering up the "communist underground" activities of her husband when trying to get her daughter into a private school in 1937.

She said she always regarded her husband as a "great, decent citizen." But, she acknowledged, she described him as a "tree lance writer" and not a communist spy courier when she applied for school admission for her daughter.

She testified that she did not know of the role Hiss was accused of playing in the spy ring until she read it in the newspapers.

Mrs. Chambers testified that she and her husband lived on the money he earned as a "communist conspirator" from 1931 to 1937 or 1938.

Work Party to Help Prepare Camp Pioneer

First work party to prepare for Boy Scout camping, set to start July 10, will be in Camp Pioneer this Saturday and Sunday, according to Gordon Gilmore, Cascade area council executive.

The leader also said that the camp this year will have all new canoes and rowboats, because those used before were wrecked when snow caved in some buildings last winter.

The work party will include scouts, some telephone company employees and members of Salem Junior Chamber of Commerce. They will start cleaning up the snow damage. The snow is going off fast, said Gilmore, and the winter's results will not delay or hamper the summer camping program.

Public Records

CIRCUIT COURT

William Dingman et al vs state unemployment compensation commission and others: Defendant commission, commissioners and administrator file answer to petition for review of claim.

Ida A. Newton vs William L. Newton: Defendant ordered to pay plaintiff \$75 monthly for support during pendency of suit.

Marion county vs Mary F. Morris and others: Attorney for defendants files answer consenting to foreclosure on defendants' property for overdue taxes.

Anna M. Hansen vs Pacific Greyhound lines and Journal Garage company: Order grants plaintiff until July 9 to file motion for new trial against defendant garage company.

Joyce Rowland vs Dale Rowland: Defendant files answer and cross complaint alleging cruel and inhuman treatment and asking custody of two minor children and ownership of certain real and personal property.

Alba L. McCollum vs Cora Mae McCollum: Suit for divorce alleges desertion by defendant since June 5, 1948. Married Aug. 27, 1945, at Las Vegas, Nev.

Ellen Lock vs Roy Lock: Complaint for divorce alleging cruel and inhuman treatment, seeks ratification of property settlement agreement, awarding custody of three minor daughters to plaintiff and four minor sons to defendant, \$20 monthly support money from defendant. Married Apr. 25, 1931, in Battle Creek, Mich.

Harold Chris Ramberg, 25, electrical engineer, Scappoose, and Avon Joan Simmons, 25, nurse, Woodburn.

DISTRICT COURT

Lloyd Demarest, 721 Stewart st., charged with driving while intoxicated, pleaded innocent, trial date to be set, held in lieu of \$350 bail.

David Mendel Riggs, Salem route 9, switching auto license plates, pleaded guilty, fined \$100 and costs.

Richard Carter, 1275 S. 12th st., larceny, continued to July 15 for sentencing.

Earl J. Harvey, Gervais, charged with obtaining money by false pretenses, preliminary examination held, charge dismissed for lack of evidence.

PROBATE COURT

Brown E. Sisson guardianship: Order confirms sale of real property.

Mae M. Ivie guardianship: Order sets June 27 for hearing on petition of L. W. and Glenn A. Ivie for appointment of guardian.

Otto F. Johnson estate: Order confirms sale of real property.

Thomas Watson Steeves guardianship: Order authorizes guardian to execute new and modified lease agreement.

Bertha M. Briens estate: Appraisal of estate at \$17,772.75.

Arvid E. Johnson estate: Order appoints Lester Howell as administrator and Oscar Specht, James H. Nicholson and Evelyn Fernau as appraisers.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS
Roy D. Baughman, 21, laborer, and Martha Edmondson, 18, both of Woodburn.

Victor A. Youngs, 25, cabinet maker, Venice, Calif., and Orabelle Dugger, 20, music teacher, Turner.

Clifford L. Bradford, legal, construction worker, Mill City, and N. Marion Browning, legal, waitress, Portland.

Douglas N. Ush, 19, farmer, Great Falls, Mont., and Cauleen Madison, 18, clerk, Portland.

Richard C. Bighley, 23, factory worker, and Severina Smisek, 25, factory worker, both of St. Paul, Minn.

Dallas Haney, 21, state highway department, Woodburn, and Dorothy Brennan, 19, housework, 1639 Lancaster dr., Salem.

Donald J. Sommer, 22, route salesman, 1425 Fir st., and Jacqueline Torgerson, 22, nurse, 701 Kingwood dr., both of Salem.

Harold Chris Ramberg, 25, electrical engineer, Scappoose, and Avon Joan Simmons, 25, nurse, Woodburn.

Senator Cites Farm Program 'Propaganda'

WASHINGTON, June 13—(AP)—Senator Aiken (R-Vt) today accused the agriculture department of peddling "propaganda" and of making "false" statements to promote the administration's new farm program.

Aiken told the senate a 10-page document which he said the department has given wide distribution "is purely and simply propaganda designed to promote a political plan of prosperity for farmers."

The farm program to which Aiken referred was drafted by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan. It has been submitted to congress in the form of legislation.

Brannan told a democratic conference in Des Moines today the plan is the best way to prevent a "farm fed and farm led" depression.

In brief, the plan would let consumer prices for perishable farm commodities seek their own level and provide for payments to put a "floor" under farm income. It also provides price supports for crops that can be stored.

Aiken said the agriculture department document contains 48 questions and answers "purporting to explain the proposed plan."

He added: "It is my understanding that this document has been distributed to 94,000 PMA (production and marketing administration) committees located in every agricultural community in the United States."

It is also reported that large quantities of this document have been made available by the department for distribution to certain labor and other organizations.

Aiken said he knows of "no provision of law which authorizes the distribution of this document, nor do I know what appropriation by the congress could ethically be used to finance its preparation and distribution."

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Sitter Fatally Beats Child

LANCASTER, Pa., June 13—(AP)—A 14-year-old baby sitter fatally beat a 6-year-old boy today because the child ripped out the electric cord to the washing machine as she was doing the family wash, Sgt. Stiles Smith of the state police reported.

The child, Ronald Glen Keller, died in Lancaster General hospital of head injuries about five hours after being admitted. Smith said the youngster had been beaten about the head with a piece of wood two inches thick and 18 inches long.

District Attorney John Milton Ranck ordered Jean Sonnen, of Lititz, Pa., held at the Sheltzer home for girls in Lancaster. No charges have been placed against the girl.

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