

## Molotov Greeted in Berlin



BERLIN—Russia's V. M. Molotov (left), shakes hands with Wilhelm Pieck, president of Red-dominated East Germany, shortly after he arrived by air in a snowstorm at frigid Schoenefeld Airfield in Berlin for foreign ministers conference opening Jan. 25. Molotov immediately demanded a full voice for Red China at the conference. His demand had no prospect of acceptance and may well produce the first major disagreement of the Big Four in the conference. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Berlin to The Statesman).

## Auto Science Advancing, But Mostly in Experimental Models

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DETROIT (AP) — The auto industry currently is trying out more advanced engineering ideas than ever before in its history—but in purely experimental model cars.

Before World War II most "ideas of tomorrow" were tried out on the test block; an engine was mounted in a stock chassis for testing on the proving grounds or conclusions were reached on a mathematical basis in the laboratories.

Now the auto makers are building test cars wholly new from the ground up. If they have a new engine they want to try out they build a streamlined body to go with it. They spend hundreds of thousands of dollars solely for testing something new.

And they call the test cars "laboratories on wheels."

Future competition in the car market may have special significance in this postwar development. The auto makers probably want to be prepared to swing into the production of any radically designed car on short notice.

Nothing Drastic

Yet all precedent in the industry is against bringing out anything drastic on short notice. Usually it doesn't sell on a profitable basis.

General Motors' Motorama now showing in New York offers several striking examples of the postwar trend in experimental cars. The gas turbine engine Firebird is an outstanding instance. There are other models, too, that are so far ahead of their time nobody safely can predict they ever will reach the average motorist.

Other car makers also have drastically designed models on their test tracks. They have such features as extra high power output, unusual compression ratio engines or very finely engineered control systems.

It has been suggested these cars are valuable to the producers solely because of their promotion appeal. But their cost runs into huge sums of money.

Due to Competition

It probably is more nearly accurate to say they have been developed for competitive reasons. Each car maker wants the answers to all problems involved when the time comes to further refine his product.

In the case of the turbine engine Firebird, General Motors executives say it will provide answers to many problems involved in adapting the gas turbine engine to commercial uses.

Many engineers continue to insist the gas turbine engine car eventually will be produced for the average motorist. Some have described GM's work with the Firebird as the outstanding car power development of the last half century.

Some Pessimistic

But there are many who say gas turbines never will be feasible in conventional type passenger cars. This group insists the possibilities of the conventional type internal combustion gasoline engine still are far from exhausted.

They contend higher compression ratio engines with higher quality fuel are coming within the next few years and will add greatly to car engine efficiency. One leading petroleum industry engineer has said the refiners are about ready to produce 96 octane gasoline whenever the auto makers will deliver the 10-to-1 compression ratio engines.

The car engine designers already have topped the 8.5 to 1 compression ratio and are moving steadily toward 10 to 1. Some industry sources are guessing the 98 octane, 10-to-1 compression ratio point will be reached within the next three or four years.

There is a third group of engineers who say the next decade will see atomic energy harnessed for use in conventional autos, side-tracking diesel, gasoline and gas turbine power plants.

## Soap Lake Level Drops

SOAPLAKE (AP) — Pumping 30 cubic feet of water a minute out of Soap Lake and 2,500 gallons a minute out of wells south of the town by the Bureau of Reclamation has lowered the level of the lake by 11 inches in the last five weeks, Ernest Fencil, Soap Lake city clerk, reports.

At the end of the irrigation season the bureau installed big pumps in both Soap Lake and Lake Lenore. Water is being emptied into the West Canal and allowed to run out through the wasteways.

The bureau plans to drill four more fresh water wells in Soap Lake, Fencil said. Water from these wells will be pumped into the irrigation system during the spring and summer months. Engineers hope that by draining off subsurface excess the lake can be kept at a normal level.

Tests are being run now on the water in the lake itself, to determine whether medicinal properties of the health resort are being impaired by the addition of fresh water.

## Bricker Plan Compromise Move Fails

WASHINGTON (AP) — A move to effect a compromise on the squabble over the Bricker treaty-making amendment failed Sunday night, but the Senate's Republican leadership said it wasn't giving up hope.

This was reported by Sen. Ferguson (R-Mich.), chairman of the GOP Policy Committee, after an hours-long conference with Sen. Bricker (R-Ohio), author of the controversial legislation.

Asked if he had any success in trying to work out a compromise, Ferguson said: "I can't say I had, but I don't consider the whole matter closed."

Ferguson said the Senate probably would take up the amendment on Tuesday and "you never know what will happen when the debate starts. We might still be able to work things out."

Bricker could not be reached for comment on the conference.

Meanwhile, two senators on opposite sides of the controversy said the fight over the amendment will leave no lasting political scars on the Republican Party.

Sens. Knowland of California, the GOP floor leader, and Dirksen of Illinois, chairman of the GOP Senatorial Campaign Committee, forecast in separate interviews that the Republicans will have forgotten their differences before the November congressional elections roll around.

THREE TIMES OUT  
LAWRENCE, Mass. (AP) — Someone finds Mrs. Margaret Smith's automobile a good source for antifreeze. She reported to police that the radiator of her car was drained of the winter solution for a third time while it was parked in the lot of an industrial plant.

## Cold Air Mass Covers Plains

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A mass of cold air covered the Northern Plains Sunday and began spreading south, east and into the Midwest where cloudy skies and mild temperatures prevailed.

The Arctic air sent temperatures plunging from 30 degrees above zero to 12 below at Rapid City, S. D., and from 38 to -2 at Chadron, Neb., at Custer, Mont., the mercury dropped to -32.

Cold wave warnings were issued for Iowa, West Kansas, Northern Missouri, Southeastern Minnesota and Northwestern Wisconsin.

Elsewhere in the nation it remained cloudy and mild with temperatures for the most part above freezing.

Rain fell along the West Coast from Southern California to Washington, with the rain changing to snow in some parts of Oregon and Washington. The upper Mississippi had snow flurries.

BLESSED EVENT IS LATE  
PITTSBURGH, Pa. (AP) — After 23 years of marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Loboza had their first child, a girl. "Life has really begun at 40 for me," said Mrs. Loboza. "Mike is 46."

## Congressman Critical of New BPA Building

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Rep. Budge (R-Idaho) has asked a House subcommittee to study the "machinations" which have resulted, he says, in the Bonneville Power Administration getting an "elaborate" new building for its headquarters in Portland, Ore.

Budge's letter to Rep. Phillips (R-Calif.), chairman of a House Appropriations Subcommittee was published Sunday in the Idaho Sunday Statesman.

In it, Budge charges that BPA arranged with the General Services Administration for the new headquarters building after Congress failed to appropriate funds for such a project.

Under an arrangement for the new building's lease, Budge says, the Lloyd Corp., builders, will be repaid its capital investment in approximately 7 1/2 years.

Budge said that from the lease and from figures furnished him by the Interior Department, "it appears the rental per year will be \$620,126, or in excess of \$51,000 per month." Total cost of the building, he wrote, is estimated at \$4,600,000.

The Idaho congressman said it would cost the government \$268,000 a year more than it is now paying for BPA's quarters, for a net increase in office area of 25,249 square feet. Thus the government will be paying \$10.62 per square foot for the added space, compared to \$2.18 a square foot for

the space BPA now occupies, he said.

He noted the new building will have an underground parking area and "space for an assembly hall for 500 employees plus numerous and varied conference and consultation rooms."

At the time the agreement with GSA was made, Budge said, the Portland Chamber of Commerce "insisted there was ample space at various locations."

A fairly weak solution of cocaine can suppress pain or sensations of touch, but sensations of heat and cold can be suppressed only by much stronger solutions.

## Apple for Teacher Custom Dying Out

OMAHA (AP) — An apple for the teacher?

Omaha school officials say the custom seems to be dying out in many schools. One school man explained "children like to bring things to school but we encourage them to bring things that will interest other members of the class."

A science teacher could recall only one instance when she got an apple as a present. But she did get other "presents," including a salamander, caterpillars, a raccoon's feet, snakes, rocks, shells, bats, tadpoles and a fish's skeleton.

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## 13 Colleges on Coast to Limit Scholarships to Needy Pupils

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Money scholarships in 13 West Coast universities and colleges will be limited under a new plan announced Sunday to those students actually needing financial aid.

"The problem which plagues all scholarship committees is that of giving funds to students who merit them but who do not need them," said Dr. Edward Sanders of Pomona College, chairman of a joint committee which set up the plan.

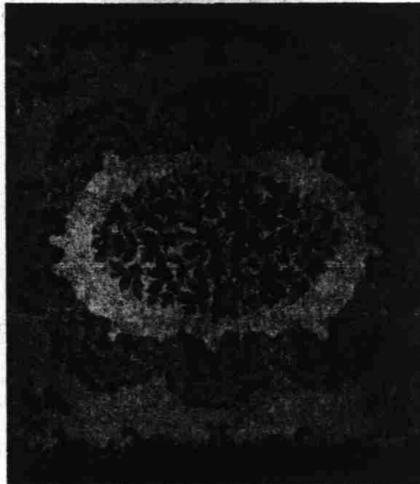
"Through the joint program we hope to eliminate bidding for students through scholarship awards."

He said colleges subscribing to the plan, to go into effect with the next academic year, are the California Institute of Technology, Stanford, Associated Colleges at Claremont (Pomona, Claremont, Lewis and Clark, Mills, Occidental, Whitman and Reed College).

Dr. Sanders said two types of awards will be made—one for scholastic achievement, an honor requiring no application, and one based on economic circumstances. A student winning the scholastic honor may also apply for a scholarship grant if he needs it.

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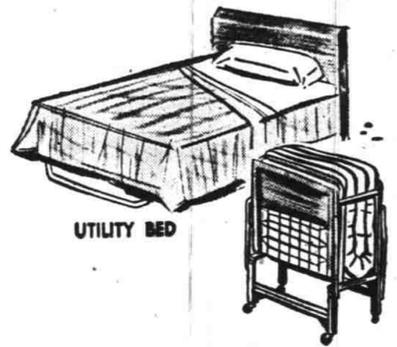
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