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Senators Move For Revision of U. N. Charter

Plan to Extend Atlantic Pact Into World Peace Alliance

Washington, July 8 (AP)—Ten senators today announced a move to revise the United Nations charter and set up a world alliance backed by an international police force.

Senator Flanders (R-Vt.) said the ultimate aim will be to extend the North Atlantic defense pact into a world alliance open to all nations that accept its principles.

The plan is similar to proposals made by Ely Culbertson, the bridge expert, who has been conferring with senators on his ideas for a "little united nations" within the United Nations.

Sponsoring Senators Senators sponsoring the resolution are Flanders, Sparkman (D-Ala.), Alken (R-Vt.), Cain (R-Wash.), Capehart (R-Ind.), Hendrickson (R-N.J.), Johnson (D-Colo.), Mundt (R-S.D.), Hoey (D-N.C.) and Stennis (D-Miss.)

Mundt told a reporter the plan would throw open the North Atlantic pact to any nation agreeing to the principles of free democratic nations.

New Farm Plan For Payments

Washington, July 8 (AP)—The house was told by its agriculture committee today that the administration already has power to start the farm "production payment" plan it is asking congress to approve.

The committee said the farm act passed by the republican 80th congress was so written that it left the secretary of agriculture "fancy free" to go ahead with the idea.

In a formal report, the committee urged that the house pass a substitute for the republican-enacted law. The substitute is the so-called Pace bill, sponsored by Rep. Pace (D-Ga.).

The Pace bill would let the administration try out the "production payment" plan in 1950, but would limit the trial to three crops. The secretary of agriculture would be free to decide which three.

The measure carries more restrictions than does a compromise farm program being developed by the senate agriculture committee. Senator Elmer Thomas (D-Okla.) said he expects eventual senate passage of the compromise.

And secretary of agriculture Brannan, farm cabinet member for President Truman, told senators late yesterday that he would go along with the compromise as a "step in the direction" of his own new program. Brannan made clear the administration is not giving up on his program which, boiled down, is to give farmers high returns and consumers cheaper foods.

Fire Raging in Siskiyou Forest

Grants Pass, July 8 (AP)—Siskiyou and state forest crews today are battling an uncontrolled forest fire which started in the O'Brien area yesterday afternoon and has eaten its way across the state line into northern California.

The fire started in the vicinity of the Elk Creek mill, two and one-half miles from O'Brien and a quarter mile from the Redwood highway. The mill property sustained some damage. Officials of both forest services are attempting to determine the cause.

Much of the timber involved is a part of the Siskiyou National forest although some state land is included. Reports relayed from the scene indicate that heavy gusts of wind have hampered fire control, the blaze jumping the fire lines. More than 100 caterpillar crews, mostly from the Siskiyou and state forest stations in this area, worked during the night. Fifty additional men were recruited from Grants Pass this morning.

A caterpillar which was wrecked at the time of the fatal injury of Clifton J. Eggers July 3, was in the path of the flames and was destroyed.



State and County Get New Judges—Top: Circuit Judge Max Page takes oath of office from Chief Justice Hall S. Lusk and becomes a member of Oregon's supreme court. Lower: Rex Kimmell, former state attorney, receives his commission as circuit judge of Marion county from Gov. Douglas McKay.

Judges Take Oaths of Office

Before a crowd that filled the supreme court chamber Chief Justice Hall S. Lusk administered oaths of office to Circuit Judge E. M. Page, newly appointed associate justice and Rex Kimmell, assistant attorney general as circuit judge of Marion county.

Before administering the oaths, the chief justice read a tribute to the late Justice Percy R. Kelly, in which he declared that "justice was the chief virtue of Justice Kelly."

"Mr. Justice Kelly served the state of Oregon as a judge for 38 years, nearly 19 of them as a member of this court," the chief justice said. "Those years were filled with high judicial accomplishment."

"His reputation—a reputation richly deserved—was that of a wise and kindly judge, who brought to the decision of cases, not only a wide knowledge of law, but as well an understanding of people and their problems. He was diligent and conscientious in the performance of the duties of office. His passing was just, and to the cause of justice he gave the best years of his life."

Governor Douglas McKay, who witnessed the ceremony, presented the certificates of appointment to both Justice Page and Judge Kimmell just before the two men took the oath of office.

Justice Page was adorned in the traditional black robe of the high court and participated in his first case immediately following the conclusion of the simple ceremony.

Chief Justice Lusk announced that an appropriate memorial service would be held in honor of the late Justice Kelly at a later date.

Among the spectators at the ceremony were a large number of Salem and Portland attorneys.

Truman Acts in Railroad Strike

Washington, July 8 (AP)—President Truman today acted to head off a threatened strike on the Missouri Pacific railroad.

By executive order he set up an emergency board to investigate a dispute between the railroad and employees represented by four operating brotherhoods.

The unions involved are the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engine Men, the Order of Railway Conductors and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen.

Mr. Truman's order said the dispute threatens to interrupt interstate commerce, depriving "a large portion of the country of essential transportation service."

The board will report back to the president within 30 days.

Hospital Drive Brings Encouraging Reports

Advance gift workers in the Salem hospital development campaign organized to close the first phase of the drive Thursday night and reported a total of \$248,000 raised toward the \$1,100,000 goal.

A number of new workers were invited to the home of Mayor L. Ellstrom and about 50 were present.

Seek to Avert Big Steel Strike

Pittsburgh, July 8 (AP)—A deeply concerned federal government moved today to prevent a threatened nation-wide steel strike.

The government's growing anxiety became apparent last night when Cyrus S. Ching, director of the federal mediation and conciliation service, summoned Philip Murray, president of the United Steel Workers, and John A. Stephens, vice president of the U. S. Steel Corp., to meet in Washington Monday.

Both Murray and Stephens promptly agreed to answer the call. Murray also repeated his charge that the steel corporation was responsible for the impasse in negotiations that for the last two days had made steel strike a strong possibility on July 16.

The U. S. Steel-UAW negotiations—in recent years a major factor in the wage agreements reached by other industries—bogged down last Wednesday.

Benjamin F. Fairless, U. S. Steel president, rejected the steelworkers demands for a fourth round post-war wage boost. Previously he turned down the union's demands for pensions for its 800,000 members.

Murray quickly called a meeting of his policy committee here next Tuesday. This committee has the power to call a strike.

Hundreds in Salem See Shasta Daylight Train

One of the two Southern Pacific's new "Shasta Daylight" streamliners was being viewed by hundreds of Salem citizens Friday afternoon, in its preview tour of valley cities.

The new deluxe train, which will go into service Sunday between Portland and San Francisco will cut the running time between Salem and the Bay area to 11 hours and 17 minutes.

Pulled by a 6,000-horsepower diesel locomotive, each train consists of 15 red and orange cars, including baggage-postal car, nine chair cars, tavern car, parlor-observation, and a triple unit comprising diner-kitchen-coffee shop.

Following the public exhibition of the train at the Salem

Norblad Protests CAB Order Displacing UAL

Relocation of Silverton Road Again Protested

Formal protest has been filed with the county court against the proposed relocation of the Silverton road from Steffen corner into Silverton by 13 property owners along the proposed new route.

This puts the county court somewhat in a vise as many residents along the present route which would be abandoned for the new one, also have declared against the change and it has even been rumored that injunction proceedings would be instituted if the court went ahead with plans for laying out the new route.

Property owners along that new route in their signed protest declare that "such properties constitute farm lands of high grade soils and of great value to the owners, and the same were acquired and are used because of their soil values, locations and general lay-outs. Condemnation of said land for road purposes would cut up and destroy the respective farming units of such lands and would constitute the taking of highly developed land resulting in irreparable damage to each of the undersigned."

They declare that the proposed shifting of such portion of the present highway from an established right of way through productive farming units is unwarranted and would constitute an abuse of governmental authority.

They set up the following specific reasons for their objection to the proposed new highway routing:

"It would unjustifiably result in irreparable damage to the signers.

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Hiss Jury Still Unable to Agree

New York, July 8 (AP)—A federal court jury, unable to reach a verdict last night, deliberated hour after hour today on whether Alger Hiss lied.

The jury recessed at noon (EST), a few minutes after it had returned to the courtroom for a restatement of a portion of Judge Samuel H. Kaufman's charge to the jury.

The jurors had resumed their deliberations at 8:30 a. m., a half hour early. They arrived at the courthouse even before the judge, Hiss and his wife, Priscilla, and opposing counsel appeared.

They discussed the case for four hours and 40 minutes last night and were locked up after reporting "no immediate verdict" was in sight. Their morning deliberations covered three hours and 20 minutes.

They had to determine whether Hiss committed perjury when he denied that as a state department official he passed top secret documents to a pre-war Soviet spy ring.

\$195,995 Low Bid for Paving Detroit Road

Portland, Ore., July 8 (AP)—Rogers Construction company of Portland submitted the low bid of \$195,995 for bituminous surfacing of 13 miles of the North Santiam highway, W. H. Lynch, bureau of public roads division engineer, announced today.

Lynch said that when the project is completed it will provide a modern highway between Detroit, Ore., and Niagara, Ore., and will serve as an access road to Detroit dam.

Final Action on Housing Bill

Washington, July 8 (AP)—Congress today completed action on multi-billion dollar long range housing legislation and sent it to President Truman.

The senate shouted approval of the compromise measure shortly after the house okayed it by a voice vote.

That gave Mr. Truman the first major victory for the far-flung domestic program he calls the "fair deal."

But housing was about the easiest on his program. On this issue he had with him Senator Taft (R-Ohio) who has been the administration's arch-foe on some other measures, particularly labor legislation. Taft got a similar housing bill through the senate in the republican 80th congress but the house refused to pass it.

The legislation sent Mr. Truman provides for a vast slum clearance program and sets up funds for farm housing aids.

It also provides for 810,000 public housing units.

There was no debate in the senate and only a brief flurry in the house.

State of Emergency May End British Strike

London, July 8 (AP)—King George VI will be asked to declare a state of national emergency Monday unless Britain's crippling dock workers' strike is ended, Home Secretary Chuter Ede said today.

Ede told the house of commons the king would be advised by the government to issue a proclamation declaring "a state of emergency exists." It would enable regulations to be made "to restore the essentials of life to the community."

More than 10,000 stevedores were idle in London's spreading waterfront work stoppage and 1,000 British soldiers were unloading food from some of the 105 cargo ships tied up.

Death Calls Fuhrs

Silverton, July 8 (AP)—Rev. and Mrs. M. J. K. Fuhr left for Seattle, Wash., early today, called there by the death of his brother, Olger Fuhr, who dropped dead Thursday after a heart attack.

Navy Signs-up Air Facility at Salem Airport

By MARGARET M GEE

Salem's Naval Air Facility's formal lease was signed in Washington Thursday by the navy department, according to word received in Salem from Rep. Walter Norblad.

Only one step now remains before naval air reserve men can begin their flight training at the Salem facility—that is the selection of a commissioning date for the Salem Naval Air Facility by the navy.

Following the commissioning of the facility planes will be brought here from Seattle and units slated to train here will be assigned their week-ends for training by the officer in command of the facility here, Lt. Comdr. Wallace Hug.

Signed by City in June

The lease signed in Washington by the navy Thursday was the one that June 22 was signed for the city by City Manager J. L. Franzen and forwarded to 13th naval district.

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Seek to Slash Atomic Funds

Washington, July 8 (AP)—Fresh troubles piled up today for the embattled atomic energy commission.

A committee has approved a sharp cut in what the agency wanted to spend, and two congressmen have recommended permanent spending curbs.

The money setback was handed out yesterday by the senate appropriations committee. It refused to increase the \$1,090,000,000 in cash and contract authorizations allowed by the house. This represented a \$76,879,603 slash from the \$1,167,000,000 budget estimate for the fiscal year which began July 1.

Previously a senate appropriations subcommittee had recommended an increase of approximately \$35,000,000 in the house bill.

Both Chairman O'Mahoney (D., Wyo.) of the subcommittee and Chairman McMahon (D., Conn.) of the joint senate-house atomic committee said that a fight would be made on the floor to override the full appropriation committee's action.

O'Mahoney called the cut "unrealistic." McMahon, in a separate interview, said it was a "mistake."

While the two agree on this, they disagree on what method should be used to check on commission spending. Both are authors of recommendations to accomplish the job.

McMahon would amend the atomic energy law to require that each year congress "authorize the general programs of the atomic energy commission and also the total amount of money requested to support these programs."

Substitution of West Coast Line Held Inadequate

Responsibility for Presenting Salem's Case Rests With City Itself

Washington, July 8 (AP)—Rep. Norblad (R-Ore.) today lodged opposition with the civil aeronautics board to proposals that West Coast Air Lines be given exclusive authority to provide air service to Salem, Ore.

The change would involve stopping of service by United Air Lines to Salem.

Salem is an important point on the national network of United, Norblad told the CAB, while West Coast Air Lines is a local northwest operation.

He said that while West Coast service would be valuable, it would be only of the feeder line type, with passengers making long trips having to change planes for through service.

United operates six flights a day through Salem, Norblad said, and these handled 3400 persons in the first six months of the current year. He said United's passenger revenues from the city were about \$111,000.

Norblad said the "wiser move" would be to allow both United and West Coast to use the Salem facilities.

"To cut out the present capable, efficient service provided by United from Salem to all parts of the nation, certainly is not in any way justified," Norblad wrote the commission.

UAL Says It's Up to Salem

By ROBERT LETTS JONES

Portland, Ore., July 8 — If Salem is to keep United Air Lines service the responsibility for presenting the city's case will rest with the city, itself.

That was clear, this morning following a meeting with a Salem delegation of four persons with top United Air Lines officials here.

The civil aeronautics board has questioned the serving of Oregon's capital by United. A hearing in Washington, D. C. will determine if West Coast Airlines should not be substituted for the Mainliner Service. The hearing is one of a series the board is making throughout the nation to check on costly duplications of the country's air pattern.

To Present Statistics Today's conference with United officials made it clear that the board's questioning of the company's service to Salem had not originated with United. The company will compile statistics on its operation at Salem, which was authorized by the board in 1940. The statistics will then be presented by the company, along with those on other United stations on the Pacific coast questioned by the board.

After the meeting J. L. Franzen, city manager, and one of the Salem delegation, said he would request City Attorney Kowitz to draw up immediately a request for an intervenor to the city's behalf. It was indicated the city would then have to present its case before the board when the hearing is called. That will be at the same time the Airlines will be asked to give their position on the question.

Present this morning from Salem for the conference were: Franzen; Clay Cochran, Chamber of Commerce manager; Jack Bartlett, state board of aeronautics; and Robert Letts Jones.

Jones represented Gov. McKay who made the original appearance on the city's behalf in Washington before the board when the Salem stop was authorized for United.

Meeting with them were these United Air Lines officials: Harold Crary, vice president in charge of traffic and sales; W. R. Thigpen, assistant to the president; and Ted Cox, assistant district traffic and sales manager.



Ready for Debut—Crowds of Salem people are this afternoon having an exterior and an interior look at the Southern Pacific's new Shasta Daylight, above, which will begin 15 1/2-hour service July 10 between San Francisco and Portland, three hours less than the fastest previous train time over the 718-mile scenic Shasta route. The train is today on exhibit at the Southern Pacific depot between 12 noon and 4 o'clock, daylight time. Twin streamliners will operate on the route, leaving San Francisco and Portland daily. They were constructed at a cost of more than \$5,000,000. (Acme Telephoto)