

Senators Laud Nixon's Views On Africa Aid

Exchange of Students, Technicians Liked By Mundt

WASHINGTON (AP) — Four senators of both parties commended today Vice President Nixon's recommendation for more emphasis on U. S. relations with Africa to offset Communist infiltration and intrigue.

Sen. Mansfield (D-Mont), assistant Senate Democratic leader, said Nixon's proposal for a new bureau of Africa affairs in the State Department already has been approved by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Sen. Sparkman (D-Ala.) agreed the idea of a separate bureau was better than "lumping this area together with South Asia and the Middle East as was done in the past."

Backs Exchange Idea

Sen. Mundt (R-SD) said, "This is a vast new continent that requires new ideas." He lauded Nixon's suggestions for an increased exchange of students, leaders and technicians.

Sen. Aiken (R-Vt.) said Nixon's recommendations on his recent 22-day trip to eight African nations merit prompt congressional consideration.

"I have every confidence in the reports and recommendations," Aiken, also a member of the Foreign Relations Committee, said.

Nixon's 3,500-word official report to President Eisenhower was made public during the weekend. It contained no startling new proposals, although Nixon mildly criticized some foreign aid operations and what he called information failures in that continent.

Reds See Fertile Field

Nixon said Communist domination of Africa is "not a present danger," but he added that "Communist leaders consider Africa today to be as important in their designs for world conquest as they considered China to be 25 years ago."

He proposed economic aid "to the extent that our resources and the demands of other areas permit..." but said other free world countries as well as U. S. government and private sources should help "to alleviate the conditions of want and instability" in the area.

Swooning for Singer



PHILADELPHIA—This unidentified teenager found Elvis Presley "too much" when he appeared here at the Arena. The girl matched gyrations in her seat with the gyrations of Presley on the stage. Her companion appears a little amazed. (AP Wirephoto)

Ambassadors Start on Tour

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Nineteen diplomats of the Americas swung today into a "good will" tour of California.

The nineteen, including 16 ambassadors, are their countries' representatives in the Council of the Organization of American States, a sort of hemispheric United Nations.

They hope their Pan-American Week tour of California will further inter-American understanding and call greater attention to their organization.

A plane carrying 14 of the diplomats from Washington to San Francisco developed motor trouble over Nebraska yesterday and put down on snow-draped Stapleton Field in Denver.

The plane was taken to hangar for check, and the group was placed on a later flight.

Aly Kahn Wants Daughter to See Sick Grandfather

CANNES, France (AP)—Prince Aly Khan has wired an appeal to Rita Hayworth to rush their child, Princess Yasmin, to the bedside of her gravely ill grandfather, the Aga Khan.

Prince Aly was summoned from Paris Sunday as four doctors set up a round-the-clock watch on the wealthy, 79-year-old spiritual ruler of the Ismaili Moslems.

Miss Hayworth is preparing to make a new picture in Hollywood. The Aga Khan has been steadily falling in recent months.

Batista Gets Cuban Cheers

HAVANA (AP)—President Fulgencio Batista, target of an assassination attempt on March 13, was cheered by thousands of Cubans Sunday outside his palace. He promised they continued efforts to maintain peace and prosperity.

The demonstration climaxed a week of tributes to the president. Palace aides estimated the crowd at about 250,000. Batista ignored rebel threats of trouble and appeared on the palace balcony. No incidents were reported.

Sullivan Installed as 10th Reed President

PORTLAND (UP)—Richard Howard Sullivan, 39, was formally inaugurated Sunday as the 10th president in the 45-year-old history of Reed College here.

Sullivan has been serving in the past since last September when he succeeded Dr. Frank Griffin. He is a rarity among college presidents as he holds no doctor's degree.

Danes Study Missiles

COPENHAGEN (AP)—About 100 Danish military technicians will receive training in the use of guided missiles in the United States, defense officials said Monday.

Priest Expects Commies to Dog His Every Step

Couldn't Confess, Says Missionary, Spying He Didn't Do

HONG KONG (AP)—The Rev. Fulgence Gross, Roman Catholic missionary freed after six years' detention in Red China, says he expects to be dogged by the Communists everywhere he goes.

The 53-year-old priest from Omaha, Neb., arrived last night from Shanghai aboard a British ship. He was freed 19 days ago after completing a sentence for alleged espionage. He served most of his term in a prison, being transferred to house arrest toward the end.

'Can't Trust Anyone'

He was interviewed by about 40 newsmen. Asked by one whether he had confessed to the espionage charges when he was arrested March 29, 1951, he said: "I prefer not to answer. I don't trust any of you. Some of you might be Communists. I cannot trust anyone."

Later, when he was asked if he were guilty of the charges, he said: "Absolutely not. I could not confess to anything I did not do."

Father Gross said he hoped to return soon to the United States and added:

"I will be dogged by their men (Communists) everywhere I go. I fully expect it."

"The Communists are after international communism," he said. "Who knows: America may be next. Let's not kid ourselves."

The priest said it is unlikely that any of the five other American under house arrest with

him in Shanghai will be freed before their sentences are up.

Mental Strain Great

"All five are under considerable mental strain," he said. "They have a modicum of freedom but the mental strain is great."

Father Gross wore civilian clothes with a jaunty brown cap and smiled as he talked with the newsmen, telling them:

"I am a little nervous. But I will get better. I am just not used to freedom."

He declined to discuss his treatment in prison except to say it was "rough, that's all." He said his trial took months.

He said he hopes to resume missionary work in Asia but that "foreign missionaries are finished" in China. He added that his observation was "there is absolutely no freedom of religion there."

Polk Post Office Service Curtailed

DALLAS (Special)—Carl Black, postmaster, has been notified that starting Saturday, April 13, there will be no window service and no deliveries of mail on Saturday.

The local office has been open 10 hours daily and from 8 to 12 on Saturday.

The orders received Monday also notified the postmaster that starting April 29 there would be no money order service and no third-class mail except that involving medicine.

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