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SMOKE COLUMN SPURS HUNT FOR CRASH SURVIVORS

America Said Ready To Air Issues With Soviet

Exchange Of Views Would Be Through Ordinary Channels

New Efforts To End Tension Of Cold War

Washington, Feb. 15—(U.P.)—The state department said today that the United States is "prepared to discuss outstanding issues with the Soviet Union and to leave all possible doors open for an exchange of views."

The department said that such an exchange of views could come through the United Nations or the "ordinary channels" of diplomacy.

Stand Outlined
But it emphasized that the United States was not willing to "sit down in a corner" with Russia and discuss problems affecting other nations.

The department's stand was outlined to a senate foreign relations subcommittee by Deputy Undersecretary Dean Rusk. He prefaced his remarks by saying he was speaking directly for the department.

He voiced the department's views amid growing congressional pressure for new efforts to ease cold war tension and stop the atomic weapons race with Russia. In this connection, former British Prime Minister Winston Churchill called yesterday for new direct talks with Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin.

Rusk did not touch on the Churchill proposal.

He told the subcommittee: "We are prepared to discuss outstanding issues with the Soviet Union and to leave all possible doors open for an exchange of views. We are not prepared, as has been stated many times, to sit down in a corner with another great power and dispose of the basic interests of other governments or peoples behind their backs."

"We have insisted upon the proper forum because we believe that we cannot build for the future unless those who have genuine interest in the matter can be heard and can take part in the final decision. The record of the past eight years will show the unusual effort which has been made by the United States and the western world in taking the initiative to find possible points of understanding with the Soviet Union."

Anti-Soviet Renamed President Of Finland
Helsinki, Finland, Feb. 15—(U.P.)—Juho K. Paasikivi, the 79-year-old statesman who won't say "yes" to the Russians, was re-elected president of Finland today.

He was chosen on the first ballot by the electoral college while communists from all over Finland converged on this capital to demonstrate against him.

Paasikivi got 171 of the 300 electoral votes. Communist Mnauno Pekkala, a former premier, ran a poor second with 87 votes. Agrarian Urho Kekkonen received 62.

The president will serve a six-year term.

The 300 electors were chosen a month ago in a popular election. Paasikivi's election became assured yesterday when the Social Democrats, with no candidate of their own, decided to throw their 64 votes for him.

SYMPHONY IN PLAY
Astoria, Ore., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—The Portland Symphony orchestra, which cancelled a concert here January 22 because of the weather, will play Sunday at Astoria's armory, local sponsors announced today.

Russian Press Hails Red China Treaty As Significant Event

Moscow, Feb. 15—(U.P.)—A 30-year treaty of alliance between Russian and Communist China was hailed by the Soviet press today as an event of historic significance for the whole world.

The importance attached to the signing was made plain by the lavish display given to it in the newspapers. Stories and pictures of the event took up the first two pages of all newspapers.

Treaty Climaxes Month-Long Negotiations
The three-section treaty was announced early today. It climaxed the negotiations which began December 18 when Mao Tse-tung, Chinese communist leader, arrived in Moscow soon after his armies had completed a sweep through China.

The treaty provided for the prevention of aggression by Japan "or any other state which directly or indirectly would unite with Japan in acts of aggression."

Should either Russia or Communist China find itself at war as a result of attacks by Japan or her allies, the pact said, the other would "immediately render military or other aid with all the means at its disposal."

(The treaty did not mention the United States or Great Britain by name. They, with Nationalist China and Russia, are the occupying powers in Japan.)
Pact Made Up Of Three Parts
The treaty was divided into three parts:

1. A commitment of friendship and alliance.
2. Agreement on the Changchun railway in Manchuria, Port Arthur and Dairen. The Manchurian railroad, now under joint control, would be returned to China and Soviet troops would be withdrawn from Port Arthur after a Japanese peace treaty is signed or not later than 1952. In event of aggression, Port Arthur would be used as a joint naval base. Consideration of the status of Dairen was postponed until a Japanese treaty is signed.

3. An agreement on the extension of commercial and economic aid to China. It provided that Russia would aid China to the extent of \$300,000,000 (United States), calculated on a basis of 35 American dollars to one ounce of fine gold. The credits would be extended over a five-year period.

Independence Of Outer Mongolia Recognized
The announcement of the treaty said that Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky and Chou En-lai, Chinese premier and foreign minister, exchanged notes abrogating the Soviet-Chinese treaty of 1945. Both governments recognized the independence of Outer Mongolia.

The 1945 treaty provided for joint ownership and administration of the Chinese Changchun railway connecting lower Manchuria with Vladivostok, made Dairen a free port under a Russian harbor master, and made Port Arthur a joint naval base.

Washington, Feb. 15—(U.P.)—United States officials looked for "jokers" today in a new Sino-Soviet treaty in which Russia ostensibly agreed to release its stranglehold on Manchuria.

Broadcasts from Peiping and Moscow said Russia agreed to return to China, not later than 1952, full control of the Manchurian railroads and of the militarily important warm water ports of Dairen and Port Arthur.

Officials here were inclined to view this section of the pact as a propaganda move rather than real intent on the part of the Soviet Union to pull out.

Chinese nationalists here put it down as "pure propaganda." Russia had obtained control of the ports and railroads for 30 years under a 1945 treaty with the Chinese nationalists.

Lewis, Operators Resume Coal Talks As Crisis Greater

Negotiations Renewed Under Court Order

Washington, Feb. 15—(U.P.)—The Southern Coal Producers association today walked out of a bargaining conference with John L. Lewis and northern, western and "captive mine" operators.

Joseph E. Moody, president of the group, told reporters there were "some misunderstandings" about "Southern producers' obligation under the injunction."

Washington, Feb. 15—(U.P.)—John L. Lewis and soft coal operators resumed contract talks today as the national soft coal crisis grew graver by the hour.

The disputants renewed negotiations under court order that they go back to work "forthwith."

Comments Withheld
The miners refused to obey even Lewis' orders to call off the strike which has cut the nation's coal supply to its lowest level on record—10 days—forced new layoffs in coal-using industries, closed some schools and threatened power shortages.

Neither side would comment as the negotiators made another try at breaking the long contract deadlock.

The conferees spent an hour discussing "procedural matters"—whether southern operators should negotiate separately with the union—then recessed until 2:30 p.m., without reaching a decision. No contract demands were discussed at the morning session.

No Progress Seen
A spokesman for the northern and western operators said later he could not "perceive any progress."

Sitting in on the meeting at the direction of President Truman was David L. Cole, chairman of the president's coal-finding board.

The growing coal shortage prompted governors of three states—Maryland, Virginia and New York—to map emergency measures.

Govs. Thomas E. Dewey of New York and John Battle of Virginia considered using new powers to seize coal mines in their states to prevent a catastrophe.

No Seizure Authority
No similar move by the federal government was expected. President Truman has said he has no such seizure authority and the White House said he has no plans to ask congress for the powers at this time.

Coal was rationed to private consumers in the District of Columbia, but the federal government itself had a 30-day supply on hand to weather the emergency.

Josslin Willing To Run For Governorship
Portland, Ore., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—William L. Josslin, chairman of the democratic state central committee, said today that as a "good soldier" he would be willing to run for the governorship of Oregon if he is "ordered into battle."

In a letter to democrats throughout Oregon, Josslin recounted his qualifications for office and asked:



EINSTEIN SOUNDS WARNING NOTE—Dr. Albert Einstein (above) warned that building the hydrogen bomb makes possible "the radioactive poisoning of the atmosphere and hence annihilation of any life on earth." The noted scientist made his statement in New York, on Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt's first television show.

Schomaker 'Sold Out,' Bridges Tells Jury

San Francisco, Feb. 15—(U.P.)—Longshore leader Harry Bridges described the government's principal witness today as a man who "sold out" the union and who disliked him personally.

Testifying under cross-examination at his perjury-conspiracy trial, Bridges offered a rambling answer to the prosecution's question "Why did John Schomaker testify against you?"

Schomaker, a former member of Bridges' CIO international longshoremen's and warehousemen's union, testified early in the trial that he helped enroll Bridges into the communist party and placed him at various party functions during a 10-year period.

"We are a left-wing union," Bridges said, "a hard-driving outfit. Schomaker didn't measure up and he was thrown out. He is a bitter man, but that isn't anything new. There was a bitter man among the 12 apostles."

"Schomaker sold out. Things just got too tough for him and he sold out."

Bridges claimed the government had put "a lot of pressure" on the burly Schomaker to get him to testify against Bridges, who is on trial on a charge that he lied at his naturalization hearing when he said he was not a communist.

Parnell Thomas Example
"The best way to sell out is to be a super patriot," Bridges went on. "You know, shouting and exposing communists. A great example of this is Parnell Thomas who loudly attacked communism and at the same time was forcing his stenographers to 'kick back'."

"Oh, I know he got six months, but I am aware that if that had happened to me, they would have thrown away the key."

J. Parnell Thomas, former chairman of the house un-American affairs committee, was convicted of accepting "kickbacks" from his employees and drew a prison term of from six to 18 months and was fined \$10,000.

Yesterday, Bridges told Prosecutor F. Joseph Donohue that it takes "a lot of courage" for a man to be a member of the communist party.

SEARCH PLANE WRECK CLAIMS EIGHT LIVES

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—The fishing vessel Cape Perry radioed today that it picked up two survivors of a lost B-36 super bomber on Princess Royal island in the mouth of Wales channel, according to the federal transport department's radio station at Bull Harbor on Vancouver Island, B.C.

The vessel radioed that it picked up the men at 12:30 p.m. (PST), radio station officials said. The Cape Perry's message said:

"These men in good condition. They were the second and seventh men to jump from the aircraft."

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—A towering column of smoke on a British Columbia island raised hope for survivors of a lost B-36 super bomber today in a two-nation search that already has cost eight lives.

The eight died in a B-29 search plane crash on Spokane, Wash., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—The Spokane air force base released the following list of 15 men aboard the B-29 which crashed at Great Falls, Mont., today:

Mississauga, Ont.: Clyde I. Butts, Spokane, commander; Capt. Lester John Jr., Spokane, pilot; Capt. Jonathan M. Herbold, Spokane, co-pilot; First Lt. Herbert S. Findley, Moxy Rock, Wash., navigator; First Lt. John S. Bomber, Aurora, B.C., bombardier; S/Sgt. Robert E. Fisher, Roseau, Minn., flight engineer; Cpl. James D. Piro, Spokane, radio operator; Cpl. James Fulton, Spokane, radio operator.

Spokane, Wash.: S/Sgt. Fredrick N. Willard, Petaluma, Cal.; S/Sgt. Victor J. Jacquot, Chula Vista, Cal.; Sgt. Clarence C. Abernathy, Memphis, Tenn.; S/Sgt. Earl E. Evert, Grand Rapids, Mich.; S/Sgt. Troy E. Evans, Del Monte, Cal.; S/Sgt. Charles J. Wilson, Ponca City, Okla.; Cpl. Raymond Brandel, Johnston, Pa.

takeoff from the Great Falls, Mont., air force base this morning.

The royal Canadian navy's destroyer Cayugo sighted the smoke rising from Price island in Queen Charlotte sound where the giant plane last reported its position Monday night. The destroyer ordered the high speed royal Canadian air force launch Huron to circle the island.

Price island is just south of Aristazabal island near which a mile-long oil slick was sighted this morning. No debris was found but a small fishing boat was seen in the middle of the slick. At first, search authorities refused to attach "any importance" to the slick, believing it was being caused by the boat.

Seven Crewmen Escape Injury As B-29 Command Plane Crashes
The B-29 command search plane crashed killing eight crewmen this morning as the vanguard of 70 United States and RCAF planes roared into rain-heavy skies to criss-cross the island-dotted area 400 miles northwest of here off the British Columbia coast. Seven of the 15-man search plane crew escaped injury.

The four-engine aircraft, based at Spokane, Wash., was the command plane of a group of 12 B-29's taking part in the search for the B-36, missing since late Monday night on a flight from Alaska to Texas.

A possibility that crewmen of the B-36 bailed out Monday night over stormy Queen Charlotte sound was being investigated, the coast guard said. The plane's pilot, however, radioed that he planned to "ditch" the giant bomber on the water.

To Aid In Search
Meanwhile, Brig. Gen. John B. Montgomery, director of operations for Gen. Curtis Lemay, head of the strategic air command, was coordinating operations at McChord air force base, Wash. Later today, he was to fly to Vancouver, B. C., to aid in the search.

McChord air rescue officers said after the stricken plane sent its last distress message, a three-hour steady tone was picked up on the same frequency. They said that could mean the crew may have bailed out. The plane could have stayed up a considerable length of time, an air force officer said.

Re-Vote On District Scheduled March 6

The Jackson county boundary board this noon set March 6 as the date for a re-vote on the consolidation of the Central Point and Tolo school districts. The issue, previously carried, is being voted again to fill a so-called loophole in the law spotted by prospective bond buyers.

Voters in the Central Point district can cast their ballots in the high school gymnasium from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. on the 6th and Tolo residents will vote at the home of Richard Savage, route 1, box 465, on highway 99, also from 7 to 9 p.m. on that day.

Guy O. Dollins, 68, former fire chief for 15 years, collapsed and died in front of the restaurant after moving debris. The explosion occurred at the Home restaurant as employees cleaned up the place after a flash flood in preparation for a reopening.

Two Killed, 13 Hurt In Indiana Blaze

Portland, Ind., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—Two persons were killed, a fireman dropped dead of a heart attack, and 13 other persons were injured today when an explosion wrecked a flood-damaged restaurant.

The bodies of Walter Muye, 39, Richmond, Ind., a bakery truck driver, and Bill Bailey, Portland, an electrician, were found buried deep in tons of debris nearly three hours after the blast.

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Child Burned To Death As Fire Engulfs Home

Southfield, Ore., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—Six-month-old Mildred Johnson was burned to death yesterday when fire destroyed her home here.

The girl, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Johnson, was alone in the house when the fire broke out, the parents told investigators. The mother was at a neighbor's and the father was working nearby.

Johnson said the flames were so intense he could not enter the house to rescue the child.

Cause of the fire was not determined.

Hearing Scheduled On Freight Car Shortage

Portland, Ore., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—K. C. Bateldner, traffic manager for the West Coast Lumbermen's association, today said he had been advised by Rep. Harris Ellsworth (R., Ore.) that a congressional hearing would be held February 28 on the freight car shortage.

Ellsworth notified Bateldner by telegram that the whole transportation problem would be investigated by the transportation subcommittee of the interstate and foreign commerce committee. Ellsworth is a member of the subcommittee.

Yakima, Wash., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—Three persons were seriously burned when an explosion ripped the entire front wall of a cafe.

Rape Case Hearing Continued For Counsel

Washington, Feb. 15—(U.P.)—The rape of a 11-year-old Medford girl, today was granted a continuance of his case so that he may obtain legal counsel, the district attorney's office reported today.

A preliminary hearing of the case had been scheduled for 10 a.m. today in county justice court.

Unlucky Old Mo Finally Finds Way Out To Sea; Now En Route To Cuba Games

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—The unlucky old Mo, which had nothing to do but sit around Hampton Roads all month, finally made it. The navy's only active battleship sailed for Cuba at 7:30 a.m. today.

A 15-day grounding, subsequent refloating and repairs, and then yesterday's fog had kept the 45,000-ton USS Missouri inactive for 29 days.

But today, the mighty Missouri sailed past Thimble Shoals where she went around January 17 and headed for the open sea and the Cuban war games. In command was Capt. H. Page Smith, the Mo's former skipper.

Smith was skipper before Capt. W. D. Brown took over, and he reassumed command when Brown was "beached" for at least the length of a naval inquiry attempting to fix blame for the battleship's grounding.

Quartermaster 1/c John W. Spooner testified yesterday that everyone in the combat operations center knew the Missouri was too far left on the safe channel January 17. But he said no report was sent to the captain.

The forthcoming Caribbean war games, with 80,000 army, navy and air force men taking part, will be the largest in peacetime U. S. history, the navy said.

Participating in the games will be 1,000 paratroopers from the 82nd airborne division at Ft. Bragg, N.C., 182 ships from the Atlantic fleet, the army's third infantry division, 100 Republic F-84 jet fighter-bombers and an undisclosed number of other types of fighter and bomber aircraft.

TO BE CANDIDATE
Salem, Ore., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—Donald C. Walker of Portland will be a candidate for congressman from the 3rd congressional district comprising Multnomah and Eugene airports.

The reward was offered by Wilbur Hyland Jr., Eugene manufacturing concern manager. Three passengers were also aboard the plane, Mrs. Hyland, Dr. H. Ellet Scales, Cottage Grove, and Virgil Fish, Eugene.

The plane, a Cessna 170, left Eugene December 9 for the California city, and no sight of it has been seen since. Search activities were conducted from the Medford, Grants Pass, Roseburg and Eugene airports.

Lowell Stockman Files For Congressional Post

Salem, Ore., Feb. 15—(U.P.)—Lowell Stockman of Pendleton today filed his candidacy for reelection to congress from the second Oregon congressional district. He will seek the republican nomination at the May 19 primary election.

Reward Rescinded For Finding Missing Plane

The \$1,000 reward offered last December 19 for information leading to the discovery of a plane missing on a Eugene to Sacramento flight, has been withdrawn, Medford Airport Manager John Applegate was informed today.

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Proper Moral Background Urged In Battle On Crime

Washington, Feb. 15—(U.P.)—President Truman today urged a rebirth of morality in this country as a bulwark against totalitarianism.

The president addressed a conference of federal, state, and local officials called by Attorney General J. Howard McGrath to plan a unified fight against organized crime.

Mr. Truman pledged his "wholehearted support" of the conference and added:

"If we don't have the proper, fundamental moral background, you finally wind up with a totalitarian form of government."

The president said there has been a "substantial increase in crime—particularly in crimes of violence" since the war. He said it was similar to the upsurges of crime that have followed all wars. The underworld criminal, he added, has "corrupted some of our citizens and communities."

He urged greater educational and other opportunities for all regardless of race or religion.

He said that, coupled with religious training, family and child guidance, and wholesome recreation will give the nation the fundamental moral background necessary to crush organized crime and maintain its national identity in its struggle to preserve world peace.