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HUNGER, PLAGUE THREATEN QUAKE-RAVAGED CITY

Bidault Urged to Meet With Stalin To Air Cold War

Trygve Lie Suggests Talk With Premier

Paris, May 22—(UP)—Trygve Lie, secretary general of the United Nations urged Premier Georges Bidault today to sit down with Premier Josef Stalin and other world leaders in an effort to settle the cold war before it is too late.

Lie talked for 90 minutes with Stalin last week in Moscow. He went there to feel out Russian leaders on the possibility of settling the differences between the east and the west.

Not Dissatisfied
Now Lie has returned to the west to confer with leaders of the Big Three in the light of his mission to Moscow. He said at a press conference just before he left Moscow that he had no reason to be dissatisfied with his talks there, but some time would be required before he could tell whether his efforts would bear fruit.

Tomorrow Lie will repeat his arguments for a top level cold war peace effort to Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin of Britain, and possibly Prime Minister Clement Attlee.

Keynote of Talks
Wednesday he will fly to the United States for similar talks with President Truman and Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

His exhortation to Bidault to meet with Stalin and other world leaders appeared to be the keynote of his talks with western leaders.

If his goal was a big four conference at the top level, he was keeping the idea to himself until he had consulted further with the American and British government chiefs.

Work Starts on Diamond Cutoff

State highway crews today began plowing out the mountainous drifts of snow that have clogged the 27-mile length of the Diamond lake cut-off road since last fall. J. G. Bromley, resident engineer for the state highway department at Grants Pass, said he expected the plows would have the road open and ready for the new season's travel in about one week.

Superintendent E. P. Leavitt of Crater Lake national park said crews will be placed on the north and east entrance roads into the park sometime in June, as having them open for full service to summer visitors. Snow in the park is melting steadily—it is now down to 109 inches—and as soon as it is more manageable the plows will work on it from 4 a. m. until 8 p. m. in preparation for the season's heaviest travel.

Accommodations will not be available at the park until June 15. Only south and west entrance roads are open at the present time.

Partial service is now available at Oregon Caves, Leavitt said, and full summer service will go into effect May 29. Meals and lodging are both offered now in the chateau.

Ashland Council To Canvass City Ballots

Ashland, May 22—The Ashland city council will meet Tuesday evening to canvass the municipal election vote, it has been announced by Fred Homes, chairman of the council and acting mayor.

He will serve in this capacity until the council picks a successor to Thomas Williams, who was recalled from the position of mayor in Friday's election. The council will probably pick Williams' successor, and one for Elmer Sheldon, who was recalled as a city councilman, at the first meeting in June.

Homes also reiterated his previously announced decision not to seek the mayor's post.

Senate Approves Plan To Reorganize FTC

Washington, May 22—(UP)—The senate today approved, 37 to 24, President Truman's plan to reorganize the federal trade commission.

The plan goes into effect Wednesday. There is no opposition to the plan in the house.



LIVE SHELLS PERIL BLASTED PORT—Captain Hugh McCaffery, New Jersey National Guard, cautiously nudges an unexploded 60-mm. shell (arrow) away from chair in office where it was blown by explosion of four munitions barges in South Amboy, N. J. Damage was estimated at 20 million dollars in the blast which killed at least 24 and injured an estimated 400 persons.

Death Toll in Dock Blast Climbs to 28

South Amboy, N. J., May 22—(UP)—The indicated death toll in Friday's munitions explosion rose to 28 today when a stevedoring firm added two more names to the list of persons missing.

The Healing company, whose crews were working on the docks at the time of the blast, said John Krinsky, Jersey City and Walter Sullivan, 36, Hoboken, had been missing since the disaster.

The company's announcement boosted the number of missing to 24. There were four known dead.

Sullivan was seen out of work for two weeks when he was ordered to report for the week-end, the company said. Krinsky's car was found near the scene of the blast.

Authorities feared that many land mines and anti-personnel mines had been scattered throughout the city by the explosion.

Irritating smoke from a white phosphorus fire that broke out in the devastated American Agriculture company plant drifted over portions of the city during the night, adding to uneasiness brought by daylong dock area explosions.

The blaze flared yesterday afternoon exploding 50 or more of the scattered land and "bouncing" anti-personnel bombs.

Damage Estimated
This city of 10,000 persons still looked like a front-line war area town. Insurance experts estimated the damage at \$7,500,000.

Hundreds of state troopers, national guardsmen, and regular troops patrolled the streets. Big army trucks rumbled to and from the explosion scene. Residents picked their way past piles of broken glass and other debris. Nearly every window in town was boarded over or covered with sheets or blankets.

Schools were closed and entry into the city was forbidden except to relatives of residents and other persons on necessary missions of work and relief.

British Ship Ordered Away From Russians

London, May 22—(UP)—The British navy ordered its newest, newly-fitted aircraft carrier *Theseus* to move out of sight of 31 Soviet ships anchored off England's southwest coast today.

The *Theseus* sailed into Mounts bay in southern England yesterday on the way to tests in the Scilly Isles.

Aboard the carrier were the navy's latest operational aircraft, presumably jet-propelled, so secret the admiralty refused to discuss them "on security grounds."

One of the Soviet vessels which appeared mysteriously in British waters last Friday and have been hanging around ever since moved into Mounts bay this morning to a point within sight of the aircraft on the decks of the *Theseus*.

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No Special Session Planned by McKay

Salem, Ore., May 22—(UP)—Gov. Douglas McKay issued an endorsement today for the poppy sale for veterans next week-end.

His statement follows: "Thousands of brightly-colored paper flowers will bloom on every street corner in Oregon on every Saturday. May 26 and 27, and they will bloom for a purpose that is vital and full of meaning."

"Next week-end will bring the annual poppy sale by veterans' organizations. The object is to raise funds to continue rehabilitation programs for those men and women who sacrificed so much in order that the republic might survive the threat of two great wars."

Poking Nose in Other's Business Proves Costly

Detroit, May 22—(UP)—Miles Nelson, 25, decided today to be more careful about poking his nose in other people's business.

Nelson intervened in a family spat between Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Henderson and Henderson bit off the end of his nose with one bite.

Henderson was held for investigation of felonious assault.

Nelson went to a veterans hospital in hope of getting a new nose.

United Nations Still Regarded as World Peace Guardian, President Says

Washington, May 22—(UP)—President Truman told congress today the United States will continue to regard the United Nations as the chief guardian of world peace despite Russia's "wilful flouting" of the charter.

Reported in Letter
In a letter transmitting to congress a report on UN accomplishments during 1949, Mr. Truman said: "We are endeavoring in the United Nations... to make clear to the Soviet Union that we seek to carry out the charter in deed and in word, and that we ask no more or less from any other member."

He said UN accomplishments in 1949 were "impressive" but that many were overlooked "in the clamor of daily difficulties." He again affirmed that "support of the United Nations is and must be point one of our foreign policy efforts."

Efforts Pointed Out
He called attention to the UN's peacemaking efforts in Palestine, Kashmir and Indonesia, and said, "many lives have been saved... in moving such conflicts indoors—from the battle-grounds to conference tables."

The president also pointed to UN accomplishments in economic and social fields; in assisting refugees, and in bringing the international court of justice into increased use for settling international disputes.

"These constructive activities have been overshadowed by the unsolved problems arising from the policies and acts of the Soviet Union which lead to tension and impairment of security in international relations," he said.

Problem Foremost
The president indicated the United States will continue to press for effective international control of atomic energy, which, he said, "stands foremost among the urgent problems calling for agreement." Regulation of armaments and armed forces, he said, "is a related problem of urgency."

He said the United States will press its program of forcing Russia to abide by its international agreement by creating "conditions under which it will be to the interest of the Soviet Union to enter into and keep agreements."

UN Complimented
Mr. Truman complimented the UN for refusing to let Russia's walkouts over admission of Red China interrupt its activities.

"In the presence of this wilful flouting by the Soviet government of obligations assumed by it under the charter, the United Nations has taken the common sense attitude of proceeding with its business as usual," he said.

Fire Department Effort Promised By Acting Chief

As a result of Friday's overwhelming vote in approval of new funds for the Medford fire department, Acting Chief Leo Weidner said today that "every man in the organization will continue to give his every effort" to give the people of Medford a top flight department.

"We know that it is going to take a lot of planning, work and time to develop the kind of fire defense system that the people have asked for, and are willing to pay for," he said. "However, the overwhelming vote of confidence is inspiring, and with this type of cooperation and support from the people, we know that in the not too distant future we will be equipped and prepared to give them a service second to none for a city our size," he continued.

Pass Three To One
The two measures, at \$125,000 bond issue for new equipment, sub-stations and alarm system, and a four-mill continuing city tax levy, passed by margins of better than three to one.

Weidner sounded a note of caution in regard to creation of a new department. "We wish to remind everyone that money is not everything," he said. "We would like them to come to the fire stations and help in the development and progress of our organization with their suggestions and interest."

Proud of Work
"This will give us a chance to talk over our mutual problems in our never-ending fight against the ravages of fire. It also affords us an opportunity to explain and demonstrate some of the inner workings of our organization into which we put a lot of time and effort and of which we are quite proud," Weidner continued.

"Most people know very little about the functioning of their fire fighting forces, and consequently do not get the maximum benefit from their services. In many cases this lack of understanding results in confusion and delayed action in emergencies, with resultant loss of life and increased destruction by fire, flood, explosion or other damaging elements," he concluded.

Budget Vote Slated By School District

Patrons of the Medford school district will vote Tuesday, May 23, on a proposed \$908,889.38 budget for fiscal year 1950-1951. The budget is \$213,617.60 in excess of the six per cent limit, thus requiring the election. It exceeds the previous budget by \$47,443.76.

Voting hours will be 3 to 9 p. m. (2 to 8 p. m. Pacific standard time) at the girls gymnasium at the Medford senior high school.

NEW GRAND JURY

A new Jackson county grand jury was sworn in this morning and Deputy District Attorney Paul Haviland said only routine matters would be on the agenda. The seven jurors are G. A. Lefthouse, Lucille Griesbeck, Bernard Governor, J. A. Kaufman, Ethel Gibson, Merle P. Hughes and Dave Hutchins.

Crowd-Greeting English Garbage Truck Driver Fired for Ridicule of Royalty

Bebington, England, May 22—(UP)—Garbage truck driver Sydney Cooper said today he must have lost his head when he drove his bright orange vehicle behind Queen Elizabeth's procession, nodding and waving to the crowd.

For this ridicule of royalty, Cooper, 36, was fired from the job he held for 17 years and denied his pension. In the old days he probably would have been beheaded.

Three other miscreants were suspended for a week without pay. The incident occurred May 3, when Queen Elizabeth passed through Bebbington en route to the shipyards for the launching of the aircraft carrier *Ark Royal*.

Set Formation of New Naval Reserve Unit

Men interested in joining an organized naval reserve unit specializing in electronics are asked to meet at the Federal building, 33 North Riverside avenue at 7:30 p. m. today. The unit will incorporate the activities of the present volunteer electronics warfare group, and members of that unit will make up the nucleus of the new company.

Upon activation, the electronics unit will receive pay for the weekly two-hour drill sessions. Enlisted men will be furnished complete sea bags.

Especially needed to complete organization of the company are men who can qualify as instructors in electronics, radio, sonar, and radar. An officer with the rank of lieutenant commander and classification of D, T, or C is needed for duty as commanding officer.

Schools Out

The five students attending the Brownsboro school will be dismissed today for the summer vacation, the county school superintendent's office reported today. The Shady Cove school will close tomorrow, according to Principal William Shepherd. The two schools are the earliest in the county to begin their summer vacations. Most schools in the county close in June or the last of May.

Austin Flegel Still Retains Margin in Gubernatorial Race

Portland, Ore., May 22—(UP)—State Senator Austin Flegel lost ground but still maintained a hair-breadth lead over Lew Wallace in the race for democratic nomination for governor today on the basis of almost complete returns from Friday's primary election.

Circuit Judge Walter L. Tooze, boosted by final vote-counting in Multnomah county, won a clear majority over Robert F. McGuire and Austin Dunn and was elected to the Oregon supreme court bench.

Tooze's vote exceeded the McGuire-Dunn total by more than 7,000.

Flegel Win Seen
Most of the remaining untallied precincts in the gubernatorial race were from counties where Flegel had been leading Wallace. If the ratio of the count remained the same, it was indicated Flegel would draw away slightly in the final count and win by a close but comfortable margin.

With only 29 precincts still unreported, Flegel was leading Wallace by 1,317 votes.

Sen. Wayne Morse's victory over Dave Hoover in the republican contest for the U. S. senate nomination was almost two to one. Morse said he would return to the senate "a free man, not under obligation to any pressure group, lobby or individual."

Republican Victory 'Must'
Morse's opponent in November will be Howard Latourrette.

Corporation Tax Boost Seen Likely

Washington, May 22—(UP)—A boost in corporation taxes appeared today to be the way left for house tax writers to make up a \$1,100,000,000 revenue loss in excise tax cuts.

The tax-framing house ways and means committee has tentatively decided to plug some "loopholes" in present laws to bring in another \$350 million a year. It may add \$150 million to \$200 million more by plugging other "loopholes."

But even so, the committee still would be perhaps \$500 million short of the revenue expected to be lost through excise cuts on such items as furs, jewelry, travel tickets, telephone bills and cosmetics.

Several members said the only avenue left open to the committee is an increase in corporation taxes.

Corvallis, Ore., May 22—(UP)—Ensel A. Evans, graduate student in chemistry at Oregon State college, has been awarded a \$2,800 graduate fellowship by the Du Pont De Nemours company, school officials announced today.

Rhododendron, Ore., May 22—(UP)—Robert Charles Miller, four-year-old son of Mrs. Kathleen Huber of Brightwood, Ore., was drowned in the Zigzag river near here Saturday.



JOYOUS REUNION—Marine Sergeant Elmer C. Bender is joyously greeted by his wife and daughter, Kathy, on his arrival at Glenview Naval Air Station, Chicago, after being held prisoner by the Chinese Communists for 19 months. Also taken prisoner with Bender and released was Navy Chief Petty Officer William Smith, who was reunited with his family in Long Beach, Calif.

Ancient Capital Of Incas Damaged In Sunday Tremor

Contamination of Water System Feared

Cuzco, Peru, May 22—(UP)—Hunger and plague threatened today to increase the ravages of an earthquake which left hardly an undamaged building in this ancient Inca capital two miles high in the Andes.

The stricken city had no bread or electricity, and authorities feared that the water available from the damaged system might be contaminated.

Scores Hospitalized
The known dead was near 50, and authorities feared the toll would be considerably higher. Scores were hospitalized.

In Washington the state department reported that original estimates of casualties in the quake were 100 dead and 200 injured.

Most of the buildings still standing were cracked and sagging. A large percentage of the buildings were damaged so badly that it seemed they would not withstand a strong gust of wind.

Many survivors in this city of 50,000 spent the night in plazas and open fields, fearful that another tremor might send weakened structures crashing down upon them.

Structures Toppled
The earthquake, most violent in this city's history, struck at 1:35 p. m. yesterday. Great stone structures which had stood for centuries toppled into the cobblestoned streets, sending up vast clouds of dust which hung over the city for hours.

Pardo avenue, site of some of Cuzco's most modern and finest homes, was completely leveled. The entire suburb of San Sebastian was wiped out.

Almost all of the city's scores of churches, including some that withstood the severe earthquake of 1650, suffered some damage. The towers of the churches of Santo Domingo and Belen fell, and the National College of Sciences was partly destroyed.

Among the buildings damaged was the convent of Santo Domingo, which incorporates in its walls part of the ancient Inca temple of the sun (Coricancha). Football Crowd Escapes

One of the buildings which suffered the least was the modern four-story hotel Cuzco, filled with foreign tourists when the quake struck. Some of its walls cracked but none of the guests was injured.

Officials said casualties probably would have been far heavier but for the fact that 15,000 persons, nearly one-third of the city's population, were attending a football game when the quake hit. All these escaped.

Governor Endorses Week-End Poppy Sale

Salem, Ore., May 22—(UP)—Gov. Douglas McKay said today that he has no intention to call a special meeting of the state legislature.

Donna Mahoney county commissioner had indicated McKay would be asked to call a special session to help that county out of its financial dilemma after voters rejected several money-raising proposals at the polls Friday.

"The regular session of the legislature will convene in January," Gov. McKay said, "and the indications are the county will have enough money to run at least until then. If any relief action is found necessary, that should be soon enough to take care of it."

Gov. McKay had no comment to make on the Oregon primary election other than to say he was pleased at the size of the vote.

Party to Honor Chief And Oldtime Firemen

A dinner party honoring Fire Chief Leo Weidner and the "old-time" members of Protection companies No. 1 and 2 will be held tomorrow at 6:30 p. m. in the fire hall. Guests will include the oldest alumni of the department and their wives, present "call men" and their wives and the regular firemen and wives. It will be the last social gathering at the fire department before Acting Chief Weidner leaves to resume his work with the Portland department.

Third Malheur County Jail Escapee Seized

Vale, Ore., May 22—(UP)—State police said today that Harold E. Collins, who escaped from the Malheur county jail last week with two other prisoners, has been captured at Elko, Nev. Charles Melton of Bend and Ernest Crawford of Myrtle Creek, the other two, were captured earlier at Rome, Ore.



WALTER L. TOOZE
Wins Court Position