

NEW FORMOSA PACT DISCUSSED

Treaty Sought To Protect Without War Commitment

Nationalist China Pressed for Assurance

Washington — (U.P.)—The United States is attempting to fashion a new treaty that will guard Formosa against a Communist attack without committing the United States to war on the Red-held China mainland, American officials said today.

Complicated by Threats

The question of a defense pact has been complicated by the continuing Red threats to liberate Formosa and counter threats by Chiang Kai-shek to invade the mainland. U.S. policy stands behind the Nationalists but this government does not want to spark a new war in the Far East.

Experts said the American-Nationalist negotiations, underway for a year, are pointed toward the type of pact signed more than a year ago by the United States with the Republic of Korea.

Wouldn't Be Committed

In explaining the Korean treaty to Congress, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles pointed out that the United States would not be committed to any war of aggression. He said the treaty's language provided that the pact would not apply if an armed attack were initiated by a country against "any territory not under its administrative control."

Vishinsky's Speech On Atom Plan Waited

United Nations, N.Y.—(U.P.)—Possibility of East-West agreement on putting off President Eisenhower's "atoms for peace" plan appeared strong today as Russia's Andrei Y. Vishinsky took the floor in the U. N. Main Political Committee.

Vishinsky, after conferring with Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., chief United States delegate, awaited only final instructions from Moscow before defining the Soviet position to the committee.

Lodge told newsmen he thought "we will have a unanimous resolution" on setting up the Eisenhower plan.

But final agreement was not tied down as the 60-nation committee met and delegates waited anxiously for Vishinsky's final word.

Dixon-Yates Pact Goes To Securities Commission

Washington — (U.P.)—The controversial Dixon-Yates power contract, was submitted to the Securities and Exchange commission today for approval of proposed financing of the Dixon-Yates utilities combine.

Portland — (U.P.)—The annual meeting of the National Hells Canyon Association will be held here Saturday.

Oregon Anti-Picketing Law Again Held Unconstitutional

The Dalles — (U.P.)—Circuit Judge Malcolm W. Wilkinson today ruled Oregon's so-called anti-picketing law unconstitutional.

The judge thus rejected a request for an injunction to halt Retail Clerks union local No. 1565 from picketing the East Hill Food center here.

This is the fourth time an Oregon trial court has held the statute passed by the 1953 Legislature to be unconstitutional. Harold Patterson, attorney for

Signs Indicate Soviet Preparing Defense Pact To Counteract NATO

Editor's note: The following dispatch has been passed by Russian censors.

Moscow — (U.P.)—There were increasing signs today the Soviet Union was preparing to set up a defense alliance of East European nations to counteract NATO.

Diplomatic sources said the Soviet was expected to call a conference of East European nations here Nov. 29 if the Western Nations reject the Kremlin's invitation to an all-European security conference as expected.

Communist broadcasts from Prague, Warsaw, Budapest and Bucharest said the satellite nations of Czechoslovakia, Poland, Hungary and Rumania already had agreed to send delegates to the Soviet proposed conference.

Diplomatic sources speculated the East Euro-

pean conference would result in some sort of East European collective security pact formalizing the already intimate political and military relations between Russia and the East European nations.

Trud, official organ of the Trade Union Central Council, made it clear today that a "defense alliance" was in the works when it published an article by S. Vasiliev, secretary of the Moscow regional Peace committee, saying:

"Creation of a narrow military grouping of several West European states, the chief military force of which would be a West German army having revanchist aggressive aims, can cause creation of a defense alliance of peace loving European peoples to ensure their security."

Some 250 Delegates Attending Conclave Of Farm Federation

An estimated 250 persons from all parts of Oregon were in Medford today to attend opening sessions of the 23rd annual convention of the Oregon Farm Bureau Federation.

Delegates are expected to

cover most of the problems facing farmers of the nation in discussions during the four-day conclave.

Preliminary meetings opened the convention yesterday, and the first general session opened at the YMCA this morning with Barry Brownell, Milwaukee, second vice-president, in charge. Later in the morning a full day of individual department conferences began.

Departmental Meetings

These were devoted to dairy, field crops, livestock, fruit and vegetable discussions, and a meeting of Farm Bureau women. Commodity and additional departmental conferences were in progress this afternoon.

A social mixer for all delegates and their wives is scheduled at 8 p.m. at the YMCA.

The convention's principal speakers will be heard during sessions tomorrow, and on Friday morning the conclave will close with a business meeting and election of new directors, departmental chairmen and two new vice-presidents.

Opening Session

At today's morning session, the delegates were welcomed to Medford by Don McNeil, manager of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, who was "pinch-hitting" for city officials detained at the flag was led by Donn Johnson, a member of the Crater High school chapter of the Future Farmers of America, and Dave Blair, president of the Jackson County Farm Bureau, also welcomed bureau members.

Officers and the board of directors of the federation were introduced, and county delegates were seated.

Tomorrow's sessions begin with a 7 a.m. breakfast and a 10 a.m. general session. (Additional details on Pages 1 and 2 of Section 2.)

Knox Law Repeal Initiative Planned

Portland — (U.P.)—Mel Brown, ex-brewery representative in Oregon, said yesterday he intends to file his third initiative seeking repeal of the Knox law.

Brown said he would file the petition in February. He has been unsuccessful in two earlier attempts to repeal the state liquor monopoly and allow sale of alcoholic beverages in private establishments.

Brown headed the 1940 initiative to repeal the Knox law, and was defeated by an overwhelming 309,183 to 90,691. His 1944 attempt also was defeated.

Ike Tells Need for Bipartisan Approach

Washington — (U.P.)—President Eisenhower told Democratic and Republican congressional leaders today it is "essential" to maintain a bipartisan approach to foreign policy and national defense regardless of which political party controls Congress.

The White House said he made the statement at a two-hour and 15-minute conference with legislative leaders of both parties.

White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said in response to questions that the meeting was characterized by a "cooperative" spirit.

Chicago — (U.P.)—Undersecretary of the Army John Slezak says the Army has reduced expenditures by more than \$3,500,000 in the last fiscal year and still has more weapons than it had before.

Weather

FORECAST: Considerable cloudiness tonight. Mostly cloudy with a few showers Thursday. Little change in temperature. Low tonight 40. High Thursday 56. Temp. Highest Yesterday 56. Lowest this Morning 43.

US Warns Russia American Planes To Be Protected

Steps Planned Unless Soviet Takes Action

Washington — (U.P.)—The United States told Russia today that unless it takes steps to prevent any further attacks on U.S. planes flying in the Japan area this government will be forced "to provide the necessary defensive protection" for such planes.

The warning was contained in a second U.S. note to Moscow protesting against the shooting down of a B-29 photographing plane in the Hakkaido area of Japan by two Soviet MIG fighters on Nov. 7. Ten crew members of the B-29 parachuted to safety but the 11th was killed.

"The U.S. government," today's note said, "again protests this latest incident in a long series of unprovoked Soviet attacks on American aircraft on peaceful missions."

"The U.S. government requests that appropriate disciplinary measures be taken with regard to those responsible for this unprovoked attack and that all other possible steps be taken to prevent the recurrence of such incidents which are in flagrant contradiction of recent statements by high Soviet officials that the Soviet Union seeks to abate international tension."

"In the absence of appropriate action by the government of the USSR, the U.S. government will be impelled to provide the necessary defensive protection for U.S. aircraft engaged in these legitimate and peaceful missions and full responsibility for any consequences which ensue will devolve upon the government of the USSR."

President Eisenhower told his news conference last week that fighter protection would be given to larger American craft when they are on what he called proper missions in risky areas.

Other Cases

James Theodore Larsen, 20, Timber, Ore., today was sentenced to a term not to exceed one year in the Oregon penitentiary on a charge of burglary not in a dwelling. He pleaded guilty Nov. 6. Involved was the theft of 11 caskets of cigarettes from the Oakdale market.

Clark Doyle Freeman, 22, Oklahoma City, Okla., pleaded guilty today to a charge of burglary from the Guy Watkins dwelling in the Applegate area on Nov. 12. Sentencing will be made after receipt of FBI records. The theft of a number of household items was involved.

Morgan, Sweetland Tiff Over Morse

Portland — (U.P.)—State Democratic Chairman Howard Morgan today took issue with Democratic National Committeeman Monroe Sweetland on the subject of Independent Senator Wayne Morse.

Sweetland said that Morse would have full support of the Democratic party if he runs for reelection in 1956 as a Democrat, but he would get no help if he remained an Independent.

Morse in a copyrighted interview with the magazine U. S. News and World Report said his present plans were to campaign in 1956 as an Independent. He also was quoted as saying Oregon Democrats were making a great fight against the Republican machine in Oregon and if convinced the cause of liberalism would be best served by joining forces with them he would not hesitate to do it.

Morgan said today that "as head of my party and as one of the group to which Sen. Morse referred, I am positive that no responsible member of that group could be thoughtless enough to confront Sen. Morse with anything which might be described as an ultimatum."

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The 14 Medford city officials attending the annual League of Oregon cities convention in Portland this week were all expected back this afternoon, according to the city superintendent's office.

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Compromise of McCarthy Censure Declared Dimming

Bridges Says One-Third Ready for Compromise

Washington — (U.P.)—Two senators, a Democrat and a Republican, said today that Sen. Arthur V. Watkins (R-Utah) has swung Senate sentiment against any compromise in the proposed censure of Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy.

Sen. A. S. Mike Monroney (D-Okla.) said Watkins, chairman of the special Censure Committee, "torpedoed" prospects for a compromise with his speech yesterday calling for a new censure charge against McCarthy.

Sen. Edward J. Thye (R-Minn.) said he feels prospects for a compromise have dimmed.

Different Opinions

Thye and Monroney talked with reporters just before the Senate resumed debate on a resolution to censure McCarthy on two counts.

Their views conflicted with that of President Pro Tempore Styles Bridges (R-N.H.) who told reporters earlier that he estimates one-third of the Senate now is ready to vote for compromise.

Bridges based his statement on discussion that took place in a secret huddle between Senate GOP leaders and compromise advocates.

"The censure debate is spreading the country far apart—we need unity," he said.

Sen. Wallace F. Bennett recognized the new behind-the-scenes compromise moves but said he still planned to introduce "at the proper time" a new charge against McCarthy. He said he would introduce the motion in "defense of the honor" of Sen. Arthur V. Watkins (R-Utah), his fellow Utahian and chairman of the special censure committee.

Open To Compromise Move

Bennett said today, however, he may tailor his proposed amendment to the censure resolution to fit a compromise formula if it is introduced.

"In other words, if the compromise says McCarthy should be 'disapproved' instead of 'censured' I may follow that language," he said.

Watkins called for the new censure charge Tuesday because McCarthy had called him "cowardly" branded his committee the "unwitting handmaiden" of the Communist party, and referred to the Senate debate as a "lynching bee."

Montgomery Ward Plans Store Closures

Chicago — (U.P.)—Montgomery Ward and Co., mail order house of which Louis A. Wolfson, New York and Miami financier, seeks control, today announced it is closing "a few" smaller retail stores at the end of the year.

In response to reports published here that the firm, now headed by Board Chairman Sewell Avery, planned to close 17 retail outlets, a statement was issued by John A. Barr, vice president and secretary, saying the exact number to be closed "has not been determined."

Warm Springs Streams Dragged for Youngster

Madras — (U.P.)—Searchers today dragged Shitike creek and the Deschutes river on the Warm Springs Indian reservation for the body of a 2½-year-old Indian boy who fell into the creek yesterday afternoon.

Authorities said James Polk, son of Mrs. Evelyn D. Polk of the Greenville community on the reservation, fell into the creek near where it flows into the Deschutes about 1 p.m. yesterday.

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Noel Field, Wife Freed



NOEL AND HERTA FIELD Couple Released After Five Years

London — (U.P.)—Noel Field, the mysterious American whose disappearance behind the Iron Curtain five years ago touched off a bizarre family vanishing act, has been freed with his German-born wife, Herta, the Communist Hungarian radio reported.

The U. S. Legation said tonight it was "in contact" with the Fields.

The legation said "We . . . know where they are staying but cannot disclose the place where they are at the moment."

"We placed ourselves at their (the Fields) disposal and now are waiting whether they want to see us. They know where we are and how gladly we would visit them."

All Budapest newspapers carried the bare announcement today.

One Unaccounted For

The announcement, if true, leaves one more member of the Field family unaccounted for. She is Mrs. Robert Wallach, who

as Erika Glasser was adopted by Noel Field in 1939. She disappeared at Tempelhof airport in Berlin in 1950 while looking for Noel and has been reported in a Soviet prison camp in Siberia.

Hermann Field, 44, who disappeared in Warsaw after taking Herta to Prague, was released last Oct. 25 by Communist Poland. He is reported still recuperating in a sanitarium outside Warsaw. The Communists said espionage charges against him had been dropped.

Announcement Similar

The announcement of the freeing of Noel Field, a former U.S. State department official, was similar.

"The competent state agencies of the Popular Hungarian Republic have been reviewing for a certain time the case of Noel H. Field and Herta K. Field, American citizens under arrest," the Budapest Radio said.

"It has not been possible to justify the charge made in the past against the above mentioned persons. Therefore, the competent state agencies have announced the case dismissed and have freed Noel H. Field and Herta K. Field."

Christian Ravnal, U.S. minister to the Communist country, told the United Press by telephone from his home:

"This is news to me. I have not had word they were released or even alive. This apparently means the Hungarian Foreign Office has not yet been informed but probably they will inform me this morning. Until then I am afraid I cannot comment."

Mystery Shrouds Story

The full story of the Fields' disappearance may never be known. It is a story of charges of Communist espionage and counter-espionage overlaid with secrecy. It was one of the most curious intrigues of the cold war.

The story began in May, 1949, when Noel Field, 50, member of a wealthy Quaker family and State Department expert on Eastern Europe, left his wife in Switzerland and went to Prague.

It was the last news the free world heard of him until today.

His background was searched. Such persons as Whittaker Chambers, a former Communist, said Noel was involved with Communist groups in Washington. But Communist radios in East Europe denounced him as an American spy. He was mentioned in the purge trials of Communist leaders in East Europe.

Daughter Vanishes on Search

Hermann, a Harvard-educated architect of Cleveland, O., and Herta, were last heard of in August, 1949. Hermann took her to Prague and flew on to Warsaw. Both vanished.

Noel Field's adopted daughter, Erika, began a search for her foster parents. She got as far as Berlin's Tempelhof Airport. She, too, vanished. Her husband, Robert Wallach, now in Washington, D. C., has received letters from her saying she has been sent to Siberia.

Mendes-France Due On Goodwill Visit

Washington — (U.P.)—French Premier Pierre Mendes-France comes here today for a four-day goodwill visit aimed at dispelling American mistrust of his foreign policy.

He also is expected to seek a firm American commitment to help finance French expeditionary forces in Indochina, discuss Western relations with the Soviet Union and talk over French colonial problems in Africa.

Mendes-France, who has been visiting Canada, was due here late today. Because of the late arrival, he planned to go directly to Blair House—the government's guest home for foreign dignitaries—and postpone his meeting with President Eisenhower until Thursday.

Dayton Man Confesses To Giving Beating To Four-Year-Old Stepson in Temper Fit

McMinnville — (U.P.)—Deputy District Attorney H. W. Devlin said today a 21-year-old Dayton man had admitted beating his four-year-old stepson Monday in a fit of temper.

The boy, Richard Lightle, was in Good Samaritan hospital in Portland with critical head injuries and multiple bruises. Hospital attendants said the boy was still unconscious.

The stepfather, Horace Crowley, was being held in McMinnville city jail on a charge of assault with intent to kill.

Crowley first told state police and Yamhill county sheriff's deputies that he found his stepson lying unconscious in the backyard of their Dayton home Monday morning. Later, however, he told Devlin that he had "trouble" with the boy and beat him in a fit of temper. The boy later fell unconscious while taking a shower, Crowley said.

Crowley said when he was un-

able to revive his stepson, he drove the boy to McMinnville hospital, stopping off on the way at a nut processing plant where his wife works to pick her up.

When it was found Richard suffered a brain injury, he was taken to the Portland hospital.

Doctors at McMinnville said the boy's body was covered by bruises and there was a purplish discoloration, swelling and roughened skin on his neck.

Medford Stores Will Be Open for Shopping Until 9 o'clock Tonight