

Nixon Credited With Doing Good Job on Latin American Tour

Washington — (U.P.)—U. S. officials believe Vice President Richard M. Nixon did a good job of selling the administration's "partnership" policy to Latin America.

Nixon told each of the 10 countries he visited that the United States regards them as "equal partners in the alliance of free nations."

Extension of FDR Policy

The youthful vice president presented the "partnership" policy to the neighbor republics as an extension of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt's good neighbor policy.

Privately, however, Nixon said President Eisenhower's program has a more realistic approach since he believes the Democratic administration tended to

assume a "big brother" role toward Latin America.

The administration's theory is to let private enterprise do the basic job of economic development, Nixon said.

Stressed Frequently

He stressed this frequently in speeches to officials and business groups during his trip "because I wanted to raise no false hopes that would lead to anyone to think our government is prepared to make any more hand-outs."

Instead, he said the Eisenhower administration is taking a "realistic, business like view" of how the United States can help seed development in the Latin American countries through intensifying trade and private investments.

Around Hollywood

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Hollywood — (U.P.)—Hollywood is proud of "On the Waterfront" and its 12 Oscar nominations, but its writer revealed today the film was an "orphan" that almost wasn't made.

Every major Hollywood studio turned down the story about dock workers. Real-life waterfront interests were against the picture and Marlon Brando, the star, didn't even finish reading the script when it was first sent to him.

The drama behind the camera was told by writer Budd Schulberg. He flew to filmtown last week from his New Hope, Pa., home to collect a Screen Writers' Guild award for the best written drama of the year, and he'll be back March 30, possibly to snare an Oscar.

A Rough Road

But the road to gold statuettes and press clippings was rough, he admits.

"Ilia Kazan, the director, wrote me about doing a picture with him. We'd never met," said Schulberg, who is well known for his books, "What Makes Sammy Run?" and "The Disenchanted."

"He wanted to do another story, but I told him I had a script based on articles on the waterfront by Malcolm Johnson in the New York Sun."

"We worked eight months on the script and took it to the studios. We had great difficulty, because the story was controversial. The studios were afraid of the labor angle, afraid of the longshoremen's union. They thought it was too risky and that the story was downbeat and grim."

Kazan and Schulberg finally wangled a deal at 20th Century-Fox Studio. But CinemaScope arrived at Fox, and their old-fashioned black-and-white drama went out the window.

"Kazan and I went back to our hotel. We felt terrible," recalled the writer. "Across the hall was a producer, S. P. Eagle, who saw we were in trouble. 'Maybe I'll produce it and dig up the money,' he said. And he did."

"We sent the script to Brando."

He turned it down. I had put little pieces of paper in the pages of the manuscript, a trick I learned from the O.S.S. When the script came back the bits of paper were unmoved, so I knew he hadn't read it.

"We tried to get Frank Sinatra, but he was busy. Then Brando called back."

A friendly pier where the movie about waterfront rackets could be shot finally was found in Hoboken, N. J. It was filmed in a "tense atmosphere" but no sabotage was attempted. Schulberg revealed it would be "difficult" to make the picture now because "waterfront conditions are back to what they used to be."

The writer has one final satisfaction for his troubles with the film.

"Now the studios who turned us down admit they need more pictures that go closer to life," he said. "It's been gratifying. I'm going to write the movie into book form now."

Rubber Tested for Railroad Crossings

Akron, O. — (U.P.)—The old-time head-banging railroad crossing has disappeared in one place here, and developers of a newer and smoother type predict it soon will vanish throughout the country.

The new and smooth crossing is made of rubber—the first such in the world. It is so arranged that an automobile crosses level with the tracks and can barely feel it when it goes over them.

Slabs of rubber form the roadway. They are a little over three inches thick, including a sandwiched sheet of heavy gauge steel.

The roadway rests on heavy treated wood planking laid on top of each railroad tie. Each slab is fastened down by 12-inch screws.

The slabs are sprung into place. They have tapered flanges where they meet the rails and thus form a watertight joint to keep water from seeping through.

There are 1347 high pressure fire hydrants throughout San Francisco.



FALLING IN LOVE after separating from brother whom she married unaware of relationship, Margaret Anne Hughes is married to Corporal Donald Anderson, British Army, in London. She has two children by illegal marriage. (International)

Navy Plans Atomic Sub Construction At Mare Island

Washington — (U.P.)—The Navy said yesterday it plans to build two atomic submarines at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard at Kittery Me., and one at the Mare Island Shipyard in California.

Rear Adm. Wilson D. Leggett Jr., Chief of the Navy Bureau of Ships, disclosed the building plans to the House Armed Services Committee. He said the three ships will be in addition to four already authorized and assigned to the Electric Boat Company at Groton, Conn.

New Carriers Considered

Navy Secretary Charles S. Thomas at the same time told the committee "very serious consideration" is being given to building some big new carriers on the West Coast. The big objection is extra cost, he said.

Leggett disclosed the new submarine plans after Rep. W. Sterling Cole (R-N.Y.) protested it was a "serious mistake" to concentrate nuclear shipbuild-

ing at a single yard. Qualified People Problem. Leggett said the Navy agrees. The problem has been to find people qualified to do the job, he said.

The Mare Island yard, he said, has been training for the past six months for its part of the work.

Thomas estimated it will cost 20 to \$30,000,000 extra to build one of the super carriers on the West Coast.

Experiment May Bring Bigger Pumpkins

Urbana, Ill. — (U.P.)—Experiments by an insect expert may result in bigger, better and more plentiful pumpkins.

Dr. John M. Wright, associate entomologist of the Illinois Natural History Survey, worked to find a way to combat squash bugs and other insects that feed on pumpkins and pumpkin vines.

Wright reported a spray of one of the new insecticides, dieldrin, was used on experimental fields of pie pumpkins.

The result, he said, was luxuriant vines and a bumper crop of good-sized pumpkins. Nearby fields that weren't sprayed were hit hard by bugs, Wright said.

Dead line for Sunday Classified is noon Saturday.

Priest Sees Possible Cause of Expulsion From Soviet Union

New York — (U.P.)—The Rev. Georges Bissonnette said yesterday his unexplained expulsion from the Soviet Union may have been in retaliation to the United States for its refusal to renew the temporary visa of a Russian Orthodox archbishop.

The Roman Catholic priest said that "most diplomats and correspondents in Moscow" felt his expulsion resulted from American refusal to renew the visa of Russian Orthodox Archbishop Boris, who left the United States 10 days ago.

He said there was no other apparent reason for the Russians' sudden order for him to leave the country.

Father Bissonnette arrived here by plane from Stockholm and talked with newsmen shortly after clearing customs inspection. He appeared healthy and fit and at times seemed embarrassed by all the attention.

Father Bissonnette, 33, was met at the airport by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. George Bissonnette, and a sister, Rose, 29, of Central Falls, R. I., and a

brother, Albert, 31, of Cumberland, R. I.

Taken by Surprise

He told newsmen he was taken completely by surprise by the expulsion order because he recently as last November he had been toasted by Communist party boss Nikita Khrushchev as

"a sympathetic and intelligent man."

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