

United States Will Be on Trial in Next Week's Africa-Asia Conference

Communist China Will Lead Parade Against America

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Bandung, Indonesia — (U.P.) — In this freshly painted city on the west end of Java, ringed by soldiers to keep the hill bandits out, a meeting unique in the world's history begins next week.

It will bring together representatives of more than half the peoples of the globe.

Almost all of them are Orientals, Negroes or from the Arab races with a common detestation of white colonialism.

It is called the Afro-Asian Conference. It begins Monday, April 18. Delegates from 29 nations on those two continents will attend. Included were:

Turks, Burmese, Egyptians, Filipinos, Arabs, Japanese, Ethiopians. Delegates from the Republic of Liberia, from remote Afghanistan, from the former British ruled Sudan, Moslems, Buddhists, Christians, Communists, Neutralists, anti-Communists.

America on Trial

It could be a shapeless awkward talkfest of little significance and less results except for one thing.

Red China is coming to the meeting, led by her cunning Foreign Minister, Chou En-lai.

And Chou is going to try to put the United States and its foreign policy on trial before the African and Asian nations.

He will seek to convince them that America wants to oppress the dark skinned races. He will charge the United States with aggression. He will seek to set a tide of anti-Americanism running.

Blocking him and defending the United States will be nations like the Philippines. Sitting in the middle will be the so-called "neutralist" bloc led by India.

India's Jawaharlal Nehru will be the best known of the world's statesmen here.

One Hate in Common

It was India and the host nation, Indonesia, who were primarily responsible for the conference. The attending nations have one thing in common: A hatred of colonialism. The initial idea was to discuss colonialism, economic development of the Afro-Asian area, how it could contribute to world peace.

Some American diplomats are concerned about the racial aspects of the conference. They think it pertinent that Australia and New Zealand, while geographically a part of the area, were not invited.

Red China may bring up here her demands for Formosa. She may also seek support for her admission to the United Nations. Both subjects are certain to produce bitter fights from nations friendly to the United States.

Refurbished City
Bandung, a city of 500,000, perched on a volcanic plateau, has had a complete facelift. Every downtown building has been painted. New street lights and traffic signs have gone up.

Special Indonesian dance troupes are rehearsing. European or Indonesian food will be available. Despite the Moslem influence, liquor will be served. So will American soft drinks.

Thousands of soldiers will cordon the city off from fanatical Moslem terrorists who control the mountains south of Bandung. Inside the city, hundreds of state police will guard the delegates.

Truck Speed Limit Measure Tabled

Salem — (U.P.) — The Senate Highway Committee headed by Sen. Warren McMinn (R-Tillamook) late yesterday tabled a House approved bill which would have increased the legal speed limit for trucks from 45 miles an hour to 55.

Rep. Joe Rogers (D-Independence), one of those who introduced the measure, said he thought the higher speed would help speed the flow of traffic and reduce the hazard of long lines of cars piling up behind a slow moving truck, then trying to thread traffic to get in front.

But Lee Bown, deputy superintendent of state police, who was questioned by the committee, was against higher speed for trucks and said where trucks travel faster, there is an upward curve in the accident rate.

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Committee Formed To Oppose Admission Of Red China To UN

New York — (U.P.) — A group of prominent citizens including 23 Senators, 92 Representatives and nine governors have formed a "committee of one million" to oppose admission of Communist China into the United Nations.

A policy statement said the newly-formed committee also congratulated President Eisenhower and Congress on the decision to defend Formosa, and emphasized the committee's stand for "maintenance of Formosa as a dynamic force for the eventual freedom of the Chinese people."

The statement said the committee was set up to carry on the campaign last year in which 1,037,000 individual signatures were obtained on petitions opposing admission of Red China to the U.N.

Record Collection In Library Proving Popular; Gift Made

The record collection of the junior department of the Medford Public Library has increased to some 200 since the collection was started in 1952, according to the children's librarian, Mrs. Nora Jane McKay.

She said the service has proven popular, and that circulation was more than 200 during March. Records are loaned for one week.

New records recently added to the collection include "Wait Till the Moon is Full," "Licorice Stick," "The Clarinet's Story," "Noah and the Ark," "Farmer in the Dell," "The Happy Calliope Song," "The Shoemaker and the Elves," "The Happy Prince," and "Bozo's Circus Band" album.

A gift of 25 records of 78 rpm speed recently was received by the department for loans to adult patrons. It includes a number of folk songs and dances, and several classical selections.

Patrons are always welcome, Mrs. McKay said, and may inspect the music department. Suggestions also are appreciated, she added.

McNary Dam Power Unexpectedly Cut Off

Portland — (U.P.) — Power from McNary dam was unexpectedly cut off from the Northwest power pool Monday by automatic switches with widespread but brief effects.

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Southerners Want Time in Integration Program

Washington — (U.P.) — Four southern states told the Supreme Court today they should be given plenty of time and leeway in handling the complex problem of mixing the races in public schools.

The states — Virginia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Florida — presented the South's side of the tough segregation problem as the Supreme Court began its second day of hearings on the mechanics of integration.

Their views were offered in written briefs and followed by oral arguments. They were in sharp contrast to those of attorneys for Negro parents who have urged an immediate end to racial barriers in public schools.

French Driver Wins Grand Prix Auto Race

Pau, France — (U.P.) — Jean Behra of France, driving a Maserati, won the Grand Prix de Pau for the second time in a row yesterday in a race marred by the death of Italian amateur driver Mario Alborghetti.

Alborghetti, racing in the Grand Prix for the first time, was killed on a hair pin curve on the 31st lap. The 25-year-old Italian, in a new Alpine racer, failed to slow down, jumped over the straw bales and landed upside down. His spine was broken. Four spectators were injured.

The court ordered the unprecedented hearings when it handed down its epic decision last May that separate but equal school facilities violate constitutional rights.

Atty. Gen. J. Lindsay Almond

Churchill Flies To Sicily Retreat

London — (U.P.) — Sir Winston Churchill shed his last official cares and flew to Sicily today with the Queen's wish of god-speed for his first vacation in 15 years as a private citizen.

The British European Airways set aside its no cigar smoking rule for the occasion and laid in a supply of brandy for the trip. The former Prime Minister received a personal message from Queen Elizabeth II just before he departed for Catania, Sicily.

He waved his hat to well-wishers, smiled merrily and then boarded the special flight. With him went Lady Churchill, her left arm supported in a sling due to a recurrence of neuritis, and a party of 10 others.

The 80-year-old statesman who retired as Prime Minister a week ago today took an ordinary BEA Viscount turbo-prop airliner on his sun seeking jaunt to the storied city of Syracuse on the Mediterranean island.

Jr. of Virginia warned the justices that the court's ruling "raised over most of the Virginia scene the specter of impending educational 'chaos.'"

"We do not see a complete solution at any future time," he said. "The people of many sections of Virginia have stated forthrightly that they will not consent to compulsory integration of the races in the public schools."

Lawyers for South Carolina said the court should permit "an effective gradual adjustment" while maintaining "a decent respect for the sovereignty of the states affected." The state argued that the solution actually lies in the legislative and administrative fields, not with the courts.

Possible Violence Predicted
North Carolina and Florida predicted possible violence if the court orders segregation abolished at once.

Such action "might well cause a tornado which would devastate the entire school system," cautioned Atty. Gen. Richard W. Erwin of Florida.

Harry McMullan, North Carolina attorney general, said "an attempt to compel the intermixture of the races in the public schools of North Carolina would result in such violent opposition as to endanger the continued existence of the schools."

But attorneys for Negro parents in South Carolina and Vir-

ginia told the court late Monday that the southern states are exaggerating and trying to stall. They contended the best way to achieve tolerance is to associate with members of the other race.

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