

US May Press for New Formosa Peace Moves

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Neuberger Sees Echo Park Dam Approval As Step to Crater Lake Park Invasion

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Washington — Approval by Congress of Echo Park dam in Colorado will drive a wedge into the national park system for the invasion by private interests of Crater Lake and Olympic National Parks in the Pacific Northwest, according to Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.).

The Oregon senator made this charge in the Senate as he led the attack backed by wildlife and conservation groups of authorization of Echo Park dam as part of the upper Colorado power-irrigation development project.

Echo Park dam is considered an essential unit of the comprehensive project by the Bureau of Reclamation, but nature groups oppose it because its reservoir would inundate part of Dinosaur National Monument on the Utah-Colorado line.

"Once the inviolability of that (park) system is ignored in the Dinosaur Monument, it will be imperiled everywhere," Neuberger charged.

"If the reclamation service crosses the frontier of Dinosaur Monument, why should not timber operators in the Olympics insist that a similar privilege be accorded them? What about sheep and stock ranchers eyeing the lush meadows of the Yellowstone or the rangelands of Grand

Canyon National Park? Will there be pressure to cut the pine forests of Crater Lake National Park in Oregon? Echo Park is the test."

Neuberger voted for the Upper Colorado bill as a whole in the Senate Interior Committee, but with the reservation about the one dam he considered objectionable. The committee's majority report defended approval of Echo Park on these grounds:

Virtually the complete course

of the Green and Yampa rivers which Echo park would dam, as well as bordering lands, were reserved for power and water development years before Dinosaur Monument was expanded in 1938 to its present size. The presidential proclamation expanding the monument recognized these reservations as valid, and therefore to make use of them by construction of Echo Park dam would not constitute an invasion of the national park

system or a precedent for invasions elsewhere.

While not dealing with this issue specifically, Neuberger pointed out that Congress has never passed legislation that would allow for invasion of the park system "in spite of constant pressures to do so." He contended that alternative sites for the project had not been adequately explored.

"The question is not a choice between preserving a national monument or securing water benefits," Neuberger stated. "Rather, it is how to adjust the present plans to utilize the water and secure the desired power in such a way as to reaffirm the primary values embodied by our national park system."

Opposition Listed

The senator said the opposition to Echo Park dam included the following groups: American Nature Association, American Planning and Civil Association, Conservation Foundation, Council of Conservationists, Dartmouth Outdoor Club, Emergency Conservation Committee, Garden Club of America, General Federation of Women's Clubs, Izaak Walton League of America, National Council of State Garden Clubs, National Life Conservation Society, National Parks Association, National Wildlife Federation, North American Wildlife Foundation, Outdoor Writers Association of America, Sierra Club, Wilderness Society and Wildlife Management Institute.

National Guardsmen Here Make Good Time During Test Alert

Medford National Guardsmen made a good showing in last night's test alert, officers here reported this morning.

First Lt. Roy Huson, commanding officer of Company A, said he was "really amazed" at the speed with which the guardsmen responded to the alert call, which came at 5 p.m. Within 30 minutes, he said, 55 per cent of all personnel were at the armory, and 100 per cent were accounted for within two hours.

Contact With CO

The guardsmen here are members of Company A and of Headquarters company. Both are parts of the 1st battalion, 186th Infantry regiment, 41st Division. Lt. Col. Don Burke, Grants Pass, commands the battalion, and guardsmen here were in constant communication with him.

After reporting, members of the companies donned service uniforms, drew their weapons, and started on assigned alert duties, including roving patrols through various parts of the city, including the reservoir and other vital spots. The truck and jeep patrols used radio communications.

The four hour "Operation Minuteman" alert was over at 9 p.m. and guardsmen were sent home. The statewide alert was part of a national mobilization test.

Lieutenant Huson and Second Lt. Levi Monroe, commander of Headquarters company, today expressed their appreciation for cooperation from communications media for their help in making the test a success.

Peacetime Test Of Guard Strength Called Successful

By UNITED PRESS
Hundreds of thousands of "weekend" soldiers and airmen today ended the nation's first peacetime test of its National Guard "Minuteman" strength.

The surprise "Operation Minuteman" involving as estimated 406,000 men in all the 48 states and Alaska, was apparently a complete success.

National Guard officials who directed the giant exercise from headquarters in Washington said it showed that the nation's citizen soldiers are ready to fight back against a sneak attack at practically a moment's notice.

Mobilize on Double

A spot check showed that about 66.7 per cent of the nation's National Guard force mobilized on the double and rushed to battle points as if they had been rehearsing for weeks.

Within 10 minutes after the alert sounded an Air National Guard plane was in the air. Within 20 minutes to an hour, hundreds of jets and bombers were streaking across the skies.

On the ground, National Guardsmen raced to their armories and hurried into uniforms. Within an hour they were patrolling key defense points, many of them armed with loaded rifles.

State adjutant generals had known the alert was coming, but national headquarters deliberately kept the date and time a secret for as long as possible.

Vaccine Schedule Decision Slated

A decision on a possible second delay in the start of Salk anti-polio vaccinations in Jackson county will be made tomorrow, county health department officials said this morning.

They plan to contact Dr. Samuel Osgood, of the state board of health, tomorrow. If Dr. Osgood indicates that a supply of vaccine will not be available to Jackson county for start of the program Monday, the county program will be postponed one week.

If the program is started Monday, May 2, health officials still expect to complete the second round of vaccinations before the end of the school year.

Dr. A. E. Merkel, county health officer, is expected to return to his office Monday. He is attending a meeting of the Western Branch, Public Health association, being held in Phoenix, Ariz.

No Offer To Release Fliers Made by Chou

Bandung, Indonesia — (U.P.) — Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru of India said today Red China's Premier Chou En-lai has not offered to release imprisoned American airmen.

Reports circulated that Chou had promised the Indian leader to release the American fliers as a good will gesture at Nehru's suggestion, but when asked if Chou had made the offer Nehru said, "No, not to me."

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower will present citations tomorrow to Dr. Jonas E. Salk, discoverer of the anti-polio vaccine, and Basil O'Connor, president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, the White House said today.

County Budget Work Nearing Completion

The Jackson county budget committee met today in what was expected to be the final session before approval of the tentative 1955-1956 fiscal program.

The committee met this morning with department heads, and it was expected that the meeting would continue this afternoon. Members of the committee, which meets in conjunction with the county court, are Roger Rath, Tom Wray, and Arnold Bohnert.

Coos Bay — (U.P.) — Douglas fir timber sold for a top price of \$49.92 a thousand board feet at the April sale of the BLM Coos Bay district office.

Sandy, Ore. — (U.P.) — A new Oregon weekly newspaper, the Estacada Press, made its appearance today.

Police Department Cash Shows Up Short

Eugene — (U.P.) — A state auditor testified yesterday that a study of Springfield city police department records from 1952 to 1955 showed that some \$22,000 is missing.

The auditor, A. J. Gould, gave the testimony at the trial of suspended Springfield Police Sgt. Marrill E. Parke who was charged with converting \$80 of city funds to his own use.

Festival Queen Selection Set Tonight; Parade and Auto Show Details Complete

The queen of the annual Pear Blossom Festival, to be held in Medford Saturday, will be chosen this evening. She and her four princesses will ride in the parade Saturday afternoon.

The five candidates are Marilyn Denning, Star Christine Leonard, Meredith Tracy Lynch, Karen Morgan and Suzanne White. Judges will pick the winner during a television show from 6 to 7 p.m. today.

60 Parade Entries

The chamber of commerce office reported this morning that more than 60 parade entries had been made, and that they were still coming in. Deadline for entering a parade unit is 5 p.m. today.

The parade will assemble at about noon Saturday on Fir st.



CONFERENCE PRINCIPALS—As Communist delaying tactics stalled the Afro-Asian Conference in Bandung, Indonesia, a report from London said that India had counseled Red China to accept a temporary "stalemate" in the Formosa dispute in return for Nationalist evacuation of Quemoy and Matsu. India's Premier Jawaharlal Nehru, believed to be

prominent in behind-the-scenes maneuvering at the talks, is pictured relaxing with other top delegates at Djakarta, Indonesia before proceeding to Bandung. Clockwise, left to right: A. K. Gani, Indonesia's Minister of Communications; Egypt's Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser; Nehru; Burma's U Nu and Nehru's daughter, Indira.

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Also appearing in court today was James Millard Walker, 33, Camp White, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon. Walker has pleaded guilty to stabbing another Camp White member during an altercation in a front st. tavern. His case was continued for pre-sentence report.

Gets Three Years

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Being held in Los Angeles are Claude Day and Jack Day, both of Los Angeles. They were arrested in connection with a hit-run accident last Thursday which resulted in serious injuries to Mrs. Ruby Bartley, 55, route 1, box 237, Talent.

Weather

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Formosa Trusteeship Proposed; Angry Chou Bolts Meeting Room

Bandung — (U.P.) — Ceylon today linked a proposal for a trusteeship for Formosa with the strongest attack against Communism yet before the 29-nation Afro-Asian conference. The attack sent Red China's scowling Chou En-lai striding angrily from the conference chamber.

Chou wrangled face to face for 10 minutes with Ceylonese Premier Sir John Kotelawala at the end of the Political Committee session. Chou also demanded the right to reply to Kotelawala's charges tomorrow.

The Ceylonese Prime Minister's attack on the Chinese Communists was his second of the day.

And he caught all the delegates by surprise with his proposal for a Formosa trusteeship which also would include withdrawal of the U.S. Seventh Fleet from Formosa waters.

Matsu and Quemoy islands would be given to the Reds.

The trusteeship, under the United Nations or the five Colombo powers, Ceylon, India, Pakistan, Burma and Indonesia, would abolish the Nationalist Chinese government of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

The trusteeship would remain in effect until Formosa could become independent after some kind of a plebiscite.

Kotelawala's proposal met a reserved and even sarcastic response.

7,305 Names Off County Voter List

A total of 7,305 names have been removed from the list of registered voters in Jackson county because of failure to cast ballots, County Clerk Bereth Hopkins said today.

The job of removing the "dead wood" from the files was completed this week by deputy county clerks. The total does not include the names of those removed from the lists because of death.

At the close of registrations before the general election last November, the number of registered voters in the county was 31,811. However, it was pointed out that registrations since that time mean the present number of registered voters is more than the difference between last fall's trial and the number taken from the rolls.

Each of those whose names are removed from the rolls will be notified by postcard, and will have 90 days after receipt of the cards in which to become reinstated. They may re-register at any time. Because of numerous budget, special and other elections coming up, Mrs. Hopkins urged that they re-register or become reinstated as soon as possible.

Burglary Attempt Being Investigated

Sheriff's deputies and Talent city police today were investigating a burglary and an apparent burglary attempt which occurred at two Talent service stations early yesterday.

Burglars made off with about \$110 after breaking in a door at Gilbreath's Mobil Service, Talent. The station is owned by Forest Gilbreath.

An attempted burglary at Talent service station was reported by Grady F. Coldwell, owner. The burglars failed in an attempt to break into the station through the front door.

Police believe the same persons are responsible for both crimes.

Medford Budget Group Sets First Meeting

An organizational meeting of the Medford city budget committee is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. today in the council chambers of the city hall, according to City Manager Robert Duff.

Members of the citizen budget committee are C. C. Fries Jr., A. A. Lausmann, Granville Britton, George Witter, Floyd Watson, Mrs. Marina Gates, Raymond Sorenson, and Stanley Stark.

Duff indicated that preliminary work on the city's 1955-1956 fiscal program is expected at tonight's meeting.

Honesty Rewarded By Billfold Owner

A 16-year-old St. Mary's student was \$25 richer today because of his honesty.

The boy, Larry Hamilton Sykes, 181 Oak st., Ashland, found a billfold on West Main st. yesterday during his noon hour. He spent some time trying to find Robert Lee Nelson, Trail. Papers in the billfold indicated he was the owner.

Having no luck, he took the billfold to city police headquarters and left it. Police, impressed with the boy's honesty, gave him a ride to school so he wouldn't be late.

About an hour later, Nelson came into the police station and claimed the billfold, which contained \$109. He was so happy to find it he went straight to St. Mary's school, where he called Larry out of class and presented him with \$25.

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National Security Council Meets With Eisenhower

Bradford, Robertson Leave for Formosa

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower met with the National Security Council today. Speculation rose that the United States may shortly press Nationalist China to consider new peace moves in the Formosa Straits.

Already under study for some time is a plan calling for a cease fire in the Formosa Straits linked to a Nationalist withdrawal from the Quemoy and Matsu islands.

Under this plan, the Nationalists would be given broader Allied guarantees for defense of Formosa and the United Nations might be asked to go on record opposing use of force to settle the Formosa crisis.

New Approach Seen

There is no official word that the United States is ready to ask the Nationalists to consider withdrawing from the off-shore Quemoy and Matsu islands.

However, the feeling that the United States is actively undertaking some new approach to the Formosa crisis developed after:

1. Adm Arthur Radford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, left yesterday with Assistant Secretary of State Walter Robertson for talks with the Nationalist Chinese authorities on Formosa. Radford and Robertson are strong Nationalist supporters. They may have been picked by Mr. Eisenhower to test Nationalist views on truce possibilities.
2. Officials reported that the Chinese Reds are working hard to increase their ability to launch air strikes on Formosa and the off-shore islands.
3. Recent recurring reports that the United States is unwilling to risk a Far Eastern war that could break out if the Quemoy-Matsu islands were attacked by the Chinese Reds.

White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty declined comment on reports that the Radford-Robertson trip was linked with the possibility that the United States is unwilling to risk war over the Quemoy and Matsu. Hagerty said he would have to refer "questions of that nature to the State Department."

Democrats Schedule Roosevelt Memorial

The fifth annual Roosevelt Memorial dinner, one of the major events of the year for the Democratic party in Jackson county, will be at 7 p.m. Saturday, at the Medford Junior High schools' gymnasium.

Stephen A. Mitchell, former Democratic national chairman, will be speaker, and messages from high-ranking Democratic personalities, including former President Harry S. Truman, Eleanor Roosevelt, Sen. Estes Kefauver, Sen. Paul Douglas and others will be read.

Tickets are on sale at Lamport's Sporting goods store and at Walt Young's stationery store, or can be purchased at the door.

Income for Former Presidents Urged

Washington — (U.P.) — A Senate committee urged today that Congress provide former Presidents with retirement income of \$22,500 a year and other benefits.

The purpose would be to relieve Presidents of financial worries about the future while in office and to help them maintain the dignity of that office after they have left it.

The bill, sponsored by Sen. John O. Pastore (D-R.I.), would provide former Presidents with office space, secretarial help and free mailing privileges in addition to the \$22,500 retirement income. It also would provide a \$10,000 annual pension for widows of Presidents and ex-Presidents.

Legislative Thank-You Planned for Timber Gift

Salem — The Oregon legislature has received a resolution of appreciation for a \$15,000 tract of timberland given the state by A. A. Lausmann, Medford, and Joseph Lausmann, of Portland, in memory of their father, Vinzenz Lausmann.

The 150 acre timber tract is located in the Columbia river gorge, east of Portland.

The resolution was introduced by Rep. Charles A. Tom, Rufus; Rep. Alfred H. Corbett, Portland, and Sen. Pat Lonergan, Portland.

Assemblies of God Set Gathering Here

Plans are now being completed by local committees for the 19th annual district council of the will convene next week at the Oregon Assemblies of God, which Medford Assembly of God, 1108 West Main st.

Ministers and delegates from 180 churches throughout the state, a total of some 400 persons, will be in attendance at the convention, which will begin Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. with an opening program by the Women's Missionary council. The Christ's Ambassadors, the youth arm of the church, will direct a rally at 7:30 p.m., when the Rev. Ralph M. Riggs, general superintendent of the Assemblies of God, will be the main speaker.

Preliminary business will be taken up by the district presidency which will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday evening. It will continue in session through Tuesday. Business sessions of the convention will begin at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Habitual Criminal Statute Held Faulty

Salem — (U.P.) — The Oregon Supreme Court late yesterday set aside the 15-year habitual criminal sentence imposed on William Frank Cory of Roseburg and declared part of the state's habitual criminal statute unconstitutional.

A four-year sentence against Cory for being an ex-convict in possession of a firearm was reinstated by the high court.

The opinion written by Justice Earl C. Latourette said part of the habitual criminal law was unconstitutional because it gave district attorneys the power to decide whether to prosecute by information or indictment in cases of persons who have been convicted previously of felonies not involving personal violence.

Portland To Ask Veto Of Business Tax Bill

Portland — (U.P.) — The Portland city council today planned to adopt a resolution asking Gov. Paul Patterson to veto a Senate bill abolishing the city's business and professional income license fees. The measure would deprive Portland of an estimated \$1,400,000 annually. The council said it feared the wording of the bill could be interpreted to ban city taxes on public utilities, which total about \$1,000,000 a year.

Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Boston 0 3 2
Washington 1 5 0
Brewer and White; Porterfield and Edwards.
Chicago 9 10 0
Detroit 1 5 2
Fornieles and Lollar; Garver, Zuverink (6); Miller (6); Maas (8) and House.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Philadelphia 4 9 2
Brooklyn 14 17 0
Roberts; Greenwood (4); Mrozinski (7) and Burgess; Meyer, Black (3) and Campanella.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES
New York — (U.P.) — Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 428.45, off 0.17; 20 railroads 161.03, off 0.28; 15 utilities 64.63, off 0.51, and 65 stocks 160.50, off 0.33. Sales today were about 2,210,000 shares compared with 3,090,000 shares traded yesterday.