

# Dead End Reached on Germany Reunification

## Soviet's European Security Proposal Rejected by West

Eisenhower Lunches With Russia's Zhukov

Geneva—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower and the Soviet delegates to the Big Four summit conference agreed today that they have reached a dead end on the issues of German reunification and European security. That decision was reached after the Soviets at today's brief summit session put forward a European security proposal that was unacceptable to the West.

Yesterday's conference session results indicated East and West were unable to get together on German reunification. A plea for peace.

But in spite of these disappointments, President Eisenhower told his Russian opposite numbers today that he believes the Soviets want peace as sincerely as the West wants it.

Both sides, he said, must find a bridge to peace.

The abbreviated session lasted an hour and 45 minutes.

It was devoted primarily to Russia's outline of a security plan for Europe that would require scuttling the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, keystone of the Western defense arrangement.

Western delegates promptly called the Soviet scheme unacceptable.

It was agreed then that the problems of European security and German unification could not be discussed further on the summit level now.

Further Study Ordered

But the Big Four instructed their foreign ministers to get together to see whether it would be possible for the foreign ministers themselves to work out methods which might lead to Mr. Eisenhower's "bridge to peace."

Mr. Eisenhower wound up today's session at the marble Palace of Nations by stating with deep conviction that he was certain the Russians share a common desire with the West for peace.

President Eisenhower, who believes German reunification is the key to all other issues involved at the conference, made one more personal effort to break the Soviet resistance today in a private lunch with Soviet Defense Minister Georgi Zhukov. The two were allies and comrades in World War II.

British Prime Minister Anthony Eden also made a personal appeal to keep the German reunification issue alive in earnest personal conversations with the Soviet leaders at a dinner at the British villa last night.

Confidential Chat

Mr. Eisenhower and Zhukov talked intimately and privately at the President's lakeside villa near Geneva, without aides or other members of their respective delegations in attendance. Only interpreters were present.

The lunch get-together of the two men who have renewed their friendship of 10 years ago in such striking fashion here in Geneva came less than 24 hours after a dramatic personal appeal by Mr. Eisenhower to Zhukov at the conference table yesterday.

The President urged the Soviets through Zhukov to accept NATO as an instrument of real peace and to speed up German reunification.

The invitation to lunch was extended by the President earlier this week, but the Soviet marshal accepted only today.

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## Klamath Man Killed In Evans Creek Mishap

Dillard Wesley Hayes, 32, Klamath Falls, was killed about 1:30 p.m. yesterday in an East Evans Creek logging accident.

Hayes was bucking logs on a side hill, standing on the upper side of a log when he apparently lost his balance, falling down hill, and the log fell on his chest, according to Deputy Coroner Joe Hosick and state police.

Hayes body was discovered by Grant Carothers, Cave Junction. Sheriff's officers were called to the scene about 2:45 p.m. Conger-Morris funeral home is in charge of funeral arrangements.

Honolulu—(U.P.)—Only four of the 50 yachts that entered the transpacific yacht race were still at sea today.

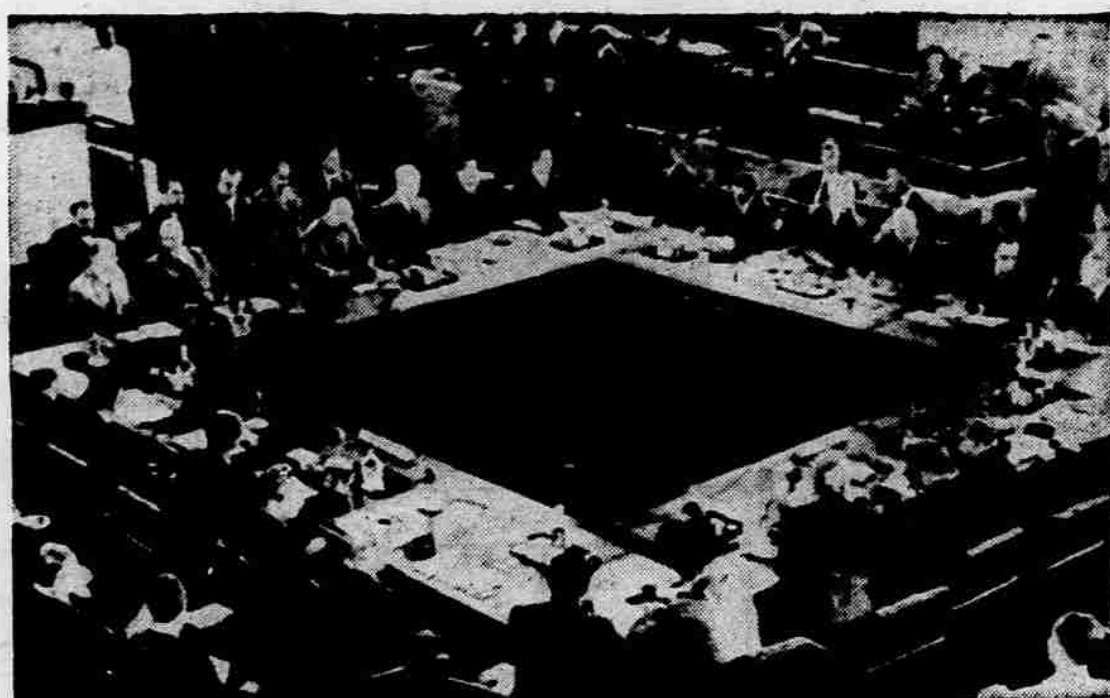
## Baseball

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St. Louis ..... 0 15 1

New York ..... 2 10 1

Poholsky and Burbrink; Antonelli, Monsant (6), Wilhelm (6) Giel (6) and Westrum.



OPENING SESSION—General view of the conference room in Palais des Nations as opening session of the Big Four conference got under way at Geneva, Switzerland. President Eisenhower made lead-off speech, calling for a "new spirit" in East-West relations and proposed eight-point plan to bring about a cold war armistice. Around the table, clockwise (starting with British, at right foreground) are: British (backs to the camera); French, Russian and the United States.

## Woman Faints as Council Debates Paving Project

The Medford city council adjourned abruptly last night when Mrs. Mariam Rose McCaskey, 410 Kenwood ave., fainted in the council chamber. Her appearance there was in connection with a heated discussion on paving of Kenwood ave. between Second and Humphrey sts.

Mrs. McCaskey was given emergency treatment in the chamber, and later was released from Community hospital where she was taken by Medford ambulance.

Signature Questioned

She appeared before the council upon request of Attorney George W. Rode, who represented opponents to paving the one-block street, after the validity of her signature on a letter was questioned by Councilman Stanley C. Jones Jr. The letter requested that her name be withdrawn from any petition for Kenwood ave. paving.

Jones said there was no proof that the signature was actually hers. He said unless she appeared in person he would consider the petition asking for paving to contain signatures of the owners of 53.8 per cent of the front footage.

He said, after an ordinance ordering paving was adopted, that if "the person appears personally, we may rescind our present action."

Petition Submitted

During the public hearing on the proposal, Rode submitted a petition opposing paving. He noted that Mrs. McCaskey's signature was on the petition, and produced a letter from her asking that her name be withdrawn from "any petition for paving Kenwood avenue," and saying she was "opposed to the paving at this time."

Her letter, along with the opposing petition, was submitted to the council. Both the letter and the opposing petition were dated later than the petition asking for paving.

Public Works Director Vernon Thorpe told the council that if Mrs. McCaskey's signature was withdrawn from the petition requesting paving, enough signatures remained to represent only 49 per cent of the front footage. 50 Per Cent Needed

Signatures of property owners are necessary from owners of at least 50 per cent of the front footage if street improvements are to be assessed to property owners. Thorpe estimated the cost of paving at about \$7 per front foot, and the total cost of paving Kenwood ave. at about \$7,500.

Councilman Donald Hansen moved that the council order paving on Kenwood ave. The motion was seconded by Jones and passed 6 to 2, with Councilman John Snider and Jack Fitzgerald voting against it.

Rode declared the council had assumed that owners of 53.8 per cent of the front footage favored paving. He pointed out that city officials said the percentage dropped to 49 with Mrs. McCaskey's signature withdrawn.

Should Check All

"If it's a matter of challenged signatures," Rode said, "then each signature should be checked."

Mayor Earl Miller assured Rode that signatures on the petition requesting paving had been checked against Jackson county records.

Rode said he believed the council was "ordering paving to dispose of the matter, because it has been here so often." (The Kenwood ave. paving project has been delayed several times this year because of changes in signa-

tures which affected the number of property owners favoring paving.)

"To ignore the signature," Rode said, "is not my idea of a democratic way." Mayor Miller assured Rode it was not the policy of the council to ignore any request.

Councilman Snider asked City Attorney Frank Farrell whether or not the city could order paving with less than 50 per cent of

the front footage represented by signatures.

Farrell said the council had that power, but that property owners cannot be assessed unless owners of more than 50 per cent of the front footage agree. If they do not, the city would pay for paving, he said.

Mrs. McCaskey appeared later, after the council had disposed of other business.

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## Safe Blown Open But 2 Suspects Nabbed

The big walk-in safe at the Mason Ehrman & Co. warehouse and office on Sage rd. was blown open and robbed last night.

Two men, brothers, were arrested shortly thereafter and are being held in connection with the crime. Between \$800 and \$1,000 in currency was taken, but has been recovered.

The men were apprehended by the combined efforts of state and city police and sheriff's deputies. One shot was fired before the men were arrested, but no one was wounded.

Salesman Makes Report

The crime was discovered when Elmer Dowery Hampson, 911 Dakota st., a Mason Ehrman salesman, returned to the office late in the evening to slip some sales orders through a slot in the office door. He saw smoke in the office, and the open safe.

Hampson returned to North Central ave., and telephoned officers at 11:50 p.m. State police immediately dispatched four officers, and notified city police, who were just changing shifts and sent seven men, and the sheriff's office, who sent two deputies.

The officers surrounded the building. The two men, apparently seeing the patrol cars approaching, went up on the roof of the building. Police said they were armed with a .22 caliber rifle, but did no shooting.

Shot Fired in Air

An officer fired one shot in the air as the men ran when police approached. After that they gave up with no further resistance. They were taken into custody at 12:42 a.m.

They are being questioned

about the crime.

The three-judge appeals court used most of its 40-page opinion to discount "new evidence" contained in an affidavit from a California criminologist, Dr. Paul Kirk. Kirk was hired by the Shappard family to investigate the case after Dr. Sheppard's conviction.

Un-American Group Calls Broadway Actors

Washington—(U.P.)—Chairman Francis E. Walter (D-Pa.) disclosed today that the House Un-American Activities Committee has subpoenaed actors from several Broadway hit shows to testify next month at hearings on alleged Communist infiltration of the entertainment field.

Walters said the hearings will be held in New York, probably Aug. 15 to Aug. 18.

He said the investigation will cover a "broad field," including television and the legitimate theater. The committee wants to find out, among other things, whether entertainers are contributing funds to Communist causes. No names were given.

London—(U.P.)—The Duke of Kent, 20-year-old cousin of Queen Elizabeth, is in the hospital recovering from injuries received in an auto accident, the Daily Mail said today.

Sports Bulletin

Manila—(U.P.)—Flash Elorde of the Philippines won a unanimous decision over world featherweight champion Sandy Saddler in a 10-round non-title fight at Rizal Memorial Coliseum tonight before some 6,000 wildly cheering fans.

Lisbon, Portugal—(U.P.)—Billionaire oil man Calouste Sarkis Gulbenkian, one of the world's richest men who vowed he would live to be 106, died today at the age of 86.

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## South Mobs Burn On 'Day of Shame'

Several Americans Lose All Possessions

Saigon, Indochina—(U.P.)—Thousands of rioting South Vietnamese protesting the first anniversary of the "day of shame" when France approved the Indochina armistice pillaged and burned the hotels housing the International Truce Commission today.

First reports said no Americans were injured.

However, about 40 Americans lost all their possessions.

Police reported that the wild mobs also sacked the office of Gen. Claire Chennault's Civil Air Transport Company, which was situated near one of the hotels.

50 Said Hospitalized

Police and troops opened fire, sprayed tear gas and swung clubs to break up the mobs which pillaged the hotels Majestic and Gallieni.

At least 50 persons were reported hospitalized. The demonstrators manhandled two Communist Viet Minh members of the Armistice Control Commission. Police denied that two Viet Minh and one Indian truce observers had been lynched by the mob.

Dozens of rioters were arrested.

Order Restored

Order was restored to the streets of the city before noon.

The government charged that a planned "peaceful" demonstration of the "day of national shame" had been transformed into a wild riot by Viet Minh troublemakers. Others blamed the dissident Cao Dai warlord sect for instigating the violence, and still others blamed the Revolutionary committee which split Indochina in half actually was signed on July 21, 1954. It provided that representatives of the North and South Viet Nam governments should get together to discuss the proposed elections on July 20, 1955, or shortly thereafter.

The Saigon government regards July 20, the day on which former French Premier Mendès-France promised to bring the Indochina war to an end or resign, as the "day of national shame."

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## Argentine Navy Seen Escaped from Peron

Montevideo, Uruguay—(U.P.)—Exiled Argentine Navy officers said here today the bulk of the Argentine war fleet appeared to have escaped from the control of President Juan D. Peron's government.

The Navy officers based their statements on private advices from Buenos Aires.

The officers said they doubted a communique issued by the Argentine Navy Ministry in Buenos Aires that the high seas and River Plate fleets sailed today for training maneuvers.

The officers pointed out it was midwinter in the southern part of the Western Hemisphere and that regular maneuvers are not held by the Argentine Navy at this time.

Rocket Launcher Lack Hampers Air Force

Washington—(U.P.)—The Air Force told House investigators today that an "urgent" contract for 100,000 air to ground rocket launchers is running 75,000 behind.

Brig. Gen. Clyde H. Mitchell, deputy director of production at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, O., told a House Armed Services Investigating Subcommittee that the shortage of rocket launchers is hampering the "capability" of Air Force planes.

State Senator Faces Trial on Drunk Charge

Salem—(U.P.)—State Sen. John Merrifield of Portland was to go on trial in District Court here today on a charge of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Merrifield was arrested near Gervais June 18. He has pleaded innocent to the charge. District Judge E. O. Stadler Jr., who is to preside at the trial, will be heard by a six-member jury.

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## UAW Union Indicted

Detroit—(U.P.)—A federal Grand Jury indicted the CIO United Auto Workers Union today on charges that its television shows supporting Democratic Sen. Patrick McNamara and other Democrats last fall violated federal election laws.

The union was indicted under a law which prohibits banks, corporations and labor organizations from making any contribu-

tion in connection with any election of a U.S. senator or representative.

The union immediately called the indictment an "un-American and unconstitutional effort of the Republican bosses of Michigan John Keikens and Arthur Summerfield (the postmaster general) to deny working people the right to express their opinions on issues and candidates through their union."

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## Preparations Near Completion for Labor Convention

Preparations are nearly complete for the Oregon State Federation of Labor's 53rd annual convention, which will open in the Craterian theater at 10 a.m. Monday, July 25, and will continue for five days. Sessions are open to the public.

Mayor Earl Miller will welcome delegates to the city at the opening hour Monday morning.

Charles Champlin, Medford chief of police, John Pleisch, president of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, and Howard Gault, Jackson county sheriff, will also speak during the welcoming ceremonies.

Federation President J. D. McDonald will make his annual report following the ceremonies.

Scholarship Award

Stan July, 21 Washington st., valedictorian of the Medford High school class of 1955, will be among the three state winners of AFL \$500 scholarships to receive their awards Wednesday morning.

Convention committees will meet Wednesday afternoon to consider resolutions introduced in the first two days. Thursday and Friday will be taken up with convention action on resolutions and conclude with nomination of officers.

Out 11 1/2 Hours

The jury had been out a total of 11 hours, 32 minutes. It was given the case at 10:10 a.m. Slightly over two hours of that were taken for meals, and about 15 minutes for two clarifications of the court's instructions.

Shortly after the jury went out for the first time, Judge Hanna called them back to clarify a part of his instructions.

At 3:45 p.m. the jury re-entered the courtroom at its own request and asked the judge to define again first and second degree murder.

Indicted By Jury

White was indicted by a grand jury on charges of first degree murder in the killing of Eugene Raymond Birk, 32, Phoenix, on March 2. Birk died in an Ashland hospital from blows to his head with a length of two by four timber while at work at the Talent saw mill. White admitted the slaying but pleaded innocent by reason of temporary insanity. He was defended throughout the trial by Attorney Robert Duncan assisted by William Duhaime.

Yesterday, the judge called the court to session at 9:30 a.m. and instructed the jury for 40 minutes. He gave the jurors a choice of six verdicts: first degree murder without recommendation; first degree murder with recommendation for len-

ienty, second degree murder, manslaughter, innocent, and in-between by reason of insanity.

Trial Opens July 11

The trial opened Monday, July 11, with the choosing of the jurors. Actual debate began Wednesday morning. In the course of the proceedings, the state called to the stand Richard Dale Blunc, William Bushnell, and Harold Allen, workers at the Talent mill. Dr. A. E. Merkel, county health officer, and Dr. Gerard Haugen, Portland psychiatrist. Dr. Christian P. Hald, White's family physician, the defendant himself, his mother, wife, George Zickfoose, mill superintendent, Virg Snelson, mill employee, Dr. James C. Luce, Eagle Point, a neurologist, and Dr. John Waterman, Portland psychiatrist, testified for the defense.

Much of the testimony concerned whether White was afflicted with "psycho-motor seizures," a type which could render him temporarily insane. Both sides conceded the defendant is an epileptic.

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The defense entered as evidence a Marine Corps medical report in which White was described as an epileptic, and a "menace" to his fellow servicemen.

Statements from the two psychiatrists generally asserted that because White had such a clear memory of events leading to, during, and after commission of the act, it was unlikely that he was in a psycho-motor seizure. However, the door of possibility was left open by White's claimed inability to remember striking the deceased the second time, his denial of repeating the phrase, "I'll kill the —," and the testimony of mill hands that he kept tying and untying his apron strings after the incident.

Claims Attack

In White's recorded testimony, taken two days after the slaying, he alleged that Birk had attacked him and struck him on the arms and chest "four or five times" just before the killing. White said that shortly before he was relieved for his rest period by Richard Blunc, he had been struck on the chin by a piece of wood flying up from the machine on which he had been working. He had complained about this to Birk, and the two started speaking angrily to each other immediately before Birk attacked him, White said.

District Attorney Walter Nunley attempted to show that because Blunc had not seen it, and because White bore no marks or scars, there could have been no fight. Nunley tried to show that a motive for the killing existed in a dispute between the two men over the matter of White's relief for rest periods. White had several weeks before gone to the boss, Nunley said, to secure a man to relieve him on the machine for a rest period. Birk had resented this, the district attorney alleged, and had remarked to White, "So, you went crying to the Boss."

'Typical Epileptic'

Telling the jury the state had proven White to be no more than a typical epileptic, Nunley, in the closing argument, stated that should they acquit the defendant, they were, in effect, saying that all epileptics might commit such an act of violence.

Second degree murder, as defined in Judge Hanna's instructions, is murder committed purposely and maliciously, but with no premeditation or deliberation.

## White Trial Jury Unanimously Votes 2nd Degree Murder

Bernice Hampton (Tex) White, 37, was convicted of second degree murder by a unanimous jury of six men and six women at 9:42 p.m. yesterday. Circuit Court Judge H. K. Hanna set 9:30 a.m. Friday for sentencing.

White, sitting next to his attorneys, received the verdict calmly. His mother, father and wife, who had heard most of the proceedings and had been waiting in the courtroom all during the jury's deliberations, crowded around him in the hall with affection but no great display of emotion.

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## Transfer of John Day Planning Restudied

Washington—(U.P.)—A re-survey of plans to transfer planning operations from the Portland to the Walla Walla headquarters of Army Engineers was announced today by the Corps of Engineers here.

Sen. Wayne Morse and Richard L. Neuberger, Oregon Democrats, had protested the transfer because, they said, it would have involved the loss of some 100 jobs in the Portland district office.

Brig. Gen. E. C. Itschner, assistant chief of engineers for civil functions, said transfer of the planning work to Walla Walla would not have involved that many jobs but he said the proposal would be re-studied.

Itschner said the decision to transfer John Day work to Walla Walla was made before an appropriation for Ice Harbor dam was voted. He said that work would probably keep the Walla Walla office busy.

Albany To Make Bid For Legion Convention

Albany, Ore.—(U.P.)—Businessmen here today agreed to make a bid for the 1956 Oregon American Legion convention which would attract some 5000 delegates. This year's convlave will open in Redmond next week.

Weather

FORECAST: Continued fair and warm through Thursday. Low tonight 54. High Thursday 95.

Highest Yesterday ..... 91

Lowest this Morning ..... 52

STEVENS QUILTS—Army Secretary Robert T. Stevens, above, a controversial figure in the Army-McCarthy hearings, was to step down from his government post today. He was to receive a Navy award in a noon ceremony and was to witness a farewell parade this evening.

Oil Fortune Comes To Portland Woman

Portland—(U.P.)—A 29-year-old Portland divorcee who supports three children by operating an elevator in the state office building here, has struck oil.

Last spring Mrs. Katherine Fortuny invested \$100 in 100 shares of stock in a Canadian oil firm. Last Saturday, Mrs. Fortuny reports, she was notified that Orecan Oil Co., Ltd., had struck a gusher bringing in 2600 barrels a day just north of the famous Williston basin in North Dakota.