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Chou En Lai Sees Quick Settlement On Civilian Issue

Formosa Liberation Negotiation Offered

Tokyo — (U.P.) — Communist Chinese Premier Chou en Lai said Saturday that a reasonable and quick settlement can be reached in Geneva this week on the return of American civilians held in Red China.

In a remarkably conciliatory speech made before the National Peoples Congress and broadcast by Peiping radio, Chou followed the Soviet line of moderation in the cold war.

He offered to negotiate a "peaceful liberation" of Formosa. He suggested a collective security pact for Asia to include Red China and the United States. He offered to join world disarmament moves. He favored a summit conference on Asia to ease tension in that area.

Overtures Rejected
But his overtures on Formosa were promptly rejected by the Chinese Nationalists, who labeled Chou's suggestion "inconceivable."

"We consider the Communist Chinese rebels," one source in Taipei said. "If they want to talk to us they can come to surrender."

Chou's speech seemed intent on bettering relations with the United States. He said Communist China "will endeavor" to make this week's meeting in Geneva and U. S. ambassadors "pave the way for further negotiations."

To Seek Return of Students
Chou indicated that Red China would press for return of Chinese students now in the United States.

(In Washington, State department spokesman Henry Suydam said it had been pointed out repeatedly that "no Chinese students that we know of... who have applied to return to the mainland are not free to go.")

(The State department announced last April that 70-odd Chinese students, once barred from returning to the mainland, were free to leave the United States at any time.)

Train Kills Children Playing Between Rails

Hayward, Calif. — (U.P.) — A speeding Western Pacific streamliner snuffed out the lives of two children Saturday as they lay between the rails of a trestle playfully dropping rocks on another train passing below.

The victims were identified by the Alameda coroner's office as Kathleen Letai, 12, and William L. McGeorge, 12, both of Hayward.

Railroad officials said the accident occurred on an overhead west of here, where the Western Pacific tracks pass over those of the Southern Pacific.

Witnesses said the children were so absorbed in watching the train passing below they apparently did not hear the approach of the California Zephyr as it thundered over the tracks at nearly 60 miles an hour.

Conferees Deadlocked on Public Housing Provision

Washington — (U.P.) — Senate conferees were deadlocked last night on the public housing provision in a new housing bill—the last major hurdle to congressional adjournment.

Pony Express Riders Race SP's 'Rogue River' Train From Eugene to Roseburg

Roseburg — (U.P.) — The horses—iron and flesh—were in their starting blocks and all set to go at the stroke of midnight last night. With a toot and a snort they took off from Eugene in a mad dash to Roseburg, 75 miles to the south. The idea being to determine which is faster—the Southern Pacific's "Rogue River" train, or a pony express.

The pony express, thought up by the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce and made up of riders and horses from six saddle clubs, was out to prove that horses can carry a letter from Eugene to Roseburg faster than the train.

New Riders, Same Engineer
The railroad was out to prove nothing more than that the train will start on schedule at Eugene and arrive in Roseburg. The pony express will change horses and riders each mile.

The train will keep the same engineer all the way. Starting time was pretty definitely set at 12:01 a.m. But there was some difference of opinion as to when the finish tape will be reached. Sponsors of the pony express said they expected the train will chug into the Roseburg station around 3 a.m. Southern Pacific officials said this isn't so—they thought the train would get in around 2 a.m.

To confuse matters, the pony express traveled a route eight miles shorter than the railroad, causing SP officials to shout "foul." They contended the riders should make every stop the train does and travel the same route.

Whatever routes were to be taken, however, there was to be a big celebration at the Roseburg end of the run. A goodly number of this Douglas county city's citizens were expected to stay up to greet the riders and the train in their pre-dawn finish. To keep the celebrants occupied street dancing and a watermelon feed was planned.

Poor Service Charged
The whole thing started when Southern Pacific announced it wanted to abandon its passenger run from Eugene through Roseburg to Grants-Pass, Medford and Ashland. The railroad said it had been losing money for years on the service. Opponents of the plan, mostly Chamber of Commerce officials and civic leaders of the communities of the communities affected, contended it was the railroad's poor service which led to loss of passengers.

Russia, Great Britain, France Join in Race To Launch Satellite

London — (U.P.) — Russia and Britain were reported ready to join the American space race Saturday, while the French said that a flight to the moon now is only a matter of money.

Authorized Soviet sources in Moscow said the Russians are preparing to launch a satellite similar to the American artificial planet. No date was announced for a possible takeoff, but German rocket pioneers said the Soviets may get the first satellite into space.

Algerian Rebels Fail to Spring Trap

Algiers, Algeria — (U.P.) — Fierce Algerian rebels battled to escape a desert trap set by Foreign Legionnaires Saturday but the trap held.

There was no retreat for the rebels as the pitched battle roared through its second day. The Legionnaires, France's best fighting troops, reported they had killed at least 25 men of the outlaw "Army of God" in the rocky hills 16 miles north of Negrine in East Algeria.

A French Piper Cub spotter plane covering the movements of the insurgent column was shot down by the rebels who now have heavy machineguns. The tribesmen tried vainly to flee before the Legionnaires could close the trap around them. But they were caught.

The Legionnaires have been hunting the band since Wednesday when 25 French soldiers were ambushed and killed in a supply convoy moving through the nearby Aures mountains.

Novato, Calif. — (U.P.) — Airman Ronald G. Hofenbredl, 21, of Hamilton Air Force base, died instantly Friday and a companion was critically injured when their car turned over.

Estimated 2,000 See First Rodeo; Last Show Today

Queen Marie Ross, Princesses Open Show

An estimated 2,000 or more people were on hand Friday night to view the first of three rodeos presented during the 13th annual Rogue River Roundup.

After the grand entry of all contestants and the sheriff's posse and drill teams, Roundup Queen Marie Ross and her four princesses, Verna Hickman, Collette Perrine, Glenda Forman and Maxine Welch, opened the festivities. Other officials and Roundup participants, including Sheriff Howard Gault, Don Miller, rodeo stock producer, and Leonard Ward, general chairman, were also presented.

12 Events Included
The rodeo itself consisted of 12 events including bull dogging, bareback riding, calf roping, saddle bronc riding and brahma bull riding—all presented "in the spirit of the old west."

Hard-bucking, sun fishing broncs tossed three out of six riders in the saddle division, but only one out of seven contestants were thrown in the bareback riding section. Norm Woodward and Bill Herrera were the only two to remain astride the necessary eight seconds in the brahma bull event.

The Jackson County Sheriff's Posse drill team, under drill master Homer Marx, presented a series of drills that included the "double-ring," "threading the needle," "oblique cross-over," "pinwheel" and others. The junior posse followed later in the show with a series of fast drills that included the "wedding ring" and "necklace."

Today's show, beginning at 2 p.m., will feature the presentation of the Gibson saddle for the Roundup's "all-around cowboy," three quarter-mile stock-horse races for cowboys, girls and junior riders, and presentation of prize money to contestants in addition to the regular events.

The Friday afternoon parade through downtown Medford, consisting mostly of horses and riders, and the bigger and more pretentious Saturday parade, attracted large crowds.

The Saturday parade was led by the Ashland Killie bagpipe band, and also featured Bliss Heine's Juniors and Eve Prance's accordeonists. In addition to riding groups there were comic entries, floats and automobiles, and the partly-finished Jackson County Disaster Car.

Minimum Wage Bill Sent to Eisenhower

Washington — (U.P.) — The House Saturday completed congressional action on legislation raising the federal minimum wage from 75 cents to \$1 an hour effective next March 1.

It now goes to the White House. If signed by President Eisenhower, it will mean pay increases for some 2,100,000 workers who now get less than \$1 an hour.

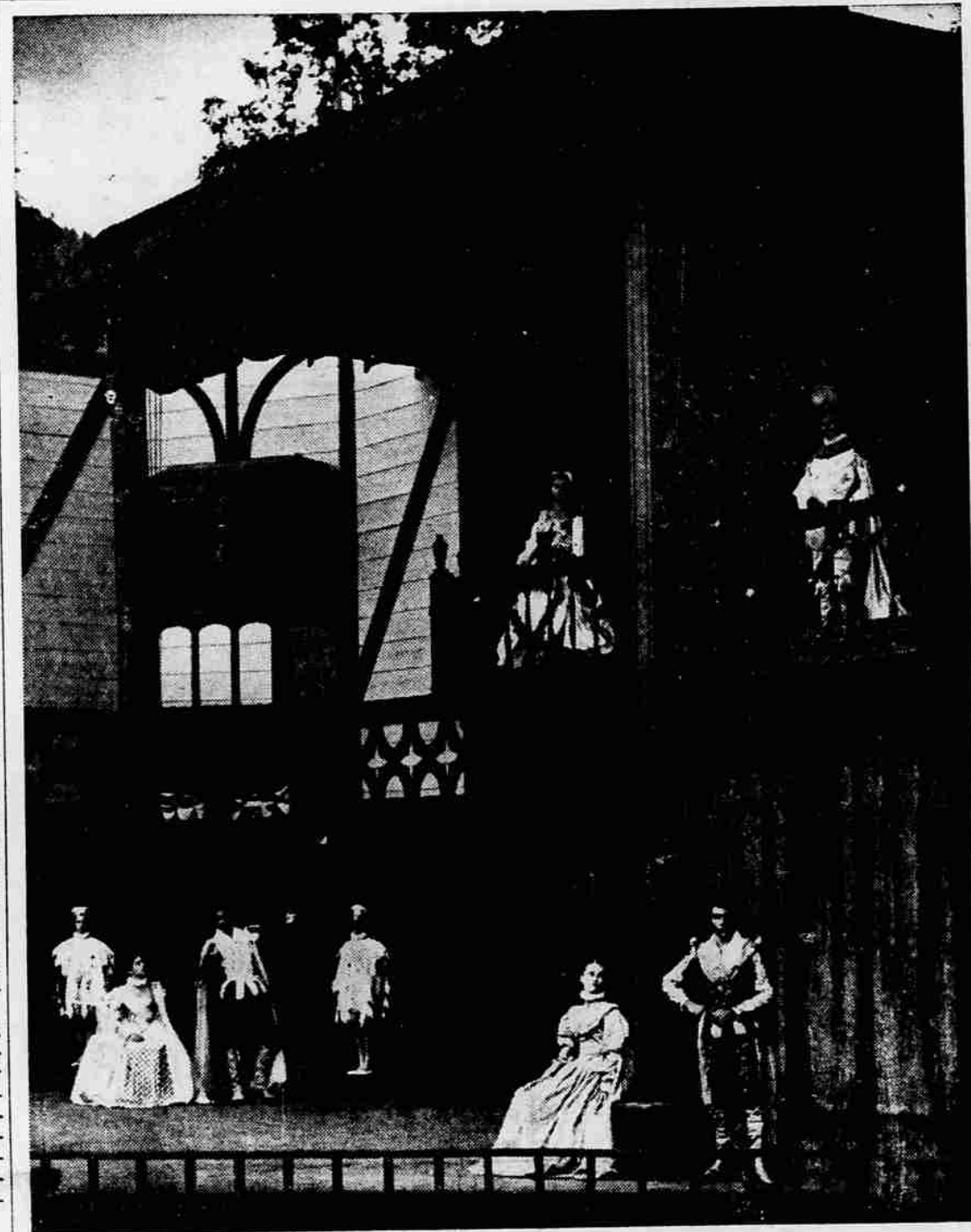
Mr. Eisenhower had recommended the minimum be raised to 90 cents but Democrats pushed through the higher figure. The president has not said whether he will sign the bill. But Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell said he would recommend signature.

Monday Adjournment Seen for Congress

Washington — (U.P.) — Congress went on a bill-passing spree Saturday, clearing the decks for adjournment expected Monday.

Speaker Sam Rayburn (Tex.) said flatly the House would adjourn Monday.

Dead, Three Missing As Boat Capsizes At Umpqua River Bar



MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM—The scene shown above will be frequently repeated this summer in the Shakespearean Festival theater in Ashland. It was taken during a dress rehearsal of the lead-off play in the 1955 festival, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," which will open the month-long event tomorrow evening. The actors shown are, left to right on the upper level, Irene Baird and Don Soule; lower level, Jean Fitch, Joan Kugell, Robert Stattel, Karen Cochran, Agnes David and Michael Kasdan. The theater stage is a reproduction of the old Fortune theater in London, and the plays are presented with Shakespeare's own stage directions. (Anita Fowler photo.)

Shakespeare Plays Start Monday

Ashland — The 20th Oregon Shakespearean Festival opens tomorrow. It will run through August.

The event, which has earned an international reputation since it was first started, (on the same program as a boxing match in 1935) has grown to become one of the major dramatic projects of the Pacific coast.

Some 15,000 or 20,000 or more paid admissions are expected this season, many of them from out of the state. It is recognized as an important tourist attraction by the travel information division of the Oregon highway department.

Springfield Man Heads Oregon Legion

Redmond, Ore. — (U.P.) — Jack Larson of Springfield, Ore., was named commander of the Oregon Department of the American Legion here Saturday at the final session of the department's annual convention. He was elected unanimously.

Morse Wants Talbot's Affairs Investigated

Washington — (U.P.) — Sen. Wayne Morse suggested Saturday that Senate investigators receive their inquiry into Air Force Secretary Harold E. Talbot's private financial affairs to determine whether he was involved in the fight for control of the New York Central railroad.

Among other things, the Oregon Democrat said in a Senate speech, the Senate investigations subcommittee should ask Talbot whether he approached "any other members of the present cabinet or the New York Central matter."

Sutherland Man Victim; Two Saved On Fishing Jaunt

Coast Guard Warns Of Rough River Bar

Reedsport, Ore. — (U.P.) — At least one sports fisherman was drowned Saturday when the pleasure boat Viray capsized in heavy surf at the Umpqua river bar here. Three others were still missing and two were rescued.

The coast guard at the Umpqua river lifeboat station said the dead man was Clifford Kenneth Flory, 51, of Sutherlin, Ore. Survivors of the mishap were identified as Albert Lewis, Reedsport, and Lloyd L. Ballentine, Sutherlin.

Warned by Coast Guard
Others aboard the craft were Cecil Haig, Sutherlin, Royce Bowman, Reedsport, and Robert Sandau, Oakland, Ore.

The Winchester Bay coast guard station said there were about 125 boats behind the jetty in the Umpqua river during the morning and the coast guard had warned them that the river bar was rough and that if they crossed they would have to remain at sea for six hours.

The coast guard summoned a search plane from its Port Angeles, Wash., station to hunt for the three missing men. The Viray was being mashed to bits on the south jetty at the river mouth.

On Fishing Trip
The men had started on a fishing trip when the boat was caught and capsized in huge breakers near the Umpqua bar. The coast guard said the sea outside the harbor was calm and there was only a slight wind blowing, but the breakers were "huge and rough."

The coast guard said Lewis and Ballentine were "pretty beaten up" by the pounding waters but were being treated by a doctor at the lifeboat station.

Grand Jury Indicts Abbott in Kidnap Case

Oakland, Calif. — (U.P.) — The Alameda County Grand Jury Saturday indicted Burton W. Abbott on two counts for kidnaping of Berkeley school girl Stephanie Bryan.

The jury voted the indictment after four days of inquiry into the case that has aroused more interest in the San Francisco Bay area than any other crime in recent years.

Abbott, nervous and unsmiling, was immediately transferred from his Berkeley jail cell to new quarters in the county jail here.

The 27-year-old University of California student, who twice refused to go before the grand jury, said he still hoped to meet with Stephanie's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Charles S. Bryan Jr., and convince them that "I know nothing about (their) daughter."

Abbott was arrested for murder July 21 when 14-year-old Stephanie's body was found in remote Trinity county.

San Francisco — (U.P.) — A man identified as Antonio Rocco Bulletti, 53, apparently took his own life Saturday by leaping from the Golden Gate bridge. The Coast Guard recovered the body near Pt. Diablo.

Down Payment on Federal Home Mortgages Increased

Washington — (U.P.) — The Eisenhower administration, frankly worried about inflationary pressures, Saturday raised down payment requirements two percent on all homes bought with government-insured mortgages.

It also abolished the veterans administration's policy of no down payments on GI home loans.

Federal Housing Chief Albert M. Cole called the action "a mild and temporary precautionary measure which seeks to assure the housing market will not contribute inflationary pressures to the economy."

The administration, in raising veterans...

Sports Bulletin

Long Beach, Calif. — (U.P.) — The Los Angeles Rams displayed a top aerial attack last night in trouncing the Fort Ord (Calif.) Warriors, 44-17.

Sacramento, Calif. — (U.P.) — Late inning homers by Luis Marquez and Ed Mickleson helped the Portland Beavers down Sacramento, 6-4, last night in the opening game of a Pacific Coast League series.