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How About the UN?

The 10th annual U.N. General Assembly session will go down in history as the one which broke the membership dam. It was General Assembly action on an 18-nation "package deal" on Dec. 8 which paved the way first for vetoes in the Security Council of any new memberships and then, on Dec. 14, for Security Council agreement on a 16-nation deal, leaving out Outer Mongolia and Japan.

Nationalist China's veto of membership of Outer Mongolia, which brought on the record 15 vetoes by Soviet Russia on Dec. 13, gives the General Assembly a kind of made-to-order grudge fight for its next session. As the tenth session opened on Sept. 20, the United States succeeded in getting accepted for the third successive year its resolution postponing a decision on whether Communist China should hold China's place in the U.N. The vote was 42 to 12, with six abstentions.

Voting with the five-nation Communist bloc against postponement were Burma, Denmark, India, Indonesia, Norway, Sweden, Yugoslavia. Abstaining were Afghanistan, Egypt, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Syria, and Yemen. On the same question in 1954, Indonesia abstained; Israel had voted for postponement.

WHEN the question inevitably comes up at the next Assembly session, Nationalist China can expect to reap the ill will of more Afro-Asian and other "neutralist" nations. In jeopardizing the original package membership deal which the General Assembly had recommended by a vote of 52 to 2, Chiang Kai-shek's representatives were swimming against the tide. Moreover, if the Chinese had killed the deal entirely, they would have kept out of the U.N. six Afro-Asian nations—Jordan, Libya, Ceylon, Nepal, Cambodia, Laos—plus three other nations generally considered "neutralist"—Austria, Finland, Eire (Ireland).

The General Assembly at its next session could vote by a simple majority to seat Red China's representatives as representing China, or, if some nation insisted that this was an "important" question, by a two-thirds majority. Nations backing Red China might corral a two-thirds majority. In the Security Council Nationalist China holds the veto right. Whether the matter of Red China's credentials there would be simply procedural remains in some doubt, as does the question of Nationalist China's veto right on a procedural matter involving credentials.

ASIDE from the membership gains, the 10th General Assembly session can hardly be said to have accomplished much. One highlight was an overwhelming victory for a resolution to give first priority in future disarmament efforts to a Western-sponsored plan featuring President Eisenhower's air inspection proposal.

As the session closed, the Union of South Africa was boycotting the Assembly. The walk-out occurred on Nov. 9, after the Special Political Committee had adopted a resolution expressing "concern" that South Africa maintained its apartheid (racial separation) policy after the Assembly had requested that the policy be reconsidered. The Assembly on Dec. 15 urged the governments of India, Pakistan, and South Africa to continue negotiations on the treatment of Indian minorities in South Africa.

Another boycott had ended on Nov. 29, after two months, when France returned. France, which had walked out when the Assembly voted, 28 to 27, on Sept. 30 to place the question of Algerian unrest on the agenda, came back when the Assembly voted unanimously to drop the Algerian question for this session.—E.R.R.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Question: Did somebody mention a threatened water shortage in Southern Oregon and Far Northern California a while back?

SPEAKING of weather, the teletype contributes this one: Weather men will try dusting the clouds with dry ice next year in an effort to steer hurricanes away from populated areas or out to sea. The idea is the latest worked out by a special study group set up to cope with weather problems of this sort.

AT first thought, it sounds wonderful.

But—That's a lot of POWER for human hands to hold. On second thought, it half gives one the shivers.

LET'S turn to something simpler and more comforting than the power HELD IN HUMAN HANDS to control a hurricane and steer it away from a big city—possibly into villages whose people value their lives as much as big city people do—as one steers an automobile away from an obstacle in the road.

DOWN in the great Central Valleys of California a while back, they were building a levee to control the flow of water. In the way of the levee, as the engineers had located it, stood a huge old oak tree.

So they cut it down.

The tree was owned by a farmer named George Johnson. He put in a bill for \$500. When the bill came up before the California state finance department it was held up. Five hundred dollars, the department experts said, is a LOT of MONEY for a tree. They called Farmer Johnson to explain his bill.

He said the tree was worth \$500 because throughout the year, in summer and in winter, it gave shelter from sun and storm for his sheep and his cattle.

HE might have added—although the record doesn't indicate that he did—that in the priceless golden years of their childhood his children played under the branches of that spreading old oak, and perhaps climbed up into it, as children will, and built playhouses up there in the leafy greenery.

I don't know Mr. Johnson. But if he is in his serene and yellowing years and his children have grown up and moved away, he must have his memories. These memories must include golden curls blowing in the wind and happy, laughing voices ringing in the air as the children romped and played in the friendly shelter of that ancient tree.

Who can put a price on such memories?

Only the angels, I think, are competent to do so.

At any rate, the bill for the tree was referred by the state finance department to the state reclamation board and the reclamation board has just voted to go out on a limb and see to it that Mr. Johnson gets \$500 for his tree.

George Lodi, of Arbuckle, a member of the reclamation board, put it this way: "I don't think there is any doubt we all feel that Johnson is entitled to the \$500."

I think Mr. Lodi must have children of his own—and maybe grandchildren.

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Russia's Veto of UN Seat for Japan May Backfire Is View

By CHARLES M. McCANN United Press Correspondent

It may prove that Soviet Russia's action in blocking the admission of Japan to the United Nations was not so smart.

Russia vetoed Japan's application for membership because a Nationalist China vetoed the application of Outer Mongolia.

Japan was a humiliated and angered by the slap it received. The first tendency in Tokyo, naturally, was to blame the Nationalists.

It is true that if Nationalist China had not cast its veto, despite the personal pleas of President Eisenhower to Generalissimo Chiang-Kai-shek, Japan would now be in the United Nations.

But advices indicate now that the Japanese are increasingly inclined to put the blame where it really lies. That is, with the Kremlin.

After all, Japan is a nation of nearly 90 million people. It has been one of the world's greatest powers and it will be again.

Outer Mongolia is a political fake. It is an artificially created satellite of the Soviet Union. It has no set boundaries. Authorities differ widely on its population.

Nearly every member of the United Nations wanted to admit Japan. Nobody, outside of the

six Communist members, really wanted Outer Mongolia in.

Why should Russia have been so insistent on the admission of Outer Mongolia to the United Nations as the price of Japan's admission?

One reason seems to be that the Kremlin used the Nationalist veto to keep Japan out for the present. It hoped to force Japan to make concessions in the long-drawn-out negotiations for a Russian-Japanese peace treaty.

Another may have been that it wanted to coerce Japan into seeking closer relations with Communist China.

A third reason probably was a desire to "save face". That is an Oriental device for covering up an evident defeat with an apparent victory. Russian diplomacy often has an Asiatic complexion.

In other words, the Kremlin apparently decided that if it could not get Outer Mongolia into the United Nations, it had to keep some other country out.

Recent advices from Tokyo say that Japan's attitude toward Russia is likely to be hardened as the result of the U.N. action and that it will not be coerced into making concessions.

It is reported also that Japan is increasingly cool toward the question of seeking closer relations with Communist China.

Pressure on Premier Ichiro Hatoyama to recognize the Communist regime has notably lessened in recent weeks. Nor is there the hope which existed a few months ago of closer trade relations.

This is partly due also to the

visits of Japanese members of Parliament, business men and news men to Red China. Their reports have been critical.

They were not impressed by life in the Communist paradise. Also, they saw signs that Red China might become a trade rival instead of a customer.

RKO Film Library Sold; \$15,200,000 Paid By TV Firm

New York—(U.P.)—C&C Super Corp. announced today purchase of the entire film library of RKO-Radio Pictures, Inc., for \$15,200,000 in cash.

The library, comprising 740 feature motion picture films and over 1,000 short subjects, will be used for exhibition on TV throughout the world and for motion picture showing outside the United States and Canada.

Between 80 and 85 per cent of the films will be made available immediately to stations throughout the country.

Three Years Old All the pictures in this block are at least three years old. RKO reserved the right not to release any of its pictures until after they had been exhibited for three years in the United States through standard motion picture channels.

The remaining films will be available in a matter of months since RKO film production has been relatively small within the past three years, the announcement said.

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Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS

Reno, Nev.—Civil Defense Administrator Val Peterson, promising federal aid to flood victims in western Nevada: "We're not here to take over but to help where we can. You're going to have to do all you can to help yourselves."

Washington—David Eisenhower, the President's seven-year-old grandson, on the White House Christmas of the Eisenhowers: "Boy, did I have a time today."

Paris—Former French Premier Pierre Mendes-France proposing settling of the Algerian crisis by conciliation: "We will not be able to stay in North Africa or in the other countries of the French Union as long as we count on force, repression and violence."

Paris—French Premier Edgar Faure, on the recent Nationalist Chinese veto in the United Nations on admission of Communist Outer Mongolia: "Is it realistic to reconsider that China still is represented by Formosa?"

Chicago—Ned H. Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council, on the holiday highway slaughter: "We may have dreamed of a White Christmas but we have made it black with a record of death, destruction and disaster on the highway by which no American can help but be depressed, ashamed and frightened."

Moscow—"The Soviet Union appreciates the opportunity to become acquainted with the operatic culture of the United States and the great talents of the American people."

On The Side

By E. V. Durling

Beautiful one, be not so coy. Do not disdain me. Sweet, entertain me! Do not, O do not, prize your beauty At too high a rate. Love to be loved While you are lovely. Lest you love too late. —Bayley.

The ideal mother, from a eugenic standpoint, is of high intelligence, has broad hips, sturdy limbs and big feet. So says an expert on the subject. Therefore, young woman, if you are somewhat "hippy" and have big feet, don't be depressed. To you nature has apparently been kind. You will be the mother of some wonderful children.

grandmother, who was the mother of 15 children and lived to be 88.

Asides It is the female mosquito that does the stinging. The male mosquito is a vegetarian. . . . Iceland has been a nation for over 1,000 years and has never had a war. . . . Players named Doolin, Doolan and Dolan were all on the Philadelphia National League Ball club at the same time. Once the summary describing a double play read: "From Doolan to Doolin to Dolan or Doolan to Dolan to Doolin."

Insults In Paris the supreme insult one autoist can shout to another is "Ecole! Ecole!" This means, "Why don't you go to automobile school and learn how to drive?" We could use a good one word insult for careless, stupid and inept automobile drivers in this country. Any suggestions?

Chew on a sprig of parsley after eating onions and odor of the onions will be eliminated from your breath, making you again fit to be associated with or to kiss your girl good-night. . . . Since 1940 every President of the United States elected in a year ending in zero has died in office. That includes Harrison, Lincoln, Garfield, McKinley, Harding and F. D. Roosevelt. So I suppose the man elected in 1960 may have cause to do a little worrying.

Men born under Pisces (Feb. 21-March 20) are not happy unless they can completely dominate their households. They prefer the clinging vine type of wife. They are opposed to wives having careers. They expect perfect home managing. They want all the comforts of a home plus service like a hotel. Pisces men usually do well financially. They know how to make money and how to keep it. Or so say the star-gazers.

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Most of us are reluctant to face unpalatable truths. That sensitive spot on our molar is probably just a temporary irritation; that twinge of pain in the region of the heart will no doubt go away if we give it time. Too many of us put off seeing our dentist or consulting our physician for a periodic check-up. Similarly, possibility of early death is an unpleasant fact that we try hard not to think about. Yet only two categories of people can afford to disregard such a contingency—those who have no dependents and those who have made, through life insurance, sufficient provision for their loved ones against the chance of untimely death. If you cannot conscientiously claim to be in either of these categories drop me a line—or telephone.

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Flight o' Time

Medford and Jackson County History from the files of The Mail Tribune 10, 20, 30 and 40 years ago.

10 YEARS AGO Dec. 27, 1945 (It was Thursday) Local Democratic group asks Floyd K. Dover to run for governor.

From Arthur Perry's Ye Smudge Pot column: Horticulturists of the valley will start off the New Year with an old and favorite fret missing. They won't have spent the first three months worrying about lack of snow in the hills next April for irrigation water next August.

20 YEARS AGO Dec. 27, 1935 (It was Friday) A telephone system will be completed this winter between Hutton and Jacksonville by members of the CCC.

Attendance at Jackson county rural schools below registered student figures because of epidemics of contagious diseases.

30 YEARS AGO Dec. 27, 1925 (It was Sunday) From Rogue River news: Julian's confectionery has been another to come up with the times and have installed a radio, and is giving a great deal of pleasure to the people who visit the store.

H. M. Chadwick, former Medford resident, resigns as assistant state engineer.

40 YEARS AGO Dec. 27, 1915 (It was Monday) Possibilities of securing the Arthur Putnam mermaid statue from the San Francisco exposition will be considered at a meeting of civic department of Greater Medford club.

From Local and Personal column: There was a hot time in the old town of Jacksonville Christmas, with many celebrating at the same time. A night in the county jail cooled the enthusiasm of the more jubilant.

What's the Answer? Can You Get 4 of the 7? Copr. 1955, Editorial Research Report

1. Dr. Paul D. White, medical consultant to the President, says mid-January, mid-February, mid-March or mid-June will show whether his recovery is complete?

2. Woodrow Wilson was born 100 years ago, in New Jersey, Ohio, New York, Virginia or Illinois?

3. Maximum weight for trucks is set by the Interstate Commerce Commission, Congress, the Secretary of Commerce or each state for its own roads?

4. Most oranges consumed in the U.S. come from Florida; right or wrong?

5. Which of these was under strike in December: General Electric, Westinghouse Electric, General Motors, U.S. Steel, Montgomery Ward?

6. President Eisenhower's farm at Gettysburg is about (a) 25, (b) 70, (c) 150 or (d) 250 miles by air from Washington?

7. Wilber M. Brucker is Secretary of the Army, the Navy or the Air Force?

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