

Khrushchev Attacks Eisenhower and Dulles

Doubt Expressed Russia Really Has Overseas Missile

Washington — (U.P.) — Defense officials expressed doubt today that Russia has developed an inter-continental missile.

At the same time they cautioned against underestimating Russian capabilities in this fateful field.

Defense officials, who have been taken aback by Russian technological advances in the past, were not inclined to pool-pooch Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin's latest hint that Russia has developed rocket weapons of "inter-continental power."

Development of an ocean-spanning missile could tip the balance of world power. There is no known defense against an inter-continental ballistic missile, which often is called the ultimate weapon of the future.

Both Russia and the United States are known to be working on development of an inter-continental missile. The United States in recent weeks has put the ballistic missile program in

a top priority category. U. S. development, however, is believed several years away, according to predictions.

Based on our own rate of progress, however, it seemed improbable to U. S. officials that Russia has succeeded already in development of the highly complex weapon. An inter-continental missile presents staggering problems of power, guidance and heat resistant metals that can withstand the terrific friction before the missile comes crashing down on its target at several times the speed of sound.

What concerned U. S. defense officials was Bulganin's indication of the Russians' rapid technological advance.

While Russian technological capabilities still are not equal to those of the United States, defense leaders point out that in many ways the Russian rate of technological progress in the past 10 years has been greater than that of the United States. Russian technical advances on military developments.

Evidence of Russian technological strides is seen in such developments as the new Red inter-continental jet bomber powered by more powerful jet engines than any now in use by the United States, and Russian explosion of an atomic bomb two years ahead of the official U. S. estimate.

Direct Payments To Flood Victims Being Considered

Washington — (U.P.) — The Administration is considering a proposal that the government make direct payments with no strings attached to aid persons suffering flood losses, it was learned today.

The proposal, if approved by various agencies, will be sent to Congress as recommended legislation.

Frank J. Meistrill, acting head of the Housing and Home Finance Agency (HHFA), announced yesterday that the administration has nearly completed drafting a legislative program for "flood indemnity assistance."

He gave no details.

Paid Out of Public Funds — But an informed source said the plan under consideration proposes that "the victim be indemnified (paid directly) for a loss . . . out of public funds."

The payments would be a gift, the source said. There would be no loan or insurance-type payments involved.

The source would not discuss the scale of payments or what would be required to qualify for the government assistance.

Such a plan represents a major shift in administration thinking on how to help compensate persons suffering property losses from floods and other natural disasters. Private insurance companies offer little protection against such losses because of the great risks involved.

Science Education Crisis Studied

Atlanta, Ga. — (U.P.) — Scientists pondered today what to do about a crisis in science education that is putting the United States far behind Russia in the training of technical specialists.

Dr. Alan T. Waterman, director of the federally financed National Science Foundation, told the American Association for the Advancement of Science that the government is helping relieve the situation to the tune of \$395,000,000 a year but that most of the responsibility lies with local school authorities and parents.

Waterman elaborated at a press conference with five other authorities in the field of education.

Vatican City — (U.P.) — Vatican quarters have issued a sharp reminder to the Communist world that Russia must drop its warlike posture if there is to be atomic peace.

Grants Pass Indian Woman Declared Owner of Timber Once Sold in Fraud

Portland — (U.P.) — A young Grants Pass Indian woman has been declared owner of inherited timber in Douglas and Lane counties worth more than \$30,000 which she sold for \$3000 in 1951.

U. S. District Judge Gus Solomon ruled that Anna Elizabeth Macey, a bank clerk, was the victim of fraud and conspiracy. He ruled that actually the timber never was sold because documents purporting to transfer her ownership to Fred Marsh, Lebanon logger, were void.

Assistant U. S. Attorney Victor Harr told Judge Solomon

that John C. Blanford, Marsh's assistant, went to the home of Miss Macey and her mother, Aleena Towler, and offered \$3000 for the timber. Mrs. Towler, guardian because her daughter was a minor, inquired of the Indian Bureau in Portland. According to Harr, the letter fell into the hands of Clyde Flinn, then land officer for the bureau, who wrote that \$3000 was a fair price.

Mrs. Towler then sold the timber for her daughter, Harr said. However, only another Indian could buy without putting the land up for public auction. Harr

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PATTERSON ASKS RELIEF FUNDS

Nike Due To Go Overseas

Washington — (U.P.) — The Nike anti-aircraft guided missile is the next advanced weapon likely to be sent to Europe to strengthen Western defenses, it was learned today.

The missile itself probably will not be sent overseas for more than a year. But in the meantime, launching sites, including underground storage rooms, will be constructed for the Nike.

The supersonic missile, which already is protecting 18 major cities in the United States, will be assigned to U. S. forces stationed in Europe. Its primary mission will be to guard the string of U. S. bases there, particularly in Germany. But it also probably will be used in helping protect major West European cities.

Present plans do not call for furnishing any West European forces with the Nike, although the Allies will be informed

about the capabilities of the weapon. There is a possibility West European nations may even be given sufficient information about the weapon so they can produce it themselves if they want to.

The plan to send Nike missile units to Europe reflects (1) the near completion of the first phase of affording anti-aircraft protection to major U. S. cities, (2) the growing demand of smaller European nations for greater

access to advanced weapons developed by the United States and Great Britain, and (3) the determination to equip North Atlantic Treaty Organization forces with the most modern weapons, including nuclear weapons.

The Nike, which has a high kill capability against enemy bombers up to 25 miles away, is the only operational Army missile not yet supplied to U. S. Army forces in Europe.

Damage Reported To Governor; Final Estimate \$364,120

A final estimate of \$364,120 damage, not including private property, was caused in Jackson county by the recent flood, according to a report forwarded to Gov. Paul Patterson late yesterday.

The report was prepared by Maj. Gen. Joseph Hicks, civil defense administrator, with the assistance of County Engineer Paul Rynning and civil defense officials in Rogue River and Shady Cove.

An earlier report estimated more than \$300,000 damages, but was made before a final tally Gen. Hicks said.

Red Cross officials still are surveying flood areas for an accurate monetary estimate of damage to private property. A "horseback" estimate of \$500,000 was announced yesterday.

Another survey is underway today by Gen. John Hargraves of the state civil defense agency; County Commissioner L. G. Morthland; Rynning, and a representative of the small business administration, Portland. Gen. Hargraves plans to give the governor an "eye-witness report" on flood conditions in southern Oregon.

Forestry Damage — Last week's storms and high water caused damage estimated at between \$35,000 and \$50,000 to installations of the state department of forestry's southwest Oregon district.

Ted Maul, district warden, said the damage is mostly to roads, bridges, buildings and telephone lines maintained by the state forest patrol here. Some of the damage is still unknown, he said, as washed out roads or bridges has prevented inspection of some areas.

Railroads To Speed Up Rate Increase Request

Washington — (U.P.) — The Interstate Commerce Commission agreed today to let the nation's railroads follow a speed-up procedure in seeking a 7 per cent freight rate increase.

The railroads recently announced they would seek the boost, which would be effective Feb. 9. It would amount to over \$500,000,000 a year.

Under the ICC ruling the railroads will not follow the normal procedure of filing a petition requesting the rate increase. Public hearings are held by the ICC on such petitions.

Instead, the railroads will merely file new tariffs which include the 7 per cent boost. The increases will take effect automatically Feb. 9 unless suspended by the ICC.



SHOUTS DOWN RED HECKLERS—Jumping to his feet to answer a charge by the Communists accusing him of "starting a war" in Algeria, former French Premier Pierre Mendès-France (left) points his finger at Communist Party leader Jacques Duclos (far right foreground) saying that the Red had helped the National Assembly defeat the Mendès-France government specifically on the Algerian question and that therefore Duclos must share the responsibility for the loss of hundreds of lives in the North African uprising. During the debate in Paris with Duclos, Mendès-France had to shout down thousands of Communist hecklers.

Medford Woman Reported Missing In Yuba City Flood

A Medford woman who was visiting relatives in Yuba City, Calif., is believed to have drowned in the flood there last Saturday, according to word received here.

Mrs. Vera Johnson, 244 South Grape st., was visiting her nephew, Robert Bartlett, in Yuba City when leaves broke along the Feather river. R. L. Harris, 330 O'Gara ave., Medford, an uncle of Bartlett, said neither Mrs. Johnson or Bartlett have been found, and are presumed to have drowned.

Harris said Mrs. Johnson went to Yuba City recently to care for Bartlett's mother, Mrs. Charles Bartlett, who was discharged from a hospital there following surgery.

Reported Missing Sunday — Harris said Mrs. Johnson and Bartlett were reported missing sometime Sunday morning.

Bartlett's two children, his wife, Norma, and mother were rescued by helicopter. Mrs. Norma Bartlett and her mother-in-law held the two small children atop an automobile all night Saturday before the helicopter rescue. They are now staying with relatives in Marysville across the river from Yuba City.

Mrs. Johnson was employed at the Pinnacle Packing company here.

Road Conditions

Highway 62, Prospect — Spots of ice.
Highway 99, Siskiyou — Packed snow and ice, sanded.
Highway 66, Green Springs — Spots of ice.

Highway 99, California — Open, some icy spots.
Highway 97 — Chains required in some sections.

Highway 101 — Closed Laytonville to Eureka, except for emergency, light traffic in daylight only and subject to convoy; open Eureka to Bandon; expected to open in Coquille area later today to limited traffic.

Highway 42 — Closed because of slides.
Highway 38 — Closed because of slides.

Ike Devotes First Full Vacation Day To Painting Scene

Key West, Fla. — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower today started the first full day of his South Florida vacation by working indoors on an oil painting of a Colorado Rocky mountain scene.

Partly cloudy and windy weather with occasional showers in the early morning may have influenced the President's decision to remain at his quarters during the morning.

Later in the day, Mr. Eisenhower was expected to get outdoors if the early morning showers do not recur.

The temperature was in the low 70s and the sun broke

through the clouds periodically. Winds were blowing between 20 and 30 miles an hour and small craft warnings were displayed through the Keys.

Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said "no work of necessity" confronted the President today, although a "semi-final" draft of the State of the Union Message would arrive by aerial courier from Washington tomorrow morning.

The President was expected to do some work on his Jan. 5 message tomorrow.

Told of Khrushchev Charge — During the morning, the President was informed by Hagerty of the accusation by Soviet Communist leader Nikita Khrushchev that Mr. Eisenhower and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles had committed "crude interference" in the affairs of Communist East Europe.

Beyond saying that he had shown a press association copy of the Communist leader's remarks to the President, Hagerty declined to comment.

Berrydale Grocery Robbed Last Night

A lone bandit wearing a white stocking cap and a white kerchief over his face robbed the Berrydale grocery, 1508 North Riverside ave., of \$4 about 6:50 p.m. Wednesday, according to city police.

Mrs. Ethel May Florey, owner, told Medford police the man entered her store just prior to closing time and demanded the money in her cash register. He kept his right hand in his pocket, she said, and she did not actually see a gun.

Police said the robber was believed to be between 20 and 30 years old.

MT Will Not Publish; Stores Close Monday

There will be no publication of the Mail Tribune Monday, Jan. 2, in observance of New Year's Day. There will be a regular edition Sunday, Jan. 1.

Most Medford stores and city, county, state and federal offices will be closed Monday, Jan. 2, which will be observed as a holiday because New Year's Day is Sunday.

Traffic Crackdown Asked On New Year's Celebrants

Chicago — (U.P.) — State officials answered an unprecedented appeal for a drastic traffic crackdown today with plans for a nationwide program to save lives

Christmas and its own prediction that a new record will be set during the New Year's holiday.

The council followed up its forecast of 420 New Year's deaths with telegrams to the governors of all 48 states.

"This nation cannot afford to experience or tolerate another toll comparable to the one over the last week-end," Council President Ned H. Dearborne's telegram said.

"We feel the toll of more than 600 deaths from highway accidents constitutes a national emergency that must be met just as floods, fires, and other major disasters are met — by emergency action."

It was the first time that the Safety Council had made a direct appeal for emergency action by the states. Plans for such action were already underway in many state capitols.

Salem — (U.P.) — Gov. Paul Patterson called on state police today to inaugurate a rigid traffic enforcement for the New Year's week-end, in an effort to prevent a repetition of Christmas week-end accidents that claimed seven lives in Oregon.

He observed: "There can be no happy New Year for a fatality or his family or for the others involved in an accident."

over the New Year's holiday. The appeal came from the National Safety Council, which was shaken by the all-time record of 621 traffic deaths over

Weather

FORECAST: Fair and cold tonight with fog or low clouds forming early Friday morning and persisting most of day. Low tonight 29. High Friday 35.
Highest Yesterday 38
Lowest this Morning 28

Interference in East European Affairs Rapped

Inter-Continental Rocket Weapon Hinted

Moscow — (U.P.) — Soviet Communist leader Nikita Khrushchev attacked President Eisenhower today for what he called his "crude interference" in the affairs of Communist East Europe.

The rare Soviet attack on an American head of state came shortly after Premier Nikolai Bulganin hinted in a speech before the Supreme Soviet (Parliament) that Russia had developed rocket weapons of "inter-continental power."

Then Khrushchev said the power of Russia's recently exploded hydrogen bomb "can be considerably increased" beyond its present equivalent of "many millions of tons of ordinary explosive."

Creators of tension "should remember the result of this test," Khrushchev declared to thunderous applause from the Soviet Parliament.

Objects to Messages — Khrushchev said Christmas messages broadcast to Eastern Europe by President Eisenhower, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and other Americans were designed to "re-establish capitalism" in those states.

"The Communist party leader said he did not like to criticize President Eisenhower 'whom I respect so much,' but he was less soothing to Dulles and singled him out for particularly heavy criticism.

He said the American messages were not "compatible with the Geneva spirit" because they said their authors were praying for the liberation of Eastern European countries and would give them assistance.

"It leads to the incitement of passions," Khrushchev said. The messages were year-end holiday greetings from Mr. Eisenhower and other U. S. leaders broadcast to Eastern Europe over the Voice of America and Radio Free Europe.

Lashes at Dulles — Khrushchev then took up the subject of Dulles.

"Some Western politicians have a strange idea of the Geneva spirit," he said. "They want to disarm us morally and politically. Such conditions are unacceptable to us.

"The most eager proponents of such an unrealistic policy are in the United States, particularly Secretary of State Dulles who plays a leading role in advocating massive retaliation and other absurdities.

"They are even still using such out of date strength as 'forcing the Reds to withdraw.'" Khrushchev also disposed of President Eisenhower's "open sky" arms inspection plan with a brief question and answer.

"How does it differ from military intelligence?" he asked. "It differs in no way at all."

U. S. Ambassador Charles E. Bohlen was in the audience. Khrushchev's speech added up to one of the sternest denunciations ever aimed by the Soviets at the American President.

Kind to British — And while heaping criticism on the United States he tempered his remarks about Britain which he and Bulganin visit in the spring. He said he meant only English colonizers and not the "English people whom we admire."

Khrushchev went to great pains to deny his statements on his recent Far East tour with Bulganin were aimed at the present British government.

Bulganin dropped his hint of inter-continental missiles in saying the Soviet Union wants to outlaw rocket weapons along with atomic arms.

"The Soviet government stood and still stands, for an end to the arms race and the outlawing of atomic weapons," Bulganin said.

"And this extends also to the rocket weapons which have been recently developed into weapons of intercontinental power."

Red Cross Accepting Flood Aid Contributions

Portland — (U.P.) — Red Cross officials said today that voluntary contributions for flood disaster relief in Oregon, California and Nevada should be sent to local Red Cross chapters.

Early estimates, officials said, placed Red Cross expenditures for temporary mass care and long term assistance at between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000.

The Portland-Multnomah county Red Cross chapter checks should be made out: Red Cross, Western Offices, (Local Chapter).