

# Strategy of Communists Behind Smiles Beginning To Take Recognizable Shape

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Washington—U.P.—New Communist strategy behind the smiles, wise cracks and back-slapping of the Kremlin men beginning to develop recognizable shape.



The strategy is a play for relaxed East-West tension, not necessarily accompanied by any improvement in overall Communist objectives. Premier Nikolai A. Bulganin's recent salute to the Martini diplomacy he enjoyed with President Eisenhower at the Geneva conference would fit that pattern.

So would Georgi Malenkov's hat-waving progress through Great Britain in search of electronic and atomic know-how.

Last summer's summit conference at Geneva among the Big Four chiefs of state appears to be the basic propaganda item and the controlling factor in the new Communist strategy. This summit conference was preliminary to the October foreign ministers' conference at which Western hopes for solution of vital problems were sadly disappointed.

Communist propaganda here and abroad, however, holds that the so-called Geneva spirit thrives, that East-West tensions

have been relaxed, that Americans and others now are more understanding of Communist objectives than before the Big Four met. Foreign Communists, as in France, seek again collective political action with other parties in the so-called popular front pattern.

Bulganin and Communist Party boss Nikita Khrushchev are scheduled soon to visit Great Britain for a show of amiability which easily could excel Malenkov's performance.

The new surface party line of sweetness and light was indicated when two leaders of the American Communist Party suddenly popped up from underground within the past few weeks. Gilbert Green and Henry Winston, Communist Party leaders convicted about five years ago for conspiracy against the United States, had jumped bail and disappeared.

Green and Winston have emerged from hiding voluntarily and commenced serving their sentences, each claiming that better times had come for

## Hitchcock Appoints Klamath Chairman

Klamath Falls — (U.P.) — L. Ernest Taylor, Klamath Falls investment broker, has been named chairman of the Phil Hitchcock for Senator committee for Klamath county. The appointment was made by Hitchcock during a brief visit in the county Sunday.

the Communists in the United States.

Writing in "The National Review," James Burnham comments:

"These diverse moves are designed to secure psychological, moral and legal acceptance of the Communist enterprise as a normal, legitimate political party alike in kind to other political parties, and therefore entitled to the same rights and privileges. This campaign for legitimization is at the core of the present strategy both of the Soviet government and the world Communist enterprise."

Director J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation told a House subcommittee on Feb. 1 what the Communists actually have on tap for the

## Bliss Heine's Juniors Awards Are Announced

Jackie Webster, Rickie Zimmerman, Sidney Yarnall, Louise Willis and Helen Peterson received awards for high grades in the annual tests for Bliss Heine's Juniors.

Albert Huntman, band instructor at McLoughlin Junior high school, and Elmer Ayers, band instructor at Oak Grove school, were judges.

Susie Hendrickson, one of Bliss Heine's Juniors' mascots, was selected recently by the Eagles lodge as a candidate for queen in the annual Pear Festival.

United States. His testimony was made public Monday night.

He said Communists are planning more work in the opening of the United States, in the belief that the Geneva spirit has given Americans more understanding of them. That is, they expect Americans to be somewhat more friendly to their objectives.

## Portland Planning To Control Floods

Portland — (U.P.) — The city of Portland is laying plans to control any floods that might rise in the Willamette and Columbia rivers this spring.

Mayor Fred L. Peterson, in a letter to the city commissioners, said, "As you know, we are faced with a potential flood threat in this area which may exceed the levels of 1948. May I suggest that you examine how such flood threat will affect operations of your bureau and divisions in your department and initiate necessary plans and action to counter such threats."

The 1948 flood wiped out the war housing community of Vancouver and flooded the Portland International airport and the adjoining air base.

A state civil defense meeting is scheduled for March 27 in Portland to co-ordinate city, county, state and military plans for flood control.

## Throng Pays Last Tribute To Allen

New York—U.P.—The great, the has-beens and those who never were said solemn fare-well today to the man who was known as the sharpest wit and the softest touch on Broadway.

He was born John Florence Sullivan. He died as Fred Allen. More than 800 persons, among them celebrities and the curious, heard a high requiem mass read for the sad-eyed comedian at St. Malachy's Roman Catholic church where Allen married Portland Hoffa in 1927.

Among them were such friends as TV stars Steve Allen, Herb Shriner and Robert Q. Lewis. Also in attendance were John Daly and Bennett Cerf, Allen's fellow performers on CBS-TV's "What My Line."

Herman Wouk, best selling novelist who once worked as a gag writer for Allen, attended with his wife. So did Peter Donald and Kenny Delmar, the "Ajax Cassidy" and "Senator Claghorn" of Allen's old radio show.

Allen died last Saturday night while walking his dog.

Allen's widow was dry-eyed and composed throughout the service. She arrived with comedian Jack Haley, an old friend and fellow vaudeville actor.

## POLICE DOUBLE EFFORTS

London — (U.P.) — London police made a concerted effort to find a stolen automobile today. The auto, reported missing during the week-end, was owned by London Police Commissioner Col. Arthur Young.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—NINE

## Witnesses Lined Up Against Preacher In Racial Boycott

Montgomery, Ala.—U.P.—The state lined up 40 more witnesses today against a young Negro preacher charged with leading a 15-week racial boycott against the city's segregated buses.

A fifth prosecution witness was called for the second day of the trial of the Rev. M. L. King, 27, president of the all-

Negro Montgomery Improvement Association, and one of 90 accused conspirators.

**To Build Proof**  
Solicitor William F. Bedford, said he would build "block by block" proof that the association was formed to operate car pools and otherwise foster the boycott in violation of a little-used state boycott law.

**To Improve Status**  
King, Baptist minister, had described the boycott as a spontaneous movement of passive resistance against "oppressive" methods used to enforce segregation on the buses.

The Rev. A. W. Wilson, Negro Baptist minister, testified the association was formed "to improve the general status" of Montgomery Negroes and "see better treatment of them."

However, Mrs. E. A. Dungee, asked as financial secretary to identify more than 50 checks issued by the MIA, testified that most of them were used to pay for gasoline used in car pools of the boycotters.

## Union Refuses Transit Contract

Portland — (U.P.) — Negotiators representing the Streetcar Union in Portland have refused to take a transit company contract proposal back to their members saying, "it has too many strings tied to it."

Negotiators also objected that the contract proposal did not include the employees of the interurban lines.

Mel Lienard, business agent of the union, said last night that an offer by the Rose City line had been made. Lienard said that Gordon Steele, president of the Rose City line, had been told the union would not consider any proposal that did not also include the employees of Rose city's co-firm Portland Traction Company, which handles the interurban routes.

Lienard declined to say what strings were attached to the proposed contract that the union found objectionable and also to reveal what offers were made to the union in the contract.

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## Union Heads Balk At Westinghouse Pact

Washington—(U.P.)—Officials of the AFL-CIO International Electrical Workers union were deadlocked temporarily today on a compromise proposal to end the 156-day Westinghouse Electric Corp. strike.

The union's negotiating committee recessed its attempt to reach agreement early today until later this morning.

The proposal—already accepted by the company—was scheduled to be turned over to the union's 75-member Westinghouse Conference Board this afternoon along with the committee's recommendations for a final decision.

**Marathon Session**  
The negotiating committee held a marathon session all day Monday and into the early morning with the conference board standing by. But, at 2:15 a.m.,

(EST) the negotiators abruptly called a recess.

Union President James B. Carey was understood to favor acceptance of the proposal. But Robert Nellis, chairman of the conference board and a member of the negotiating team, was reported to be opposed.

**Contract Retroactive**  
The proposal calls for a five-year contract retroactive to last Oct. 15 with wage increases ranging from a minimum of 25 cents an hour over the period and other fringe benefits.

The disagreement among the negotiators was reported still to center on the disposition of 36 discharged strikers—one of the main reasons the union rejected the original compromise contract proposal earlier this month.

It was understood the latest proposal at least partly answered some of the union's objections.

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