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Britain, France Will Merge Forces in Mediterranean Area

English Airlift Will Move Troops To Desert Outposts

Steps Taken if Action Necessary, Over Suez

London —(U.P.)— Britain and France were reported today to have agreed to form a joint Mediterranean striking force spearheaded by a massive British airlift if action becomes necessary in the Suez Canal crisis.

Hopes for a successful Suez conference appeared dimmer, and Cairo reports said Egypt had called back its officers from Communist training centers to man Soviet-made submarines and other naval units.

Preparing Biggest Airlift British airline officials said Britain was preparing "the biggest airlift since the Berlin blockade" to fly shock troops to desert outposts in the Middle East. Hundreds of other troops were steaming toward the Eastern Mediterranean aboard fast cruisers.

Britain today dispatched a third carrier laden with troops and equipment and sent four large tank landing craft toward the Mediterranean in event amphibious operations should become necessary against the Suez Canal Zone.

The military preparations overshadowed the diplomatic preparations for a 24-nation conference here Aug. 16 to try to work out a scheme for international control of the Suez Canal, nationalized by Egypt.

Indonesia Calls Meeting Indonesia, often linked with the "neutralist" bloc, announced at The Hague it was calling a preliminary conference to discuss the Suez crisis. It invited Egypt and the Colombo powers—Ceylon, India, Pakistan, Burma and Indonesia.

An Indonesian spokesman said his government hoped to hear an explanation of Egypt's stand before deciding upon the Western Big Three invitation to the London conference.

French newspapers speculated the Anglo-French allied commander would be Adm. Earl Mountbatten, 56-year-old cousin of Queen Elizabeth and Britain's first sea lord. Informed sources in Paris said the fighting forces of the two nations would be merged, with the staff drawn from officers of both nations.

Conference Might Fail A series of important international developments heightened fears the Aug. 16 London conference might fail to find a solution to the Suez crisis. Delays by Egypt, the Soviet Union and India in answering the invitation were important factors in this. There also was growing belief those three nations might demand that action be taken on the U.S.-owned Panama Canal.

There are growing indications Egypt and Russia — if they should accept an invitation to the London conference — would demand that the American-Panama Canal and other international waterways be discussed at the meeting.

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CENTRAL OFFICE—Telephone toll-ticketing equipment recently was installed at the Columbia Utilities company's central office in White City, above, enabling direct dialing for White City, Eagle Point, Shady Cove, Prospect and Butte Falls subscribers. The change over to the new system is the first in the state.

Stockholm Owners Blame Sea Collision On Andrea Doria

New York —(U.P.)—The Swedish American Line charged today that the Andrea Doria veered directly across the course of the Stockholm on a moonlit sea and was entirely to blame for the collision that sent the Italian luxury liner to the bottom.

The line filed a petition in U.S. District court here asking for exoneration and limitation of liability in connection with the July 25 marine tragedy. It said it later would sue the Italian Line, owners of the Andrea Doria, for damages and losses.

Detailed Account The petition gave a detailed account of the 20 minutes preceding the collision off Nantucket Island in what had previously been described as thick fog. However, the petition said visibility was "good" and the Andrea Doria could be seen from the Stockholm's bridge at a distance of two miles.

According to the petition, the Stockholm and the Andrea Doria were in position to pass safely port (left) side and the Stockholm turned starboard (to the right) to give even greater passing distance.

"The Andrea Doria, however, suddenly . . . veered sharply to her own left or port at undiminished speed, turning across the bow of the Stockholm," the petition charged. "The Stockholm went hard right and full astern, but it was impossible to avoid collision."

Radar Operating The petition said the Stockholm's radar was "operating perfectly" at the time of the collision, proper lookouts were posted, the helmsman was at the wheel and the watch officer was on the bridge plotting the Andrea Doria's course. It said the Stockholm first saw the Italian liner's image on radar when it was still 10 miles away.

The petition charged that the Andrea Doria was not properly manned or equipped, that those in charge were "careless, incompetent and inattentive to their duties, and that no adequate measures were taken to avoid the collision."

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CHECK TOLL TICKET — Fred E. McGrady, left, chief sales engineer, Pacific division of Stromberg-Carlson company, checks the toll ticket recording equipment at Columbia Utilities company's White City central office with John W. Kirby, center, vice president of Columbia; and Ernest D. Larson, Oregon representative of Stromberg-Carlson. The new equipment enables direct distance dialing and is the fourth such installation west of the Mississippi.

Direct Toll Dialing Started by Columbia

The first mechanized telephone toll-ticketing installation in Oregon, the fourth west of the Mississippi, and among the first in the country, enabling direct distance dialing was put into service by Columbia Utilities company at its White City exchange Saturday night, D. O. Hood, president of the company, has announced.

The equipment was developed and installed by the Stromberg-Carlson division of General Dynamics corporation, Rochester, N. Y. Richard K. Boyd, telephone engineer of Stromberg-Carlson, was present at the changeover. John H. Bunting, of Rochester, N. Y., field toll-ticketing engineer of Stromberg-Carlson, has been in White City for the past several weeks supervising installation of equipment.

The White City installation marks the preliminary step in Oregon toward ultimate nationwide direct distance dialing by telephone subscribers. White City, Eagle Point, Shady Cove, Prospect and Butte Falls subscribers of Columbia Utilities may now dial each other directly station-to-station without the assistance of an operator, and may also dial Medford and Central Point numbers directly. Toll charges will continue to apply.

Person-to-person and "collect" calls must continue to be handled by an operator. Columbia Utilities will continue to maintain its manual toll center at White City, and no operators will be displaced with the new installation. Without the equipment, White City manual toll switching facilities would have required substantial additions, and increased operator personnel, Hood said.

Dialing procedure by the subscriber is relatively simple, he said. First, an access digit connecting the subscriber to the ticketing equipment is dialed. Next, the subscriber dials the last four figures of his own numbering of the originating exchange and calling party. Then, a code figure or letter prefix is dialed to reach the distant exchange, followed by the full directory number of the called party at the exchange.

This, together with the date and originating time, is recorded at the White City office equipment on magnetic tape; auxiliary computing equipment counts the minutes talked and computes and records the charges, after which the tape is tube-fed into a special electric recording typewriter at convenient intervals.

Tape Erased The tape is then erased electronically and reused. The recording typewriter cuts the tickets to size and drops them into a receptacle for pick-up, processing and billing.

In early 1957 direct distance dialing by Columbia Utilities subscribers will be extended to include Ashland, Grants Pass, Gold Hill, Jacksonville, Phoenix-Talent and Rogue River. It is estimated that direct distant dialing nationwide will be available in about five years or earlier, Hood said. The system has been in operation in Switzerland, Belgium and West Germany and several Eastern United States exchanges for several years.

Inside Today Women's news will be found on Page 2 of the first section of today's Mail Tribune. The editorial is on Page 4 and sports news is on Pages 10 and 11. Locals and personals and market news are on Page 13. Radio and television logs and comics are on Page 2 of the second section.

Manno, VanSickle File Candidacies For Council Seats

Contest Develops in Race for Ward III

Two more candidates today filed for Medford city council positions, bringing to four the number seeking office.

Filing today were Anthony R. (Tony) Manno, 646 South Holly st., for councilman from ward II, and R. L. VanSickle, 53 Myers court, for councilman from ward III.

VanSickle's candidacy created the only contest thus far in the race. Previously, Mrs. Marina S. Gates, 729 West Fourth st., filed her candidacy. The position is the one presently held by Harold Frye, who has indicated he will not seek reelection.

Manno is seeking the seat left vacant when Dick Woodcock resigned because he moved from the ward.

The only other announced candidate is Frank Edward (Ed) Hall, 712 East Jackson st., for councilman from ward I. He filed yesterday.

Manno, owner of Acme Hardware stores in Medford and Central Point, has served as chairman of the city budget committee. He was born in Chicago, came to southern Oregon in 1933, and lived in both Medford and Klamath Falls prior to establishing his home here in 1941. He started Acme Hardware in March, 1945.

He is a charter member and president of the YMCA board of directors, has served on the Kiwanis board of directors, and has been a member of the Elks club here for about 20 years. He also has served as president of the United Medford Crusade and church activities here.

He is married and has two children. Van Sickle, who is a partner in the VanSickle and Groomes Insurance Adjusters, was born in Saginaw, Mich., and moved to Oregon in 1947. He moved to Medford in 1950, when he and Theodore Groomes opened the insurance adjusters firm here.

He is an active member of the Michigan Bar association, but does not practice in Oregon. He was connected with an insurance firm when he was transferred to Portland in 1947. He has been a committeeman for the Boy Scouts and is a Mason.

VanSickle said he was encouraged to seek the office by Frye, who has served as councilman from ward III for 16 years. VanSickle is married and has three children.

Deadline for candidates filing for mayor and four city council positions in Medford is Aug. 31.

Bloodmobile Due Tomorrow

Appointments to donate blood have been made by 101 people, according to the Red Cross office. The Bloodmobile will be in Medford Wednesday, Aug. 8, at the Elks temple between 1 and 5 p.m.

Those making recent appointments are Mary Jo Hall, Dorothy Barnes, Barbara Hatch, Thelma Edison, George Brownell, Rhoda Williams, Frances Kirk, Mrs. L. C. Lisenbee, Jo Y. Blood, Harold Head, Carol Gossard, Fred Gardner, James McDougall, Lorraine McMasters, Elliott Becken, John Carnegie Dorinda Glenn, Delbert Pugh, Ed Hall, Margaret Davis, Mrs. John Weber, Lawrence L. Clark, Howard R. Pettit, Douglas Harsh, Melvin Harsh, Elizabeth McCalliard, Myrtle Stockton, E. N. McKinstry, Lois Milotta, E. R. Bashaw, John Bodenstab, Lucille Bray, Doris Knapp, Ed Knapp, J. E. Dickinson, Mrs. J. E. Dickinson, Arleigh McMillen and Dr. Charles Coyle.

Red Cross officials noted that Wayne Whaley, Eagle Point, recently received nine pints of blood at Sacred Heart hospital as the result of a logging accident July 19. His wife, Mrs. Wayne Whaley, has asked the Red Cross for help in replacing the blood.

Anyone between the ages of 18 and 59, in good health, can be a donor, according to Red Cross officials. Goal for the visit is 300 pints.

Last August, Red Cross officials said, the goal was 250 pints

Chief Executive Chides Russia for Unkept Promises

Eisenhower Points To Lack of Dependability

Washington —(U.P.)— President Eisenhower chided Russia today for weeping on promises made at Geneva and appealed for new efforts to rid the world of fear.

In a personal letter to Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin, Mr. Eisenhower said: "I must confess that I am perplexed as to how we can work together constructively if agreements which are negotiated at the highest level after the most thorough exploration do not seem dependable."

Rebuking Soviet failure to fulfill promises given at the Big Four chiefs of state meeting in Geneva a year ago, the President added:

"May we not, Mr. Chairman, do more to realize the hopes which were born of our meeting in Geneva?"

Evils of Stalinism He said "I earnestly appeal" for "a new spirit" in Soviet relations with the rest of the world in view of Russia's efforts to eradicate "some of the evils" of Stalinism.

Mr. Eisenhower's letter was in reply to a June 6 letter from Bulganin in which the Soviet Premier said Russia was cutting her armed forces and urged other countries to follow suit. The President said "such a reduction I welcome." But he made these points:

1. What's needed to eliminate "the fear and the vast cost" of national armaments is world controls which will encourage greater reductions. "I regret that we have made no little progress in this respect."

2. Russia rejected Mr. Eisenhower's proposals for aerial inspection and exchange of military blueprints on grounds it would be "an intelligence operation." But intelligence that checks on disarmament promises is just what's needed "in the interest of peace and international confidence." "Can we not make progress on this?"

3. Bulganin's letter ignored the President's proposal of March 1 for freezing nuclear weapons stockpiles at some future date. Mr. Eisenhower said: "May I again urge careful consideration of the matter . . ."

Promises Need Fulfilling 4. After agreeing to free unification of Germany, Russia has indicated determination to keep that nation indefinitely divided. At this point the President said agreements with Russia "do not seem dependable."

He said the four power meeting "made promises, notably about Germany, which desperately need to be fulfilled." He said he and the leaders of Britain, France and Russia also "pledged ourselves to disarmament efforts" for the good of the world.

Salem —(U.P.)— Some 289 World War II and Korean veterans applied for state veterans' farm and home loans in July, the highest for any month since August, 1954.

SP Opens Defense In Passenger Case

Southern Pacific Railway company this morning started its case to prove abandonment of rail passenger service between Eugene and Ashland is justifiable.

C. S. MacKenzie, assistant general auditor at the SP San Francisco office, was the first witness at the hearing, which began at 10 a.m. in the federal courtroom at the Medford post office building.

MacKenzie identified 15 exhibits introduced by the defense. The exhibits are tabulations of passenger patronage and revenue for periods from Nov. 3, 1954, to Apr. 30, 1955, inclusive.

The tabulations were compiled by "test checks" covering seven days of each month. MacKenzie explained the test days were selected at random and represent periods of typical rail traffic. Most of the exhibits illustrated decreased use of rail passenger facilities and increasing deficits from passenger service prior to discontinuance of the Eugene-Ashland runs.

Discontinued Service The company discontinued rail service between Eugene and Ashland in August, 1955, claiming deficits were too great to permit continuance of the service. Abandonment of the service resulted in a complaint filed by three senators with the Public Utilities commission against the company. The senators, Phil Lowery, Medford, Gene Brown, Grants Pass, and Paul E. Geddes, Roseburg, requested the PUC to order restoration of the service.

The complainants' side of the case was presented at a public hearing in Medford April 27 and 28. This morning Ogelsby H. Young, one of several attorneys representing SP, said he would call numerous witnesses in the defense case including an expert on revenue, mail and express cost expert, assistant to the president of the company.

Public hearings will be held on two paving projects, one water main and one change of zone at the city council meeting at 7:30 p.m. today. The council will hold hearings on paving Ashland ave. from Ninth st. to 11th st. and a hearing considering paving of Greenway drive and Greenway circle. A hearing also will be held on the installation of a water main on Crestbrook rd. and Ellendale dr.

A hearing will be held on the change of zone of lots 10 through 15, block 11, Laurelhurst addition, from a two-family to limited commercial. Hearings also will be held on a setback request from St. Mary's school at 11th st. and Holly st. and the vacation of the alley in Edwards Place addition.

Six Hearings on Council Agenda

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Seven-Year-Old Hurt In Bike-Auto Crash

Wayne E. Taylor, 7, of 1625 Grand ave., Medford, was taken to Rogue Valley hospital about 10:30 a.m. today with injuries suffered in an automobile-bicycle accident near the intersection of Crater Lake ave. and Grand ave., according to state police. Extent of his injuries were not known at noon today.

Police said young Taylor was riding his bicycle north on Crater Lake ave. near Grand ave.

operation superintendent, superintendent of passenger traffic and public relations and an expert in the overall transportation field.

He said he would prove there is a national trend away from rail traffic; that there are adequate transportation facilities in southern Oregon at the present time, that there was no discrimination to residents of this area; and that Southern Pacific can best serve this area by improving freight service facilities.

Considerable confusion was apparent this morning concerning MacKenzie's testimony and exhibits introduced. The complainants seemed dissatisfied with the data offered by SP.

At the conclusion of the April hearing, the complainants asked that SP provide prior to the current hearing information pertaining to acquisition of equipment used on the Eugene-Ashland line 10 years before the discontinuance; depreciation schedules; accounts and operational records; operational figures on the Portland-Klamath Falls run on the route east of the Cascades; records on freight revenue for the Rogue River-Portland-Klamath Falls run and allotment of passenger revenue for fares originating in Eugene and Ashland to other points.

Not Available Southern Pacific argued that much of the information sought by the complainants was not available in form other than is contained in the exhibits introduced this morning. Examiner Clifford W. Ferguson, Salem, counsel and director, department of railway transportation, Oregon Public Utilities commission, said the exhibits would be neither admitted nor rejected until cross-examination was completed.

The hearing is expected to continue at least until Friday, SP representatives said this morning. The session was recessed at noon and was to resume at 2 p.m.

Defense attorneys are Young and F. C. McCulloch, of Koenig, Young, McCulloch and Dendorff of Portland, and William McAllister, Medford SP attorney.

Pear Harvest Set To Start Wednesday

The pear harvest in Rogue valley is expected to start tomorrow on a small scale, C. B. Cordy, county horticultural agent, said today. The harvest is expected to get into full swing next week.

Cordy said the size and quality of pears this year are good. Orchardists who have pears to be tested for ripeness should bring them to the extension office as soon as possible, Cordy said. Pears brought for testing should be representative of the entire crop, and should not be sun burned, rusted, infected, or damaged in any way.

Cordy said examples should be picked from under the tree where they are not exposed to the sun, and should be picked in the morning and tested as soon as possible after picking.

Appropriation for O&C Lands Approved

Portland —(U.P.)—The executive committee of the O & C yesterday approved a recommendation calling for an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for rehabilitation and reforestation of O & C lands in 18 Oregon counties. The recommendation will now go to the general membership meeting in Eugene Sept. 28 for action.

Money for the program would come from receipts from timber sales which, during the past five years, have been allocated for the construction of access roads. The reforestation and rehabilitation program would involve some 65,000 acres in every Oregon county west of the Cascades except Clatsop and would take in Klamath county east of the mountains.

Annual harvest on O & C lands runs about 25,000 acres. Nearly half that acreage requires artificial reseeding.

Test Of The Political Market Place



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Weather

FORECAST: Fair and warm through Wednesday. Low tonight 53; high Wednesday near 90.

Highest Yesterday 56
Lowest this Morning 52

Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise 5:10 a.m.
Sunset 7:53 p.m.
Moonset 7:52 p.m.
First Quarter Aug. 13

PROMINENT STAR

Betelgeuse, low in east 3:25 a.m. is one of the brightest stars of Orion, the leading constellation of the winter months. North of this star is now seen the planet, Venus.