

U.N.-Suez Negotiations Tops Foreign 'Good News' of Week

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The week's good and bad news on the international balance sheet:

Suez

Negotiations on the Suez Canal dispute centered at United Nations headquarters in New York City.

The 11-nation Security Council, executive committee of the U.N., held a series of public and secret meetings on the grave situation caused by Egypt's attempt to seize sole control of the canal.

More important, however,

were a series of talks by the foreign minister of the three countries which are the major parties in the dispute — Great Britain, France and Egypt.

British Foreign Minister Selwyn Lloyd, French Foreign Minister Christian Pineau and Egyptian Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi held their meetings in the office of U. N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld.

It was conceded that there was no possibility that the Security Council itself could take any effective action. Russia would veto any resolution aimed against Egypt.

But it was a major accomplishment for the council to bring together, for the first time, representatives of Britain, France and Egypt in intimate meetings where they could talk frankly

to each other.

What Lloyd, Pineau and Fawzi were trying to do was to find a basis on which negotiations to settle the dispute could be held later, possibly in Geneva, Switzerland, by an international committee.

Poznan

A Polish Communist court gave amazingly light sentences to three youths — one 20 years old, the other two 18 — accused of murdering a member of the secret police in the June 28 riot in Poznan.

The defendants could have been sentenced to death. Instead, the oldest one was given a term of 4½ years in prison. The other two were given four-year terms.

The reason for the leniency was clear: Poland, most important of the Soviet satellite countries, was stirring with unrest. The Communist government feared that harsh sentences would bring riotous protests.

Tito

The situation in Poland stemmed from the retreat of Soviet Russia's rulers from Stalin-type dictatorship and the consequent loosening of Moscow's grip on the satellite governments.

This retreat has resulted also in the remarkable strengthening of the prestige of President Tito of Yugoslavia, who rebelled against Stalin's domination in 1948.

Tito's new position as a recognized power in the Communist world, co-equal with any man in the Kremlin, was emphasized this week when Communist party delegations from all over Europe started pilgrimages to Belgrade to consult him.

Palestine

Israeli and Jordanian forces fought for 8½ hours on a 12-mile front in the most serious incident since the end of the Palestine war in 1948.

The battle resulted from an invasion of Jordan by the Israelis. The Israeli government said the attack was made in retaliation for incursions of Jordanian guerrillas across the frontier.

THE IRONY OF IT

Stanton, England—(U.P.)—The local ironworks was televised in a program last week called "On the Threshold of Success." The ironworks announced today it was cutting its work week to four days because of falling production.

Mental Health Group Gets Good Response From Questionnaires

Response of several professional groups contacted for an opinion of the need for help in family counseling has been good thus far, according to officials of the Jackson county mental health committee.

Committee members said the group with the greatest response thus far is in social work with 90 per cent of the workers in 11 social agencies returning questionnaires.

More than 50 per cent of those returning the questionnaires noted a need for help in marital discord, disturbed parent-child relationships, money management and work adjustments, the committee said. Moderate need was seen for counseling the physically handicapped to accept normal responsibilities and helping young adults to make satisfactory work and social adjustments.

Attorneys Respond

The committee said that within three days after attorneys received questionnaires there was a 55 per cent response.

Opinion from attorneys varied considerably, the group reported. One saw no need for such help in the area, and two felt unqualified to give an opinion, while 75 per cent of those returning questionnaires saw a need for marital counseling. About 70 per cent of the legal group also saw a moderate to great need for help to mothers who need employment and child care services in families where fathers are absent.

The committee said attorneys

indicated a moderate to great need for counseling about disturbed family relationship by 55 per cent of the group.

The clergy, schools, law enforcement officials and medical groups also are being asked for opinions about need based on their experiences in working with families, the committee reported.

Results Reviewed

Results of the questionnaires will be reviewed by a subcommittee or the mental health committee before presenting them to the full committee at the next meeting.

Committee members said residents interested in the survey may attend the meeting, which will be held in the courthouse annex at noon Thursday, Oct. 25.

Democrats Continue To Hold Alaska Lead

Juneau, Alaska—(U.P.)—Democrats held leads in 31 of 39 territorial legislative races today with scattered returns from outlying districts still to be counted.

Alaskans also apparently will be presented with an all Democratic delegation to Congress to press for statehood.

William A. Egan, Valdez Democrat, had captured one token "Senate" seat and Ralph Rivers, Fairbanks Democrat, had been elected to the unofficial seat in the House of Representatives.

The race for the other "senatorial" seat was still a close one with former Gov. Ernest Gruening, a Democrat, holding a slight edge over Republican John Butrovich of Fairbanks.

Columbus Saw America As Land of Prosperity

Cambridge, Mass.—(U.P.)—Some five centuries ago, Christopher Columbus envisioned America as a land of prosperity "surpassing human belief."

This prediction is found in Harvard's rare book library in a copy of one of the first letters Columbus wrote after his 1492 discovery of the "Indian islands." One of these islands he found "so large, without any apparent end, that I believe it was not an island, but a continent."

"On the 33rd day after leaving Cadiz I came into the Indian sea where I discovered many islands inhabited by numerous people," Columbus wrote. "I took possession of all of them for our most fortunate king by making public proclamation and unfurling his standard, no one making any resistance."

This first governor of America described the land as "full of the greatest variety of trees reaching to the stars." In the contract he signed April 17, 1492, with the Spanish monarchs, Ferdinand and Isabella, he received titles of viceroy and governor over the lands he discovered.

Describing the people, whom he called Indians, Columbus said "they are by nature timid and fearful."

"But when they see they are safe and all fear is banished, they are very gulleless and honest, and very liberal of all they have," Columbus wrote.

California wine labeling regulations require wines bearing a varietal name, such as Zinfandel or Riesling, to consist of at least 51 per cent of the juice of that grape.

In The Day's News

Brash new world note:

Low-priced THIMBLE-SIZED radio receivers to be WORN IN THE EAR are on the way and are expected to be on the market soon. You'll screw the jigger into your ear and go around all day LISTENING.

I think we hear too much already—especially trash. It keeps us on edge and upsets us.

MORE brash new world:

The first electrified portable typewriter is just coming onto the market. It weighs about 19 pounds and is supposed to have all the advantages of an electric office typewriter.

What are the advantages of an electric office typewriter? Well, you don't have to PUSH so hard on the keys.

I'M SO old-fashioned as to think that maybe if we were willing to push HARDER we'd get farther in the world. The easier it gets to do things the less we seem to want to do.

SHUCKS!

Let's get back to politics. This brash new world scares me.

IN A CAMPAIGN speech which was broadcast nation-wide by radio and television, President Eisenhower accused the Democrats of practicing what he called "political irresponsibility at its worst."

What is "political irresponsibility at its worst?" Personally, I think it is ADVOR-

CATING THINGS YOU DON'T BELIEVE.

I DON'T think Mr. Stevenson believes the tommyrot he is peddling—including retiring everybody on a pension that would enable him to live ON THE SCALE TO WHICH HE HAS BECOME ACCUSTOMED. That would involve pensioning the operating heads of our great business corporations off at a quarter to a half million dollars a year.

I think he has embraced the cynical political philosophy of PROMISE 'EM ANYTHING TO GET ELECTED — after you're safely elected you can do as you please.

SUPPOSE you are hiring a man for an important job. If he tells you one thing when he is applying for the job and does the opposite after he gets it, you fire him and get somebody you can believe.

Why not apply the same principle to hiring Presidents?

LIKE IS RUNNING on his record. Adlai is running on promises. He is promising everybody the world all tied up in a pink ribbon. Ike speaks of the PERFORMANCE of his administration and promises only more of the same.

Remember the fable of the dog and the bone?

The dog tried to get two bones and lost the bone he had.

Lets' not do that.

U. S. Demands Russia Pay for Lost Plane

Washington—(U.P.)—The United States demanded today that Russia pay \$1,355,650.32 damages for destruction of an American plane over the Sea of Japan more than two years ago.

The demand was submitted to the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Moscow by the American embassy there.

The U.S. and Russia have been arguing over responsibility for the incident ever since the plane—a Navy P2V Neptune—was destroyed on Sept. 4, 1954.

The patrol plane was on a routine mission over international waters in the Sea of Japan at the time.

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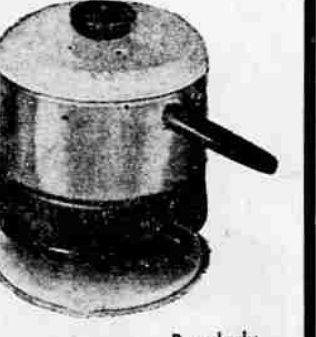
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