

Today and Tomorrow

By Walter Lippmann

THE WILL TO NEGOTIATE

As was expected by the authors of the NATO communique, the Soviet government has promptly rejected their proposal to negotiate about disarmament. This may give some satisfaction to those who believe that to negotiate with the Soviet Union is a danger to the Western world, and that our security and salvation lie in a steadfast and stony refusal to be drawn into serious diplomatic conversations.



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I think that those who take this view are greatly mistaken, and that if we persist in making a policy of not wanting to negotiate, we shall do incalculable and perhaps irreparable harm to our position in the world. For this policy, which is incarnate in Mr. Dulles personally, is tantamount to granting the Soviet government a monopoly on the issue of peace. It is a guarantee that we ourselves will not compete in this field, that the Soviet government can make any proposals it chooses with no real risk of having its hand called. The policy carries with it a built-in certainty that the United States will accept the onus in the eyes of mankind of having made it inevitable that all peace proposals come to nothing. It is not often that a great

TWA HEAD RESIGNS

New York — Carter L. Burgess has resigned as president and director of Trans World Airlines effective Jan. 1, over a disagreement on air line policies with Howard Hughes, owner and president of TWA's parent company, Hughes Tool Co., it was announced Thursday.

power makes it so easy for its rivals.

THE next three years or so will be a critical time for the NATO alliance. On the most optimistic assumptions, it will take at least that long to begin to close the gap which has been opened up between the rate of Soviet and the rate of American military technological progress. It is almost certain that in the years immediately ahead the gap will become wider rather than narrower. This will mean that for a critical period our European allies will feel themselves to be more and more vulnerable.

The coming three years will also be a period of great political uncertainty among the leading NATO powers. President Eisenhower has three more years to serve, and then there will be a Presidential election. At the very least, despite the best efforts of Mr. Hagerty, it is only too evident that the President has very limited reserves of energy. In Great Britain, there will be an election during this critical period. In Germany, Dr. Adenauer is not getting any younger. There is no telling what will happen in France.

THE chances are better than even that in the course of the next three years the leading NATO powers in Europe will become less willing than they are now to stand where Mr. Dulles stands. Even now, Dr. Adenauer and Mr. Macmillan had to insist at Paris that Mr. Dulles do something to disguise his inflexibility.

The real danger in the Dulles policy is that if the United States does not lead the Western world in the effort to negotiate peace, there will be an explosion of nationalist and nationalist sentiment which will shatter the

BACK PAY CONFISCATED

Amman, Jordan. — H. Habis Majali, military governor of Jordan, has ordered the confiscation of some \$12,600 in back pay owed to the seven legislators dismissed last week from parliament, it was announced today. Six of the ousted lawmakers fled to Syria after last spring's government crisis. The seventh, Fayek Warrad, has been sentenced to serve 19 years in prison for Communist activities.

U. S. ATTITUDE WRONG

London — A Soviet scientist said today that U. S. failure in rocket experiments stems from the American attitude toward science and scientists in general. Moscow Radio reported. The broadcast quoted an article in the journal New Times by a Prof. Pobedonostev in which he claimed Americans think it is better to recruit scientists from other countries instead of training them.

alliance. What we are doing under Mr. Dulles' domination of our foreign policy is to renounce the political leadership of the Western Alliance. We are alienating the confidence and affection of the peoples of the alliance. We are preparing the way for a political crisis in which it will be each nation for itself, and the devil take the hindmost.

IN SAYING THIS, I have no illusion whatsoever that an over-all general settlement can be negotiated with the Soviet Union, now or in the foreseeable future. On the contrary, I feel sure that no such general settlement is in prospect.

What may be possible is a series of limited, localized, specific agreements — made one at a time, quietly and carefully negotiated. It should be the assumption of our foreign policy that agreements of this kind are possible. We should proclaim the assumption through someone who believes that they are possible. And on that assumption we should then be steadfast and persevering.

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Father Relents; Girl Undergoes Appendix Surgery

Richmond, Ind. — A little girl was in good condition today following an emergency appendectomy performed when her father relented in his religious opposition to medical care.

The father, Arthur Pippen, 40, had resisted for about three days against pleas by authorities to permit a physician to treat his daughter, Judy, 11, for acute appendicitis.

Instead, Pippen, his family and other members of the "Full Tabernacle of God" religious sect prayer almost continuously to save the life of the blonde, blue-eyed girl.

Pippen was persuaded to permit the operation Thursday night when authorities instituted legal action to make Judy a ward of the court, which would pave the way for medical treatment.

Earlier Thursday Pippen had allowed doctors to examine Judy at Reid Memorial hospital. They warned Judy's appendix might burst within hours and she might not live through the night.

Despite the prediction, Pippen insisted on taking the girl back home to resume praying for her life.

But Pippen stood firm in his beliefs until Sheriff Edward Cordell arrived with a summons. The summons ordered Pippen, a foundry worker, to appear in court today for a hearing on the girl's custody.

"Then the law wants to take her to the hospital?" Pippen asked the sheriff.

"It does," Cordell replied. "My church preaches that we must obey the law," the father said.

Word was flashed immediately to the hospital and Dr. P. S. Johnson was given 10 minutes to get ready for the surgery. The operation lasted more than one-half hour.

Chains Necessary for Travel in Oregon

Salem — Up to five inches of new snow made chains a necessity for travel to Government Camp, Warm Springs, Prospect, Santiam pass, Willamette pass, Chemult and Klamath Falls today.

State highway officials said chains should be carried at Siskiyou, Lapine, Bly and Lakeview.

Five inches new snowfall was reported at Willamette pass and Chemult. Four inches was reported at Santiam pass, Prospect and Lapine, three inches at Klamath Falls and Government Camp and two inches at Warm Springs junction.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—FIVE

Bloodhounds To Seek Missing Helvetia Man

Hillsboro — Sheriff's officers said a fresh team of four bloodhounds would be used today to try to find the trail of Chris A. Ritter, 67, Helvetia, who vanished last Saturday in the Pumpkin Ridge area several miles north of here.

MORE CREDIT FOR HUNGARY

Vienna — The Soviet Union has granted Communist Hungary a new credit of some \$75 million for expansion of Hungarian industry, Budapest Radio reported today. The broadcast said the credit will be used for industrial investments under Hungary's new three-year plan that will go into effect on Jan. 1.

59 Portland Blocks Get Parking Meters

Portland — The city council Thursday unanimously gave authority for the installation of parking meters in an additional 59 downtown blocks. Only a few new meters are planned in the near future, but the action provides for future parking meters around Portland State College.

Student spokesman asked for "reasonable rates" and for four hour instead of two hour meters.

The action Thursday did not provide details on rates, hours or the number of meters to be installed.

MOONSHINE PRICE SOARS

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