

Bulganin May Soon Be Ousted From Post as Premier of Soviet Union



NIKOLAI BULGANIN
Western Observers See Bleak Future

Western Experts On Russia Believe End Within Sight

Washington — Nikolai Bulganin may be kicked out soon as Soviet premier, diplomats reported today.

If Bulganin is ousted, the action would be further evidence of the tightening grip of Communist party boss Nikita Khrushchev on the Soviet Union. It also would mean Bulganin would not attend an East-West "summit" conference if one is held.

Little Doubt Left
Bits and pieces of information being fitted together here and in other Western capitals leave little doubt in the minds of experts on Russia that Bulganin's future as premier is bleak. In fact official speculation already centers on who will succeed the ousted Soviet premier.

Bulganin's reported skid may seem surprising because of the correspondence he has carried on recently with President Eisenhower on the summit issue. But experts doubt this prolonged correspondence will deter other Kremlin big-wigs from giving Bulganin the sack.

The most important evidence of trouble for Bulganin was a switch in the election district he is to represent in next month's Soviet elections. Soviet voters are to select 731 deputies for the Council of the Union and 633 deputies for the Council of Nationalities. The two bodies make up the Supreme Soviet (Parliament).

District Taken Away
In the 1954 election Bulganin represented the important Moscow city district in the Council of Nationalities. Of course he won. But in next month's election the Moscow district has been taken away from Bulganin and given to Nikolai M. Shvernik, former Soviet trade union leader. This shift has prompted speculation Shvernik might succeed Bulganin as premier.

Airlines Face Strike Threat

Washington — The National Mediation board is moving to head off a nationwide strike by airline mechanics and ground crews against seven major airlines.

The board asked President Eisenhower Monday to name a fact-finding panel under provisions of the railway labor act. This would prevent a strike for 60 days.

The International Association of Machinists has set Sunday for walkouts against Eastern and United Air lines. Negotiations also were broken off between the union and Trans World, Northwest, Capital, National and Northeast airlines. About 25,000 mechanics and ground crew personnel would be idled by a strike.

The National Mediation board acted by certifying that a strike would seriously affect interstate commerce. The seven airlines serve nearly every section of the country.

Frank Heisler, airline coordinator for the machinists, said the union was asking wage increases ranging from 29 to 49 cents an hour. The machinists also are asking for

War Threat Nearer

Singapore — The threat of an all-out civil war in Indonesia intensified today with both government and rebel regimes warning of military action.

The Indonesian army urged all people living in rebel-held territory in Central Sumatra

and Northern Celebes to stay clear of "military objectives."

A rebel spokesman said the revolutionary forces would retaliate in kind if the central government in Jakarta launches military operations.

Des Alwi, a spokesman for the revolutionary regime, said the rebels are buying planes to challenge the air force of President Sukarno's government. He said a "strong counter attack" will be launched against the central government "in the near future."

Definite Targets
Military spokesman Maj. G. Harsono said in Jakarta that the week end raids that silenced rebel radios in Central Sumatra and Northern Celebes were directed against "definite targets."

He said pilots had been ordered to avoid causing "victims among the people."

Harsono said the appeal to stay clear of military targets applied to the armed forces in the rebel territories as well as to the civilian population.

Reports from Jakarta said Prime Minister Djuanda met Monday night for nearly three hours with the chiefs of staff of the three military services. The official Indonesian news agency Antara said it was believed the talks dealt with "further action" against the rebels.

To Take Necessary Measures
Sukarno as warned that all measures necessary will be taken to "crush" the revolutionary regime set up by the "young colonels" in Central Sumatra and North Celebes in

Governors Cry States' Rights On Water Issue

Colorado Springs, Colo. — Cries of states' rights arose today at the Western Governors conference here over control of water conservation and development.

The governors from nine Western states and Hawaii opened their second day of a three-day meeting at the Broadmoor hotel on a discussion of Western natural resources.

A recent U. S. Supreme Court decision allowing construction of a dam in Oregon — over Oregon's objections — was brought into the discussion.

"We view this with a great deal of alarm in Oregon, and I think the other Western states join me in this," said Gov. Robert D. Holmes of Oregon, who heads the natural resources discussion and the Governors' Resolutions committee.

Decisions Condemned
He said the court decision permits the federal government to overturn long-established state sovereignty over water laws at a time when many western states are trying to tighten regulation of water storage and use.

The decision, the Pelton case, ruled the Federal Power commission could license construction by a private concern on a non-navigable, intrastate stream despite protests of the Oregon State Fish and Game commission, which in the past had held authority.

Later, the Navy Department said in view of the Pelton decision it did not need Nevada's permission to drill six wells. Nevada protested, and the case is pending in federal court.

company contributions to the health and welfare funds and setting up of severance pay systems.

Murder Charged In Stayton Death

Albany, Ore. — Bruce Westerberg, 35, was charged with second degree murder Monday in connection with the fatal shooting Feb. 18 of Thomas Phillips, Lyons, Ore., during a party at the Westerberg home.

Westerberg's wife, Hazel, was charged with being an accessory after the fact.

Wendell Widdle, Stayton mortician, discovered a bullet wound when he examined Phillips' body last Wednesday. District Attorney Courtney Johns said Westerberg allegedly shot a glass from the hand of his wife to prove his accuracy with a .22 caliber rifle. He said the incident occurred during a party at their home across the Santiam river from Stayton.

Mack's Interest in Insurance Firm Said 'Flagrant Violation'

Washington — A House investigator said today FCC Commissioner Richard A. Mack's reputed financial interest in an insurance firm holding the account of the National Airlines TV station in Miami is "unquestionably a flagrant violation" of government regulations.

Mack voted to award the hotly contested Channel 10 to the airline.

Rep. Morgan M. Maulder (D-Mo.) said evidence also showed Mack had violated other rules in his relationship with persons seeking to "influence" Mack's vote on the award of television channels by the Federal Communications commission.

Morse Wants Resignation
Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) said on the basis of what already had been brought out in the explosive investigation of federal regulatory agencies, that President Eisenhower should have called for Mack's resignation "before now."

But Maulder and other investigators said they wanted to hear Mack in the witness chair before comment on whether he should resign or be fired. Mack is scheduled to testify Thursday, but there is a chance he may be called Wednesday.

When Mack was first accused two weeks ago of having "pledged" his vote to Coral Gables, Fla., Attorney Thomas A. Whiteside in the award of Channel 10 to National Airlines after Whiteside had given him \$2,650, Mack denied any wrongdoing and said he would not resign.

But Mack declined to reassert this stand following testimony by Whiteside linking him to the insurance company with television clients. Asked if he still had no intention of resigning, Mack told the United Press, "I have no comment."

One-Sixth Interest
Whiteside said Mack holds a one-sixth interest in the

Stembly-Sheldon insurance agency which has the account of the Channel 10 station owned by National Airlines. He said the agency also sold an insurance policy to Biscayne Television Corp. which operates Miami Channel 7.

Mack also cast a favorable vote in the FCC's Channel 7 award.

Whiteside, recalled for testimony, told the House subcommittee on Legislative Oversight Monday the insurance arrangement "is completely proper if you take into consideration the circumstances."

Jacksonville Woman Seeks \$12,500 in Suit
Ora A. White, route 1, box 12E, Jacksonville, has filed a complaint in circuit court asking \$81.75 medical expenses and \$12,500 general damages of Safeway Stores Inc., for injuries received when she tripped in the store Aug. 5, 1957.

According to the complaint the plaintiff received multiple contusions of the right foot and leg and charged that the defendant was careless and negligent in allowing a box to obstruct the use of an aisle. The complaint states that plaintiff was unable to walk without assistance and use of a cane for six months following the accident.

Ora White is represented by A. E. Piazza, local attorney.

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