

Aggressors Reminded of U. S. 'Capabilities'

Ike's Proposed Reply to Russian Letter Studied

Khrushchev Wants Summit Conference

Washington — (UPI) — The White House said today President Eisenhower has drafted a proposed reply to Russia's call for an emergency summit meeting on the Middle East and that it is being studied by European Allies.

Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said a draft of Eisenhower's answer to Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev was sent Sunday night to members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization for their approval.

No Hint on Contents

Hagerty gave no hint as to the contents of the President's reply. He said he would not expect the reply to be sent to Moscow and made public today.

In London, Prime Minister Harold Macmillan told the House of Commons that Britain and its allies are "urgently re-considering . . . the best means by which to arrange for a meeting which heads of government could attend."

Macmillan did not elaborate. Khrushchev had proposed that the meeting be held Tuesday in Geneva between the heads of government of the United States, Britain, France, Russia and India, plus U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld.

Wants Soviet Agreement

The delay in answering obviously ruled out any chance that a meeting would be held Tuesday, or probably in the immediate future.

Eisenhower was expected to offer Russia the possibility of a summit meeting later if the Kremlin would agree to effective U.N. action in Lebanon that would permit withdrawal of U. S. troops there.

In Paris a government spokesman said France agreed to a summit meeting "in principle" but not if the western Big Three are to be considered aggressors in the Middle East. Khrushchev in his letter on the conference had referred to U.S. "aggression" in Lebanon and British "aggression" in Jordan.

Hagerty said the position of the U.S. still was that the work of the U.N. Security Council on the Middle East crisis should continue.

Middle East At a Glance

By United Press International

Amman — King Hussein of Jordan severed diplomatic relations with the United Arab Republic of President Gamal Abdel Nasser; the United States lent him \$12 million to help him retain his shaky throne.

Cairo — Nasser returned from talks in Damascus where the UAR announced it was signing a military treaty with the new rebel government of Iraq. Observers said this put the formal stamp on Iraq's adherence to the Nasser bloc.

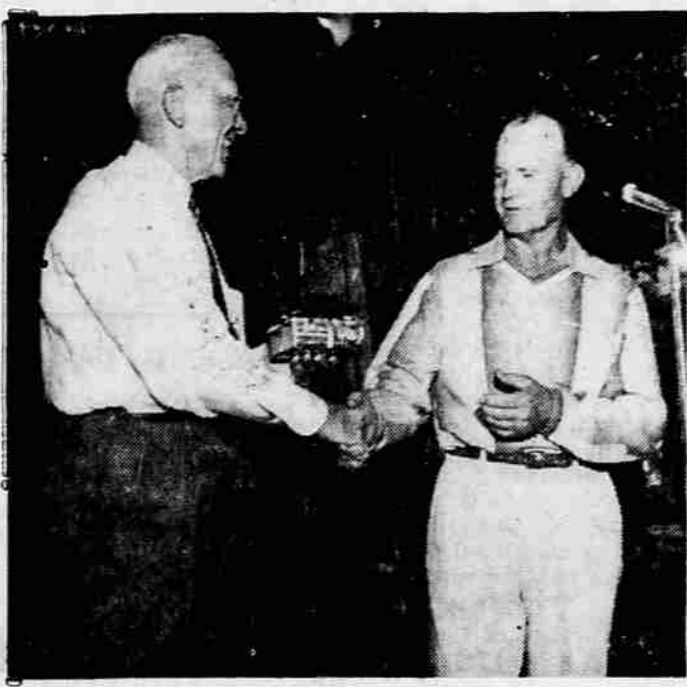
Istanbul — Turkish newspapers reported, Turkish troops near the Syrian and Iraqi frontiers had received standby orders. But there still was no sign of alarm at large scale Soviet troop maneuvers near the Turkish border and Bulgarian maneuvers.

Khartoum — The government of Sudan expelled a UAR consular official and protested to Cairo and Moscow against radio broadcasts labeling the government an agent of "imperialism."

Moscow — The government newspaper Izvestia said Soviet Moslem leaders are calling on Moslems throughout the world to help in the Arab "struggle for independence." Western observers have speculated Russia might send Moslem "volunteers" to the Middle East.

Malpractice Insurance At University Urged

Portland — (UPI) — The State Board of Higher Education's Insurance Committee has recommended general liability and malpractice insurance for more than 9,300 employees of the University of Oregon.



PRESENTS WATCH—Arnold Bohnert, Central Point farmer, presents a wristwatch to Ben Tucker, recently retired county extension agent. The watch was given Tucker on behalf of the Jackson county farmers in appreciation of the work Tucker had done while in office. During the Sunday picnic at TouVelle state park in Tucker's honor, Ward Spatz, Medford pear shipper, read a letter from Robert J. Steward, of the state department of agriculture. Frank Ross, of Oregon State college, presented greetings from Frank Ballard, head of the extension service. Approximately 200 people attended.

Dress Rehearsals Start at Festival

Ashland — Dress rehearsals started this week at the Oregon Shakespearean Festival, which opens a week from today.

Producing Director Angus L. Bowmer said all departments have been able to increase their tempo without difficulty. Tighter schedules were necessary because the season this year has been expanded eight days.

Each of the four plays will have two complete dress rehearsals during an eight-day period. Full afternoon run-

throughs and evening dress rehearsals are set this week.

Rehearsals Open

The first round of dress rehearsals is closed to all visitors, Bowmer said, but Festival association members, by presenting membership cards, may attend the second round, which starts Thursday night.

Plays this year are "Much Ado About Nothing," and "King Lear," both directed by Robert B. Loper, and "The Merchant of Venice," and "Troilus and Cressida," both directed by James Sandoe.

Advance ticket sales are the highest in history, according to William Patton, general manager. Starting Thursday, July 24, and continuing throughout the season, the central box in Ashland will be open from 9:30 a.m. until 9 p.m. daily and from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sundays.

About 750 people are expected to attend the opening night banquet in Lithia park Monday night.

Paving Progressing On Dead Indian Rd.

Paving operations on Dead Indian rd. are progressing favorably, according to Ralph A. James, county commissioner.

James reported that he and County Engineer Paul Rynning inspected the road Friday after the county court received a complaint that there was a bad place in the road.

The current operation includes resurfacing the road where it is necessary, and paving the last four miles of the road in Jackson county.

Red cinders are being used for the first time in Jackson county, James reported. He said that although the cinders are more porous, and consequently absorb more oil than conventional gravel, cheaper transportation costs are expected to offset the additional oil costs.

In other areas red cinders have been used consistently, and indications are that roads built with them stand up just as well as roads built with other gravels, James said.

92 Americans Flown Out of Iraq

Rome — (UPI) — A giant DC6B airliner arrived here from Baghdad tonight with 92 Americans, the first group to be brought out of Iraq since a military coup overthrew the government there seven days ago.

The airliner touched down at Rome's Ciampino Airport with 36 women, 54 children, 2 men and a pet Dachshund.

The flight was the beginning of an airlift shuttle to bring about 1,500 Americans from Iraq, officials said.

Many of the Americans were expected to stay in Rome, hoping for the Middle East situation to cool down so they could return to Iraq safely.

Canada Prime Minister Urges Summit Meeting

Ottawa — (UPI) — Canadian Prime Minister John Diefenbaker today called on western leaders to follow up Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's offer of immediate summit talks.

Japanese UN Proposal Receives U. S. Support

Resolution Would Make Possible Troop Withdrawal

Russia Expected To Oppose Plan

United Nations, N. Y. — (UPI) — The United States said today a compromise Japanese draft resolution before the U. N. Security Council would make it possible to withdraw American forces from Lebanon.

The Japanese resolution authorizes Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld to make arrangements for strengthening of the U. N. observer force in Lebanon "to insure the territorial integrity and political independence of Lebanon so as to make possible the withdrawal of U. S. forces from Lebanon."

Ready to Withdraw

U. S. Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge reiterated that the U. S. stood ready to withdraw the 10,000 American forces in Lebanon as soon as possible and said the "Japanese resolution is a constructive proposal which would help the U. N. through the secretary-general, carry out its responsibilities."

British Ambassador Sir Pierson Dixon also supported the Japanese measure.

But Russia served notice in advance it would oppose Tokyo's plan as a "reshuffle" of earlier American proposals.

Other Western powers appeared to be lining up in support of the Japanese proposal. **Summit Talks Possible**

There had been speculation previously that Russia might go along with the Japanese proposal with the understanding that details would be worked out at an East-West summit meeting.

There were reports that the Western Big Three might seek a "summit" meeting on the explosive Middle East situation in the Security Council. Such a meeting would bring President Eisenhower, Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev and British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan together at the conference table for face-to-face talks.

Prineville Sheriff Hospitalized Here

Crook County Sheriff Jesse Woodriddle of Prineville is hospitalized in Medford with a multiple jaw fracture suffered when struck by a baseball Saturday night.

Woodriddle, in addition to the jaw injury, lost several teeth when struck in the face by a baseball thrown by a warming-up pitcher while he was in the dug-out.

Woodriddle is a business manager of the Prineville American Legion Junior team which lost to Medford 3-1 Saturday night.

The sheriff is expected to remain in Medford for several days. His son, Ray, a star pitcher for Prineville, missed Saturday night's game. He was confined to his room with a sore throat.

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Callan Optimistic About Completion of Work This Year

James A. Callan, construction engineer for the Talent project, said today he is "still optimistic" about the outcome of the current work stoppage on the project.

Over the week end, a federal mediator reported "substantial progress," at meetings between the Associated General Contractors and the striking Operating Engineers and Teamsters unions. The AGC had ordered contractors here to stop work in reply to strikes elsewhere in the state.

"I'm still optimistic," Callan said. "If they clear it up this week, we'll still try to get our program completed on schedule."

Affect Program

Otherwise, he admitted, "it will certainly affect our program quite a bit."

"A lot depends on the weather," he added. A dry fall, he explained, would allow workers to make up for time presently being lost. Approximately \$6,750,000 in construction work has been halted by four major contractors complying with the AGC order.

Leroy Smith, the federal mediator, tentatively scheduled another meeting in Portland between the unions and the AGC for today.

House Committee OKs Klamath Bill

Washington — (UPI) — The House Interior Committee today approved a bill providing for the sale of Klamath Indian land after the federal government terminates its supervision over the Oregon tribe.

Under the measure, which already has passed the Senate, the Klamath property first will be put up for sale to private interests and then will be offered to the federal government.

The senate bill was amended in the House Indian affairs subcommittee to provide for a new appraisal of the "fair market value" of the Klamath land.

The measure also provides that the federal government, through the Agriculture Department, would spend no more than \$90 million in the purchase of Klamath property.

Commerce Secretary Defends Sherman Adams

Washington — (UPI) — Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks strongly defended Presidential Assistant Sherman Adams today and said no public figure "has been whipped more brutally in our generation."

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Highway Accidents Kill Nine in Oregon

At least nine persons died in highway accidents in Oregon during the week end.

Mrs. Carolyn Nicholas, 38, Newport, was killed Sunday evening in a two-car accident about two miles south of Depoe Bay.

Phillip Ray Pfeiffer, Vancouver, Wash., was killed in a two-car collision near Boardman Sunday evening. His wife, Mary, was hurt critically.

Warren Dale Cassal, 31, Pilot Rock, was killed early Sunday when his pickup truck failed to make a curve and crashed into a lumber truck, then careened into a service station at Pilot Rock.

Alta Mae Davis, 40, Heppner, was killed Saturday when her car overturned seven miles southeast of Heppner on Basie Canyon road.

Percy Everett Heinz, 46, Crane, died in Harney county hospital at Burns late Friday from injuries suffered when a station wagon struck a wooden bridge five miles east of Burns.

Four persons perished in multi-death accidents. Robert Edward Sinclair, 51, and his wife, Bernice, 46, Portland, were killed in a three-car accident just east of Burns.

The southwest district of state department of forestry reported 46 lightning strike fires from thunderstorms last week. The total includes one found yesterday near Grants Pass. It was suppressed by a forest patrol crew.

Another half-acre fire near Grants Pass yesterday also was reported by the forestry department. Information on its exact nature was not available this morning.

WEATHER
FORECAST: Chance of evening thunderstorms over mountains. Otherwise fair through Tuesday. Low tonight 55. High Tuesday 85. TEMPERATURES: Highest yesterday 95. Lowest this morning 55.

Our Skies Tonight
Sunset today 7:42 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 4:54 a.m. The Moon sets 10:32 p.m. tonight and is in Perigee. First Quarter July 23. Mars, low in east at 12:32 a.m. is now as bright as the star. Vega, its orbit has now carried it to within 91 million miles of the Earth. (A little nearer than the Sun.)

Early Summit Talks Opposed

Washington — (UPI) — Top government sources said today the administration is firmly opposed to an early summit conference that would deal only with the Mideast crisis. It also is discouraging all intervention in Iraq.

The administration believes, it was stated reliably, that such a summit meeting outside the United Nations would kill the UN and place the United States and Britain before the world as "defendants."

This government is not contemplating any intervention in Iraq and is discouraging Turkey and Jordan from trying by force to restore the Feisal government.

Small Business Tax Relief Wins Approval

Washington — (UPI) — The House approved by overwhelming voice vote today a \$260 million program of "fringe benefit" tax relief for small business.

Hollywood — (UPI) — Comedian Joe E. Lewis is reported in satisfactory condition at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, where he is recovering from abdominal surgery.

WEIGHTY BIRD
Whoever made off with a chicken from the front lawn of Leland Clare Young, 855 West Second st., over the week end might have thought it was a plymouth rock. The chicken, from what Young told city police, weighed 20 pounds—and was made of concrete.

Armed Services Subcommittee Discusses Adams

Washington — (UPI) — A House armed services subcommittee called a half-dozen witnesses behind closed doors today to decide whether to hold public hearings on a case involving Presidential Assistant Sherman Adams.

Chairman F. Edward Hebert (D-La.) said the witnesses would be quizzed to see if their testimony might "tend to defame and degrade" anyone.

The House has a rule against making committee sessions public if such testimony is likely to be presented without supporting evidence.

Case Taken Over

The Louisiana's committee took over the new Adams case last week from House influence investigators who had probed the affairs of Boston textile millionaire Bernard Goldfine and his gift-giving to Adams and other government officials.

The influence-investigating subcommittee is considering contempt charges against Goldfine.

Goldfine is not involved in the new case, which concerns the refund of \$41,284 in government penalties assessed against Raylaine Worsteds, Manchester, N.H., for failure to make prompt delivery of Army cloth under a World War II contract.

Refund Decided

The company originally was penalized \$49,771 but appealed for a \$25,462 refund. This was turned down by the Army and the comptroller general in 1942.

Raylaine reopened the case in 1953 and the Armed Forces Board of Contract Appeals decided last Nov. 27 to make the \$41,284 refund. It did not explain why it awarded the company more than it had asked.

Roswell M. Austin, chairman of the board, wrote a memorandum on the case questioning whether Adams was guilty of "highly unethical" conduct. He said he did this because of evidence showing pressure had been brought to bear.

Blight Continues As Serious Threat

Blight continues to present a serious threat in the county to both commercial and private orchards, County Extension Agent Clifford Cordy warned today.

The blight, a bacterial disease which spreads rapidly through the tissues of the plants, enters through young twigs and through damaged spots in the bark, Cordy reported. Among the number of species it is hitting in this area, he said, are apple, pear, hawthorn, flowering quince, and pyracantha.

Normally, the horticulture specialist said, a few straight days of hot, dry weather will clear up the undesirable growth. However, this year the hot, humid weather has made the blight threat particularly serious.

Among the symptoms of blight, Cordy reported, are leaves still clinging to a branch after the limb is dead. As the blight is running rapidly this year, it is necessary to cut away the diseased portion of the plant 12 to 15 inches below any visible symptoms, he stated.

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"The western oil interests in Iraq will be safeguarded and guaranteed and protected," the spokesman said.

No Specific Nation Target Of Statement

Radios Appeal for Death of Hussein

Beirut, Lebanon — (UPI) — The commander of U. S. forces in Lebanon reminded possible aggressors in the Middle East today that his land, sea and air forces have "atomic capabilities."

The U. S. commander, Vice Adm. James L. (Lord Jim) Holloway aimed his statement at no specific nation and he emphasized that all U. S. forces have such capabilities.

Added Significance

But his statement took on added significance since it was issued through the U. S. Embassy here at a time of increased saber-rattling in Moscow and as Communist and Egyptian-Syrian United Arab Republic radios were building increased tensions through a stream of inflammatory broadcasts.

The Damascus, Cairo and Baghdad radios appealed again today to the people of Jordan to assassinate King Hussein and overthrow his government.

Hussein's government is under the protection of 2,000 British paratroopers who came by massive airlift into Amman Thursday to join the U.S. in preserving Middle East peace in the face of the revolt in Iraq and serious civil strife in Lebanon.

Shooting in Beirut

The U. S. completed its buildup of more than 10,000 Marines and airborne infantry in Lebanon today, while the heaviest firing in two weeks was heard in the divided city of Beirut.

A spokesman for rebel leader Saeb Salam said the fighting was between his men and partisans of the pro-government PPS party. The firing, which included 13 explosions that sounded like artillery, was confined to the rebel-held Basta section near the city's race track.

A squad of U. S. Marines was alerted shortly before midnight to rush to the British Embassy. However, nothing materialized.

Holloway's statement issued through the embassy said that "all combat forces including ground, sea and air forces have atomic capabilities."

He did not enlarge upon the subject except to note: "Further discussion of the subject is a matter of military security."

However, it was known that the Marines in Lebanon were equipped with eight-inch howitzers capable of firing atomic shells.

Three U.S. jet planes scattered more than one million leaflets over Lebanon today, telling the people that U.S. forces are here to "help maintain Lebanese independence."

The leaflets were printed in Arabic and bore a picture of President Eisenhower.

The U.S. Embassy reported that Lebanese rebels who have been sniping at U.S. military planes also fired at an Egyptian airliner attempting to land at Beirut Sunday.

The statement denied a United Arab Republic statement that U.S. Marines fired on the plane.

Meanwhile, Iraq's revolutionary regime was going all out to win swift diplomatic recognition from the West.

The new government pledged safety of western oil installations and promised friendship with western governments.

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