

BERLIN LIFELINE PACTS DENIED

Truman Warns Of Dangers in Russian Moves

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The United States, Great Britain and France should lose no time in telling the Soviet Union that Khrushchev's proposals to compel the West to abandon West Berlin will not work and will be resisted.

The attempt of Russia to dispose of our rights in Berlin is an act of mockery and cynicism and a move fraught with danger.

Whether Khrushchev's ultimatum to force the West to accept repudiation of the Four Power agreement by the trick proposal of a "free city" of West Berlin is a maneuver to force recognition of East Germany or another in a series of provocative acts to harass us, we cannot permit them to get away with it.

Russians May Go Too Far

There is a peaceful solution to the German problem as there is a peaceful solution to every international problem, if the Russians will abandon their relentless tactics of keeping the world in turmoil and probing how far they can bully us while yet escaping war. The real danger is that one of these days the Russians may go too far.

I, for one, see no valid reason to fear a united Germany now. I think Germany has learned her lesson after two catastrophic experiences and should take her place in the constructive and peaceful ways of other nations in mutual cooperation and development. The immense talents of the German people and German science should be of great help in the development and improvement of the lot of people all over the world. This is where Russia could be of much help to hasten the betterment of the lot of all mankind if only she would apply her energies and new industrial development to the ways of peace.

Stepping Stones for Invasion

But, as matters stand, we all have reason to fear a Russia now resuming the tough line of Stalinism and more menacingly so because of her recent successes in the field of military science. East Germany under Russian domination is not a buffer state for peace but is, in fact, a stepping stone for Russian invasion westward. A Germany united could be a bulwark for peace in Europe. What Russia really is after, I believe, is a division of Germany, with East Germany, and all of Berlin as a permanent part of the Russian cluster of satellite states.

The Russian move to isolate East Berlin—to emphasize East Germany's ability to govern itself—is an act of diplomatic buffoonery, because Russia continues to occupy East Germany with an enormous army of over 450,000 soldiers and will not allow the people of East Germany to elect a government of their own choosing. Communist Russia continues to violate the agreements at Potsdam by which Poland, Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria were to be allowed to choose their own forms of government in free elections. It is now 13 years since the Russians made this agreement with us in Potsdam, and the people of these countries remain under Russian total domination and guns.

I read that Khrushchev has repeated some old suggestions to recent travelers to Russia that the two German states—West Germany and East Germany—should be left to negotiate their union without the participation of the United States, Great Britain, France and Russia. This is a design to expose West Germany to Communist conquest.

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Water, Fire District Voters Casting Ballots

Voters in five water districts and three rural fire protection districts will go to the polls today to elect one or more directors in each.

Water district elections include the Charlotte Anne district, where voters will cast their ballots at Camp U-Rest.

Errant Chauffeur, Auto Keys Missing

Harold Raymond Benson, 1911 Hazel st., told Medford police he gave his car keys to an acquaintance who had agreed to drive him home Friday night. But the acquaintance, and the car, disappeared.

Police discovered the vehicle early this morning, parked on North Riverside ave. at Sixth st. near the spot whence it had been taken. The keys were missing, the policeman who discovered it reported. And so was the errant chauffeur.

Gregg Sherwood Fined \$100 on Drunk Charge

Los Angeles - (UPI) - Mrs. Gregg Sherwood Dodge, 34, former showgirl and wife of a automotive heir Horace Dodge II, was fined \$100 today on a plain drunk conviction.

Caustic Remarks Against Medford Results in Punch

One resident of an area recently annexed to Medford remarked in a bar here early Sunday morning that he preferred Reno, Nev. to this fair city.

A stranger, according to the police report, promptly knocked him through the doorway of the bar.

The loquacious resident picked himself up and appeared shortly afterward at the Medford police station. But after being told the necessary procedure for filing complaints, he apparently simmered down.

"I better go home and keep my mouth shut," he said.

WEATHER
FORECAST: Considerable cloudiness and mild with a few light showers through Tuesday. Low tonight 40. High Tuesday 50. TEMP. Highest Yesterday 48. Lowest this Morning 38. PRECIP. To 10 a.m. Today .04

Our Skies Tonight
Sunset today 4:46 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:32 a.m.
Moonrise tonight 10:00 p.m.
Last Quarter Dec. 3
Highlights of the phenomena in the skies above this month will be the continued prominence of Mars, now the only planet in the evening sky; and the appearance of the Moon at Christ-

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Oregon Holiday Accident Toll Stands at 10

Traffic Accounts For Four Deaths

By United Press International

Oregon's four-day Thanksgiving week end death toll stood at 10 today. Traffic accidents claimed four lives, three persons drowned and three died in other mishaps.

The holiday accident count extended from 6 p.m. Wednesday to midnight Sunday.

William Melrose, 60, Portland, died Sunday in a head-on collision about five miles east of the Cannon Beach junction. His wife, Mabel, 65, was in serious condition. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bryant and their daughter, Vicki, 10, of Warrenton, also were hospitalized.

Martha Minkler, 14, Oakridge, was killed in a two-car collision on Highway 58 about 16 miles southeast of Eugene Saturday night. Five other persons were hurt.

Mrs. Elzora Aldrich, 58, Gresham, died in a Portland hospital Sunday from injuries suffered when struck by a car Saturday night.

Frank C. Leaming, 51, Central Point, was killed Saturday in a two-car mishap at Eagle Point junction.

Two other persons were injured fatally in Oregon traffic mishaps just before the 6 p.m. starting time Wednesday. They were Mary Ross, 52, Coos Bay, and Kenneth Cruickshank, 21, Bend.

A man and his son drowned in the Columbia river Saturday while hunting when high waves capsize their boat.

Drowned were Otis E. Johnston, 46, and his son Wayne, 16, of Portland. Another son, Lloyd, 19, and a friend John Bergeson, 17, managed to make it safely to shore. The accident occurred near Troutdale.

Ira McCullough, about 45, of Everett, Wash., was presumed drowned in the Columbia slough while working on a log boom in Portland.

A hunting accident near Seaside cost the life of 17-year-old Harry Keller of Gales Creek. Keller was shot while on an elk hunting trip. Perry Lee Andrews, 57, Warrenton, told police he shot into the brush when he saw something move, thinking it was an elk.

Eugene Wayne Mowden, 19, Wilderville, was killed when a car he was working on slipped off the jack and crushed him.

Carbon monoxide fumes took the life of Harry Val Aist, 22, Portland, while he was working on his car.



Advisory Group To Inform Voters On Parking Proposal

An advisory committee of civic leaders is seeking to inform Medford voters of the merits of the charter amendment for off-street parking to be voted on Dec. 10.

"Many people have mistakenly confused the charter amendment with a general tax measure," Dr. D. Kirkland West, committee chairman, has stated, "and it will be the job of the 50 or more volunteer civic leaders, who comprise the committee-at-large, to correct these misunderstandings."

Dr. West pointed out that the ballot measure is enabling legislation and does not constitute a general tax levy.

He said it is only the first step in providing legal authority for a solution of the parking problem. He said the next steps depend on voter approval of the charter amendment.

"It would be unfortunate for city progress if side issues which are not pertinent and which are already under public control were to be introduced at this time. It might tend to confuse the issue, the basic consideration of the charter amendment."

The charter amendment proposal is a pledge of the city's full faith and credit behind the issuance of general obligation bonds up to \$500,000. Such bonds, to be used for financing the off-street parking program, can only be issued with voter approval.

The bonds themselves would be paid off by revenue from the new facilities, up to 25 per cent of parking meter revenue and assessments from the property which the facilities would benefit.

Dr. West, in a prepared statement, told voters that general obligation bonds would be the only type of issue that could find a ready sale. He said study and consultation with experts in the fields of parking and bonding had led to this conclusion.

Compares Procedure

He compared the procedure to methods used to establish certain water or sewer districts' financing, where, he said, general obligation bonds are issued to guarantee salability but only the benefited district pays the assessment.

According to his statement, those downtown property owners contacted regarding the measure have indicated they support it and are willing to assume an equitable levy based on benefit whenever the necessary downtown assessment district is formed.

Discussions of the program and ballot measure have been scheduled for the Medford Lions club, the Rotary club, the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce roundtable and other civic forums, the statement reported. One speaker has already addressed the Crater Lions club, it is understood.

Dr. West invited those interested in more complete details to get in touch with him personally or to phone SPRing 2-8131 to arrange for a speaker.

Two Schools Back On Regular Basis

Roosevelt and Wilson elementary schools will operate on a full-time basis tomorrow, according to Medford school district officials. Students assigned to the new Wilson school have been double-shifting at Roosevelt.

Both schools will open at the regular time of 9 a.m., it was reported.

Roosevelt school cafeteria will be in operation tomorrow, but the Wilson school cafeteria will not be ready for service for some time yet, a school district official said. Wilson school pupils should bring sack lunches, it was suggested. Milk and ice cream can be obtained at the cafeteria.

Both schools have been operating on a part-time basis since school opened this fall. Work is still being done on the cafeteria and gym section of the Wilson school. However the classroom section and the principal's office are completed.

Office Burglarized In Central Point

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Woman Bruised When Hit by Automobile

Mrs. Mary Evelyn Janes, 1020 North Central ave., suffered bruises yesterday afternoon when struck by an unidentified vehicle while crossing Holly st. between Haven and West Jackson sts., Medford police reported.

Mrs. Jones told police the driver, who apparently did not give his name, stopped and offered to help her. She said he drove her to her destination, the Free Methodist church, 1216 South Peach st.

Quakes Rock So. California

Calexico Appears Hardest Hit by Temblor Series

Windows Broken, Plaster Tumbles

Calexico, Calif. - (UPI) - A series of unusually sharp earthquakes rumbled through most of Southern California and Western Arizona Sunday night, alarming thousands of residents and causing minor damage in at least three cities.

Windows shattered and plaster cracked under the impact of the successive temblors which rocked a large pie-shaped area extending from San Diego west to Yuma, Ariz., just across the California border and north to Los Angeles.

Aftershocks Continue

Magnitude of two of the four earth tremors was 5.4 and 5 on the Richter scale - slightly less than the quakes which rocked San Francisco a year and a half ago and caused widespread minor damage.

Aftershocks will continue to be felt throughout the day, seismologists said.

Dr. Charles F. Richter, seismologist of the California Institute of Technology at Pasadena, said the large shocks hit at 7:21 p.m. and 10:02 p.m.

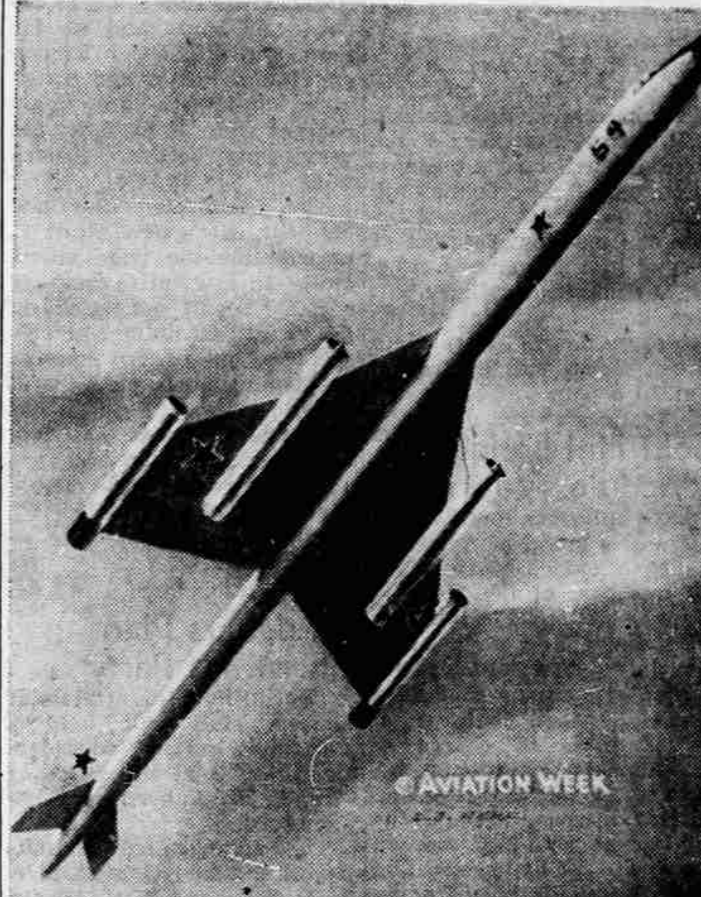
Cities reporting damage were this border town which appeared to be hardest hit, nearby El Centro to the north and Mexicali, Mexico, just across the border to the south.

A large plate glass window at a chain grocery store was shattered here and a water main snapped. A number of grocery stores reported canned goods and bottles were shaken from their shelves.

Plaster Cracked

Broken windows were reported in Mexicali and cracked plaster in homes and businesses were reported in El Centro.

Dr. Richter said the center of the swarm of earthquakes was in Imperial Valley, a rich agricultural section lying inland from the ocean about 100 miles and extending north from here. A series of quakes rocked this area in 1940, causing at least eight deaths.



SOVIETS TEST NUCLEAR POWERED BOMBER-A nuclear-powered bomber is being flight tested in the Soviet Union according to an article in the current issue of Aviation Week magazine. This is an Aviation Week artist's conception of the bomber, which shows large nuclear power plants suspended in pods under the delta wing. Conventional turbojets mounted on the wing tips and a 195-foot-long fuselage aid in radiation protection of the crew.

McElroy Doubts Russia Has Flown Atomic Airplane

Washington - (UPI) - Defense Secretary Neil H. McElroy said today he is "highly skeptical" of reports that Russia has flown the world's first atom-powered plane.

He conceded that the Soviets may have a "slight lead" over the United States in ultimate development of a nuclear aircraft.

The magazine Aviation Week reported that the Soviets recently flew successfully the first prototype atomic plane in the Moscow area.

Chairman Dennis Chavez (D-N.M.) of the Senate's Military Appropriation Subcommittee, promised meantime that Congress would give President Eisenhower all the money he needs to put a U.S. atom-powered plane in flight.

Pinball Operators Get \$150 Fines

Ernest Lytle, 49 South Eighth st., Central Point, and Henry Aymlar Diltmann, 221 1/2 North Holly st., Medford, pleaded guilty in district court this morning to charges of possessing and displaying a game of chance at Valley Billiards, Central Point. The plea was entered by their attorney, Robert Dickey.

They were fined \$150 each by Judge James M. Main and the court ordered the sheriff's office to destroy the pinball machine which was confiscated in October at the time the men were arrested.

The complaint filed against the two men was signed by the Central Point city police.

De Gaulle Emerges From Election as Strong Man

Paris - (UPI) - Premier Charles de Gaulle ruled today as France's undisputed strong man, swept to a pinnacle of power and prestige by a tidal wave of votes in run off elections Sunday for parliament. Communists Routed

In doing so the nearly 20 million French voters:

- Blitzed and routed the once powerful, Moscow-controlled French Communist Party, turning it into a tiny, impotent group that can no longer sway French parliamentary politics.

- Ousted in a mass wave of national contempt the men of the Fourth Republic whom they blamed for dragging

Agreement With Western Powers Said Non-Existent

Air, Land Routes Discussed In Speech

Berlin - (UPI) - East German Foreign Minister Lothar Bolz today denied agreements exist giving the western powers the right to travel to isolated Berlin.

Bolz, in a speech to an East Berlin meeting of the national council of the Communist-run "Nationalist Front," went far beyond previous eastern statements questioning western use of air and land routes through East Germany in six months when the Soviets abrogate four-power occupation agreements.

He said no agreements on use of the lifelines to the West ever were made and none exist now.

Military Train Delayed

Despite Bolz's statement, both the Soviets and East Germany today indicated by their acts that they plan to respect western occupation rights at least until expiration of the six-month period given the West to accept new Soviet proposals on Berlin.

A broken rail just outside West Berlin today delayed the U. S. military train from Frankfurt for 60 minutes.

A U. S. Army spokesman said the East German railway crew repaired the track quickly and efficiently so the train could continue its journey through the Soviet zone and enter West Berlin.

A former Soviet commandant of Berlin said in an interview with the Communist newspaper Neues Deutschland that four-power agreements gave the western powers only a temporary right to occupy West Berlin.

Maj. Gen. P. A. Dibrova, commandant of the Soviet sector from 1952 to 1956, said the Soviet proposal to give West Berlin the status of a free city would not only free Berliners "from sabotage, diversionist and war propaganda centers" but also from western occupation troops.

The Communist propaganda campaign was meeting firm resistance, and the 12,000 American, British and French troops were under orders to shoot back if Soviet or East German troops invaded the western sectors of the city.

Festival Fund Nears Half Mark

Ashland - The Shakespearean Festival fund is now approaching the half-way mark, according to a fund drive official following the report luncheon in Ashland today noon.

Goal for the money-raising venture for reconstruction of the festival theater structure is \$275,000. A total of \$38,829.09 has been collected so far, according to reports made at the report meeting in the fund raising headquarters today. Previous total was \$32,143.09, it was reported.

Medford is to hold its report luncheon at the Red Cross building Wednesday noon.

Clarence Bell, was high man in the Ashland men's division with \$703 collected and Mrs. Harry Skerry, Ashland, was high woman in the women's division with \$1,465 collected. Total that the men's division has raised is \$19,661. Total for the women's group is \$19,188.09.

Medford Stores Will Be Open Until 9 O'Clock Tonight

