

Russia Accepts Binding Treaty Obligation on Test Ban

Humphrey To Report to Ike On Khrushchev Talks

Cold War Issues Aired in Russia

Washington — (UPI) — Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.), returned today from a trip to Moscow to report to President Eisenhower on his unusual eight-hour talk with Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev on cold war issues.

Humphrey told reporters at National Airport here that the information he will give the President Tuesday does not necessarily "bode ill" for the United States because this country is very strong. He has described as "significant" a message Khrushchev gave him to carry to Eisenhower.

Humphrey declined to give any details of his report to the President. The senator has told reporters Khrushchev did impart two "secrets" involving "items of our security."

The senator, at the airport, said he supports the President's position on the Berlin crisis and believes that if the United States continues to stand firm that situation will not worsen.

Humphrey planned to see Undersecretary of state, Christian Herter this afternoon and go to the White House Tuesday morning.

Peace Seen Essential
Humphrey said he believed that Khrushchev wants peace because peace is essential to the Soviet seven-year economic plan. He said the U. S. should use those seven years in an attempt to penetrate the Soviet system with "good works and good deeds."

Humphrey also said he would confer as soon as possible with Senate Democratic leader Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas. The Minnesota senator said he believes it important to work out bipartisan cooperation in foreign policy in the coming new Congress.

Humphrey said he discussed nuclear tests suspensions both with Khrushchev and with the Soviet's chief delegate at the Geneva negotiations and that Khrushchev "seemed to show some willingness for a meaningful agreement with effective inspection controls."

Eagle Pointer Loses Presents, Nickel To Wrong Auto
An Eagle Point woman lost some Christmas presents and had to pay a parking fine Saturday because her car looked like too many others.

Mrs. Nellie Lucille Webb, Butte Falls Star route, Eagle Point, while Christmas shopping in Medford gave her daughter some Christmas packages to put in the car and a nickel for the parking meter.

Unfortunately, her daughter put the nickel in the wrong meter and the packages in the wrong car. The car, of foreign manufacture, was the same color and make as the Webb car.

Portland — (UPI) — W. F. (Ray) Wilson has been elected president of Oregon's largest Teamsters local, No. 162 of Portland.

"Is This An Early One, Or Is It Left Over From Last Summer?"



Hearing Scheduled On Consolidation

A public hearing on district consolidation involving Howard school will be held in the Howard school gymnasium at 8 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 11, according to N. F. Gier, chairman of the reorganization information committee of Howard school.

Jacksonville Road Detour Set

The Medford-Jacksonville highway at Daisy creek will be closed to traffic to allow for culvert installation Wednesday and Thursday, according to Paul Robertson, Medford maintenance foreman for the Oregon state highway department.

A detour will be made beginning Wednesday morning, starting at Oak Grove rd., will continue through Stewart ave. and Bellinger rd., and connect with the highway at Arnold lane, Robertson said.

Precipitation Below Normal

Although .39 of an inch of rain fell Sunday and another .17 was recorded up to 10 a.m. today precipitation this month is still below normal for December.

Dating Couple Learns Of Brother-Sister Ties

Oregon City — (UPI) — A boy and a girl went out on a date and discovered they were brother and sister.

Demo Advisory Council Drafts 'Union Message'

Civil Rights, Union Legislation Asked

Washington — (UPI) — The Democratic Advisory Council handed Congress its own "state of the union message" today calling for more civil rights action, some union-backed legislation and more spending on new or expanded welfare programs.

The proposals were sure to provoke protests from Southern Democrats and conservatives in both parties who would view it as a spending, updated version of the New Deal. And it was unlikely to get an enthusiastic reception from Democratic congressional leaders.

East German Premier Issues Blockade Threat

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Yes Vote Asked For Charter Amendment

Details of the proposed off-street parking charter amendment, to be voted on in Medford on Wednesday, appear on Page 10 of today's Mail Tribune.

16-Year-Old Held On Theft Charges

A 16-year-old Oklahoma boy was held by Jackson county juvenile authorities today in connection with the theft of a \$750 cameo brooch and other items from the Medford couple who had befriended him.

\$1,500 Stolen From Local Store

The theft of over \$1,500 in cash and checks from the Thrifty Nifty market, 223 West Jackson st., was reported to Medford police Sunday morning.

Snow, Freezing Rain Force School Closures in Western Washington

Bellingham, Wash. — (UPI) — Whatcom county schools closed their doors today in the face of a freezing rain and snow storm while eastern Washington and northern Idaho were digging out after a week end snowfall.

Siskiyou Area Believed Low Risk As Possible Location of Earthquakes

Pasadena, Calif. — (UPI) — Eighty to 90 per cent of the earthquakes in the U. S. occur in California—but many other states throughout the country are vulnerable to damaging tremors, Dr. Charles F. Richter said today.

Survey Completed
Richter, professor of seismology at the California Institute of Technology and an internationally known authority on earthquakes, said he has completed a survey of the U. S. designed to show where the severest earthquakes are likely to hit.

Areas of high risk which at some time could suffer damage to buildings from earthquakes are California, northern New York state, New England, the Central Mississippi Valley, and a narrow belt extending north and south through Montana, Idaho, Utah and Arizona, Richter said.

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Planning Commission Meeting Postponed

The Medford planning commission's regular monthly meeting, scheduled for tonight, has been postponed until Dec. 15, according to City Manager Robert A. Duff.

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