

No Underground Bomb Test, Mr. K Asserts

Soviet Premier Says Russia Has No Intentions

Leader in France For 11-Day Visit

Paris — (UPI) — Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev said today Russia has never exploded a nuclear bomb underground and does not intend to do so.

Khrushchev made his statement in an informal talk to the France-U.S.S.R. Friendship Society a few hours after he arrived for an 11-day state visit in a Paris wrapped in the tightest security network of the century.

Would Exhaust Problem

He added in his comments at the Quai d'Orsay, where he is staying while in the French capital, that if present Soviet proposals at the Geneva disarmament and nuclear test ban talks are accepted, "the disarmament problem will be exhausted."

Khrushchev's statement that the Soviet Union has never conducted an underground nuclear test — the only kind generally considered undetectable — was believed to be the first such revelation from a Soviet official.

Accepts Western Proposals

"You know that we have accepted the American and British proposals on the discontinuation of nuclear weapons tests," he said. "Now there are only insignificant differences left between our respective positions."

"They deal with the question of underground explosions.

"But until we work out such methods of detection, let us agree not to have any more underground explosions. We have never carried out any underground explosions of nuclear weapons and we have no intention of doing so."

Scarcely Visible

Khrushchev made his remarks to the friendship group following a formal drive up the Champs Elysee under such stringent security wraps that 300,000 Frenchmen lining the famed broad boulevard scarcely could see him slumped in the official limousine beside the flowering figure of French President Charles de Gaulle.

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Sessions will be held Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 7:15 p.m. with each class having about 40 women. Class will end at approximately 8:30 p.m. The first classes will be held next week and continue for eight weeks. Meetings are held in the girls gymnasium at McLoughlin.

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Portland Newspapers Announce Plan To Arm Guards in Building

Inter-Union Committee Ired By Proposal

Publishers Call Charge Ridiculous

Portland — (UPI) — Plans by Portland's two daily newspapers to put armed guards inside their struck plants aroused the ire of the Inter-Union Newspaper committee today.

The committee sent telegrams to Labor Secretary James Mitchell, Gov. Mark Hatfield and others asking for "immediate intervention to prohibit use of armed guards."

Unarmed Guards Used

Plants of the two papers, the Oregon Journal and Oregonian, have been guarded by unarmed Pinkerton men since last Nov. 10 when stereotypes walked out.

The union's telegram charged that using armed guards within the plants would be a "provocation to violence and bloodshed."

Protective Measure

"It is a protective measure for internal security to supplement the services of law enforcement agencies. To infer, as the strike committee's telegram did, that this procedure is provocative is ridiculous under these or any other circumstances," the publishers said.

The telegram also went to Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.), Rep. Edith Green (D-Ore.), Portland Mayor Terry Schrunk, Portland Police Chief Walter Hilbruner, and Carl Francis, Dayton, Ore., chairman of the Legislative Interim Committee on Crime Prevention.

Investigation Promised

Mayor Schrunk promised an immediate investigation when 20 members of the union committee called at his office.

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Booklet on County to Arrive Here on Monday

First copies of a booklet on county government, "How much do you know about Jackson county?" prepared by the League of Women Voters of Medford, will arrive here next Monday.

Two Years Study

The 48-page booklet is the result of more than two years' study by the non-partisan voters group. It describes all phases of county government operation and includes background information concerning this area's history and economics.

League members reported that the booklet has been written for use of the general public and students who wish to gain a better understanding of local government.

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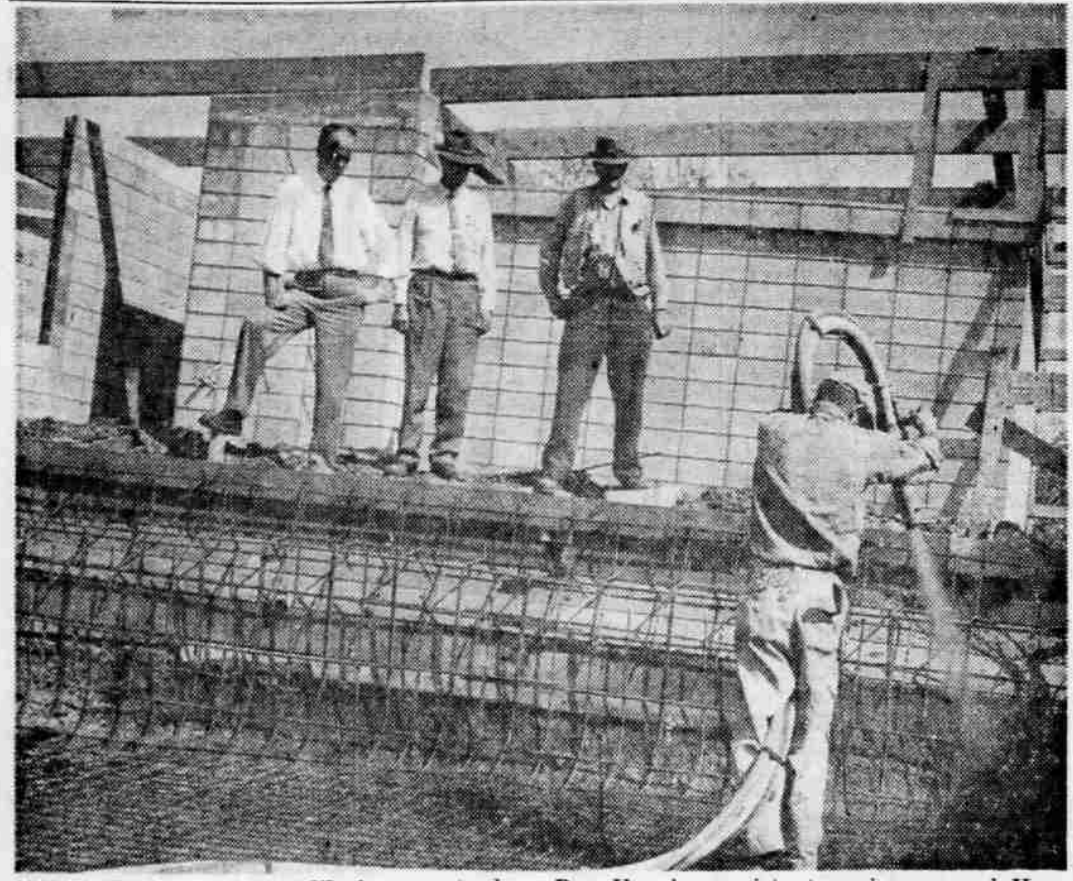
FORECAST: Fair and mild tonight and Thursday. Low tonight 38. High Thursday 75.

Highest Yesterday 86
 Lowest this Morning 44

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today 6:27 p.m.
 Sunrise tomorrow 6:08 a.m.
 Moonrise tomorrow 4:42 a.m.
 New Moon March 26

The planet, Mars, appears near the Moon tonight. Actually it is now about 185 million miles from the Earth, twice as far away as the Sun.



GUNITE STARTED — Workers yesterday started applying gunite to the new Jackson park swimming pool as city engineering department officials watch. On hand to view the start of gunite are Pete Shogren and Ray Vaughn, assistant engineers, and Vernon Thorpe, center, city engineer. The pool is expected to be completed for the coming season. —(Baker photo)

House Expected To Pass Civil Rights by Nightfall

Washington — (UPI) — The House was expected to wind up two weeks of civil rights debate today by passing a five-point bill and sending it to the waiting Senate.

Rep. Emanuel Celler (N.Y.), Democratic civil rights leader, said the bill would be passed before a sun-down "without fail" and with little, if any, change.

The bill would safeguard Negro voting rights and outlaw interference with school integration orders in the South.

Outnumbered Southerners, fighting to the last to weaken the measure, prepared to offer more amendments before the final vote.

The Senate, meanwhile, was expected to vote on a motion to table — and thus kill — a proposed voting rights amendment by Sens. Joseph S. Clark (D-Pa.) and Jacob K. Javits (R-N.Y.).

But for the most part the Senate was marking time awaiting the House action.

The Clark-Javits proposal, criticized by Attorney General William P. Rogers Tuesday, would combine the administration's voting referee plan with a system of federal enrollment officers proposed by Sen. Thomas C. Hennings Jr. (D-Mo.).

Rogers wrote Senate GOP Leader Everett M. Dirksen (Ill.) that the Clark-Javits proposal was "worthless" and "ineffective" and had the "fatal illness" of being unenforceable.

The House stamped its approval on the most controversial part in its bill — the administration plan for court-appointed referees to protect Negroes' rights to vote in all elections.

The referee plan was added to a civil rights bill by a vote of 199 to 104. The House accepted one amendment to strengthen the administration proposal and defeated a string of attempts by southerners and conservative Republicans to weaken it.

Canvass Changes Districts' Vote

Official canvass of last Wednesday's school district reorganization vote in Rogue River and Evans Valley changes the vote result little, according to the county superintendent's office.

According to the official canvass made by the Jackson County School District Reorganization committee last night 150 persons voted yes and 21 no in Rogue River. In Evans Valley 54 persons voted yes and 134 persons no.

Three votes were disqualified in the Rogue River district and two no votes in the Evans Valley district. The result remains the same, 71 per cent of the voters voting in the Evans Valley district opposed, joining with Rogue River, County School Superintendent Alf B. Mekvold noted.

The reorganization committee adopted a resolution stating that the proposal, according to the total vote, was passed, but since Evans Valley voted it down, the official reorganization proceeding will be delayed 30 days from the official vote canvass.

If a number of voters in the Evans Valley district equal to 50 per cent of the number who voted in last Wednesday's election sign a petition opposing the reorganization, the current plan will be rejected. Petitions are already out in Evans Valley, Mekvold said. If no unfavorable petitions are turned in during the 30-day period then the joint administrative district becomes effective July 1, he explained.

Symington to Tell Plans on Thursday

Washington — (UPI) — Sen. Stuart Symington (Mo.) will announce Thursday that he will be a candidate for the 1960 Democratic presidential nomination.

Russia Willing For Inspectors To Verify Cuts

Effort To Learn Strength Ruled Out

Geneva — (UPI) — The Russians said today they were willing to let international inspectors verify Soviet reductions in troops and arms — providing they did not try to determine what Russian forces still exist.

Soviet delegate Valerian Zorin told the 10-nation Disarmament Conference that any international effort to determine the strength of Soviet forces in being would amount to "espionage."

Zorin agreed that reductions in arms and armed forces, which he said should be applied at each stage of East-West disarmament.

If inspectors tried to determine the strength of forces not subject to agreed reductions, however, he said they could be considered "spies."

Zorin said the principal problem confronting the conference was to determine what disarmament measures the nations taking part were willing to accept.

"If they can agree on these measures, I am sure they can agree on controls . . ." he said.

Western delegates said Zorin did a lot of talking about controls without ever coming close to an answer to their repeated questions about just what sort of controls the Russians are willing to accept.

Before Zorin spoke, Communist Romania's Edouard Mezincescu attacked western plans for the establishment of an international disarmament organization. He said the United Nations should be sufficient to keep the peace.

Bonds Sold for Ashland Hospital

Ashland — First National Bank of Oregon's low bid on bonds for Ashland's new hospital last night was accepted by the Ashland city council.

The bank's bid listed an interest rate of 4.268 per cent on the \$350,000 issue.

One other bid was opened, a joint one by Blyth and company and the United States National bank with an interest rate of 4.3689 per cent.

Construction of the half-million dollar hospital is expected to start by early summer.

The council, meeting in an adjourned session, also set private hearings on a junior high school property rezoning ordinance. Hearings will be held Monday, April 4, for the planning commission, and Tuesday, April 5, for the council.

Fire Permits To Be Required in CPRFPD

Central Point-Fire permits will be required starting April 1 in the Central Point Rural Fire Protection district, Fire Chief L. C. Lisenbee has announced.

Those people in the district living within one-eight mile of state forest department-protected land shall be required to obtain permits from the state's southwest district headquarters. Other residents will get permits from the rural district office.

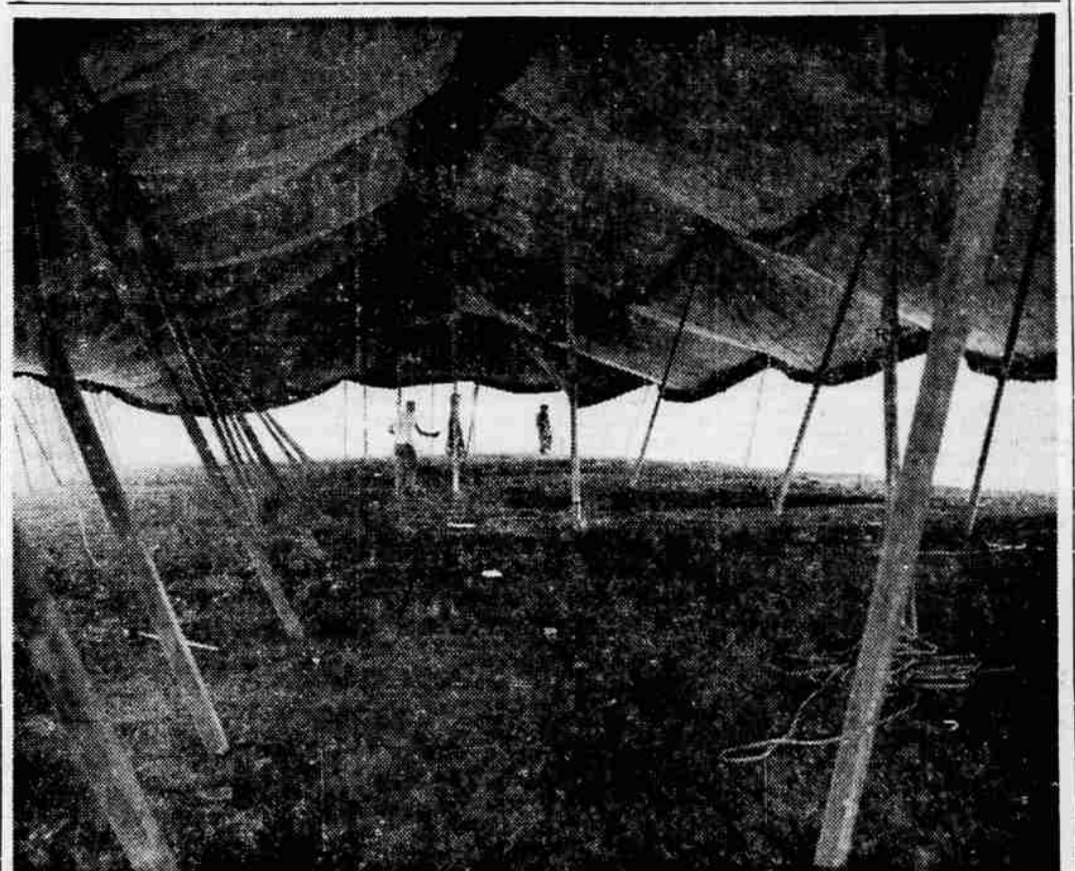
Portland — Damage was estimated at \$65,000 from the Monday night fire which destroyed the Charles Grant Woodwork company in southeast Portland.

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RAISE TENT—Workmen are shown raising a large circus tent near the Medford armory, where the Crater Lions club's Sportsfair will house some exhibits, along with a fish pond, stage, facilities for a horse show, and other activities. —(Knackstedt photo)

Camp White Man Killed in Mishap Along Highway 62

James Michael Hart, 51, member of the Camp White domiciliary, was killed by a truck last night while crossing the Crater Lake highway near the intersection of Alta Vista rd., state police reported.

Medford Ambulance Service attendants reported the man had no identification in his pockets although a wallet containing identification was found near the body. Identification was established later by the domiciliary authorities and state police. The body was taken to Perl Funeral home in Medford pending funeral arrangements.

Hart was struck by a truck driven by Bob Glenn Kimmel, 26, of 632 South B st., Eagle Point. He told officers his truck was eastbound on the Crater Lake highway about 50 miles per hour. A dark object came from the vehicle's left side when the truck neared the intersection of Alta Vista rd. Kimmel told state police he struck the pedestrian before he could apply his brakes.

State police said the victim was hit in the east bound lane about 3 feet from the center line. No action is contemplated at this time, state police said. The truck is registered to R. B. Brown, of 3025 Delta Waters rd., Medford. The fatality was the sixth from traffic accidents this year in Jackson county.

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First on the agenda is the Jackson county health department budget which is divided into three sections for consideration. One section is the office general budget, another mosquito control, and the third mental health. The latter includes the Siskiyou Child Guidance center and a new family counseling service.

Representatives of the Jackson county planning commission are scheduled to meet again with the budget committee at 11 a.m. to present more details on its budget. The Jackson county juvenile department will present its budget at 1:30 p.m. and the Jackson county farm home budget request will be considered at 2:45 p.m.

Olympia, Wash. — (UPI) — The State Public Service commission has denied Pacific Power and Light Co.'s request for a general rate increase of nearly \$11 million a year.

Timber Products Awards Contracts For Equipment

Contracts totaling nearly a half-million dollars have been awarded on equipment to eliminate air pollution at Timber Products company, on East McAndrews rd. and North Central ave., the firm announced today. The new facility is slated for operation not later than Sept. 1.

Overall contract for a new steam generation facility has been awarded to the M. A. Roberts company, mechanical boiler contractors of Portland, a company spokesman announced. Firm orders have been placed also for the bulk of the material for the steam generating plant, he added.

Construction will begin next week on the foundation and buildings. Actual boiler erection will start about July 1.

Order for Boiler

The order for the boiler, the chief piece of equipment in this installation, has been placed with the Garrett and Schafer company, Seattle, Wash., the company spokesman said.

This will be equipped with the Riley pneumatic stoker, fully automatic controls furnished by the Bailey Meter company, and complete cinder and smoke elimination equipment to be furnished by the Fly-Ash Arrester company. When completed the steam generating facility will be the most modern in the industry, the spokesman said.

Other principal equipment ordered includes a new 24-opening hot press for plywood, which has been placed with the Williams White company of Moline, Ill. The order for the semi-automatic loading and unloading equipment for the press has been placed with the American Manufacturing company of Tacoma, Wash.

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At every fourth household, the census taker will ask additional questions covering population and housing characteristics.

Information Confidential

Information about individuals and their homes furnished to the census bureau is kept confidential under federal law. Only statistical totals and averages are published. No individual person can be identified in published reports and information cannot be used for regulation, investigation or taxation.

"... I Repeat—This Is a Test . . . !!!"

