



VIEW MERCHANDISE — Shown here looking over merchandise at Andy's Jewelry are, left to right, Charles J. Thornton, zone manager of Zale's, Portland; Allan Anderson, former owner; Theodore Hochstim, vice president and

Newly Appointed Envoy To Russia Capable Diplomat

Washington — (UPI) — One day late in September a small and wiry diplomat named Foy D. Kohler will take up the delicate job of being this country's ambassador to the Soviet Union.

Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev will not be on hand at the airport to greet Kohler, but the two men soon will know each other well, because this 54-year-old career State Department officer must serve as the main information link between the high command in Washington and its counterpart in Moscow.

It is no job for a cookie pusher or for a courtly gentleman of the old diplomatic school. It is an assignment for rugged experts such as George Kennan, Charles A. (Chip) Bohlen, Llewellyn Thompson, and it will test the mettle of Ohio-born Foy David Kohler.

He goes to Moscow "with a complete knowledge of government policy," President Kennedy has said, as well as with "my complete confidence." Both are vital qualifications.

Expert on Berlin
Probably Kohler's first business in Moscow will be to discuss Berlin with Khrushchev. It is no coincidence that Kohler knows this subject well.

Throughout the last several years, since Khrushchev flared Berlin into a crisis, Kohler has been deeply involved in U.S. strategy. Although his formal title has been assistant secretary of state for European affairs, he has spent much time directing a special task force that has formulated U.S. policy on Berlin.

Thus under both the Eisenhower and Kennedy administrations he has had access to the innermost secrets of cold war diplomacy. Now he has reached the climax of a diplomat's career despite a setback 10 years ago that could have cut it short.

On Saturday, Dec. 6, 1952, Kohler and his wife were involved in an automobile accident when the car she was driving hit a telephone pole on Old Dominion Drive in the Virginia suburb of Arlington. They were returning home from a late party.

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Andy's Jewelers Is Purchased by Zale's

The sale of Andy's Jewelers, 218 East Main st., Medford, to the Zale Jewelry company of Dallas, Tex., has been announced by Andy Anderson, who has operated the business for 17 years.

Theodore Hochstim, vice president and counsel for Zale Jewelry company, and Burley Bullock, the company's representative, said that all the present personnel at Andy's would remain.

Charles Pecht of Provo, Utah, will move to Medford as store manager. The purchase was made after a market survey by the firm by which it was determined that Medford affords a sound business opportunity

and is a unique market for its size.

Representatives of Zale's said they are impressed with parking facilities in the downtown area. It was because of the favorable reputation of Andy's Jewelers that Zale's became interested in the purchase, Hochstim said.

The purchase of the Medford store makes the fifth Zale's store in Oregon. Others are planned in the future. At the present time Zale's operates 246 stores in 34 states and maintains a world-wide buying office. Net volume for the fiscal year of 1961 was in excess of \$63 million. Zale's stock is listed on the American Stock exchange.

Hochstim said a long-term lease was negotiated with William Cochran, building owner. Anderson has made no announcement of future plans.

and Cairo and became in the process an expert on Eastern European and Near Eastern affairs.

In January, 1947, he went to Moscow for the first time as counselor of embassy, and stayed there — rising to the rank of minister — until 1948. It was during this time that Stalin clamped down the Berlin blockade, the beginnings of Kohler's now-intimate acquaintance with the problem of Berlin versus the Russians.

Learns Russian
While there he also learned Russian. He's a bit rusty at it now, he has said, but is practicing up before leaving for Moscow. He told the foreign relations committee that his wife, North Carolina-born Pam, speaks it better than he does.

From 1948 on, Kohler has been at the State Department, mostly as assistant secretary for European affairs. He took time out from Berlin problems to accompany Vice President Richard M. Nixon to Moscow, and he did much of the spadework in preparing for Khrushchev's visit to the United States in 1959.

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