

De Gaulle, Adenauer Sign Historic Treaty

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Nations Pledge Cooperation in National Affairs

Heads To Meet Every Six Months

Paris—(UPI)—French President Charles de Gaulle and West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer today signed a treaty pledging cooperation between the two nations that have fought three major wars in the last 100 years.

The historic document provides that the heads of the two nations will meet at least every six months, that their ministers of foreign affairs and defense will consult frequently, and that they will exchange troops and training facilities for joint maneuvers.

No Common Parliament

The treaty is in line with De Gaulle's conception of a loosely linked "Europe of the Fatherlands" and provides no supra-national authority nor a common parliament.

De Gaulle and Adenauer signed the document in the French President's Elysee Palace.

The ceremony took place after Adenauer appealed to De Gaulle to refrain from provoking a complete breach in the Brussels talks on Britain's entry into the Common Market. German sources said De Gaulle had promised to consider the suggestion.

Offers Compromise

Adenauer offered De Gaulle a face-saving compromise under which the Brussels negotiations would be suspended temporarily while the Common Market's executive commission draws up an "inventory" of points on which Britain and the six Common Market nations still are deadlocked.

Adenauer told De Gaulle, according to German sources, that West Germany still believes British membership in the Common Market is desirable.

German sources said there are "strong hopes" that Adenauer persuaded the French leader that the Brussels situation is critical and that an open breach must be avoided. The German sources said Adenauer and De Gaulle also discussed France's rejection of President Kennedy's offer of Polaris missiles.

History of Warfare

Adenauer was in a favored position to exert pressure on De Gaulle. The two have agreed to an historic reconciliation of their nations—traditional enemies whose quarrels have drenched Europe and the world in bloody wars dating back a thousand years.

French Foreign Office spokesman Claude Lebel sought to assure the rest of Europe that the treaty was not aimed at any other nation. "On the contrary, it must be regarded as the first, indispensable step leading toward the unity of Europe for which both sides hope," he said.

The treaty will be submitted to both national parliaments for ratification. It will be accompanied by a joint statement by the two leaders.

Veterans' Farm, Home Loan Bonds Sold

Salem—(UPI)—The Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs today announced the sale of \$25 million in self-liquidating veterans' farm and home loan bonds to the First National Bank of Oregon and associates.

The department said the effective interest rate of 2.75 per cent was the best bid since March, 1959. He said the sale will take care of the department's needs for the rest of this year.



GREETING HUSBAND—Mary Ann Quinn, holding a birthday cake for him, greets her husband, Lee, on his arrival at Honolulu aboard the yacht Neophyte with his all-girl crew. He observed his 36th birthday while at sea. (UPI)

Skipper of All-Girl Crew Undecided on Sailing To Tahiti

Honolulu—(UPI)—Former steeplejack Lee Quinn, 36, who skippered the ketch Neophyte and his all-girl crew from San Francisco to Honolulu, said today he has no definite plans to extend the voyage to Tahiti.

"I want to rest up for about a month," the skipper said, "and then I will give serious thought to it."

It's quite likely that his wife, Mary Ann, will have a few thoughts on the subject, too. She was on hand with a kiss and a cake Monday when the Neophyte ended its 25-day, storm-tossed voyage of 2,300 miles.

Crew May Not Sail
Quinn had hinted at the possibility of continuing on to Tahiti with a four-girl crew, but this time, Mrs. Quinn was expected to sail as first mate. However, there was no indication whether any of his San Francisco-to-Honolulu crew would continue on.

The nautical novices selected by Quinn with his wife's blessing included Susan Bird, 20, Oakland; Giselle Mayer, 22, Sausalito; Jackie Miller, 24, an airline stewardess from

Reunification of Congo Under Way

Kolwezi, Katanga, The Congo—(UPI)—United Nations officials, following up the peaceful UN take-over of this last Katanga stronghold, laid the groundwork today for bringing Katanga province back into the Congo.

The next reunification moves were expected to take place in the provincial capital of Elisabethville where representatives of Premier Cyrille Adoula's central government were awaiting talks with Katanga's President Moïse Tshombe.

Tshombe, who had vowed to fight to the end, concluded his 31-month-long secession officially Monday by surrendering Kolwezi. UN troops entered the important mining center without a shot being fired.

The action brought all major military operations in the Congo to an end although UN forces still were mopping up small pockets of resistance in the north.

Welding Shop Fire Spotted by Police

A passing police officer spotted a fire in the welding shop at Crater Lake Machinery, 2919 North Pacific highway, about 9:20 p.m. last night.

Medford firemen cut a hole through a metal wall to get to the fire.

The fire apparently was caused by sparks from welding earlier in the day, firemen said, which stayed alive in material around oxygen acetylene tanks. The heat from the ignited material caused the safety valves on the tanks to burst, it was theorized.

Pearson Offers Own Workmen's Compensation Bill

Salem—(UPI)—Sen. Walter Pearson today introduced his own workmen's compensation bill that would let private insurance firms into the field.

It also would completely revamp Oregon's workmen's compensation procedures.

"I believe it is a model workmen's compensation law," Pearson said, "one that will be of benefit to all workers in Oregon, and fair to both workers and employers."

The bill, drafted at Pearson's request, was introduced by the Senate Labor and Industries Committee which Pearson heads.

Pearson said he also expects his committee to introduce an alternate workmen's compensation proposal being drafted after recommendations of a special governor's advisory committee.

Three-Way Tag
Labor terms the Pearson proposal a "three-way" bill, similar to the one that labor fought a holding action against in 1961. The term "three-way" refers to the three ways of insuring—by the state, by self-insurance, and by private insurance.

Labor's objection centers on the private insurance aspect. A labor spokesman today said private firms would be able to cream off the good accounts, raising state costs for the most hazardous accounts.

The proposal by the special governor's committee, tentatively endorsed by labor, would only let private firms write re-insurance. Pearson termed it "rather limited, a one and seven-eighths" bill.

A Portland insurance man, Pearson said his firm "does not write insurance of this type."

Pearson said his new bill, SB30, differs in one significant feature from two years ago. He said it provides for a state group to supervise all claims, including those covered by private policies.

Other Bills Offered
Proposals for income tax cuts for everyone and home-stead tax exemptions for the elderly were introduced in the Senate today.

Sen. John Hare (R-Hillsboro) called for a 10 per cent flat reduction in the personal income tax.

The elderly homestead tax exemption bill would exempt \$5,000 of the value of a home owned by a person 65 or over with income of \$2,500 a year or less.

A bill calling for a pilot program for education of

Farmers in Counties Eligible for Loans

Farmers in Josephine and Jackson counties are eligible for emergency loan assistance as a result of the Dec. 2 flood, according to the Farmers' Home Administration office in Grants Pass.

The two counties also were declared emergency areas for farming purposes because of the October windstorm, Supervisor Eugene Denney pointed out.

Any established farm operator is eligible for an emergency loan through the FHA if he has suffered substantial damage due to the disaster, providing he is unable to obtain credit from other sources to continue his normal operation, and if he has reasonable prospects for success.

Loans are made for annual operating expenses, replacement of machinery or livestock lost or disposed of as a result of the storm, purchase of essential home furnishings damaged or destroyed by the storm, replacement or repair of buildings, fences, irrigation systems, and relieving land or clearing debris.

Firemen extinguished the fire and confined damage to some machinery in the shop.

GRANTS SET RECORD
Corvallis—(UPI)—A record \$2,263,904 was received in grants and gifts by Oregon State University during the past month for scholarships, research and facilities.



WANTS TO COLLECT BET—Mrs. Lavina Radabaugh, 47, of Warren, Mich., prepares a pot of coffee on her home-made 50-gallon oil drum stove as the weather hovers at a cool 10 degrees below zero. Mrs. Radabaugh has been camping out since last Friday on a \$150 bet with the Clare, Mich., Chamber of Commerce that she could not last until next Saturday. Mrs. Radabaugh has been living on a fish diet and some canned food she brought with her when she set up camp. (UPI)

Chester Leonard, City Businessman, Civic Leader, Dies

Chester (Chet) C. Leonard, 65, of 2529 Hillcrest rd., retired Medford businessman and civic leader, died in a Medford hospital Monday night of a heart attack.

Mr. Leonard, one of three honorary life members of the Medford Elks lodge, was widely known for his philanthropies through the lodge, in other civic organizations and in his personal contacts with people in need.

Born in Pratt, Kans., Aug. 1, 1896, Mr. Leonard moved to Medford in 1927. He entered the service station business and later owned and operated the 99 Motel. He sold his interests a few years ago and devoted his time to his civic activities.

Past Exalted Ruler
He was past exalted ruler of the Medford Elks lodge, a Rotarian, a member of the First Presbyterian church, the Rogue Valley Country club, and the Linebacker's club.

The drives for establishment of the Rogue Valley Memorial hospital and for the city park development were two in which he devoted a major effort. He also was active in acquiring the property on Foothills road for the location of the future Elks temple.

He supported organizations for the welfare of young people. He was known to hosts of teenagers as "Grand Dad."

An ardent sports fan, Mr. Leonard was available when transportation was needed by students to games, ski runs or lake resorts. He also was one of the original organizers of the Jackson County Sheriff's posse.

He is survived by his wife, Mamie Leonard; a son, Donald Leonard, in California; a daughter, Mrs. Franklin H. Van Pelt, Medford; and two grandchildren, Linda Leonard, in California, and Frank Van Pelt, Medford, and a brother, John Leonard, in California.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by Perl Funeral home.

Value of Property In County Increases Slower Than Taxes

Every five years seems an appropriate time to refigure many things. Most situations undergo a sufficiently large change in that period of time to make the findings news.

Taxes are no exception. In Jackson county in 1962 the gross value of property came to \$103,448,929. This represented an increase of \$19,104,422.21 over the 1957 total of \$84,344,506.79. The 1962 total includes the utilities, without which the total would be \$91,933,080, according to Thad Hatten, county assessor.

The valuation increase without utilities, or the strictly local valuation increase, was \$19,600,540, an increase of 27 per cent in five years.

Valuation Goes Down
The surprising thing about this is that the increase with the utilities was only 23 per cent, because valuation of utilities went down instead of up. The valuation of utilities was listed as \$12,021,966.79 on the Jackson county tax rolls in 1957. In 1962 this same total dropped to \$11,515,849, a decrease of \$506,117.79.

This resulted from a difference in ratio set by the state tax commission, the Jackson county assessor explained. Now, all property is taxed at 25 per cent of true market value. Five years ago, the utilities were taxed on a 36 per cent ratio and other county property on the 30 per cent of value ratio.

The taxation of utilities was reduced 11 per cent and other county property only 5 per cent by the change.

This, Hatten explained, threw the load on to residential and commercial property.

While the increase in valuation was only 27 or 23 per cent, depending upon which way the figures are considered, taxes increased 48 per cent in the five years from 1957 to 1962. Hatten pointed out.

The total tax in 1957-58 was \$5,757,436.63. For 1962-63, it is \$8,526,325.94, an increase of \$2,768,889.31, or more than 48 per cent.

In one district, for example, a \$10,000 home which was

Kelsay Heads Drive To Obtain Snuff For Duncan

Salem—(UPI)—The House Tax Committee has shipped off a package of "snoots" to a needy congressman in the nation's capital.

The good deed came after Congressman Robert Duncan of Medford notified State Rep. W. O. Kelsay of Roseburg that chewing snuff was unavailable in the nation's capital.

Duncan, speaker of the Oregon house in 1959 and 1961, asked Kelsay to send him some.

Kelsay passed the word on to his colleagues on the House Tax Committee.

The committee members assessed themselves 15 cents each, bought the snuff, and mailed it off.

Program for Gifted For Public Schools, Superintendent Says

State law prohibits students in non-public schools from participating in the able and gifted student program, County School Superintendent Alf Mekvold has reported.

St. Mary's High school has applied for admission of its pupils to the program, which is held Saturday mornings at Southern Oregon college for higher rated students in Jackson county.

Mekvold said the Jackson county rural school district may not help finance the program if Southern Oregon college were to invite St. Mary's pupils or from other parochial schools to participate.

Mekvold explained that the purpose of the program given

Two More Forest Fires Are Reported

Two more out of season fires were reported today by the state forestry department. A total of four fires has been reported to the department this month, an unusual, high number for January.

Both of the latest fires were caused when debris burning got out of control, department personnel said.

One fire started Sunday near Prospect when burning debris rolled down into the gorge. The other was reported Monday afternoon in the Ice House area about 10 miles east of Ashland.

No damage of consequence resulted from either fire. Only grass and brush burned.

ACT FORBIDS GAMES
Salem—(UPI)—Oregon State university and the University of Oregon would be prevented from entering athletic contests with the University of Mississippi under a bill introduced in the House.

NEWS BRIEFS

NUCLEAR TEST BAN TALKS ENCOURAGING
Washington—(UPI)—The United States, Britain and Russia planned to resume nuclear test ban talks here today, apparently closer to agreement in principle than ever before.

SOUTHERN PHILIPPINE DEFENSE URGED
Manila—(UPI)—Political and military leaders, concerned over the build up of Soviet arms in Indonesia, today urged action to bolster the defenses of the southern Philippines.

LUMBER INDUSTRY OFFICIALS MEET
Washington—(UPI)—About 60 lumber industry officials met today to begin a drive for congressional action on such programs as limiting Canada's \$260-million a year lumber sales in the United States.

BRITAIN'S RANKING CATHOLIC PRELATE DIES
London—(UPI)—William Cardinal Godfrey, 73, ranking Roman Catholic prelate in Britain, died tonight at his residence following a heart attack.

BULLETIN

Portland—(UPI)—The State Board of Higher Education Monday approved preliminary plans for addition to Cascade hall dormitory at Southern Oregon college in Ashland.

It also approved basic studies for kitchen and dining facilities at the dormitory.

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