

# Russia Refuses To Budge on Test Ban Stand

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VISITOR WELCOMED—President and Mrs. Kennedy with President and Mrs. Romulo Betancourt of Venezuela during welcoming ceremonies on the North Portico of the White House today. The welcome for the Betancourts, who arrived for a state visit, was moved from the south lawn because of bad weather. (UPI)

### Russia To Remove Several Thousand Troops From Cuba

Washington - (UPI) - The Soviet Union has informed the United States that it plans to pull out "several thousand" of its military forces in Cuba by March 15, diplomatic sources said today.

Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's intention to withdraw the troops was disclosed in a communication from the Kremlin received here Monday through Soviet Ambassador Anatoly F. Dobrynin.

The Soviet promise gave no indication what was meant by "several thousand" troops and it was said more specific information would have been welcomed by the Kennedy administration.

However, the promise was seen here as a useful and constructive move which would help lower some of the tension in the Caribbean.

The Soviet message, relayed from Dobrynin to the White House by Secretary of State Dean Rusk, sparked Monday night's secret White House meeting at which President Kennedy told congressional leaders of the Russian promise.

There are believed to be about 17,000 Soviet troops in Cuba, including 6,000 organized into combat units.

The promise to remove at least part of them was not a personal message from Khrushchev but a Foreign Office communication sent through regular diplomatic channels.

High official sources flatly denied speculative reports that Khrushchev might be seeking a parallel withdrawal of U.S. forces from some touch-point on Russia's boundary in return for removing his combat units from Cuba.

Industrial Expansion Projects Reported  
Salem - (UPI) - Oregon had 14 industrial expansion projects in January, Gov. Mark Hatfield said today.

He said announcements and openings of new and expanded plants during the months represented a combined investment of \$4.7 million and will add some 390 jobs, he said.

FIRE KILLS CHILD  
Wenatchee, Wash. - (UPI) - A fire which destroyed an orchard worker's home north of East Wenatchee today claimed the life of 4-year-old Rebecca Ann Ray.

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### Betancourt Arrives For Two Days of Talks With Kennedy

Washington - (UPI) - Venezuela's President Romulo Betancourt, who has waged an uphill and winning four-year battle to show the way to peaceful revolution in Latin America, arrived in Washington today for two days of talks with President Kennedy.

Betancourt's jet arrived at Andrews Air Force Base at 7:45 a.m. (PST) from Puerto Rico, where he received the biggest, warmest welcome Puerto Rico ever accorded a foreign visitor.

From Andrews, Betancourt was flown in a helicopter to the White House where the President and Mrs. Kennedy welcomed him, his wife, daughter and official committee.

### \$1,000 in Damage Done at Mausoleum

The mausoleum at the IOOF cemetery on Eastwood dr. was extensively damaged, apparently by youngsters with B-B guns, some time over the week end, according to Medford police.

The vandalism occurred some time between noon Saturday and 8 a.m. Monday, officers said. Preliminary estimates set the damage about \$1,000.

Thornton Criticizes Hatfield's 'Authority'

Salem - (UPI) - Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton said today the authority Gov. Mark Hatfield gave him to investigate the Camp Withycombe situation amounts to nothing more than an "indirect accusation."

Hatfield said that Thornton could investigate "if you have new evidence which you did not report . . . or if you have been withholding information pertinent to this case . . ."

In a letter to Hatfield, Thornton replied, "this is not authority to make an investigation . . . but an indirect accusation that I have in my possession evidence that should have been presented to the grand jury."

Senators Fail To Override Veto  
Salem - (UPI) - The Senate today was unable to override Gov. Mark Hatfield's veto of SB326—a measure to authorize a 60-day injunction against actions taken by the Liquor Control Commission.

Twenty votes were needed to override the veto. The Senate voted 15 yeas and 14 noes, with one senator absent.

Hatfield vetoed four bills after the 1961 session, one House measure and three Senate bills.

Neither the House nor Senate has been able to override the vetoes. One vetoed measure is still in a Senate committee, and has not yet gone to the floor for a vote.

No measure vetoed by Hatfield since he became governor four years ago has been able to get the votes necessary to override the veto.

### PP&L Files New Schedule; Would Lower Area Rates

Salem - After extensive review with the public utility commissioner's office, Pacific Power and Light company today filed with Commissioner Jonel C. Hill rate revisions that would bring its southern Oregon electric rates more in line with PP&L's rates in other areas of the state.

The company estimated savings of \$1-million annually would result for the firm's customers in Douglas, Josephine, Jackson, Klamath and Lake counties.

"Differences in the rate levels in the Oregon areas served by the company have been under continuous review with the PUC since Pacific Power and The California Oregon Power company merged in mid-1961," the company explained.

D. R. McClung, PP&L president, said 59,000 residential consumers in the southern Oregon area would share savings totaling \$534,000 annually. Commercial and industrial customers would save an estimated \$500,000 a year under the proposed changes.

PP&L said the rate reductions would average 5.6 per cent.

"The proposed adjustment would bring the southern Oregon rate structure more nearly in line with the rates in the Willamette valley, eastern Oregon and coast areas we serve in the state," McClung reported.

PP&L said the adjustments in the residential rates would include a reduction in the monthly minimum charge from \$2 to \$1.25, the minimum charged elsewhere in the company's Oregon system.

Also available would be a block of 540 kilowatt-hours for household water heating at one cent per KWH, a rate which is two-tenths of one cent per KWH less than the present charge.

Savings of about \$14 a year would result for all residential customers using an average of 840 kilowatt-hours or more each month, PP&L said. The average use in Copco area households falls in this bracket, the company added.

Commercial and industrial customers would be offered two new schedules, and have a choice of whichever rate results in lower cost for the service. Along with other customers, the Copco area industries with high load factor and high energy use characteristics would be placed on rate parity with industries in the Willamette valley and comparable areas of Oregon as a result of the adjustments, PP&L said.

Frank Bash, vice president and Copco Division manager, reported nearly all 9,700 commercial and industrial firms would benefit from the changes, although under certain power usage conditions a few might experience modest increases.

"In general, the newly revised Copco Schedule 30 for commerce and industry would mean the most economical power costs for the low use, low load-factor customers, and Schedule 37, the alternate PP&L rate to be made available in southern Oregon, would be lower for the high use, high load-factor industrial customers," Bash explained.

Other Rates Reduced  
Rates for commercial water heating and for airport and recreational lighting, such as parks and school football fields, also will be reduced.

PP&L noted the irrigation pumping rate in southern Oregon was adjusted lower last April. This and certain out-

door area lighting rates, already comparable to other area rates, would be unchanged, it added.

The company official said it is hoped the revisions will be approved soon so the changes can be put into effect as early as possible.

Struggle Between Secular, Spiritual Worlds Is Noted  
"We live in a unique age in which the competition for men's minds comes down to a struggle between the secular and the spiritual worlds," Gov. Mark O. Hatfield said last night.

Addressing about 300 men at the Presbyterian Men's club here, Hatfield said America's real weapon in the quest for human survival is its "spiritual armor."

But the governor warned that many among us today are "worshiping false gods."

Some are placing their faith and trust in the good of military power, he said, a commitment as vain and hopeless as the French seeking safety behind the Maginot line before World War II.

Others, Hatfield said, worship the false god of economic power, which leads ultimately to materialism, the basis of communism.

Still others place reliance in political institutions. A democracy, he cautioned, is only as sound as the moral and spiritual strength of the people living in it.



PRISONERS RELEASED - Three British citizens, "completely surprised" by their release from Fidel Castro's Isle of Pines prison, are shown as they arrived in Mexico City. From left, they are Peter J. Lambton, 25, of Nassau, The Bahamas; Robert M. Geddes, 31, former Havana resident whose wife and daughter live in Eugene, Ore., and Alfred Lewis, 79, of Georgetown, British Guiana. Geddes said he plans to have a physical examination prior to departure to join his family at Eugene. He was pale and appeared to be suffering from malnutrition. (UPI)

### Non-Support Case Investigator Will Be Sought by DA

An investigator for non-support cases will be requested by District Attorney Alan Holmes when his budget is presented to the county budget committee, it was reported this morning.

While explaining to the Jackson county welfare commission this morning how the district attorney's office processes non-support cases, Deputy District Attorney Robert Fox said such an investigator would be a partial solution to the problem of caseload increase. Such an investigator might also work for the circuit court, Fox said.

The sheriff's office does not have much time to investigate such cases since it has a full case load of other criminal cases, the deputy said.

Fox said the statutes are adequate as they can be. The length of time it takes to prosecute non-support cases depends on the time it takes to locate the father after the mother has signed the complaint, Fox said.

Fox said he handles most non-support cases referred to the office from the welfare department. He also handles other cases.

Contact is sought with the father by letter first. He then has 10 days in which to satisfy authorities or his wife he will provide support.

The district attorney's office does not keep a check list on case progress since there are too many such cases, Fox said. The burden is on the mother or welfare department to notify the district attorney's office that support payments are not being made.

Be Sure of Failure  
Before the district attorney's office can prosecute, it must be sure that it is "willful failure" to pay support. Then the district attorney's office can start a criminal action if the father is in Oregon or seek enforcement through the uniform reciprocal enforcement of support act for out-of-state cases. How well this works depends on the other state's county attorneys, Fox said.

Under Sheriff Paul Bettli explained how deputies seek out fathers charged with non-support.

John Darby, regional director of parole and probation, said maximum sentence for non-support is one year in the state prison or in the county jail. These cases are more of a social problem than a criminal problem since many of the men do not hold a steady job and make promises to pay which they never intend to keep, he explained.

Mrs. Joy Walsh, of the welfare department, said an active card file kept by her department will assist in prosecution of cases.

### Tornadoes Rake Central Florida

By United Press International  
Tornadoes ripped into central Florida today and high winds blew a car off a causeway, fatally injuring a tourist. The tornadoes were part of a double dose of winter death the South. Surprise snows closed schools in three other Dixie states.

Tornadoes were reported near Orlando and at Lake Wales. Winds damaged airplanes and a hangar at Lake Wales. The Weather Bureau warned more twisters might hit in southern Florida and southern Georgia.

RECORD HARVEST  
Portland - (UPI) - Timber harvested in the national forests of Oregon and Washington reached an all-time high of 4.4 billion board feet in 1962, according to Regional Forester J. Herbert Stone.

### Flu Continues East Coast Siege

By United Press International  
New York City and the southeastern states today bore the brunt of the latest siege of influenza to hit the nation. Asian flu spread throughout New York, and Dr. George James, city health commissioner, said that it had reached epidemic proportions.

Hundreds of cases of respiratory illnesses were reported in separate areas of Tennessee, North Carolina, Alabama and Massachusetts.

James reported that for the first six weeks of this year there were 651 pneumonia and influenza deaths in New York City, compared with 450 such deaths normally expected for the period.

He said that for the first seven weeks of 1963 there were 984 more deaths than usually expected.

### No Indication Of Significant Changes Seen

Cautious Hope Of Break Crushed

Geneva - (UPI) - The Soviet Union refused to budge today from its take-it-or-leave-it stand on conditions for a nuclear test ban treaty.

American, British and Soviet disarmament negotiators gathered at a private lunch for what their spokesman called a "social" meeting. It was their first joint meeting since the 17-nation Disarmament Conference resumed here last week after a two-month recess.

Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.) who was present, told United Press International afterwards that it was a "fruitful discussion but there was no sign of any significant shift."

Hopess Crushed  
Humphrey's remark seemed to crush cautious hopes for some break in the nuclear deadlock that had been reached earlier as a result of the lunch get-together.

Humphrey said he found the Russians courteous, but "I do not think there was any particular sign of a new move."

"There was nothing new," the conference spokesman said.

The United States and Britain, as well as delegates of the neutral nations attending the 11-month-old conference, have been trying to get the Russians to resume nuclear test - ban bargaining along the Big Three.

Kremlin Terms  
But the Russians have stuck to their position of offering a treaty on Kremlin terms only.

The Russians have taken a hard line and have refused to convene the nuclear subcommittee. They have insisted on top priority for general and complete disarmament discussions to the full conference.

With the conference in recess until Wednesday, leaders of the eight neutral delegations held consultations aimed at a compromise which would serve as a basis for concrete East-West negotiations.

The nuclear issue has stalled the disarmament talks, which resumed a week ago after an eight-week lay-off.

### Hijacked Freighter To Receive Escort

Belem, Brazil - (UPI) - A Brazilian naval vessel headed for the mouth of the Amazon river today under orders to escort the hijacked Venezuelan freighter Anzoategui here for formal surrender by its rebel crew.

A spokesman for the Brazilian Foreign Ministry in Rio de Janeiro said political asylum would be granted the pro-Communist Venezuelans who seized the freighter last week in the Caribbean, en route to Houston, Tex.

The Anzoategui was reported anchored in Brazilian territorial waters Monday night in the north channel of the Amazon river mouth, about 50 miles from Macapa, capital of the northern territory of Amapa.

Wilmar Medina Hojas, second mate and leader of the nine men who seized the ship, wired news agencies in Rio that he planned to make port upstream at Macapa this afternoon, rather than continue the 200 miles to Belem.

Salem - (UPI) - Gov. Mark Hatfield today asked President Kennedy to declare Malheur county as a disaster area because of Jan. 31-Feb. 2 floods.

### City Officials Take First Budget Steps

City department heads met with City Manager Robert Duff this morning to initiate steps to draw up Medford's 1963-1964 budget.

After the department heads have returned their estimates to the city manager, the budget will be consolidated and presented to the city budget committee for consideration, Duff said.

### JFK Asks Attack On Water Problems

Washington - (UPI) - President Kennedy has sent Congress a study of the nation's water problems and asked for a full attack on them before some regions are parched.

Kennedy asked specifically for new legislation "to strengthen substantially the contributions that the universities can make to research and graduate education in water resources."

The President sent Congress a 307-page report Monday that took a task force from the Federal Council for Science and Technology five months to compile.

It noted that three dozen bureaus in eight departments and agencies were engaged in water resource research.

## NEWS BRIEFS

REP. POWELL'S APPEAL POSTPONED  
Washington - (UPI) - Rep. Adam Clayton Powell's appeal for nearly \$700,000 to run his House Education and Labor Committee was postponed today after the controversial New York congressman said he could not make it.

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