

# RUSSIA PROPOSES NON-AGGRESSION PACT

## Life Jacket, Debris of Missing Tanker Located

Miami, Fla.—UPI—A life jacket stenciled with two words—Sulphur Queen—and a mass of debris were found today in the vicinity where the tanker Marine Sulphur Queen vanished Feb. 3 with 39 men aboard.

A Navy torpedo retriever vessel found the life jacket and the debris floating in the Florida Straits about 14 miles southeast of Key West, Fla., the Coast Guard announced.

The debris was not immediately identified. The Coast Guard sent a patrol boat and plane to the scene.

The 524-foot tanker, which sailed Feb. 2 from Beaumont, Tex., for Norfolk, Va., with a cargo of molten sulphur in its tanks, sent its last radio message the following day from a position west of Key West.

The Coast Guard said it was resuming its search for possible survivors among the crewmen, most of whom came from the Galveston-Beaumont and Houston areas of Texas.

A week-long air and sea search of the Atlantic and the Gulf of Mexico was abandoned Feb. 14 after it had failed to turn up any trace of the missing tanker.

The Navy reported that a quantity of debris was found floating in the water along with the life jacket. Coast Guard vessels will recover all of it they can to aid investigations in solving the mystery.

## Jacksonville To Sell Sewer Bonds

Jacksonville — The \$25,000 in bonds to finance construction of Jacksonville's sewer system will be put up for sale Tuesday, March 19, the city council decided here last night.

Councilmen adopted an ordinance calling for bids on the purchase of the bonds. Bids may be submitted until 8 p.m. March 19. At that hour, bids will be opened by the council.

City officials hope to see the sewer installation project — expected to take about six months — completed this summer. Mayor E. O. Graham expressed hope that work could begin as early as May.

Voters approved the \$250,000 bond issue Nov. 7, 1961, but the council decided to wait until this year to construct the system, so that the entire project could be completed during the dry months of the year.

The ordinance adopted last night calls for the first \$8,000 of the bonds to mature in 1968 and the final \$18,000 to mature in 1987. The city, therefore, will have only to pay the interest until 1968, leaving a cushion of funds available in case costs of the project exceed the amount of the bond issue.

## Southern Pacific Talks Continue

Chicago — UPI — A federal mediator planned to meet with negotiators for the Southern Pacific railroad today in their long dispute with railway clerks over automation.

Francis O'Neill, the mediator, said he had no idea when the two sides might meet together.

O'Neill met for 2½ hours with railroad negotiators Tuesday morning, then for two hours with representatives for the clerks in the afternoon.

William McGovern, international vice grand chairman of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks and its chief negotiator, declined to comment on progress of the separate sessions.

## Teacher's Pay Hike, Drop-Out Program Killed

Salem — UPI — The Senate Education committee Tuesday killed a teachers' pay increase bill and scuttled a proposal to establish a pilot program on school drop-outs.

The committee also tabled an amendment to the school census act, a plan to provide basic school funds for summer school programs, and four teachers' tenure proposals.

In addition to the eight measures tabled by the committee, five were held over

## Elimination of ADC Program in Oregon Proposed

Salem — UPI — Elimination of the aid to dependent children program in Oregon, now helping some 1,000 families, was called for today in a bill by Rep. Robert Jones (R-Beaverton).

"The program has encouraged indolence rather than productivity," Jones said.

The federal help program was set up in 1961 during a period of high unemployment to help the children of jobless parents.

Two-thirds of the ADC funds are federal, as contrasted with the general assistance programs where all the money comes from the states and counties. Jones said the original idea was to shift some general assistance cases to the ADC program.

"This has failed to happen," Jones said. "In spite of ADC, the general assistance rolls in Oregon have increased."

Families Attracted He said because of lower residence requirements and higher benefits, ADC has attracted families who would have made a greater effort to find work if the only alternative were the stricter general assistance program.

Jones said average monthly benefits for an ADC family amount to \$183, compared to \$60 for a general assistance family.

"Families tend to stay on ADC twice as long," he said. Jones said Oregon is one of 15 states in the nation to participate in ADC, and the only one in the west. He said ADC probably has drawn seasonal workers to Oregon from other western states.

Wound Shift Cases An appropriation of \$4.3 million is proposed for the Oregon program during the coming biennium. Jones said the effect of abolishing ADC would be a temporary shift of genuine need cases to the general assistance rolls.

"The needy and those who cannot help themselves should have their basic needs taken care of," he said.

"But I do not think we should establish a steady income for these people," he said, "because this fosters dependence on welfare and destroys the individual's creativity."

Garcia Indicted by County Grand Jury Robert Joseph Garcia, 24, of 113 Tripp st., Medford, was indicted by a Jackson county grand jury yesterday on a misdemeanor charge of assault and battery.

Garcia was arrested Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, on charges of assault and battery while unarmed by means of force likely to produce great bodily injury. Medford police said they found him beating his three-year-old son, Jeffrey Norman, with a leather belt. The child has since recovered from the injuries. District Attorney Alan Holmes said yesterday.

Betancourt Suggests Penetration Check Washington — UPI — President Kennedy put before President Kennedy today his ideas for checking Soviet penetration in Latin America.

The two presidents were scheduled to hold their second working session late this afternoon, following which a joint communique will be issued.

REFUGEE PLANNED Washington — UPI — Interior Secretary Stewart Udall has announced a 5,731-acre wildlife refuge will be set up in Benton county, Ore., a few miles south of Corvallis.

SMELT ENTER RIVER Kelso, Wash. — UPI — Smelt entered the Cowlitz river Tuesday with both sports and commercial fishermen reporting catches.

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## Treaty Would Bind Atlantic, Warsaw Pacts

West Continuing Test Ban Efforts

Geneva — UPI — Russia formally proposed at today's session of the disarmament talks here that the West conclude a non-aggression pact with Communist Europe.

The text of a proposed treaty submitted to the conference would bind the Atlantic and Warsaw (Soviet-satellite) pact to "refrain from attack, the threat or use of force against one another in any manner inconsistent with the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter."

The idea of a non-aggression pact has been advanced by Russia before, here and at the United Nations. The West has displayed little enthusiasm for the idea.

Continuing Efforts The United States charged today that Russia is avoiding agreement on a nuclear test ban, but said it will continue to press for "give and take bargaining."

U.S. chief negotiator William C. Foster told the 17-nation Disarmament conference that the gulf between the Soviet and Western positions on a test ban "has deepened."

Referring to the Soviet refusal to resume direct negotiations on a nuclear treaty with the Western powers, he said "I reluctantly conclude that the Soviet Union rather than the United States and the United Kingdom is intent on avoiding agreement."

Russians Claim The Russians have been claiming here that the two Western nuclear powers have been trying to avoid an accord that would end testing.

"We are willing and intend to engage in give and take negotiations on all major issues which must be agreed upon if we are to reach agreement on a nuclear test ban," Foster told the conference.

Foster's speech was a final attempt to crack Russia's hard nuclear position before flying to Washington later in the day for consultations with President Kennedy.

Permits Issued for Signs in Downtown The Medford building department issued permits yesterday to Ryan Outdoor Advertising company to erect five billboard signs in areas adjacent to the Interstate 5 freeway overpass through the city.

According to the permits, the company intends to construct three signs in the 800 block north of Austin st., near the freeway. One will cost \$1,000 and the other two will cost \$600 each.

Signs also will be erected at 401 East 12th st., and at 400 East 12th st. They will cost \$1,000 and \$1,500 respectively.

A sign constructed by Die Walsh company was recently erected on 10th st. adjacent to the freeway overpass.

Dog Owners Reminded Of Purchasing Tags County dog owners were reminded today by Jackson County Clerk E. M. Madden that dog licenses must be purchased on or before March 1 or a \$2 penalty will be charged.

The licenses are available in the majority of the communities throughout the county or at the clerk's office on the second floor of the county courthouse in Medford. Licenses now cost \$2 or \$3.

## Mann's Request To Vacate Alley Gets Approval

A request by Mann's Department store to vacate the west 100 feet of the alley in Block 13, original town, was approved by the Medford planning commission in a special meeting yesterday afternoon.

The request, which would clear the way for a proposed extensive remodeling of the department store, will now go before the city council for final action.

John Moffat, president of Mann's, told the planning commission the store had been looking for some years for ways to expand their operation, but had encountered difficulty in finding a parcel of land in the downtown area of sufficient size to take care of their needs.

Moffat said some time ago the store had purchased the building currently occupied by Western Thrift store, 30 North Central ave., which is just across the alley from Mann's.

If the request to vacate the alley is approved, Moffat said, a remodeling project would be undertaken which would combine the two buildings, including the west 100 feet of the alley between them.

Moffat proposed that the city would be paid the sum of \$1,000 per square foot for the alley space used, a total amount of \$20,000.

City Manager Robert Duff told the commission that the city had studied the request and had no objection, provided adequate area was maintained in the remainder of the alley for trucks to turn around.

Will Determine Price Duff said the city would have the alley parcel appraised to determine a fair price, and that any vacation of the alley would be subject to reversion.

Commission Bert Thierolf asked Moffat whether Mann's present location had completely outgrown its usefulness.

Moffat replied that the store was "holding its own," but that it was not showing sufficient sales increases due to increased competition and Mann's limited floor space.

He said that Medford Architect Jack Edson had checked the structural condition of the two buildings involved and had determined they were suitable for the remodeling project.

Guilty Pleas Entered by Men Two young men this morning pleaded guilty in Jackson county court to charges of throwing debris on a public highway. They were charged with throwing a glass bottle containing a dynamite cap onto Interstate 5 from the Barnett rd. overpass Feb. 9.

In their statements to Medford police, the two men admitted detonating an explosive device on the practice field at Medford High school the evening of Feb. 10.

Scheduled to be sentenced Monday, Feb. 25, are David Thompson Lorraine, 21, of 310 North Main st., Talent, and David Elton Fisher, 19, of Suncrest rd., Talent.

Pipefitters Name Auditor in Suit Portland — UPI — A Pipefitters Union local filed a \$41,523 suit against its auditor Tuesday, saying he failed to discover a clerk was embezzling money from the union.

Local 235 of the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada filed the suit against accountant Rudolph P. Chvatal.

The clerk, Elene Bridgett McCudden, 44, pleaded guilty to the embezzlement charge last November and was sentenced to two years in federal prison. The union contends the \$41,523 is the amount of money she took from 1956 to 1962.

It charged that Chvatal failed to follow accepted auditing standards and procedures.

Britain Discloses Record Defense Budget London — UPI — Britain's defense budget for 1963-64, the biggest in peacetime, disclosed today a shifting emphasis from airpower to Polaris missile submarines destined to be the nation's main nuclear deterrent in coming years.

The government's annual defense "white paper" presented to Parliament estimated its expenditures for the 1963 fiscal year at \$5.14 billion, an increase of \$326 million over last year's budget and the biggest since World War II.



VIEW EQUIPMENT—Maj. Charles A. Barclay, representing the Adjutant General of Oregon, and Col. Harvey L. Latham, of the public information office of the Oregon Military department, were in Medford Tuesday to participate in local observance of Operation Muster 1963. Major Barclay spoke on the role of the National Guard in civil defense and disaster. During their visit the two officials inspected the displays at the Medford National Guard Armory. This morning Major Barclay and county commissioners toured the Civil Defense communications center at the county courthouse, including the basement of the annex, which was offered to the governor for use in an emergency for his headquarters. About 50 persons, including county officials, attended the inspection Tuesday evening. (Knackstedt photo)

## Work on Proposed Budget for 549C Is Completed by Group

The budget committee of School District 549C last night completed work on the proposed budget for fiscal year 1963-64, authorizing \$104,000 for construction of additional classrooms needed next year, and cutting about \$97,000 from items originally proposed.

School administrators are now making revisions approved by the committee last night, and the budget is expected to be completed by tomorrow.

Superintendent Dr. Leonard B. Mayfield pointed out that the budget is an austere one, and reductions made will not, administrators believe, weaken the academic program offered.

Most of the items cut from the budget are items which will be worked into succeeding budgets since many of them involve materials, equipment or remodeling work.

At least five additional elementary school classrooms will be needed when school starts next fall, the committee was told. Four of them will be needed at Wilson school, and one will be added at Lone Pine school.

The committee added \$104,000 to the budget to handle construction of the classrooms, since there is not now sufficient time between now and September to hold a bond election, sell the bonds and construct the needed facilities.

Without the five classrooms, the first grade at Lone Pine school and the first three grades at Wilson school would be required to be double shifted; that is, half the students attending class in the morning and the other half in the afternoon.

Based on Census The need for five new classrooms is based on the 1962 school census.

Also in the budget are funds for construction of temporary classrooms at Medford High school to relieve crowded conditions there next year.

New Postal Supplies Now Available Here All postal supplies authorized in the new price schedule, which became effective Jan. 1, are now available at the Medford post office. J. A. Edswick, acting postmaster, announced today.

The six-cent airmail postcards, airmail and regular mail stamped envelopes, and all denominations of stamps are now on sale after a long delay. Edswick said. Old supplies, obsolete under the new price schedule, will be destroyed.

BAPTISTS MEET Bend — UPI — The annual meeting of the Oregon Conservative Baptists opened here Tuesday at First Baptist church.

TO STAR AT FAIR Salem — UPI — Jimmie Rodgers will return as star of the 1963 Oregon State Fair stage show, according to Fair Manager Howard Maple.

CONFERENCE PLANNED Salem — UPI — Democratic State Chairman E. D. Spencer has announced plans for a statewide Democratic conference to be held in Salem April 6-7.

WEATHER FORECAST: Mostly cloudy with periods of light rain through Thursday. Possibly a few periods of partial clearing Thursday afternoon. Low tonight 40-45. High Thursday 50-55.

Highest Yesterday 53 Temp. Lowest This Morning 44 Prec. to 10 a.m. Today 14 Our Skies Tonight Sunset today 5:49 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 7:01 a.m. Moonrise tomorrow 5:33 a.m. New Moon PROMINENT STAR Regulus, in the east 7:09 p.m. VISIBLE PLANETS Mars, well above Regulus. Jupiter, low in west 6:51 p.m. Venus, low in southeast at moonrise.

## NEWS BRIEFS

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