

Johnson-Khrushchev 'Get-Aquainted' Meeting Not in Foreseeable Future

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A "get acquainted" meeting between President Johnson and Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev is not in the cards in the foreseeable future, administration officials said today.

Barring a flaming crisis which might force a personal confrontation, the new President is expected to shy away from any meeting with the Russian leader for some time.

The view in high official circles here is that the Soviet Union most probably will avoid

French President Charles de Gaulle differs rather sharply with the other Allies on nuclear defense strategy and some phases of European political theory.

For that reason, it is considered most likely that Johnson will meet separately with De Gaulle, British Prime Minister Sir Alex Douglas-Home and West German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard.

Johnson, in hurried talks here with foreign leaders who came for the Kennedy funeral and in Wednesday's address to Congress, pledged continuation of the policy of maximum military preparedness and willingness to negotiate honorable settlements if possible.

Having done that, the new president will leave the intricacies of discussions with NATO and other Allies to Secretary of State Dean Rusk during the next three weeks while the White House devotes prime attention to the legislative program and preparation of the new budget.

Rusk will meet with other NATO foreign ministers Dec. 16 in Paris at the regular winter session. He will attempt to reinforce in detail Johnson's assurances that the United States

will honor all its treaty commitments and maintain its strength on the European front.

Some sudden Russian pressure move on Berlin, or a sharp deterioration in Southeast Asia, could force Johnson to turn his full attention to foreign affairs earlier than planned.

However, officials said, Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas I. Mikoyan during his talks earlier this week with Johnson and Rusk gave no hint of imminent pressure.

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Easing of Rule On Inter-Faith Marriages Urged

VATICAN CITY (UPI)—A German cardinal urged the Ecumenical Council today to ease Roman Catholic regulations against inter-faith marriages as a contribution towards Christian unity.

Joseph Cardinal Frings, archbishop of Cologne, said church legislation should be changed to permit recognition of the validity of a mixed marriage, even when performed by a non-Catholic minister.

Such a move certainly would

be well-received by non-Catholic Christian churches.

Cardinal Frings made the proposal during council debate on a document on Christian unity.

Supporting the German cardinal in another speech was Ilario Capucci, superior general of the Basilian Fathers.

Cardinal Frings said couples in which one member is a non-Catholic should be urged not to marry if they do not agree to bring up their children as Catholics.

He added that ecclesiastical penalties for mixed marriages contracted before non-Catholic ministers should be removed from Canon Law.

Debate was slow this morning, with 14 speakers exercising their right to speak on the Christian unity issue.

During this morning's debate, the council fathers voted to elect new members to fill newly created positions on key council commissions.

The elections will fill additional posts created by Pope Paul VI on the 12 committees responsible for amending and redrafting council documents. Results are expected Friday.

Actions Are Delayed

Some committees, like the theological panel headed by Alfredo Cardinal Ottaviani of the Holy Office, are dominated by conservatives who delayed actions favored by the council's liberal majority.

The election is expected to strengthen liberal representation and thus help to assure speedy action on documents and general wishes of the bishops.

Ten committees now have 25 members each. One, on Oriental orthodox churches has 27, and the Christian unity secretariat has only 18.

The Pope has increased the membership of all 12 groups to 30. In most cases four new members are being elected by the council and one appointed by the Pope.

In the case of the secretariat, the council will elect eight new members and the Pope will designate four.

Many liberals feel the election is a compromise solution to the problem of the conservative bottleneck. Many wanted a complete reshuffle of the committees — specifically, the ouster of Cardinal Ottaviani, who went so far in one case as to refuse to regard a series of council votes as binding on his committee.

Johnson Slates Television Talk To Nation Today

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Johnson marked Thanksgiving today by attending church. The rest of his day included a scheduled television address to the American people and a traditional holiday dinner with his family.

The new President was scheduled to speak to the nation at 3:15 p.m. PST on television and radio. The White House described his talk as a "personal" address to the citizenry.

Briefing By C.I.A.

Johnson began his work day with a 10 a.m. EST, briefing by Central Intelligence Agency Director John A. McCone. The McCone visit lasted about half-an-hour.

The Chief Executive, his wife Lady Bird and their two daughters then posed for photographers who had requested a Thanksgiving Day picture of the new first family.

The Johnson family attended 11 a.m. EST, holiday services at Mt. Vernon Methodist Church in downtown Washington.

Jail Prisoners Get Dinner of Ham Today

The Jackson County jail will serve its usual big Thanksgiving dinner today.

However, the 50 prisoners will have ham instead of the usual turkey. Five hams have been purchased. Turkey will be served Christmas Day.

The rest of the menu includes sweet potatoes, mashed potatoes and gravy, fruit cocktail, salad, olives, celery sticks, pumpkin pie and coffee.

The dinner will be served family style for all but the 12 felony prisoners, it was reported.

Portland Police Send \$100 to Dallas Widow

PORTLAND (UPI)—Portland police have sent a \$100 check to the Officer Tippitt Fund in Dallas, Tex. The money will go to the family of the policeman slain while attempting to arrest the accused killer of President Kennedy.



A HOLIDAY FEAST — Lucinda O'Neill, 4, left; Patrick McCloskey, 4, center, and Dawn Rene Casazza, 4, right, anticipate the feast as they watch a turkey being carved at Rhineland Children's Center in New York. The youngsters were the first in a group of 1,200 children to receive Thanksgiving dinners at the center. (UPI)

Poll Shows JFK's Death Won't Alter Racial Problem

ATLANTA (UPI)—President Kennedy's assassination will change neither the drive for Negro rights nor the views of Southern segregationists.

This was the consensus of a South-wide survey conducted by United Press International.

In the South, as in the rest of the country, the tragic events of the past weekend first brought shock, then grief and then a quiet assessment of what's to come.

Many Southerners think there will be a change in the impetus from Washington for civil rights and watch President Johnson's administration for indications of this.

But Negro leaders vowed there would be no let-up in their drive against racial discrimination.

Time is Past

"The time is past when Negro protests were a momentary emotional phenomena..." said integration leader Martin Luther King Jr.

Florida NAACP Field Secretary Robert Saunders of Tampa echoed these sentiments:

"We can not sit back and wait. They (whites) may get the picture we are not going to push now."

Saunders said that Johnson's Southern background might mean that he will not push as hard for civil rights as President Kennedy, but added: "My idea is that he is aware of the (racial) problem and knows it is a world problem. I would hope so."

In Washington, the Rev. Walter E. Auntry, a director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) which King heads, said there is "room for question and room for doubt" about Johnson's commitment to civil rights even though he has spoken out forcefully and tried hard to halt racial discrimination in employment.

Alabama's segregationist Gov. George Wallace issued a public statement denying reports that President Kennedy's death caused him to change his views on segregation. "I have not altered my position at all," he said.

Wounded Texas Governor Reflects On Assassination

DALLAS (UPI)—Gov. John Connally, emotionally asking why he was spared and the President slain, said from his hospital bed that John Kennedy might do in death what he could not do in life.

"That is to so shock and stun the nation, the people and the world of what is happening to us, of the cancerous growth that is being permitted to expand and enlarge itself upon the community and the society in which we live, that breeds hatred, bigotry and intolerance..."

The wounded Texas chief executive reflected upon the "whys" of last Friday's assassination in a closed circuit television press conference Wednesday that was his first public utterance since being shot by the President's assassin.

Connally also gave a vivid account of those fateful seconds when, as he tersely put it, "we went from great joy, great anticipation, to great tragedy."

Speaking of the "magnificent" motorcade tour through Dallas, the governor said:

"We had just turned the corner (into Elm Street)... we heard a shot... I turned to my left, and the President had slipped."

"He said nothing."

"As I turned I was hit and I knew I was hit badly. I knew the President had been hit and I said, 'My God, they are going to kill us all.'"

"Then there was a third shot and the President was hit again."

"When he was hit, she (Mrs. Kennedy) said, 'Oh, my God, they have killed my husband—Jack, Jack.'"

"After the third shot the Secret Service said, 'Get out of here and get us to a hospital.'"

Connally said they didn't tell him the President was dead until the next day, Saturday, "after I was conscious enough to really understand. It was no news to me because I was almost sure he would be after the two shots I felt he had taken... because I personally

Nation Observes Thanksgiving; Traffic Kills 70

Untold thousands of Americans went to their houses of worship today to pray for their fallen leader and to give thanks for their blessings before indulging in the traditional Thanksgiving dinner.

It was the 100th anniversary of Thanksgiving as a national holiday, proclaimed officially to a war-torn country by Abraham Lincoln in 1864 and honored today with the memory of John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

While Thanksgiving is regarded as a stay-at-home holiday, millions of Americans attended football games and parades, traditional church services and gathered from afar in the homes of their loved ones.

Traffic Claims 70

A United Press International count at 8:30 a.m. (PST) showed at least 70 persons dead in traffic accidents since the 102-hour holiday started at 6 p.m. local time Wednesday.

The worst accident occurred near Selma, N.C., when four persons died in a head-on collision on a rural road. North Carolina, Michigan and Illinois had four fatalities each. California had three and Nebraska had two.

The National Safety Council said about 472 persons would die in traffic accidents during a normal non-holiday period from 6 p.m. Wednesday to midnight Sunday.

Arrival of Santa In City Is Friday

Santa Claus will arrive in Medford at 1:30 p.m. tomorrow. His helicopter will land at the Jackson County Fairgrounds next to the National Guard Armory.

With Santa's arrival Friday, Nov. 29, it will officially open the 1963 Christmas season here. His arrival is under the auspices of the Medford Chamber of Commerce.

Gifts of Christmas candy will be distributed to the children who go to the fairgrounds to see Santa.

Stores will open nights starting Friday, remaining open until 9 p.m. The Medford Shopping Center stores will be open every night while downtown merchants will be open each night except Saturday.

Legislature To Resume Work On Boardman Hassle

SALEM (UPI)—The Oregon Legislature returns to the Capitol building Monday to take up the politically explosive Boardman controversy.

The all-Republican state land board, and the Democratic Senate and House leaders all have urged approval of special legislation to clear technical clouds on the state's title to the land so Boeing's attorneys can give their final endorsement to the project.

The \$4.6 million, 77-year lease between the state and Boeing for the 100,000-acre space age industrial park in northeastern Oregon already has been signed.

The state cannot back out. Boeing has until Dec. 15 to decide if it wants to honor the document.

If special legislation asked by Gov. Mark Hatfield is enacted, Boeing's attorneys supposedly would be required to certify that the state has authority to lease the lands — and Boeing would no longer be able to withdraw from the contract.

It's another in a series of crises that have plagued the project since it was started three years ago.

The 1961 Legislature appropriated nearly \$1 million. Another \$22,000 is needed now.

Hatfield proposed shifting the project from the land board to the common school fund. Lawmakers proposed shifting it instead to the financially independent Veterans' Affairs agency.

Howard Morgan, Ex-Oregon Public Utility Commissioner, former Federal Power Commissioner, and possible 1966 Democratic gubernatorial candidate, blasted the project as "lopsided... one-sided," and charged "it puts the state flat on its back for a period of 77 years."

Will Oppose Project

The polich which Hatfield had worked so hard to apply to the project began to tarnish.

Lawmakers read the bill again, and talked at having to ratify all the deals made to create the park.

Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton said "a grave question exists as to the constitutionality" of the proposed bill.

Two northeastern Oregon legislators, Rep. Jack L. Smith, D-Condor, whose district includes the Boardman project, and Rep. Clinton P. Haight, D-Baker, announced at a Portland press

Pilot Forced To Fly To Trinidad With Passengers

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad (UPI)—Armed Venezuelan pro-Castro terrorists today hijacked a Venezuelan airliner bound for Caracas with 17 persons aboard including one American, and forced the pilot to fly here.

It was the second spectacular ambush within 24 hours by the so-called Armed Forces of the National Liberation (FALN) in the campaign to block national elections scheduled for Sunday.

On Wednesday, four heavily-armed men kidnaped U.S. Army Col. James K. Cheneault, 45, of Sherman, Texas, when he left his home in Caracas. He was being held captive.

The plane, a twin-engine Convair 340 owned by the Venezuelan line Avensa, landed safely at Port of Spain's Piarco International Airport. Trinidad lies just off the coast of Venezuela.

Withdrawal Order Will Be Signed By County Court

The Jackson County Court will sign an order early next week for withdrawal of 21 property owners from the South Talent Sanitary District as requested. The decision followed a public hearing yesterday by the County Court.

Attorney Joel Reeder, Medford, representing the property owners, said he would draw up the order as soon as possible.

Decision on the requested withdrawal of the Roy Edward James property will be made by the court Friday, County Judge Earl Miller said.

The requested withdrawal of Ralph and Vica Wellburn will be considered at a second hearing on South Talent withdrawals Dec. 11. Judge Miller said there were some withdrawal petitions which were not received in time for yesterday's public hearing.

Represent Petitioners

Reeder, representing all but one petitioner, said that originally the petitioners thought they would all be served at the same time by the proposed sewer system. Later they found they were not in Plan IA as presented by the consulting engineering firm. If they are not to be served at this time they do not want to be assessed and their property bonded. The withdrawal of the 21 property owners was approved by the district's board of directors.

The district directors opposed, however, the withdrawal of the Roy Edward James' property coming under Plan IA. Reeder explained the James are seeking withdrawal because the cost of running a lateral to their house and property would be too expensive considering the long distance the lateral would have to extend. Mrs. James declared that she and her husband did not plan to subdivide since the upper section of the property to be served by the sewer lateral consists of springs and pasture.

\$75,000 Awarded In Damage Suit

A Jackson County Circuit Court jury late Wednesday awarded \$75,000 general and \$999.50 special damages to the plaintiff in a suit brought by Don W. Sprinkle, Biddle Road, on behalf of his daughter, Cheryl Lou Sprinkle, 6.

Defendants were Dr. Cleatis Lemley and Dr. Paul T. Rutter, Medford Osteopathic Clinic and Crater Osteopathic Hospital.

The jury, after more than five hours deliberation, returned a unanimous decision on both counts of liability and damages. The plaintiff had asked \$161,000.

The complaint arose from the treatment of injuries for the child after she was hit by a logging truck near her home in June, 1960. In the accident she suffered a broken leg and concussion.

Hearing the case was Judge James M. Main.

NEWS BRIEFS

LIBERACE HAS KIDNEY MALFUNCTION

PITTSBURGH (UPI)—Pianist Liberace, 44, was reported suffering from a serious kidney malfunction today by physicians at St. Francis Hospital. However, the entertainer was reported in satisfactory condition.

MIKOYAN SATISFIED WITH TRIP

MOSCOW (UPI)—Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas Mikoyan returned tonight with a thumbs up gesture from talks in Washington with President Johnson and said he was "very satisfied" with his trip.

MORSE RESENTS VOTE INFERENCE

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Sen. Wayne Morse, (D-Ore.) declared Wednesday he resented any inference that he cast a "vote of disloyalty" to President Johnson in supporting restrictions on the proposed wheat sales to Russia.

HOFFA ATTORNEY AGREES TO SURRENDER LICENSE

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UPI)—One of Teamster President James Hoffa's attorneys disbarred from Federal Court here last week has agreed to "voluntarily surrender" his license to practice law in Tennessee if an appeal fails to overturn the disbarment order.

Football Scores

Minnesota 14, Wisconsin 0
Syracuse 14, Notre Dame 7
Maryland 21, Virginia 4

Late President's Thanksgiving Proclamation

President Johnson has urged that a Thanksgiving proclamation issued by the late President Kennedy be read in churches throughout the nation.

Mrs. Kennedy had been scheduled to leave for Hyannis Port at 11 a.m. aboard the Kennedy family plane, the Caroline. Making that flight were Sen. Edward M. Kennedy and Peace Corps Director Sargent Shriver.

FORECAST: Valley fog, mostly from the vicinity of Medford to Grants Pass tonight and Friday, possibly clearing only briefly Friday afternoon; otherwise, fair with mild afternoon temperatures. Low tonight 25-30 and high Friday 35-40, except in fog free areas low tonight 20-25, and high Friday 35-60.

Highest Yesterday Temp. 52
Lowest This Morning 25

Our Skies Tonight

SUNSET today 4:42 p.m.
SUNRISE tomorrow 7:18 a.m.
MOONSET tomorrow 5:28 a.m.
FULL MOON Nov. 29

PROMINENT CONSTELLATIONS

Orion, in southeast 10:54 p.m.
VISIBLE PLANETS

Venus, high in west 5:35 p.m.
Jupiter, high in south 4:13 p.m.
Saturn, sets 9:34 p.m.