

MARSHALL VETOES SOVIET TALK

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

EVERYBODY in the world is interested in this Russian-American "peace talk" business. Does it mean anything, or doesn't it?

IN London, British Foreign Secretary Bevin tells parliament that nothing of any fundamental importance happened in the exchange of notes between the American ambassador in Moscow (General Walter Bedell Smith) and Russia's inscrutable, unpredictable foreign minister (Molotov).

Bevin says that ONLY THE COMMUNISTS stand in the way of world peace. He means, obviously, that it is communism which has put down in Russia (and that part of the world that Russia has under her thumb) and attend to its knitting and let us who don't want communism attend to our knitting there would be no war in the world.

That is a realistic statement of fact. The thing that upsets us all is the fear that Russia is proceeding on the theory that the only way to make the world safe for communism is to MAKE THE WORLD COMMUNIST.

Bevin, who appears to be pretty well informed, criticizes Russia for MAKING PUBLIC the exchange of notes.

OVER on this side of the world, Presidential Candidate Dewey (who is running for Oregon's Presidential preference primary vote) keeps his fingers crossed on Russia's professed willingness to discuss her differences with us. He says in Baker this morning:

"If they (the reds) mean it, it is the best news since V-J Day. If they don't mean it, well, it will be just another example of what happens every six months."

"I hope we have finally learned as a nation that you can't buy peace by appeasement. All you do (when you try appeasement) is to make trouble."

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE STASSEN, who is also gunning for Oregon's preference primary vote, says in Cheyenne (on his way back here for the wind-up campaign):

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AS the situation stands at the present moment, Stassen and Dewey are the leading candidates for the Republican nomination for President and it seems highly probable that the next President of the United States will be a Republican.

So it is good to know that the two leading Presidential prospects are strictly realistic in their attitude toward Russian-American relations. This is a time when we can't afford to take any wooden money.

WITHOUT committing himself any further, State Secretary Marshall this morning reads a paragraph from Molotov's reply to what Smith proposed. Molotov declared:

"The policy of the Russian government has always been a peace-loving policy and one of collaboration with the United States. . . . The U. S. S. R. intends to carry out this policy with complete consistency."

"If you can believe that, you can believe anything."

PUTTING two and two together in an effort to find out what really did happen, it seems likely that Smith told Molotov that the U. S. intends to go through with its policies for rebuilding Western Europe, but is NOT hostile or aggressive toward Russia. He probably added that if Russia has anything to say about what we are planning to do, now would be a good time to say it.

The Russians, one guesses, chose to regard this as a proposal to discuss settling our differences and made a big splash in their press and radio with the idea of compelling their people that America is getting scared.

WEATHER
 Max (May 11) 65 Min. 49
 Precipitation last 24 hours .00
 Stream year to date .10-48
 Last year .73 Normal .10-48
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6th Army Takes Over Southern Pacific



Lt. Col. Earl Marsha, representing the sixth army, serves D. J. Russell, a Southern Pacific railroad vice president in San Francisco, with a notice of seizure in accordance with President Truman's proclamation directing the army to take over the nation's railroads to avert a strike.

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of laryngitis, Dewey pushed his campaign for Oregon's presidential preference in the May 21 primary election with his usual vigor. The strain on his ailing throat prompted him to facetiously call himself a "whispering Tom."

He is to speak tonight at Pendleton, in the heart of the Oregon wheat country. His swing through this section of the state will wind up Friday. He expects to be in Portland that night.

Meanwhile, Harold E. Stassen is flying back to Oregon today to take his campaign against the New Yorker. The race is rapidly moving toward a spectacular political battle between the two young republicans for the prestige of winning in this Far West test.

In Portland, the rival camps are waging a war of telegrams in an argument over when and where the two candidates will debate face to face on the topic of communism.

Stassen Speech
 Stassen is to speak tonight at a Portland arena rented for the event by his headquarters a few hours after Dewey accepted a Reed college proposal to bring the two men together.

Jews Take Over Jaffa

Jerusalem, May 12 (AP)—A Jewish civil administration announced it took over the all-Arab port city of Jaffa today. In Jerusalem, the cease fire was broken by exchanges of shots by Jews and Arabs in the suburbs.

Israel Rokach announced that, as mayor of all-Jewish Tel Aviv, he has taken over the administration of Jaffa, once a main port of Palestine Arabs. Jaffa's own municipal government collapsed last week following Jewish attacks which isolated the city. Thousands of Arabs had fled.

Control Haifa
 The Jews already control Palestine's biggest port, Haifa, which has been taken over by Haganah, the Jewish militia.

In Jerusalem, both sides denied responsibility for breaking the cease fire order, which had kept an uneasy peace while a United Nations consular commission labored to achieve a permanent truce for the Holy City.

The British administration in Palestine announced, meanwhile, that withdrawal of British troops from Jerusalem itself and from other parts of Palestine will begin May 14. Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, British high commissioner, will leave Jerusalem for Haifa the same day and will sail from Haifa aboard the light cruiser Euryalus at midnight. The British mandate in Palestine ends at midnight May 14.

The foreign minister of the prospective Jewish state, Moshe Shertok, arrived in Tel Aviv last night by plane and began conferences with David Ben Gurion, who is to be Jewish premier.

In Cairo, the Egyptian senate approved a proposal last night that the Egyptian army "shall with other Arab armies enter Palestine at a suitable time to restore stability and prevent massacres in Palestine."

Fawzi Bey Al Kaukuk took to the field at the head of his Arab volunteers today as they sought to regain control of the Bab El Wad area.

Travel Requests
 Pour Into State
 SALEM, May 12 (AP)—More than 116,000 inquiries from other states have been received so far this year by the state travel and information department.

The figure is the highest in history. All of the inquiries were from persons who plan trips to Oregon.

Last year there were 116,500 inquiries during the whole year.

Wool Bids Hit Record Highs
 PORTLAND, May 12 (AP)—The first auction of Northwest wools here since 1942 brought the highest bids since the 1917-19 era.

Some 450,000 pounds of wools were offered yesterday with top price of 61 cents a pound going to a 15,000-pound lot of half blood wool offered by A. R. Bohoskey, Yakima, Wash. Buyer was the Oregon Worsted Mills, Portland.

The bulk of the bids for fine wools ranged from 48 1/2 to 58 1/2 cents a pound. Lots of Washington and Oregon original bag wool brought 49 cents a pound.

Exploration Ship Towed Into Port
 HONOLULU, May 12 (AP)—The coast guard tug Iwaka towed the 240-ton fishing vessel Alaska into port yesterday.

The Alaska began to take water Monday in heavy seas south of Maui island in the Central Islands. The crew had prepared to abandon ship and stowed their gear in a skiff, but it swamped.

They arrived here minus most of their belongings.

The vessel is owned by Pacific Exploration, Inc., of Seattle. It has been seeking new sources of tuna. The 14 men aboard included two from Seattle.

Ambassador's Note To Russ Has Results
 WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—Secretary of the Army Royall today named three consultants to advise him in operation of the railroads now being run by the army under presidential order.

Edward F. McGrady, a former assistant secretary of labor, and now labor adviser to Radio Corporation of America in New York;

Harold C. Helms, Cleveland, O., attorney and since 1935 general counsel for the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen;

William K. Joyner, Raleigh, N. C., attorney and since 1937 division counsel for the Southern Railway system for North Carolina.

Temporary Aid
 Royall said in a statement he is naming them to aid him on any operational problems which might affect terms and conditions of employment on the railroads while they are under government control.

"It is not my function to enter into negotiations with either representatives of management or employees with respect to any changes in existing terms and conditions of employment," Royall said.

Union members, meanwhile, awaited the government's next move to settle their dispute with the railroads over wages and working rules. It is not clear when or in what form the move may come. The unions are under court order to keep the trains running under army direction.

The government has a full week of grace before the threat of a nationwide railroad strike may arise again.

During that week the three unions involved must decide whether to fight the anti-strike edict in court or simply leave the whole burden of proof up to justice department lawyers.

Valley Road Work Slated

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Bonanza Home Razed By Fire

RENO, Nev., May 12 (AP)—The newly remodeled farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Givan of Bonanza burned to the ground in a blaze which broke out about 9:30 p.m. Tuesday.

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Dewey Feels 'Cautious Cheer' Over Red Offer For Conference

BAKER, Ore., May 12 (AP)—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey regards with "cautious cheer" Russia's expressed readiness to discuss existing differences with the United States.

"If they mean it, it is the best news since V-J Day," he said. "If they don't mean it, well—it will be just what has happened about every six months."

NOTICE

The Herald and News today announces an increase in the subscription rate, to become effective on June 1, 1948.

The new rate will be \$1.25 per month for carrier delivery papers. The mail rate will be \$10 per year.

Rising costs of production make the rate increase imperative if The Herald and News is to maintain the high standards it has established.

Oxygen Blast Fatal To Two

SEATTLE, May 12 (AP)—An exploding oxygen bottle fatally injured two workmen early today in the Pan American World Airways hangar shops at Boeing field.

The victims were Kenneth Moore, 29, and Leonard Frank, 24, both of Seattle. They were dead on arrival at King County hospital.

They were transferring oxygen to a bottle from a larger container when the bottle exploded, it was reported. Cause of the explosion was not known.

G. E. Bassett, operations superintendent for Pan American, said the bottle, known as a "walkaround," is used as an individual oxygen supply on high altitude flights.

The blast shattered Moore's chest and ripped Frank's abdomen. Pieces of metal were driven into their bodies.

Too Much Gift For Small Town

PARIS, Ill., May 12 (AP)—The army notes that obliged Paris Legionnaires with its contribution to the city's war memorial.

The veterans' group had requested a field piece suitable for mounting on the public square. The gift arrived—a 23-ton howitzer used by General Rommel's forces during the North African campaign.

Legion Commander Elbert Bogart didn't even try to have the 35-foot weapon moved from the flat car it monopolized.

He wired army ordnance rejecting it and the army then took his order for two light 75 millimeter guns to be placed on either side of a flagpole.

It authorized re-shipment of the original gift to the Terre Haute ordnance plant.

LA Working On Straw Hat Gag

LOS ANGELES, May 12 (AP)—The forecast for downtown Los Angeles today is "intermittent showers of straw hats."

The Downtown Businessmen's association arranged to have 1000 miniature headpieces parachuted from a helicopter at noon to promote straw hat day.

Twenty-five of the hats carry gift certificates entitling lucky catchers to \$10 straw hats.

Radio Transfer Application Filed

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—The Eugene Broadcasting station, operating KORE at Eugene, Ore., has filed an application with the communications commission asking authority to transfer its license to the Lane Broadcasting company, for \$11,000.

The sale would involve the KORE assets and the construction permit for KORE-FM.

Wants Thanks



George Daseh, one-time San Francisco waiter and German spy recently freed from prison in the U. S. by presidential clemency, tells during an interview at Ludwigsburg, Germany, his part in the war's biggest spy case in which eight nazis were landed in U. S. by U-boat. Daseh claimed he "deserves America's thanks," for disclosing the nazid plot to U. S. authorities, and said he should be acclaimed as an anti-nazi hero.

Released with Daseh was Ernest Burger. Six others were executed after capture and trial.

Chrysler Out On Strike

DETROIT, May 12 (AP)—Chrysler corporation's 75,000 CIO production workers went on strike today for a third round of post-war wage increases.

Picket Cal Moorehead, parading before the big Dodge main plant, told reporters "it looks like a long strike."

"This will probably be tough," he added.

Picketing was quiet. Union headquarters said the first workers out were those at the Dodge truck plant. They jumped the gun by 30 minutes.

The union already is raising a million dollar "kitty" to finance the walkout.

The executive board of the union met in special session as picket lines were thrown about Chrysler's Detroit plants.

Construction Shows Gain

PORTLAND, Ore., May 12 (AP)—Light construction in April increased 97 per cent over the same month a year ago in 25 western cities having the largest building volumes.

The Trade Journal western building permits issued in the top cities was \$100,260,912 compared with \$50,779,839 the same month last year. Increase from the total in March was only 1.8 per cent.

Total value in 23 cities and counties of 11 western states was \$186,630,862, up 64.4 per cent from April, 1947. There were 37,361 permits covering the April work, an 11.2 per cent increase from April, 1947.

Los Angeles lead with permits valued at \$38,802,113. Portland was third, following Honolulu, at \$5,294,875, and Seattle was sixth at \$3,880,230.

Other Northwest cities in the first 25: Vancouver, B. C., ninth, \$3,349,904; Tacoma, 14th, \$1,951,250; and Spokane, 16th, \$1,782,274.

Secretary Puts Action Up To UN

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—Secretary of State Marshall said today that if Russia is seriously interested in improving world conditions there is urgent need for action through the United Nations.

In a news conference statement, Marshall ruled out the possibility of a direct two-nation settlement on general problems between the United States and Russia.

Marshall said in the statement that Ambassador Walter Bedell Smith had not asked Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov "for any general discussion or negotiation."

Molotov had said that Smith proposed discussion and negotiation and publicly announced that Russia had accepted. That was in a world-stirring Russian broadcast Monday night (Moscow time).

Bitter Experience
 "We have had a long and bitter experience with such efforts," Marshall said.

"This government had no intention of entering into bi-lateral negotiations with the Soviet government on matters relating to the interests of other governments.

"The discussion of any proposals in regard to outstanding issues which the Soviet government may have in mind, must, as a matter of course, be conducted in the body charged with responsibility for these questions."

UN Reference
 This was a clear reference to the United Nations and to the various allied bodies set up during and after the war for handling such problems as the future of Germany and Austria.

Marshall then presented the positive side of the American attitude. He asserted that "what we want is action in the fields where action is possible and urgently necessary at the present time."

He specified issues before the United Nations security council and other UN agencies, such as the Korean situation, as well as German issues before the allied control council in Berlin and Austrian treaty negotiations.

After he read his statement, Marshall answered a series of questions from the 100 or more reporters in the state department auditorium.

Wilhelmina To Quit Throne

AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands, May 12 (AP)—Queen Wilhelmina of The Netherlands will abdicate toward the end of September in behalf of her daughter, Princess Juliana, the queen announced in a radio broadcast tonight.

The queen, 67, has been in poor health for months.

Wilhelmina took a seven-week vacation from her royal office last fall and special legislation was drafted for Juliana to act as regent. Wilhelmina resumed her royal duties December 1.

A government announcement Saturday said she planned to yield her powers for a second time next Friday, with Juliana again to serve as regent. At that time no details were given on the state of the queen's health, but informed sources said there was no cause for alarm.

Fishermen Flown North

OAKLAND, Calif., May 12 (AP)—Transportation by air of more than 2000 deep sea fishermen to the Bristol bay area of Alaska is under way.

Transocean air lines flew its first plane load northward last night. The flight takes about 11 hours, to Naknek airport.

The line said it had a \$600,000 contract with eight fish packing and canning companies.

Four flights will go north next week and departures then are expected to be stepped up to two a day in order to move 700 men a week.

The fishermen are specialists, making between \$3000 and \$4000 for the six-weeks Alaska season, Transocean said.

The air line hopes to obtain cargo in Alaska for the return flight.

Stassen Not Optimistic Over Soviet Peace Talk Feelers

CHEYENNE, Wyo., May 12 (AP)—Presidential aspirant Harold Stassen was none too optimistic today about peace talks between Russia and the United States.

During a 10-minute retelling story while en route by plane from North Carolina to Portland, Ore., the former republican governor of Minnesota said:

"I would be inclined to discount any peace proposals made by Russia at this time. The fact that Russia claims that the proposals were made by the U. S. ambassador make it appear that it is more for a propaganda effect."

No Comment
 Stassen declined to say whether he favored a meeting between top officials of the two powers.

Stassen said he felt his prospects in the forthcoming Oregon primary were good. He repeated that he expects about 340 votes on the first ballot at the national convention next month, then added with a smile:



Walter Bedell Smith (right), U. S. ambassador to Moscow, arrived at Tempelhof airport, Berlin, after a series of talks with Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov which may lead to a showdown talk between the U. S. and Soviet Russia on the "cold war." Greeting him, left to right, are Maj. Gen. George P. Hays, Mrs. Lucius D. Clay and Maj. Carl E. Welchner. Photo by NEA-Acme Staff Correspondent Al—NEA radiophoto.