

NATO Group Prepares For Geneva

PARIS (AP) — Russia demanded anew Friday that the Geneva conference be expanded into a "big five" meeting, giving Communist China equal status with the United States, Britain, France and the Soviets.

The Soviet demand, made before and emphatically rejected by the Western Big Three, came again in notes delivered in Washington, London and Paris.

French Foreign Office sources immediately indicated they felt the new Russian note would not postpone the opening of the Geneva talks, now scheduled for Monday.

The French said the Russian communication does not necessarily require an answer since it merely restates a previous Soviet position.

The Western powers contend that Russian Foreign Minister Molotov agreed at Berlin that Communist China was only "invited" to the Geneva meeting, and was not one of the major convening powers. The communiqué issued at the end of the Berlin meeting specified that Red China's attendance at Geneva would not constitute diplomatic recognition of Peking.

The latest Russian move became known as the foreign ministers of the North Atlantic Alliance met in Paris for a confidential preview of the Western Big Three's strategy plans for Geneva.

After brief warning remarks from Lord Ismay, their British secretary general, the 14-nation NATO Council of Ministers closed their doors on outsiders to hear from U. S. Secretary of State Dulles, British Foreign Secretary Eden and France's Foreign Minister Georges Bidault.

With military plans for the year

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Soil Pest Control Told

Soil pests that have waxed fat in Oregon, feeding on plant roots and underground vegetables, while costing the state thousands of dollars annual income may be reaching the end of the road as "free boarders".

Oregon State College experiment station entomologists H. E. Morrison and H. H. Crowell, report that a few pounds of new soil insecticides to the acre will control some of the major pests that spend most of their lives underground as larvae causing unestimated damage to Oregon crops.

Sweet corn, a \$21 million crop in the state, and potatoes that averaged \$17 million value to Oregon during the past two years are the first in a series of crops scheduled to benefit by pest control recommendations from the college.

The researchers found that two pounds of either sidrin or heptachlor to the acre mixed into the soil gave effective control of wireworms, western spotted cucumber beetles, tuber flea beetles and seed corn maggots in fields planted to potatoes and sweet corn. Dieldrin insecticide at the two-pound rate was also effective in potato field trials, but it cannot yet be recommended for sweet corn plantings until harvested corn has been tested by the OBC food technology department for possible flavor effects.

No soil insecticide treatment is recommended that produces off-flavor to crops.

Easy to apply, the insecticides should be worked into the soil to a six-inch depth before planting. One application will give protection throughout the growing season.

REPARATION
MANILA (AP) — Philippine and Japan negotiating panels will meet—probably Monday—in an effort to reach full understanding on the preliminary agreement for settling the reparations issue.

Civil Suit Filed After Acquittal

PORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP)—A Criminal Court jury needed only 55 minutes yesterday to acquit Dr. Francis Fielding-Reid and his wife of second degree murder charges in the death of George L. Crim, West Palm Beach hairdresser.

Crim's widow, Leah, filed a \$350,000 damage suit in Circuit Court two hours after the verdict was read, charging the Fielding-Reids caused her husband's death last Christmas morning as the climax to a drinking party aboard the Fielding-Reid yacht.

The state charged Fielding-Reid, 62-year-old retired Baltimore physician, and his wife, Frances, 45, were responsible for the 37-year-old Crim's fatal plunge from the yacht.

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U.S. Nat'l Bank Plans Trust Forum

The United States National bank will present an estate and trust forum in Klamath Falls Thursday evening, April 29.

The meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in the Pelican Cafe, according to William A. Huggins, manager of the bank's Klamath Falls branch, who will preside.

Practical distribution plans designed for the protection of beneficiaries will be discussed by J. D. Bird, assistant trust officer. He will deal with bequests of personal effects, provisions regarding family home, lump-sum distribution and trusts. He will also discuss special procedures such as the apportionment clause, absorption of inheritance tax by the residue, restrictions against remarriage.

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