

ASIAN SECURITY PACT SIGNED

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Representatives of eight nations—United States, Britain, France, Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, Pakistan and the Philippines—sign at Manila a Southeast Asia security treaty which warns against further communist aggression in the Far East.

The treaty binds its signers to military and economic co-operation and declares that the member nations will meet armed attack in the area covered by the pact, each "according to its own constitutional provisions." (Presumably that means that before any of the eight nations, including the United States, would go to war, its congress or its parliament would have to sanction such action.)

Secretary Dulles, who sponsored the Manila conference, signs for the United States. He calls the treaty a major step in building security for Southeast Asia.

Is it?
I wonder.
This is the big question: IN THE PINCHES, will all the nations that have signed the treaty FIGHT TO KEEP THE COMMUNISTS FROM GRABBING SOUTH-EAST ASIA?

After the terrible finger burning we got at the Southeast Asia conference at Geneva and the other terrible finger burning we got in Europe in the case of EDC, our faith in multiple-nation alliances has been badly shaken.

Here is an interesting point: The Manila treaty defines the area covered by it as including "all of Southeast Asia and the Western Pacific BUT NOT THE CHINESE NATIONALIST STRONGHOLD OF FORMOSA." That means, it can be said rather flatly, that the other nations won't fight if the communists attack Formosa.

That raises another question: Will we fight if Formosa is attacked?

I think we'll have to. President Truman deployed our fleet as a protective screen between Formosa and the Chinese mainland with orders to fight if attacked. That order has never been rescinded. It still stands.

That is to say, Formosa is included within the perimeter of our defense bastions in the Pacific.

That brings up another one. Usually from four to eight U.S. ships are at anchor in the harbor of Hong Kong, the British crown colony just off the China coast. This morning's dispatches report that most of our ships have put quietly to sea and no others have entered. The American communication ship Walton remains in the harbor and by tomorrow will be the ONLY U.S. ship there.

Many observers, the dispatches say, believe the Walton is being kept there as an emergency evacuation vessel for Americans in case the reds should STAGE AN ATTACK ON HONG KONG.

Will we fight if Hong Kong is attacked?

That I doubt.
At any rate, it is becoming obvious that the situation in Asia is getting ticklish. It looks like we might find out soon just how far the commies will be willing to go in an effort to find out how far we are willing to go.

Spokane Bus Strike Called

SPOKANE (AP) — A strike of 150 AFL bus drivers and mechanics left this city of 180,000 without any municipal transportation Wednesday.

The union, which is asking an 11-cent hourly pay increase plus other benefits, struck Spokane City Lines at 5 a.m. after a final meeting with a state mediator failed to produce a settlement.

The strike, directly affecting some 30,000 regular patrons and nearly 10,000 school children returning to classes Wednesday, was originally called for last week but was postponed by request of Mediator William Samish.

The bus company is a subsidiary of National City Lines and has claimed that patronage has fallen off so sharply since 1947 that it can't afford any pay increases now.

The company, contending a 50 per cent drop in customers in seven years means it can't stay in business here much longer, has offered to sell out to the city for \$2,520,000.

The proposal got a cool reception at city hall. The city plans a special survey of the bus situation here.

The union struck Spokane City Lines for three weeks in April 1953, and won a 9 1/2-cent hourly wage increase after asking for 16 1/2. It raised the hourly pay for drivers to \$1.65, to \$1.83 for mechanics.

GANG

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Police said Wednesday they have broken up a 10-man gang believed to have robbed at least a dozen homes of Americans attached to aid and military missions in Athens during the past two years. The gang's loot was estimated at about \$15,000.

Labor Day Climb Ends In Disaster

BREITENBUSH LAKE, Ore. (AP) — A mountain party went up Mt. Jefferson Wednesday for the body of a climber who fell to his death Tuesday, climax to a Labor Day weekend of many near disasters.

William Morley, Jr., 24, Portland, was the man who fell to his death. He was at the summit of the 10,945-foot peak in the Central Oregon Cascades when he lost his footing and plunged 2,000 feet to White Water glacier.

His brother, Sam Morley, descended, learned that William was dead, and phoned to the Detroit ranger station. Others on the ill-fated climb were Lucille Morley, a sister, and Bill Hopkins, her fiancé.

Word of this tragedy came while a rescue party was coming down with Ben Oman, 32, Swedish exchange technician working at a Newberg, Ore., pulp plant.

Oman was the last of a three-man party to reach safely after a Monday fall on ice above the 8,000-foot level. He suffered an ankle fracture but despite this, made considerable progress down the steep slopes.

In the early stages he fastened crampons — spiked metal shoe straps — to his knees and descended below the freezing level. That was after he regained consciousness and told his companions, Sam Tompkins, 42, and Robert Lee, 41, to go for help. They were hurt too, Tompkins being found semi-conscious Tuesday afternoon when near the ranger station here, hobbling along with an injured knee.

Lee got down Monday night late and touched off the search, although his story was nearly incoherent.

A Seattle group, headed by Al Randall, joined in the search for Oman—but failed to find him because of the progress he had made down the mountain—and at the same time was looking for a member of its own eight-man party, Clio Brooks.

In the course of this, Randall came upon George Watts, 20, Salem, who had suffered a broken arm in a fall and slide of some 200 to 300 feet. Ron Coon, 17, Salem, was with him and was unhurt. Randall headed Watts to a hospital at Stayton. A third climber with Watts and Coon, Ed Koehn, Jr., 17, Salem, had taken a different route up the mountain at one point but got into no trouble and returned.

Brooks, who got lost when he lagged, finally made his way unaided Tuesday evening to the Detroit ranger station.

Morley, the day's only fatality, was a widely known Portland lumberman.

A Stanford graduate, he was to have left Thursday to enter Harvard law school.

Sam Tompkins, one of three mountain climbers who were rescued on the slopes of Mount Jefferson Tuesday afternoon, spent much of his early life in Klamath County. He is the son of Mrs. W. O. (Fanny) Weaver, 3410 Crest Street, was graduated from KUHS and worked for some time for the old McCollum sawmill near Keno.

He is married to the former Belva Lambert of Klamath Falls. They moved to Portland about 10 years ago and after World War II moved to Newberg where he is employed as a painter at the pulp mill. They have two sons, one of whom is in the armed services at boot camp.

Mrs. Weaver said she visited them in July and heard him planning the mountain climb.

"I thought he was just joking until I heard the news over the radio Tuesday that he was injured on Mount Jefferson," she said.

A late report from the Associated Press states that Tompkins, Oman and Lee were given first aid and have all returned to their homes at Newberg.

Arms Meeting Delay Rumored

LONDON (AP) — Official sources said Wednesday Britain was ready to postpone or even cancel the nine-nation allied conference suggested by Britain for next Tuesday to plan West German rearmament.

This came on the heels of reports from Bonn that West Germany appeared to be seeking postponement of the meeting to consider what action to take in view of French rejection of the European Defense Community (EDC) treaty.

The informants said Prime Minister Churchill's cabinet considered Wednesday whether to defer the talks until about the beginning of October, or to cancel the meeting entirely in favor of an emergency session of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization council of ministers in Europe next month.

U. S. Secretary of State Dulles has said he favors an emergency meeting of the NATO council of ministers.

France, West Germany and the United States were pictured here as believing the British proposal for the Sept. 14 meeting was premature.

VISITORS

YSNEY, Australia (AP) — British Laborite Leader Clement Attlee and his wife arrived from Singapore by plane Wednesday.

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Nati Bombers Hit Red Chinese

TAIPEH, Formosa (AP) — Chinese Nationalist warships and planes—including U. S. - supplied P-84 Thunderjets — teamed up again Wednesday to pound possible Communist invasion bases on the mainland and one defense ministry announced.

It was the first time Nationalist jets have been in action against the Reds.

The ministry said bombs and shells rained for the third day on Communist batteries which have shelled Quemoy, Nationalist island just off the coast opposite Formosa, and on bases where the Reds may have been massing troops for an invasion.

A special communique described Wednesday's attacks as the heaviest so far. Targets included concentrations of troops, artillery positions, barracks and other military installations.

Air force pilots made dive bombing and low level strafing attacks on Red targets from which enemy reaction was much weaker, the ministry said.

British shipping companies in Hong Kong warned their ship captains to stay clear of Amoy after a freighter was attacked by planes in Amoy harbor Tuesday.

Gen. Chang Yi-Ting, army spokesman, said he had no information on reports that two former U.S. destroyers took part in the bombardment of Amoy and other Communist bases within gun range of Quemoy.

The destroyers, turned over to the Nationalists last month, are the former USS Hilary P. Jones and the former USS Benson.

Even as the Nationalist sea and air attacks continued, top government officials conferred on plans for a five-hour visit to Formosa Thursday by U.S. Secretary of State Dulles.

The secretary, due here from Manila at noon, will attend a briefing by U.S. officials and call on President Chiang Kai-Shek. Chiang is expected to discuss in broad terms the whole Far East situation.

Dulles is to leave for Tokyo at 5 p.m.

British Laud SEATO Pact

LONDON (AP) — Prime Minister Churchill's government Wednesday welcomed the signing in Manila of the Southeast Asia security pact.

The Foreign Office said in a statement: "Her majesty's government warmly welcomes the conclusion of the Southeast Asian collective defense treaty which will increase the defense capacity of the peoples of that area and enable them to maintain their independence and peacefully pursue orderly development."

A similar statement came from Paris, where a French foreign ministry spokesman said the signing will strengthen peace and security in Southeast Asia and boost the economic development of that area.



ENJOYING BASIN SUNSHINE when the special cameraman happened by were Mr. and Mrs. Carlston, part owners of Frontier Guest Ranch located about 28 miles west of town on Lake of the Woods highway.

'54 Tulelake-Butte Valley Fair Slated For Thursday

TULELAKE — The 1954 Tulelake-Butte Valley Fair and Rotary-sponsored 4-H and FFA Junior Livestock Show and Sale that begins here Thursday, September 9 will open in new surroundings.

The fair continues through Friday, September 10.

The fair will be held the first time this year at the new fair grounds, in the recently completed livestock barn and exhibit building. Grounds have been leveled and the dust problem has been reduced to a minimum.

William C. Whitaker, fair manager, and members of the board of directors predict the largest number of agricultural and community exhibits in the five year history of the fair. Livestock exhibits will total about the same as in 1953.

Livestock entries include 29 head of steers, 58 sheep and six head of hogs.

Eight community exhibits, outstanding entries in 4-H cooking, canning and sewing are being placed today.

Livestock will be judged by

Chris Starr, Smith-Hughes instructor, Alhambra High School, A. E. Stowbridge, Sacramento, division of fruits and vegetables standardization, California State Department of Agriculture, will judge agriculture. Mrs. Chester J. Main and Mrs. Harry Mitchell, Tulelake, will judge home economics.

A new monarch is to be selected at a dance tonight in the Legion Hall and her court of four pretty girls will rule over the two-day fair.

Principal interest centers around the big auction Friday, that climaxes the fair. Livestock will be going over the block at 7:30 p.m. in one of the cattle barns with Bob Rhodes, Klamath Falls auctioneer crying the sale.

The opening day will be devoted to judging of all classes except livestock, 4-H and FFA livestock judging contests, a big parade at noon, featuring "The Old and the New" and a Kiwanis sponsored local talent show, scheduled for the high school auditorium at 8 p.m.

Judging livestock and a world championship syphon tube setting contest at 3 p.m. are planned for Friday with the auction at night. The irrigation contest is sponsored by the Tulelake Reporter.

Trophies are to be given in six divisions of the parade. Eighteen entries have been registered.

Ray Phillips of the Rotary Club is auction chairman.

There will be no commercial exhibits this year due to lack of space.

A carnival has arrived and numerous concessions have been set up on the fairgrounds.

All times given are California Daylight Savings time.

Ike Refuses Knowland's Red Demand

DENVER (AP) — President Eisenhower Wednesday replied to Sen. Knowland on the California Republican's demand the United States sever diplomatic relations with Russia. The summer White House indicated the reply was "No."

James C. Hagerly, presidential press secretary, told newsmen Eisenhower had dispatched a letter to Knowland, the Senate majority leader, but he repeated that the text would not be made public here.

In response to questions, however, Hagerly said he was "not taking back" what he said Sunday night—that so far as he knows the President still is opposed to breaking off diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union.

Meanwhile, there were these other developments at the chief executive's vacation headquarters:

1. Eisenhower added another stop — Missoula, Mont. — to the two-day speaking tour he will start Sept. 22. Hagerly announced the President will speak about 6 p.m. (MST) that day at the Missoula airport, where he will get a look at training facilities of a new smoke jumpers school. The air borne forest service trainees parachute into forest fire areas to help extinguish blazes. The stop at Missoula will be on the way to Eisenhower's previous announced speaking engagements the next day at Walla Walla, Wash., and Los Angeles.

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SEATO Defense Plan Aims At New Red Aggression

By ROBERT EUNSON

MANILA (AP) — Eight nations of the East and the West signed a collective security pact today which in effect warns the Communists against any further aggression in Southeast Asia.

It took just three days for the United States, France, Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, Pakistan and the Philippines to reach complete accord.

The treaty hangs a big "no trespassing" sign on small nations in the area. It binds the eight nations militarily and economically, and declares each party will meet the "common danger" of armed attack in the treaty area or against any member "in accordance with its constitutional processes."

Australia's Richard G. Casey was first to sign the historic document. He began affixing his signature to the various copies at 5:02 p.m. (4:02 a.m. EST).

The documents, about 12x18 inches, were bound in dark blue leather. The ministers signed with individual gold pens.

Casey was followed by France's Guy in Chambré, New Zealand's T. Clifton Webb and Pakistan's Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan.

DELEGATION

The Philippine delegation then signed, led by Vice President Carlos P. Garcia, chairman of the conference.

The Philippine delegation, dressed in native tagalog shirts, was followed by Thailand's Prince Wan Wathayakon and Great Britain's Lord Reading.

John Foster Dulles, U.S. secretary of state, who sponsored the meeting, signed at 5:18 p.m.

Garcia banged his gavel and declared the conference closed at 5:22 p.m.

The "hands off" warning to the Communists defined the treaty area as "the general area of Southeast Asia, including also the entire territories of the Asian parties, and the general area of the Southwest Pacific, not including the Pacific area north of 21 degrees 30 minutes north latitude."

DEFINITION

The last definition would extend the treaty just north of the northern tip of the Philippines, but short of Chinese Nationalist Formosa.

The treaty stipulated that other countries could join.

The pact, consisting of a preamble and 11 articles:

1. Approves a military agreement, patterned after the Australia-New Zealand - United States mutual defense pact (ANZUS), "to meet the common danger" of armed attack in the treaty area or against any member according to the constitutional provisions of the respective countries.

2. Calls for consultation and co-operation among members to develop economic measures "designed to promote economic stability and social well-being" in Southeast Asia.

3. Establishes a council which

"shall be so organized as to be able to meet at any time" to carry out the treaty terms.

4. Defines the treaty area to include all of Southeast Asia and the western Pacific sector but not Nationalist China's stronghold on Formosa.

5. Supports "continuous and effective self-help and mutual aid" among member nations to resist armed attack and prevent subversive activity directed from outside the country.

6. Upholds the charter of the United Nations.

The economic framework of the treaty may prove the most effective step in gaining stronger support for democracy in Asia. Red-threatened Laos, Cambodia and free Viet Nam will benefit from both the economic and military benefits of the pact.

The eight countries also approved a Pacific Charter for this region. Proposed by the Philippines, the document upholds the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples in the area. It says the signers will work by peaceful means "to promote self-government and secure independence of all countries whose people desire it and are able to undertake its responsibilities."

4-H Members Win Awards

Seven Klamath County 4-H Club members won over county groups from all over the state in competition for the sheep herdsman trophy at state fair.

The seven 4-Hers are Louise Raloff, Katherine Aherne, Sara West and Margaret Gould Merrill; Tom Wright, Henry Williams, Henley and Elliott West, Bonanza.

Judging was on the basis of cleanliness of pens, cooperation, personalities, method of handling stock.

The Merrill group is a member of the Merrill Sheep Club, led by Jack Raloff. Young Wright and Williams belong to the Henley Sheep Club, led by Dale Fleming. West to the Poe Valley Shepherds, whose leaders are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hatchesett.

Hurricane Alert Lifted

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — The hurricane alert for South Florida was lifted Wednesday as Edna, an erratic giant packing 115 miles per hour winds, swung to the northward in the Atlantic.

An 11 a.m. (EST) advisory reported: "The more northward turn relieves the threat to Florida but the northern Bahama's will continue to have high seas and strong winds today."

The advisory placed the season's fifth hurricane about 300 miles east of Miami near latitude 26.0 north, longitude 75.7 west. It was moving northwestward about 10 miles per hour.

Strongest winds were estimated at 100 to 115 miles per hour near the center with hurricane force winds (75 miles per hour or more) extending 50 to 75 miles to the north and east and about 30 miles to the south.

The hurricane was expected to continue moving in a northerly direction.

Grady Norton, chief storm forecaster at the Miami Weather Bureau, said that if the trend continues the hurricane "may be over blue water for some time."

Norton emphasized that "Edna was an erratic lady, moving slowly. We'll just have to wait and see what happens in the next few hours."

He said that if the hurricane continued on the northward course there was a possibility that "nobody will get hit by it."

Navy Leaves Hong Kong

HONG KONG (AP) — U.S. fighting ships have all but disappeared from Hong Kong harbor since the Quemoy fighting broke out.

There usually are from four to eight U.S. Navy ships here on rest and recreational leave, but this week most of those in port all the time. Most observers believe the Walton is kept here partly as an emergency evacuation ship for Americans in the case of a Communist attack on Hong Kong.

The aircraft carrier Hornet's scheduled leave here this week has been canceled. Two destroyer-class ships are expected, however.

Navy personnel refused to comment whether the withdrawal was related to the Quemoy fighting. Similar Navy departures have been reported from Manila this week, however.



THE INTERIOR OF THIS FINE DISASTER CAR, bought and equipped by the personnel of the Suburban Volunteer Fire Department at no cost to the taxpayers of the suburban fire district, is a complete hospital on wheels, designed to handle any emergency or injury. About 30 members of the fire department, trained in first aid, including the crew captain and five drivers can handle any part of the equipment. The car carries facilities for emergency surgery, blood transfusions, portable resuscitation, hospital bed, medical supplies, stretchers, a field kitchen for providing light meals, a stocked food cabinet, water storage tank, 110-volt, 1000-watt light plant and extension lines for flood lighting, a base radio station with five walkie-talkie units, floor length heating plant, axes, shovels, cables, ropes and other equipment. The bus, second of its kind in Oregon, is air conditioned. It is open at the Suburban Fire Hall for inspection.