

US Formosa Defense Pact Seen As Warning To Reds

WASHINGTON (AP)—Red China had blunt warning today that the United States would probably attack the Chinese mainland if the Reds attempted to conquer Formosa.

Secretary of State Dulles made this statement yesterday in announcing that a mutual security pact will be signed with the Chinese Nationalists on Formosa in the next few days.

He said the treaty means U.S. retaliation against any Red invasion of Formosa. Although saying a counterattack on the mainland was probable in such an event, he declined to discuss in detail the scope of any retaliation.

In another statement at his press conference yesterday, adding up to a "tough" policy on Communist China, Dulles said that the United States may yet consider a naval blockade for the China coast if American rights are not respected—that is, if the 13 Americans recently sentenced as spies are not released.

NEW PACT
The new pact, if ratified by the Senate as expected, will assure American protection for many years to Formosa and the Pescadore Islands, thus forging the last link in a chain of military alliances designed to block Red Chinese expansion in the Pacific.

The islands have been shielded by the U.S. 7th Fleet since the beginning of the Korean War in June 1950. Under the treaty the shielding may go on for years more.

The treaty is expected to go to the Senate early next year for ratification. Several members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee indicated today a favorable reaction to the pact.

South Korea, Japan, the Philippines, Australia, New Zealand and parts of Southeast Asia already are covered by similar treaties. "The Eisenhower administration, while taking a strong policy line in the Far East, is reported hopeful that gradually a modus vivendi—a way of getting along—will be found without warlike actions. The treaty with Chiang Kai-shek, Dulles made clear, is supposed to contribute to that purpose.

FREEDOM
As for Chiang's freedom to attack the mainland, Dulles said he expects an arrangement to be worked out under which Chiang would consult with this country on such action. This could be considered a sort of Washington-held rein on Chiang.

In London, the British Foreign Office said the Churchill government had not been consulted on the new pact but had assured it "is purely defensive."

The guarantee of American protection does not cover the numerous Nationalist-held islands close to the Chinese Communist coast which range from 90 to 200 miles distant from Formosa.

SPECULATION
There has been some speculation among diplomats that an arrangement might eventually be worked out in which the Chinese Reds would gradually take over the offshore islands and accept, without agreeing to it, Chiang's permanent control of Formosa. The United States and British governments have been discussing the problem of "pacifying" the area for months.

Dulles said he hoped that the treaty would help to stabilize the area. It should do this, he said, by removing any thought that the United States might make a deal to let Formosa or the Pescadores go to the Chinese Reds.

The secretary of state was not so precise in discussing whether the United States would forbid a deal on the offshore islands. He said those were Chinese islands and the United States could not make a deal on them because it had no special legal interest in them.

LEGAL INTEREST
The United States does have a special legal interest in Formosa and the Pescadores. They were renounced by Japan in the Japanese Peace Treaty, which the United States signed.

Dulles said there is a clause in the new treaty which provides for extending protection to other areas by agreement.

An agreement could be made, for example, to include some of the offshore islands if that seemed necessary. Or the treaty could be extended by agreement to cover some of the Chinese mainland if Chiang regained control over some of it.

Dulles said if the Senate wanted such extensions made subject to ratification, that could be worked out.



TWO OFFICERS of the new Aowa Kiya Horizon Club, identified with Camp Fire Girls are left, Margaret Ogle, president and Carol Heath, secretary. Dolores M. Holzgang is advisor. Both officers are students at Klamath Union High School.

Burlesque Show Goes On After Man Shot On Stage

By JACK STEVENSON
LOS ANGELES (AP)—The burlesque show at the New Follies Theater went on as scheduled last night.

Test Tube Blows Up In School

CHESTER, Pa. (AP)—A chemical-filled test tube exploded with a roar of flames and injured four pupils in a study hall at nearby Ridley Park High School yesterday.

Gordon Ziegler and Thomas Siles, both 16, were seriously injured by flying glass. There were 30 pupils in the room.

Treated for cuts were John Pierson and Betty Clark, both 16.

School officials said the test tube was held under a desk in the rear of the room by an unnamed pupil. There was no explanation where he got the chemicals.

Red-haired toe dancer Loretta Miller wore a black ribbon in her hair as she appeared. That was the last request of Roger Wing Whittier, 26, a Korean War veteran from Gold Beach, Ore.

Whittier had fulfilled his final pledge—to get her lots of publicity. He was killed at the theater by two bullets, one from his own gun, the other from police, who returned fire, they said, after he first shot once at them.

The man died on stage at dawn clutching photos of Miss Miller. Written on one showing her in ballet costume were the words: "Angel Face: All I can do is worship you. Goodbye, Roger."

The shapely Miss Miller, 25, said she had never met the man but had received two letters and bouquets of roses from him.

The strange drama began shortly after 5 a.m. yesterday when a man telephoned The Associated Press.

"I broke into the New Follies burlesque a couple hours ago," he told me. "I'm in love with a dancer there, Loretta Miller."

"I want to get her publicity. I want to get her picture in every paper in the country."

"Call the police and come over here. But you be careful. I'm armed."

I called the detective bureau. Two detectives and two officers entered the theater with a portable floodlight. A man onstage was caught in its glare.

Police said he fired twice with a .32 automatic. The first was at the light and the second struck him in the head. The officers returned fire.

The stage floor bore printed testimonials of his infatuation: "Dear Loretta, just to hold you in my arms... My red-headed angel..."

Miss Miller previously had reported to police that she received two letters signed, "Roger." One said:

"My plan is to go backstage just as the last show ends. With my automatic in my hand I shall attempt to fight my way to you..."

At most I want to hold you in my arms... I mean you no harm and wouldn't hurt you for the world."

He never carried out that plan. The second note to the dancer said, in part, "If you happen to read or hear of a guy named Roger coming to a violent end, please pin a little piece of black to your costume."

Miss Miller did that and commented: "The poor guy."

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ISTANBUL (AP)—Husseyin Cahid Yalcin, veteran Turkish newspaperman, has started serving a 26-month sentence for editorials in the newspaper Halki which a court found insulting to the government.

EXPORTS
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Yoshida Reply Heard By Diet

TOKYO (AP)—Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida, in stinging replies to his Diet (Parliament) critics, said today, "It is very necessary for the Japanese to know the real menace of the Communist offensive."

And he snapped at opponents seeking to oust him: "The Liberal party will decide when, and whether I should step down."

The 76-year-old leader fought back at critics who attacked him for being too "pro-American."

"It is necessary to oppose communism," he said. "If that is called 'alignment with America only,' I say all the free world is aligned with America only."

To questioners in the Diet who urged expansion of trade with the Communists, he declared: "The Communist radios pour sugar-coated words at Japanese ears," he said. "At the same time, the Communist radio beamed to Southeast Asia tell them Japan is being reformed for renewed aggression under American instigation. It is foolish to buy Communist words at face value."

"Russia and China," he said, "have been unable to export to earn foreign exchange. If they have no foreign exchange, how can we expect them to buy anything from us?"

Yoshida refused to give his critics any hint of his retirement plans. He has agreed to step down as president of his Liberal party, with the broad hint that this also would mean he would retire from the prime ministership in the near future.

Critics both on the left and right have combined in a two-pronged drive to oust Yoshida from office. The newly formed Democratic party—made up of conservatives like Yoshida—and the Socialists oppose the leader whose more than six continuous years in office is by far a Japanese record.

Yoshida's Liberals, a conservative group, still are the largest party in the Diet, but the Democrats and Socialists could push a nonconfidence motion and force new elections.

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