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### Israel, Arab Peace Plan Endangered

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Eisenhower administration's plan to bring peace to Israel and Arabs appeared in danger of quick death Saturday.

Great Britain joined the United States in offering to guarantee the permanent frontiers of Israel and Arab states, but some Arab leaders talked of rejecting the plan outright, and a Democratic leader in the U. S. Congress expressed doubt the plan would ever succeed.

Sen. George of Georgia, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and chief Democratic spokesman in Congress on international affairs, said of the administration proposal: "I am considering it but I have not committed myself. I am in sympathy with the objectives but I doubt very much that this proposal can ever be worked out."

George, in a telephone interview from his Vienna, Ga., home, said he feels that other nations might give only token aid in backing up the peace plan "and the whole burden would fall on us."

One Arab leader said angrily that Secretary of State Dulles was offering Arabs "30 pieces of silver to sell Palestine to the Jews" as a vote-catcher in the 1956 Presidential election.

Dulles said in a New York speech Friday the United States would join in international action to establish and guarantee new frontiers for the Arab states.

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### French, Moroccan Leaders Hopeful For Peace Moves

AIX LES BAINS, France (AP) — France and Moroccan nationalists apparently narrowed their differences Saturday to a timetable for removing Sultan Mohammed Ben Moulay Arafat and ending ex-Sultan Mohammed Ben Youssef's exile.

Ben Youssef is the pro-nationalist ruler whom the French ousted in 1953, precipitating a wave of nationalism that culminated in violent rioting last week. He is now living in exile on the Island of Madagascar.

### Market Area Rule Opposed

MILWAUKEE (AP) — A resolution opposing a government program requiring the processing and manufacturing of lumber products within an established marketing area was approved Friday by the CIO International Woodworkers of America.

Union delegates at their final convention session voted unanimously against the plan which is called the marketing area sustained unit program.

The resolution was introduced jointly by Harvey R. Nelson, president of Columbia River Council No. 5, Portland, Ore.; Burk Christie, president of Plymouth District Council No. 9, Olympia, Wash.; and Tim Sullivan, president of Klamath Basin District Council No. 6, Klamath Falls, Ore.

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Friday the alert remained in effect 2 hours 17 minutes when the thickest smog of the year concentrated in the Los Angeles industrial area and measured 64.

These alarms have been "first alerts." If the concentration reaches 100, a "second alert" would bring a halt to all but essential traffic. The "third alert" is the danger alert and could include shutting down industrial plants.

Scientists report that ozone, the most irritating ingredient of Los Angeles smog, is caused primarily by the action of sun on nitrogen dioxide particles.

### Fire Damages Blimp Hangar

TILLAMOOK (AP) — A roofing fire at a blimp hangar at the Naval Air Station here Saturday caused damage estimated at \$50,000 before it was brought under control by fire equipment from six localities.

### Expert Says 'Edith' May Miss Coast

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Hurricane Edith whirled 100 miles an hour winds around her center Saturday and was growing in intensity, but a top storm warning authority voiced cautious optimism for the entire Atlantic Coast.

Gordon Dunn, chief forecaster in the Weather Bureau's Storm Warning Service here, said the Southeast Coast from Cape Hatteras, N. C., southward, could consider itself in the clear.

Baring some unexpected development, the Middle Atlantic Coast from New York to Cape Hatteras also will be in the clear, said Dunn.

He was a little more cautious about the New England states, saying: "If the present trend of the storm continues, there is very little chance that it will affect the North Atlantic Coast. The people there should be optimistic about the situation."

Dunn said the hurricane is moving very slowly toward the north-northwest. When it gains a few more degrees of latitude, it should come under the influence of a trough of low barometric pressure which will turn it more to the northeast.

STORMS TRICKY That would swing the storm clear of the coast. But Dunn pointed out that hurricanes are tricky, and since it is now in a critical area a 24-hour watch is being kept over it by Air Force and Navy aircraft.

Edith was centered near latitude 27.5 north, longitude 64.1 west, a location that would place the eye 330 miles south of Bermuda, 840 miles southeast of Cape Hatteras and 1,000 northeast of Miami.

It is expected to turn to a more north-northeasterly course sometime Sunday and then pick up forward speed.

### Truman Blasts Ike's Policies

FRENCH LICK, Ind. (AP) — Harry S. Truman opened his give-em-hell speech-making Saturday night by charging President Eisenhower with "misrepresentation and demagoguery."

The former President started his drive to help return Democrats to the White House with a speech prepared for delivery at the grand jubilee meeting of the Indiana Democratic Editorial Assn.

Truman did not mention Eisenhower by name, but said the Republicans "began tearing down the New Deal and the Fair Deal wherever they dared and as fast as they dared" when they took over in 1953.

"They obtained control of the national government by misrepresentation and demagoguery," Truman declared, adding: "And right after the election, the President-elect went so far as to use misrepresentation and demagoguery in his message to the State of the Union in January, 1953, and he has never missed a chance to belittle the real issues in every speech he reads."



WAVING FAREWELL to Main Street is Gus Lampropoulos after 28 years as proprietor of the Olympia Grocery on Main near Twelfth. Gus is moving his building to Martin and Holly streets to make room for a super service station on his old location. He first started in the grocery business in 1927 to culminate boyhood goal in far-off Olympia, Greece, where he was born. (See Story on Page 12.)

### Stassen Meets Red Delegate

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP) — Harold E. Stassen, President Eisenhower's disarmament adviser, held an unprecedented meeting Saturday with Russia's Arkady Sobolev in his consultations preliminary to the disarmament conference opening here Monday.

Stassen conferred during the morning with all the Western representatives to the disarmament subcommittee and then arranged to see Sobolev at the Russian's suggestion in Stassen's hotel suite.

Anthony Nutting, British minister of state; Jules Moch, French representative; and Paul Martin, Canadian health minister, discussed strategy with Stassen at their morning meeting. Stassen talked with each separately Friday.

The U. S. representative had already invited Sobolev to luncheon in his hotel suite Monday, before the subcommittee begins discussion of the Eisenhower disarmament and British Prime Minister Eden's proposals for guaranteeing zones of neutrality in Germany.

Sobolev had accepted. In the history of disarmament talks, the U. S. representative has never before sat down for preliminary private talks with the Soviet representative.

A U. S. source said the development mirrored the Eisenhower-Bulgarian moves at the Geneva summit parley to relax tensions.

### Slashings Fire Under Control

GRANTS PASS (AP) — A fire in 100 acres of slashings and second-growth timber of the House & McDonald Logging Co. about 30 miles northwest of here was believed under control Saturday.

A crew of 85 men and six pumps worked to quell the blaze, the state forestry office reported. The fire started Friday afternoon, apparently from the backfire of a tractor.

### Basin Housewives Planning Flood Relief Food Sales

Housewives of the Klamath Basin will be cooking for disaster victims this week!

Following the decision of the United Fund and Red Cross boards August 25 that \$1800 should be forwarded immediately as Klamath County's contribution to meet the special appeal for aid to flood sufferers, communities throughout the Basin are organizing cooked food sales to be held simultaneously on Thursday, September 1 with all proceeds to be applied against the \$1800 loan secured from local banks by Red Cross disaster chairman, Otto L. Smith.

First of the communities to be held at its location, one in the Pelican Theater building, Eighth and Klamath and the second on South Sixth Street at the Big Y Market. In every community participating in the food sale, women members of all organizations are being contacted by their presidents to ask for their kitchen products.

No special Red Cross personal solicitation is planned for this appeal, but workers of the United Fund-Red Cross Advance Gifts section are starting early and will ask for increased gifts to cover the additional need.

### Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair with some high cloudiness through Sunday and Monday. High both days 80. Low Sunday night 47.

High Saturday 82 Low midnight Saturday 54

### Salem Pilot Dies In Crash

SALEM (AP) — Two private planes collided and crashed just north of the Salem airport Saturday, and one pilot perished in the flaming wreckage of his craft.

The two occupants of the second plane were taken to a Salem hospital. Neither was in serious condition.

The dead pilot is Gordon King, 35, Salem. His body was burned almost beyond recognition. Identification was made from a billfold. He is survived by the widow and three children.

The injured were Nancy M. Nordstrom, 21, a University of Washington student from Seattle, and the second pilot, Shelby S. Sullivan, Bellevue, Wash. Miss Nordstrom suffered a scalp laceration. Sullivan suffered bruises.

George Douglas, state board of aeronautics member, was investigating the tragedy. The board's headquarters are at the airport.

Bob Feller, a farmer residing near the airport, said he heard a loud noise and looked up to see "parts of a plane" flying through the air.

Feller said the King plane hit the ground first and broke into 150 pieces immediately. Sullivan was recorded today belly-landing about 300 feet away.

### Quake Reported Near Eureka

BERKELEY (AP) — A "moderately strong" earthquake believed to be in the direction of Eureka, was recorded today by W. C. Marlon, University of California seismologist.

Marlon recorded the tremor at 12:01 a. m. and said it had a Richter rating of 4.5 and lasted 10 minutes.

### Spectacular Blaze Levels Huge Plant

WHITING, Ind. (AP) — A raging fire, touched off by explosion of a 26-story gasoline cracking tower, took two lives injured 44, and made a shambles of sections of the Standard Oil Co. (Ind.) refinery Saturday.

About 950 families were evacuated from their homes. Gasoline raged down the streets of this Northern Indiana city of about 10,000 population. The gasoline ran into sewers and police issued a "No smoking" order.

Damage was estimated all the way from 10 million to 100 million dollars.

INITIAL BLAST The initial blast wrecked the world's largest liquid hydroformer—a high-octane gasoline still—hurling great slabs of its steel plate sides into a residential area across U. S. highways 12 and 20 which form the plant's west boundary.

A hurtling piece of the huge tower smashed through the frame house of Frank Flewintak, killing his 3-year-old son, Richard, in his bed. Another son, Ronald, suffered loss of his left leg, and the father was cut by hurdling plaster.

The other death was that of Walter Rhea, 63, a foreman at the refinery who collapsed of a heart attack after he was summoned to emergency duty.

HOUSE SMASHED The smashing force of the explosion demolished two hydroformers—major damage to 80, and bashed up another 100. One automobile was squashed to less than one foot of thickness by a 10-ton slab of 2-inch steel. Another was tossed up, down and shattered house.

After the initial thunderclap of force, flames spread, and small storage tanks of the big refinery. They roared through some 30 tanks and twisted two other gasoline cracking units.

The American Red Cross, on the basis of reports from Whiting, announced a damage estimate of 100 million dollars. However, Dr. Robert E. Wilson, chairman of Standard, said in a statement "It is too early to estimate the amount of the damage, but it probably will exceed 100 million dollars."

FIRE FIGHTERS Fired from Whiting, East Chicago, Chicago and the company's own department, aided by some 5,500 volunteer workers—hundreds of whom drove dump trucks at breakneck speed between the fire and nearby sand pits—had the flames in check by 4 p. m.

The sand was used for dikes to contain flaming liquids.

But a few minutes later, a tank containing 3,200,000 gallons of naphtha-propane exploded with a blinding whoosh, sending flames one thousand feet into the air.

The new blast, which singed the hair of workers a quarter of a mile away, forced a heartbreaking retreat for precious hours while a pool of flames spread over a 500-yard diameter. Fifteen firefighters were burned, apparently not severely. Some fire equipment was destroyed.

SOME 15 hours after the first blast, Fire Chief George Macko finally told reporters "It looks wonderful. We have it under control unless the wind comes up or shifts."

Company officials said it may be days before the fire actually is extinguished.

The big Standard refinery, covering 750 acres situated 16 miles southwest of Chicago's Loop, is rated by company officials as the largest in the Midwest and the fourth largest in the United States.

### Sudan Rebels To Surrender

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP) — In the face of government forces advancing to wipe them out, army mutineers in the Far Upper Nile village of Torit agreed late Saturday to surrender.

The South Sudan soldiers had been in rebellion for more than a week against being placed under command of officers from the North Sudan.

The rebels let a noon-time ultimatum deadline pass but seven hours later, when the government forces were on the move, they announced readiness to give up.

The rebels in Torit induced their decision in response to an ultimatum Friday night from Gov. Gen. Sir Alexander Knox Helm.

### Homesite Sale Stall Asked

GEARHART (AP) — Sen. Neuberger said Saturday he is taking steps to forestall sale of the Lillie Moore home site in Roseburg by the government.

The Democratic senator said sale of the property—scheduled Oct. 4—might open it up to commercial or industrial development. He said he has advised the General Services Administration that the "highest use" of the homesite would be disposal to the city of Roseburg as a center for historical relics.

The Moore home was a center of early-day social life in Roseburg. A frequent visitor was Territorial Gov. Joseph Lane. It was bequeathed to the government in 1849.

Neuberger recalled that two years ago a similar planned sale was "postponed indefinitely." Then the Douglas County Historical Society was formed to try to acquire the property.

### Riot Leaders Face Charges

MASSACHUSETTS officials report that in 36 cities and towns affected 135 establishments have suffered heavy flood damage.

These are samples of a condition that is general in the flood area.

The federal government is giving quick and large aid — both in loans and in service by the corps of engineers of the army.

But this aid will go largely into repair of CAPITAL damage such as reconstruction of damaged or ruined municipal sewer systems, water systems, etc., along with the repair of damage to the industrial establishments that provide employment for the people.

There will be insurance to help out in the case of these damaged establishments. In this age when TAXES enter into every conceivable situation, there will be tax deductions to be carried forward into the future.

And so on.

But these items will go chiefly toward restoration of capital facilities, so that employment may be provided again as quickly as possible for the people whose livelihood depends upon their wages and their salaries.

But — In the meantime — These benefit people themselves—many of whom have lost all their physical possessions, along with their jobs — must be cared for. They must be clothed, if they have lost all their clothing. They must be fed during the period when they will have neither money nor credit to buy food for themselves. They must be housed somehow during the period when they will have no money with which to pay rent.

It is the Red Cross that provides this vital service to the disaster-stricken PEOPLE. The Red Cross gives its money from those who give. The more promptly generous people give, the more promptly needed aid can be given.

These floods, following two hurricanes, are a REAL disaster. They call for generous giving on the part of those of us who escaped them.



SATURDAY MORNING'S 9 o'clock "specialists" were two Klamath Falls leaders in the construction business. The Herald and News 9 o'clock photographer, Don Kettler, snapped Contractor Albert Walker, left, and Assistant Manager Tommy Thomas of the Long Bell Lumber Co. as they laid plans for building a home.