

United Nations Delegates Gather For Disarming Talk

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—Delegates from the Big Four and Canada gathered today for a new round of disarmament talks. The meetings provide the first major test of the improvement in relations between the West and Russia since the Geneva summit conference.

The five-power subcommittee of the U. N. Disarmament Commission was called to meet this afternoon at U. N. headquarters to expand and discuss proposals made at Geneva.

Chief among new ideas advanced at Geneva was President Eisenhower's proposal that the United States and Russia exchange blueprints of their military establishments and allow each other to inspect these installations from the air. The Russians have been cool to the suggestion, although Soviet Premier Bulganin later took pains to emphasize his government had not rejected it.

A U. S. spokesman said before the opening session that while his government felt the general atmosphere since Geneva added a hopeful element to the new negotiations, quick agreement was not anticipated.

Instead, the Western and Soviet delegates were expected to lay the groundwork for higher level disarmament negotiations by the Big Four foreign ministers at their meeting in Geneva Oct. 27.

In Moscow, the Soviet government newspaper Izvestia cited Russia's acceptance last spring of

the French-British proposal for phased reduction of conventional armed forces. Izvestia said the Soviets are "now entitled" to expect Western concessions to the persistent Russian demand for a ban on atomic weapons.

A U. S. spokesman said the American delegation would insist—as it always has in the past—that a comprehensive inspection system be set up to assure as far as possible compliance with any disarmament plan agreed on.

Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., chief U. S. delegate to the U. N., prepared an opening American statement to the conference. Then he was to withdraw, leaving Harold E. Stassen, President Eisenhower's special adviser on disarmament, as the chief U. S. representative.

Other delegates were Anthony Dutton, British minister of state; Jules Moch, Socialist member of France's Parliament; Arkady A. Sobolev, Soviet delegate to the U. N.; and Paul Martin, Canada's minister of health.



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Magazine Honors Klamath Woman

LaPointe's in Klamath Falls has received nationwide recognition in the first issue of a new magazine for brides, "Brides-To-Be" with the publication of a picture and thumbnail sketch of Mrs. Martin Franz.

BAD MILK
TOKYO (AP)—Welfare Minister Hideji Kawasaki said Monday the Japanese government might close a plant milk company, maker of a powdered milk which has killed 44 children and affected almost 2,000 others.

Police questioned executives of the Tokushima plant of the Morinaga Milk Co., which had said traces of arsenic were found in sodium phosphate used a stabilizer in manufacture of the milk.

Children Killed In Flash Flood

HONG KONG (AP)—The known death toll from a flash flood that swept over a group of picnicking Chinese schoolchildren rose to 24 today. Some unofficial reports said 20 more were missing.

The children were on an outing yesterday in a narrow canyon near the New Territories village of Tsipokow. A cloudburst sent a nine-foot wall of water raging through the area.

Rescue workers recovered 21 bodies yesterday. Three more were found this morning. The total number of children on the picnic was not known and there was no official count of the number missing.

Many of the victims were dashed against rocks and drowned. It was feared others were swept out to sea.

Shell Blast Kills Tots

EL PASO, Tex. (AP)—Three small children lost their lives last night in what one official called "one of the worst disasters the city has ever seen" when a 90 mm. shell exploded over a picnic fire.

Ten others were injured, one critically.

Fire Chief W. E. Wood said: "There was food, toys, chairs and clothing scattered all over the place. This is one of the worst disasters the city has ever suffered."

"One boy was blown right out of his shoes."

The explosion ripped through an apartment house yard, killing 4-year-old Velma Morales instantly. George Valdez, 6, was dead on arrival at the El Paso General Hospital and Ricardo Lujan, 10, died a short time later at the hospital.

Tiny Hector Ramirez, 4, is in critical condition. Both his legs were amputated.

One of the first to arrive on the scene, Raymundo Santos, a scoutmaster, said it was "one of the most horrible things I've ever seen."

Police said Santos helped carry the bodies out and administered first aid.

Most of the injured suffered either shrapnel wounds or serious flash burns.

Police said Carlos Valdez, father of George Valdez, told them he had built the fire in the yard and the children were roasting corn when the blast occurred.

Valdez told police the shell had been lying around for some time and that everybody thought it was a dud. He said he thought the shell might have been picked up when the family had a picnic a couple of months ago near the Casner range of Ft. Bliss.

The other injured: David Marcia, 6; Irma Morales, 6, sister of Velma; Juan Ortiz, 7; Fernando Ramirez, 6; Amado Rivera, 22, a passer-by who suffered shrapnel in the back; Carlos Valdez, 10; Roberto Robson, 7; Luis Lujan, 6; and Mrs. Thomasa Marcial, 43.

Young Actress Leaves Hospital

NEW YORK (AP)—Actress Melinda Markoy, daughter of movie star Joan Bennett, stayed in seclusion today after recovering from what police said was an overdose of sleeping pills.

The pretty, 21-year-old brunette was discharged from Bellevue Hospital yesterday and quietly slipped away with her husband Donald Hayden. It could not be learned where the couple went.

Japanese Problems Topic Of Washington Meetings

By SPENCER DAVIS
WASHINGTON (AP)—Japan's Foreign Minister Mamoru Shigemitsu opened a three-day official visit with key American officials today, hopeful that out of the talks will come "a forward step" in freeing Japan's defense and economic relations with the United States.

Shigemitsu was scheduled to meet with Secretary of State Dulles this afternoon after attending a formal luncheon given in his honor by Undersecretary of State Robert Murphy.

The 66-year-old Japanese foreign minister has advocated a freer hand for Japan in determining what its defense policies will be and in relaxing trade restrictions with Communist China. But he does not want to strain ties with the United States in accomplishing this.

So far, U. S. officials have been uncommittal on his pleas.

Shigemitsu returned last night from a weekend at Hot Springs, Va. He was described by an embassy spokesman as "looking forward to his talks with a feeling

of hope and confidence that Japanese-American understanding and cooperation will make a forward step."

The foreign minister had with him the general outlines of a defense buildup for Japan over the next few years. The plan, not yet approved by the Japanese Parliament, reportedly calls for an increase of Japan's ground forces from 140,000 as of last March 31 to 183,000 by 1953.

American officials appear little inclined at this time to alter the U. S.-Japan Security Treaty which allows this country to have bases in Japan pending the development of adequate Japanese forces.

As for relaxing restrictions against trade with Communist China, there have been discussions of this at a high level but the present deadlock in U. S.-Red China talks at Geneva would indicate that no clear-cut decision is possible here at this time.

Another U. S. action Shigemitsu is pressing for is the outright release of 210 Japanese war criminals still held in Sugamo Prison under American jurisdiction. U. S. officials appeared doubtful that a blanket release of the war criminals is legally possible.

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