

# Arms Supply To Mideast Worry West

WASHINGTON (AP)—The explosive problem of Communist arms shipments to the tense Middle East is becoming an issue of growing urgency to the United States and its Western allies.

It was expected to get top-level consideration at a meeting today at the Big Four foreign ministers meeting in Geneva starting Oct. 27.

The problem will also be brought up at the Big Four foreign ministers meeting in Geneva starting Oct. 27. Diplomatic informants reported the Western ministers would discuss it with Russia's V. M. Molotov outside the conference room. It won't be on the formal agenda.

When Western leaders asked Molotov about it in New York some two weeks ago, he said he knew nothing about Czechoslovakia's reported plans, since patently confirmed, to ship tanks, artillery, jet planes and naval vessels to Egypt in return for Egyptian cotton.

He promised to look into the matter. At Geneva the West reportedly will try to learn what he found out about Russia's attitude and plans for the arms delivery.

The Western Powers also will stress again the dangers that could develop from the shipments. Since the Czech-Egyptian deal, the problem has grown more acute with Communist offers of similar trades to other Arab countries.

The situation, in the face of continuing hostility between the Arabs and their Israeli neighbors, heightened the possibility of an arms race or even a resumption of full-scale war between them.

It tended to offset U.S. pleasure over Iran's announcement that it was joining Turkey, Iraq, Pakistan and Britain in the "northern tier" defense alliance.

As one diplomat put it, the brand new northern tier will lose much of its value right at the start if the Soviets get around it by acquiring influence on the governments of countries behind it.

U.S. diplomats were reported urging Arab governments to be aware of Soviet trade or aid missions, technical personnel accompanying weapons and infiltrators of various kinds.

Returning from Cairo yesterday, Egyptian Ambassador Ahmed Hussein declared his country has no intention of allowing itself to be infiltrated by any foreign power. So far as he knows, he said, no technicians are accompanying the Czech arms. And he said Egypt has not accepted as yet any Soviet technical or economic assistance, but hopes to get what is needed from the United States and the World Bank.

## Church Women Visit Museum

Several members of the Women's Society of Christian Service study class of the First Methodist Church visited the Gloucester Indian Museum at Chiloquin, October 5. The class is studying the American Indians and gathered material for future study.

Making the trip were Mrs. Lorena Ward, Mrs. Bea Kelsey, Mrs. Leoline Cowman, Mrs. Anna Richards, Mrs. Leah Steele, Mrs. E. F. Stevens, Mrs. Dallas McNeil, Mrs. Martha Glickson, Mrs. H. A. J. Wade, Mrs. Elsie Burton who arranged the tour and Miss Marjiam Smyth.

## WORKSHOP

R. H. Tidale, vice president and manager of the Klamath Falls branch, Myron E. Shannon, manager of the South Sixth Street branch and M. P. Shelton, manager of the Merrill branch of First National bank of Portland participated in a two day workshop on money, finance and economic trends in Portland on Friday and Saturday, according to C. B. Stephenson, president of the bank. Managers of all 50 First National branches in Oregon were on hand for the session.



MEMBERS OF BROWNIE SCOUT TROOP 85 toured the Klamath Falls Central Fire Station Tuesday as part of Fire Prevention Week, which began last Sunday. The girls, all third graders at Mills School, are posed on the aerial tower. Leaders of the 25 girls are Mrs. Lawrence Mitchell and Mrs. Keith Walrath.

## Record High Set By Bank

New all-time record high deposit and loan totals have been recorded by the First National Bank of Portland in the bank's September 30 statement of condition which was released Tuesday by President C. B. Stephenson.

Semi-annual statement of condition figures for the three offices of First National in the Klamath Falls area were reported by the branch managers. On September 30, 1955 deposits at the Klamath Falls branch were \$17,315,639 and loans were \$12,628,891, according to vice president and manager R. H. Tidale. Released at the same time were comparable totals for the branch for September 30, 1954. On that date, deposits were \$15,668,761 and loans totaled \$10,861,818.

At First National's South Sixth Street branch, manager Myron E. Shannon reports that deposits on September 30, 1955 were \$2,715,121 and loans were \$2,452,824. One year ago, on the same date, deposits were \$2,245,330 and loans were \$1,957,078.

M. P. Shelton, manager of First National's Merrill branch, said that deposits there on September 30, 1955, were \$2,480,647 and loans totaled \$1,924,477. One year ago the branch reported deposits of \$2,278,051 and loans totaling \$2,119,764.

First National's deposits for its 70 statewide offices totaled \$809,887,551, which is a gain of \$87,042,914 over September 30 of last year. This represents a gain of \$32,858,074 over the June 30 statement of condition deposit totals.

Loans and discounts totaled \$403,231,123, a new all-time high which is significant of First National's wide participation in the business activity of the state. The figure represents a gain of \$61,804,927 when compared with the loan total of one year ago and exceeded the loan figures reported June 30 by \$21,559,282.

The previous high First National deposit mark was established on April 11, 1955 when a total of \$787,953,175 was reported. Highest previous loan total was \$381,671,841 on June 30, 1955.

On the basis of available figures First National continues to lead the Pacific Northwest in both deposits and loans.

## Television Firm Asks Coos Bay Channel

WASHINGTON (UP)—Pacific Television, Inc., applied to the Federal Communications Commission Wednesday for a channel 16 TV station at Coos Bay, Ore.

The company is owned by Eugene Television, Inc., which operates KVAL-TV at Eugene. Pacific Television said it plans to pick up some KVAL-TV programs.

## NEGRO CHURCHES

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)—Two Negro churches were admitted to the Austin Baptist Assn. last night—first in the history of the Southern Baptist Convention, church leaders said. The action came after Dr. Ed Bratcher of Austin, born and reared in the missionary field, said "it is difficult for a missionary in Africa to explain why their converts cannot attend Southern Baptist churches."

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# Ike Sends Letter Urging Union Of Disarm Proposals

DENVER (AP)—President Eisenhower, in a letter to Russia's Premier Bulganin, coupled a formal U.S. offer to accept a Soviet military inspection plan with a new plug for the Eisenhower "predisarmament" program.

The concluding President's brief note, made public by the Denver White House late yesterday, underscored the administration's continuing hope the Soviet Union eventually will go along with his proposal that the United States and Russia exchange military blueprints and agree on reciprocal aerial inspection.

At the same time, apparently in a move to keep that hope alive, Eisenhower reiterated that this country is willing to combine his plan and the Soviet program with a view toward disarmament in the long run.

In a Sept. 19 message to Eisenhower, five days before the President was stricken with a heart attack, Bulganin found much fault with the Eisenhower plan first set forth at the Big Four summit conference in Geneva last July.

So much fault, in fact, that administration officials reportedly concluded at the time that Bulganin had chosen either to miss or ignore the essence of the Eisenhower plan—that it would be a step toward disarmament and not disarmament itself.

But if the Kremlin leader did choose to miss or ignore that basic point, Eisenhower in his reply quite clearly chose to overlook the fact, presumably in the hope the Soviet Union eventually will come around to endorse his program.

Making no mention of Bulganin's blunt criticism of his proposal, the President took note of the Premier's assertion that the Eisenhower plan was getting careful study by the Soviet high command. "I am encouraged," Eisenhower wrote, "that you are giving

such full consideration to my Geneva proposal."

Then, in his concluding paragraph, the President formally renewed a bid to Russia to ally "fear and suspicion" by combining both his own and the Soviet plan for mutually checking on military installations and movements. Eisenhower said:

"I have not forgotten your proposal having to do with stationing inspection teams at key points in our countries, and if you feel this would help to create the better spirit I refer to, we could accept that too."

"I hope that we can agree on at Geneva, to show a spirit of it, not as a cure-all but, as I said, nonaggressiveness on both sides."

and so to create a fresh atmosphere which would dispel much of the present fear and suspicion. "This, of itself, would be worthwhile. It would, I believe, make it more possible to make progress in terms of comprehensive plans for inspection, controls and reduction of armaments, which will satisfy the high hopes of our people, and indeed of the world."

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