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Russ Set New Disarmament Proposal

LONDON (AP)—The Soviet Union has proposed a new plan for world disarmament omitting the usual Communist demand for renunciation of atomic weapons.

Emphasizing cuts in conventional arms, the Soviet proposal was reported to have urged only a ban or strict control on atomic tests. Demands for outlawing of nuclear weapons—immediately or eventually—had been high on the Russian proposal list during previous disarmament negotiations.

To some Western observers, the change seemed to indicate that the Russians believe they have reached nuclear parity with the West—and can depend on their atomic arsenal rather than enormous standing armies for protection and to carry out their policies.

The new Soviet plan was submitted to the five-power U.N. Disarmament subcommittee, where the United States already has proposed conventional arms cuts to reduce U.S. and Soviet armed forces to 2½ million men each.

Citizens For Ike Reactivated

PORTLAND (AP)—Reactivation of the Citizens for Eisenhower program in Oregon is under consideration by the Republican State Central Committee.

Three party leaders have urged the committee to get the volunteer groups started again.

The three are Ralph Cake, former Republican national committeeman of Oregon; Gordon Orput, chairman of the Oregon Citizens for Eisenhower in 1952 and a member of the national advisory committee in 1954; and Jess Gard, present national committeeman.

Wendell Wyatt, Republican state chairman, said, however, reactivation of the organization might result in duplication of financial drives and other efforts. He also said he was concerned about possible loss of party unity, but added he will go along with the majority opinion of the committee.

The Citizens for Eisenhower program has chapters in 33 states including all the Pacific Northwest except Oregon and Montana.

PLANS VISIT
PARIS (AP)—French Foreign Minister Pineau is planning a visit to Washington in June to see U.S. Secretary of State Dulles. French officials said Wednesday. The reason for the visit was not disclosed, but Pineau is expected to have a long list of international problems to discuss.

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Army Wins Nike Victory

WASHINGTON (UP)—The Army today appeared to have won at least a temporary victory in its battle with the Air Force for continued expansion of its multi-billion dollar Nike missile system.

Still unresolved, however, was the basic question of which—the Army or Air Force—ultimately will have the primary mission of anti-aircraft defense of the United States.

In an attempt to get an answer to this question, a Senate Armed Services Subcommittee announced today it will call Defense Department officials to explain why the Army is developing one type of anti-aircraft missile system and the Air Force another.

While the subcommittee aired the simmering interservice controversy, Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson moved to speed development of offensive ballistic missiles.

Wilson Tuesday announced appointment of Eger V. Murphree, president of ESSO Research and Engineering Co., to be missile "czar," with the particular assignment of pushing development of the intercontinental ballistic missile. Wilson told a news conference that as his special assistant, Murphree "will be given whatever authority is necessary to get the guided missiles job done."

The Army Tuesday presented at a secret session of the subcommittee its case for the Nike missile system and the Air Force its case for the Talos missile system.

Subcommittee members were obviously impressed at the Army's presentation, with its futuristic picture of anti-aircraft missiles armed with atomic warheads and "anti-missile" missiles.

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