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Berlin Crisis Appeasement Would Embolden Reds: Ike

GETTYSBURG, Pa. (AP)—President Eisenhower asserted Saturday any appeasement of Russia in the Berlin crisis only would embolden the Reds to speed up their world domination drive.

While cautioning against appeasement as dishonorable and the most dangerous course the Western powers could pursue, the President continued to hold the door open to a possible summit conference with the Soviets.

In a major foreign policy speech at the Gettysburg College spring convocation, Eisenhower said the United States and its Allies want a negotiated settlement rather than war.

"They seek to substitute the rule of law for the rule of force," Eisenhower told his outdoor audience of about 4,000 at the college's Memorial Field. His speech also was broadcast nationwide on radio.

Eisenhower spoke from a flag-draped, wind-shielded stand on the football gridiron. The skies were alternately sunny and overcast, and the temperature a chilly 48 degrees.

There were blankets and fur coats aplenty in the crowd. And at one point the wind scattered the college band's sheet music.

Mrs. Eisenhower was beside her husband on the speaker's stand and both wore academic robes. The First Lady received an honorary degree last month from St. Joseph College, a Catholic institution at nearby Emmitsburg, Md. The President received one from Gettysburg College, a Lutheran school, in 1946.

At Saturday's ceremonies honorary degrees were conferred on Secretary of the Interior Fred A. Seaton and Pennsylvania Dist. Judge W. Clarence Sheely of Gettysburg.

Mrs. Eisenhower was presented to the audience as "the charming and gracious First Lady of the United States." The crowd laughed delightedly as the President got to his feet and bowed to his wife.

A moment later he got a standing ovation on being introduced.

Eisenhower called his speech an effort to put across to the American public "the international facts of today's life." Those facts, he added, make it imperative that the world's free nations unite to resist the spread of imperialistic communism.

"A free America," Eisenhower said, "can exist only as part of a free world, and a free world can continue to exist only as it meets the rightful demands of people for security, progress and opportunity."

He called the Soviet move to drive the Allies out of West Berlin "a part of the continuing effort of the Communist conspiracy to attain one overriding goal: World Domination."

The college, a small liberal arts school located not far from Eisenhower's country estate, awarded the President a plaque for "service to the nation."

In his speech, Eisenhower underscored what he called the need for Americans to understand the U.S. role in "strengthening the free world's nations which, with us, see our concepts of freedom and human dignity threatened by atheistic dictatorship."

Eisenhower coupled his appeal for firmness on Berlin with a new plea for the administration's $3,900,000,000 foreign aid program.

He singled out the free part of Viet Nam in Asia as an example of a country in urgent need of such aid to stave off the threat of Communist conquest.

He also spoke of Japan's economic problems as grave and called on Western countries to liberalize trade relations with that country—or risk Red domination of "the free world stake in the Pacific."

As for critics who want to cut the foreign aid program, Eisenhower referred to them as "uninformed Americans" who believe the United States should turn its back on its friends.

Eisenhower dealt at some length with the Berlin crisis, calling it part of a Soviet plot to win world domination.

"Against this background we understand that the mere handing over of a single city could not possibly satisfy the Communists, even though they would particularly like to eliminate what has been called the 'free world's show case behind the Iron Curtain,'" he added.

"Indeed, even if we should acquiesce in the unthinkable sacrifice of two million free Germans, such a confession of weakness would dismay our friends and embolden the Communists to step up their campaign of domination.

"The course of appeasement is not only dishonorable, it is the most dangerous one we could pursue."

Alluding then to the 1938 agreement from which Hitler went on to conquest, the President said:

"The world paid a high price for the lesson of Munich—but it learned it well."

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Casual note from London:

The 10-year-old Prince of Wales (who if he lives and all goes well will someday be King of England) started his spring holiday in bed at Windsor Castle this week, awaiting what doctors thought would be an official diagnosis of CHICKENPOX.

Hmmmmmmmm.

Chickenpox is no respecter of persons. Like the rain, which falls alike on the just and the unjust, it comes to the highest and it comes to the lowest. None are immune who get a germ. Treat 'em all alike is the motto of chickenpox.

I sometimes wonder if that isn't the best way. When you start coddling people, whether at the top or the bottom, you're apt to be letting yourself in for trouble.

Jumping from chickenpox to taxes, here are some interesting figures:

A worker who earns $4500 a year (about $80 a week) has to labor one working day out of three just to pay his taxes. This comes to seven days out of every 22 working days in a month just to meet tax obligations.

The tax bite, compared with other monthly expenses of the average worker with a wife and two children, goes something like this:

Taxes 7 days
Food 4½ days
Housing 4 days
Clothing 2 days
Medical 1 day
Recreation 1 day.

This adds up to 19½ days. The other working days of the month can be budgeted to life savings, insurance policies and such other incidentals.

Why are taxes so high?

Well, one reason is that wars—past, present (cold war) and future (defense)— cost a lot of money.

Another reason is that in these modern days government — city, county, state and national — provides a lot of SERVICES for us. These services have to be paid for out of taxes, and taxes have to come out of the pockets of the people. There isn't anywhere else for them to come from.

That brings us around to the state of Oregon, whose legislature is struggling with high welfare costs and a welfare fund that is running into the red. On that subject, Representative George Annala, of Hood River, made an interesting statement the other day.

"Part of the welfare trouble," he said, "lies in the fact that Oregon is near the top in the nation in all the categories of public welfare, but Oregon is NOT near the top in average income."

Senator Neuberger says Oregon individual incomes average $1,914, which is 16th down from the top among the states. He adds that Oregon needs more manufacturing payrolls to bring up its average individual income.

That brings us to one of the most important problems facing this session of the Oregon legislature:

How can we keep taxes in Oregon LOW ENOUGH to provide a tax climate that will be ATTRACTIVE to the new industries that we need?

OPENING BIDS on the first sale of personal property of withdrawing Klamath Indian Tribe members took place at the Indian Land Sales Office, 139 South Seventh Street, Friday. Forty-three bidders placed bids on 52 of the 55 items advertised, but only three bids of other than tribal members proved acceptable. Richard Popp, assistant forester, chalks up high bid on each item as Mrs. Idella Edgar, Earl Wilcox, Indian sales manager, and Noble Sanderville, property management officer, check bids.

Tribal Members Meet Most Bids In Indian Personal Property Sale

The first sale of personal property of withdrawing members of the Klamath Indian Tribe took place Friday morning with the opening of sealed bids in the Indian Land Sales office, 139 South Seventh Street.

Items ranging from typewriters to coal were up for bids, with only three items not being bid upon. The three items were a lot of two-treadle sewing machines, a drafting table and some coal.

However, only three bidders other than tribal members were successful on their offers. There were 43 bidders, many offering prices on most of the 55 items.

Sealed bids were opened at 10 and the high bid figure on each individual item was posted on a blackboard. After all the bids were opened, Earl Wilcox, manager of the sales office, pointed out that 54 tribal members had filed their intentions to meet the high bid on some of the items.

Tribal members did not have to indicate which items they were filing interest in prior to 10 a.m., but after the high bid of others was posted, those tribal members who had expressed interest were given until 2 p.m. Friday to indicate which item they desired to purchase.

Of the high bids on 52 items, 10 were rejected because they failed to approach the appraised value of the items. However, tribal members indicated later that they would meet the appraised figure in the case of seven of the 10 items.

The tribal members did not indicate interest in six items, but of these six, three of the high bids were rejected. The three rejected were on a floor polisher $36; a domestic washing machine $12.56, and another washing machine bid at $10.

The three successful bidders and the item they have purchased were: Oregon State Tax Commission, $150.50 on a planimeter, radial planimetric plotter; Shaw Stationery Company, Klamath Falls, $27.50 on an executive wood desk, and Langell Valley Irrigation District, $21 on a lot of five chairs, some wooden swivel, some typist chairs.

The property up for bid was from the Klamath Agency office and other offices of the Klamath Indian Reservation. Wilcox indicated that it represented about one-twentieth of the total personal property which is to be sold.

He estimated that there will be bid openings on the average of once a month for the next 10 months to dispose of the property which will no longer be needed by the withdrawing members of the tribe.

He indicated that this also included the buildings at Klamath Agency which will be sold sometime during the year after a need for them no longer exists.

Proceeds from the sales will go into the fund to compensate withdrawing members of the tribe under termination proceedings.

Wilcox said that the next real property sale has been scheduled for the sales office on Tuesday, April 28, at 10 a.m.

Only 10 units will be up for bids in this sale, but several of them are large timbered units such as lot 8 which is a timber tract of 4,531 acres with an appraised value of $194,820.

However, included are two minor units, one appraised at only $25 and another at $30.

Wilcox emphasized that anyone interested in bidding on these units can secure complete details at the Indian Land Sales office.

Parley Seeks To End Strike By Plumbers

Negotiations were being continued Saturday afternoon in an effort to end a strike of Plumbers and Steamfitters Local Union No. 191 which began last Thursday morning.

According to Herbert Waits Jr. of the Building Trades Council, members of the local union voted unanimously at a Tuesday night meeting to strike unless a settlement between the union and local Master Plumbers was reached by Thursday morning.

Approximately 45 plumbers are members of the union and there are some 10 or 11 Master Plumbers in Klamath Falls.

The union's demands included an hourly wage increase from the previous contractual scale of $3.55 an hour, three paid holidays and provision for a retirement fund on top of the 10 cents health and welfare and 15 cents an hour vacation funds already existing.

The Associated Press stated on Saturday that there is no statewide strike of the Plumbers and Steamfitters, but the local headquarters stated that the Medford and Grants Pass area had not closed its contract.

It was hoped on Saturday that an agreement could be reached so that the men would be back on their jobs on Monday morning.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair and mild through Monday, some high clouds later today. High 65-74; low 28-36.

High Saturday	71
Low last night	41

Northern California: Fair through Monday, slightly cooler.

CRATER LAKE

High Friday	57
Low Friday night	32
8 a.m. Saturday	35
No new snow	
Snow depth	84
Last year	187

It was a beautiful day in the park Saturday. Snow a crusty surface during morning hours and skiing was good in the afternoon. Total snowfall so far this season, 329 inches, compared with 540½ last year. Roads were clear on Saturday and no chains needed. Warming hut open yesterday and today.

B-47 Crash Kills Three

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Three airmen were killed Saturday when a B47 jet bomber from Davis-Monthan Air Force Base crashed in the rugged Santa Rita Mountains near Tucson.

Maj. William Abernathy of base operations at Davis-Monthan said the six-jet bomber went down at 1:20 a.m. MST. But rescue teams, hampered by the rocky, heavily wooded terrain, didn't reach the crash site until more than nine hours later.

The Air Force identified two of the victims as Maj. Kermit Wagner, 39, of Tucson, and 1st Lt. Thomas A. Wilkie, 31, hometown unavailable. The third airman was not identified immediately.

The Stratojet bomber smashed into a ridge high up in the mountains and disintegrated into a ball of fire.

Flames from the burning wreckage were visible from Tucson, 25 miles away.

Base officials declined to say what mission the bomber was flying.

The plane was the second B47 from Davis-Monthan AFB to crash in three days. The other went down Thursday near Mountain Home AFB in southwestern Idaho, killing all four men aboard.

STORM TOLL

TANANARIVE, Madagascar (AP)—Authorities said today the final death total in recent storms that lashed this island republic probably will exceed 200 persons.

Hunger has threatened thousands of homeless families in the wake of floods that followed a month of furious storms.

VICTORS in a district speech contest at KUHS Friday were these county and KUHS students. Front row, left to right, are Gloria Cahan, Merrill, orator; Sharon Kafton, Merrill, impromptu; Nancy Curtis, KUHS, extemporaneous, and Penny Parks, KUHS, poetry. Back row, Raymond Andrieu, Merrill, radio script; Ricky Illian, Malin, after dinner; Joe Mills, KUHS, panel; Arlene Schneider, Malin, humorous, and Darla Reber, Malin, serious interpretation. They were awarded blue ribbons for their victories. (See story page 4-A.)

West Berlin Policy Confirmed By NATO

WASHINGTON (AP)—The NATO Foreign Ministers Council Saturday "confirmed its unanimous determination to maintain the freedom of the people of West Berlin" and the West's position there despite Soviet ouster demands.

At the same time the 15-nation group expressed in a final communique "its desire to see outstanding problems solved by negotiation."

The foreign ministers ended a three-day meeting held in Washington for the first time in 10 years to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the signing of the Atlantic Pact in Washington, April 4, 1949.

"The council expressed its confidence," the communique said, "that the alliance will continue to develop as the indispensable basis for the security of the Atlantic peoples and the defense of world peace."

The NATO conference was preceded by Berlin crisis talks among the foreign ministers of the United States, Great Britain, France and West Germany.

These officials are primarily responsible for shaping proposals to present to the Soviet government in a foreign ministers meeting beginning at Geneva, May 11.

"The council received a report from the four powers with special responsibilities for the German question. On the present state of their thought in regard to the problems which will be discussed during the forthcoming negotiations with the Soviet Union," the communique said.

"A full discussion took place on the basis of this report. The points of view expressed will be taken into account during the consultations which will follow during the weeks to come.

"The council expressed its full agreement on the broad lines of the policy to be pursued.

"Whilst stating its desire to see outstanding problems solved by negotiation, the council confirmed its unanimous determination to maintain the freedom of the people of West Berlin and the rights and obligations of the Allied powers, as expressed in the council's declaration on Berlin of 16th December 1958."

Among the principles which the council endorsed with its assertion of "full agreement" on broad policy lines are those which hold:

1. Any Western concession must bring a corresponding Soviet concession.

2. The Western powers must not barter away their right to be in Berlin as conquerors in order to obtain an agreement with Russia to remain there.

3. There can be no new military arrangement or freeze which would upset the present power balance in Europe.

Public Welfare Investigation Suggested

SALEM (AP)—Gov. Mark Hatfield said Saturday he has instructed the state Public Welfare Commission "to bend every effort to insure we have no one on the rolls who is capable of working."

At the same time, the Joint Ways and Means Committee indicated it would propose an interim committee investigation of the entire Oregon welfare system.

"I have not come to the place in my thinking that Welfare is a right anyone has at any time they care to exercise it," the governor said in an interview.

"Welfare," he continued, "is strictly for the unfortunate. I want the Welfare Commission to be very strict on this because I don't believe taxpayers want to support people who are capable of supporting themselves."

The Ways and Means Committee began talking about an investigation after the Welfare Commission asked for $1,900,000 to tide the commission over in April, May and June—the last three months of the current two-year budget period. That request took the committee by surprise.

The committee did authorize $1,200,000, and that has been approved by the House. The Senate will vote on it next week.

The governor also said he still hopes the Legislature will increase the 6-cent a gallon gasoline tax to 7 cents to provide money to match federal highway grants. The bill has been tabled by the House Highway Committee.

He said he opposes an alternative plan by state Highway Engineer W. C. Williams to raise the money by increasing the $10 annual motor vehicle registration fee from $10 to $16.

"The cent-a-gallon increase is the most reasonable and fairest way of achieving increased revenue," the governor said.

He added that "we cannot afford to fall behind. We must have revenues to keep our highway program going."

Hatfield Asks Tax Fight End

EUGENE (AP) — Gov. Mark Hatfield said Friday night that the Senate and House Taxation committees of the Legislature should meet jointly to "resolve the present fiasco which is lengthening the session by weeks."

The governor told the Oregon Assn. of Broadcasters he was referring to the "childish game of monopoly by which one committee is tabling bills that come from the other wing of the Capitol without examination."

Three days ago, the House Taxation Committee tabled a Senate bill to assess property of utilities at a rate 30 per cent higher than the rate for other classes of property.

At the same time, the Senate Taxation Committee tabled a House bill to increase income taxes on utilities by one million dollars a year.

The governor said the session also could be shortened by having the education committees meet jointly.

Hatfield said he also has cracked down on state departments that normally save up money until the final three months of the biennial budget period and then go on a spending spree so they won't have to turn their unexpended money back into the general fund.

Pay Bill Gets Major Boost

SALEM (AP)—An attempt by state legislators to get higher pay without a vote of the people was approved by the Senate State and Federal Affairs Committee Friday.

The bill, which would let the legislators fix their own pay despite the constitutional provision that legislators' pay is $600 a year, would boost the pay to $1,500.

If the Legislature passes it, then a suit would be filed to ask the courts to uphold the higher pay.

The people, who have the final say on changes in the Constitution, voted last November against raising the pay to $1,200.

Sen. R. F. Chapman (D-Coos Bay), author of the bill, said he is prepared to make the court test.

He has a precedent to back him up.

Years ago, when the Constitution fixed salaries of the governor at $1,500 a year and supreme justices at $2,000, the Legislature passed a law boosting the salaries beyond those limits.

The Supreme Court, on the theory that the salaries of state officials as set by the Constitution are merely "minimum salaries," upheld the Legislature's right to exceed those limits.

Chapman, and a lot of other legislators, too, are hoping that the same theory would apply to legislators' salaries.

Nehru Sends Top Advisers To Join Lama

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Prime Minister Nehru today rushed top Indian political advisers to join the Dalai Lama still on the march along the northeast frontier.

There were indications Nehru wants to keep the Tibetan ruler under wraps during his refuge in India to avoid any incident — or statement — that might lead to an open rift with Red China.

One government source said "no harassment" of the ruler would be permitted by newsmen hurrying to reach him for a direct story on his flight from the Chinese Communists.

P. N. Menon, the Indian government's foreign press chief, was reported to be one of the advisers Nehru dispatched.

The Tibetan Party of 80 was reported on the march through rugged forests along the frontier with indications it would reach the small Indian city of Towang Sunday.

The Hindustan Standard, with close government ties, said the Nehru government was "not likely to appreciate a precipitate statement by the Dalai Lama, or itself make a statement on the precise conditions of the asylum given him before something about the Chinese reaction is known."

Several Indian newspapers expressed concern that Peiping radio broke the news that the Dalai Lama crossed the border into India before Nehru's official announcement.

"We must give serious thought," said the Hindustan Times, "to the possibility there exists in our sensitive border areas an espionage network rather more extensive than we should have believed possible."

People Packers Try Volkswagen

MILL CITY (AP) — So far, the Santiam Union High School students are the most proficient people packers in Oregon.

They pushed and prodded and got 33 students into a Volkswagen. Three of them even were more than 6 feet tall. And they closed the doors.

That was 11 people more than the students at Franklin High in Portland were able to achieve earlier last week.

$50 Per Foot Murals Okayed

PORTLAND (AP)—The Oregon Centennial Management Committee approved Friday a $25,000 contract for 500 feet of murals at the Centennial Building.

That figures out at $50 a foot.

The plans call for a number of artists and students to paint the murals on the east wall of the exposition building.

The contract now must be approved by the full Centennial Commission. This group is expected to take action on the proposal at its next meeting on Tuesday.

DON COLWELL congratulates Gypsy on her beautiful offspring. The Texas mare is gazing fondly at her horse colt who was 10 hours old when Don Kettler took this picture Friday at the Colwell Ranch near Keno. The colt's sire, Wells Fargo, a registered quarter horse, is convalescing after breaking a small foot bone about a month ago.

'Wells Fargo' Sires Colt, Gets X-Rays

Wells Fargo, a registered quarter horse at the Colwell Ranch this side of Keno, is the sire of the first colt born on the ranch this spring. The horse colt, yet unnamed, is the grandson of Joe Red III, a very well known quarter horse.

The mare, Gypsy, is an import from Texas, and produced the beautiful colt some time after 2 a.m. on Friday.

Mrs. Colwell explained that the sire is under a doctor's care, but not because of the expected offspring. Wells Fargo broke a small bone in one foot about a month ago in a cutting horse contest at Grants Pass.

Dr. M. C. McFadden, a local veterinarian, treated Fargo and advised X-rays to determine the extent of the break. The horse was taken to Oregon Tech where the OTI X-ray technology class took over and X-rayed the injured foot on the equipment used for human X-rays.

The hoof went into a cast and Fargo was directed to rest that member for six months to a year before he can engage in further cutting horse work.