

Red's Asian Quest Stoppable—Dulles

WASHINGTON, May 7 (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles said tonight the free world can block Communist conquest of Southeast Asia but that "this may involve serious commitments by us all."

At the same time, he solemnly warned in a nationwide television-radio address that the United States "would be gravely concerned" if any Indochina armistice agreed to by France "would provide a road to a Communist takeover and further aggression."

Dulles spoke to the nation a few hours after Communist armies had overwhelmed the French Union garrison at Dien Bien Phu after 57 days of bloody fighting.

Dulles frankly acknowledged that "difficulties have been encountered" in his drive to line up the United States and nine other free governments in a "united front." But, he added:

"Under all the circumstances, I believe that good progress is being made. I feel confident that the outcome will be such that Communist aggression will not be able to gain in Southeast Asia the results it seeks.

In an obvious move to reassure worried legislators, Dulles pledged that Congress would be "a full partner" in any move President Eisenhower decides upon "which might involve the use of armed force."

In spelling out the American attitude toward Indochina armistice talks with the Reds, Dulles said it "would be a real contribution to the cause of peace" if "an armistice on honorable terms and under proper safeguards" could be negotiated.

Dulles said flatly that in Indochina present conditions "do not provide a suitable basis" for the United States "to participate with its armed forces."



John Foster Dulles

U.S. Seeking To Rally Allies

WASHINGTON, May 7 (AP)—United States leaders sought today to turn the gallant but futile defense of Dien Bien Phu into a rallying cry for new, united efforts to halt Communist aggression in Southeast Asia.

The isolated French bastion in northern Viet Nam fell to hordes of Red troops on the eve of efforts to reach a peaceful settlement at Geneva and while Secretary of State Dulles was preparing to outline this country's next moves in a radio-television address to the nation.

Brownell to Judge McCarthy 'Letter'

WASHINGTON, May 7 (AP)—Senators investigating the McCarthy-Pentagon row called on Atty. Gen. Brownell today to say whether any portions of a controversial "letter"—based in part on a secret FBI report—can be used as evidence.

Thus they avoided for the moment a showdown between Brownell and Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis), who produced the "letter" in the first place and has threatened to defy the attorney general's ruling that it should not be made public. Sen. Mundt (R-SD), acting chairman of the Senate Investigations subcommittee, told newsmen after a closed meeting it was agreed he should write Brownell asking if parts of the McCarthy-produced document can be used. McCarthy contends the 1951 letter—given him, he said, by an Army intelligence officer—shows the Army received ample warning from the FBI of espionage danger at Ft. Monmouth, N.J.

Big Three Reject Red Security Plan

WASHINGTON, May 7 (AP)—The United States, Britain and France today rejected Russia's all-Europe collective security proposal as a useless false front that would cover up but not solve East-West "difficulties and divisions."

Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov had offered the Soviet plan last March 31 in notes handed the U.S., British and French ambassadors at Moscow.

The U.S. reply rejected the Soviet offer to discuss joining the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and setting up all-Europe security arrangement.

The U.S. reply said NATO was created five years ago as a pooled defense against the encroachment of the Soviet political, economic and military systems.

"All its decisions are taken by unanimous consent," the note added. "The Soviet Union as a member of the organization would therefore be in a position to veto every decision."

As to the all-inclusive security arrangements proposed by the Russians, the Big Three countered that no "new illusory security organizations" could substitute for groupings of "like-minded states" such as in NATO.

"The United States government remains convinced," the note declared, "that the only way to remove the sense of insecurity which weighs on the world is through step-by-step solution of individual problems."

Across-Country Race Set for Aged Autos

FAIRMONT, W. Va., May 7 (AP)—Plans have been announced for a 410-mile across-country run by aged automobiles which survived derisive shouts of "get a horse," decades ago.

The announcement from Ralph W. Conley of Fairmont said the Sept. 4-5 run would start at Uniontown, Pa. and finish at Waynesburg, Pa.

CIO Seeks Steel Pay Increase

PITTSBURGH, May 7 (AP)—The CIO United Steel Workers' powerful Wage Policy Committee instructed the big union today to seek a guaranteed annual wage and a pay hike for 600,000 basic steel employees in coming contract negotiations.

The 170-member committee wound up a two-day session by adopting a program which also includes demands for improvements in pension and insurance benefits and better contract terms.

McDonald said the union has not as yet estimated what the demands, if accepted, would cost the industry each year. He did not say how much of an hourly pay increase the union will ask.

Workers now average between \$2.14 and \$2.24 an hour. Steel mills are currently operating at less than 70 per cent of capacity.

U.S. Jobless Total Drops

WASHINGTON, May 7 (AP)—The nation's jobless total dropped encouragingly by 260,000 in April, the first decline in six months, with an accompanying spring pickup in employment. The number of factory jobs continued downward, however, dropping by 250,000 between March and April.

A combined Labor-Commerce Department survey of the job situation generally showed April employment up nearly half a million from March, to 60,600,000. Unemployment declined from 3,725,000 in March to 3,465,000 in April.

Whisler Will Preside At Engineering Meeting

Benjamin A. Whisler, professor and head of the Department of Civil Engineering, will preside at the civil engineering sessions of the 62nd annual meeting of the American Society for Engineering Education.

The conference, to be held June 14 in Urbana, Ill., will include a panel discussion, "Should Civil Engineering Curricula Become More Scientific or More General?"

Ike's Plans For T-H Law Are Blocked

WASHINGTON, May 7 (AP)—The Senate virtually killed a major section of the administration's legislative program today by shunting aside President Eisenhower's program for revising the Taft-Hartley labor law.

This appeared to erase any hope that changes in the nation's basic labor law will be made during this session of Congress.

Pennsylvania's two U.S. senators, James H. Duff and Edward A. Martin voted for the program.

Northern and Southern Democrats joined forces to block the bill, which contained most of the 14 recommendations Eisenhower made to Congress in a special message Jan. 11.

Senate Passes Seaway Bill

WASHINGTON, May 7 (AP)—The Senate completed congressional action on the St. Lawrence Seaway bill today and started talking immediately about expanding the 105-million-dollar project later.

By voice vote, the Senate accepted minor House amendments and sent the measure to President Eisenhower amid predictions by supporters that he will sign it in a few days.

The Senate's action avoided the necessity of a House-Senate conference committee to work out differences. The Senate originally had passed the bill in January and the House, making only a few changes, concurred yesterday by a 241-158 vote.

Queen Gifts Exhibited

Pictures of the five finalists in the Miss Penn State contest and gifts which the queen will receive from borough merchants are on display in the Chamber of Commerce office window on College avenue.

An American institution, popcorn, was introduced to the English colonists by the Indians at the first Thanksgiving dinner, Feb. 22, 1630.

FMA Saves \$25 For Fraternities

Fraternities participating in the Fraternity Marketing Association's meat program saved on the average \$25 over the month of April, O. Edward Pollock, assistant dean of men for fraternity affairs, said yesterday.

Over the period, which included one week's vacation, fraternities invested \$7,577.61 in the meat program. The total amount of discount savings the member fraternities received was \$489.44, Pollock said.

Of the 27 fraternities which belong to the FMA, 19 are enrolled in the meat program.

Architecture Dinner To Honor Students

Architecture students will be honored at a dinner meeting of the Central Pennsylvania chapter, American Institute of Architects tonight, at the Hotel State College.

Prizes to be awarded include the Alpha Rho Chi medal for proficiency in design and the Pennsylvania Society of Architects prize of books.

Capt. Rowland H. Groff, professor of naval science, will speak about his experiences as a naval attaché in Denmark.

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