

# Mendes-France Will Bid For London Plan Support

PARIS (AP)—Premier Pierre Mendes-France has been authorized by his Cabinet to stake the life of his government if necessary on parliamentary approval of the London agreements for West German rearmament and sovereignty. The Cabinet gave him its political do-or-die backing.

The Cabinet ministers authorized Mendes-France at a three-hour meeting this morning to make the London accords an issue of confidence—putting the government's life at stake—if and when necessary in the Assembly debate.

Then the Premier reported to the Assembly's Foreign Affairs Committee on his London negotiations.

Mendes-France predicted that a full and precise agreement can be achieved by the end of October, and the texts submitted to Parliament for ratification the following month. His aim now is to put the Assembly on record behind the principles for an eventual ratification, he said.

### Settlement Discussion

The French Premier sought to allay the Assembly's fear on another point by announcing that he planned to discuss a settlement on the Saar problem in a special meeting in Paris with German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer Oct. 20.

The Premier appeared to have won his first parliamentary success when the National Assembly's Foreign Affairs Committee issued a communique tonight praising his work in London. The committee did not officially vote for or against the agreements but said:

"The London conference has given us the satisfaction of instituting within the European organization a system of limitation and control of troops and armaments on the continent."

The meeting closed, but reports said the Premier stated his case vigorously. He eventually will need the committee's support.

### Mendes-France Determined

The meeting was closed, but accounts which filtered quickly to the legislative corridors said his arguments were vigorous and determined. The Foreign Affairs Committee's backing was needed too.

Its adverse comment helped kill the European Defense Community treaty, the previous scheme for freeing West Germany and arming her in Western defense, in the Assembly Aug. 30.

The Premier, now riding a crest of favor in public opinion, can force the deputies to remove him from office if they attempt to repudiate the West European and North Atlantic plan which he accepted in London.

These call for expansion of the Brussels Alliance to include the Bohn government and Italy as a framework for West German rearmament, the grant of sovereignty to West Germany and her entrance as an equal member in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Britain pledged in return to keep troops on the continent indefinitely.

## ILA Strike Ends; Men Get Raise

NEW YORK, Oct. 6 (AP)—A two-day strike of 25,000 longshoremen ended today. Union leaders claimed a clear-cut victory in one of the shortest all-out strikes in port history—although it cost them their right to strike for 45 days.

"It's 100 per cent sure everybody will be back to work tomorrow morning," was the word from headquarters of the striking International Longshoremen's Association.

Picket signs along the idle piers were quickly replaced by back-to-work placards.

The strike—third in little more than a year and the second in six months—began at midnight Monday, with very little advance warning. Seventy-one ships were stranded in the paralysis that suddenly gripped the world's largest and busiest port. However, the big passenger liners were able to come and go without any great discomfort.

However, the shippers did gain a no-strike pledge from the ILA, good for at least 45 days—which gives them time to get a head start on the annual flood of Christmas season imports.

A dispute over retroactivity of wages and welfare payments sparked the walkout along 350 miles of waterfront.

The ILA demanded and got immediate payment of an 8-cent-an-hour wage boost retroactive to Oct. 1, 1953, when the last union-shopper contract ran out. Shippers wanted to make the retroactive boost part of general terms in a new contract yet to be tackled.

The increase brought the wage scale on the docks to \$2.35 an hour. It will cost shippers an added four million dollars a year.

The settlement also provided for a 2-cent increase in contributions to the union welfare fund retroactive to April 1, as proposed by the shippers.

### Two Strikers Convicted

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 6 (AP)—Two striking employees of a Pittsburgh department store, accused of beating an insurance agent, were convicted today of aggravated assault and battery.

## AEC OK Rumored For Power Contract

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6 (AP)—Strong indications developed today that the Atomic Energy Commission has approved the Dixon-Yates power contract, and Sens. William Langer (R-Ind) and Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn) filed an immediate protest to the commission.

The two senators, meeting as the Senate Judiciary Antimonopoly subcommittee, which is investigating the controversy-ridden contract, asked Chairman Lewis L. Strauss to report by 2:30 p.m. tomorrow whether it has been approved "in any manner whatsoever."

Langer and Kefauver told Strauss it would be "highly improper" for the government to go ahead with the contract while the subcommittee is investigating it.

Meanwhile the Senate-House Atomic Committee telegraphed its members over the country that the AEC has advised Chairman Sterling Cole (R-NY) that "it is ready to present information concerning the Dixon-Yates contract." The committee scheduled

open hearings tentatively for Oct. 13.

Earlier, the office of Sen. Fulbright (D-Ark) had reported Fulbright has been told the contract had been approved and "we believe it to be true."

Fulbright has supported the contract, which calls for a 107 million dollar private utility plant to be built at West Memphis, Ark., to supply power to the Memphis area over lines of the Tennessee Valley Authority. This power would replace TVA power which goes to atomic plants.

In still another development today, Sen. Langer announced he will ask a Justice Department investigation of the accounting methods used by Middle South Utilities, Inc., one of the companies in the Dixon-Yates group.

Eisenhower proposed the contract, as an alternative to appropriating money for TVA to build a steam plant near Memphis. Its supporters contend it would relieve the federal budget and would be sound economics. They deny there is any favoritism involved.

## Italian Officers Enter Trieste, Allies to Leave

TRIESTE, Oct. 6 (AP)—Ten Italian officers entered the territory of Trieste today in a ceremony heralding the imminent departure of American and British troops.

The rites were brief but historic. It was the first time in 11 years that an Italian soldier had come to this long-disputed area in an officer capacity.

The delegation was headed by Maj. Gen. Edmondo de Renzi, designated as governor extraordinary of the Trieste zone being restored to Italy under the Yugoslav-Italian agreements initiated in London yesterday.

He will take over the military government from the allied when the last of the British and American garrison troops leave, presumably by the end of October.

At ancient Duino Castle, De Renzi met the man who now commands the Allied zone A, British Gen. Sir John Winterton. The meeting was highlighted by the flash of press cameras, but the two men discussed privately the outlines of the change-over plan.

Two main problems must be dealt with before the Italians can take over:

1. The readjusted boundary line between the new Italian zone and the Yugoslav zone B must be marked out in detail.

2. The 3000 American and 2000 British now garrisoning the Allied zone must be withdrawn.

Work already is under way on both tasks.

## Navy to Probe Piping Mixup

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6 (AP)—A Navy investigation is under way to fix responsibility for a mixup which resulted in the wrong kind of steam piping going into the atomic submarine Nautilus.

The Navy estimates that at least three months will be needed to untangle the trouble and get the Nautilus ready for sailing.

The Navy said today that sections of a 1½-inch steamline in the world's first nuclear submarine contain welded piping instead of seamless tubing called for in the Navy's specifications.

It was a section of welded piping, bursting under a test Sept. 18, which led to discovery of the error, a Navy official said.

This official said that the seamless tubing passed naval inspection at the fabrication plant and was shipped from there to the Groton, Conn., yard of the Electric Boat division of General Dynamics Corp., where the Nautilus has been built.

### No Act—Ask Brando!

NEW YORK, Oct. 6 (AP)—Marlon Brando played the make-believe role of a longshoreman recently in a Hollywood movie. Today he got a dose of the real thing.

Because of the dock strike, there were no longshoremen to tote his baggage aboard the liner Ile de France as he sailed for Europe. The husky actor bent his

## Ex-FHA Chief Fails To Block Investigation

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6 (AP)—Clyde L. Powell cried "politics" today as he sought unsuccessfully to block a grand jury investigation of his activities as a government housing official.

Daniel B. Maher, attorney for the ousted FHA rental housing chief, asked the U. S. District Court to "take judicial notice of countless predictions in newspapers and political forecasters that there would be political indictments returned against members of the former administration prior to the November election."

But District Judge F. Dickinson Letts rejected Maher's challenge of the legality of the grand jury and refused to quash a subpoena directing Powell to appear before it.

He said "no irregularity has been shown" in setting up the grand jury, and that no injustice to Powell had resulted.

Today's developments came in the wake of testimony before the Senate Banking Committee yesterday that Powell demanded and received \$10,000 from a Washington architect before he would approve an application for increasing an FHA-insured loan on an apartment project here.

The committee also heard testimony that Powell banked almost three times his salary over a period from 1945 through last April, although he reported only his salary on federal income tax returns.

Maher, in addition to contesting the validity of the special grand jury, specifically asked that a subpoena for Powell's appearance be quashed.

He said a statement by Atty. Gen. Brownell announcing that the grand jury would investigate bribery and other criminal conduct in the federal housing program was "a patent attempt by the chief law enforcement officer of the United States to use an arm of the United States District Court as an instrumentality of political propaganda."

The Justice Department said Powell "had charge of the rental housing program which operated from 1946 to 1950 and resulted in windfalls to speculators exceeding 51 million dollars alone in 285 cases reviewed by the Housing and Home Finance Agency."

## Two Die; Ten Hurt As Plane Crashes

FT. BRAGG, N.C., Oct. 6 (AP)—A C119 Flying Boxcar, its left engine spouting flames, crashed into a barracks construction project here today and killed the pilot and co-pilot.

Ten aboard the giant ship were hurt—three crewmen and seven military passengers. Four civilians helping build barracks for the new home of the 82nd Airborne Division on this sprawling reservation also were injured.

Only the heroic action of the pilot, W. L. Wiatt of Ft. Bragg, prevented a higher death toll. The co-pilot was Lt. S. N. Fulton of Southern Pines, N.C. Witnesses said the crippled plane, heading straight for the three-story brick barracks that was teeming with construction workers, suddenly veered away from the building and crashed on a paved street.

Nearly one out of every four Pennsylvania residents purchased a new car in the eight years following World War II. State residents bought two and a half million new passenger cars.

back to it and lugged his own luggage aboard.

## Soviet Raps Allied Plan On Germany

BERLIN, Oct. 6 (AP)—Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav M. Molotov struck back tonight at new Allied plans for getting West Germany to join in European defense. He called for a Big Four meeting on German reunification and an immediate end to German occupation.

Molotov, who made a surprise flight to East Berlin last night, made his major policy speech at a meeting of ranking East German officials and representatives of a dozen Communist countries, including Red China. The speech came on the eve of the fifth anniversary of the founding of the Soviet-dominated East German government.

He condemned the recent nine-power Western Allied conference in London as making German unification impossible and greatly increasing the danger of European war. His proposals were seen as the first big guns in a Soviet campaign to wreck the decisions of the London conference.

"The Soviet government declares today," he said, "that it proposes anew to the governments of the United States, Britain, and France to conclude an agreement on the withdrawal of occupation troops from the territory of East and West Germany and to solve this problem immediately."

"The acceptance of this proposal would ease the situation of the population in East as well as in West Germany for reunification of Germany."

Molotov said there can be no doubt that the "basic solution of the German problem" is the conclusion of a peace treaty with Germany in accordance with the Potsdam agreement of 1945.

### Marilyn Monroe Exits From Honeymoon Home

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 6 (AP)—Marilyn Monroe, sobbing and scarcely able to speak, made an exit worthy of an Academy Award today from the honeymoon house she once shared with Joe DiMaggio.

Leaning on her attorney and flanked by press agents, she faced nearly 100 newsmen when she emerged from the Beverly Hills home the ex-baseball star had left only an hour before.

"I can't say anything today," she said, falteringly, to reporters who had hoped she would explain the sudden breakup of her nine-month marriage.

"I have to go to work," the blonde beauty, absent from her movie job since she announced the split, exclaimed.

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