

# Chou Vetoes Talks On Formosa Issue

TOKYO, Wednesday, May 18 (AP)—Premier Chou En-lai of Red China has ruled out Formosan cease-fire negotiations with the United States and has implied he will talk only about withdrawing U.S. forces guarding Formosa.

"There is no war between China and the United States and so the question of the so-called cease-fire does not arise," he told the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress in Peiping last Friday. The speech was broadcast only yesterday by Peiping radio.

## U.S. Invites Red Farmers To Iowa

MOSCOW, May 17 (AP)—The United States today formally invited a delegation of Soviet farm experts to America this summer to learn how Iowa farmers raise corn and hogs. There is no doubt the Russians will accept.

U.S. Charge d'Affaires Walter Walmsley delivered a note to the Foreign Ministry suggesting that about 10 Soviet farmers reach Iowa July 10 for a month's stay. The Iowa sun is hot then and both corn and pigs should be growing lustily. The note, also released in Washington, said the U.S. Department of Agriculture would have over-all responsibility for the Russians. Iowa State College would arrange their program, and the University of Minnesota would take charge when they visit other areas, unspecified.

The note said some American farm experts would pay a return visit to Russia. It asked how many should go and when.

In compliance with Soviet requests when the exchange visits were first discussed, the Russian delegation would have official status so the members could avoid such U.S. immigration formalities as finger-printing, which the Russians say is obnoxious. But the American farmers going to Russia would be unofficial visitors.

The note gave the Des Moines Register full credit for originating the idea.

An editorial in the Register last Feb. 10 suggested the visit by the Russian farmers. It was written after Soviet Communist party chief Nikita S. Khrushchev urged Russian farmers to copy American methods, particularly the planting of more corn for livestock feed, as a means of boosting Soviet farm output.

## Retired Supreme Court Justice Dies

PHOENIXVILLE, Pa., May 17 (AP)—Owen Josephus Roberts, 80, retired U.S. Supreme Court justice, who earned the appellation "The Great Dissenter" in his 15 years on the nation's highest judiciary, died today of a heart attack.

Death came to the famed lawyer and jurist at his beloved farm home, "Bryncosed," not far from historic Valey Forge, after an illness of four months that had left him bedfast.

## Dulles Reports—

(Continued from page one) Dulles then began his talk, saying recent events "may really mark a turning in the tide of history."

He saw a symbolic significance in the fact that "F" and "G"—France and Germany—sat together alphabetically and otherwise in recent Paris talks.

In recent years, he said, Western civilization "had almost committed suicide," but now it has a new lease on life—a strength and vigor that would rebound to the benefit of all humanity.

Dulles declared that perhaps the high point of his trip was "the signing of the Austrian treaty" which gave Austria independence after 10 years of Allied occupation.

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On Formosa, Nationalist spokesmen declared Chou's aim was to drive the United States from the Western Pacific.

Chou's implied intent to limit any negotiations to the withdrawal of U.S. forces from Formosa came in this passage:

**Creates Tension**  
"The United States' occupation of Taiwan (Formosa) has created tension in the Taiwan area and this constitutes an international issue between China and the United States.

"The Chinese people do not want to have a war with the United States. To ease tension in the Taiwan area, the Chinese government is willing to sit down and enter into negotiations with the United States government."

Chou was making his report to the committee on the Asian-African conference at Bandung, Indonesia. It was at Bandung that Chou on April 23 first offered to negotiate with the United States to "relax tension" in the area of Formosa.

**U.S. Favors Meeting**  
Four days later, President Eisenhower told a news conference in Washington the United States would be glad to meet with the Chinese Communists about a cease-fire.

Chou restated in Peiping the Chinese Communist claim to Formosa and said that its "liberation" was a "domestic affair."

"The Chinese people have two possible means to liberate Taiwan," Chou told the committee, "namely, by war or by peaceful means. The Chinese people are willing to strive for the liberation of Taiwan by peaceful means so far as it is possible."

**Favors Conference**  
Chou said Red China favored bringing the Formosa question before a 10-power conference as proposed by Russia Feb. 12. The nations would be the United States, Red China, Britain, Russia, France, India, Burma, Indonesia, Pakistan and Ceylon.

Chou added, however, that the Chinese government "is also willing to consider other forms."

Chou reiterated his statement at Bandung that "no negotiations should in the slightest degree affect the Chinese people's exercise of their own sovereign rights, their just demand and action to liberate Taiwan."

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## Polio Plan Is Lauded In Congress

WASHINGTON, May 17 (AP)—The Eisenhower administration's new polio vaccination program gained quick bipartisan support in Congress today. But Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore) blasted Secretary of Welfare Oveta Culp Hobby's handling of Salk vaccine and declared she ought to be fired for "gross incompetency."

Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R-N.J.) introduced a bill carrying out a proposal made by Mrs. Hobby and endorsed by President Eisenhower that the federal government put up 28 million dollars to make sure no child goes without vaccine for lack of money.

Chairman Lister Hill (D-Ala) of the Senate Labor Committee announced he would sponsor the appropriation, too, and said there is "absolutely no question" Congress will quickly approve it. Smith is the committee's ranking Republican.

In the House, Chairman J. Percy Priest (D-Tenn) of the Commerce Committee put his name to a similar bill. The 28 million dollars would go to the states to provide free vaccination of lower income persons 1 to 19 years of age.

Morse took the Senate floor and said Mrs. Hobby who has overall charge of federal health programs, "has been guilty of bad administration" that comes close to "immorality" in handling the distribution and safety testing of Salk vaccine.

## Sub-Killing A-Bom's Perfected by Navy

WASHINGTON, May 17 (AP)—The prospect that any atomic war will be fought partly in the dark depths of the oceans was underlined today with word that the Navy has successfully tested a small nuclear device somewhere in the Pacific.

The underwater test presumably occurred some hundreds of miles off the West Coast of the United States. Officials have indicated it was part of a drive to perfect methods of "killing" submarines with the power of the atom.

The advent of a new dimension of atomic warfare was signaled in a joint announcement from the Defense Department and the Atomic Energy Commission:

"The underwater explosion of a small nuclear device in the eastern Pacific Ocean has been successfully completed."

There have been numerous nuclear explosions on the land and in the air—and one shallow underwater blast. However, the one now disclosed was clearly aimed at developing a new pattern of combat against submarines, which have been scourges in two world wars.

The explosion took place against the background of reports that Russia has built up a fleet of about 375 U-boats. While none of them is known to be atomic powered—the U.S. Navy is believed to be alone in that field—they constitute the bulk of Red naval power. And few doubt that sooner or later Russia will have A-subs.

The depth at which the explosion was timed to go off presumably was that at which submarines engage in evasive tactics, 200-500 feet or more.

Whereas the conventional depth charges dropped against submarines in World War II carried a force of about 300 tons of TNT, "a small nuclear device" might release energy equal to 1000 tons or more of TNT.

**Leader Declines Debate**  
HARRISBURG, May 17 (AP)—Gov. George M. Leader today turned down an invitation to appear in a debate at the University of Pittsburgh with U.S. Sen. James H. Duff (R-Pa.) because Duff declined to appear. Duff said yesterday in Washington he could "see no good reason" to engage in a debate with Leader on the program.

## Diplomats Withdrawal Requested

WASHINGTON, May 17 (AP)—France has proposed that the United States recall some American diplomats and military officials who, it alleges, are following an anti-French policy in Red-threatened South Indochina.

Premier Edgar Faure is understood to have made this request personally to Secretary of State John Foster Dulles in Paris during last week's round of top-level conferences on Indochina problems.

Dulles has made no promise whether he will comply, if the French demand, but has invited France to submit the names of any Americans who they believe are hostile to their interests.

The French are now reported drafting such a list. It is not known specifically how many persons they intend to complain about, but in the past they have registered informal objections to some American diplomats in Saigon and Army officers attached to a training mission.

Dulles' basic attitude, it was said, is that he will not pull out any official who is loyally carrying out State Department policy just because the French object to his conduct.

Most of the French complaints are reported to grow from a belief that some Americans are working too closely with Premier Ngo Dinh Diem's Viet Nam government, encouraging its increasingly bitter anti-French line.

Dulles agreed during the Paris talks to advise the Diem government to tone down its anti-French propaganda in return for a French pledge to continue to support Diem's regime.

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