

War Not Inevitable, Reds Invincible—Khrushchev

MOSCOW, Feb. 14 (AP)—Nikita S. Khrushchev rewrote two major points of the Communist creed today. He said war is not inevitable and that Red revolutions may be achieved in some cases by parliamentary means.

The stocky Communist party boss made these revisions of traditional Marxist-Leninist theory in a confident, six-hour speech before the 20th. Congress of the Soviet Communist party in the Kremlin's Grand Palace.

Radar 'Brane' To Navigate Boeing Bomber

NEW YORK, Feb. 14 (AP)—The Air Force's new Boeing B52 Stratofortress is being equipped with an electronic "brane"—a device described as enabling it to hit a target with "unprecedented" reliability.

The International Business Machines Corp. today made public some details concerning "brane"—meaning "bombing radar navigation equipment."

IBM spokesmen told a news conference the airplane crew feeds information such as air speed, altitude and desired target into the "brane." Then, they said, the device with "unprecedented reliability" guides the plane to its target and through its bombing run.

Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, head of the Strategic Air Command, said in Washington last night his airmen could hit any target on earth with pinpoint accuracy from present bases. The B52s come under LeMay's command.

Battle for 10 Minutes

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—Nationalist Chinese warships duelled more than 10 minutes this afternoon with artillery of the Chinese Communists on Luzon Island, navy headquarters here reported.

Khrushchev recalled the Marxist-Leninist premise that wars are inevitable while imperialism exists, but declared that under conditions today "there is no fatal inevitability of war." Western diplomats noted he had the courage to come right out with it and give his reasons.

"The Socialist Communist camp is invincible," he declared.

Today's conditions, by his account, reflect a weakening of the position of the Western Powers in the East, a decline in the United States' postwar economic boom and a sharpening of rivalries among the capitalist nations.

In modifying the other point of the creed, he said Communists may be able to take over some nations without the traditional "revolutionary class struggle."

Apparently referring to popular front alliances, he said this could be achieved by the working class "in a number of capitalist and former colonial countries" by the winning of stable parliamentary majorities.

Outside the Red sphere, Italy has the biggest Communist party. French Communists make up the largest single group in France's National Assembly.

"Of course in countries where capitalism is still strong and where it controls an enormous military and police machine," Khrushchev said, "the serious resistance of the reactionary forces is inevitable. There the transition to socialism (communism) will proceed amid conditions of an acute revolutionary class struggle."

Liquid air turns to vapor at such a low temperature that it boils when poured on ice.

House to Vote On State Tax

HARRISBURG, Feb. 14 (AP)—The House Democratic leadership today held fast to plans that call for a vote Monday or Tuesday on the \$360 million bipartisan income-sales tax compromise package.

"My present intention is to call the bills up for a vote next week regardless of what anyone says," declared Rep. Albert S. Readinger, Democratic floor leader.

He had been asked what he intended to do if enough votes for passage of the three bill program were not assured.

"We've got to get a tax program passed—we can't just sit around here and look at each other," he added.

At the same time Rep Charles C. Smith, Republican floor leader, remained non-committal on whether his party would support the plan drafted last week by a two party eight-man committee.

"I intend to ask the GOP caucus what they want to do," Smith said. "It looks like that 'side excursion' the governor talked about could prove to be a pretty long trip," said Smith.

West Ignores Red Protest, Continues Middle East Talks

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 (AP)—The United States, Britain and France today brushed aside a Soviet outcry and scheduled another conference to consider ways of acting together to prevent war in the Middle East.

The three countries are pledged to act inside and outside the United Nations to preserve the Palestine truce. Their representatives will meet tomorrow morning at the State Department.

It will be the second round of joint discussions to decide what actions to take should either side threaten to violate truce lines in the Arab-Israeli dispute.

452 Dead in Storms

LONDON, Feb. 14 (AP)—Fierce arctic weather still howled over Europe tonight, raising the cold wave death toll to 452 and bringing misery to millions.

Democrat Tax Plan Labeled 'Inadequate'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 (AP)—Secretary of the Treasury George M. Humphrey declared today a tax plan worked up by Democrats to finance a long-range highway program would knock the federal budget out of balance.

Moreover, Humphrey insisted before the House Ways and Means Committee, it would fall far short of raising the money needed to build the contemplated roads.

Humphrey listed additional sources of income that might be tapped. For one thing, he estimated that \$4½ billion could be raised over the next 12 years by levying a federal registration fee on motor vehicles at the rate of \$1 per thousand pounds.

But he said he was not suggesting any particular tax plan of his own. That, he told the committee, "is your job."

Humphrey was the first witness called for expert testimony on proposals to finance vast highway improvements. Up for immediate consideration is a "pay as you build" plan drafted by Democrats. In the face of widespread Democratic opposition, the Eisenhower administration itself has abandoned efforts of last year to pay for an interstate highway network through bond issues.

Rep. Hale Boggs (D-La) has introduced legislation setting out the Democratic proposal to increase the federal gasoline tax from 2 to 3 cents a gallon and boost such other road-user levies as the diesel fuel, tire and camelback taxes. Camelback is used in retreats.

Martin Says Congress May Adjourn by July 1

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 (AP)—House Republican Leader Joseph Martin said today he hopes and expects that Congress will be able to adjourn by July 1.

But Sen. William Knowland (R-Calif), Martin's counterpart in the Senate, said he thinks Martin is being "a little optimistic." Knowland said he is hoping for adjournment sometime between July 15 and Aug. 1.

Meany Calls Adlai's Plan 'Nonsense'

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 14 (AP)—AFL-CIO President George Meany said today that Adlai Stevenson's plan for going slow in enforcing desegregation of public schools is "nonsense."

Meany said he was "in complete disagreement" with Stevenson's recently expressed views and felt "that Mr. Stevenson is running away" from the school desegregation question.

However, Meany said, he has not crossed Stevenson's name off his own list of possible presidential candidates acceptable to labor. Organized labor supported Stevenson in 1952 against President Eisenhower.

Meany added that the time to pick and choose between candidates is later on in the year after the nominations.

Stevenson telegraphed Meany that he didn't understand Meany's statement. A copy of the telegram was released by Stevenson's New York press headquarters.

"I can only assume," Stevenson told Meany, "that you have not read the statement of my position regarding desegregation released in the Monday newspapers. Otherwise I do not see how you could interpret anything I have said, either as running away from the problem or suggesting that it be postponed forever."

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