

# Ike Urges 'Safeguard' Freeze of Atomic Arms

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP)—President Dwight D. Eisenhower urged Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin today to join him in efforts to end the atomic arms race by freezing stockpiles of atomic weapons under a "safe-guarded" disarmament system.

He made his appeal in a letter released by the White House this afternoon and Bulganin reacted in a friendly manner with extraordinary speed.

The Premier told reporters who met him at a Moscow reception that he considered the President's message a "very interesting letter and a good one," though it would require much study.

Even before Bulganin expressed this view the Soviet government had distributed Eisenhower's letter to Russian newspapers and the text was broadcast on the Moscow radio.

**Speed Interests Officials**  
Washington officials were deeply interested in the speed of Soviet action and noted that it departed from the practice there a month ago of delaying publication of an Eisenhower letter until the Russian answer had been prepared.

"My ultimate hope," Eisenhower wrote Bulganin, "is that all production of fissionable materials anywhere in the world will be devoted exclusively to peaceful purposes."

**Difficult To Cut Armies**  
He also told Bulganin that while it may be difficult in the absence of "real peace in the Far East" to agree on cutting the size of armies, navies and air forces just now it should be possible to agree on limiting "under proper safeguards" major types of weapons, such as bombers, missiles, tanks and the like.

Chairman Walter F. George (D.-Ga.) of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee said he regards Eisenhower's letter to Bulganin as "very moderate and very temperate."

"He has deprived Bulganin of the propaganda value they hoped to get out of a flat refusal of their proposals," George said. "I think the President very wisely kept the matter open rather than give any positive 'no.'"

## Third Party, Opposed To Duff, May Appear

PITTSBURGH, March 6 (AP)—An effort will be made to put a third political party in the November general election by persons politically unfriendly to Sen. James H. Duff (R.-Pa.), the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette said today. Duff, a former governor, is seeking reelection on the GOP ticket to his second consecutive six-year term as senator.

## Brenner to Speak to ASAE

Nevin Brenner will be the speaker at the American Society of Automotive Engineers meeting at 7 tonight in 105 Agriculture Engineering.

# Ben-Gurion Sees Greater Arab-Israeli War Danger

JERUSALEM, March 6 (AP)—Israeli Premier David Ben-Gurion declared today the danger of a second Arab-Israeli war has increased. He expressed confidence Israel would ultimately win any such test.

Against a shifting pattern of Middle East events, Ben-Gurion told his Parliament the chances of preventing war "are somewhat smaller now" and, if bloodshed occurs, the United States and Soviet Russia will share the moral responsibility.

"Israel will not start a war," he said. "But if it should break out we will meet it with strength and I have not the slightest doubt that we will stand up and win." It was his first statement since British Lt. Gen. John Bagot Glubb was removed last Thursday as the commander of Jordan's Arab Legion.

Government chiefs of Saudi Arabia, Syria, and Egypt were meeting in an Arab summit conference in Cairo as the man who led Israel through the war of 1948 delivered his somber review.

Moral responsibility for a "second round" would fall on the Soviet government because of a continued flow of Red weapons to Egypt, Ben Gurion said, and on the United States because of its continued refusal of Israel's request for 50 million dollars worth of arms for defense.

# Democrat Opposes Bipartisan Inquiry

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP)—Sen. Patrick V. McNamara (D.-Mich.) proposed today that the Democrats take charge of the Senate's \$350,000 lobbying investigation to prevent it from chasing "will-o'-the-wisps."

He told the Senate he was afraid the taxpayers' money would be "thrown away" if the impending inquiry is conducted by an evenly divided committee of four Democrats and four Republicans. Such a committee was set up last month but has been unable to agree so far on rules for the inquiry.

Full Democratic control and responsibility for the investigation could be established, McNamara said, merely by adding one more Democratic senator to the committee. There are 48 Democrats and 47 Republicans in the Senate. The recent death of Sen. Harley M. Kilgore (D.-W.Va.) left one seat vacant.

**To Offer Amendment**  
McNamara said he would offer an amendment to give the Democrats the balance of power in the committee.

Chairman Styles Bridges (R.-N.H.), a committee member and chairman of the GOP Policy Committee in the Senate, said if the amendment were adopted "it would kill the theory" of a bipartisan inquiry.

**Leaders Not Consulted**  
Majority Leader Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas and other Democratic chiefs in the Senate were not consulted about his proposed amendment, McNamara said.

The present eight-man special committee was created to make a broad inquiry into lobbying, campaign contributions and other pressures on congressmen in connection with legislation.

## Two Arrested in Strike

PITTSBURGH, March 6 (AP)—Adolph Fram, president of Peoples Cab Co. and Armand Carlungo, president of the union striking the firm, today were arrested in a heated dispute following a state labor board hearing.

## German Bundestag OK's Atlantic Pact

BONN, Germany, March 6 (AP)—West Germany's rearmament within the Atlantic Alliance was approved in the lower House of its Parliament today by big majorities.

In four crucial votes, the lower House—Bundestag—passed permanent legislation for the build-up of a powerful armed force to help defend free Europe and adopted 14 constitutional amendments to assure civilian control of the new armed force.

# Company OK's Plan To End IUE Strike

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP)—The International Union of Electrical Workers tonight withheld an answer to a government plan to settle the 142-day Westinghouse strike. The company accepted it.

James B. Carey, IUE president, told reporters the union was in no hurry to accept the plan. It would give the company a five-year contract and the union a minimum five cents hourly annual wage boost, plus pension, insurance, and other gains.

A three-man panel of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service said at a news conference that it sought in drafting the settlement plan to come up with suggested terms fair to both sides.

**Ease on Minimum Proposals**  
David L. Cole, Paterson, N.J., attorney, one of the panel members, said a great many of the settlement proposals were based on what the union had suggested as a minimum basis for a new agreement.

Carey said the union's negotiating committee and its 75-man Westinghouse conference board may not decide until tomorrow or even several days later on whether to accept or reject the peace pact.

**2 Points Troublesome**  
Cole said two relatively minor points were particularly "troublesome" for the union. One concerns the panel's recommendation that the matter of reinstating 36 strikers fired for alleged violence should go to arbitration. Carey insisted they be reinstated without arbitration, as the panel had recommended for 57 other discharged workers.

## Total Farm Income Fell \$19 Million Last Year

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP)—The Agriculture Department reported today that total farm income fell nearly a billion dollars last year, to \$19,045,000,000. It said the average per capita farm income was \$860, or less than half the \$1922 individual average in the nonfarm population.

# Steelworkers Prepare Plans For Demands

CHICAGO, March 6 (AP)—The United Steelworkers today discussed a double-barrelled set of demands for negotiation this spring in the basic steel industry—a layoff pay plan and premium pay for weekends.

David J. McDonald, president of the union, said he believes both issues of equal importance in negotiations affecting 600,000 workers that probably will start some time in May.

McDonald held a news conference following the first session of a two-day meeting of the union's 170-man Wage-Policy Committee.

The discussions dealt mostly with the layoff pay plan, called supplemental pay benefits by the steelworkers. But toward the end of the day the premium pay issue almost stole the show.

"Premium pay seems more important to the boys now because of full employment," McDonald said. "But if the reverse were true and we had layoffs like in 1954, the emphasis would be on supplemental unemployment benefits."



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