

U.S. Urges UN Spotlight Soviet Role in Mid-East

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 17 (AP)—The United States today initiated urgent consultations with other nations on a Middle East UN inquiry with emphasis on spotlighting the role of the Soviet Union.

Syria, which claims to be in danger of momentary attack by Turkey, placed its army on the alert and considered whether to order a general mobilization.

Judge Upholds Troop Action In Little Rock

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 17 (AP)—A lawsuit seeking to stop U.S. troops from enforcing integration at Central High School was thrown out today by Dist. Judge Ronald N. Davies.

The Fargo, N.D., judge's action brought a rebuke from Gov. Orval Faubus who last month called Davies "prejudiced and biased" in the integration dispute.

The attorney who filed the suit in U.S. District Court released a blistering condemnation of the action and said the judge's "impeachment" should "be the first order of business of the next Congress."

Faubus said the judge's action in dismissing the suit was "in keeping with his (Davies') former methods, but is more far-reaching than anything he has done in the past."

The suit asked for appointment of a special three-judge court and a ruling for Mrs. Margaret Jackson and her two teen-aged daughters that federal troops were being used unconstitutionally in enforcing court-ordered integration at Little Rock Central High School. An injunction against the use of the troops was asked.

If a three-member court had been named, it would have been appointed by Judge Archibald K. Gardner, chief judge of the 8th U.S. Court of Appeals, which includes Arkansas.

Frenchman Wins Nobel Prize

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 17 (AP)—French author Albert Camus, advocate of the classical Greek philosophy of reason in an angry age, today won the 1957 Nobel Prize for Literature.

The Royal Swedish Academy of Literature cited him for "his important literary production, which illuminates the problems of the human conscience in our times."

At 43, Camus is the youngest to receive the international prize since Rudyard Kipling was chosen in 1907 at 41.

The prize of more than \$42,000

is the richest ever received by a Nobel literature winner. The amount depends on income from a fund established by the late Alfred Nobel, Swedish inventor of dynamite.

Camus told reporters in Paris he hoped the award would enable him to retire to an obscure hotel five miles from the French capital to write an educational novel tentatively entitled "The First Man."

"Its theme," he said, "is simply how to become a man. It will be a story about love, but not in any sentimental fashion."

Space Rocket Leads Sputnik 'Round World

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (AP)—Russia's space rocket was reported by observers today to be whirling along the skyways some 23 minutes ahead of the satellite it propelled into an orbit 13 days ago.

Three moonwatchers at the Harvard Observatory spotted the satellite at 5:17 a.m. (EST) at a point in the sky where the third-stage rocket had passed at 4:54 a.m.

Scientists have said this indicates the rocket itself is moving nearer and nearer the earth in ever smaller circles, that its relative speed increases as its orbit contracts.

There were differences of opinion on how soon the rocket would move into earth atmosphere heavy enough to plough it downward in flames.

British astronomer A.C.B. Lovell said in Manchester, England, he is convinced "something catastrophic will happen to the rocket very soon—possibly in a day or two."

But Dr. Fred L. Whipple, head of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory at Cambridge, Mass., said the rocket will stay up for at least two months.

As for the satellite itself, hurled aloft by the Soviets Oct. 4, Whipple said its life expectancy could not be forecast at this time.

Presumably it is continuing along at an 18,000-mile-an-hour pace in a track considerably outward of the rocket's orbit.

Sorority's Laundry Wasn't In the Bag

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 17 (AP)—University of Nebraska authorities have confirmed it was not a bag of laundry found hanging from the doorknob of a sorority house here last week.

The laundry bag contained a nude fraternity member.

The university authorities said the case has been turned over to the Interfraternity Council for possible disciplinary action against the pranksters.

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Flu Rises in State; Peak May Be Near

By Associated Press
Asiatic flu and milder flu-type respiratory illnesses affected thousands more Pennsylvanians Thursday—with indications the epidemic might be nearing its peak.

In all at least 14 Pennsylvanians reportedly have died as a result of Asiatic flu or flu-like illness. The death of Joseph C. Pelc, 7, second grade pupil at St. Bartholomew School at

Pittsburgh, was identified today as caused by an inflammation of the brain. It had been believed earlier, his death resulted from flu.

Sara Louise Mullen, 14, died in Clearfield Hospital Thursday. The child had been taken ill with a virus infection last week. An autopsy was ordered to determine the cause of death.

More schools closed as absenteeism mounted. Additional college and high school football games were cancelled.

Cases in Philadelphia swept past 100,000, as the City Health Department reported 15,000 more stricken.

Dr. James P. Dixon, Philadelphia's health commissioner, said the three-week-old epidemic has affected some 75,000 children—but predicted it is approaching its peak.

Elsewhere the flu germs also continued their rampage.

Scranton closed all its public schools until next week as nearly a fourth of the city's 17,000 pupils were home sick. Pittston, too, shut its schools with 35 per cent of the students ill.

All public schools in Snyder County were closed Thursday, with 5000 pupils reported ill.

Pittsburgh Paper Backs Lawrence for 4th Term

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 17 (AP)—Mayor David L. Lawrence, a Democrat, was endorsed by the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette today in his bid for re-election to an unprecedented fourth term.

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