

General Orders Halt To Dutch Seizures

JAKARTA, Indonesia, Dec. 13 (AP)—Indonesia's army chief ordered a halt tonight to the seizure of Dutch businesses and threatened severe punishment if his orders were disobeyed. The effect of his decree remained to be seen.

The action of Maj. Gen. Abdul Haris Nasution, army chief of staff, was announced after President Sukarno, smiling but tense, made a personal appearance to disprove reports that he had been ousted by a triumvirate and made a prisoner of the army.

Earlier it had been announced that the 56-year-old Sukarno is leaving the country within a week to recuperate from mental and physical exhaustion.

Premier Djuanda, a Socialist nonparty man, asked Parliament to swear in Speaker Sartono, a 56-year-old moderate Nationalist, as acting president, but a government spokesman indicated the Premier and Gen. Nasution actually will run things.

These contradictory statements left observers in the dark as to what actually was happening behind the scenes.

Premier Djuanda said on Dec. 5 the "lives and property of all Dutch subjects here are guaranteed by the government. If they wish to leave the country they will be given every assistance."

On that day, Nasution made a nationwide radio broadcast calling on the Indonesian people to avoid any individual actions against the Dutch.

Commission Will Study State Constitution Change

HARRISBURG, Dec. 13 (AP)—Membership of a state commission to study possible revision or replacement of Pennsylvania's constitution was completed today with appointment of the final five members.

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Lodge Says U.S. Welcomes Red Overtures

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Dec. 13 (AP)—Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge said today the United States in its search for peace welcomes any hopeful sign from the Soviet Union. But he added it is up to Moscow to match its "fine words" with concrete action.

Lodge spoke in the 82 nation U.N. Political Committee in reply to a speech last night from Soviet Dep. Foreign Minister Vasily V. Kuznetsov proposing a U.S.-Soviet treaty of friendship and peaceful cooperation.

The United States regarded the Kuznetsov speech as exceedingly mild. It caused Lodge to revise a speech he had prepared in advance. The revised speech reflected a mild skepticism expressed by Lodge himself in saying the United States and other nations had a "from Missouri" or "show me" attitude toward Soviet declarations of peaceful intentions.

Big Ten OKs 10 Games

CHICAGO, Dec. 13 (AP)—The Big Ten tonight approved a proposal that conference football teams be permitted to play 10 games, starting with the 1959 season. The limit now is nine.

Quake Hits Iran; Over 600 Killed

TEHRAN, Iran, Dec. 13 (AP)—A task of studying the present basic law, adopted in 1874, of western Iran today. Unofficial reports said at least 600 persons were killed and thousands injured.

The quake struck before dawn, tumbling houses and leaving thousands homeless in the snow and bitter cold. The earth shook for two minutes.

Official reports placed the center at Sehneh, 240 air miles southwest of Tehran. Sehneh lies on a 7,240 foot Shah Pass, which cuts through 10,000-foot mountains between the cities of Hamadan and Kermanshah.

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Dulles Faces French Problem On Arrival at NATO Conference

PARIS, Dec. 13 (AP)—Secretary of State John Foster Dulles arrived today for the NATO summit talks and immediately faced a critical problem of the Western Alliance—France's relations with North Africa.

On the eve of Eisenhower's new drive to restore a unity of purpose among the Allies, Dulles

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (AP)—President Eisenhower, looking relaxed and smiling broadly, took off late today for Paris and the summit meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

heard French Premier Felix Gaillard state his price-support for France's attempt to maintain its influence in troubled North Africa.

French sources said Gaillard and French Foreign Minister Christian Pineau led off with a demand for a coordinated world policy among NATO members, extending beyond the strict geo-

graphical area covered by the treaty.

Their first concern was the recent shipment of arms by the United States and Britain to Tunisia over French protests.

France feared the arms would reach rebels fighting French rule in neighboring Algeria. London and Washington said they were trying to prevent Tunisia from turning to the Communist bloc for arms.

O'Hara Charged With Selling Obscene Book

ALBANY, N.Y., Dec. 13 (AP)—Author John O'Hara was indicted today on a charge of conspiring in the distribution and sale of obscene literature.

He and Bantam Books were cited in connection with the paper backed edition of O'Hara's "Ten North Frederick," the 1956 national book award winner.

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