

# Democrats Urge Trying New Disarmament Talks

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—Several Democratic senators today endorsed the idea of trying for new disarmament talks with Russia. A Republican colleague said this would just be a waste of time.

They were all commenting on just ended Paris meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

# Frank Receives Stiff Sentence As Illegal Agent

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—Attorney John Joseph Frank today received a jail sentence of from eight months to two years for acting illegally as an agent of Generalissimo Rafael Trujillo and the Dominican Republic.

Frank, 42, former FBI agent and attorney for the super-secret Central Intelligence Agency, was convicted by a jury in U.S. District Court Dec. 9 on four charges of violating the Foreign Agents Registration Act.

The crux of the allegations was that Frank acted on behalf of Trujillo and the Dominican Republic in this country, but failed to register with the Justice Department.

U.S. Dist. Judge James B. Kirkland, who passed the sentence, allowed Frank to remain free under \$10,000 bond pending an appeal.

Frank, a 6 foot 2, 217 pound former football star at Georgetown University, thanked the judge for allowing him to remain free on bond while he appeals.

William H. Hundley, chief prosecutor in Frank's trial, asked for a stiff sentence.

Frank was indicted by a grand jury last May.

# AF Terms Thor Flight Successful

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla., Dec. 19 (AP)—An Air Force Thor ballistic missile rose beautifully into the sky today and flew presumably hundreds of miles out over the Atlantic.

It was the third of America's big guns—the giant, long reach weapons of push button war—to be test launched here this week. Never before has this Missile Test Center disposed of so much destructive power so swiftly. And it was as beautiful a flight to watch, on a perfect sunny afternoon, as veteran observers here have known.

Within 25 minutes of the launching of the Defense Department in Washington announced that the Thor intermediate range ballistic missile—IRBM—had been test-fired.

"The missile flew its prescribed course and landed in its preselected impact area," the announcement said.

That was Pentagonese for a successful launch, a successful flight, a successful everything.

The Thor, an estimated 60 feet long and weighing probably more than 50 tons—the exact figures are secret—was designed to deliver a nuclear warhead against targets up to 1500 miles distant. Its average speed over that range would be near 7000 miles an hour.

# Indonesia Pressures Non-Dutch Business

JAKARTA, Indonesia, Dec. 19 (AP)—The military today put the first squeeze on non-Dutch Western business in Jakarta since the onset of the angry dispute with the Netherlands over West New Guinea.

About 300 American, British, French, Belgian and other Western businessmen were summoned to a meeting with military authorities and told they must surrender a fourth of the houses they own in Jakarta.

They were told the houses must be given up within a short time and would not be paid for. The reason was not clear. The businessmen said the proceedings were conducted in Indonesian so they did not understand everything that was said.

The action appeared to reflect what many here say is a sharp decline of U.S. prestige in Indonesia.

They say the decline began with the Little Rock school integration case, which brought angry editorials in the Indonesia press; and gained momentum when the Russians launched their Sputnik.

Lately, some officials are showing rising irritation about U.S. aloofness in Indonesia's campaign to pressure the Dutch to surrender West New Guinea—or West Irian as the Indonesians call it.

Some officials blame U.S. neutrality for the rising popularity of the Communists.

Premier Djuanda said only yesterday that positive action by the United States on the Irian issue would help stabilize the political situation in this area.

President Sukarno told a visiting U.S. congressman: "Indonesians are slipping into the Communist camp since America has consistently refused to help us over West Irian. If the United States backed us, I could guarantee our entire nation would be pro-American overnight."

# Thirteen Killed As Tornadoes Rip Mid-West

MURPHYSBORO, Ill., Dec. 19 (AP)—Tornadoic winds bearing heavy rain moved into twister town southern Illinois again tonight, creating new misery for this devastated area generally known as "Tornado Alley."

In the wake of tornadoes that last night killed 12 persons in southern Illinois and another in eastern Missouri, a new storm lashed the towns of Elkhart, Royaltown and Waltonville.

Elkhart is just 15 miles northeast of Murphysboro, where nine of last night's storm deaths occurred. Royaltown is in the same general area. Waltonville is near Mount Vernon, another city where devastation was great last night.

No injuries were reported immediately as a result of tonight's winds described by state police as of tornadoic force.

A small garage was wrecked at Elkhart and buildings knocked down at Royaltown and Waltonville. Utility wires and trees also were felled.

In all, a total of 15 lives were lost in tornadoes that roared through the southern Illinois eastern Missouri area yesterday and in Arkansas today. At Magnolia, Ark., two tornadoes caused two deaths and injured eight persons about noon today.

That meeting reached agreement in principle on a U.S. plan to equip European bases with nuclear missiles, beginning perhaps in late 1958. The meeting also approved proposals to explore the reopening of East-West disarmament talks.

Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.), most critical of those commenting, said President Eisenhower and Secretary John F. Dulles had not actually won anything concrete on the missile deal.

"Acceptance in principle does not mean fulfillment in details," Humphrey said.

"What is more, because this administration has methodically—if unwittingly—permitted our military position to be weakened, we do not have the missiles to furnish."

Humphrey said he hoped the administration would reconsider its earlier attitude toward disarmament talk proposals raised by Soviet Premier Bulganin in a letter to Eisenhower earlier this month.

"Even if that letter was a propaganda effort," he said, "we must at all times be prepared to negotiate with Russia. We must re-examine our disarmament proposals and make up our mind what we want."

Two fellow members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee—J. William Fulbright (D-Ark.) and John J. Sparkman (D-Ala.)—agreed it would be wise to press disarmament efforts.

# Green to Seek NATO Report

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—Chairman Theodore F. Green (D-RI) of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee said today Secretary of State John Foster Dulles will be asked to tell the committee just what happened at the NATO meeting in Paris.

Results of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization sessions have been obscured "by a flow of words," Green said in a statement.

Several other Democratic senators endorsed the idea of trying for new disarmament talks with Russia, one of the proposals growing out of the NATO meeting. A Republican colleague said such talks would just be a waste of time.

# Ike Leaves Paris, Hopes for Peace

PARIS, Dec. 19 (AP)—President Eisenhower said a wistful farewell to Paris tonight. But his final words were a hope for world peace.

Speaking in a strong clear voice, Eisenhower said he thought the NATO summit meeting had "done something to make the ideal of peace a little closer—certainly the chances of war more remote."

His doctor said he was fine, but he looked tired after his strenuous five days at the conference.

# Federal Jury 'Hung' on Hoffa Case

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP)—A federal court jury trying Teamsters boss James R. Hoffa on wiretap charges reported tonight that it was hung and unable to reach a verdict. But the trial judge ordered them to try again.

U.S. Dist. Judge Frederick V. Bryan told the seven men and five women on the panel:

"I am going to ask you to make a further effort to see whether you cannot agree. I do not know how you stand and I am not going to ask you. It is your duty to decide this case one way or the other." The jury got the case at 4 p.m. Wednesday. Tonight they sent in this note to Judge Bryan: "The jury has had this case for 28 hours. We cannot agree unanimously."

Hoffa, with Owen B. Brennan, president of Detroit Teamsters Local 337, and Bernard Spindel, a professional wiretapper, have been on trial since Nov. 22.

# USSR to Increase Research Spending

MOSCOW, Dec. 19 (AP)—Finance Minister Arseny Zverev told the Soviet Parliament today the U.S.S.R. will spend a total of 18,200,000,000 rubles in 1958 on scientific research.

At the official exchange rate of four rubles to a dollar, this is the equivalent of about \$4.5 billion.

Zverev also told the Supreme Soviet 1958 science research spending would increase by 1,800,000,000 rubles—or 450 million—over 1957.

Zverev announced that 1958 appropriations for the Ministry of Defense are scheduled at 96,300,000,000 rubles, compared with 96,700,000,000 rubles for 1957. He termed this small reduction a "reflection of the tireless efforts of the Soviet Union in directing the strengthening of peace and friendship among peoples."

Ministry of Defense appropriations include only a part of actual total spending for military purposes. Other forms of military spending are hidden in other appropriations and cannot be estimated.

Western economists consider it, likely, in addition, that the prices charged the Ministry of Defense for war materials produced in Soviet factories are kept at levels much below the cost of their production—with the consequent factory deficits covered out of appropriations "for the national economy."



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