

Big Three to Discuss Red Summit Proposals

MANILA (AP)—The Western Big Three foreign ministers, here to weld SEATO into a tighter alliance, will sit down Wednesday to decide how to meet Russia's summit conference proposals.

Informed sources said the latest Soviet letter to Washington will be the principal subject before Secretary of State Dulles, British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd and French Foreign Minister Christian Pineau.

The letter, delivered Thursday, reiterated Soviet proposals already rejected by the United States.

The get-together here coincided with a statement in London Tuesday by British Prime Minister Macmillan in Parliament that "considerable progress" has been made toward a summit meeting of heads of government. But he continued to stress the need for further preparations.

The deliberations also coincide with reports from Washington that the United States is considering revision of its policy on suspending nuclear tests in an effort to get an agreement with Russia.

Dulles plans to address a closed meeting of SEATO foreign ministers before discussions with Lloyd and Pineau. One topic probably will be the Indonesian rebellion, which has caused concern among Southeast Asia Treaty members fearing Communist influence in the archipelago southwest of the Philippines.

Dulles warned as the conference opened Tuesday that Communist propaganda attacks on SEATO the past few days indicate "there may be a new aggressive Communist plan for this area."

Informed sources here said he had the situation in Indonesia and a Communist military buildup in North Viet Nam in mind.

Dulles promised support for a proposal by Prince Wan Waitayakon of Thailand that a graduate engineering school be set up in Bangkok primarily for students from the eight SEATO countries.

The secretary of state also announced that the United States has designated two million dollars to train skilled technicians in the SEATO area.

Town Damaged By AF Weapon

FLORENCE, S.C. (AP)—An Air Force B-17 accidentally dropped an unarmed nuclear weapon in a small community near here Tuesday. There was no nuclear explosion, but TNT in it blasted a big hole, damaged six houses and a church.

A threat of possible radio-active contamination in the immediate area was raised, but no general evacuation was ordered. It was announced later there was no radiation danger. The explosion area was cordoned off until experts could check it.

Six persons, including four children, were hurt, none seriously.

Khrushchev Agrees To Visit Washington

MOSCOW (AP)—Nikita Khrushchev said Tuesday night he would be willing to go to Washington for a summit conference if necessary.

He indicated at a diplomatic reception he was dissatisfied with current progress toward a top-level East-West parley.

Senate Passes Increase In Soil Bank Benefits

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate Tuesday night passed a \$2,869,429,618 supplemental money bill carrying a 250 million dollar increase in soil bank benefits.

It did so after Sen. Thye (R-Minn.) lost a bitter fight to tack on an amendment to block Secretary of Agriculture Benson's plans to lower dairy price supports April 1.

Kohler Beating Questions Ruled Out by McClellan

WASHINGTON (AP)—Attempts to question John Gunaca about the beating of two nonstriking Kohler Co. workers were ruled out of order Tuesday by Chairman McClellan (D-Ark.) of the Senate Rackets Committee.

McClellan said Gunaca, a former United Auto Workers steward, would not have to testify because assault charges are still pending against him in the case.

But McClellan gave William Bersch Jr. a chance to identify Gunaca as one of the three men present when Bersch and his father were given a pounding at a Sheboygan Falls, Wis., filling station the night of July 4, 1954.

Bersch had told the senators earlier that he was convinced the beating was the cause of his father's death.

The committee is investigating violence and vandalism that has occurred during the long and bitter UAW strike against the Kohler Co., a bathroom fixtures firm at Kohler, Wis.

The strike began in April 1954 and is still going on, although the company has resumed operations.

The reason charges are still pending against Gunaca is that

Deferment Test Set for May 1

HARRISBURG (AP) — College students facing the draft will be allowed to take a test May 1 as a preliminary toward consideration for deferment.

Henry M. Gross, state selective service director, said the test will be the only one offered for the 1957-58 school year.

The examinations are given to insure that potential scientists and other specialists continue to receive training.

Wisconsin authorities have been unable to get him extradited from Michigan.

Michigan's Gov. G. Mennen Williams has refused extradition on the ground that Gunaca could not get a fair trial because of high feelings in the strike area.

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Steps Taken to Alter Nuclear Test Policy

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Eisenhower administration, it is learned, has taken the first steps toward radically revising its policy for suspension of nuclear tests.

The objective is to try to get an agreement with the Soviet Union on this issue.

President Eisenhower, on the recommendation of Secretary of State Dulles, has started some of the nation's top atomic scientists studying whether a suspension can be protected against cheating.

If it is decided that a foolproof inspection system is possible, then U.S. policy may be changed provided certain other conditions are fulfilled.

If the experts decide that no inspection techniques available can prevent cheating by the Soviets, then, officials said, the policy very likely will not be revised.

Present U.S. policy insists that suspension of testing be closely linked to a cutoff in manufacture of nuclear weapons. The Soviet Union, however, had advocated a test suspension alone as a first step toward disarmament.

The studies which have been started, authorities reported, are being supervised at least in part by Dr. James R. Killian Jr., the president's science adviser. But they are also being made by the Atomic Energy Commission and involve, too, Defense Department scientists.

Rebels Say Invading Forces From Jakarta Control Flow From U.S.-Operated Oilfields

PADANG, Central Sumatra (AP)—A rebel spokesman said Tuesday that invading Jakarta forces seeking to crush the rebel regime now apparently control the transport of oil from U.S.-operated fields deep in Central Sumatra.

He said the invaders occupy Bengkalis and other islands at the mouth of the Siak River,

main artery for the movement of oil out of the U.S.-owned Caltex fields around Pekanbaru, 50 air-line miles inland.

The spokesman added, however, rebel forces entrenched in steaming swamplands would fight to keep the Jakarta troops from moving to the oil fields.

Caltex officials suspended operations after the Central government launched its offensive against the rebels Friday.

By controlling the mouth of the Siak, the Jakarta forces could as-

sure collection of royalties on any oil coming out of Pekanbaru. But it is unlikely the rebels would permit movement of oil if royalties go to Jakarta.

The revolutionary government has proposed making the Caltex area a neutral zone with oil flowing as usual but with payments remaining blocked.

In Jakarta, a military spokesman said the government has launched a combined land, sea and air offensive to crush the rebel regime in its mountain capital of Bukittinggi.

Rowland Will Seek GOP Nomination For Lt. Governor

HARRISBURG (AP)—Sen. Rowland B. Mahany, Republican floor leader, filed petitions Tuesday to seek the GOP nomination for lieutenant governor in the May primary against the organization-backed candidate.

Mahany will face John M. Walker, Allegheny County commissioner, in the bid for the Republican nomination for the state's second highest elective post.

The organization endorsed Walker on a ticket headed by Arthur T. McGonigle, Reading pretzel manufacturer, for governor and Rep. Hugh Scott of Philadelphia for the U.S. Senate.

It appeared almost certain the lieutenant governorship GOP nomination race would be a three-way battle.

Glasgow Students Fined

GLASGOW, Scotland (AP)—Four high-spirited students of Glasgow University who threw bags of flour at Home Secretary R. A. Butler last month were fined Tuesday for disorderly conduct.

Pa. Moonshine Report

HARRISBURG (AP)—Pennsylvania's annual moonshine report, Tuesday showed 35 illicit liquor stills were seized in 1957.

Labor Leaders Believe Unemployment Worsening

WASHINGTON (AP)—Labor union leaders Tuesday analyzed their area economic situations and came up with the conclusion unemployment is growing worse instead of better.

About one thousand AFL-CIO union leaders, gathered from all over the country, reviewed their home state conditions and prepared for a mass invasion of Capitol Hill Wednesday to sell Congress on anti-recession moves.

J. W. Belanger of Boston representing the Textile Workers Union, told the New England group of AFL-CIO chiefs:

"It's all very well for the administration heads of government to tell us they are going to take steps 'if necessary.' What we've got to convince them is that it's necessary now, we've got to do it now."

The labor group met as a single audience Tuesday morning to hear AFL-CIO President George Meany describe the recession as America's No. 1 problem and call for lower taxes and more defense and public works spending.

Secretary of Labor Mitchell said President Eisenhower's administration is moving to counter the economic dip and is ready to call for a tax cut when necessary.

'Acid Test' of Economy

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks said Tuesday night "the next 60 days will be the acid test" of the economy's ability to overcome falling production and rising unemployment.



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