

# USSR Offers Arms Cut Under World Control

GENEVA (AP) — The Soviet Union offered yesterday to carry out with other powers a cut in manpower and weapons under the eyes of international disarmament controllers.

But Western negotiators said the plan still would leave the world in the dark on the Soviet Union's true military strength.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian Zorin presented

his proposal to the 10-nation disarmament committee and claimed it showed the Soviet position "on controls is close to that of the Western powers."

"We want controls from the beginning to the end of disarmament," he said.

But the Western delegates said the defect in Zorin's plan, as they interpreted it, was so obvious that they hoped it was not put forward seriously.

If this is the Soviet Union's last word, and not a bargaining position, they said, then the week-old conference already is in trouble.

This is what Zorin offered: The demobilization of an agreed number of men and the removal of a corresponding number of weapons from a nation's military establishment would be controlled and verified from beginning to end by international inspectors.

But then came the catch, in the Western view. There would be no verification of the number of men and weapons the country had when the reduction began. There also would be no check after reductions were concluded.

The five Western powers—the United States, Britain, France, Italy and Canada—began a study of the transcript of Zorin's remarks. They hoped to determine how much room for maneuver the Soviet delegate left himself.

Under the West's plan, the various powers first would report their force levels and armaments.

Strict verification would begin when ceiling levels of 2.5 million men for the United States and the Soviet Union had been fixed, with corresponding lower figures for other powers.

## Crash Caused By Dynamite

WILMINGTON, N.C. (AP)—Destruction of a National Airlines plane which crashed near Bolivia, N.C., Jan. 6 "was the result of an explosion of dynamite."

A team of experts made this finding in a report read yesterday at a Civil Aeronautics Board inquiry into the cause of the crash which killed 34 persons.

The board itself will issue a report later with its findings of the probable cause.

The inquiry board also was told evidence indicated the blast occurred "in close proximity to and immediately behind the legs" of Julian A. Frank, 32-year-old New York attorney who had taken out life insurance totaling more than a million dollars. The F.B.I. is checking all possibilities concerning Frank's death.

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# S. Africa Blasts U.S. 'Meddling'

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — The government told the United States in effect yesterday to keep out of South Africa's race troubles.

The South African government rapped back at U.S. State Department denunciation of bloodshed as Negroes, challenged the nation's white supremacy laws with work boycotts after two days of violent demonstrations.

The Foreign Ministry summoned U.S. Ambassador Philip Crowe for a conference, then issued a statement.

The statement said the discussion with Crowe does not mean that South Africa is "conceding the right of the U.S. government to concern itself with the domestic affairs of South Africa, just as the Union of South Africa government does not concern itself with riots or racial disturbances in other countries."

The statement declared the State Department had criticized police violence here without knowing all the facts "regarding attacks by many thousands of Bantu Negroes on a small police force to whom was entrusted the duty of maintaining law and order."

As criticism of this week's police violence mounted in world capitals, officers kept a tight lid on South Africa's 11 million non-whites.

The Negroes' work boycotts threatened to paralyze some important industrial centers. The weapon could be a potent one for the Negroes, who supply the low-cost labor that keeps the country's economy going.

Police charged militant Negro leaders "have created a reign of terror" in Negro settlements to keep people from returning to work.

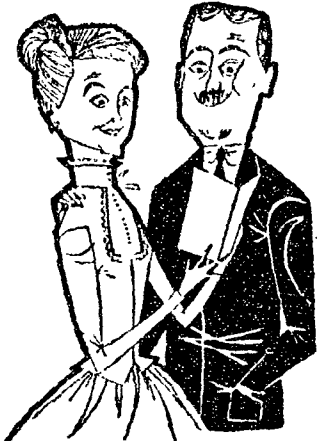
## Bill to Outlaw Payola Introduced in House

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# Hagerty Backs Summit Meeting

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House fired back yesterday a Democratic complaint that President Eisenhower plans to go to an East-West summit conference without advance plans or purpose.

"That's a lot of nonsense," retorted Press Secretary James C. Hagerty.

While defending the decision, Secretary of State Christian A. Herter had conceded that a wide-open conference is a gamble.

But he argued that even such a meeting was preferable to allowing international tensions to continue to mount.

## U.S. Tightens Control On Cuba-Bound Planes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. government yesterday tightened its control system against illegal flights to Cuba.

The move is aimed at stemming further forays by private U.S. planes which have given added fuel to Prime Minister Fidel Castro's anti-Yankee propaganda.



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# 'Rights' Bill Gets House Vote Today

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House finished putting together its civil rights bill yesterday but had to delay a vote on final passage until today.

Approval then is assured.

A last-ditch fighter against the legislation, Rep. John Bell Williams (D-Miss.), forced the one-day delay by demanding a printed copy of the bill in its final form.

For all practical purposes, however, the bill was completed.

Going beyond the 1957 legislation which created the federal Civil Rights Commission, the measure provides new federal court help for Negroes who complain of being prevented from voting.

It also provides for federal punishment of persons who defy court orders for school desegregation by force, or threats of force.

A roll-call vote of 295-124 late yesterday nailed in the voting section, which previously had been approved on a standing vote which did not record individual stands.

The roll call found 172 Democrats and 123 Republicans voting for the section, and 100 Democrats and 24 Republicans voting against it.

Now the civil rights battle shifts back to the Senate.

In the Senate, Majority Leader Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Tex.) is aiming at a vote on passage of a civil rights bill by a week from Saturday, April 2.

Johnson's target date could prove over-optimistic, in view of the determined battle 18 Southern senators have been putting up against the bill. Also, backers of various proposals have been speaking at considerable length to make the bill stronger.

## Radiation Rocket Experiment Fails

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—Rocket failure ruined a United States effort yesterday to launch a radiation-study satellite into orbit about the earth. Officials said the experiment will be tried again.

The four-stage Juno II booster rocket blasted off smoothly at 8:35 a.m. but the third stage—a cluster of three solid-fuel rockets—did not ignite and the Juno II and its 35.3-pound payload plunged into the Atlantic about 2000 miles from the Cape.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration announced an hour after launching that the 76-foot rocket failed to place its payload in orbit. NASA said it received no radio confirmation of third- and fourth-stage ignition. The third-stage fizzle doomed the fourth stage.

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