

U. S. Probe Mindszenty Case AGAINST WEAKNESS

Would Find If Treaties Violated

Russian Bloc Protests Action

By MAX HARBELSON

LAKE SUCCESS — (AP) — The United States proposed today that the U.N. Assembly decide whether Communist prosecution of Josef Cardinal Mindszenty violated the Hungarian peace treaty.

The U. S. proposal also would have the assembly look into Bulgaria's trial of fifteen Protestant dissenters.

The American move brought a quick protest from the Soviet bloc. Polish delegate Juliusz-Raschke challenged the right of the UN to deal with the trial at all, contending that these were strictly internal matters.

Hungary, although not a member of the UN, protested in a communication received yesterday against any UN review of the Mindszenty case.

Warren R. Austin, chief U. S. delegate, offered the American suggestion in the assembly's fourteenth session, contending that the substitute for Australian and Bolivian proposals concerning prosecution of the Mindszenty case was a "disgraceful insult to the United States."

The committee is expected to decide whether the assembly should take up the issue at its current session which opened yesterday at Lake Success.

The delegates moved to Lake Success this morning for a series of committee meetings.

The Mindszenty debate in the assembly committee was held without a vote, however, morning. The delegates turned their attention to discussing the disposition of the present trial of a colonel.

John Foster Dulles represents the U. S. in the debate on colonies, which is being handled by the assembly's 28-nation political committee.

Austin's move came as Russia and the Western powers squared off for their opening battle of the current session. The U. S. might serve as a curtain-raiser for the expected East-West clash over the newly signed North Atlantic Pact.

Russia's Niko A. Gromyko, fall-out, is expected to lead the Soviet bloc in launching his expected bid at the peace conference in Geneva.

In addition to the Bulgarian and Hungarian issues, the committee had to decide whether to recommend assembly discussion on these two questions. The Dutch-Indonesian conflict, Israel's bid for UN membership and Russia's veto of the UN membership application of Czechoslovakia were also on the agenda.

The committee has too much to do in the meantime," May said. "The committee is expected to decide whether to recommend assembly discussion on these two questions. The Dutch-Indonesian conflict, Israel's bid for UN membership and Russia's veto of the UN membership application of Czechoslovakia were also on the agenda."

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NC House Continues Study Of Fund Bill

RALEIGH — (AP) — The House today is continuing its study of the huge biennial appropriations bill after passing rural roads legislation in the afternoon.

By a vote of 102 to 2, the lower chamber passed on third reading a bill to increase the State's gas tax by 1 cent and to authorize an election on January 1, 1950, on the issue of a 2-cent increase in the tax.

The bill now goes back to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments. As it passed the Senate last week, the people would decide both on the bond issue and the tax increase.

If the Senate refused to concur in the House changes, it will be necessary to appoint a conference committee of Representatives and Senators to work out a compromise.

The House started work on the biennial appropriations bill yesterday, and during several hours of debate voted to slash \$27,000,000 from the measure which proposes to increase the State's general fund from \$415,000,000 to \$442,000,000.

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Action on the committee front saw the House Committee on Manufacturing and Labor amend and then approve a measure to fix a 40-cent an hour minimum wage for women in industry.

The measure was amended to exempt employees of florists and so that wages when they amount to 50 per cent of a worker's pay. The measure already exempted, farm help, domestic servants, labor workers and all industries with less than three workers.

The House Education Committee, meanwhile, was giving its approval to a bill to amend the state school machinery law. It would permit the State Board of Education to use Federal aid funds to allow sick leave for teachers and permit paying teachers on a 10-month basis. The bill already has passed the Senate.

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Federal Court Rules For Local Airline

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The U. S. Court of Appeals ruled today that the Civil Aeronautics Board lacks authority to award routes to an airline which has not specifically applied for them.

The 2-1 decision was the first of a series of rulings by the court which are expected to curtail the board's authority to award routes to airlines which have not specifically applied for them.

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LET'S SEE, NOW



Jimmy Rowland, one of the first Soap Box Derby entrants this year, already has been cruising down the speedway on a Wednesday afternoon. His wheel-and-axle race, Jimmy will now begin a classic body racer design which he hopes will get quickest—and safest. (Photo by Jeep Hunter of Tom Franklin Studio.)

Organization Youngsters Urged To Enter Derby

By DONALD MacDONALD

Charlotte News Staff Writer

The general manager of the Charlotte Motor Division, W. R. Armstrong, had a message to the Soap Box Derby entrants: "You are the future of the Derby."

When you enter the All-American Derby," Mr. Armstrong said, "you take a major step toward active membership in the life of your community."

The Derby is one of America's outstanding amateur sporting events, he added. "And your share in it," Mr. Armstrong explained, "will make you the local hero of your community."

A SINGLE GOAL

Boys between fifteen—who are eligible to enter—should remember in designing and building their racers and guiding them over the hill in the tough competition of the local race, they are pledged against tens of thousands of other boys. They are all striving for just one goal—victory in the final race at Akron on August 14.

The essential spirit of Soap Box Derby competition is good sportsmanship. Never forget this for an instant. Be a good sport.

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Secretary Arm Day Speaker

Sees Possibility
Of Long War

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

Secretary of the Army

Royal said today that if the United States lets an aggressor army sweep over Europe, the resulting war would last ten or twenty years—"perhaps more."

Royal added his voice to those of other top military officials who warned in separate Army Day speeches that the country cannot afford to let European ground forces bear the brunt of any lightning attack on the continent.

The Atlantic pact nations, Royal said in Chicago, are counting on American equipment for their own armies—and also on the support of an American army overseas.

U. S. ARMY BEST

Right now, he said in his prepared speech, the United States has the best Army in American history—perhaps of all time—"but he added:

"If in the first stage of any future war the United States is on the European continent, and in North Africa, then a victory is assured. It will require 10 or 20 years of war—or perhaps more."

Shortly before Royal spoke, former Undersecretary of War William L. Draper had issued a similar statement in a speech to the St. Louis speech that American troops will have to remain in Europe until the road is cleared, to help guard against any sudden attack.

A similar theme ran through a talk delivered in New York last night by Gen. Omar Bradley, the Army's Chief of Staff.

Bradley stressed his message a strong hint that he may soon retire—has been rumored for some time.

He went on to say that the way to sound warfare is to let the condition of the Army good and strong.

"I now feel that at any time I could in all good conscience return to the training and more not life of a citizen's lawyer."

He said he did not intend his talk to sound warlike. "I do not believe war is imminent," he declared. But he went on to say that the way to prevent hostilities is to let it be known that this country is ready.

Like the other Army Day speakers, Royal questioned the belief that the Air Force could handle it.

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