

Chinese Reds Suggest Eastern Problem Talks

Dulles Says Geneva Has First Call

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles said today Communist China has formally raised the question of a high level meeting with the United States to discuss outstanding Far East problems.

He told a news conference that Red China's representative at Geneva brought up this question along with Red objections to the Western trade blockade.

Dulles made it clear he opposes any such high level meeting until the present lower-level Geneva talks are exhausted. He said the possibilities at Geneva have not yet been exhausted.

Dulles disclosed the Chinese Communist and American special ambassadors, who have been discussing repatriation of civilians since Aug. 1, have now turned to "other practical matters" on their agenda.

It is in discussion of this second broader item, he said, that Chinese ambassador Wang Pingnan has raised the question of a higher level meeting, presumably at the foreign ministers level and also at Geneva.

Dulles' news conference was his last prospective meeting with reporters here before the Big Four foreign ministers meeting to begin in Geneva Oct. 27.

Dulles announced that when he leaves for Europe on Friday he will go first to Rome.

Dulles said he would discuss common problems with Italian officials.

From Rome, he will go on to Paris for sessions with the British and French foreign ministers prior to Geneva.

Dulles said he would discuss Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov.

In reply to questions, Dulles also said he would discuss:

1. He shared the view Vice President Nixon expressed last night in a New York speech—that there is more chance for practical steps to ease East-West tensions at the Geneva foreign ministers meeting than at any other such meeting in the 10 years.

2. He plans to discuss at informal separate meetings with Molotov the West's objections to Communist weapons shipments to Egypt and other Arab countries.



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THE ONLY TWO Republican governors at the Southern Governors' Conference, J. Caleb Boggs, Delaware, arrange two rows of elephants to form a V-for-victory sign.

Governors Of South Seeking Unifying Issue

POINT CLEAR, Ala. (AP)—Southern Democratic governors without a strong man to lead them and lacking a unifying issue—are groping for direction in the 1956 presidential campaign.

This political fact became clear in background talk which accompanied the formal opening of the 21st annual Southern Governors' Conference attended by chief executives of 15 Southern and border states.

One Democratic governor who asked not to be named said an effort is being made from Texas to organize a conservative Southern coalition which would be able to speak with authority in the Democratic National Convention, and thus have a strong voice in the selection of the nominee and drafting of a platform.

But this source said: "The effort so far has received a cold reception."

However, he said a coalition could be ruled out at this early stage of the pre-convention maneuvering and he wouldn't say it could not come to pass.

NO STRONG LEADER

"The truth is there isn't a man or an issue to pull these people into an organized bloc at this time," he said. "There's no strong leader. And I can't see any issue which is going to bring about a Southern union."

(The New York Times reported in a dispatch from Washington that Senate Majority Leader Johnson (D-Tex.) is seeking to form a powerful central coalition within the Democratic party which would enable Southern conservatives to force an "open" convention, avoid an automatic nomination of Stevenson and force the adoption of a moderate platform.)

Anyone trying to form a coalition of Southern states will have a difficult time if the temper of governors here is an accurate reflection of political thought in their home states.

FORM OF LINEUP

Already it is clear that the political lineup of the Dixie governors is taking this form:

1. One group — by far the largest — will be "loyal" to the Democratic party and its nominees, with strong indications that Adlai Stevenson is the front-running prospective candidate.

2. Gov. George Bell Timmerman Jr. of South Carolina, representing the thinking of a small number that a third party movement is a "strong possibility."

3. Texas' Gov. Allan Shivers, who supported President Eisenhower in 1952, is the advocate of an "Eisenhower type" Democratic nominee. He has announced his personal opposition to Stevenson as the Democratic standard bearer.

Smoking Again

Rock Hole Ready To 'Blow Its Top'

Smoke billowed from cracks in the ground in a score of more places at the old rock hole off W. Tremont Ave. today, reaching Pavilion city fathers once thought was licked was back in the spotlight again.

The area resembles a nightmarish Yellowknife Park, with geysers like trails of white smoke coming from 20 or more cracks in the ground.

One opening was sending up a steady stream of smoke and looked at any moment as if it were ready to blow its top.

Deputy Fire Chief P. C. Hinson, who directed a ladder company to lay two hose lines on the smoldering area this morning, said the rock hole is once more ready to "blow its top."

Where to get additional soil to cover a section of the rock hole better is the immediate question. Most of the depression has been properly filled in. But Chief Hinson said it's difficult to keep the area from erupting because of people from piling combustible material in a low-lying section of the area.

He pointed to piles of paper, scrap building materials, and even old roofing materials which have recently been hauled there and dumped.

"If we can keep people from bringing this debris in here, and if we can promptly exclude the oxygen from the materials underground, we can end this problem for good," the chief said.

"There's no immediate danger to the surrounding area, but this place has really become a nuisance. People on Wilmore Dr. will be bothered by the smoke, if the wind changes and sends it in their direction."

Traffic Plans For Ice Show To Be Formed

Efforts To Be Made To Prevent Tie-Ups

City police traffic experts and executives of the Charlotte Kiwanis Club will meet tomorrow to form a plan for movement of automobiles in and out of the coliseum parking lots next week.

"Ice Capades" opens in the coliseum Monday night. Eight performances will be given and as many as 10,000 persons are expected to attend each show.

"We are going to make certain that the traffic and parking problem are well taken care of," said McAlister Carson Jr., who is heading the Ice Capades committee for the Kiwanis Club. The organization is sponsoring the show here.

WILL MEET

Mr. Carson will meet with City Police Traffic Captain Lloyd Henkel and Lt. James B. Stegall to make the plans.

"The public is really buying the tickets for Ice Capades," Mr. Carson said. "And we will see to it that traffic is handled as smoothly as possible."

He said that as many extra policemen as needed will be employed to take care of traffic.

The police will immediately move in to keep the traffic moving.

EVERY MEANS

Mr. Carson said every possible means of safety spacing will be taken, pointing out that traffic jams had developed when attractions were at Owens Auditorium, which has 2,500 seats compared to the 10,000 in the coliseum.

Entrances to the two parking lots will be along the road which goes between the auditorium and the new motor courts, and the road just west of the coliseum.

Both of these lots will be for one-way traffic. In other words, motorists will not be allowed to come out of the lot once they are on it, and all lanes will be for cars moving into the lot.

FOR EXIT ONLY

Then when the show is over the roads will be for exit only.

The City Engineering Dept., however, said proposed entrances from Monroe Rd. will not be completed next week. Eventually Washburn and Chipley Aves. will lead into the lot from this road providing a total of four entrance roads.

Mr. Carson said motorists who can will be urged to come in by way of Eastway Dr., east of the coliseum.

OUT OF LUCK

MADISON, Va. (AP)—"Good Luck Service Station" near here is fresh out of good luck. Thieves had taken the place twice in the last four days and carried off seven shotguns and rifles, a pistol and ammunition owned by the proprietor, gun hobbyist Harry Gibbs. Also a can of pork and beans.

At Boar's Head

Employees Quizzed In Fire

Employees of the burned-out Boar's Head Restaurant were questioned by Detective Lt. Neal Forney today as police continued an investigation into the cause of the restaurant's early morning blaze.

Among those interrogated by Lt. Forney were several Negro curbsiders.

Meanwhile certain evidence collected at the ruins of the restaurant was scheduled to be sent to Washington laboratories of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

Lt. Forney said that "certain parts of the collected evidence" are being sent to Washington for chemical analysis.

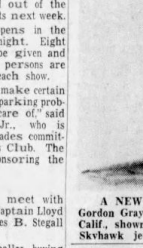
Although he was not ready to disclose the nature of the evidence, possible motives, or suspects, Lt. Forney made a report of his investigation for police files and labeled the Boar's Head fire "an unlawful burning."

Operators of the drive-in restaurant listed loss at between \$40,000 and \$50,000 from the 3 p.m. fire.

Flames which were first spotted by a Yellow Cab driver broke through the roof of the kitchen at the restaurant, and then burned out the two dining rooms.

The roof of the kitchen section had fallen in by the time that men from three companies arrived.

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A NEW SPEED MARK was set by Lt. Gordon Gray, 32, Navy test pilot of La Jolla, Calif., shown standing in front of the A-1H Skvayak jet bomber built by Douglas in which he covered a circular 500-kilometer course at 695.163 miles per hour. The record, established at Edwards Air Force base, bettered the old mark by about 45 miles per hour.

Roof Falls In

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Patients Hurt In Accident

GOLDSBORO (AP)—The side of a trucked gage way on a curve near here today, spilling 30 women mental patients out upon the pavement. Five were seriously hurt.

There were 60 patients in the truck, described by a spokesman at the hospital business office as a "big tow-truck."

Highway Patrolman Earl Merritt said a side of the truck gage way was picked up at a curve near Rosewood, about 10 miles from here.

He said the patients, who were turned and the side broke.

Dr. Ira C. Long, superintendent at the institution, said two patients suffered fractures of the pelvis, two suffered fractures of the thigh and three suffered broken legs. The others were less seriously hurt, he said.

Three Die When Plane Hits Apartment House

PARIS (AP)—Reports of serious new National attacks in Algeria, rebel forces today held the National Assembly gathered to decide whether to overthrow Premier Edgar Faure's government.

Bold rebel gunmen ambushed a bus and its military escort in daylight yesterday at El Mizer Pass, on a main highway in northeastern Algeria. Five of the African armed guard and eight Europeans aboard the bus were killed in the bloody attack. The remainder of the party believed to be Algerians were missing.

In another section in northeast Algeria, rebel riflemen held the town of Stora, fishing port of about 7,000 three miles northwest of Philippeville, under virtual siege. The insurgents shot up a farm half a mile out, then began firing sporadically at the town from the surrounding foothills. Sailors from the French cruiser Montcalm were rushed in to bolster Stora's defenses, and surrounding farms were evacuated hurriedly.

The renewed bloodshed in Algeria underscored the shaky position of Faure's government, facing an Assembly vote on its general vague Algerian policy, which has neither satisfied the Nationalist demands for self-rule nor suppressed the rebel violence.

The other known dead were identified as:

Mrs. Betty Jean Wolf, 18, resident in the upstairs apartment where the plane crashed.

Sherill C. Amille Preston, 20, 2 months, who had just been baptized two hours earlier.

The baby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Preston, who lived in the downstairs apartment, were injured or burned seriously.

Observers said Preston came to the scene.

Nothing Too Good For The Wife

MEMPHIS (AP)—A truck driver strode into a jewelry store, picked out a \$395 watch and put it into the lady's hand.

"It's for my wife," he said fondly. "I'll pay it out by Christmas, but 11 years ago that was a bit better than a layaway today. And he's still working on it—a little here, a little there. Already this year he has paid \$2.50. Total payments to date: \$262.91.

The normal layaway limit is about a year. But in this marriage, the case was a little different.

RUBY AND DIAMOND

It is an ornate watch, set with a ruby and diamond, in a style popular in the early '40s.

But on that September day in 1944, it was the only watch the man would look at. It was for his wife. He wanted the best. But by Christmas 1944 his payments had totaled only \$51.

Evening Prayer

Our loving heavenly Father, forgive us for our fearfulness and lack of faith. Grant to every storm-tossed, sin-troubled and care-worn heart Thine own gentle, steady spirit of peace and guidance. We pray.

Raised Freight Rates Continue

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Interstate Commerce Commission today authorized an indefinite continuation of the billion-dollar-a-year freight rate increases which it granted the railroads in 1952.

The increases, ranging from 12 to 15 per cent over 1952 levels, were scheduled to expire at the end of this year. However, the ICC canceled the Dec. 31 expiration date and thus in effect retained the higher rates on a permanent basis, as requested by the railroad industry.

The ICC also directed that one-time temporary hikes should no longer be treated as a surcharge on freight billings. The higher rates are thus folded into the established rate structure.

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Jane Withers Will Marry Singing Star

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Actress Jane Withers has announced that she and singer Ken Erarr will be married Sunday on a yacht in Newport harbor.

The former child star whose divorce from Texas' ex-governor William P. Moss Jr. became final last July 20 said she and Erarr will wed immediately for Jarez, Mex., where she has a singing date.

Miss Withers, 29, and Moss had three children. This will be the first marriage for Erarr, 27, whose parents live in Detroit.

Noel Field's Daughter Released By Russians

MOSCOW (AP)—Noel Field's long missing foster daughter Mrs. Erika Glaser Wallach has been released from Vorkuta labor camp and is in Moscow awaiting travel documents permitting her to leave the Soviet Union.

Chain-smoking as she talked to reporters, the 33-year-old German-born woman told reporters today she was picked up by East Berlin police in 1950 while searching for her foster parents.

She said she was held in solitary confinement for six years, then was sentenced to death in January 1953 as a spy by a Russian military court in East Berlin.

She was the last of the mysterious Field family to be freed by the Soviets. Noel Field, a former State Department employee, his wife Herta and his brother Herbert, a Cleveland architect, were arrested in Eastern Europe in 1950 as spies.

The Polish government released Hermann in October 1954, saying

Townsend Calls On Princess

LONDON (AP)—Peter Townsend called on Princess Margaret at Clarence House today soon after a cabinet meeting reportedly concerned with their relationship broke up at Downing St.

The Queen Mother Elizabeth was at Clarence House when Townsend arrived but left five minutes later. She is reported to be a staunch supporter of the love match that has England bubbling with excitement.

Shortly before Townsend, captain 40-year-old RAF group, had been paid his tea-time call on Princess Margaret. Prime Minister Eden brought to an end a two-hour meeting of his cabinet, called apparently to discuss the controversial, godfish-bowl romance.

Queen Elizabeth II returned earlier in the day from a long Scottish holiday to face the rising uproar over the romance.

Our Weather

Mostly cloudy with light showers and quite cool this afternoon tonight. Decreasing cloudiness tomorrow and quite cool.

High today—64.

High yesterday—65.

Low this morning—41.

Low tonight—33.

Sunrise 6:31 a. m.; sunset 5:46 p. m.

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