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New Era In Diplomacy Is Predicted

Frankness Is Seen As Replacing Old Secret Discussions

London, Feb. 2.—(AP)—United Nations delegates today envisioned a new era of frankness in international diplomacy after Soviet Russia and Britain clashed openly on the Greek dispute before the world security council.

Most of the statesmen said an amicable solution of the dispute itself was probable and that a more significant aspect was the way it was handled with cards-on-the-table tactics replacing the traditional secret diplomacy.

Although there was no immediate indication as to what course the debate would take when the council meets Monday, some delegates expressed the belief the case could be settled without either party losing face, by sending a UNO commission to Greece to investigate.

British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin has indicated he would welcome any inquiry into Russian charges that the presence of British troops in Greece endangered the peace.

Britain is committed to withdrawing from Greece anyway after the Greek national elections and the urgency of the situation, in the Russian view, might thus be eased before a commission could make a detailed investigation and prepare a report.

Some delegates said that Russia did not seem to be expressing the case to the fullest extent. In this connection, UNO officials pointed out that Andrei Vishinsky, Soviet vice minister of foreign affairs, did not mention the strategic and economic importance of Greece to the British empire—or to Russia.

Many Arrested For Failure To Show 1946 Auto Plates

Raleigh, Feb. 2.—(AP)—The state highway patrol headquarters here reported today that a large but undetermined number of motorists were arrested throughout the state yesterday for failure to display their 1946 auto license plates.

In Wake county alone, about 50 were given tickets. Among them were several state officials. Maj. H. J. Hatcher, patrol commander, said he has issued instructions to arrest everybody who failed to display their plates.

Truman Favors Only Civilians On Atom Group

Washington, Feb. 2.—(AP)—President Truman said today that a commission for the control of atom energy should be composed exclusively of civilians.

He also said "the government must be exclusive owner and producer of materials used in this field of new found power. Mr. Truman made known his attitude in a letter to Chairman McMahon (D-Cong.) of the Senate Atomic Energy Committee.

Art Exhibit Sold. Raleigh, Feb. 2.—The \$40,000 Chinese relief collection which has attracted thousands of visitors to the second floor of the State Museum during the past year has been sold and moved to New York, Harry Davis, director of the Museum division of the State Department of Agriculture, reports.

UNO Site Committee Reveals Choice

London, Feb. 2.—(AP)—The Greenwich-Stamford area of Connecticut was recommended today as permanent headquarters of the United Nations, with New York City as the interim site in a report of the UNO special committee on headquarters.

While making this specific recommendation, an announcement by UNO secretariat said, the committee is also reporting on three other districts—Hyde Park, N. Y., Blue Hill near Boston and the North Shore section northeast of Boston.

Final selection rests with the General Assembly of the UNO. The committee which spent several weeks inspecting sites in New England, is to arrive back in London tomorrow.

NO MORE U. S. EGGS. London, Feb. 2.—(AP)—British housewives, angered by the disappearance of American dried eggs from their market, were told by Food Administrator Sir Ben Smith today that the imports were stopped because they cost too many American dollars.

Guilty, Say Jurors



CONVICTED by a Paterson, N. J., jury of six men and six women, Mrs. Geneva Humphrey, 47, is pictured in court. Mild-mannered, formerly a domestic, she was sentenced for manslaughter in having killed her husband by running him down and crushing him with their family automobile. (International)

President And Byrnes Deny Split

State Secretary Lauds Support Of Chief Executive

Washington, Feb. 2.—(AP)—President Truman and Secretary of State James Byrnes presented a united front today against talk that they had fallen out on the foreign policy matters.

In the record was Byrnes statement at a press conference: "No man as secretary of state could every have more complete support than I have had from the President." Byrnes' declaration came only a few minutes after he attended an afternoon cabinet meeting at the White House. A reporter asked him to comment on reports of a rift with the Chief Executive, some of which stemmed from Mr. Truman's remark at his Thursday news conference that the President, not the State Department, determines foreign policy.

Byrnes' reply came with a rush. He knew of no such rift, the President hadn't meant for his remarks to be interpreted as a slap at the secretary and the President greatly regretted his interpretation.

Sun Spots Hurt Communications. New York, Feb. 2.—(AP)—International radio communication was disrupted for over two hours today by adverse atmospheric conditions caused by two large sun spots in the upper right edge of the sun.

Mackay Radio and Telegraph Company reported a "complete blackout" of communications with Europe from 4:04 to 7 a. m. affecting all east and west circuits.

RCA said it had "sub-normal" contact with Europe from approximately 4:16 to 6 a. m., adding that while communications was maintained in half points open during the period, there was "a very noticeable dip in radio waves." Other communications firms reported the sun spots caused poor radio conditions during the same hours. In March 1940 seven spots appeared at the same time and radio telephone and teletype communications were snarled for several days.

Speedy Government Action To End Crippling Steel Strike Forecast

More 'Little' Steel Firms Give Boosts

1,800 Members Of CIO Union Agree To Halt Walkout

Pittsburgh, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Another 1,800 members of the CIO-United Steel Workers today had signed contracts with steel companies bringing to more than 23,500 the number of employes put back on the job by such agreements since the nationwide steel strike began 13 days ago.

Biggest of three firms signing was Jessop Steel Company of Washington, Penn., with 1,000 workers. The amount of the pay increase was not disclosed but Harry Wilson, vice president of the firm, said the arrangement reached was "mutually agreeable to both the company and union."

The Super-Heater Company of East Chicago, Ind., reached an agreement with the union for an 18.5 cents hourly increase, the figure recommended by President Truman. The plant's 750 employes will return to work Monday.

Hinds Company Signs. Settlement of a strike of 60 workers at the Hinds Steel Company plant at Union, N. J., was announced by Pete Moselle, director of district two, USW-CIO. He said the employes would return to work Monday with a wage increase of 18.5 cents an hour.

Altogether some 50 firms, largely steel fabricating companies, have signed back to work contracts. In most cases, wage increases of 18.5 cents an hour or higher were granted.

Negotiations were underway today between the union and Inland Steel Corp., which employs about 11,000 persons and has plants at Indiana Harbor and Chicago Heights, Ill., with 36 open hearth, six blast furnaces, 360 coke oven and a rolling mill.

Handkerchief Said Clue In Kidnaping Identified By GI

Chicago, Feb. 2.—(AP)—A soldier who has been overseas more than 15 months identified today a handkerchief which police say was a clue to the January 7 kidnap-murder of young Suzanne Degnan.

Tech. Sgt. Seymour Sherman, 22 of New York City, who was en route to the United States from India at the time the child was slain identified the handkerchief from its laundry markings, "S. Sherman-3168." The figures, he said, represented the last four digits of his army serial number.

ROUSE WILL BECOME POWER FIRM LAWYER

Raleigh, Feb. 2.—Charles F. Rouse of Winston has tendered to President Truman his resignation as U. S. District Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina. When his resignation is accepted, he will join the legal staff of the Carolina Power and Light Company in the Carolina Power and Light's Raleigh offices.

Honesty Pays Off



SMILING Virginia Kammerer, 23, St. Louis, Mo., happily fingers a \$1,000 diamond brooch as she leaves the Property Clerk's office in New York City. She found the brooch last Sept. 24 and turned it over to authorities. When no one claimed it after 90 days, it was given back to her again. (International)

Officer Says Navy Tried To Gag Him

Stafford Testifies Hewitt Wanted Him To Reverse Story

Washington, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Navy Captain L. F. Stafford testified today that a representative of the secretary of the navy had made a determined effort in 1945 to get him to tell a Pearl Harbor inquiry court that no Japanese "winds" message had been intercepted.

Testifying before the Senate-House Pearl Harbor committee, Stafford named this representative as Lt. Commander John Connell.

He said Connell was a special representative of the secretary of the navy and legal advisor to Adm. Kent Hewitt, who conducted a special inquiry into the Pearl Harbor disaster in 1945.

"In 1945 there was a determined effort made to have me reverse my testimony and say that I had never seen the winds message," Stafford told the committee.

72 Hours Notice. Stafford testified yesterday that such a message containing the words "east wind-rain" which he said "meant war" with the Japanese had been received and decoded by the Navy December 4, 1941, 72 hours before the Hawaiian strike.

Stafford, assistant director of naval communications, said Sonnett called him to a conference May 11, 1945 to discuss testimony that Stafford was expected to give before Hewitt.

"It was apparent to me at the very first meeting that Sonnett was acting as a defense counsel for the late Frank Knox and for Admiral Stark and not as a prosecutor of the Hewitt investigation," Stafford said. At the time of the Pearl Harbor attack Knox was Navy secretary and Admiral Stark was chief of naval operations.

Market Hits Another Peak

New York, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Inflation fuel continued to spark the market today on its climb to another 15 year peak with steel and specialties leading a fairly active

In front most of the time were U. S. Steel, U. S. Rubber, Sears Roebuck, Douglas Aircraft, American Telephone and Southern Railway. On the off-side were New York Central, Pennsylvania, North American, Standard Oil and General Motors.

Intervention By Federal Agency Said Imperative

Washington, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Speedy White House action to end the steel strike was termed "imperative" today, as President Harry Truman called in OPA Chief Chester Bowles on the price issues involved in the crippling dispute.

A high Government official who said action now had become imperative forecast it might be forthcoming this week-end since "big steel" showed no signs of joining the current parade of companies settling their reconversion wage disputes.

Gave Oral Report. Another strong hint of Government expectations came last night from Nathan Feinsinger, chairman of Mr. Truman's steel fact finding board. The three panel members were called to the White House yesterday afternoon and gave a four-hour oral report.

Asked whether the President was contemplating in preparation for a new effort at settlement, Feinsinger said he gathered that Mr. Truman has some expectations of something happening in the near future—but Mr. Truman did not tell the board what he has in mind.

Feinsinger said he was sure, however, that "the President is still thinking in terms of settlement" and not seizure.

The summons of Bowles to the White House was interpreted generally as putting the question of steel price increases once more squarely in the foreground.

The fact that Bowles was called back from a brief vacation in South Carolina for the conference served to emphasize its political importance. Bowles' aides say he still steadfastly opposes more than a \$2.50 a ton increase for steel, although top policy officials—including Reconstruction Director John Snyder—favor a boost of about \$1.

U. S. Steel Stands Fat. United States Steel Corp. is standing pat on its assertion that "excess" of \$625 would be needed to defray the 18.5 cents hourly wage increase which Mr. Truman has proposed for the CIO United Steel Workers.

Meanwhile, wage negotiations sagged in both the General Motors case, where a coast to coast strike entered its 74th day, and in the shipbuilding industry. Federal Conciliator James Dewey, who suddenly resigned G. M. negotiations in Detroit for the week-end, was expected to confer with Secretary of Labor Louis Schwelienbach during the day. Yesterday's Detroit session never even got around to the subject of wages.

The shipbuilding stabilization conference, deadlocked over the wage demands of 450,000 CIO and AFL shipyard workers, adjourned its hearings until February 11. The labor and Government members of the conference favor an 18 cent hourly wage increase for all workers, but management opposes.

New Conference

Washington, Feb. 2.—(AP)—President Truman today conferred with Secretaries Byrnes and Vinson, former Government reconversion chiefs, and with the head of the strike-bound General Electric Corp.

These moves, linked with a scheduled conference between Mr. Truman and OPA Chief Chester Bowles, increased speculation that further White House action seeking to halt industrial strike was contemplated.

Bowles originally had intended to discuss steel prices with Mr. Truman during the morning but the meeting was postponed until this afternoon.

Secretary of State Byrnes and Treasury Secretary Fred Vinson had a joint forenoon talk with Mr. Truman. Both were predecessors to Reconstruction Director John Snyder. Mr. Truman received Charles E. Wilson, president of General Electric, at Wilson's request. There was no immediate further disclosure concerning this conference.

Santiago, Chile, Feb. 2.—(AP)—The Chilean confederator of labor, preparing for a showdown on the government's labor policy, called a crippling strike today to enforce demands for recognition of nitrate unions and the formation of farm workers unions.

A partial strike, affecting railroad, electric, metallurgical and construction workers, was started at 5 a. m. (5 a. m. EST). To Begin Monday. A general strike of all the federation's 300,000 workers was ordered to start Monday and continue until

JOY AND GRIEF IN 'WALKER' RACE



FOR SPEED IT WOULDN'T MATCH THE DERBY, but for excitement the second annual Baby Walker Race at Miami Beach, Fla., topped 'em all here (left) is the 45-second winner of the 60-ft. event for two-to-six year olds, little Diana Sue Sprinkle herself, with her mother, and (right) Patricia Ann Habb, who apparently was left at the post. (International)

American Legion Demand For Ouster Of Bradley Meets Sharp Opposition

Eisenhower Gives Backing To Chief Of Vets' Agency

Washington, Feb. 2.—(AP)—President Truman today gave his "complete and unqualified support" to General Omar Bradley in the current controversy over Bradley's operation of the Veterans Administration.

Bradley yesterday denied charges by John Steele, American Legion commander, that there had been a "major breakdown" in VA under his administration. Charles Ross, White House press secretary, volunteered this statement to reporters: "I should like to say that for the President that General Bradley has the complete and unqualified support of Mr. Truman. The President does not feel that Mr. Steele in his attack on Bradley is speaking for the Legion. The President considers that General Bradley has done a fine job. In other words, he is backing General Bradley up to the hilt."

Washington, Feb. 2.—(AP)—The American Legion's demand for the ouster of General Omar Bradley as veterans' administrator ran into sharp opposition today from other veterans organizations and General Dwight Eisenhower pleaded his support "anywhere, anytime."

Eisenhower told reporters he was not familiar with the Legion's demand for an investigation of Bradley, but he considered the general one of the greatest living Americans.

"If General Bradley needs any support," he declared, "there is no one who will fly anywhere, anytime to support him."

Bradley said he would welcome the Congressional investigation which the Legion asked and claiming definite progress had been made in his "short six months of stewardship."

Members of Congress appeared wary about intervening in the controversy at this time. A few said they thought something was wrong with VA's functioning, but others contended that Bradley should be given a chance to show what he can do.

Wreck Of Plane Found On Mountain

Bodies Located High In Rockies By Search Party

Elk Mountain, Wyo., Feb. 2.—(AP)—The search party prepared to scale Elk Mountain today to bring down on one slope the bodies of 21 persons killed when a United Air Lines plane crashed on the snow covered peak Thursday.

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Twenty Year Sentence Is Handed Jap

Yokohama, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Capt. Hiroji Honma was convicted today by a military commission of failing to prevent subordinates at a prisoner of war camp from committing atrocities against Allied prisoners.

He was given the lightest sentence pronounced at any war crimes trial in Japan—20 years at hard labor. Of four Japanese previously convicted, two were sentenced to death and two to life imprisonment.

Lint Futures Up 40 Cents At End

New York, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 10 to 20 cents a bale higher. Cotton futures closed 30 to 40 cents a bale higher.

Table with columns: Open, Close, and various dates (March, May, July, October, December, March 1936, Middling Spot). Values range from 25.23 to 24.93.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA Fair and colder tonight: Sunday fair and mild but slightly colder in north portion.

RECOMMENDED AS SITES FOR UNO



IN A TELEGRAM SENT to the United Nations Secretariat in London by the UNO subcommittee seeking a permanent American headquarters for the world organization, possible sites appeared to favor New York and Connecticut areas. Indicated by black squares on the map are those mentioned as favored: Hyde Park and parts of northwest Westchester County; the Ridgefield and Stamford areas in Connecticut; the Yorktown-Somers and Pound Ridge sections in New York. (International)