

Dulles Prods France Again To Accept E.D.C. Army Plan

By JOHN SCALI

WASHINGTON, (AP)—State Secretary Dulles prodded France sharply Tuesday to approve the United States Army plan and United States troops would be withdrawn from advance positions in Germany unless the French act.

"The day of decision cannot be indefinitely postponed," he said. "We are close to a date when non-action is the equivalent of adverse action."

The European Defence Community treaty calls for a single-unit army, including soldiers of France, West Germany and four other countries. The French parliament has delayed a decision on ratification of the EDC pact. Fear of a rearmaged Germany is a major stumbling block.

Dulles spoke before some 500 luncheon guests who crowded into the National Press Club auditorium

to hear his review of critical world problems.

Reporting on the outlook for peace, he said the danger of war has lessened in the last year or two but that the threat of Russian attack nevertheless remains "immediate and persistent."

His bluntly-worded appeal to the French backed up a warning he voiced personally last week in Paris when he said continued French indecision would cause an "agonizing reappraisal" of American policy in Europe.

Pulling no punches, Dulles not only reiterated this Tuesday but hinted American troops now stationed in Germany might be pulled out unless France quickly joins the proposed six-nation European Army.

Mere Observers

France's failure to act, he said, has placed the entire 14-nation Atlantic pact defence plan "upon a foundation which is precarious."

He said most of America's six divisions in Europe were placed in "advanced positions in West Germany" with the belief German troops could be mobilized too to help defend Western Europe once the EDC pact was ratified.

"It is unacceptable that the United States should continue in the role of being a principal defender of Germany, while the Germans themselves look on as mere observers," Dulles said.

If the prospect of approving EDC vanishes, Dulles said "then the basic strategy of NATO will have to be re-examined."

Dulles pictured the year 1954 as a time for "great decision." He noted that Russia "after months of attempted evasion" has indicated it will meet the Big Three Western foreign ministers to talk about Germany and Austria.

Canada Province of Prince Edward Island in the Probate Court

The 4th day of December A.D. 1953.

In Re Estate of LORNE HARPER late of Charlottetown in Queen's County in the said Province, Returned deceased, in estate.

To the Sheriff of the County of Queen's County or any Constable or literate person within said County.

GREETING:

WHEREAS upon reading the petition on file of Wallace L. Higgins of Charlottetown aforesaid, Merchant, the Executor of the above named Estate, praying that a citation may be issued for the purpose hereinafter set forth: You are therefore hereby required to cite all persons interested in the said Estate to be and appear before the Judge present at a Probate Court held in the Court House in Charlottetown in Queen's County in the said Province, on Monday the 11th day of January next coming, at the hour of eleven o'clock forenoon of the same day to show cause if any they can why the Accounts of the said Estate should not be passed and the Estate closed as prayed for in said petition and on motion of R. Reginald Bell Esquire, Proctor for said Petitioner:

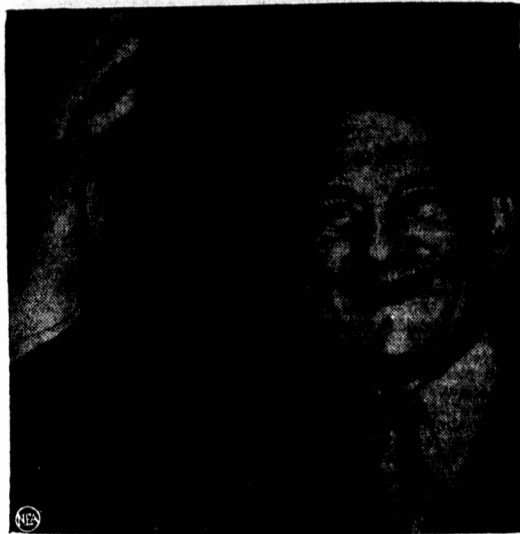
AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a true copy hereof be forthwith published in some newspaper in Charlottetown aforesaid once in each week for at least four consecutive weeks from the date thereof and that a true copy hereof be forthwith posted in the following public places respectively, namely: in the hall of the Court House in Charlottetown aforesaid, at or near the Bank of Nova Scotia building in Charlottetown aforesaid, and at or near the Royal Bank building in Charlottetown aforesaid, so that all persons interested in the said Estate as aforesaid may have due notice thereof.

WITNESS His Honour Harold Leonard Palmer, Judge of the said Probate Court at Charlottetown in Queen's County, the day and year first above written.

By the Court.

(Seal) Frances B. Vinnicombe Registrar.

France Has A President



Rene Coty, a conservative independent, waves his hand in victory at Paris after he was elected President of France. Coty was elected on the 13th ballot thus breaking the longest presidential deadlock in the nation's history. He was formerly the Senate Vice President.

British Police Seek To Find Phantom Sniper

By DEREK JAMESON

LONDON, Reuters — The phantom marksman of the London Portsmouth highway struck again this week-end, shattering his 71st car windshield in a flash of orange light.

The latest victim, Andrew Wilson, a 30-year-old official of the BBC, was hit in the same way as the rest. A sharp crack, then splinters of glass falling into his lap.

"There was a bright orange flash," said Wilson, who was driving from London to the naval town of Portsmouth. "Nobody was near me and there was no place where anyone could hide."

Three years of investigation since the first case was reported have left detectives bewildered. There has never been a bullet, pellet, stone or other missile found to give them a clue.

71 Smashings Reported

The majority of the 71 windshields smashings have been in daylight. All have occurred on a beautiful two-mile stretch of the highway 14 miles from London.

Strangely enough, nobody has been seriously hurt. All drivers have managed to stop before running into anything.

The first theory was that a sniper, hidden in the woods surrounding the stretch of highway, was at work with an air rifle—and a grudge against the mechanized age. For months police hid in the woods, constantly patrolled the road and even called in tracker dogs.

The result: one police car windshield cracked.

No Evidence of Mail

The investigation was finally given up. Police reported no evidence that a rifle is involved or that there is malicious intent behind the incidents.

That left theory No. 2—loose stones thrown up by the wheels of cars. But the road was resurfaced in 1950 and there are few loose stones. And in any case, why should stones fly only in daylight. To make sure, the road was swept daily.

Only the more romantic—and untested—theories remain. One is that mysterious supersonic waves unheard by ear shattered the windshields in much the same way that a vibrating tuning fork can smash a wine glass.

Great Entrance

The Royal Festival Hall in London is believed to have the largest foyer in Europe.

By J. R. Williams

British Aroused Over McCarthy's Trade Blasts

By SEYMOUR TOPPING

LONDON, (AP)—Britons of all political hues are angry over Senator Joseph McCarthy's attacks on British trade with Communist China.

Hyde Park's sidewalk orators portray the Wisconsin Republican as a bogeyman slugging Britain from behind. London newspapers from left to right take a similar line. Members of Parliament have taken up the cry.

"Hate-maker," snapped the pro-Labor Daily Herald when McCarthy asked Eisenhower to protest to President Eisenhower about "blood trade" with Peking. The Conservative Daily Telegraph accused the Senator of trying to "poison American attitudes towards friendly nations."

In the House of Commons, Conservative Cyril Osborne said Britain should spurn U. S. dollar aid

to prevent "further attacks on British policy." Left-wing Labor members, who want fewer government restrictions on British-Chinese trade anyway, are stepping up their Red trade campaign.

Members of Prime Minister Churchill's cabinet are fuming, but they avoid an open fight with McCarthy for fear of exposing themselves to charges of meddling in American politics. Privately they express confidence the Eisenhower regime will go on supporting their China trade policies.

Churchill's government feels itself caught in a squeeze between McCarthy's barrage and Labor pressure for more trade with Peking.

Britain and her strategic island colony of Hong Kong do more trading with Red China than any other Western nation. But trade in strategic goods is banned. U. S. embassy officials who watch such things, say Britain does a good job enforcing this ban.

Britain contends her current authorized trade with China is about three-tenths of one per cent of her total trade.

Burgess Bedtime

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side. When they were tired, they lay down side by side. They rubbed each other's faces. They nibbled at each other's ears. It was the first day of a new year. It was being celebrated all over the world, as the New Year is always celebrated. Of course those two happy young foxes knew nothing of this, for the wild folk of the Green Forest and the Green Meadows count time only from day to day. But somehow, they did know that this was the beginning of a new life and new happiness for both of them. When they had rested, Too-Smart proudly led Soft-Eyes to his home. He hoped she would like it, but if she didn't she had only to say so, and they would make a new home wherever she wanted it to be.

Reds Push Agricultural Program To Meet Unrest

By William L. Ryan AP Foreign News Analyst.

The anger of Russian housewives set wheels in motion in the fastnesses of the Kremlin itself.

Last spring was a bad time for potatoes and beets and cumpsters to disappear from the city's markets—just after Stalin's death and on the edge of a struggle for power. When the secret police of Lavrenty Beria gripped the country, housewife Natasha Ivanovna's muttered comments could be ignored. But Stalin was gone now, and the secret police were no longer the reliable instrument of control they had been. Something new was happening. And the Soviet people, more and more openly, were beginning to show signs of restless annoyance.

The government of Premier Georgi Malenkov needed every ounce of loyalty and support it could muster. And so the new consumer program was born, to promise more and better goods for the public.

Even today, Natasha Ivanovna's anger keeps light burning late in Communist party headquarters throughout the Soviet republics.

Moscow is angry and anxious. The agriculture program, the basis of Premier Malenkov's promise of better living standards in two to three years, got off to a slow and faltering start.

Broken Promises

The Communist party central committee is building fires under its party branches throughout the Soviet empire, to get the program moving, to avoid failure for Moscow's promises. People of the Soviet Union give evidence that they are weary of broken promises.

But the job ahead is one of appalling magnitude and disheartening contradictions.

In September party secretary Nikita S. Khrushchev admitted that some areas had livestock below 1917 levels. The party demands a 20-per-cent increase in livestock by next October. But at the same time, the party calls for a 37-per-cent increase in meat available to the public. Can even the Communist party attempt to increase the slaughter of herds and still increase the number of livestock? Can it kill calves and still increase the output of milk? Can it produce more leather and more herbs at the same time?

A Western agricultural expert estimates, on the basis of figures presented at the September meeting, that at least 2,500,000 head of cattle died in the Soviet Union in the winter of 1952-53 because of lack of fodder and shelter, overcrowding in winter shelter and disease. He estimates that the same number are doomed this winter.

No Turning Back

Personal observation in a half dozen Soviet republics indicates the Kremlin's troubles are far from over in this respect.

The party, faced now with Malenkov's broad promises, is almost beside itself in the effort to get the program rolling. There can be no turning back, because this program

January Sales Are Underway Early In Britain

LONDON, (Reuters) — Britain's annual January sales got off to an early start today with long lines of housewives outside the big stores ready to spend what's left of the family bank roll after Christmas.

Christmas decorations were torn down from store windows with almost indecent haste to cash in on the extra money in circulation this year.

Summer-like weather accounted for the early opening of the sales. Stores are overloaded with stocks of winter clothes.

The woman who put off buying her winter coat until the first frost now will be able to get one at half-price.

Contract Bridge

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Observe how informative the following line of play would be.

At the third trick South leads to the diamond ace and ruffs a diamond. If he observes the fall of back to dummy with a trump and ruffs another diamond, then returns again to ruff dummy's last diamond. If he observes the fall of cards he will see that East actually shows two hearts and five diamonds and West's original fourth-best lead (which there is no reason to suspect) marks East with five spades. Thus, East cannot have more than one club. South has only to lay down the club king, and when East plays the four-spot, South can finesse against West with assurance of success.

There are monumental problems—shortages in manpower, labor-saving machines, fertilizers and animal fodders. There is the great machinery bottleneck.

Something has had to give way. Since the government is loathe to slow down its heavy industry program, it has been looking for manpower by halting the "Veliky Stoiky"—great projects—so dear to Stalin's heart. It is fairly certain, for example, that the Turkmen canal project has been stopped. Other big labor-consuming programs also are probably due to be halted.

Expect U. S. Forces Will Remain In Europe For Years

By STANLEY FRIDDLE

PARIS, (Reuters) — State Secretary John Foster Dulles said Monday he anticipates American forces will remain in Europe as long as the 20-year North Atlantic Treaty, signed in 1949, lasts.

He made the statement at a press conference, apparently to allay French fears that troops from the proposed six-nation European Army would be used to replace those of the United States.

At the same time, Dulles declared the Eisenhower administration will be forced into "an agonizing reappraisal of its basic policies" if the European Defence Community treaty, calling for the international army, is not ratified in the coming few months.

He issued this warning before a closed session of NATO ministers and later distributed copies of his policy address to the press conference. It was clearly aimed at stirring Western Europe out of its apathy toward the EDC treaty which was signed 18 months ago and is still not ratified.

"We are not so much interested in getting German troops as we are in a situation in which the Western nations, especially France and Germany, will not commit suicide," he said. "But if they decide to commit suicide, they may have to commit it alone."

If EDC treaty is not ratified, Dulles said, the United States will have to reconsider its disposition of troops in Europe. But, he added quickly: "My anticipation is that U. S. forces will remain in Europe as long as NATO lasts."

Backing up his appeal for speedy ratification, he pointed out that half of U. S. military aid to Europe, according to a decision of Congress, would be "tied up" from the beginning of the next fiscal year (June 30) because it could only be paid to the European Defence Community.

France has urged that the 20-year duration of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization be extended to match the 50-year term of EDC.

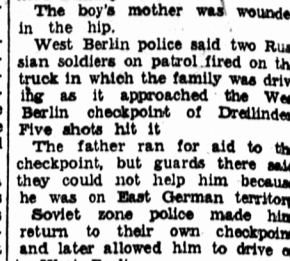
West Berlin Boy Shot By Reds

BERLIN, (Reuters) — Russian soldiers shot and killed a 14-year-old West Berlin boy Saturday night while he was driving with his parents on the highway through the Soviet zone from West Germany to West Berlin, police said here Sunday.

The boy's mother was wounded in the hip.

West Berlin police said two Russian soldiers on patrol fired on the truck in which the family was driving as it approached the West Berlin checkpoint of Dreilinden. Five shots hit it.

The father ran for aid to the checkpoint, but guards there said they could not help him because he was on East German territory. Soviet zone police made him return to their own checkpoint, and later allowed him to drive on to West Berlin.



SHIELD OF HONOR — This Sir Winston Churchill's Garter Shield which will hang in George's Hall at Windsor, along with those of other Knights of the Garter. It was designed by artist Percy Vere Collings of Herts, England, who was painter to both King George V and King George VI.

'Searching' Ideas for War, Peace



"Armadillo" suit keeps UN troops in Korea safe as they hunt for hidden mines along the demilitarized zone.



"Audiogage" is an instrument to detect flaws in r.r. tracks.

Safety experts are constantly on the lookout for devices which will help save lives. M/Sgt. R. D. West, left, of Ft. Madison, Ia., wears a specially constructed suit as he searches for mines in Korea. The suit weighs 24 pounds, has an armored vest and Army field pants with laminated nylon plates attached. This London railroad worker, at right, is using a device to search out flaws in tracks. The device transmits an ultrasonic beam into the top of the rail. If the operator receives a distinct drop in the pitch of the signal produced, there is a flaw in the rail. The generator and receiver are powered by a battery pack carried on his back.

Santa Overcomes All Obstacles In His "Devotion To Duty"



Father Christmas can always find a way to speed up things, however remote the place. Given a helping hand from the U. S. air force, who loaned a helicopter for the occasion, good old Saint Nick is seen being lowered from the whirly-bird to a boat waiting to take him aboard North Goodwin lighthouse with gifts from the town of Ramsgate, England.

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THE SIDE BOARDS

Do you shrink from making friends?

When you feel like starting a friendly conversation with a stranger, does shyness hold you back?

Don't let it, advises noted author A. J. Cronin in January Reader's Digest.

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