

U. N. Chief May Be Trying For A Long Term Settlement

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Dag Hammarskjöld's sudden decision last week to visit the Middle East has led to conflicting interpretations at United Nations headquarters of the real purpose of the secretary-general's trip.

One view is that the UN chief considers the Middle East situation as much more serious than it appears now on the surface; the other is that Hammarskjöld is taking advantage of present local Israeli-Jordanian tension to make a strong case on the spot with the parties concerned for at least the start of a long-term settlement.

However, the latest dispatches from Amman indicate the Hammarskjöld mission apparently has made little headway in the Jordanian capital in discussing the immediate points at issue.

GRAVITY HINTED
Behind the current tension on Israel's eastern border are these immediate factors which isolated from the long-term Arab-Jewish hostility would appear trivial:

the secret a rare general would hardly have left UN headquarters in the windup weeks of a General Assembly session for these reasons alone.

Opposition by Jordan to the efforts of Col. Byron Leary, American acting head of the mixed armistice commission since Can-

ada's Maj-Gen. E. L. M. Burns took over as chief of the UN Emergency Force, directly preceded Hammarskjöld's announcement that he would go to the area.

JORDAN SUSPICIOUS
The Jordanians called Leary "unco-operative" and said they would not negotiate further with him on complaints of border outbreaks. Before leaving the UN, Hammarskjöld reiterated his confidence in the American officer, and conferred with him Tuesday before meeting Israeli leaders.

The Israeli side (too) has not been noticeably co-operative on the current issues.

The gasoline issue arose over Jordan's refusal to allow an Israeli convoy carrying the fuel to pass through Jordanian territory to supply Jewish installations on Mount Scopus, an Israeli island in an area demilitarized under the 1949 armistice.

The Israelis say the gasoline is needed to supply a power plant but the Jordanians have contended that it would be used for fertilization - building machinery - forbidden under the armistice agreement.

EGYPT QUIET
Similarly Jordan has opposed tree-planting in the area by Israelis on the grounds that this could mask armed installations and also indicate that the Israelis felt the ground would one day belong to them.

The rest of the Middle East area has been relatively quiet in recent weeks. Burns' emergency force has reported no trouble on the Egyptian border, and Syria's claims that Turkey was threatening her have more or less evaporated.

Even Egypt has been giving indications of co-operation on the question of the Suez Canal, the issue which set off the fighting more than a year ago. And thus Jordan and Israel appear to be the chief trouble spots at the moment.

The best guess now seems to be that Hammarskjöld is hoping to stop what is still a minor eruption before it has a chance to ignite the rest of the Middle East - and that he feels the ignition point is too close for comfort.

Presley's Christmas Music Not Popular In The West

An album of Christmas songs and carols recorded by Elvis Presley has struck a sour note with some Canadian radio stations.

Several gave a resounding "no!" when asked whether they would play the discs by the rock 'n' roll singer, which include such

include such numbers as Santa, Bring My Baby Back to Me and Silent Night.

Some are undecided, and a few said they will play only the non-religious numbers. Other stations plan to wait for the views of listeners.

The comments varied from "disgraceful" to "a good job."

Station CKXL in Calgary banned the album outright and said it was "one of the most degrading things heard in some time."

A disc jockey on CHNS, Halifax, said that while the station was considering playing parts of the discs, the "sexy overtones" ruled out Presley's version of Silent Night and O Little Town of Bethlehem.

CKOY, broadcasting in the Ottawa region, will probably play parts of the record.

"I feel Presley has done a good job and his feeling in the songs is authentic," said a spokesman. A panel of four Edmonton

college students, broadcasting on CKED's Pastor's Study saw nothing wrong in the record. They had no objection if Presley recorded a "great message of Christmas" to teen-agers.

CPCW in Camrose, Alta., hasn't heard the recordings but planned to use them when they arrive.

Montreal stations were excited by the album. Assistant Manager Bobby Reid of CKCW, Montreal, N.B., said he is banning it outright. He added that any disc jockey who plays it will "lose his identification."

Among the other stations against the disc was Toronto's CFRB.

"Why give them Presley when there are so many better interpretations of Christmas songs?" said a spokesman.

None of the Vancouver stations have banned that record specifically. With the exception of CKLG, they are leaving it to the discretion of the men running the programs.

Said CKLG: "We never use Presley records, and if we did we wouldn't be using that album."

Most Valuable Lineman Not To Klaye Vaughan

OTTAWA (CP)—Klaye Vaughan, Ottawa Rough Riders rugged two-way tackle who was named Canadian football's most valuable lineman last two years, says the 1958 season will be his last in the Big Four Football League, it was reported Wednesday.

Vaughan, who joined the Riders after graduating from Tulsa University, said in a telephone call conversation from Montreal that he will start work in January with a chemical company in Calgary.

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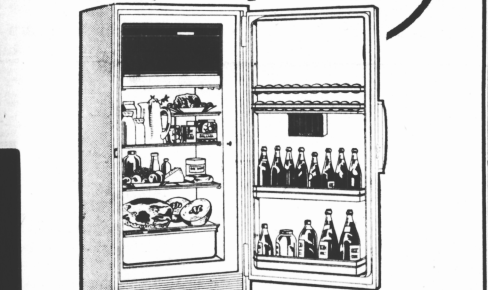
RARE COLOR
Grey thoroughbreds are rare on modern racetracks, where most runners are bay or chestnut.

WORLD WHEAT CHAMPION
World wheat champion Andrew Royal Agricultural Winter Fair Miss Super-Continental, Donna Davidson, 36-year-old farmer in Toronto. Here he is presented Warringer, of Yorkton, Sask., from Essex, England, was awarded the Canadian National Rail-silver tray by CNR Deputy Vice-President A. Argo, assisted by crown.

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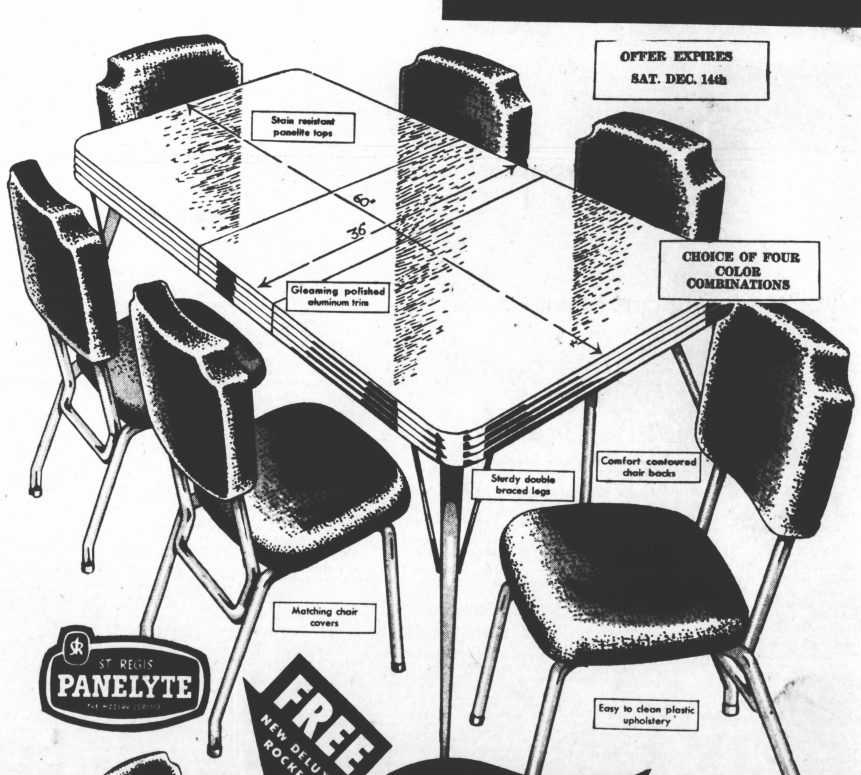
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