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## U. S. Reported Ready To Press For Soft Peace With Japan

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18 — (AP) — The United States is ready to press its wartime Pacific allies to accept a soft peace with Japan, without restrictions on rearmament, or trade, and without reparations or indemnity.

Administration plans also call for retaining Okinawa as an American military base under a United Nations trusteeship, and, with Tokyo's consent, to keep American troops in Japan after the formal occupation is ended.

This American program was outlined today by responsible officials, following President Truman's statement that he has directed the State Department to renew treaty preliminaries immediately with 12 other wartime foes of Japan. Russia is included.

If Moscow, as widely expected, continues to insist on a treaty dictated by the big powers alone, officials believe the non-Communist powers will agree to a separate peace settlement which would leave Japan in a technical state of war with Russia and in the Western camp.

### Reaction Favorable

Some of the other countries have been sounded out and their initial reaction to American plans appears to be favorable, reporters were told. Representatives of the others, including Russia, will be consulted during the next two months during the forthcoming session of the U. N. General Assembly.

The terms proposed by the United States for Japan contrast with those imposed on Italy and the Eastern European Allies of Hitler, which had to pay reparations and were limited in the size of their armed forces.

### Other Questions

Decisions on other questions involved in the treaty and Japan's future include:

1. Peace conference—whether to hold a conference, when and where, will be decided in consultations with the other Allies.
2. China — the U. S. "at the present stage" will ignore Communist China and deal with the Nationalists.
3. Formosa — a tentative idea is to have the treaty strip the island from Japan and leave its ultimate disposition up to the U. N. The Ryukyu Islands, including Okinawa, would be placed under U. N. trusteeship with the U. S. administrator, permitting continued American use of Okinawa as a military base.
4. Economic—Restrictions would be lifted entirely on normal Japanese production and trade. Some opposition or criticism is looked for from Australia, the Philippines and Burma which suffered from Japanese aggression.

## New Prospects For Annapolis Valley

OTTAWA, Sept. 17 — Canadian consumers have long shown a preference for bright red apples like the McIntosh and the Red Delicious. For some years plant breeders from coast to coast have been engaged in developing new and improved varieties which combine more red colour with that aromatic goodness so characteristic of the apple. Especially is the search being made to find apples of this type which will extend the season, both earlier and later, during which this king of fruits may be enjoyed.

An extensive apple breeding project is in progress involving many thousands of seedling trees at the Experimental Station at Kentville in Nova Scotia's Annapolis Valley and attempts are being made to produce varieties which will fill that demand for big red apples, says Dr. C. J. Bishop in charge of plant breeding work on the station. He said that in recent years the forced shift in marketing outlets for most of the Valley crop has further emphasized the importance of such a project, and that growers are taking a keen interest in the experimental work.

Several new seedlings developed at Kentville show sufficient promise for early apples to be propagated on an experimental basis for distribution to qualified and interested growers, the earliest seedling being a cross between McIntosh and Crimson Beauty. It ripens about a week to ten days later than Crimson Beauty, but is larger, better coloured, and much better flavoured. Another prospect is an open-pollinated seedling of McIntosh which ripens in the Melba season. It is of equal quality and has the advantage of possessing more of that eye-appealing colour.

Both of these seedlings are unnamed at the present time, and will be propagated by number only. Suitable names will be chosen for them when, and if they prove their worth. Then they will be ready for testing in the open market in competition with standard varieties.

The production of worthwhile new varieties has become a highly competitive field, and though many seedlings have been named in the last few years, very few have been accepted as being superior to the accepted standard varieties. It is estimated that 40 years are required to really prove the value of a new introduction.

MALTA, Sept. 17 — (AP) — Dr. Paul Boffa resigned today as Prime Minister of Malta's Labor Cabinet. Governor Sir Gerald Cressy called on Eric Mizzi, head of the Nationalist Party, to form a new Government. Boffa had been Prime Minister of this strategic British crown colony since 1947.

NEW DELHI, Sept. 17 — (AP) — Forests surrounding many small villages in the United Provinces around Lucknow have been cleared recently for food production. This has left wolves, hyenas and panthers homeless. Consequently, they are entering the villages in search of food. Official reports today said the beasts have killed 12 persons, mostly children.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Sept. 18 — (AP) — Mrs. Robert Gosford was back home from hospital with her 18th child in time for yesterday's celebration of her 22nd wedding anniversary. Fifteen of the children are living. The Gosfords have one set of twins.

## Wounded Arrive In Better Shape

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18 — (AP) — The chief of the U. S. Army's largest hospital says Korean battle casualties brought home so far look "a great deal better" than homecoming wounded of the last war partly, at least, because they have all been flown home.

By and large, wounds are much the same as those received in the European and Pacific conflicts, but the men are in much better physical and mental shape, says Maj. Gen. Paul H. Streit, commanding general of the Army Medical Centre.

"There are various factors involved in bringing these men home in such wonderful condition," he said in an interview, and listed these:

1. Speedier first-aid on the battlefield — thanks to "better organization and more alert personnel."
2. A better supply of "wonder" drugs such as penicillin and greater skill in using them.
3. Greater skill in the use of whole blood and plasma in combating shock — an often-fatal result of wounds.
4. Use of air transport exclusively, so far, in bringing casualties from Tokyo to the United States.

Streit said another factor that had benefited early casualties of the Korean conflict was the availability, from the start, of army doctors trained in specialties.

## Wallace Changes Mind About Russia

By GEORGE CORNELL SOUTH SALEM, N. Y., Sept. 18 — (AP) — In the twilight cool, Henry A. Wallace sat on the wide sun-porch and sipped a glass of grape juice.

"I thought Russia would have more sense," he said. Gone is Wallace's trust in Soviet motives that fired him through four hectic post-war years of pleading for mutual confidence between east and west.

"Stalin has gone too far," he said slowly. Then the former vice-president, who once wrote to Stalin saying there was no difference between the United States and Russia that could not be solved by peaceful negotiations, added with a note of bitterness:

"I would write him a different kind of letter now. I would say to him: 'You said you wanted peace. But we moved our troops out of Korea, and you marched against us.'"

The Korean fighting has been to Wallace as a call-to-arms. "Now, truly, we need unity," he said. A few months back, Wallace viewed the Atlantic Pact as war-creating, the Marshall Plan as a weapon of geo-political pressure, and U. S. stockpiling of the atom bomb as immoral and provocative.

New conditions have modified his position. "The Atlantic Pact was not justified at the time it was drawn up," he said, "but in view of actions in the interim, I say it is essential." As for the Marshall Plan — originally opposed by Wallace although for years he has been among the most fervent advocates of aid to needy countries as a key to global prosperity — he said: "If Russia wants a hot war, it

(the Marshall Plan) is a good thing. Otherwise, our funds should be channelled through the United Nations."

Wallace says he now feels sure that Russia wants to continue the cold war, and that the U. S. should muster its might, including the A-bomb, for any crisis. "We must prepare for the worst," he said, "and at all times offer a program for the best."

## Formosa Invasion Extreme Possibility

TAIPEI, Formosa, Sept. 17 — (AP) — A Chinese Communist invasion of Formosa this year is generally regarded here as only an extreme possibility.

There have been no reports suggesting that invasion craft are massed for an assault on this island.

If one is made, it would be resisted not only by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's forces, but by the U. S. seventh fleet which President Truman assigned June 27 to safeguard Formosa.

With an invasion this year more or less ruled out, the only thing which could shatter the peace and tranquility now prevailing in Formosa would be air attacks.

Somewhat no one seems to expect such attacks but vigilance against any sudden visitation has in no way been relaxed.

Brick batteries to reduce the effect of bomb blasts are still being built though not with the same sense of urgency and apprehension which marked such construction earlier this year.

The training of Nationalist troops remains as rigorous as ever. Chiang and his generals plan the reconquest of a vast sub-continent of China. To them its recovery is no vain dream but a practical possibility; to some — including Chiang himself — a certainty.

## Sask's Views On Amendment Of Constitution

REGINA — As a result of a constitutional conference held in Ottawa earlier this year, the Saskatchewan government has submitted a brief outlining the province's views on ways and means of amending the B. N. A. Act in Canada, without resort to the Imperial parliament.

While Saskatchewan supports the idea of an all-Canadian constitution, it rejects the contention that amendments to the act should be made only by unanimous consent of all 10 provinces and the Dominion, according to Attorney-General J. W. Corman, who submitted the province's brief.

Due to ill health, Mr. Corman was unable to attend a new conference called in August, but Saskatchewan was represented by Professor F. R. Scott, K. C., of McGill University, Montreal; Dean F. C. Cronkite, K. C. of the University of Saskatchewan; and J. W. W. Graham, secretary to the Saskatchewan executive council.

The first constitutional conference of 1946 was held January 10, and at that time a standing committee of representatives of the eleven governments — 10 provincial and one federal — was set up to bring in a report. The Saskatchewan brief, Mr. Cor-

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man explained, stands for flexibility as opposed to rigidity and, except as to so-called fundamental rights, language and religion, proposes that the B. N. A. Act should be amendable by a majority of the provinces and the Dominion. It rejects the compact theory of Confederation under which it is contended amendments can be made only by the unanimous consent of the eleven governments. "Saskatchewan will oppose any attempt to place the people of this province in a straight-jacket as far as constitutional amendment is concerned," Mr. Corman said. He added that the province's brief contended that it would be better to leave the matter of amendment to the federal parliament by address, as it is now, than to give any one province the power of veto over the wishes of the other nine provinces and the Dominion.

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