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## Making Careful Study Of Russia's Proposal Of Total Disarmament

WASHINGTON (UPI)—U.S. officials wanted to know today whether Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev would accept full instruction and control as ingredients of his sweeping formula for total world disarmament.

They frankly doubted a mixture acceptable to the Western Allies would be forthcoming.

President Eisenhower was giving careful study to Khrushchev's plan in the quiet seclusion of his Pennsylvania farm. A copy of the premier's United Nations speech was sent to Gettysburg a few hours after Khrushchev called for total disarmament by all nations within four years.

Secretary of State Christian A. Herter expressed the general view of American officials and political leaders. He said in a statement:

### Herter Stresses Controls

"Speaking in general terms, I think I can say that the United States will go as far on the path towards controlled disarmament as any other country."

"I stress the word 'controlled' because up to now the previous proposals have founded on the Soviet government's refusal to agree on effective control."

Other U.S. officials unofficially viewed the Khrushchev plan as little else but an attractive pie in the sky. But they were willing to stall it over with the Soviets to find out how high in the sky it really was.

These officials think the Soviet premier may have overdone it in trying to gain a propaganda victory at the United Nations. They expressed confidence that sober reflection would cause most diplomats to look on the Russian leader's disarmament plan as unrealistic.

### To Pin Down Soviets

The United States, these officials said, is determined to try to pin down the Soviets on their definition of controls to police a disarmament plan. Present plans call for the United States and Soviet Union, as well as four other Western nations and four other Communist countries, to take up the issue once more at Geneva early next year.

American officials were wondering what Khrushchev meant, for example, by his U.N. statement that the Soviet Union is in favor of "strict" international control over the implementation of a disarmament agreement but always against the system of control being separated from disarmament.

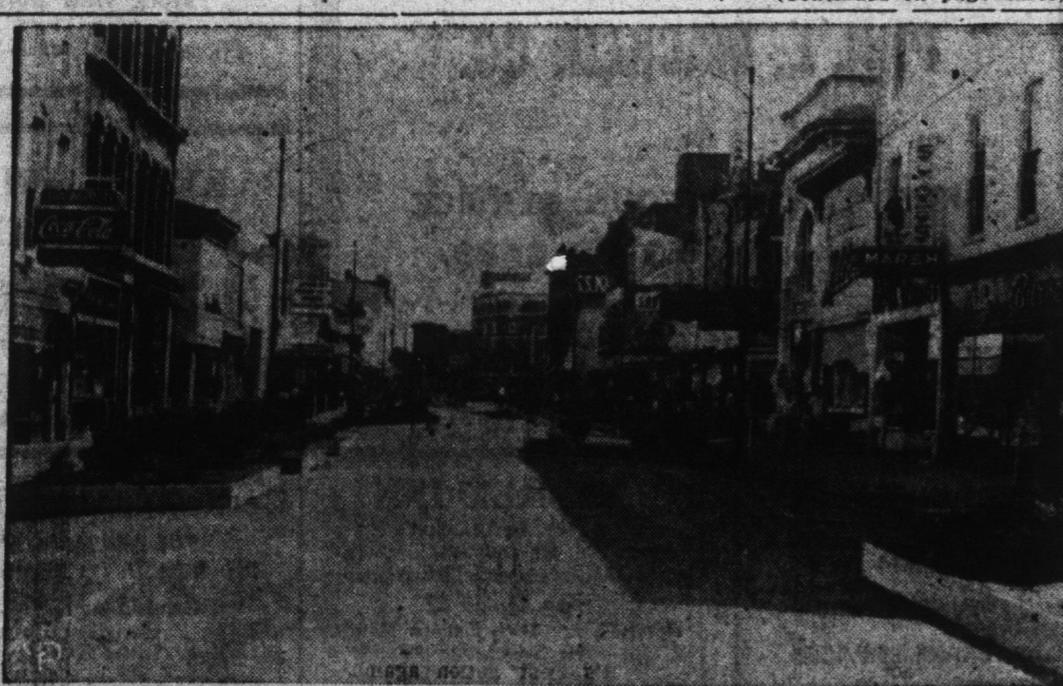
"We favor general disarmament under control, but we are against control without disarmament," Khrushchev added.

Some U.S. officials feared Khrushchev meant that he would not agree to controls until disarmament actually was under way. The U.S. position has been that any arms control plan must be accompanied by a foolproof inspection system to insure that disarmament is lived up to.

The Soviets have balked at this.

### Ex-Hammond Mayor Dies in Florida

HAMMOND, Ind. (UPI)—Frank R. Martin, 75, who was mayor of Hammond between 1934 and 1942, died Thursday night in St. Petersburg, Fla., according to word received here. Martin also was Lake County treasurer from 1942 to 1946.



ANOTHER MALL TEST—This is the new temporary shopping mall in downtown Middletown, O. No traffic except legpower. If it proves out in 30-day test, it will be permanent.

### Carl Fiechter Is New Tomato King

Carl Fiechter, French township farmer, bounced back from runner-up honors a year ago to be crowned tomato king at the Indiana tomato festival at Bluffton Thursday.

The champion exhibit came from an 18-acre crop on Fiechter's own land 2½ miles east of Vera Cruz with his wife and three sons on a Adam county. Married, he resides nearby leased farm. He is a grower for Craig Tomato Sales of Bluffton.

The tomatoes were planted from Garden State Seed and helped along with 1,000 pounds of murate potash fertilizer, 5-20-20 and 12-12-12. Fiechter expects a yield of 15 tons, barring damage from frost.

Judged by Inspectors

Hugh Reinhold, in making the award, noted that this year's hamper contest drew a better quality of tomatoes than were judged during the last street fair. The judging, based on exterior quality of a hamper of tomatoes, was done by a trio of experts from the federal state inspection service.

Fiechter, who also shared in a three-way tie in the tomato grading contest, was followed in the hamper show by Don Gerber, Decatur route 2, second; Earl Gerber, Decatur route 2, third; Mrs. Herman Ellensberger, Bryant, fourth.

Bob High, Bluffton, fifth; George Ringger Jr., Bluffton route 4, sixth; Ezra Reinhard Jr., Bluffton route 4, seventh; Burl Brubaker, Huntington route 6, eighth; Curtis Tonner, Bluffton route 4, ninth, and Kathleen Gerber, Decatur route 4, 10th.

Grading Winners Named

The grading contest, staged in conjunction with the one-day tomato festival, resulted in a three-way tie for first place, with 92 points scored by the winners of a possible total 100. Bunched in the lead were Wilbert Baker, Berne; Joseph A. Simon and Robert Craig Jr., both of Bluffton.

Tying for second place were George Ringger Jr., Bluffton route 4; Herman Ellensberger, Bryant, and William Kauffman, Berne. Sharing third place with Fiechter, the tomato "king," was Clifford Mann, Decatur.

Coppes took to the highways about 3 a.m. on a special alert from state police headquarters. He spotted a truck about 4 a.m. and took after the vehicle on a routine check-out. When he neared the vehicle and stopped it, he sensed that this might be the stolen car.

He ordered the man out, but no one answered from within. Trooper Coppes did not know whether or not the man was still armed. He called in to the state police headquarters from the car radio and asked for assistance. Calls then went out to Decatur city police, other state troopers in the area, and to the Allen county police.

Coppes approached the truck again and ordered the man out. Clawson stuck his head out and (Continued on page three)

### Steel Strike In 67th Day

NEW YORK (UPI)—The nationwide steel strike today entered its 67th day with no indication of when the deadlock will break.

Top union and industry negotiators recessed for the week end Friday after meeting for two hours.

The 12 union-management subcommittees working on company-by-company contract problems also called a week-end halt, although it appeared one or two of the groups might meet to round out this week's work.

Labor Secretary James P.

Mitchell said Friday the government probably would have to seek a Taft-Hartley injunction sending the steelworkers back to work for 80 days unless the strike were settled within a month or so. He doubted however, that this would end the strike.

The auto industry meanwhile reported its first steel strike cutback. General Motors announced that workers at its A.C. Spark Plug division at Flint, Mich., worked only four days this week because of a steel shortage.

The huge automaker said it still has enough steel to keep car production rolling, but a spokesman would not estimate how long GM's stockpile will last. Ford and Chrysler both said earlier they have enough steel for "substantial production" of 1960 models.

Team Leaders

Eight teams of Lions, headed by Francis Ellsworth, Roger Genis, Glenn Hill, Clark Mayclin, Dr. Joe Morris, Ralph Smith, Jr., Norman Steury, and Walter Stoppenberg will meet at 5 p.m. Each driver is responsible for his team.

Lions who have regular Lions purple and gold caps are asked to wear them; all Lions are urged to wear their large identification buttons, also.

Scouts Active

The Boy Scouts of troop 62 will also work one district, under the direction of scout leaders James L. Ehr, Richard Miles and Richard J. Sullivan.

Ed Highland, secretary of the club, will be the checker.

Teams Listed

Teams are: under Francis Ellsworth, Russell Acker, Merritt Alger, Hugh Andrews, and Lawrence Anspaugh.

Genis, Weldon Bumgardner, Fred Corah, Clyde Butler, and D. Burdette Custer.

Hill, Deane Dorwin, Thurman Drew, Dick Heller, Jr., and Gordon Gregg.

Mayclin, Gordon Hooper, Kenneth Jennings, Robert Holthouse, and Harry Knapp.

Dr. Morris, H. H. Krueckeberg, Jay Markley, Glen Maulier, and William McColy.

Smith, Russell Owens, Victor Porter, Ronald Parrish, Roy L. Price.

Steury, Harry Schwartz, Leo Seltzner, Merlin Seiling, and Clark Smith.

Stoppenhagen, Noah Steury, Richard Sullivan, Robert Worthman, and Robert Zwick.

Bulbs and Brooms

The Lions plan to contact every home in Decatur Monday evening.

Their assortment will include both a kitchenette broom and a heavy broom. Each light bulb assortment will include three 100-watt, two 75-watt, and three 60-watt bulbs.

All the bulbs are GE bulbs purchased through the local plant.

The brooms were made by the school for the blind in Indianapolis.

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### Lions Sale To Aid Blind Monday Night

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