

SOVIET RENEWS INDONESIA ROW

'Peril-to-Peace' Charge Not
Refuted by Bevin.

LONDON, Feb. 9 (U. P.).—The Soviet Ukraine maintained today that British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin had failed to refute any of its charges against Britain, based on the presence of British troops in Indonesia.

"Dmitri Manuilski left a sickbed to present to the United Nations security council the Ukrainian rebuttal on Indonesia. Britain is accused of impeding the peace through the activity of her forces in Java."

These major points in the Ukrainian case are incontestable, Manuilski said.

Soviet Position

They were:

ONE: There have been military conflicts in Indonesia for the last three months in which British tanks, planes and guns were used.

TWO: During this conflict, Japanese troops were used with British consent against the Indonesians.

THREE: None of the facts presented in the Ukrainian complaint were refuted by Bevin.

Manuilski charged that British troops in Indonesia failed to carry out the tasks assigned to them by the supreme allied commander, Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

They were ordered by MacArthur, he said, to receive the Japanese capitulation and to disarm the Japanese.

France Excluded

"These tasks were not carried out, because the Japanese were not disarmed, but were used against the Indonesians," Manuilski said. "Thus the agreement between the three powers for handling the orient was violated."

Meanwhile, the United Nations assembly reaffirmed the exclusion from the UNO of Spain under its present government after hearing a Czechoslovak demand that all member nations break with the regime of Gen. Francisco Franco.

The assembly approved without a dissenting vote a resolution boycotting the Franco government. At the last moment the resolution was amended to provide that the UNO "act in accordance with" instead of "take into account" declarations closing the UNO doors to Franco.

The general assembly adopted a resolution offered by Panama calling for a boycott of the Franco regime. Forty-five United Nations voted for the resolution, with Salvador and Nicaragua abstaining and four delegations absent.

U. S. Silent in Debate

The United States voted for the resolution, but remained silent during the debate, prompting disappointed comment by some other delegations.

Kuzma V. Kiselev of White Russia struck the keynote of eastern European debate on the Spanish question with the vehement assertion:

"We must destroy the last remnant of fascism in order to consolidate the peace and security. We have the right to that security."

The Dutch government plans to make an announcement this week outlining the basis for a settlement in Indonesia, it was understood.

Spotlight Bandit Gets \$250 Loot

HASTE MADE waste—but very little—for a gunman who pulled a lightning fast hold-up of Glen Gaines, Bridgeport, early today.

The gunman hopped on Mr. Gaines' car as it stopped for a red light at Kentucky ave. and West st., pulled a gun, took Mr. Gaines' wallet, rifled same and made a quick getaway all in the change of a traffic light.

In all the rush the bandit scooped \$250 out of the wallet. When he tossed it back to make a get-away there was still one dollar in it.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Volunteer Red Cross workers of the Women's Relief corps, Maj. Robert Anderson auxiliary 44, Grand Army of the Republic, will be feted at a dinner marking their fourth anniversary Wednesday in Ft. Friendly. The unit was founded by its present chairman, Mrs. Leona Welling. Other members are Mrs. Stella Raden, Mrs. Lula Hartzog, Mrs. Clara Davidson, Mrs. Cora Summers, Mrs. Evelyn Kosvach, Mrs. Norma Stout, Mrs. Grace Hoffmeyer and Mrs. Mary Haley.

The 31st annual meeting of the Association of Rohnes alumni of Manual Training high school will be held at 3 p. m. tomorrow in the Athletic club. Officers of the organization are Raymond C. Cassidy, president; Henry Braght Jr., vice president; John Tacoma, secretary, and Charles E. Menges, treasurer.

MUSIC CLUB TO MEET

The Cincinnati conservatory of music club of Indiana will meet at the home of Mrs. Naomi Gray, 351 N. Hamilton ave., tomorrow from 8:30 to 4:30 p. m.

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E. W. Springer (left) is directing the work of the Indianapolis Real Estate board following his installation this week at the annual dinner-dance of the group at the Columbia club. Right is Wendell M. Hicks, retiring president. Seated are Mrs. Springer, left, and Mrs. Hicks.

WASHINGTON Calling

A Weekly Sizeup by the Washington

Staff of the Scripps-Howard Newspapers

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Indicate Mr. Bowles might be given duties of Reconversion Director John Snyder.

Snap decisions, reversed shortly after, or sprung without warning to interested parties, contribute to confusion and uncertainty.

EXAMPLE: On Thursday Mr. Truman said he was going to Florida regardless, would do any necessary business by phone. On Friday he cancelled trip.

And again: Drastic new wheat policy was announced without warning to millers or distillers, left even government officials confused about whether it would actually increase food shipments abroad.

Political fumbling has congressmen more worried than anything else. Democrats are as sore at Mr. Truman as they ever were at Mr. Roosevelt; think he has hurt their chances for re-election by his unfortunate appointments.

They're showing signs of throwing off party ties, going it alone for self-preservation.

Steel Priorities May Return

LOOK FOR return of steel priorities when production is resumed. Small business committee of senate will recommend it, shortages will probably force it. Control would probably be on wartime pattern.

STORIES reaching congress leaders of misconduct in Germany cause increasing concern. Some now believe investigation can't be avoided.

Returning officers and G. I.'s tell of widespread practice of intimacy with German women, putting them on government pay roll as interpreters, feeding them army rations. Other stories, told too often to be ignored, concern speculation in currencies, petty but considerable looting. When stories first started coming in, some congressmen hoped situation was temporary.

Army, Navy 'Pensions'

ARMY and navy both may have to worry about another investigation soon to be asked in congress. It has to do with large numbers of admirals and generals being retired for physical disability. Retirement for this cause from these ranks assures the brass of life pensions, tax free, averaging about \$7500 a year.

Regular officers, most of them with permanent grade of lieutenant colonel, would get much smaller pensions retiring after 30 years' service; would pay tax on it.

Congressmen may ask whether medical corps of two services is helping find sudden "disabilities." It particularly irks congressmen who have no pensions.

PLAN TO take FBI from justice department, let it operate as separate police agency under J. Edgar Hoover, is being readied by Rep. Rankin (D. Miss.). He thinks justice department hampers FBI efforts to track down Communists.

OPA Drive

OPA (IF IT survives current crisis) is planning major campaign to rouse public sentiment for keeping strong price controls. Drive will warn of inflation dangers, will try to mobilize opinion against black market practices which have multiplied since end of the war.

Support of retailers, manufacturers, consumer groups, labor and veterans' organizations is being sought.

OPA backers in congress see need for price regulation for two or three years, but mention it only in whispers. They'll be satisfied if they emerge from forthcoming legislative battle with one year extension, and no crippling exemptions.

Administrator Bowles wants prompt action so business will know what's ahead, won't hold goods off the market expecting higher prices after June 30. Also he's afraid of losing key staff men if OPA uncertainty develops.

Alcohol Outlook

BEVERAGE alcohol bet: Distilled spirits may suffer a little in quantity but there should be enough to go around, despite recent Truman order banning use of wheat in making alcohol.

Distillers used to shun all grains except best grades of corn and rye. Under war limitations, lower grades were used and wheat was added as a stretcher. Recently oats and more rye were mixed in. In March distillers may operate at only 18 per cent capacity, use low grades of grain except rye. They may use any grade of rye in limited quantity—it can find it.

Puzzle is gin. Distillers may

LOCAL MEN SEE VAST U. S. TRADE

Group in South America
Listing Markets.

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To South America. I believe it is essential that some of our manufacturers ship merchandise and products to South America even before they satisfy all of the markets at home.

"It will pay dividends in the long run because the companies that get goods into South America first are going to create consumer demands that will carry on for many years."

Listing Markets

The Indianapolis party has been meeting U. S. and foreign chambers of commerce members in every country and questioning them. The visitors are compiling lists which they hope to supply or to pass on to other manufacturers in the middle west.

Mr. Krueger says they have learned that South America is a wide open market for refrigerators, farm machinery, heavy equipment, automobiles, radios and electric gadgets of all kinds.

"Then," he said, "there are countless needs, such as razors, clothing at reasonable prices, building materials, drugs, chemicals, typewriters and thousands of other items."

The group has not attempted to take orders for items to be delivered, but is surveying the field for future business prospects. Several concerns plan to send representatives here, to develop contacts.

The interests of the group are varied. O. G. Fifeild, for instance, is studying the Argentine cattle business, including the practice of sending animals direct to market from the pasture land instead of fattening them with grain in the U. S. manner.

Mr. Fifeild says that grasslands in Argentina are unusually rich in minerals, contents, making fattening with grain unnecessary.

The American group has become so enthusiastic over business prospects that other midwestern cities are expected to send similar trade groups south of the border.

'\$10 ANTE' STREET IS CRUMBLING AWAY

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cinet of Perry township. After seven years, the vague neighborhood recollection is that Mr. Walton pooled the funds to buy improvement materials.

Recall Influence

Several housewives recalled his "influence" with the county administration at the time of the solicitation.

Said Mr. Seedorf: "I asked Mr. Walton why the total road paving cost shouldn't be paid from gasoline tax funds. There was no special assessment on county bonds. He said 'well, you know how it is.'"

Mr. Walton is now in Florida. But according to Leo White, county road superintendent at the time, Mr. Walton purchased the black-top and the county furnished gravel and labor.

"In places where roads weren't important enough, private financing wasn't unusual in those days," Mr. White explained.

Records Disappear

No record of any surfacing activity at any time on Albany st. was evident at the courthouse or county highway department. Road Superintendent Ray Fisher said Democratic highway records had disappeared when the Republicans took over in 1940.

But on the Marion county highway chart, Albany st. mysteriously is marked as one of the roads for whose upkeep the county is responsible. This baffled present county commissioners, who said such status is usually attained by small streets only after residents have submitted a formal petition.

The street's curious background doesn't concern its bustling, middle-class dwellers. They want the drainage layout cleaned up. And they want Albany st. resurfaced—now—without an incidental \$10 fee.

INDIANAPOLIS WOMAN DIES AT AGE OF 78

Mrs. Rosetta Brenton Watson, a resident of Indianapolis 33 years, died today in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Brenton McCain, 1769 S. High School rd. She was 78.

Services will be conducted at 1 p. m. Monday in Moore Mortuaries' Ben Davis chapel by the Rev. John Kirkpatrick. Burial will be in Crown Hill.

Survivors, besides her daughter, include a niece, Mrs. Carlos Brewer, Charleston, Ill., and a granddaughter.

LOUIS REXROTH RITES ARE SET FOR MONDAY

Services for Louis Rexroth, retired machinist, will be held in G. H. Herrmann funeral home at 10 a. m. Monday. Burial will be in Crown Hill. He was 87.

Mr. Rexroth died Thursday in his home, 311 E. Morris. He was born in Bavaria, Germany, and had lived here 71 years. He operated a machine shop at Delaware and Georgia sts. for 50 years and retired 15 years ago.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Minnie Unversaw and Mrs. Flora Sues; one son, Louis, Jr.; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, all of Indianapolis.

WALLACE INDORSES LABOR CANDIDATE

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party the party of progress in this country.

"When the Democratic party ceases to be the people's party, it will die—and it will be well dead."

Mr. Wallace called on liberal and independent voters to turn out in strength at the coming congressional elections to support progressive candidates.

The forces of reaction must be defeated through "full use of the ballot box," he said, or "we shall certainly be faced with ultimate revolution and the destruction of our free institutions. Political action against reaction is the challenge of our time."

Mr. Wallace praised Chester Bowles, office of price administration administrator, for his fight against price increases. Price increases can be avoided "only by mobilizing public opinion behind Chester Bowles in his fight to hold the line," Wallace said.

He also urged public approval of the \$3,750,000 loan to Britain now before congress.

Local Moslems To Build Mosque

A group of Indianapolis persons will erect a new Moslem mission at the southeast corner of Sangster ave. and 27th st.

Permission for the construction of the mosque was granted by the zoning board upon the request of John H. Hill, trustee. Joseph Mohammed, native Arabian, leads the congregation which includes 40 members, a number of whom are Negroes. One is an East Indian.

The mosque will be the only one in this community in so far as it has been possible to ascertain. Members now are meeting in residences.

The new building will be one story of cinder block having panes of glass block to the right and left of the entrance. A long narrow panel of block glass will be placed above the door and a decoration in the form of a star and crescent, similar to that on the Murex theater, will adorn the building.

Traditional services will be held at noon on Fridays and Sundays.

"No God but Allah and Mohammed is his prophet, will be called. According to religious commentators, the sect recognizes 200,000 prophets but reverses these six the most—Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Jesus and Mohammed. There will be no more, for Mohammed is the last, the Moslems say.

Islam, or the Moslem faith is said to be expanding in Africa, Japan, China, Germany and England.

HOUSING PLAN STUDIED HERE

Hailed by Veterans, Labor;
Realtors Noncommittal.

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ly units, of which 7000 were needed for veterans.

Other estimates by social agencies placed actual veteran demand at nearly 15,000 as of the first week of February. Rental agencies showed the percentage vacancy as zero.

"There aren't any decent vacancies in reach of the average workingman and veteran's pocketbook," said Walter Frisbie, State Industrial Union council secretary. "And houses can't be bought."

"The Real Estate Board wishing to maintain its short market has consistently blocked any and all projects for home building. It's about time to forget about solving the housing problem by turning people out of houses."

Backs Rent Control Renewal

Meanwhile, the Indiana OPA district advisory committee addressed an appeal to congress to renew rent control until June 30, 1947.

From its new state headquarters here, the American Veterans' committee welcomed the Truman plan to build 2,700,000 homes.

"It's the first indication we've had that someone in high authority recognizes the great emergency which now confronts the veterans," said Martin L. Lerner, state chairman. "We will support any program to ease this situation."

New Phone Threat

A new threat to long-distance telephone service in 43 states appeared to have been eased when a Western Electric Co. spokesman said the firm was near agreement with the Association of Communication Equipment Workers (Ind.) on wages.

The spokesman indicated that negotiations, which broke down Thursday night, soon would be resumed. The union refused to comment on possible resumption of talks.

Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York City asked the office to defend transportation today to man all tugs in New York harbor "regardless of consequences" after striking A. F. of L. tugboat men rejected nearly 2 to 1 a proposal to end the six-day-old strike.

\$150 TAKEN FROM OIL COMPANY SAFE

Burglars who battered open a safe at the Gulf Refining Co., 1610 S. State ave., early today took approximately \$150.

The burglary was discovered by a driver, Frank Wall, early this morning.

Police also reported recovery of the safe carried away from the Lucky Tavern, 2300 E. Washington st., earlier this week. The safe, from which \$200 in cash and \$300 in checks was missing, was found in a woods near his home by Howard Martin, R. R. 9, Box 549.

\$150, HOSIERY TAKEN FROM CIRCLE STORE

More than \$150 in cash and a scarce item of wearing apparel, a stock of ladies' hosiery, were reported missing from the Hollywood Dress Shop, 108 Monument Circle today.

The Circle shop was one of two clothing stores looted during the night. Burglars gained entrance through a second story window.

Clothing valued at \$75 was reported stolen from a clothing store at 1620 Hillside ave. by the manager, Clarence Phillips.

U. S. ATTORNEY'S AID 12 YEARS TO RESIGN

Paul A. Pfister, assistant U. S. district attorney for the southern Indiana district, today announced his resignation effective April 1.

Mr. Pfister, who will complete 12 years of service in the position on his resignation date, will enter private law practice in Indianapolis. He has served as assistant district attorney under the late Val Nolan and B. Howard Coughran.

INDIANAPOLIS BANK CLEARINGS

For Today

Clearings	For Today	\$ 5,651,000
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HINT SHAKEUP IN PAY-PRICE ROW

Report Bowles Will Take
Over Snyder's Duties.

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Bowles as rent control chief and would co-operate with him closely. Mr. Porter, informed of the reports, said they were "very interesting" but that he had no comment.

There was no confirmation at the White House or from Mr. Snyder or Mr. Bowles. Both men were summoned to the White House yesterday but they refused to discuss their conferences with the President.

In the major labor developments:

ONE: A top government official reported "good progress in negotiations between union and steel industry representatives, and the President was reported 'quite hopeful of an early settlement.'"

TWO: Striking tugboat workers voted to continue a strike which has paralyzed New York harbor operations and resulted in government seizure.

THREE: An agreement to end the 32-day-old strike of 7000 New York Western Union employees has been signed by company and union officials. The settlement still must be approved by union members.

FOUR: Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson asked the wage stabilization board for permission to put into effect a 16-cent hourly wage increase recommended by a government fact-finding board for packinghouse workers.

FIVE: U. S. District Attorney Howard Doyle requested the federal bureau of investigation to investigate the fatal shooting of two Toledo, Peoria & Western railroad strikers at Gridley, Ill.

Murray Tells of Talks

In a radio interview last night, C. I. O. President Philip Murray confirmed that he had been meeting with representatives of the U. S. Steel Corp., but said they hadn't "even approximated an agreement" for ending the strike of 750,000 steelworkers.

"We and the steel companies have ironed out most of our difficulties," he said. "However I do not know when the strike will end."

New York tugboat operators, by a vote of 881 to 467, rejected pleas of union leaders in deciding to continue their walkout. The strike has crippled food and fuel supplies and forced a return of the wartime "brown-out."

In the long, drawn-out General Motors dispute, corporation and union officials recessed negotiations until Monday, dispelling hopes for a week-end settlement of the 81-day-old walkout.

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Report 3 Units En Route to U. S.

FRANKFURT, Feb. 9 (U. P.).—Today's redeployment timetable: 211th and 75th field artillery battalions: Arrived at Le Havre for final processing.

569th and 443d anti-aircraft artillery battalions, 231st station hospital: At sea.

40th amphibious tractor battalion: Undergoing final processing at Le Havre.

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Assembly-line Housing Projects Pushed by U. S.

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higher figure has been conditioned on plenty of materials.

Harry W. Steidle, manager of the prefabricated home manufacturers institute, said the industry "will have to strain like the devil" to reach the goal of 250,000.

"What we need more than a guaranteed market or subsidies is assurance by the government that we can get all the materials we need," he said. Some new producers will be needed to reach the goal, he added.

Surveys have indicated that about 25 prefabrication firms will be in operation by mid-1946 but most are not yet geared to large-scale production.

Some firms such as Gunnison Homes, in which U. S. Steel Corp. has an interest, and Wingfoot Homes, subsidiary of Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., have assembly-line techniques.

The government's venture into the prefabrication field faced obstacles which have kept the industry in short pants. Among these are:

ONE: Traditional opposition of conventional builders and the organized building crafts. Mr. Wyatt is said to have overcome some of the labor opposition with assurances that there will be plenty of work for all the trades for a long time.

TWO: Local building codes actually excluding prefabricated techniques. Mr. Wyatt's program includes community action to modernize outmoded codes.

THREE: Public acceptance of pre-built units. One survey showed that only 17 per cent of prospective buyers were interested.

Current shortages of such equipment as furnaces and bathtubs posed another problem for achieving Mr. Wyatt's goal.

The producers council, organization of material and equipment producers, doubts that more than 450,000 new units can be completed this year and has emphasized that prefabricated homes require the same scarce materials as others.

Indorsed Program

The National Association of Real Estate Boards indorsed the major provisions of the Wyatt program but reaffirmed its objections to price-fixing for old and new homes and undeveloped lots and to the public housing features of the pending Wagner-Ellender-Taft bill.

The proposed market guarantee under the Wyatt plan would be granted prefabricated manufacturers only if they produced in the low-priced range of about \$3500 for a one-bedroom house, plus \$500 for each additional bedroom.

The cost would include necessary equipment but exclude the cost of land, transportation and erection. Manufacturers recently had suggested a ceiling of \$7500 to the civilian production administration as a condition on material priorities.

Other requirements which Mr. Wyatt would impose on manufacturers are:

ONE: Government-fixed standards of safety, durability, livability and health.

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