

World Political Division Perilous, Smuts Warns Parley

ASKS MEETING OF BIG THREE TO HEAL RIFT

Conference Told It Must End With 'Message of Hope—Despair.'

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PARIS, Oct. 7.—Premier Jan Christian Smuts of South Africa, today called, in effect, for an early meeting of the Big Three.

Its purpose would be to end what he told the peace conference was a dangerous "parting of ways" and division of the world into eastern and western blocs.

Mr. Smuts spoke as the 21 nations began final plenary session consideration of the peace treaty with Italy.

The only man who was a delegate both to the 1919 Versailles and the 1946 Paris conferences, Mr. Smuts was cheered when he began to speak and again when he finished.

He said the split between the powers had only been emphasized by the Paris discussions and asked that the issue of great power unity "be openly discussed and ventilated before this conference closes."

Asks Message of Hope

"Let this conference end with a message of hope—of hope and not despair," he said.

He couched his appeal for a Big Three meeting in these words: "Our leadership must take counsel together and set people's minds at rest."

"The fear of our splitting up into two camps transcends all other issues arising from this conference. I myself do not think we are at the parting of ways and consider the fear much exaggerated. But fear is spreading and must be halted."

Each of the nations is allotted 30 minutes, if it desires, to discuss the Italian treaty. The United States used only 15 minutes of the time allotted.

Calls for Free Trieste

Senator Tom Connally (D. Tex.) attacked the conference's most controversial issue, calling for a free Trieste—"free from outside domination."

The commission drafting political phases of the treaty had failed to reach an agreement on the form of government for Trieste. Mr. Connally urged the territory be given a government founded on "democratic principles."

Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov who has been in Moscow for consultation with Generalissimo Stalin returned to Paris by plane this afternoon.

MOTIVE SOUGHT FOR DIVORCEE'S SLAYING

DETROIT, Oct. 7 (U.P.)—Detroit police today sought to uncover a motive in the brutal laundry room slaying of Mrs. Josephine Tracy Rose, attractive 38-year-old blonde.

Mrs. Rose's body was found in the laundry room of the apartment building where she lived. A medical examination showed she had been struck at least 11 times with a heavy instrument. Six blood-smeared footprints led to the laundry room door.

Investigators said they were checking the possibility that Mrs. Rose was killed by a suitor. There was no evidence of robbery.

Detectives also thought the slaying might have been the work of a prowler.

Archbishop-Elect Ritter Leaves for Installation



Members of the Catholic clergy and laity waved an affectionate farewell to the Most Rev. Joseph Ritter when he left this morning to become archbishop of St. Louis.

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The Most Rev. Joseph E. Ritter, archbishop-elect of St. Louis, left Indianapolis today to take up his new work.

He will be installed archbishop of St. Louis in ceremonies there tomorrow morning.

A group of local priests accompanied the archbishop; some in his entourage, including his wife, and some in his car and others in coaches.

The Rev. Fr. James H. Dugan and various members of the clergy and laity waved farewell to the archbishop with mingled regret and gladness. Many expressed their sorrow at seeing him go and their

pride and pleasure in his promotion to more responsible duties.

"We must carry on," was Msgr. Dugan's comment. He spoke with feeling as the archbishop's personal friend and school mate.

For Archbishop Ritter, himself, it was a momentous occasion. He was born in Indiana and has spent his entire career as a priest in this community. He succeeded John Cardinal Glennon, who died shortly after his elevation to the rank of cardinal.

Local priests who will attend Archbishop Ritter's installation include the Rev. Fr. James H. Jensen, Joseph C. Somes, John C. Paul's cathedral.

2 FIRMS BOOST CIGARETTE PRICES

Others Are Expected to Make Increases.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7 (U.P.)—Two tobacco manufacturers today announced increases in the wholesale prices of their cigarettes.

The increase, in which all other companies are expected to join, probably will increase the retail price of all cigarettes by one cent a pack and from five to seven cents a carton.

The increase was announced first by the American Tobacco Co. makers of Lucky Strike cigarettes, and by Philip Morris & Co., Inc. Other major producers are subject to the same conditions which prompted the move by these two companies.

Today's increase of the wholesale price raised retailers' costs only half a cent, but retail buyers are almost certain to have to pay a full cent

more as a result of another half-cent boost granted by the O.P.A. to manufacturers in April, and which has up to now been absorbed by the retailers.

HEAD OF LUTHERANS RAPS CHURCH UNITY

CLEVELAND, Oct. 7 (U.P.)—Accepting re-election as president of the United Lutheran synod of New York, Dr. Franklin Clark Fry or Akron warned the church's 15th biennial convention against "artificial union of churches."

He said such unions have no unity in basic belief and are "union just for the sake of union." He asserted that "unity of belief, not just human organization is basic."

THIEVES GET JEWELRY

Burglars removed an iron grill from a rear window of Hamilton Jewelry Co., 15 E. Market st., over the week-end and stole two trays of watches and a tray of rings, police said today. The theft was discovered by Kenneth Whitchell, Carmel, a clerk who opened the store today.

GIRD FOR LOCAL OPTION BATTLE

Labor, Drys Due to Lock in Legislative Clash.

Hoosier wets and drys today were winding up the first round of what they believe will be a history-making legislative fight over local option.

Both sides have completed surveys of legislative candidates to obtain their views on the subject of prohibition and local option.

The dry fight is being run from Indianapolis headquarters of the United Dry Forces here. The most active and open wet support comes so far from the state federation of labor.

The federation drive to elect legislators who will vote against local option is in the hands of the Workers Protective association appointed by federation President Carl Mullen.

Their motive, admitted candidly,

is defense of an estimated 50,000 jobs now held by A. F. of L. members in or closely connected with the beer and liquor industry.

Approximately 65 per cent of the legislative candidates over the state already have responded to the 12 questions asked by the union group. According to A. F. of L. Secretary John Acker, only "one or two have come out flatly in favor of local option."

Gives Stand of Drys

Warning against those who hedge or refuse to answer liquor questions the Protective association is assuming those who will not answer local option questionnaires already have made commitments to the dry forces or wish to remain non-committal to pull dry votes.

Dry leaders, described by their opponents as "busier than ever before," also have conducted a poll of legislative candidates. They are less anxious to discuss figures on the outcome of the poll than are federation spokesmen, but U. D. F. head Clayton Wallace described the campaign as "going forward satisfactorily."

Commenting on the A. F. of L. move to protect workers from job losses which would follow prohibi-

tion or even widespread application of local option, Mr. Wallace said:

"We understand their feelings on the job question, but believe there would be an adjustment following local option or even prohibition which would absorb these workers. We feel the continued effects of liquor and attendant evils are more drastic than the adjustment these people would have to go through."

On the question of tax revenue which would be lost to the state by curtailment of liquor traffic Mr. Wallace said:

"Savings in enforcement of safety laws and damage from drunken driving and other costs entailed by widespread use of liquor would more than offset the tax loss. We'd get less money, but we'd need less and it wouldn't be necessary to tax elsewhere to make up the difference."

ONE KILLED, TWO HURT

HARRISBURG, Ill., Oct. 7 (U.P.)—Stanley Erris, 29, Harrisburg, was injured fatally and two companions were hurt yesterday when their automobile left state highway 13 between here and Shawneetown and crashed.



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