

Around-the-World—

Russians Quit United Nations Health Group

Heavy Expenses Given as Reason For Withdrawal of Three Members

RUSSIA, the Ukraine and White Russia withdrew today from the World Health Organization, contending that the United Nations organization's setup incurs expenses too heavy for member states to bear.

UN officials regarded with serious concern the withdrawal from the WHO of the Soviet Union and the two Soviet republics with separate voting privileges in the UN.

(UN leaders at Lake Success appeared to feel that the withdrawal did not portend a Soviet walkout from the UN itself.)

Dr. Brock Chisholm, WHO director, announced the cancellation of the Soviet memberships in the only specialized agency formed and sponsored by the United Nations which they had joined. Russia also belongs to two other agencies—the International Telecommunications Union and the Universal Postal Union—but both were already in existence and were taken over by the United Nations.

Australia

A TOKYO dispatch to Australian Associated Press said today that U. S. Army Secretary Kenneth Royall was the "high American official" who said recently in Tokyo that U. S. troops might be withdrawn from Japan in event of war.

The dispatch, signed by Denis Warner, was published in most large Australian newspapers.

"As Royall now has denied he held off-the-record conferences in Tokyo with selected American correspondents, any reason for withholding the full facts of his visit to Japan no longer exists," the AAP dispatch said.

American correspondents in Tokyo last week cabled dispatches quoting an unnamed American high official as indicating that Japan has been relegated to a minor position in American strategy, and might not be defended in event of war. The correspondents—concerned have refused to reveal the source of their information, on grounds that they were pledged to secrecy. Mr. Royall has denied repeatedly that he made any such statements.

Vatican

POPE PIUS today denounced totalitarian forces which he accused of trying to destroy the concept of society based on the will of God and dignity of man.

The pontiff spoke out again on the Hungarian trial of Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty—his fifth pronouncement on it in a week. He addressed 34 diplomats accredited to the Holy See, who called on him for an exceptional mass audience.

The Pope said his heart was filled with deepest sorrow over the trial and life sentence of the Roman Catholic primate of Hungary.

London

AT LEAST nine countries lined up today to join the proposed Council of Europe, which will have its capital in the French city of Strasbourg on the upper Rhine 250 miles east of Paris.

A Danish foreign office spokesman announced in Copenhagen today that Denmark now is ready to accept an invitation to join the council. Other countries that would participate are Sweden, Italy, Ireland and the five Western Union nations—Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg.

Austria

BIG FOUR delegates working in London on an Austrian peace treaty agreed today to hear Ales Berber, deputy foreign minister of Yugoslavia. The deputies finally concurred on the wording of a letter to Mr. Berber informing him that his testimony will be welcome if he wants to make a statement. The position of Yugoslavia is the crux of the search for an Austrian settlement.

China

PREMIER Sun Fo denied today at Canton that he has resigned or even contemplated re-

Quick Transfusions Save Life



A General Hospital interne and ambulance driver, credited with saving the life of a critically injured boy by giving blood transfusions while on the way to the hospital, were presented \$50 savings bonds today by Marc Wolf from a group of the boy's friends. Shown (left to right) are Dr. Charles W. Meyers, superintendent of General Hospital; Dr. L. Loring Brock, the interne; Charles H. Marqua, the ambulance driver, and Mr. Wolf, the 14-year-old victim, Joseph Marcus, 5644 N. Meridian St., suffered severe injuries early this month when a car struck the motorcycle he was riding.

Lockridge Left Widow \$37,860

BLOOMINGTON, Feb. 16.—Mrs. Vernice Baker Lockridge, widow of the late Ross F. Lockridge Jr., will receive \$37,860.66 from his estate, less taxes and costs, according to an inheritance tax schedule filed with the Monroe County clerk.

The schedule shows each of the four children will receive \$15,612.92. In each case inheritance taxes, attorneys' fees and appraisal fees will be deducted. The inheritance tax for the estate totals \$683.04.

Mr. Lockridge, author of the prize novel "Taintree County" was found dead in the garage of his home early last year. His estate is expected to be augmented by book and moving picture royalties still to be paid.

Acheson Says U. S. Stand Unchanged

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 (UP)—Secretary of State Dean Acheson said today that U. S. negotiations on the North Atlantic pact are being conducted within the framework of the Constitution and of previously announced policies.

He denied at a news conference that this government is backing down on commitments envisaged in the pact, saying there has been no change in this government's policies.

Mr. Acheson also reported that the pact negotiations are going along evenly.

He said that among the basic policies is the one expressed by President Truman in his inaugural address. Mr. Truman said then, in part, that "each country participating in these (collective defense) arrangements must contribute all it can to the common defense."

WINNERS OUT QUIZZERS

NEW YORK, Feb. 16 (UP)—The Mutual Broadcasting System announced today that in the future it would try to bar about 400 "professional" quiz program contestants who "are not interested in the educational and entertainment value of quiz shows but only have a desire to win prizes."

Official Weather

UNITED STATES WEATHER BUREAU —Feb. 16, 1949—		
Series...	6:37	6:28
Precipitation 24 hrs. end, 7:30 a. m., 20		
Place precipitation since Jan. 1...	4.25	4.55
The following table shows the temperature yesterday in other cities:		
Station	High	Low
Atlanta	74	56
Boston	45	35
Chicago	52	38
Cincinnati	67	50
Cleveland	61	45
Denver	44	28
Indianapolis	66	48
Los Angeles	68	54
Minneapolis	31	24
New York	62	39
Philadelphia	63	41
Pittsburgh	65	43
Portland	57	47
San Francisco	67	57
St. Louis	63	48
Washington	68	51

6 Senators Fight For Smoke Ban

Marion County's six-man Senate delegation today took the lead in opposing a measure which would virtually kill Indianapolis smoke control program.

Five Democrats and one Republican from the Greater Indianapolis area prepared to "amend the proposal out of existence."

The measure, introduced by Sen. Clay E. Moss, Republican mine owner from Brazil, is eligible for passage in the Senate today.

The bill, backed by Hoosier coal mine owners, would nullify any municipal ordinance discriminating against the use of coal mined in Indiana.

Indianapolis city officials have publicly stated that if the bill becomes a law, it would defeat one of the primary efforts to eliminate the city's smoke problem. The city's proposed new smoke ordinance would prohibit the burning of high volatile coal of the type mined in Indiana in hand fired furnaces.

2 Trucks Spill on Ice In Carbon Copy Accidents

Massachusetts and Emerson Prove Bad Medicine for Heavy Traffic

The intersection of Massachusetts and Emerson Aves. was bad medicine for tractor-trailer traffic this morning. A spot of ice sent two spinning in identical accidents. Neither driver was injured.

Robert Bogle, 229 1/2 S. Warman Ave., Federal Trucking Co. driver, was inbound at 5:30 a. m. when the semi struck the ice. The road giant jack-knifed. The trailer blocked the highway, the tractor plunged into the ditch.

Carbon Copy Crashes

Fire spread over the motor when the radiator hose broke and spilled anti-freeze. The fire was put out by the driver.

The one wreck had just been cleared. Deputy Sheriff Gerald Goodwin and Wilbur Russe still were directing traffic when the second semi, driven by Neil Phelan, St. Louis, Mo., whipped into the ice patch.

The outfit jack-knifed with the trailer blocking the road, the tractor in the ditch.

It was a carbon copy accident. Even the radiator hose broke, anti-freeze spilled out and fire enveloped the motor. Driver Phelan extinguished the blaze.

Roberts Park Church Plans Special Program

The Roberts Park Methodist Church will hold a "Faith, Food and Fun Night" program tomorrow, beginning with a 6:30 p. m. covered-dish dinner in the church dining room.

The Rev. Harold W. Mohler, pastor of the Washington Street Methodist Church, will speak on "What Is the Meaning of Prayer?"

Gerald S. Dailey of the Indianapolis Power & Light Co. will speak and show pictures on the theme, "The Electricity at Your Command." The Rev. Amos L. Boren, pastor, will be in charge of the program.

Continue Quiz On Missing Family

ENGLISH, Ind., Feb. 16 (UP)—William Messamore, 32, was returned here today for further questioning in the disappearance of a Crawford County farm family.

Messamore was brought from Louisville, Ky., after the governors of Indiana and Kentucky signed extradition papers.

He was questioned about the vanishing Vandiver family. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Vandiver and his step-daughter, Wanda Johnson, 16, have been missing from Messamore's home since Jan. 7.

Authorities have found no trace of the family and Messamore has denied knowing where they are.

He was held in Louisville on a technical charge of dog stealing after he returned from the west coast to make a delayed report to a parole supervisor.

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Today's Weather Fotocast



TONIGHT AND TOMORROW—Cooler air will stream down over the Eastern States during the next 24 hours, according to Weather Bureau experts. Small air flow arrows on the map indicate the direction of winds. Colder weather for the central portions of the country is also predicted. Note the cold arrow pointing down from the top of the map.

Film for Engineers

An Owens-Corning Fiberglass Corp. color film, "Watts in Glass," will be presented by the National Association of Power Engineers during a meeting at 8 p. m. Thursday in the East Room of the Indiana War Memorial Building.

Closing Repair Shops

CHICAGO, Feb. 16 (UP)—The Milwaukee Railroad today planned to close all its car repair shops Monday for three weeks, laying off between 1700 and 1800 workers, because of "decreased business."

CHAMBERS, WIFE SUE

BALTIMORE, Feb. 16 (UP)—Whittaker Chambers, a principal in the Communist spy case, and his wife have been sued for \$75,000 damages. The action was brought by two sons of an aged woman killed recently by an automobile driven by Mrs. Chambers.

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