

EDITORIALS Furse's Fresh Flashes

THE LATEST FROM MOSCOW

The latest Soviet note to the United States government, in reply to the request of the United States, Britain and France for a conference on Germany, is a blunt and ominous statement. The tone of the note is certainly as cold as anything from Moscow in some time.

Perhaps the most discouraging part of the note, as stated by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, is the conditions set by the Soviet Union for a rapprochement with the West. The terms set out in the note make it absolutely impossible for any progress to be made with the Reds, since they listed at least six impossible concessions the United States must make prior to a conference on Germany.

First, the U. S. S. R. called for an end to tasks between Britain, France and the United States.

Second, the Russians demand an immediate end to efforts to unify Western Europe and also efforts to set up a European Defense community.

Third, the Russians claim that any agreement on Germany must come within the context of agreements to which the Soviet Union is now bound with East Germany.

Fourth, the Russians also demand that our mutual security program, and NATO and the Pacific Security treaties, plus our arrangements to operate bases in all parts of the world.

Fifth, the Russians also demand that we recognize Communist China, seat Communist China at the United Nations and allow that country to participate in "Big Five" talks about world problems.

Sixth, the Russians want to be treated as a "neutral" in the Korean conflict, and the Reds say they will not cooperate in any peace conference unless they are designated a neutral. The United States has invited the Soviet Union to the conference, although not as a neutral.

Commenting on these blunt demands, Secretary Dulles recently said: "The demands made on the United States, particularly those which are stated as pre-conditions to any meeting, are couched in language that bears little resemblance to that normally expected as between nations which are at peace."

The latest note does nothing to give U. S. citizens any reason for optimism.

INSURANCE FOR NON-DRINKERS

Recent reports have told of a new automobile insurance company in Chicago designed to serve only abstainers. In other words, when buying an automobile insurance policy from this company, the applicant must sign a statement he does not use alcoholic beverages, and that he will not do so during the life of the policy.

The firm's rates are reported about twenty-five per cent below average rates for liability, and property damage coverage. They are about twenty per cent under the average for collision coverage, and therefore those who can obtain insurance from this company do so at substantial savings.

It has been a known fact that non-drinkers have a small percentage of automobile accidents and that they actually pay some of the cost of insurance for habitual drinkers and those who drive and drink, and therefore have more accidents. The efforts of the new Chicago insurance company is one to give non-drinkers a rate commensurate with their collective accident record.

The new Chicago firm is following an example set in Iowa recently, where that firm also wrote low-cost policies for non-drinkers. Evidently the success of the Iowa firm, which has now been operating in the black for six years, encouraged the founders of the Chicago firm, and it may be that soon many companies will be competing for the insurance of non-drinkers.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Remember that I am a frail mortal, and therefore I have erred. —Terence

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Furse's Fresh Flashes

Flipper Fanny, our dainty little contour twister, tells us she was having a wonderful time at a bridge party the other night until a local policeman looked under the bridge.

Local husbands who can't keep their wives in clothes should have sympathy for the fellow who bought his wife a new house. He can't keep her in that either.

See where some scientists are trying to discover absolute-zero. Might we suggest they examine some political speeches?

Uniform traffic laws will never amount to much until they can get drivers to obey them.

A British columnist back in England after a visit to this country, writes: "Whether it is bulldozing roads in Korea ... or breeding hogs in Illinois or making gadgets for removing ice cubes from refrigerators, these Americans are alive, alert, curious, combative and rarin' to go." Which assures us that he didn't visit any draft boards while over here.

A local man says a Peeping Tom is just a wolf gone window shopping.

A local minister has requested those members who put buttons in the collection plate to use their own and not those from the cushions.

or drivers without accidents to their credit, both of which driver classes are entitled to insurance rates adjusted to their accident records.

Down Memory Lane

20 YEARS AGO

Thelma Ward, Vincent Rehmeier, Verna Miller, Beatrice Gwilliams, Robert Wall, Robert Foreman and Clyde Alt-house seven outstanding Cass County 4-H Club members are attending the National 4-H Club Congress at Chicago. It is the largest delegation ever to attend from Cass county. . . . A cash register and other equipment was stolen from the A. W. Propst building at Union . . . \$1,700 has been allotted to Union under the Civic Improvement program for roads. . . . Plattsmouth town team defeated the 17th Infantry at Ft. Crook 88 to 4 in basketball. Robert Rummel, Sam Arn and Louis Knoflicek led the assault. . . . Announcement is made of the marriage of Wilbur W. Hennings of Plattsmouth and Miss Dorothea Smith of Nehawka. . . . John Clymer of Greenwood and John Lindell of Murdock have been honored for scholarship by the Ag college of the University of Nebraska.

10 YEARS AGO

Farm buildings in Cass county have been valued at \$5,064,000 according to a student by a farm magazine. . . . Marion Hoback, member of the military police, is on a furlough at Nehawka from Camp Polk, La. . . . George E. Nickels has completed 28 years in the lumber business at Murray. . . . Edward Strickland, left tackle on the Plattsmouth high school football team, has been given recognition as one of the outstanding players of the season. . . . Shop boys at Alvo are trying to repair the school bell that was damaged in a Halloween prank. . . . Mrs. John Mead has been elected president of the WSCS at Weeping Water. Other officers are Mrs. Herbert Ratnour, vice president; Mrs. Harvey Rich, secretary; and Mrs. Willard H. Waldo, treasurer. . . . Mynard has raised \$306.20 toward Cass county's quota of \$9,500 in the United War Fund, according to Mrs. Oliver Meisinger, chairman.

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

(Copyright, 1952, By the Bell Syndicate, Inc.) DREW PEARSON SAYS:

RUSSIANS HAVE MADE BERMUDA CONFERENCE IMPORTANT; KREMLIN SPIKING UNITED EUROPEAN ARMY; SECRETARY HUMPHREY PRAYS FOR SECRETARY BENSON.

WASHINGTON—As President Eisenhower meets with Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Laniel in Bermuda, diplomats privately agree that the Russians have neatly and skillfully shifted the emphasis on what the Big Three will talk about. Instead of a meeting which Ike was attending only to please Winston Churchill, Bermuda now has some real problems to discuss. For the Kremlin has dealt a severe blow to the United European Army. Furthermore, diplomats agree that the Kremlin, which can be extremely stupid at times, this time scored a real victory. For several weeks, the Russians have been saying "No, No, No." to all proposals to sit down at a foreign ministers conference to discuss Germany and Austria. They said "No" so convincingly and so repeatedly that western diplomats believed it. That's one reason we pushed the invitation so hard. We never thought it

Election's Months Away, But . . .



would be accepted. And the French, also believing them and figuring the Russian were really getting tough, started considering the United European Army earnest.

Then suddenly during the climax of the French debate, the Russians reversed themselves and said "Yes." They agreed to attend the four-power foreign ministers' conference.

This means that the French will delay attempting ratification of the United European Army until after the four-power conference. It also means that the agenda for the conference won't be decided upon for a couple of months, and in the interim the plan to bring German troops into NATO is almost certain to get more and more bogged down in the quagmire of French politics.

For what many Frenchmen and quite a few Americans don't realize is that the No. 1 goal of Soviet Russia today is to keep German fighting men out of the Western European Army.

If the Kremlin can prevent the French and German troops from marching shoulder-to-shoulder together, if they can make them continue their ninety-year hostility, then they can still fan the fires of Franco-German power politics which have caused the last three wars of Europe. Despite problems in Korea and despite politics and spy-hunting here at home, this remains the most cancerous long-range source of war in the world. The Big Three, meeting in Bermuda, will have to spend part of their time considering this—whether Churchill likes it or not.

Heretofore, Winston has given the United European Army only platonic lip service. But if he devoted his own great persuasive talents to this instead of conspiring to meet Malenkov in Moscow, he would make a great and perhaps enduring contribution to the peace of mankind.

Who Needs Prayer Most? Though Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey has his share of cabinet headaches, he prays for another cabinet colleague who has even more. With a budget to balance, taxes to raise and a debt ceiling to keep under, Humphrey is in plenty of hot water. However, he confided to friends recently: "When I say my prayers at night, I thank God that I am not Ezra Taft Benson."

Washington Pipeline Inside reason why John Foster Dulles finally took a stand against Senator Jenner in the Igor Gouzenko diplomatic dickering was because the Canadians told him there was no use arguing further. He was wasting his time. Mike Pearson, Canadian External Minister and one of the best friends the United States has, is so sore at being pressured by Dulles that much of that friendship has been alienated. The man who deposes chief credit for getting a fair deal for Lieut. Milo Radichivitch is Ed Murrow. CBS vice-president and ace commentator. Murrow so dramatically told the story of Radulovich's being fir-

ed because his father read a pro-Communist newspaper that high-up Air Force officials had to review the case. Walter Trohan of the Chicago Tribune and Danton Walker of the Associated Press wrote indignant letters to Look magazine denying Richard Wilson's statement that they were close to Joe McCarthy. Beauulous Washington hostess Gwen Cairitz, also labeled by Look as among Joe's admirers, didn't write. Capital News Capsules.

Dewey disapproved—Capital gossip had it that Tom Dewey helped inspire Brownell's Chicago speech at which he opened up Pandora's Box of Truman and Harry D. White spy charges. But Dewey has now let it be known that he was unalterably opposed to unleashing the Red hunter. His old friend Brownell had been considered a good bet to become the next Governor of New York. Now his chances are not so good. Trouble is that Brownell started the drums of religious prejudice. For while he struck at Harry Truman, the man he hit was Henry McGeorge.

Beare Churchill's Charm John Foster Dulles has given Ike an intensive pep talk about not succumbing to Churchill's charm at Bermuda. Dulles even prepared a briefing resume, and pointed out the dangers of yielding to Churchill's idea of going to Moscow to meet Malenkov. It would build up the Russian Premier, make the rest of the world think he really wanted peace, also make us appear to be kowtowing to Moscow. Despite the briefing, state department diplomats fear Ike may give in to his old wartime friend, the Prime Minister.

Social Security Czar As John W. Tramburg left Wisconsin to take over the all-important job of Federal Social Security Administrator, southern Wisconsin was up in arms at the manner in which he had taken a two-and-a-half year old baby away from his foster mother.

A sound truck stirred up the people of Albany, Wis., over Tramburg's action, a march was organized on a local bus to get his order reversed, and 400 people signed a petition to keep the baby in its present home.

Technically, Tramburg was right. The child, an orphan, had been given to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Tschudy by Tramburg's Department of Public Welfare for adoption. Then six months ago, Tschudy died, and Tramburg decided the child should be raised by a father as well as a mother. But in the interim, the child had been with Mrs. Tschudy for a year and a half, and when the court order was handed down, she fled with her foster son and his foster six days. Grief-stricken, she finally surrendered him and was taken to a hospital.

Wisconsinites say that welfare rules may be welfare rules, but that social welfare should be administered with warmth and sympathy. Rules should be flexible to fit individual circumstances.

That's why the new Social Security Administrator, who otherwise had a good track record, is being eyed in Washington with skepticism. Is he a cold, correct professional, or does he have the kindly, family doctor approach? That's the question some senators want to know.

Realty Transfers

Henry Stubbendick to Ralph Stubbendick and Ruth WD 12-30-52 S 1/4, 36-1-11 \$1,000. Elmer Elliott and Roxie to Wynne M. Babbitt WD 10-13-53 L 7, 8, 9, 12 Townsend's Add \$1,000.

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By Stanley James, Journal Washington Reporter

WASHINGTON—Dec. 3—Hopes for peace with Russia, which soared just after the death of Joseph Stalin, have sagged gradually in Washington in the last four weeks. The Russians wanted the Korean fighting stopped in March, April, and May. They were somewhat hesitant to risk a war with the United States at that time.

Uncle Sam had the hydrogen bomb and the Communists didn't. It was like 1946 all over again—when the United States had the atomic bomb and the Russians had not yet developed the weapon. Like 1946 the bomb was the major stop sign holding back Communist aggression against the free world.

Now Kremlin leaders know they have the hydrogen bomb secret too. There are reports not confirmed that the Russians have discovered a cheap and easy way to make the hydrogen bomb. U. S. scientists know that it is quite possible, technically, although they doubt the reports for several reasons. But it is possible.

The Reds solved the hydrogen bomb puzzle after the Korean fighting ended, and Premier Georgi Malenkov waved the olive branch for two months after assuming power. Malenkov at that time announced his program would be one of more and cheaper goods for the people, and he aimed the economy in that direction.

There are signs in the puppet countries this program would be of more and cheaper goods for the economy in that direction. There are signs in the puppet countries this program is official policy. But the Red Army is reportedly insisting the armed services get more attention. Malenkov, not a military man, is successfully maintaining his hold on the throttle, but with civilian secret police chief Beria

9-9-53 E 1/2 UE 1/4 & W 1/2 NW 1/4 3-11-9 \$27341.19. Marion Kellogg & Irene to Orin Lanning & Laura G. WD 7-23-52 L 10 B 23 Eagle \$1,000. Claude C. Tigner & Mamie to Claude C. Tigner & Mamie WD 10-30-53 L 16 & 17 B 3 Union \$1,000.

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FARM PRICE SUPPORTS

The Government had a record \$4,063,142.81 tied up in farm price support programs on September 23, according to the Agriculture Department. The previous high was \$4,058,175,000 on March 30, 1950. The C. C. has authority to commit as much as \$6,750,000,000 at any one time in carrying out the price-support program.

WEEKLY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Here's the Answer

Crossword puzzle grid with author name and list of words to be found. The grid contains a portrait of a man.