

Russia, United States Approaching Atomic And Diplomatic Stalemate

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON (AP)—Some top American policy makers believe the United States and Russia are approaching an atomic stalemate.

Some think this may tend to stabilize relationships of the big powers and so contribute to development of more-peaceful

relations, however uneasy. At the same time, foreign policy experts believe a situation approaching a diplomatic stalemate, perhaps influenced by the shifting military power balance but more likely by other factors, is already at hand.

State department officials generally believe the Russians are actively avoiding any real

negotiations concerning Germany now and will do so for many months to come. The essence of the atomic balance is simple. With its reported mastery of a hydrogen explosion and its established atomic progress, Russia is close to the point of achieving a kind of balance with the U.S.

Most estimates are that the U.S. retains a sizeable margin in the number of bombs stockpiled. But the destructive power of the big bombs is so great that equality of numbers is not the key to their effect on military strategy. The key is the number required to do a devastating amount of damage.

The U.S. has had the power to work atomic destruction on the Soviet Union for several years. It has been a source of concern to Allied countries, where many non-Communist critics of the U.S., as well as the Reds themselves, exploited the notion that a jumpy America might plunge the world into atomic war, striking before Russia had the bomb.

Such talk now become essentially meaningless because, as President Eisenhower recently said, the only thing worse than winning an atomic war would be losing it.

Alberta Oil Production Quota Reduced by Board

CALGARY (CP)—Allowable oil production in Alberta during October has been cut by another 11,905 barrels daily by the petroleum and natural gas conservation board.

The new allowable of 209,449 barrels daily replaces the original 221,354 announced by the board earlier this week and is down 64,822 barrels a day from September's allowable.

Noted for its deep clear waters, Reindeer lake covers 1,765 square miles on the Manitoba-Saskatchewan boundary.

The reason for the decrease in production, the board said, is that the Interprovincial Pipe Line Co. experienced difficulty in late September in tying-in four new loops of the 16-inch line between Regina and Gretna, Man.

Because of this delay, the pipeline company was unable to receive and transport approximately 367,000 barrels of the September production that had been consigned to the terminus at Superior, Wis. This under-production had been carried forward into October and in order to avoid any further production cutbacks, the board rescinded its original allowable.

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BLACKWOOD on Bridge

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD

Bidding Gives Dale Clue to His Lead

You couldn't say the bidding of today's hand was bad. But there was too much of it—especially with an alert defender like Mr. Dale listening in.

It's wonderful what clues you can get from the bidding sequence. Mr. Dale got on here which enabled him to pull out of a hopeless-looking situation with a plus score.

The king of spades looks like the "normal" opening. But there are two things against it. First, Mr. Dale knew his opponents to be sound bidders. They had checked on aces and they know there was one ace outstanding. Was it likely that they also had a second round spade loser? Mr. Dale thought not.

On the bidding it appeared to him that Mr. Champion had at least nine cards in the red suits. He thought it very probable that the other four cards were divided 3-1 rather than 2-2 and that the singleton would be a spade.

The second thing against the spade opening was the fact that there was another lead which appeared to have much better prospects—the lead of a diamond.

Mrs. Keen had bid diamonds. Mr. Champion had jump-raised diamonds. Mr. Dale himself had four cards in the suit. How many could Mr. Abel have? Surely not over one and maybe none at all.

With the ace of hearts in his hand, Mr. Dale knew he could regain the lead before his partner's trumps could be extracted—assuming, of course, that Mr. Abel had as many as two trumps.

So his opening lead was a diamond. Mr. Champion won with the jack and led a low heart. Mr. Dale went right in with the ace and fired a second diamond which Mr. Abel ruffed for the setting trick.

On a spade opening, Mr. Champion would have time to knock out the ace of hearts while Mr. Abel had a diamond in his hand.

Letterbox

Ball Game Highlighted Convention Trip

IN APPRECIATION
The Editor,
The Daily News:

I wish to convey my appreciation to President John Clark and the executive officers of the Mine, Mill and Smelterworkers' International Union in making it possible for me to attend the St. Louis convention on September 14, 1953. Not only was I honored but the citizens of Prince Rupert appeared to rejoice in the high honor conferred on me, including our local press, as can be noted in its news item on my leaving for St. Louis.

Though the article overstated my record a little in crediting me as one of the founders of the Western Federation of Miners in Butte, Montana, in 1893, the Federation was five years old when I joined Rossland Miners' Union in 1898. From that year up to about 1917 I devoted a great deal of my time on behalf of the W.F.M. and Mine & Mill expansion and, without regret, those were the years the membership stood the acid test of endurance.

We were besieged by every detective agency operating at the time, not as detectors of crime but as instigators. The fact was established in the Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone trials at Boise, Idaho, in 1907. It cost the Western Federation of Miners over one million dollars to save the lives of those three men. We

were also compelled to defend Vincent St. John in a trumped-up charge of murder in Colorado. St. John was also acquitted, so was Steve Adams, in a mystery case of murder that none could understand. Jack Simpkins had \$15,000 on his head by the State of Idaho that never was collected. Simpkins was a member of the executive board up to the time of the 1907 convention in Denver. Simpkins was a Bunker Hill bull pen victim of 1898.

While I cannot recall all names

of members who in those stormy days stood by their guns like soldiers in battle, I will mention a few, though most of them now enjoy that dreamless sleep that sound and fury cannot disturb and awaits us all. They are: Ed. Boyce, W. D. Haywood, Chas. Moyer, Geo. Pettibone, Jas. Kirwin, Ernest Mills, Jack Simpkins, Chas. Mahoney, J. C. Lowmyer, Vincent St. John, Andy Shilling, Bill Davidson, Jas. Baker, P. C. Rawlings, Fred Hazelwood, Rupert Bulmer, Frank Little, Albert Ryan, P. J. Duffey, Dave Coats, Governor Waite of Colorado, Frank Phillips, Chris Foley, F. E. Woodside, P. R. McDonald, Fred Malcolm, Geo. Hetherington and Sam Emery.

Last but not least the grandest of all, Eugene V. Debs, who described the early labor organizer in the following manner: he drew no salary, heard no applause, saw no footlights, never saw his name in print and now fills an unknown grave. The labor movement is his monument. Although his name is not inscribed on it, his soul is in it, and with it marches on forever.

The greatest forward strides I noticed in union affairs was the abolishing of race discrimination, a class-conscious move that will be a dividend-payer wherever practiced.

The highlight during my four days in St. Louis was the ball game between Brooklyn Dodgers and St. Louis Cardinals. I was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence of Alabama. It was the first big league game witnessed in my life.

All in all, the convention was a memorable one to me to witness—a job started sixty years ago still in process of development in relation to changed economic conditions. Now that the old burly piston machine, weighing up to 500 pounds, is replaced with machines one-third the weight, and drills more than five feet to one of the old burly of 60 years ago.

Little wonder the workers demand a much higher standard of living than was possible the year the Western Federation of Miners was born, 1893, known as Single Jack days in the mines.

In conclusion I wish to thank Harvey Murphy, regional director, John Clark, International president and members of the executive board, for the honor conferred on me; and that another 60-year span be added to Mine Mill International in its struggle on behalf of labor.

GEORGE B. CASEY.

Ambassador Badly Beaten In Seoul

SEOUL (AP)—South Korea's ambassador to the United States, Dr. You Chan Yang, today confirmed reports that he was badly beaten Sunday by "two UN soldiers with British accents."

The South Korean government earlier had denied officially that the ambassador was beaten.

Dr. Yang said he was attacked and injured by "two UN soldiers who wanted money from me."

He lost four front teeth in the beating and his right eye was badly bruised. He was knocked unconscious "for quite a while."

He was robbed of his wrist watch and some American dollars. He was walking down a Seoul street after dark when attacked.

He made no official complaint and said he wanted to "keep quiet about it."

He was scheduled to leave for Tokyo today to participate in the Korean-Japan conference. He plans to stay in Tokyo about a week and then fly back to Washington.

WEEK-END DEATHS

STOCKHOLM — Prince Oscar Bernadotte, 93, uncle of King Gustaf Adolf VI of Sweden.

CORK, Ireland — Sir Arnold Bax, 69, master of the Queen's music.

TORONTO — Luther F. Winchell, 61, president and general manager of Hinde and Dauche Paper Company of Canada.

WOLSELEY, Sask. — Walter Ashfield, 57, editor of the Grenfell Sun and former president of

the Saskatchewan division of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association.

NEW GLASGOW, N.S.—Bennie A. Fraser, 78, former editor of The Eastern Chronicle which ceased publishing last week.

OTTAWA—Charles J. Mitchell, 78, veteran newspaperman and former telegraph editor of the Charlottetown Patriot.

MONTREAL — Leopold Houle, 70, former president of the Royal Society of Canada.

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\$81,000 England-Australia Air Race Starts Thursday

LONDON (Reuters)—All along the 12,270-mile air route from Britain to New Zealand teams of technicians now are preparing the groundwork for the world's greatest flying event, the London-Christchurch air race starting this Thursday.

There has been nothing comparable to it since the Melbourne centenary air race in 1934, which was won by a British Comet. The piston Comet then flew the 11,300 miles from Mildenhall, in England, to Melbourne in Australia in 70 hours, 54 minutes.

Eight planes will start Thursday in the £29,000 (\$31,200) race. In the present contest, there are five 600-mile-an-hour British Canberra twin jet bombers.

Three are entered by the Royal Air Force and two Australian-built by the Royal Australian Air Force.

The contest is divided into speed and transport sections.

The transport section is made up of a Vickers prop-jet Vickers entered by British Airways; a Douglas DC-4 entered by the Royal Dutch Airlines KLM; and a Handley Page Hastings under the colors of New Zealand Air Force.

The only jet transport is the Vickers Viscount. The race is organized by the Canterbury International Race Council in New Zealand with the co-operation of the British ministry of supply. To complete the race within an hour, including all stops

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