

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The United Nations Atomic Energy Commission has tentatively agreed that all existing atomic weapons should be destroyed.

Tonight a majority of the Committee adopted in principle a proposal put forth by Soviet Delegate Gromyko. Gromyko wants all atom bombs destroyed; and not turned over to the United Nations nor used somehow as sources of atomic fuel. They all should be destroyed, says Gromyko. And tonight, the majority of the delegates lined up with him; although the decision was far from final.

There was no discussion this evening of the American-backed Baruch plan for atomic control which provides only that the atomic bomb be eliminated from national armaments, meaning, of course, that the weapon could be included in the armed forces of the United Nations.

Tonight's decision, if it stands up, means that

the proposed U.N. police force will not have in its arsenal the atomic bomb.

NEW LEAD MARSHALL PLAN

(Rumania, Poland, and Yugoslavia will not participate in the forthcoming Paris Conference for European economic recovery. Where does that announcement come from? From Moscow!

Russia pulling the strings, her puppets responding automatically.)

There had been some faint hope that Poland, might approve the Marshall Plan for the rehabilitation of Europe. (As late as this weekend, the Poles announced that they were still "definitely interested." Then the Kremlin spoke -- and, Poland was interested no longer.)

Rumania and Yugoslavia? Their rejections are not so surprising. Rumania is about the most completely occupied of all the Soviet satellites, the most completely dominated. And Yugoslavia as we know, led by Tito is about the most violently anti-Western country in the Soviet Bloc.

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One ^{love} nation of eastern Europe will join in the conference ~~on the Marshall Plan~~. As foreshadowed last week, (the government of Czechoslovakia has accepted the invitation.) There was a meeting of the Cabinet at Prague ~~late~~ yesterday, and today Premier Gottwald and Foreign Minister Jan Masaryk embarked by plane for Moscow to talk things over at the Kremlin.

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(The presence of Czechoslovakian representatives at the Paris Conference ^{will} mean that there will be at least one voice representing eastern Europe and the countries closely affiliated with Soviet Russia.)

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In Paris, today, there was a meeting of the Socialist Party, the party of Paul Ramadier, who told the delegates that the Marshall Plan will not affect the independence of nations who avail themselves of American help. On the contrary, said Ramadier, it will permit them to reconstruct a peaceful atmosphere and

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support production. The outcome of the meeting was that the Socialists gave Ramadier a vote of confidence. Not without opposition, however, for the score was two-thousand-five-hundred-and-seventy-six in his favor to two-thousand-and-fifty-eight against him.

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~~Enter in the~~ ^{And, to} day, the Low Countries joined the list of consenting nations, both Belgium and the Netherlands, also Turkey. These acceptances, plus indications, show that (out of twenty-two nations whom Great Britain and France invited to the conference, at least fourteen will accept.) In addition to those I've mentioned, they are Luxembourg, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Iceland, Italy, Eire, Portugal, Austria and Greece. There's a chance also that Switzerland may be there.

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The Soviet spokesmen today were relentless in their sharpshooting at the Marshall Plan. One ~~of them~~ even took it to the floor of the United Nations Economic Commission ~~for~~ ~~Europe~~ now sitting in Geneva. Valerian Zorin, Soviet Ambassador to ~~the~~ Prague and delegate to that Economic Commission, repeated the same old formula of accusations first invented by Molotov, and added a few inventions of his own. The Marshall Plan, said Zorin, was a plot of Britain and France to by-pass the United Nations and invade the sovereignty of European countries.

Then there were the usual snipings from Pravda and other Russian periodicals, as well as the Moscow radio.

A story out of Washington reports that diplomats in our capital believe the opposition to the Marshall Plan forbodes a permanent break in the grand alliance that won the war. *one that* will become definite at the ^{autumn} ~~return~~ meetings of the United Nations and the Council of Foreign Ministers. The manner in which the Soviets have rejected the Marshall Plan, has dramatized the unbridgeable differences between the Soviet bloc and the rest of R Europe, plus Uncle Sam.

If they're right this means, of course, the deathnell of the United Nations. These conjectures are based partly upon a speech recently made at the commencement of Dartmouth College by Supreme Court Justice Jackson, one of the close ~~XXXXXXXX~~ associates of the late F.D.R. That address ~~is~~ was overshadowed by other events at the time. But it is significant that Jackson there pronounced the conflict and rivalry between the United States and the U.S.S.R. as irreconcilable. AT the same time,

the best way to avoid war is to recognize that fact.

Justice Jackson, speaking at Dartmouth, said that the One World idea was one of the most contagious half-truths of the last decade.

Then there was an article in the current issue of "Foreign Affairs," believed to have been written by George F. Keenan, the State Department's number one expert on Russia and adviser to the Secretary of State. This article declared that Uncle Sam cannot expect in the foreseeable future to enjoy political intimacy with the Soviet regime.

Other diplomats in Washington say that the late President Roosevelt depended upon the personal diplomacy which he practiced throughout the war to keep the United Nations alive and vigorous. That even had he lived, personal diplomacy was bound to become void after the enemy surrendered.

TRUMAN

President Truman today again asked Congress for a law to permit a number of dispossessed people in Europe to emigrate to the United State^s. This is, I believe, the third time he has made the request. Congress has postponed and stalled on this issue, because a number of people opposed it, principally labor unions, who express the fear that the admission of more immigrants will cheapen the labor market. On the other hand, the leaders of the Republican as well as the Democratic Party, have supported this proposal, as for instance Governor Dewey of New York. ^PMr. Truman originally asked Congress to admit immediately four hundred thousand of the dispossessed. This time he set no figure.

The Herald-Tribune, a staunch Republican organ, has pointed out that four hundred thousand is less than half the number of people who would have been admitted into Uncle Sam's domain during the last few years, if all the quotas had been filled. ^{And} _^Mr. Truman repeated^s this ~~fact~~ in his message, ^{and daing} that the displaced persons whose admission he asks are hardy and

resourceful or they would not have survived the hardships of the last few years in Europe. A survey shows that they include people of a wide variety of professions, crafts and skills. That they are not Communists -- in fact, they have fervently opposed all totalitarian rule; and through their faith in the principles of freedom and democracy, they suffered so much privation and hardship.

"We should not forget," said the President,

"There are nations founded by immigrants."

NEW LEAD COAL

(Substitute for early story.)

No nationwide coal strike after all. ^{The} Northern coal operators ^{now} announce that they have reached a wage agreement with John L. Lewis -- a new contract calling for a wage increase of ~~one~~ ^a Dollar-and-Twenty-Cents a day. At the same time, ^{the} Southern operators, heretofore adamant, have announced their willingness to go along with Lewis and the rest of the industry.

So, ~~there will be~~ no strike in the nation's soft coal mines tomorrow. The agreement hasn't been ratified yet, but that ^{now we here is} a mere formality.

~~And~~ **It** appears tonight that Lewis has won an industrywide contract. Last fall Southern operators refused to negotiate on a national basis and broke away from Northern representatives. Tonight Lewis has them all signed up -- Southerners and Northerners both.

But Lewis did not win without major concessions of his own. Today's discussions became deadlocked over a Lewis demand that any new contract protect him and his miners from prosecution under the Taft-Hartley Labor Law. The mine chieftain has surrendered on that point.

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Labor observers believe that the coal contract may have far reaching repercussions in other basic industries, such as automobiles, steel, and rubber. No protection from the penalties provided by a recent labor legislation, ~~but~~ but on the other hand, another series of substantial pay boosts all along the line.

BANDIT

Shortly after noon today, a jeweler on Forty-Second Street near Fifth Avenue rushed out of his shop, shouting "Stop thief!" Patrolman Daniel Murphy of ~~Father Knickerbocker's~~ ~~First~~ jumped into action, chased the robber down Forty-Second Street. ^{He} Murphy did not fire, for fear of hitting people ~~on the sidewalk~~. The bandit jumped through the open door of a bus, and hid in the crowd of passengers. Patrolman Murphy followed him, and ordered the criminal to put up his hands ^{and}. The bus driver pulled the lever ^{that} locked ~~which~~ ~~opened~~ the doors of the bus to prevent anybody escaping.

The robber hid behind passengers and fired six shots at Murphy, hit him twice, once in the chest and once in the abdomen. And while forty passengers were dodging or diving under seats, Murphy braced himself and fired three bullets, one of which hit the bandit between the eyes and killed him instantly.

DOGGEREL

Twenty-one year old Robert Ramos of Los Angeles eloped to Yuma, Arizona, with sixteen-year-old Florence Nunez, and there married her. Yuma, being one of the several Gretna Greens just over the southern California line. And one of the hottest spots on earth. The newlyweds returned home, hoping to live happy ever after; but, the course of true love didn't run smoothly. Says the young ~~bridegroom,~~^{bridegroom,} the mother-in-law took the bride away and is now holding her incommunicado.

Counsel in taking the case to the Superior Court, asked for a writ of habeas corpus. He couched his complaint in rhyme, as follows:

"The parents have vowed they'll remain far apart,
their future destroyed by a much broken heart."

Kinda fuzzy ~~ix~~ rhyme, that. But he then went on to ask the Judge:

"That his bride be returned without blemish or
flaw,
Her restraint is illegal and violates law."

Judge Stanley Mosk of the Los Angeles Superior Court is evidently a jurist who knows good poetry

when he sees it. And he said he was tempted to turn down the petition not because it was bad law, but because it was bad doggerel.

NEW LEAD SAUCERS (substitute for early story.)

(Those flying saucer reports -- they are still coming in, with more fantastic details being added.) Some report the discs throwing off sparks, some report small discs shepherded along by a father disc, and, the mysterious flying saucers doing all sorts of antics, swooping low, zooming high. One of them even landing, so says a report from Tempe, Arizona. A man there says he rushed to the spot only to see a flat-aluminum-like disc take off again at high speed.

Well, eleven army planes searched the Pacific Northwest for the discs today and found nothing, no discs at all, to train their telescopic cameras on.

The man who started it all, Kenneth Arnold, that Idaho business man pilot, is up in the air, also flying Aviation Editor Dave Johnson of the "Idaho Statesman" on a saucer hunt. Johnson is under orders to "keep flying until you see something or have to give up." And they are flying around the Hanford Atomic Bomb Plant in Washington. It was Arnold, whose first report of shiny discs tearing through the air at one-thousand-two-

hundred miles an hour around Mount Rainier, first touched off the deluge of reports.

And what else is doing in the saucer investigation? Well, a Chicago businessman, E.J. Culligan, has offered a thousand-bucks - a 1000 silver saucers reward ~~ix~~ for anybody who finds one of them, or comes up with the real scientific explanation.

His one-thousand is fairly safe I'd say!

A dispatch from Bozeman, Montana, today ^{told} ~~tells~~ how Vernon Baird, a pilot, and George Cuttin, a photographer, of Los Angeles, were flying a plane over the Tobacco Root Mountains -- shooting pictures for the Federal Reclamation Bureau. Up at thirty-two thousand, four hundred feet -- they give that as the exact altitude, -- they saw what they describe as a flying "yo-yo."

A pearl grey, clam-shaped plane with a plexi-glass dome on top -- the plane about fifteen feet in diameter and four or five feet thick. It overtook the P-38, in which the pilot and photographer were flying. So, they say they took evasive action. Whereupon the yo-yo got caught in the P-38's propwash and came apart like a clamshell. The two pieces spiralled down some place in the Madison Range in Western Montana.

Reporters asked the pilot whether he saw a man inside that plexiglass dome, and he replied he was too busy flying his plane. Then they asked the photographer what about pictures. Oh, pictures. Oh, -- he was so excited he didn't even think about his camera.

Then came later word: that the Bozeman, Mont P38 pilot, had admitted that he made up his story. He didn't see anything at all. He just couldn't resist the temptation to spin a yard. He didn't suppose anyone would believe it.

Scientific writers are offering as a solution of this mystery, that the reports were a hoax to begin with, and that, being published, they've stimulated the imaginings of some credulous people who are ready, even eager, to believe anything. And now Nelson what if anything do you believe?

PETRILLO

James Caesar Petrillo says that musicians of his Federation will make no more records after December Thirty-first. He also plans to forbid the radio networks to broadcast any music.

What does Petrillo want this time? Why, he wants each of the nine hundred and four stations in the United States to employ their own musicians -- be compelled to do so. Meaning that only those in the New York area would be able to hear the Metropolitan Opera broadcasts, or the New York Philharmonic. Which would mean that these broadcasts would be discontinued, and there would be no broadcasting by any of the major symphony orchestras,

since it would hardly be practical for them to broadcast

over just one station. ^{(James Caesar} Petrillo today revealed his

plan to a ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Labor Sub-Committee of the House of

Representatives. Then he added: "That's how I feel right

now. But," he went on, "I might change my mind between

now and the end of the year." In other words, in spite

of the Lea Bill, which the Supreme Court upheld, the quality of music you may hear on the air next year may

depend on the whim of one man -- James Caesar Petrillo.

The Chairman of that particular House Sub-committee is Representative Carroll Kearns of Pennsylvania, himself a musician and a member of Petrillo's union. Congressman Kearns lit into his own union chief, described him as a monopolist trying to limit freedom of education, even freedom of religion. Kearns asked Petrillo how many members of his Federation now have jobs? The little czar, James Caesar, replied: "Thirty percent of musicians are now making a living; thirty not quite a living; twenty percent are lawyers and ~~mag~~ doctors who use their cards to get diplomas." Then he threw a dig at Congressman Kearns, saying: "They are like congressmen who hold their cards for sentimental reasons."

Congressman Kearns made the accusation that Petrillo had established a dictatorship over American television, radio and record-making, and every other phase of entertainment in which music is involved.

In the course of the argument, Petrillo told

how people now can even get married with a juke box!

Whereupon a Texas Congressman asked whether Petrillo considered Edison had done a disservice to humanity when he invented the phonograph. To which the union despot replied: "Not to humanity, but to musicians."

That brought forth such a roar of ~~xxx~~ laughter that Petrillo corrected himself and said he thought musicians were human, too.

HOLIDAY

As usual, Independence Day, our first and ~~grr~~ greatest national holiday, leaves in its wake, tragedy in so many, many homes. Nearly six hundred deaths this year, the heaviest toll in six years. The largest single cause of fatality, as expected, due to recklessness on the highways, causing the deaths of two hundred and sixty-one persons throughout the country. ~~fx~~

As grim consolation, that number happens to be less than the pre-holiday estimate made by the National Safety Council, which prophesied two hundred and seventy-five. A hundred and seventy-three were drowned, and a hundred and forty-nine died in miscellaneous accidents, only seven from fireworks.

The mystery of the so-called flying saucers has the whole country agog, including Uncle Sam's Army. At least there's a lot of conversation about it. And yesterday the Air Force had eleven planes patrolling the Pacific northwest, with telescopic cameras -- all set to photograph those aerial discs if they came across any.

The rumors started in the Pacific Northwest, but later a number of people on the East Coast came up with similar stories. In New Jersey, South Carolina, New York, Connecticut, people were positively insisting they had seen these shiny objects, traveling at great speed thro the air. The circumstance that arouses doubts is that there is no report of any person or any building having been injured by any of them coming to earth. After all, it still is true that what goes up must come down. And if the atmosphere were full of levitating saucers, they would have to alight somewhere, and fall heavily.

Only one instance, maybe, of a disc falling, is reported. The Reverend Joseph Brasky, a Catholic priest

COAL

A strike in the soft coal mines is ~~not~~ imminent after all, because John L. Lewis is trying to get around the provisions of the Taft-Hartley Labor Act by negotiation. For instance, ^{Lewis} ~~he~~ wants a clause in the ~~co~~ contract which will guarantee that the employers do not avail themselves of their rights under the Taft-Hartley Bill to prosecute and sue the union.

And There you have the nub of the obstacles to the signing of a new contract between the operators and the miners, an attempt to evade the law.