

PRECEDE PARIS

L.T. - Fri. Oct. 22 - '54.

A dispatch from Paris, Premier Mendes-France and Chancellor Adenauer in conference tonight, until about three A.M. Paris time. Trying desperately to save the accord on German rearmament from - a last minute collapse. The trouble - the Saar dispute. The security agreements were to be signed some time tomorrow. But, today, Mendes-France declared - "we will not sign any agreements tomorrow, if the problem of the Saar is not settled."

Hence, the emergency talks tonight with Adenauer reporting - "some progress." But adding - "there are some serious problems left."

Leaving all in the balance.

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The United States is willing to join ~~in~~ in talks with Soviet Russia - when the new set-up of West European defense has been completed. Today's dispatch from Paris informing us ~~that~~ that Secretary of State John Foster Dulles has given the promise to the British Foreign Secretary and the French Premier. Telling them - that we are willing to join them in opening negotiations with the Kremlin - for a settlement of the cold war. But - only after the pact for West German sovereignty and rearmament has been assured. Meaning - it would have to be ratified ~~in~~ by France and West Germany. Then - we'll be willing to go into high level talks with Soviet Russia.

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U.S. diplomats point out - that the Soviets have been trying to block the rearmament of Western Germany by means of peace talks. Dangling - the prospect of negotiations as a sort of bait. So, if that angle were taken out - there would be a better chance of doing business in a serious way. Moscow, no longer able to make it a propaganda issue, might be more serious in high level consultations with the West.

~~Meanwhile, there may be a hitch - in the formal signing of the security agreements - tomorrow. Reason - the Saar Valley. Today, Premier Mendes-France declared: "We will not sign any accords tomorrow - if the problem of the Saar is not settled,"~~

~~The French Premier, all along, has insisted on a settlement of the long time dispute between France and Germany - concerning the valley of coal and iron. Now - repeating his contention in a way that seems to threaten the ceremony of signing, scheduled for tomorrow. British~~

PREMIER

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The White House announces - Premier Mendes-France will visit Washington next month - as a guest of President Eisenhower. The French Premier - to arrive on November Eighteenth, and remain in the National ~~Capitol~~ Capital for at least two days.

Previously, the President had expressed the hope - that Mendes-France would come for a visit at his earliest convenience. The ~~xxx~~ invitation - under discussion during the past couple of days. Followed - by the setting of a date.

All of which means that in the space of less than a month - President Eisenhower will have a chance to discuss international affairs with the heads of both the French and the ~~xxx~~ German government. Chancellor Adenauer - to precede Mendes-France. Adenauer, scheduled to be a guest at the White House on October twenty-eighth.

Looks as if New international planning may be in prospect.

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At the United Nations, Soviet Russia, today, joined the West - in sponsoring a call for new disarmament negotiations. The proposal was put forth originally, by Canada. The Canadian delegate ~~is~~ announcing, today - that Vishinsky has agreed. Moscow - to join in talks for a reduction of armaments. The Canadian announcement was confirmed by Vishinsky, who said: "A procedural agreement has been reached." The negotiations to be - secret.

The American view is none too optimistic, but we're joining. The U.S. delegate saying - "the talks, in private, will test the good faith of the Soviets."

"We await the test with interest," he said, and added: "The United States will do its part."

LONDON REFUGEES

England has a case ~~in~~ of Polish sailors - going over to freedom.

Aboard a fishing boat, the crew of seven revolted against the captain and the political officer. The latter being the Red agent sent along to promote Communism. He didn't do so well, apparently, because the sailors made the captain a prisoner, while the political officer barricaded himself in his cabin.

Then they sailed their craft across the North Sea into the Yorkshire port of Whitby. The seven sailors -- asking for political asylum.

The Red government of Poland insisted - that they be extradited as criminals, mutineers. Britain has an extradition treaty with Poland - which provides, however, that political offenders shall not be handed over. So now the case is in a London court, where there was a hearing today. Decision - postponed until next week.

REFUGEES

State Permission to enter the United States has been given to a party of polish sailors - now on Formosa. Which - ends a controversy in Washington. An argument - behind the scenes, that had been going on for weeks.

Earlier in the year, Chinese Nationalist warships, blockading the coast of Red China - seized a freighter and a tanker from Red Poland. Taking the vessels - into Formosa. There, a number of the ~~Rm~~ Polish sailors asked for political asylum. This was granted - and arrangements were made for them to come to the United States. Where - anti-Communist Polish elements guaranteed them jobs on farms.

The plan was backed by the State Department. But then - was blocked by the immigration service of the Department of Justice, under our immigration law. So an argument was on between two branches of the government. Then ^{tje} Central Intelligence agency, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Foreign Operations administration - entered the controversy, we ~~ga~~ hear. Backing - the

State Department. So now, the immigration service gives in. Attorney General Brownell - granting special entry permits to the twenty-two Polish sailors, who fled Communism.

PROGRESSIVE PARTY

The Senate Internal Security Committee releases testimony - that the Communists controlled the progressive party in NineteenForty-Eight, ~~When~~ former Vice President Henry Wallace and Senator Glenn Taylor ran for President and Vice President, respectively, on the Progressive ticket.

The testimony was given by a one-time F B I informant in the Communist party, Herbert Philbrick. ^{Who} ~~Saxton~~ told the sub-committee: "When the Progressive party was formed in Nineteen Forty-eight, the Communists were in complete control of every single move, and every single policy carried out."

Earlier in the week, both Henry Wallace and Glenn Taylor denied previous evidence of the same sort. Wallace declaring that in Nineteen forty-eight, he had insisted he would not tolerate Communists or accept Communist backing. Glenn Taylor who is running for the Senate in Idaho, said!

"If there were any Communists in the Progressive Party, I never recognized them as such."

Today's disclosure of testimony includes a statement -
that Communist party headquarters objected to a campaign
speech Wallace prepared, in Nineteen Forty-eight. The Red
leadership - revising parts of it. The one time F B I
informant says that Wallace, on a coast to coast radio
network, ~~re~~ delivered the speech as altered by the Communist
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Go say Dewey

Earl Warren, New York political party, Senator
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Governor Dewey, tonight, made a charge against Averell Harriman, candidate for Governor ~~ix~~ of New York on the Democratic ticket. Dewey charging that, in Nineteen twenty-five, Harriman and his business associates "made millions" out of a Wall Street deal, in which the investors were deliberately misinformed.

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Earlier in the New York political campaign, Senator Ives, Republican candidate for Governor, charged that the firm headed by Harriman paid a bribe of a quarter of a million

to a Brooklyn Judge. Tonight Governor Dewey said - he was presenting chapter two, the Silesian Mine deal. And promised - ~~an~~ another chapter tomorrow, in a speech by Senator Ives.

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LOS ANGELES

The Governor of California has asked the oil industry to close down all refinery operations in Los Angeles County - as a test. To determine- how far the oil refineries may be responsible for the smog. Today, for the sixteenth straight day, Los Angeles was in a haze - those fumes that sting the eyes and irritate the throat.

Governor Goodwin J. Knight says - he has no authority to stop the oil activities. He is merely making a request.

The companies declare that oil refining is not a major cause of the smog. They say their southern California refineries have installations to reduce the pollution of the air. Taking more precautions, actually - than required by law.

The latest - the leading oil companies have rejected the pleas. Saying - that shutting down of the refineries would prove nothing. Such a test, they claim, would depend on the weather at the moment.

Meanwhile, California Senator Kuchel has made an appeal to President Eisenhower - asking for federal aid --

Technical assistance - in the crisis of smog at Los Angeles.

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SHEPPARD

In the Cleveland case of Dr. Samuel Sheppard, a jury

Theresa... river came back -- when the
has been seated - tentatively. Today, ~~XXXXX~~ juror number
steamboat Mail... at St. Louis. For the first time, a
twelve was chosen, in the case of the doctor charged with
since the days of the civil war - a river-boat traveled up
the murder of his wife. On Monday, however, both sides will
stream from New Orleans, with a cargo of U.S. Mail. Today's
have an opportunity to challenge the selections. The jury
dispatch telling - of seven thousand letters.
now standing as five men and seven women.

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EDISON
STEAMBOAT

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EDISON

The country - as we heard last night - is commemorating the seventy fifth anniversary of Edison's invention of the familiar electric light, the incandescent lamp. In Eighteen Seventy-Nine, the "Wizard of Menlo Park" brought out a successful form of the electric bulb, which we now see everywhere. Well, today, the news wire gives us an interview with Wilbur Huston. Who's he? That's the story.

In Nineteen twenty-nine Edison sponsored a nationwide contest - to pick "America's brightest boy." To be sent through college at Edison's expense. Expected - to follow in the footsteps of that prince of inventors. The winner - Wilbur Huston, sixteen year old son of an Episcopalian Minister at Seattle.

The famous inventor sent him to M I T - Massachusetts Institute of Technology - where he took a degree in physics. Then - was given a job at Edison's New Jersey laboratory. Expected to become successor to Edison.

But, after four years, Wilbur Huston quit the laboratory

- quit science. Today he explained that he felt the world needed something more than technology. Moral development needed - spiritual values. So he devoted himself to the movement called - moral rearmament.

But, half a dozen years later, he went back to science - through a very practical channel. Drafted into the Army in Nineteen Forty-three -and given an assignment at Langley Field Air Force laboratory. There he found ^{science} ~~science~~ congenial, once again, and stayed on at Langley Field.

But he is no successor to Edison. Today he explained:
"The days of the individual genius, like Edison, have passed. Today's approach is that of a research team, rather than of individuals, trying to explore alone."

So he's working with a team, and says: "We are trying to create better and safer airplanes."

All of which is an apt interview - for the seventy fifth anniversary of Edison's incandescent lamp.

SEARCH

The town of Powerslake, North Dakota, has, normally, a population of seven hundred. Today the people numbered as many as - seven thousand. All - because of the disappearance of a small boy.

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Four year old Lavern Enget, going to meet his father in the fields - vanished. A search going on - for days. People - rallying to find the boy.

This morning, a thousand men, on foot, formed a human chain, sweeping the countryside. Two hundred on horses, rode out. Six bloodhounds - trying to pick up the trail. Thirty airplanes and two helicopters - scouting from the sky.

The human chain expected to cover one hundred and thirty square miles by nightfall.

So many volunteers have thronged for the search - the town can't hold them. Hundreds have to sleep in the fields and emergency canteens have been set up to feed them.

Showing - how the people have rallied in the search for a

lost child. Still lost. And now as Gay Avery finds his way to the microphone Ill say s-l-u-t