

# NATO LEADERS SQUABBLE ON EVE OF SUMMIT TALKS

United in Flexible Rigidity



General MacAdenhower.  
(Vicky in the New Statesman)

THE governments of the U.S., Britain, and France have been forced into reluctant agreement to enter into talks at the summit with the Soviet Union to find a peaceful solution to some of the problems dividing the Nato and the socialist countries.

But they are having the greatest difficulty in agreeing upon a common policy for the meeting of foreign ministers which will take place on May 11 to prepare for the summit conference.

Britain has put forward a plan for the reduction of military forces in Europe and this has raised intense opposition both from de Gaulle, most of whose army is away in Algeria and from Adenauer.

### TOO HORRIBLE

For West Germany, the British plan is too horrible to contemplate, for if troops are withdrawn this will make clear to the German public what is already clear to military leaders—that any conflict in Germany would not be conducted by old-style armies but by nuclear bombing. This could only mean the complete destruction of the German people. Whether the bombs came from West or from East in any European war it would be Germany which would be right in the middle.

President Eisenhower has added to the German alarm by declaring publicly that the U.S. would not limit any action in which it was involved to non-nuclear combat.

### NEW YORK TIMES COMMENT

Complaining of the division in the West the *New York Times* political commentator, C. L. Sulzberger said last week:

"London and Paris still bicker about competitive trade. And the British, having viewed with interest and concern de Gaulle's proclaimed search for French 'grandeur' now look for at bit of the same." He quoted Lord Beaverbrook's statement that Macmillan "is assuming the leadership of the West" to illustrate his point.

Sulzberger said that the French decision to maintain control over its Mediterranean Fleet in war caused "the most embarrassing recent disagreement in N.A.T.O." De Gaulle's action had "minor military importance", but "the political implications are immense". He added: "The real reason for the move

is that de Gaulle insists on more specific help from the United States, greater recognition for France in global strategic councils and a larger share of N.A.T.O. commands. The decision on the fleet is intended to stress this".

And he concluded with the remark that the growing "intra-allied quarrels" of the West were "not obscured by the latest plethora of comforting platitudes."

### AIR PROVOCATION

To cap everything the Americans are now shocking Britain with a new display of bellicosity which seems almost to be designed to sabotage the very holding of the Foreign Ministers meeting. While U.S. generals rattle sabres before a Congress Investigation committee, U.S. aircraft have begun to ignore a 10,000 feet ceiling flying limit on the route across the German Democratic Republic.

This air ceiling has been operating for many years and is largely an air safety measure of the type existing on many air-lanes all over

the world. The new American action can only be intended as blatant provocation and has caused alarm among all America's allies.

With all the cross-currents and conflicts the world watches, as Vicky comments visually in the *New Statesman* (see cartoon), to see what sort of freak will emerge as the united policy of Eisenhower, Macmillan, de Gaulle and Adenauer.

## GERMANS GO EAST

NEARLY 20,000 residents of West Germany moved across to the German Democratic Republic during the last three months. Most of them are miners, metallurgical workers and young people under 25 years old.

The government is assisting them to find employment and accommodation.

The emigration from West Germany is now 45% higher than it was during the corresponding period last year, and enquiries from doctors, engineers, technicians and unskilled workers who want to know about employment prospects in the socialist sector are continuing to arrive in a steady stream.

## Castro Alleges U.S. Plot Against Cuba

"AMERICAN reactionaries and Western newspaper agencies are sponsoring a campaign to overthrow the new Cuban government and return the ousted dictator, Batista, to power," Cuban Premier Fidel Castro told a rally of 100,000 people in Havana last week.

"The Cuban revolution is opposed to both the national and international reactionaries," Castro said, calling for universal military training for defence. He attacked the U.S. government for sending

arms to Batista and the Dominican republic.

### U.S. SCHEMES

Reports from various regions in the Caribbean reveal that the enemies of Cuba are extremely active. Haitian dictator, Duvalier, has been lately clamouring about a so-called danger of "invasion from Cuba" and asked the United States to "take prompt action" to "safeguard the security of the Caribbean region."

Ten thousand Dominican troops have been ordered to take up positions near the Haitian-Dominican border "to prepare against attacks from non-Haitian troops", and a foreign legion has been organised to "fight in any place in defence of Haiti and other countries against attacks by Cuba".

The U.S. Navy is staging so-called "anti-submarine" exercises in the Caribbean and the Atlantic. U.S. marines have been sent to "train" Haitian troops and 6 million dollars will be granted to Haiti by the International Co-operation Administration.

### "POLICE ACTION"

U.S. Democratic representative Victor Anfuso has openly urged Latin American countries to take "police action" against Cuba declaring that if the suggestions were turned down the U.S. would consider going ahead alone.

The U.S. imperialists have been unable to reconcile themselves to the victory of the Cuban people in overthrowing the Batista regime. This is the reason for the activities directed against the Castro government of Cuba, the propaganda against the punishment of war criminals and the instigation of Batista elements to subvert the new government, and the open threats that the U.S. will boycott and blockade Cuba.

"The monopoly press of Western agencies have also started press campaigns of lies and slander against Cuba," Premier Castro said. "They have talked more of any one executed for war crimes than they have of the 20,000 crimes committed by Batista here."

## Moon Will Be Explored Before 7-yr. Plan Ends

—Says Soviet Scientist!

SCIENTISTS will reach and explore the moon before the end of the present Soviet 7-Year plan, said Alexander Nesmeyanov, President of the Academy of Sciences of the USSR, opening the Academy's annual conference in Moscow last week.

"The latest accomplishments of Soviet science, which is at the service of progress and peace, will contribute to the solution of this problem," Nesmeyanov declared.

He said that the major lines of development of Soviet science under the 7-Year Plan would be the theory and practice of automation of production processes, the mastery of controlled thermo-nuclear reactions, transistor technology, chemical synthesis and the elucidation of the physical and chemical laws governing living things.

Nesmeyanov expressed the confidence that notable progress would be made in the field of controlled thermo-nuclear reactions. "We are also confident," he said, "that progress will be made in experimental biology, which aims to solve the fundamental problems of normal and pathological metabolism, cellular growth, reproduction heredity and the simplest forms of life."

### CANCER RESEARCH

Among the most important problems of biology, Academician Nesmeyanov singled out the discovery of the mechanism of radiation sickness, inherited radiation injuries and cancer, as well as the development of the ways and means of combating them.

The President emphasised that physics and mathematics were the key sciences the Academy was dealing with. He reported the setting up of 11 institutes to work on the cardinal problems of geophysics, radio-physics, electronics and the physics of super-high pressures.

On the role of science in the fulfilment of the 7-Year Plan, he emphasised that it would tackle the economically most important and most revolutionising problems.

## IRAQ BREAKS FROM ANTI-SOVIET PACT

Builds Friendship With Socialist Lands

STRONG ties of friendship and co-operation are rapidly developing between Iraq and the socialist countries. It was Iraq's desire to consolidate and develop these relations which was given by the Foreign Ministry last week as the reason for Iraq's decision to break from the anti-Soviet Baghdad war pact.

How far-spread these ties have become is illustrated by Premier Kassem's speech of welcome to a Chinese cultural delegation last week.

"The political, economic and cultural relations between the people of Iraq and of China will be developed with each passing day," he declared.

### LOVE CHINESE

"We love the Chinese people who have a glorious history, an ancient civilisation and are peace-loving

and work-loving. We Iraqi people," said Premier Kassem, "just as the Chinese people, have suffered imperialist aggression and oppression. We have a similar destiny and our civilisation is also ancient. Hence after our liberation, it is but natural that we become very good friends."

Premier Kassem told the Chinese delegates that Iraq was able to suppress imperialist conspiracies and sabotage "because the people rose to crush them."

He said that he "discovered a way to fight imperialism, that is, to let the people obtain freedom and emancipation and to have the Government act according to the will of the people. Thus, no imperialist power is able to destroy the country."

He added: "The people support us, all peace-loving peoples includ-

ing the great Chinese people support us. Our strength is powerful. The Iraqi people, together with the peace-loving peoples, will exert concerted efforts to struggle against imperialism."

### SOVIET AID

On the same day the official Iraq radio broadcast a commentary on the recent economic agreement with the Soviet Union declaring that as a result it would now for the first time be possible for Iraq to become an industrial country, with its own heavy and light industries.

The agreement would provide employment for the workers and thus result in an immediate improvement in living conditions.

It was completely free of strings and left Iraq more free and independent than ever before in her history, said the radio. The commentator contrasted this with imperialist aid which used Iraq's resources for the profits of foreign countries and her territory to further imperialist aggressive plans in the Middle East.

# LITTLE LIBBY - THE ADVENTURES OF LIBERATION CHABALALA

by Alex ha Guma



## SPORTLIGHT

by "DULEEP"

### Sportsmen Must Give Back What They Take Out Of The Game

MANY of our sportsmen have by public subscription been sent overseas to compete in international events, and to increase their knowledge of the particular branch of sport they indulge in. And we the public expect them, on their return, to impart some of that knowledge back to our young and upcoming sportsmen.

How many have done this upon their arrival back from overseas? First to go was Ronnie Eland, the weight-lifter from Eastern Province. By public subscription and generous donations, he was sent to England to compete in the British championships, which gained him representation in the British side for the Olympic Games. He did fairly well for himself, but since his return to this country, has he ever repaid the debt he owes to the generous public for giving him this wonderful opportunity? Nothing much is really wanted from him, except to put back into the game in a practical way all the knowledge he has acquired. This can only sincerely be done if it is devoted to the youngsters, and in an honorary capacity.

Then we have David Samaai, who by public subscription has been able to go overseas on a number of occasions to compete at Wimbledon. He must have acquired invaluable experience and knowledge of the game during his visits overseas, but I have heard very little of the repayment he owes the public. Surely he could, during the numerous school holidays, conduct coaching classes for the very many school-children who could well do with a little coaching, especially from a champ of many years standing and with overseas experience. If fellows like Grant Khomo, who have not even had the experience of Samaai, can do it, why cannot he?

There are a few others, like Govender, the Mr. South Africa of 1956 who was sent to compete in the Mr. Universe competition. He has not even returned after three years in England.

It is time that the public, before subscribing towards such causes in the future, be given an assurance by the recipient that he will give back to the game in the form of imparting his knowledge and take an active part in promoting that sport. Only on such conditions should the candidate be given public support financially and otherwise, for there is no sense in sending men overseas if they are only going to look for personal gain.

I can recall a few years back when Basil D'Oliviera refused an overseas offer, for at that time he was having eye trouble, and feared he would have a recurrence of this complaint and thus not justify himself to the public who would undoubtedly have subscribed to his trip. Today he is prepared to go overseas, chiefly to gain experience in coaching so that he can impart his knowledge to the young and upcoming cricketers.

#### West Indies Tour

From reports thus far received it seems that the West Indies tour will still materialise, despite the

fact that the West Indies Board itself has not given its blessing, and yet another unit in South Africa has signified its opposition to the tour—the Natal Indian C.U.

Mr. "Chummy" Mayet, who arrived, from England last week had personal discussions with Frank Worrell. What they discussed is still secret, but he said that Worrell still intended to bring out a team.

A despatch from the Secretary of the West Indies Board itself makes the position crystal-clear. It says that since it is a private tour and a private matter between the sponsors of the tour, the S.A. Board of Control and Worrell, his Board will not take action to prevent Worrell's tour taking place. Another West Indies Board member stated that they had no authority to make Worrell abandon the tour. Up to this stage he had not contacted the West Indies Board, and as it was a privately conducted affair it did not require their sanction.

The West Indies team, having completed their tour of Pakistan, are expected to stop at London on their way home, after which we should know whether certain members will fall out of the team or accompany Worrell to South Africa. By the time you read this column, the whole position should be cleared, for the S.A. Board is expected to make a statement by the week-end.

#### We Hear It Said . . .

● That the S.A. Athletic Union (Europeans) have accepted in principle the application for affiliation by the Bantus, but have deferred the conditions of affiliation of the Bantus to a Special General Meeting. Whether the Whites will accept the conditions it is impossible to say. It will mean a Non-White wearing a Springbok badge, travelling overseas with the Whites and living together with them. This is how it should be, but will the Government allow such conditions? The Bantu body should forget about this "bad dream" and link up with the non-racial Athletic Board if they ever hope to wear South African colours and enjoy the privileges which are rightfully theirs—that is—to represent your country on the basis of merit, and not on colour.

● That Rev. B. L. E. Sigamoney of Johannesburg has laid his cards on the table by openly stating that he is against the West Indies tour and, if need be, would resign his delegateship of the S.A. Indian C.U., who support the tour. It would be against his principles to defend a tour of which he disapproves, he said.

● That if the report in another "weekly" is correct, Messrs. R. Kallie and L. Nelson, President and Secretary respectively of the S.A. Indian C.U., will be in hot water, for firstly supporting the West Indies tour in the S.A.I.C.U. and then in the Natal I.C.U. meeting, proposing and seconding a cause they supported in a national body.

#### BIRTH

LA GUMA.—To Alex and Blanche another son. Both well.

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