



Arrive For Meetings

U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara, left, and Thomas Finletter, U.S. representative to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, arrive for Monday's meeting of NATO defense ministers in Paris. (AP Wire-photo)

Gemini, Astronauts AOK For 4-Day Hop Thursday

CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP) — The Gemini 4 mission was on Monday for Thursday's scheduled launch of astronauts James A. McDivitt and Edward H. White II on a daring four-day mission during which White is to exit into space near another orbiting satellite.

Missing Man's Skeleton Found On Mt. Katahdin

MILLINOCKET (AP) — A skeleton was found Monday on rugged Mt. Katahdin and identified as the remains of a Lowell, Mass., businessman missing in this northern wilderness for more than a year under mysterious circumstances.



Roger H. Hildreth

Warden Supervisor David Priest of Millinocket said the name of Roger H. Hildreth, appeared on papers in a wallet found in the clothing on the intact skeleton.

BAXTER STATE PARK Superintendent Nelson Taylor said Sulo Salmela, a nine-year-old boy camping with his family in the area, found the remains some 13 feet from the shore of Basin Pond. This is about 1,000 feet from a trail which climbs from Roaring Brook Camp — at the foot of the mile-high mountain — to Chimney Pond.

The bones were moved by a Maine Forest Service helicopter two miles down to Roaring Brook, and then driven to Millinocket, some 20 miles south.

HILDRETH, 34, disappeared without a trace on May 8, 1964, after reportedly leaving a mountain campsite to watch the sunrise.

Priest, who supervised the original search, had termed the disappearance "extremely unusual."

Rangers who combed the wooded area could find no tracks or trace of Hildreth despite the snow on the upper trails and the fact that Hildreth was reported to have been carrying a lunch from

Paris (UPI) — The United States Monday offered its North Atlantic allies a bigger share in Western nuclear defense.

U.S. Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara proposed that three or four other NATO defense ministers join him in a "select committee" to work out additional measures to provide a greater degree of nuclear participation for any NATO member countries who want it.

He said this would be in addition to whatever action might be taken in the future on a 111ed of Multilateral Nuclear Force (MLNF) or Atlantic Nuclear Force (ANF).

McNamara unveiled the proposal at a meeting of NATO defense ministers at the alliance's Paris headquarters.

SAIGON, South Viet Nam (AP) — Eight Soviet-built MIG jet fighters turned and fled Monday when they encountered a formation of U.S. Air Force jets bombing an ammunition depot 45 miles southwest of Hanoi, a U.S. military spokesman reported.

On the ground, in South Viet Nam, the bloody fighting against Viet Cong units throughout the five northernmost provinces tapered off. Helicopter teams evacuated the dead and wounded from what probably was the worst military defeat Vietnamese forces have suffered in the course of the war.

A U.S. spokesman said 16 F-105 Thunderbolt fighter-bombers were dropping 40 tons of bombs on the North Vietnamese ammunition depot when the MIGs appeared.

AVOID CONTACT

He said the MIGs jettisoned their auxiliary fuel tanks to gain speed and fled when the American planes moved in to make contact, however. No shots were exchanged apparently, and the MIGs disappeared in rain clouds.

May Maine's Driest Since Records Started

Maine has just gone through its driest May since 1871, the year the U.S. Weather Bureau began keeping records.

Only .48 inches of rain fell during the 31-day span, the bureau reported.

In only two other years has there been less than one inch of rain recorded. In 1903 a reading of .48 inches was logged and in 1922 only .78 inches fell in the state.

Rev. Robert E. Lee Extols Portland's War Dead After Colorful Parade To Monument Square

Portland honored its war dead Monday with a colorful Memorial Day parade and ceremonies at the Soldiers and Sailors Monument.

"We march in the memory of men who march no more," said the Rev. Robert E. Lee, chaplain of the 132nd Airborne Group, Maine National Guard, and assistant at St. Dominic's Church.

Father Lee spoke at the memorial rites in Monument Square at the closing ceremonies of a day when veterans' organizations placed wreaths on monuments and plaques to commemorate the dead of all the nation's wars.

Bands predominated in the five-division parade which moved down Congress Square from Longfellow Square to Monument Square.

Chandler's Band, followed by a contingent of Coast Guardsmen march down Congress Street in the annual Memorial Day parade Monday as the city honored its sons who died in the nation's wars.

MIGs disappeared in rain clouds. The sighting of the MIGs was the first time in more than one month that enemy planes have turned out in force to meet American raiders over North Viet Nam.

On April 4, MIGs shot down two F-105s on a bombing raid about 65 miles south of Hanoi, a U.S. military spokesman said.

2 Drownings Mar Record

Maine Escapes Deaths Despite Heavy Traffic

Death stalked the nation's highways over the long Memorial Day weekend, but apparently missed Maine.

The old record of 431 traffic deaths, set a year ago, appeared sure to topple this year.

Maine's perfect highway state, amidst heavy traffic volumes, was marred by two drownings, Buxley Park, 45, of Rumford lost his life Saturday when his canoe capsized in Little Kennebec Lake at Bangor.

Chester Knowles, 54, of Windthorpe drowned in the Androscoggin Lake Monday after he fell from a small fishing boat.

Although several traffic accidents were reported throughout the state during the holiday period, there were no reports of anyone being critically injured.

TRAFFIC was described as "extremely heavy" at both ends of the holiday weekend. During the peak periods Monday from 4 to 7 p.m., outbound autos were backed up for three miles at the exit of the Maine Turnpike.

State Police said Route 1 south of Portland was heavily congested during the late afternoon hours Monday but that traffic began to slack off after 8 p.m.

Bus lines reported some travel. Greyhound officials said as many as 15 extra buses were needed for some runs.

Today's Chuckle

No matter how low the dollar may fall, it will never fall as low as some people stoop to get it.

Rev. Robert E. Lee said that this is one of the strongest stones in the foundation of the country.

FATHER LEE said that "freedom must be won in every generation."

"Too many Americans think that military might alone will save us," he said, adding that he believed it is essential that this country keep militarily strong.

"But the real enemy of freedom is in our drifting away from our moral moorings. We cannot continue to disregard the moral law and preserve our freedom," he said. He called for a renewal of the patriotic fervor and reliance on God that characterized Washington "on his knees at the signing of the Declaration of Independence."



Observing Memorial Day

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U.S. Offers Allies Bigger Share In Western World's N-Defense

There was no immediate comment by other NATO defense ministers.

But French Defense Minister Pierre Messmer indicated by implication that France would be unlikely to accept if he told the council bluntly that France's strategic nuclear ideas are well known and that it has no intention of changing them.

Other speakers at the three-hour session of the scheduled two-day meeting were the Italian, Turkish, West German, Greek, British and Dutch defense ministers.

McNamara told the council that efforts to achieve progress in giving the allies a greater share in their own nuclear defense will call for hard work, frankness and basic mutual trust. He said it is clearly worthwhile that it will succeed if all those who take part are determined that it must succeed.

McNamara said that the select committee of four or five ministers—be it did not specify from what countries but indicated he himself would be one—would have to study two major aspects of allied nuclear defense:

—Possible ways of improving and extending allied participation in planning for the use of nuclear forces, including strategic forces.

—Possible ways, including improved means of communication, of insuring that agreed consultations concerning decisions to use nuclear forces can take place as expeditiously as possible.

McNamara suggested that the select committee should meet promptly and as often as necessary to study these questions and that their recommendations might be submitted to a future meeting of NATO defense ministers.

Junta Won't Give OAS Control Of Palace Area

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (AP) — Gen. Antonio Imbert Barrera said Monday the civilian-junta junta he leads will never give up control of the presidential palace to the Organization of American States.

He said any agreement had been reached to turn over the battered former seat of government — only a block from the OAS force — would be a concession to the Organization of American States.

Thousands of Dominican government employees meanwhile lined up under a broiling sun for their first pay day in a month. But they failed to get any money.

OAS Brazilian Proposal Seen Not Tough Enough

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Brazilian proposal for a three-nation committee to bring peace in the Dominican Republic got strong U.S. support Monday.

But some Latin American diplomats said private still different and tougher approaches need to be brought to the opposing junta and rebel forces in line to form a government.

Jose A. Bonilla Altier, ambassador of the Dominican Republic to the Organization of American States, voluntarily retired from a special OAS meeting on the Dominican problem after Venezuela told the closed-door session Bonilla represents one of the warring factions in the country and the OAS must deal with both.

Secretary of State Dean Rusk and foreign ministers of Brazil and Paraguay attended the four-hour session Monday. It was at this meeting that Rusk was reported to have urged support for the Brazilian plan.

Brazil's foreign minister, Vasco Leites de Cunha, said, "My proposal cannot possibly be construed in any way as a reflection of the secretary general of the OAS, Dr. Jose Maria, who has been working hard in Santo Domingo trying to bring about a solution. What we are proposing is simply a plan of evolution for handling the difficult situation, since obviously the secretary general cannot remove a way from his post forever."

There have been press reports that Mora has come under criticism from both sides in Santo Domingo. Diplomats said the secretary general had done outstanding work there.

The tougher approach some Latin American diplomats are discussing would involve one of two proposals:

1. Formation of a government from provincial political and civic leaders, free from ties with the warring elements in the capital city of Santo Domingo.

2. A Brazilian-led general election might even be established in some major provincial city, such as Santiago, to get away from the warring rebels and Santa Domingo's political and military leaders.

No vote was taken on the Brazilian plan. Some OAS ambassadors said they lacked instructions from their home governments.

Memorial Day Traffic Deaths Head For Record

THIRTY-FOUR persons perished in seven crashes in five states, California alone had a total of 15 dead in three accidents. The state counted 50 dead.

As the long 17-hour holiday approached its close a total of 402 persons had died since The Associated Press count began at 6 p.m. Friday. The record for a three-day observance of Memorial Day was 431 set last year. The fatality pace in several states Monday was well ahead of 1964.

The National Safety Council had estimated traffic deaths for the 17-hour period ending at midnight Monday at 430 to 510.

Prayer For Today

Our Father, we lift our prayer for those who this month share the vows of marriage. Bless each man and each woman by Thy presence, and may the uniting of their lives bring to each enduring joy. May the love that fills their hearts endure and bless them throughout the years in the Master's name. Amen.

— F. Ralph Ford, Jr., Syracuse, N.Y., bishop, The Methodist Church.

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