

Hopes High On War Settlement

MOSCOW, Oct. 24—(AP)—Hopes among Western Diplomats and observers in Moscow that a settlement of the Korean war may be possible were higher today than for many months. But the optimism is cautious.

Two developments were noted here today.

First, the New Times, Soviet foreign affairs weekly, declared in a lead editorial that Russia is prepared to consider a settlement of all important and unsettled questions which strain American-Soviet relations, and called on the United States to take concrete steps for the improvement of relations.

Editorial

The editorial wanted the "Creation of a united, peace-loving democratic, independent German state and conclusion of a peace settlement with Japan, unconditional prohibition of atomic weapons and establishment of strict international control, cessation of the arms race and reduction of armed forces, prohibition of war propaganda of a pact of peace."

Slogans Published

Second, Soviet newspapers published 60 slogans of the central committee of the Communist party for the 34th anniversary of the Bolshevik revolution, Nov. 7. At the top of the list was a new slogan:

"Peace-loving peoples of the world! Do not permit the resurrection of German and Japanese militarism! Struggle for the prevention of war and the assurance of a firm peace!"

Diplomats here considered that this slogan shows that the Russians are placing first emphasis on preventing the rearmament of Germany and Japan.

Iran Oil Talk

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24—(AP)—Secretary of State Acheson and Prime Minister Mohammed Mosaddegh of Iran today talked over urgent American suggestions for settling the Iranian-British oil dispute.

Accompanied by two key aides, Acheson conferred for two and one half hours with the ailing Iranian leader.

28th to Sail

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24—(AP)—A mid-November sailing date was set by the Army today for Pennsylvania's 28th Keystone Division.

The first contingent, numbering about 4000 men will board transports at New York after participating in an Armistice day parade in Philadelphia on Nov. 12.

The cuckoo is noted for its strange habit of depositing its eggs into the nests of other and smaller birds to be hatched.

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Big Turnout Expected at British Polls

LONDON, Oct. 24—(AP)—Generally fair weather prospects gave promise tonight of a large turnout of voters for Britain's third postwar general election Thursday. Betting favored the Conservatives to oust the Laborites who have ruled this nation since mid-1945.

Britons are deciding whether they want Conservative leader Winston Churchill to pilot the nation through the foreign and domestic shoals ahead or to keep Laborite Prime Minister Attlee at the helm.

Leadership Sharpest Issue

The leadership issue is the sharpest one before the 35,000,000 eligible to take part in the election of a new House of Commons, whose majority names the government. But Churchill and Attlee are running in single districts, just as are the 1372 other candidates for the \$2800-a-year common seats. Only Britons living in those districts may vote for them.

Problems to Face

- These are some of the problems the winner will have to face:
1. The pound, officially valued at \$2.80, is slipping sharply out of balance with the dollar again.
 2. The cost of living is rising under the impact of world price increases and the nation's own three-year, \$13,160,000,000 rearmament program.
 3. Britain is having trouble in the Middle East.
 4. And finally, the problem of world peace overshadows all the others.

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Allies, Reds Meet Again; Hope Bright

MUNSAN, Korea, Thursday, Oct. 25—(AP)—United Nations and Communist truce delegations today begin a new search for peace in Korea—after 16 months of war and one year of Chinese Red intervention.

Hopes were bright that the two teams of five men from each side would succeed—where they had failed once before—in silencing the booming guns and halting the see-saw struggle of two 500,000-man armies across this troubled peninsula.

The negotiators reconvened in a solid, weather-beaten field tent at the new conference site of Panmunjom at 11 a.m. (9 p.m. Wednesday, EST.)

There is optimism that the talks at Panmunjom this time may bring an armistice after some rough going. Here is why:

1. The Communists knew the UN delegates were not going to back down from their demand for a cease-fire on the present battle line. Yet they came back to the conference table anyway.
2. Chinese radio broadcasts have intimated lately the Reds were ready to abandon their demand for a cease-fire line on the 38th parallel. This belief has been supported by Communist correspondents who chat with UN newsmen at Panmunjom.

The same gentlemen who are optimistic about an agreement on the cease-fire line look for trouble on the second item on the agenda.

Beside the buffer question, other issues included: 1. Exchange of prisoners; 2. Supervision of the cease-fire including inspection teams behind opposing lines; 3. Recommendations to the respective governments. The latter would include the question of withdrawing all foreign troops from Korea.

U.S. to Form New Military Command

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24—(AP)—The United States declared today its intention to proceed with organization of an Allied military command in the strategic Middle East despite Egypt's refusal to take part.

A State Department statement said the United States will go forward on this project "in collaboration" with the United Kingdom, France, Turkey, New Zealand, Australia, and the Union of South Africa.

Atomic Tactics Held in Nevada

LAS VAGAS, Nev., Oct. 24—(AP)—Third corps tactical troops went through a non-atomic preview of exercise Desert Rock today, which gave observers room for belief that the first multiple A-bomb drop is in the offing.

As B-29 bombers apparently made a conventional bomb run, the GI's watched from previously dug emplacements. The Army gave no indication of how many troops were involved, or how far forward they were in the Yucca flat test site.

The AEC gave out this brief statement: "A trial operation involving high explosives only was held today to test communications and other phases of operations. Third corps tactical troops participated as an initial rehearsal for exercise Desert Rock."

Exercise Desert Rock is the designation for the joint Army-AEC maneuvers which will provide the first tactical test of atomic weapons supporting troops in the field.

It has been announced that when the maneuvers officially begin about 1,000 troops will be up front. These include units from Camp Roberts, Calif., and Fort Lewis, Wash. The third corps has headquarters at Camp Roberts.

In another statement, also issued by press officer Michael J. McDermott, the State Department reaffirmed its support of the British in their row with Egypt over the treaty sanctioning the presence of British troops at the Suez Canal. It said the attitude of the United States government on this point had been "clearly set forth" by Secretary of State Acheson in a statement last week backing the British.

At the same time McDermott said the United States is "encouraged" by appeals of Egyptian authorities for calm and moderation on the part of the Egyptian people. He added this government "still believes it is possible to find a peaceful settlement" of the Suez controversy.

The statement came as the guns of British war ships covered merchantmen clearing through the Suez Canal against Egyptian orders. A British naval spokesman said the Egyptians were "trying to make things difficult" by withholding clearances, so the navy was issuing its own clearances.

The Suez and Cairo areas were quiet and the Egyptian government issued stern warnings against any new outbursts of rioting.

McDermott said that the governments forming the command are carrying on conversations about it and that the Middle Eastern states—the Arab countries and Israel—are being kept informed of what is going on.

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