

Prisoner Exchange Still Deadlocked; Negotiators To Continue Talks Today

SEOUL, Jan. 8 (AP)—Several high ranking officers believe Gen. James A. Van Fleet should take charge of the Allied truce negotiations at Panmunjom.

The U.S. Eighth Army commander himself probably hasn't even been consulted on such a move. But officers at his headquarters say they think their boss could speed up the dragging talks.

There is no criticism of the way Vice Adm. C. Turner Joy, head of the United Nations truce delegation, is handling negotiations. But certain quarters here believe that the presence of Van Fleet might impress the Reds.

One school of thought believes that the Russian proposal to place the truce negotiations before the UN Security Council should be countered by a startling plan from the Allied side.

They say the UN should propose that Van Fleet meet with Kim Il Sung, head of the North Korean regime, and Gen. Peng Teh-Huai, Chinese Communist field commander in Korea.

Their argument is that this would raise the dignity of the talks, which for the past few days has been sliding backwards.

Red delegates at Monday's subcommittee meeting read magazines and giggled while Rear Adm. R. E. Libby was talking about the exchange of prisoners of war.

On Way Out?



C. Turner Joy

Allied Troops Lose Ground In Korean War

SEOUL, Korea, Wednesday, Jan. 9—(AP)—Chinese Communists, suddenly tripling their strength, drove Allied troops out of the two newly-won positions on the western Korean front yesterday.

It was the 13th day of fighting in the Sasi bulge, west of Korangpo and it took an unexpected turn.

Three enemy battalions—numbering 3,000 or more men—and two Red tanks smashed back the United Nations infantry only a few hours after the Allies advanced against only one Chinese battalion.

Since Dec. 28, when U.S. Eighth Army troops yielded a small bald hill—a strategic outpost—they have been fighting savagely to regain it. The hill has been named "Paik's (pronounced Pike's) Peak" honoring a former South Korean division commander, Gen. Paik Sun Yup. It is only six miles northeast of the armistice conference site at Panmunjom.

In the third straight day or renewed air fighting, 17 F-86 sabre jets of the U.S. Fifth Air Force yesterday met about 100 MIGs at 30,000 feet over northwest Korea.

Hugger Is President Of Geographical Society

The Penn State Geographical Society has elected Edward Hugger president for the year.

Other officers elected were William Plankenhorn, vice president; Althea Rector, secretary; Peter Urka, treasurer; Albert Ludik, publicity chairman; William Stockdale, athletic chairman, and Francis Seawall, social chairman.

The next regular meeting will be Feb. 11.

MUNSAN, Korea, Wednesday, Jan. 9—(AP)—Communist negotiators yesterday refused to consider a new Allied effort to break the deadlock on exchanging Korean war prisoners and displaced civilians, leaving the talks perilously adrift.

Another attempt to haul the talks out of the doldrums will be made today. Subcommittees on prisoner exchange and truce supervision scheduled sessions at 11 a.m. (9 p.m., Tuesday, EST).

The U.N. command presented yesterday a re-phrased version of its six-point exchange and repatriation plan, but the Reds said it was no more acceptable than the one submitted by the U.N. on Jan. 2. An Allied communique said the Reds objected particularly to voluntary repatriation.

In the subcommittee discussing truce supervision, the delegates argued fruitlessly for the 10th straight day on Communist insistence on rebuilding airfields in Korea.

Maj. Gen. Howard M. Turner declared the Reds would hold a gun at the heads of the UN command forces if they built up military airfields during a truce.

"Your idea is to point this gun . . . telling us not to worry since it is not loaded," Turner said. "But we know that all too many people have been killed by so-called unloaded guns. And we know that in the case of airfields the gun can be loaded quickly."

Communist Chinese Maj. Gen. Hsieh Fang accused the Allies of using this argument as an "intentional pretext to delay and disrupt the negotiations."

Fine Signs Bill For Sentencing Sex Offenders

HARRISBURG, Jan. 8—(AP)—Gov. John S. Fine today signed into law legislation providing for the sentencing of sex offenders to an indefinite term in state mental institutions rather than prison.

The measure would require psychiatric examinations of all persons convicted of sex offenses. The findings would be turned over to the courts for final action.

Persons committed to state institutions for treatment would be held for unlimited periods, depending on recommendations of the state parole board. The measure originally permitted appeals on adverse board decisions but this was amended to give the board final jurisdiction.

Sponsored by Sens. John M. Walker (R-Allegheny) and Joseph M. Barr (D-Allegheny) the legislation provides for psychiatric treatment for persons adjudged "true sex deviates," by the examination.

Persons convicted of a sex crime not involving abnormality would be given a specified prison sentence.

Two Pittsburgh judges, who backed the bill, were present when it was signed by Fine. They are judges Samuel A. Weiss and Henry X. O'Brien, of Allegheny Common Pleas Court.

Euthanasia Group Offers Essay Prize

The Euthanasia Society of America is sponsoring an essay competition for answers to the question, "Why should voluntary euthanasia for incurable sufferers be legalized?" Prizes of \$50 and \$100 are being offered for the best answers.

Essays must be mailed to the Euthanasia Society, 139 East 57th street, New York 22, N.Y. before March 1. On request the society publications will be sent to all participants in the contest.

Yeaton Speaks Tonight

Kelly Yeaton, assistant professor of dramatics and director of the Center Stage, will speak tonight at 8 p.m. to the drama section of the Penn State Dames on the topic, "Center Stage Arena Styling."

American Sabre Jet Pilots Write New Rules

TOKYO, Wednesday, Jan. 9—(AP)—American Sabre jet pilots in combat with the Red air force have written "merely the opening chapter of a new book of rules" on an entirely new type of air warfare, the Far East Air Forces said today.

In a release, FEAF told why fighting differed so greatly from the pre-jet dogfights of World War II, and why casualties were lower in jet-to-jet combat.

The air force said "speed and altitude plus more rugged equipment in the hands of skilled pilots, operating under conditions peculiar to sub-sonic flight, add up to an entirely new type of air warfare that has supplied merely the opening chapter of a new book of rules."

Congress May Oppose Tax Boost

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8—(AP)—The 82nd Congress reconvened today with Democratic and Republican leaders apparently agreed on fighting any major boost in taxes but far apart on other issues in this critical presidential election year.

Tomorrow at 12:30 p.m., E.S.T., President Truman will address a joint session of both houses in his annual "state of the union" message outlining the administration's legislative program.

The president's speech, expected to run about 5,500 words, will mark the real kick-off of what many legislators forecast as one of the most politically turbulent sessions in history.

Amid all the jovial handshaking and backslapping, bitter political overtones were evident at the outset as both parties jockeyed for advantage. The slogans and war cries that will be heard across the land in the months to come began to erupt in both chambers.

Before the session was 30 minutes old, Senator Styles Bridges (R-NH), newly elected as GOP floor leader, set the tempo by issuing a statement denouncing what he called "the abject failure of the majority (Democratic) party to provide forthright, honest, responsible and forward-looking leadership."

Livestock Contest Planned for April

The Little International Livestock Exposition, sponsored by the Block and Bridle Club, will be held April 26 in the Livestock Judging Pavilion on Ag Hill.

Dorbin Hay was named manager and John DePetro, assistant manager, of the annual student show.

Students will enter beef, cattle, horses, and swine for prizes. Any student is eligible to compete in the contest.

Churchill, Truman End Conference

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8—(AP)—President Truman and Prime Minister Churchill ended their four-day conference tonight with a reported pledge to give solid support to plans for an all-European army as a bulwark against possible Communist aggression.

Responsible officials said the President and Churchill both expressed the fervent desire to see the six-nation army plan succeed in the quickest possible time.

This reaffirmation of joint policy came as a climax to a 90-minute meeting at the White House—the seventh since the conference began Saturday.

At the final session in the White House Cabinet Room, officials said Mr. Churchill reiterated Britain's support for the all-European army idea first proposed by France. This would combine part of the armies of France, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands, Germany and Luxembourg.

Britain apparently will not join in the army but will give maximum cooperation, it was said, to make the plan a success. American officials said there never was any plan for British participation, but only cooperation, and that this satisfies the United States at present.

Enterprise, Tug Survive 3 Hour Atlantic Storm

WITH THE FLYING ENTERPRISE CONVOY, Jan. 8—(AP)—The Flying Enterprise and her towing tug, Turmoil, rode out a three-hour Atlantic storm tonight and then began inching toward Falmouth, Eng., 57 miles away.

New concern was felt awhile for the listing American freighter and Capt. Kurt Carlsen as the battered vessel wallowed at the mercy of churning seas. But the fears vanished when the turmoil once more took up the slack and headed for port.

While Carlsen stood anxious watch over the towing gear on the Enterprise, the journey was resumed at 11 p.m. (6 p.m., EST).

The seas began to calm shortly before midnight.

The halt forced by the storm came just as the crippled Enterprise was almost in sight of land.

Heavy seas swirled over her deck as she and the turmoil executed a circling maneuver to turn their sterns to the wind and protect the Enterprise's submerged port side.

Players to Hold Tryouts

Players' tryouts for "You Can't Take It With You" begin tonight in the Old Main Little Theatre. Beginning at 7 p.m., tryouts will run until 9 p.m. both tonight and tomorrow.

Tryout times can be scheduled by signing up in Schwab Auditorium Green Room.

6000 Miners Protest Layoffs By Walkout

LANSFORD, Pa., Jan. 8—(AP)—All anthracite mines in the Panther Valley were shut down today by a walkout of 6000 hard coal miners in protest over the proposed layoffs or transfer of eight men.

The mines closed down are operated by the Lehigh Navigation Coal Co. at Lansford, Tamaqua and Nesquehoning. The Nesquehoning operation was closed down yesterday by a strike after the company announced it was planning to transfer eight men because the section where they were employed was no longer profitable.

A spokesman for the United Mine Workers union said the eight had been promised jobs at other company mines but objected to leaving their present homes.

The dispute was taken before the Panther Valley General Mine committee last night with representatives of all UMW locals in the area present. The committee voted to support the eight men in their stand and authorized the walkout today.

Wilson Attends Funeral

H. K. Wilson, dean of men, was called to Iowa over the weekend to attend the funeral of his sister-in-law. He assumed his duties here yesterday morning.

Taft Claims Enough Pledge Nominations

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8—(AP)—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) claimed enough pledges today to give him the Republican presidential nomination if all his backers can produce the convention voting strength he expects from them.

At the same time John D. M. Hamilton, one of the senator's top campaign aides, said Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower had "pulled the rug out from under" his supporters and left them without a candidate.

The statements from the Taft camp came in response to word from Eisenhower yesterday that the North Atlantic Treaty organization commander would obey a "clearcut call to political duty" but would not take any personal part in a nomination drive.

Eisenhower backers claimed that the Paris statement assures the general's nomination and election.

Eisenhower's statement was elicited by the announcement of plans to enter his name in the Republican primary in New Hamp-

shire. In a follow-up move today the New Hampshire attorney general's office ruled that the general is a Republican. Some state house observers interpreted that finding as a bar to entering his name in the Democratic preference voting, a move which Democratic admirers still had in mind in the face of his words.

Another of the outgrowths of Eisenhower's statement was a declaration from Harold E. Stassen, another of the avowed aspirants for the GOP nomination. That his bid is being made on his own and is not "a shadow campaign" for Eisenhower.

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