

Truman's 'Union' Message Calls 1952 'Crucial Year'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9—(AP)—President Truman today proclaimed 1952 a "crucial year" in the struggle of the United States and the free world to re-arm against the threat of World War III.

Warning that Soviet Russia is expanding her armed might, atomically and otherwise, the President declared solemnly that the threat of another global conflict is still "very real."

With Prime Minister Churchill of Great Britain listening intently in the gallery—and a huge unseen audience following his words by coast-to-coast radio and television—Mr. Truman told a joint session of Congress:

FDR Dictum
"The world still walks in the shadow of another world war... the United States and the whole free world are passing through a period of grave danger... we are moving through a perilous time... faced with a terrible threat of aggression."

Echoing the late President Roosevelt's dictum that "the only thing we have to fear is fear itself," Mr. Truman said in commenting on the cold war with Russia:

"The only thing that can defeat us is our own state of mind. We can lose if we falter."

Peace Is Goal
In general, Mr. Truman pledged this country to help build up the free world's defenses against the threat of aggression and to seek peace by following the "hard road" between war and appeasement.

"Peace is our goal—not peace at any price, but a peace based on freedom and justice," he said.

In broad outline, the President sketched the legislative program he would like Congress to adopt in the months ahead—largely a renewed but somewhat soft-pedaled plea for the domestic policies he calls his "Fair Deal." Civil rights, federal aid to education, improved social security benefits, stronger farm price supports, and national health insurance.

Mr. Truman threw out a hint of possibly higher taxes, saying he would talk about that subject in a later message. He said he will soon ask for an increase in the nation's armed forces, notably in air power.

Churchill Leaves for New York

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill leaves Washington today for a visit to New York and Ottawa, apparently convinced that his talks with President Truman have laid a new basis for tightened British-American cooperation around the world.

In a final White House session, ending last night, Churchill and Mr. Truman agreed to give all-out support to formation of a unified European defense army, including German, French, Italian and Low Country troops. Mr. Truman had wanted such a commitment from the British leader in the hope of speeding up the army project in Europe.

The Prime Minister is leaving behind for further consideration a number of issues which may be months in solution plus some political problems—presumably centering on the Middle East—for discussion between Foreign Secretary Eden and Secretary of State Dean Acheson.



Winston Churchill

Churchill is understood to have expressed to the President a desire for greater exchange of atomic information among the United States, Britain and Canada and for arrangements to test Britain's atomic weapons here. This information exchange would require action by Congress to relax present rigid atomic secret restrictions.

A British spokesman declared the object of the talks had been achieved in a "very good atmosphere."

Players Name 'Heiress' Crews

Cast and crew members have been chosen for Players' production of "The Heiress," which opens in Schwab Auditorium for a three-day run Jan. 17.

The cast, under the direction of Walter Walters, includes Isabella Cooper as Maria, Charles Schulte as Dr. Austin Sloper, Fran Stridinger as Lavinia Penniman, and Kathryn Scheetz as Catherine Sloper.

Other cast members are Yvonne Voigt as Elizabeth Almond, Arthur Chadwick as Arthur Townsend, Regina Friedman as Marian Almond, Carl Wagner as Morris Townsend, and Betty Lou Morgan as Mrs. Montgomery.

Crew leaders are Bill Raymond, advertising manager; Lee Altoeffer, sound; Ed Girod, makeup; Harry Culbertson, lights; Vivian Peterson, props; and Richard Speiser, technical.

Air Force Unit Awaiting Orders

Personnel of the 112th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron of State College are still awaiting definite departure orders to their newly assigned base at Manchester, N.H. Maj. John E. McHugh, commanding officer, said that only temporary instructions have been received, but the directive is expected at any time.

Four members of the group left last night for Grenier Air Force base at Manchester to prepare for the arrival of the main group. These men will acquire equipment and information on housing facilities for men in the outfit. Those who left last night are Capt. William Gross and Lt. Clarence Hanchett, both of State College; T/Sgt. Harold E. Dock, Bellefonte, and T/Sgt. James Smith, Madisonburg.

The World at a Glance

Silence Is Gold

HARRISBURG, Jan. 9—(AP)—You'll pay more to talk less from public telephones if the Public Utility Commission approves a new rate increase proposed by the Bell Telephone Co., of Pennsylvania.

Bell has asked PUC permission to discard the traditional nickel coin box call, effective March 7, and substitute rates ranging from 10 cents up for local calls.

GI Raise Possible

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9—(AP)—The House unanimously agreed today to consider a 10 per cent pay increase for the armed forces at next Tuesday's session.

The bill provides for a 10 per cent cost of living increase in basic pay, subsistence and quarters allowances for those on active service and the same boost for all receiving retirement pay. It would become effective on the first of the month following enactment.

Freighter Disabled

SEATTLE, Jan. 9—(AP)—The storm-battered freighter Pennsylvania reported today she was cracked and disabled in the North Pacific and radioed that her 46-man crew may have to abandon ship.

In San Francisco, Globe wireless picked up a message exchange between the American freighter and the S.S. Cygnet, which asked what kind of assistance the Pennsylvania needed.

Fighting Halted

SEOUL, Korea, Thursday, Jan. 10—(AP)—Heavy fighting halted on one western front battlefield Wednesday but flared nearby. Smaller clashes erupted on the Eastern Korean front near Heartbreak Ridge.

Red MIG jet planes stayed at home. Allied fighters and bombers loosed a double-barreled attack against front line enemy artillery positions and rail links far to the rear.

Carlsen Losing

LONDON, Jan. 9—(AP)—The angry sea scored heavily tonight in the epic battle of Capt. Kurt Carlsen, and a plan of action was drawn up to remove him from the crippled freighter Flying Enterprise when and if it starts toward the bottom.

High waves smashed against the wallowing freighter, threatening at any moment to write the final chapter of the saga of the sea. Carlsen at one point was almost swept overboard by the churning seas he has defied for two weeks.

Door Open for Ike

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9—(AP)—Sen. Lodge (R-Mass.) said today he believes the door still is open for Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower to return to civilian life before the Republican Presidential Nominating Convention.

Lodge told a reporter he does not interpret Eisenhower's statement that he would not ask for relief from his European defense assignment as foreclosing all possibility—aside from Presidential action—that the General take off his uniform before July.

Egyptian Attack

CAIRO, Egypt, Jan. 9—(AP)—Egyptian guerrillas attacked three British military convoys from ambush today, killing two men.

A detachment of 140 British infantrymen subsequently raided a strategic position on the south bank of the Sweet Water Canal, an artificial waterway from Cairo that supplies the Suez Canal Zone with drinking water.

A British spokesman said empty ammunition cases and some signal cables were found in the area and five Egyptians were arrested as suspects.

"Never borrow trouble. If the evil is not to come, it is useless, and so much waste; if it is to come, best keep all your strength to meet it."—Edwards

UN Committee Kills Soviet Truce Plan

PARIS, Jan. 9—(AP)—The UN political committee today killed Russia's attempt to place the Korean truce negotiation before the Security Council and then postponed consideration of the whole Korean issue until an armistice is reached at Panmunjom.

The committee's action could have the effect of taking the Korean issue out of this sixth General Assembly unless an armistice is reached before mid-February, when the delegates hope to adjourn.

The vote against Russia's demand that the Korean negotiations be referred to a high level meeting of the Security Council—where the Russians have used the veto often—was 40 to six.

The committee then recommended that the Security Council have a top-drawer session whenever the Council believed such a meeting would remove international tensions and help friendly relations between countries.

After an acrimonious debate, the committee next voted 47 to 6 for an American proposal to postpone the Korean item on the business sheet until an armistice is reached.

Half-Year of Talks—No Peace

MUNSAN, Korea, Thursday, Jan. 10—(AP)—Korean truce talks reached the half-year mark today in a tight deadlock over restricting Communist airfield construction in North Korea during an armistice.

The United Nations command also was unable to budge the Reds Wednesday from demands for forced repatriation of all prisoners held by the Allies without regard for the wishes of the individuals.

(Whether the defeat of a Russian attempt to force the Korean truce negotiations into a special high-level meeting of the Security Council at Paris would speed up the talks in Panmunjom remained to be seen. The Soviet proposal was voted down 40 to 6 by the UN political committee.)

The Communists Wednesday submitted what they called their

"final, unbreakable" offer to settle the armistice supervision question.

For the first time they accepted Allied provisions for the replenishment of supplies and rotation of troops during an armistice. But they omitted altogether the UN proposal for restricting the building and repair of military airfields.

The UN briefing officer, Brig. Gen. William P. Nuckols, said there appeared to be nothing new in the Communist "final unbreakable" offer.

Nuckols said the Red proposal "leaves us with the same major difference—an airfield rehabilitation. It was in-

duced early in the talks and still exists."

He told Chinese Maj. Gen. Hsieh Fang that the allies "entertain no hope of gaining through negotiation what we are unable to gain through hostilities."

He said if the Reds tried to construct airfields before an armistice is signed they would find the "air fraught with danger."

No progress was made Wednesday on prisoner exchange talks. The Communists do not want certain classes of prisoners paroled and do not want the prisoners to choose for themselves whether they will go back to the Red zone when an armistice is declared.



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