

# Allies Urge Start Of POW Exchange

MUNSAN, Korea, Thursday, April 9 (AP)—The Allies today hoped to begin exchanging sick and wounded within ten days after urging the Reds to return more than a handful they offered Wednesday—only 600, probably fewer than 125 of them Americans.

## UN Passes U.S.-Backed Arms Plan

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., April 8 (AP)—A picture of amiability, Andrei Y. Vishinsky invited the West today to meet the Soviet Union halfway in a new "tunnel of friendship." The UN Assembly listened attentively, then approved an American-backed plan of work for the Disarmament Commission.

The Assembly voted 52-5 Soviet bloc for the plan of work. The Assembly rejected, 33-10, a move by the Soviet Chief delegate to knock out a section reaffirming past UN decisions on arms limitation.

Vishinsky won a minor victory, however, when the United States and Britain and the majority accepted without a vote a Russian amendment removing a section praising the 12-nation Disarmament Commission for its work. The U.S. and Britain said they did not think that point worth quibbling about.

The commission, which includes the U.S. and the Soviet Union, was asked to resume work and report progress not later than Sept. 1.

The commission must study the limitation of armed forces and armaments, elimination and prohibition of all major weapons, and the effective international control of atomic energy to insure prohibition of atomic weapons.

Vishinsky did not get the votes today for his amendment to delete the reference to past decisions, but it was obvious his new tactics had impressed many delegates.

## UN Recaptures Vital Outpost

SEOUL, Thursday, April 9 (AP)—South Koreans recaptured a hotly contested outpost in Central Korea Wednesday night. U.S. Marines and Belgian infantrymen hurled back two company-sized thrusts by Chinese Communists elsewhere along the front.

In the air, U.S. Thunderjets destroyed 13 buildings and touched off two secondary blasts in a Red supply area in Western Korea, the Fifth Air Force reported.

The battle at 2000-foot high outpost "Texas"—named by Allied correspondents—climaxed four days of steady fighting between the Chinese and infantrymen of the South Korean Third Division on the Central Front.

The Defense Department in Washington reported 1039 new battle casualties in a week, including 158 killed. This raised the total of U.S. dead, wounded and missing to 132,967.

## Terrorist Head Given Sentence

KAPENGURIA, Kenya, April 8 (AP)—Jomo (Burning Spear) Kenyatta was found guilty today on charges of organizing the terrorist Mau Mau society. He was sentenced to seven years in prison at hard labor.

Mau Mau is made up mostly of Kikuyu tribesmen who have taken a blood oath to drive the white man out of this agriculturally rich British East African colony. Murder and torture have been among its devices.

Kenyatta, a man of mystery in Kenya with Russian connections, was sentenced also to three years for being a member of Mau Mau. But the sentences run concurrently.

The Communists gave no hint that they would heed the request for a more liberal classification of sick and wounded, although the Allies were giving them 5800 Korean and Chinese prisoners; Allied authorities remained hopeful they would get more than the 600.

Negotiators were due to meet for the fourth time in as many days in the Panmunjom conference hut.

The exact date of the exchange and the number to be traded daily were still to be fixed.

The total number to be traded was disclosed by the Reds and the UN Command Wednesday during talks lasting 66 minutes. No games were listed, but both liaison groups pushed steadily toward full agreement.

Rear Adm. John C. Daniel termed the total number of 450 South Koreans and 150 Americans, British, French and other ailing captives to be returned "incredibly small."

Daniel reserved the right to challenge the figure later and asked the Communists to make a more "liberal interpretation" of captives eligible for repatriation. But the Red liaison chief, Maj. Gen. Lee Sang Cho, gave no assurance this would be done.

Despite the Allied disappointment, there was no perceptible slackening in the pace set by the liaison groups in working out an agreement.

## 6 Known Dead In London Subway Crash

LONDON, Thursday, April 9 (AP)—Two subway trains, packed with 1,200 homeward bound commuters during the rush hour, crashed in a dark East London underground tube last night. Six persons were known dead as rescuers dug into the early morning hours for others feared trapped in the wreckage.

The London Transport System listed the six known dead early today but said "we aren't sure how many are buried—or whether they are alive." Unofficial estimates said as many as 25 may have been killed. Transport officials thought this figure might prove to be high.

A policeman at the entrance to the dark, narrow tunnel said he understood all but one coach had been cleared and that only six persons were in it. Two of these were children who, rescue workers said, could be heard chattering in the dark and were apparently unhurt.

Three of the injured, one a mottoman of one of the wrecked trains, were reported in critical condition. Scores among the passengers on the two trains were treated for cuts, bruises and other minor injuries.

## Sitting Bull to Get New Happy Hunting Ground

MOBRIDGE, S.D., April 8 (AP)—Sixty-three years after the famed Indian leader's death, the bones of Sitting Bull got a fast ride across state lines today from an old to a new burial ground.

North Dakota, within whose borders his body had lain for years in an often-neglected grave, was quick to threaten legal action. But a group of South Dakotans said South Dakota would honor the Indian's resting place as North Dakota had failed to.

## Contract Talks Begin

PITTSBURGH, April 8 (AP)—The big CIO United Steelworkers set in motion today machinery it hopes will win its 1,120,000 members a wage boost and other benefits this summer.

## Defense Head



Robert A. Lovett

## Ammunition Shortages Said Critical

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—Former Secretary of Defense Robert A. Lovett testified today that there have been critical ammunition shortages in Korea at times. He blamed "the Army as a whole."

Lovett told a Senate armed services subcommittee it is utterly impossible to fix the responsibility on any individual or groups of individuals.

The Army, Lovett said, made a "sorry showing" because it failed to let necessary contracts and push production.

But the former Cabinet officer, now back in the investment banking business in Wall Street, declared later that the secretary of defense has final responsibility for the conduct of the defense department.

Lovett testified that he eventually took the ammunition situation out of the hands of the Army and turned it over to one of his civilian assistants, Hugh Dean.

But questions of some senators were edged with apparent criticism that Lovett himself hadn't stepped into the shortage picture sooner.

The subcommittee chairman, Senator Margaret Chase Smith (R-Me.), brought out that Lovett first found out about shortages in September or October, 1951, appointed Dean as trouble shooter in August, 1952, and handed control of ammunition procurement to Dean in November, 1952.

## Police Hunt Suspect In Jessup Murder

SCRANTON, Pa., April 8 (AP)—Police tried to run down a tip today that a 23-year-old girl was picked up by a man in an automobile near her suburban Jessup home on the day she was killed by a revolver bullet.

According to the tip given police Margaret Grunik, 23, left home at noon on Monday and entered the car at a bus stop near her home.

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# Industry to Share Atomic Power Field

WASHINGTON, April 8 (AP)—The government is getting ready to modify its ten-year-old, \$12 billion atomic energy monopoly and invite private enterprise into the field of nuclear power.

The Atomic Energy Commission disclosed that today in a cautiously worded comment by an official spokesman. His remarks, together with information from other sources, indicated:

1. The AEC, after several years of study, has adopted a policy intended "to create a wider opportunity for private investment" in building and operating atomic plants to produce electric power.

2. The recommendations have received the approval of President Eisenhower, who immediately upon taking office last January listed peacetime use of atomic energy as a goal of his administration.

3. Details of the program will be passed along to the Joint Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee soon. Hearings by that committee may produce legislation to amend tight restrictions in the present Atomic Energy Act which handicap "wider opportunity" for private enterprise.

Officials said this would not mean that industry would plunge immediately into full-scale development of atomic power or that the government would abandon all interest, except for atomic weapons. Instead, it may take years before anything except individual ventures into the field will come about. Estimates that big-scale operations by private industry may not be possible before 1965 still hold.

While the AEC said details of its recommendations would not be made public before the congressional committee starts work, existing provisions of federal law make obvious some of the changes needed to encourage private investment in atomic power.

Lifting present bans to allow companies to buy, presumably from the government, fissionable material needed for the "reactors" or atomic furnaces, will be only part of the problem.

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