

U.S. Pilots Say 'Reds Attacked'

MIG Attack Described By Airmen

TOKYO, Tuesday, Feb. 8 (AP)—U.S. Sabre jet pilots who shot down two MIG jets Saturday said yesterday the Red planes struck without warning over the sea off North Korea.

Capt. George F. Williams of Austin, Tex., who got one of the MIGs, told a news conference 12 Sabrejets escorting an RB45 jet reconnaissance plane were on a routine mission.

They had flown 40 miles up the North Korean coast and had turned south when eight MIGs jumped them.

No Warning

"There was no warning," Williams said. "They came from above and behind us."

Lt. Charles E. Salmon of Port Jervis, N.Y., who bagged the other MIG, took up the story.

"I saw their tracers streaking past our plane like red balls," Salmon said.

Reds Attacked

"They were firing from too far away. They dove past my flight and attacked the reconnaissance bomber. I rolled over on my back, slipped down to the left and rolled out on the tail of one of them. Both were wiring at the RB45.

"I fired five or six bursts and he started to smoke. He burst into flame and slipped off down toward the sea."

Williams, who was in a different flight of Sabrejets said he saw the leading MIG flash in fast.

Second Downed

"I broke to the left and got in position," Williams said. "I opened up and hit him. He began to burn."

Williams said the flying ability of the MIG pilots was "not so good." He added that they were not really so poor but "we're just pretty good."

Williams referred to his 335th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron, which shot down more than 200 Red planes in the Korean War.

They reported there was no markings on the attackers to identify them as Chinese Communist, Russia or North Korea. All three Red air forces fly MIGs.

Employment Rise Reported for January

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP)—The Labor and Commerce departments reported today that unemployment rose by more than 500,000 in January while total employment fell about the same amount in the midwinter hiring lull.

Unemployment climbed to a total of 3,347,000 or 5.2 per cent of the civilian labor force.

The joint statement by Secretary of Commerce Weeks and Secretary of Labor Mitchell noted that unemployment always rises substantially with the layoff of temporary holiday help after Christmas.

Library Boasts Of 10,000,000 Volumes in Stock

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP)—The Library of Congress proudly reported today that during the past year it latched on to its book No. 10 million.

It now owns, the library told Congress, not only irreplaceable source books that keep students scurrying in and out of its catacombs, but also one of the world's finest collections of dime novels—20,000 of them; some poems by Rudyard Kipling attractively printed on dinner plates, a book bound in imitation seaweed and barnacles and even a book bound in human skin.

The skin job is no novelty work. It's "A Scrutiny of the Scriptures" and came out in the early days of printing, around 1470. The binding wasn't put on until 100 years or so later, and why human skin was used, no one seems to know. No one seems to know, either, what book became No. 10 million. It wandered in with the rest, and disappeared in the scholarly maze. When the library took inventory for the official year that ended June 30, 1954, it found it had 10,155,000 books and pamphlets.

By law, the government-owned library gets two copies of each copyrighted book. It also increases its collection through gifts and purchases.

Adenauer Urges Action On Recommended Treaty

BONN, Germany, Feb. 7 (AP)—Chancellor Konrad Adenauer tonight called on the Bundestag, the lower House of Parliament, to ratify the Paris rearmament treaties this month "without waiting on political developments in France."

He told the Bundestag's Foreign Affairs Committee "I feel that the French government crisis will not last much longer and that the new French government will support the treaties as did Premier Mendes-France."

Mendes-France's government fell Saturday on another issue, North African policy. Ex-Premier Antoine Pinay is trying to form a new Cabinet.

The Chancellor warned anew against negotiations with the Russians on the German question before final ratification of the treaties, under which a virtually sovereign West Germany would line up troops in Western defense.

Wisconsin Men to Sell Commercial 'Hotfoots'

FOND DU LAC, Wis., Feb. 7 (AP)—Two Wisconsin men announced today that they are going into business selling people hotfoots.

W. G. Glascoff Jr., Waupun, Wis., and Stanley Herlin, Ripon, Wis., claim that they have invented a liquid spray that keeps feet warm. They say that their product called, suitably enough, "Hot-foot," is odorless, colorless, completely harmless to shoes, and will keep the feet warm for 18 hours.

They say that they will soon start manufacturing their product at Waupun, Wis.

The first summer session at the University was established in 1910 during President Edwin E. Sparks' administration.

Pinay Begins Rebuilding New French Cabinet

PARIS, Feb. 7 (AP)—Former Premier Antoine Pinay went through a series of exploratory talks today in his effort to patch together a new French Cabinet. He was still at least a day away from the crucial make-or-break stage of the negotiations.

Pinay hopes to be able to go before the National Assembly Thursday to ask for approval. By that time he will have a lineup of Cabinet ministers and promises of support from about 300 deputies if he is to head up this country's 21st Cabinet since liberation in 1944.

Most of today's activities were centered on protocol calls on the presidents of the Chambers of Parliament. He also stopped by to see outgoing Premier Pierre Mendes-France to get a fill-in on outstanding problems. There were talks, too, with some highly placed civil servants on financial and economic matters.

Tonight, leaders of the various political parties in the National Assembly started their round of calls at the office in the Economic Ministry where Pinay has set up headquarters. These political interviews will be the first step in determining whether or not he can count on enough support to get the Assembly's approval.

After Pinay has outlined his plans to the heads of the parties, in their individual calls, the political leaders will go back to their groups. Each party then can make its decision, or pose conditions, which the aspirant premier may accept or reject. These complicated negotiations, which cannot be completed before tomorrow, will determine whether Pinay can expect enough backing to go before the Assembly.

As of now, Pinay can count on only about 135 votes. All those come from his own party, the independent Republicans, Peasants, and Social and Republican Action group. These three parties are loosely allied in a conservative front movement.

Senator Gets 'Post Card'

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 7 (AP)—Sen. Symington (D-Mo.), is going to get a postal card he can't stick in his pocket.

Letter carriers at the parkway station here are sending him a card urging his support of a bill

Oil Import Cut Asked

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP)—Rep. Daniel J. Flood (D-Pa.) called on Congress and the President today to prove their concern for the economically-distressed hard coal regions by cutting back the imports of oil.

Flood urged the House Ways and Means Committee to write into the reciprocal trade agreements a provision that would limit residual oil imports for any quarter to five per cent of the domestic demand for such oil in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year.

Similar proposals have been made by representatives of other coal producing areas, with some suggesting a 10 per cent limitation and others leaving the figure for the committee to insert.

Flood said the use of cheap, residual oil in place of coal is worsening the unemployment situation in the coal regions, and added:

"I have on my desk a two-foot high stack of government reports of the remarkable headway other countries have made with their economy programs . . . with particular reference to the basic industries of the enumerated nations."

"I know that anthracite coal is a basic industry of the country and I also know that all government agencies put together cannot file such a favorable report for us . . ."

which would grant postal employees a 10 per cent wage hike.

It is 4x8 feet in size, weighs 27 pounds and will require \$12.84 in postage to send to Washington.

Britain Wants Islands Evacuated

LONDON, Feb. 7 (AP)—Responsible informants said Britain urged the United States tonight to get Chiang Kai-shek's forces off all China coastal islands—Matsu and Quemoy included—as a first quick step toward an unwritten cease-fire.

Angry Laborites pressed Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden in the House of Commons to plump publicly for immediate evacuation. Eden would only repeat that delicate negotiations are under way and Britain feels Red China has legal right to the offshore isles.

Even while Eden sidestepped Laborite questions, responsible informants said Britain already was urging full evacuation of the Nationalists in diplomatic exchanges with the United States.

Prime Minister Churchill's government was pictured as feeling

that the explosive Formosa situation could be eased only by putting 75 miles or more of sea water between the Chinese Reds and Chiang's main bastions on Formosa and the Pescadores.

British Ambassador Sir Roger Makins was reported to have told the United States that prompt Nationalist evacuation of Quemoy and the Matsu chain would bring these advantages:

1. Chiang's troops would be removed from militarily exposed and untenable positions. Their withdrawal to Formosa and the Pescadores would eliminate a danger that the screening U.S. 7th Fleet might become involved in clashes with Red China forces.

2. Chiang and his U.S. protectors would be put in a stronger legal position in the eyes of world opinion.

Nixon, Cubans Discuss Threat Of Communism

HAVANA, Cuba, Feb. 7 (AP)—Vice President Richard Nixon discussed the threat of world communism with Cuban officials today and apparently dropped a hint there could be a more vigorous campaign against the Reds on this island.

Nixon emphasized before leaving Washington yesterday for a four-week swing through Caribbean countries that he wants to spread the feeling of the "real friendship the United States has toward these countries." He added Washington does not want to interfere in any way with their internal affairs.

It was learned he has given unusual emphasis in private conversations with Cuban leaders to the costly struggle the United States and other Western powers are waging with world communism. His words assumed special significance here because Cuba is regarded as second only to Brazil as an outpost of Moscow communism in the Western Hemisphere.

It is understood the U.S. State Department emphasized to Nixon as he prepared for this trip that communism in this hemisphere is part of a vigorous campaign directed from Moscow in a plan to create as much strife in the new world as possible. This view is intended to combat the widespread idea in Latin America that communism is merely a case of intellectual measles which some liberals suffer briefly.

There is apparently feeling in some quarters that Cuba, Brazil and other countries are trying to discourage communism, but are not trying hard enough.

Army Aide Selected

CINCINNATI, Feb. 7 (AP)—George Blackburn, new head football coach at the University of Cincinnati, today went to Army and the University of Richmond for two new aides.

The University's board of directors approved the selection of Bill Shalosky, former Cincinnati player who has been plebe coach at Army, and Charles Ellis, backfield coach at Richmond.

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