Negotiations Begin

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The postponement was caused by two storm fronts converging on the area 290 miles down the range where the astronaut's capon a nationwide cease-fire.

signs after eight months of civil war, Col. Siho Lambolinthakhoun of the pro-Western government's army arranged another meeting with a rebel officer in no man's land 45 miles north of here.

fighting in the region around Vang Khy and the Nam Lik River valley.

Foreign Minister Tiao Sopsaisana said fighting may continue now in areas nearer Vientiane and elsewhere but Premier Boun Oum's Cabinet was encouraged to hope that the first contact could lead to a general cease-fire.

Britain and the Soviet Union co-chairmen of the 1954 Indochina peace conference held in Geneva, called a week ago for a cease-fire as the first step to peace. It would be followed by a 14-nation conference in Geneva May 12 to work out Laos' political future, but the West has insisted that the fighting stop before the conferees

In New Delhi, India, where the truce supervisory commission composed of India, Canada and Poland waited for word to enter Laos, India's Prime Minister Nehru predicted the cease-

or two - or maybe even three days."

President Kennedy and his top Moscow - Peiping, the United advisers were reported cheered States had refrained until now premier and military strong man, said their first meeting Monday talks. In Moscow, British Ambas-member of the Communist camp. brought what he called a provisador Sir Frank Roberts prodded "has certainly become a member of the region around in the region around in the region around "has certainly become a member of the Communist bloc." with Georgi Pushkin, Soviet Far East expert, at the Foreign Min-

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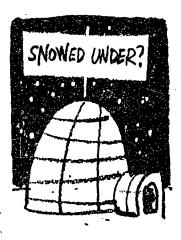
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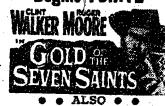
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