

Nehru Given Special Powers

NEW DELHI, India (AP)—India proclaimed an emergency last night, with Prime Minister Nehru assuming near-dictatorial powers in the fight against Chinese Communists driving across the Himalayan frontier.

Nehru charged the Red Chinese with invading India—rather than just provoking border clashes—along 2,500 disputed miles of Himalayan frontier. But he stopped short of declaring it a war. The Red Chinese and Indians both claim various border areas.

Indian women were asked to give up gold ornaments so the government can buy weapons abroad with the proceeds.

PRESIDENT SARVERPALLI Radhakrishnan gave the Nehru government extraordinary powers in this nation of 457 million persons—including the right to curb freedom of speech and the courts, and to take over complete rule in any of India's 15 states.

The neutralist Indian leader declared in a speech to students that he did not want formally to declare war because of the possible consequences—indicating fear of bombing in rear areas.

Indian forces claimed they beat off two Chinese attacks in stiffening resistance along the flaming

frontier but acknowledged further retreats.

Fighting raged for the seventh day. The Communists were said to be taking no prisoners. The Indians have admitted suffering heavy casualties—without giving any figures—but claimed they were dealing costlier blows to the Communists.

A Defense Ministry spokesman said Red Chinese troops who captured Kibitoo near the Burma border had reached Walong in the Lohit River valley.

THE INDIANS said the Chinese had driven 15 miles inside their territory on the northeastern border. A government spokesman said two outposts in the center of the northeastern frontier with Tibet were abandoned, 32 and 50 miles east of Longju.

The Indian spokesman reported no change in the situation 850 miles to the northwest in Ladakh, where the Communists appeared to have captured most of the 12,000 square miles they claim belongs to China.

Nehru called the Indian Parliament into session Nov. 8. That is 11 days before it was due to convene.

In Tezpur, Chinese Communist troops were reported bringing heavy artillery over the high mountain passes from Tibet into their newly conquered area in India's Northeast Frontier Agency.

The Chinese are building crude

roads in places to facilitate movement of heavy equipment south of Thagla Ridge, according to reports.

There was no official confirmation of the reported movements.

Indian troops continued to arrive in Tezpur for transfer to the front but apparently in modest numbers.

There was only speculation here as to whether the Reds are pressing on from Towang.

U Thant Discusses Cuban Crisis With Soviet, U.S. Representatives

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—U Thant plunged into a double-round of private talks with the United States and the Soviet Union yesterday in an effort to keep the Cuban crisis from exploding into war.

There were no indications as to whether the acting secretary-general was meeting with success or failure on the first day of his

diplomatic consultations.

Thant met for an hour late yesterday with U.S. Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson, who hurried back to the United Nations from Washington, where he had been summoned earlier by President Kennedy to receive fresh instructions.

"WE HAVE reviewed the situation with the secretary-general," Stevenson told reporters. "We had a satisfactory talk. We look forward to seeing him again, probably tomorrow."

After Stevenson's meeting with Thant, the White House announced in Washington that the Soviets were continuing at a rapid pace their missile buildup in Cuba and making a serious attempt to camouflage their activities.

Whether Stevenson communicated this information to Thant was not divulged. One of the main charges Stevenson hurled at the Soviet Union Thursday night was that the buildup was being conducted with stealth and secrecy.

State Supreme Court Rules Philadelphia Jury Probe Illegal

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—The Pennsylvania Supreme Court yesterday ruled unconstitutional a proposed special grand jury investigation of alleged wrongdoing in Philadelphia City Hall.

In a 6-1 decision, the court held that the scope of the inquiry, ordered last July 11 by Judge Eugene V. Alessandrini of Common Pleas Court, was too broad in that it provided for no limit in subject or time.

The majority opinion, written by Justice Michael A. Musmanno, with a mixed concurrence and a dissent from Chief Justice John C. Bell Jr., said a grand jury investigation, if there is to be one, "must be conducted through

regular constitutional procedures."

Richardson Dilworth, Democratic candidate for governor and mayor of Philadelphia at the time the alleged wrongdoing took place, said he had no comment on the court's decision. Dilworth is campaigning in the western part of the state.

The alleged City Hall scandals have loomed large in the gubernatorial campaign. Rep. William W. Scranton, the Republican candidate for governor, has based much of his attack on Dilworth on the corruption charges.

The lower court held that Alessandrini should have placed the inquiry in the hands of the regular grand jury.



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