

Armed Forces Gain Ground Despite Stiff Resistance

General MacArthur Returns To U. S. Soil

Signals Spur Hunt For Sub

PORTSMOUTH, Eng. (AP)—Faint underwater signals spurred a blind search today for the British submarine Affray, stuck on the bottom of the English Channel. Time was swiftly running out for any of the 15 officers and men aboard who might still be alive.

The submarine, trapped in the initial dive of a training cruise, had been under 198 feet of water for 40 hours when the Royal Navy announced at mid-afternoon that it had been unable to make any physical contact with the craft. Its normal oxygen supply would last the men on board 40 hours.

A naval expert said reserve supplies might let the 75 aboard live another eight hours, but that means by 2100 hours (3 P. M. EST) the situation inside the vessel would be extremely dangerous.

AIR OF MYSTERY
The last faint signals from the submarine were heard at 8:30 A. M. (2:30 A. M. EST). Then came hours of ominous silence. There was an atmosphere of mystery about it.

Why the rescue crews could not find the vessel through echosounding, using emergency breathing gear? Why did the submarines failed to release its emergency marker buoy to guide rescuers? Why, if there had been disaster, had the rescue fleet failed to find any debris or even an oil slick?

The Admiralty said the signals, from a superonic telegraph set, were so weak that rescue ships were unable to fix the exact position of the luckless undersea craft.

The only previous signal from the submarine, on Tuesday night (6:30 P. M. EST Tuesday), had led the rescue fleet of 25 ships to the area 30 miles southwest of the Isle of Wight.

The rescuers signalled to the entombed crew to try an underwater escape, one by one in special equipment through the vessel's escape hatches, but by mid-morning none had bobbed to the surface.

The rescue boats fired down depth charge signals in an attempt to re-establish contact. The rescue fleet which had secured a 2,000 square mile area yesterday morning located the Affray in almost exactly the area where the sub had been sighted on Monday night, at the start of what was to be an underwater training cruise.

Reports trickling back from the search party said the second set of signals were heard "intermittently" around 8:30 A. M. (2:30 A. M. EST). Then the Affray became mysteriously silent again.

Army Cuts Draft, Plans To Release Reservists

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Army today cut its May draft call from 60,000 to 40,000 men.

The action follows the halving of the April call which was cut from 80,000 to 40,000. Both cuts were based on the increase of volunteer enlistments, the Army said.

Since January 64,000 men have volunteered for the Army. This is more than the Army anticipated.

The Army said lighter than expected casualties in Korea also impacted the decision to reduce the number of men needed through the draft.

Marine, Assistant Secretary of Defense Anna Rosenberg said the Army hopes by September to be releasing enlisted reservists who were called to duty involuntarily.

She said the Marine Corps will begin releasing its inactive reservists in June, 1951, and plans that by July 1952 no Marine reservists will be on active duty involuntarily.

The Navy and Air Force also plan to release their inactive enlisted reservists next July.

Speaking of reservists in general, Mrs. Rosenberg said they will be returning to civilian life in substantial numbers by October.

"Naturally, the fulfillment of all these plans is dependent on there being no deterioration of the international situation," she said.

OUR WEATHER
Fair and a little warmer tonight, Thursday, partly cloudy and warmer.
Sunrise, 5:48 A. M.; sunset, 6:58 P. M.
Here Weather Data for Page 16-A

SUNSHINE AND FRENCH-FLIERS
Ever think of sunshine as something to eat? You dine on it every day, served as steaks, potatoes, apple pie—everything you eat. By the way, you eat it up as fast as you can. So, to eat it up as fast as you can, plan to convert sunlight to electricity to get energy by eating the plants. Dr. J. W. Aronson, an expert on solar energy, says he will eat most, as he gets his energy from the plants in his cell, and we get it from eating the plants. If we could absorb this energy directly from the sun, without converting it first, one hour of sunbathing daily could replace three square miles.

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Road Hub Focal Point Of Attacks

Enemy Defends Big Reservoir

By OLEN CLEMENTS
TOKYO (AP)—Allied troops advanced 2,000 to 3,000 yards on the west Korean front today behind heavy air and artillery attacks.

The Reds gave that ground for 113 to 2 miles—grudgingly. The big gains were south and southeast of Choron, a five-high-way hub about nineteen miles inside Red Korea.

One Allied infantry team pushed up a valley road within two miles of the rubbled city. The doughboys met Chinese mortar and rifle fire and withdrew.

A tank force lunged into the Red lines near Chipong and killed 100 Communists. Chipong is seven miles southeast of Hwachon. A tank force of seven miles southeast of Kumhwa. Wednesday's gains carried the main Allied line to about eight miles south of Choron.

BUILDUP AREA
Choron and Kumhwa are the western bases of the Red buildup area where an estimated 600,000 Communist combat troops were deployed.

The Reds retreated slowly in the west but they stood and fought for Hwachon, the eastern base of the Choron-Kumhwa-Hwachon triangle.

Allied troops pushed about 50 Red off high ground between Hwachon and its big reservoir after a brief fight Wednesday. Late front line dispatches said the United Nations soldiers still held the ground.

Other U. S. Eighth Army troops crossed the Pukhan River four miles southeast of Hwachon. An Allied patrol probed southwest of Hwachon without finding any Communist forces.

Earlier Wednesday the Chinese Communists turned back two Allied units at the dam. One was a frontal attack on the dam itself. The other was a flanking movement across the Pukhan River east of the dam. Both bogged down under heavy Communist fire.

ADJUST LINES
South Korean forces fought a three-hour battle at 250 North Korean Red on the east central front. Elsewhere in the rolling hills around Inje, Allied units maintained and readjusted their lines.

Allied troops slugged ahead with little opposition east and north of Yangju on the western tip of the huge Hwachon Reservoir.

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GENERAL MACARTHUR RETURNS!



Gen. Douglas MacArthur stands on American soil for the first time in fourteen years as he salutes the Honor Guard that greets him. Beside the General is his son Arthur and Mrs. MacArthur. Gov. Earl Warren is immediately behind Arthur. San Francisco's Mayor Robinson may be seen between the General and Arthur. (Acme Telephoto.)

North Korean Message Hit

WASHINGTON (AP)—The State Dept. today branded North Korea's week-end message to the United Nations as a "propaganda statement which does not look to us even remotely like a peace-feeler."

The message had touched off reports Sunday that the North Koreans were displaying a new interest in settling the war. The cable document was written in Russian, translated at the United Nations last night to member countries, including the United States.

Arriving home from Tokyo, MacArthur landed at 8:29 P. M. (11:29 P. M. EST) last night. So boisterous was his spontaneous welcome, so unruly were the cheering crowds, that he arrived at his hotel two hours and ten minutes later. His fifteen-mile drive through the city took about 90 minutes required 100.

Even then, so close was the crush of pressing, waving, clapping, laughing and screaming people, that Mrs. MacArthur and thirteen-year-old Arthur did not reach the hotel until nine minutes later.

How big was the crowd? It was anybody's guess. There are about 2,000,000 people in the San Francisco bay area. Estimates—all strictly guesses—run up to half that number, including those at the airport—those who crowded off the curb along the fifteen-mile route, those who fought for position and shoved people cars backward in a milling and goddamned mob scene in front of the hotel.

Mag. Gen. Courtney Whitney, MacArthur's chief adviser, guessed 1,000,000 people had followed MacArthur off from Tokyo Monday. They were spread out, some fought for position and shoved people cars backward in a milling and goddamned mob scene in front of the hotel.

CASUALTIES LISTED
WASHINGTON (AP)—The Defense Department today identified 162 additional casualties in Korea. A new list (No. 286) reported 83 killed, 64 wounded, ten missing in action and 38 injured and sick.

Russell Promises Broad Asia Probe

By JACK BELL
WASHINGTON (AP)—A Senate Democratic leader today promised "sky-is-the-limit" inquiry into Far Eastern policy and the clash of opinions which led to the ousting of Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

Chairman Russell (D-Ga.) of the Armed Services Committee said it intended the "widest possible" investigation in co-operation with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. He was speaking of the scope when saying the sky was the limit.

Russell opposes a Republican move to create a special Senate House committee of 24 to investigate foreign and military policies with particular reference to the differences between President Truman and Gen. MacArthur.

There appeared little prospect anything would come from a judgment by Senator Cain (R-Wash.) for either (1) a declaration of war against Communist China and North Korea, or else (2) a withdrawal of United States forces from Korea and the Far East.

Cain introduced this two-point proposition contrary to advice from some of his Republican colleagues. Senator McFarland (R-Ore.) said he would support the proposition.

There the crowd was thickest. It had waited with growing impatience for more than four hours and was not to be denied. At least five times it surged completely over the top of the crowd persons were knocked down or became faint, but no serious injuries were reported.

Hawkers of MacArthur buttons and small flags were on the job early but found business poor because they could not move about. A handful of demonstrators identifying themselves as the "San Francisco Peace Crusade," attempted to approach the hotel, but could not get near. Their banners "Get Out of Korea," and "Don't Drop The Bomb," drew hoots, boos and ribald laughter.

Sailors seized some, broke the sticks and hurled them after the marchers. The crusaders retreated. A Chinese girl's hand kept the waiting throng moderately amused.

General To Visit DAR And Editors
WASHINGTON (AP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur plans to appear tomorrow at the DAR convention and the meeting of newspaper editors here. Rep. Marvin (R-Mass.) announced today.

Martin, House Republican leader, who is making arrangements for MacArthur's appearance in Congress tomorrow, told reporters the general will make a short talk at 2 P. M. to the Daughters of the American Revolution, now holding their annual Congress here.

He said MacArthur will visit the meeting of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, but no speech to it is planned.

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Arizona, the Democratic floor leader, told reporters he thought it would be quietly tucked away in a committee pigeonhole. Cain's action was another of the stormy repercussions in the wake of President Truman's firing of Gen. MacArthur, who goes before a Senate-House meeting tomorrow to outline his Far Eastern policy views in general terms.

Mr. Truman had an opportunity to speak out if he chose at a news conference today. MacArthur, flying from Tokyo, is due to arrive here from San Francisco after midnight, about 1:30 A. M. EST. And the capital is planning a huge welcome.

As for the Cain proposals, Senator Hickenlooper (R-Iowa) and Senator McClellan (D-Calif.) joined MacArthur in speaking out against them. Senator Malone (R-Nev.), on the other hand, said he was ready to support a judgment.

Cain introduced the two resolutions late yesterday, saying it was his intention to bring them to a vote. He expressed his own views, and said they neither had been approved nor "denied" by the Republican Party.

Truman Urged To Meet Mac

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senator O'Connor (D-Ill.) today urged President Truman to meet with Gen. Douglas MacArthur and confer with him on the Far Eastern situation.

O'Connor said he telegraphed the President that "such a meeting was in the best interests of our country, and would contribute to the conclusion of a peace agreement with the United States people as to future American policies in the Far East."

The White House had said MacArthur would be welcome to see the President if he asked an appointment but that no appointment had been sought.

MEETING UNLIKELY
San Francisco, a spokesman for MacArthur said there was little likelihood of a Truman-MacArthur meeting unless a meeting invitation came from the White House.

That word was given reporters by Maj. Gen. Courtney Whitney, close adviser to the general. President Truman has assigned his Army aide, Maj. Gen. Harry Truman to report on MacArthur at meetings to MacArthur on the general's arrival here.

The Army changed its mind to a ceremonial honor guard, saluting battery, and hand at the airport to greet the general. The general's commander when he steps off his plane at 1:30 A. M. EST.

THE ARMY URGED
However, an Army spokesman said, these honors will be accorded the general in the public welcome tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 A. M. EST.

Photographers Get Air Force Apology
SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Brig. Gen. Sory Smith, director of Air Force public relations, yesterday issued this official apology for the handling of press photographers covering General MacArthur's arrival in Honolulu Monday.

The Air Force apologized sincerely for its part in the reported mistreatment by Air Force police of photographers in connection with General MacArthur's arrival at Honolulu.

"We are retracing the facts of the incidents. The importance of the most effective operations of the press are thoroughly understood and believed in by the Air Force."

Bigtime Mardi Gras Will Be Resumed
NEW ORLEANS (AP)—The 1952 Mardi Gras will take on all the glories of the past. A spokesman of the four oldest carnival organizations said their crews would resume their parades and balls, which were canceled last year because the Korean situation, unless the situation worsens.

Petain Seriously Ill
PARIS (AP)—Ex-Marshall Henri Philippe Petain was reported to die gravely ill in his prison cell on the island of Yeu off the west coast of France. He will be 93 next week.

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By DON WHITEHEAD
SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—General Douglas MacArthur's dramatic homecoming was growing today into the wildest emotional joy this city has seen since the tumult of World War II.

Tens of thousands of bay area citizens poured out of their homes to give the ousted general a grand welcome expected to overshadow the riotous greeting he received last night on his first return to the mainland in fourteen years.

MacArthur captured San Francisco as surely as his troops captured Manila and Leyte and New Guinea in World War II.

And his parade through cheering thousands today was the climax to the hysterical homecoming party.

SPARKS TOMORROW
Once the official welcome home is extended, the general will turn to the grim business of hurrying Washington to defend before Congress tomorrow the Asia policies which caused President Truman to fire him.

Already the dispute between MacArthur and President Truman has become a national issue. Democrats hurling at each other the angry and bitter accusation of "war crimes." And this deep rift runs deep through the country choosing a president.

But the people of Honolulu who greeted MacArthur last night had no doubt of his deep admiration of the three-soldier regardless of how they felt about his Asia policies.

People began gathering at the city airport three hours before MacArthur's big shiny Constellation transport was due from Honolulu as the crowd cheered.

As dusk settled over the field there were about 10,000 spectators jammed in the crowd enclosure. Other thousands were unable to get in.

EXCITEMENT GROWS
Excitement mounted as MacArthur's plane—the Batson—neared the field on its 300-mile-hour dash from Hawaii. Then the big plane swept over the field with lights twinkling and settled on the runway as the crowd cheered.

The ship touched the runway at 8:29 P. M. (11:29 P. M. EST). It rolled to a halt. A high, hysterical scream that signalled the temper of the crowd.

The cheers swelled into a roar. Mrs. Jean MacArthur stepped from the plane onto the runway. She wore the general wearing his familiar gold-branded cap and a trenchcoat buttoned high around his neck. Behind him was their 13-year-old son.

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