

INDIA ASKS U. N. NOT TO FREE POW'S

Thimayya Repeats Opinion Release Would Violate Truce

By GEORGE A. MCARTHUR

PANMUNJON (AP)—Indian Lt. Gen. K. S. Thimayya told the U. N. Commanding General today he will violate the Korean armistice if it frees anti-Communist prisoners before their fate is decided by Allied agreement or by a peace conference.

The Allies, however, went ahead with plans to free more than 22,000 Korean and Chinese anti-Red POWs as civilians by Saturday—a course the U. N. says is required by the armistice terms.

Efforts to reopen preliminary talks for a peace conference got nowhere.

TO MEET AGAIN

American and North Korean liaison secretaries deadlocked for the third time—apparently on the question of striking Red captives of perfidy from the record. They agreed to meet again Wednesday.

In New Delhi, Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, U. N. president, said "merely releasing 22,000 unrepatriated prisoners" would not end the Korean deadlock.

She said in a speech to Indian leaders that the problem of Korea is a desperate one which must be reviewed by the General Assembly "in the context of new developments."

Mrs. Pandit has called for the formation of a commission to reconvene Feb. 9 on the Korean question. Thimayya Monday sent what he called a "clarifying statement" to Gen. E. Hall, U. N. Far East commander.

MISUNDERSTOOD

He said the Allies apparently misunderstood his decision to renege on the armistice, and that he was in fact only returning to the status quo.

Thimayya, chairman of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission (NNRC), told each side last week to be ready to take back the prisoners it captures. They include 14,300 Chinese and 7,700 Korean POWs captured by the Allies and 27 Koreans, 23 Americans and 1 Briton captured by the Communists. All have refused to go home.

Thimayya re-emphasized in his latest letter that it is returning the 22,400 "as prisoners" and that he is not offering them freedom.

The U. N. has informed the Indians it is ready to accept prisoners. An Indian spokesman said the Communists have not replied.

PLANS REPORT

The spokesman said Thimayya was planning a "final report" on whether war prisoners would be returned on Jan. 29, "as requested by the Reds answer. This touched off speculation that the Indians might change their decision, which they originally described as "the final say."

Although there has been no official Red reply to the Indian plan, Communist China's Peiping radio has broadcast Red troops that the Allies would "return" POWs if they release anti-Red prisoners.

The Indian letter was prompted by maneuvering over what will happen to the prisoners on Jan. 29, the day the armistice says they revert to "civilian status."

The U. N. view is that they go free on that date, but the Communists, with the backing of India, say that portions of the armistice agreement were not filled neither side by itself has the right to change the status of the prisoners.

Observers in Korea felt that Thimayya's letter, which largely duplicated his earlier one to Hall, was prompted by the Indian government in New Delhi. The observers felt India wants to make its position absolutely clear as opening the stated U. N. intention of freeing the POWs.

NEW JOB FOR JILL



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This plan was disclosed today by Secretary of Agriculture Benson in a statement before the Senate Agriculture Committee, outlining the administration's new farm program.

The proposed use of government surpluses—which Benson said today may exceed \$1 billion dollars—would be in addition to 25 billion worth of surpluses which would be "liquidated" from regular commercial supplies for special uses. Such uses would be for disaster relief, the school lunch program and for stockpiling for national emergencies.

The "insulating" idea was advanced by the President a week ago in a special message to Congress outlining his farm program. PROPOSAL DUE

Benson told the Senate committee that the President has authorized him to announce the plan for the expanded use of farm surplus abroad, in advance of the which executive's budget message is scheduled to go before Congress Thursday. The secretary

FISHERMEN RESCUED

MUSKOGEE, Mich. (AP)—Seventeen stranded fishermen rode an ice floe for three hours yesterday on Bear Lake after waves from a passing Lake Michigan oil tanker caused an ice breakup. Police fishermen and volunteers brought the fishermen to shore in rescue boats. None was harmed.

100 BLOODY MINUTES MEANT DEATH FOR 14

RALEIGH (AP)—A period of 100 minutes during which 14 persons died Saturday night, was one of the bloodiest in the history of the automobile in North Carolina.

Shortly before 10 p. m. two cars struck on highway U. S. 29 near Salisbury leaving four persons dead.

Some 45 minutes later, at 10:35 p. m., two automobiles careened into head-on collision on U. S. 1 near Cameron in Lee County. Seven were killed and two injured critically, one not expected to live.

Tragically struck again 55 minutes later when two cars collided near Washington in Beaufort County. The toll: three killed and three injured.

Motor Vehicle Department officials said they could not recall a bloodier period in state highway history.

Doctors See No Chance

Man Holds To Hope Of Seeing Again

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Andrew Antolec, a man with a shattered face, lies in a veterans' hospital here, daring to hope again despite the doctors' opinion that his sight is lost forever.

The 31-year-old Green Bay man, who lost a leg because of a World War II injury, was severely injured when his auto crashed into a train.

The accident marked a tragedy for Antolec. He was in a hospital for a week, but he was discharged on Jan. 15. He was discharged from the hospital in Battle Creek, Mich. He followed him, got a job in Battle Creek. He was married in 1948.

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OUR WEATHER

Mostly cloudy and quite cool today. Partly cloudy and little warmer tonight. Tuesday, increasing cloudiness and warmer with a chance of rain.

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\$500 In Cash Reported Taken From Register

Stickup City's Third In 2-Month Period

A lone gunman walked into the Mecklenburg ABC store at 517 S. Tryon St. just before 2 o'clock this afternoon, raked money out of one cash drawer, then escaped on foot.

Police got the alarm at 1:56 p. m., and detectives rushed to the store.

Detectives said a little more than \$500 was taken.

This was the third hold-up in Charlotte's midtown area within two months. A loan company on E. 4th St. was the first place where a gunman took cash, and the second was Bennington's haberdashery shop on N. Tryon St.

The hold-up man was described as weighing about 150 pounds and about five feet, nine inches tall. He appeared to be between 35 and 40 years of age. He was reported to be bareheaded, and wearing light trousers and a dark coat.

President Asks Federal Health Insurance Plan

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower proposed today that the government bolster private insurance plans as a step toward bettering the health of all Americans.

In a special message to Congress, Eisenhower asked for 25 million dollars to start a system of government insurance of private plans, to help take care of extraordinary expenses beyond those now covered.

The President also proposed a five-year plan for expansion of the program for rehabilitation of the disabled. Under it a total of 600,000 disabled persons would be returned to places of full responsibility as activity working citizens.

Eisenhower's plan "rejecting the traditional medicare" also called for (a) continuation of present public health service programs, (b) a new, simplified formula for grants-in-aid to the state health purposes, and (c) a stepped up program of construction of medical care facilities.

The President also proposed a total bill. The President told Congress the total private medical bill of the nation now exceeds nine billion dollars a year—an average of nearly \$300 a family—and still is rising.

He said the emphasis in dealing with the problem must remain essentially on private care, but that the government can and must help. "Freedom, consent, and individual responsibility are fundamental to our system," he said. "In the field of medical care this means that the traditional relationship of the physician to his patient, and the right of the individual to elect freely the manner of his care in illness, must be preserved.

"In adhering to this principle and rejecting the socialization of medicine, we can still confidently

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String Leads Boy To Safety

GODSTONE, England (AP)—A slender piece of string led a 17-year-old boy to safety early today after he had become lost in a maze of the labyrinthine passages of a chalk cave near here.

The youth, Donald Lejeune of Godstone, was found by a party of cave explorers who heard Antolec never seeing it get any visitors, began seeking it.

They were engaged by the time he was rescued from the hospital in Battle Creek, Mich. He followed him, got a job in Battle Creek. He was married in 1948.

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THREE EJECTED FROM MCCARTHY HEARING

A series of disturbances and ejections marked Sen. McCarthy's hearings at Boston on Communist infiltration of industry. Nathaniel Mills (left), a suspended General Electric Co. employe, is removed from the room after he threw the hearing into an uproar when he stood up in the rear of the room and accused the company of conspiring with the company and getting the jobs of General Electric people Oliver S. Allen (center), a counsel, and his client, Theodore G. Pappas (right) both were ejected after Pappas refused to say if he considered a man a traitor who would not disclose the names of Communist conspirators. Another witness told the Senator that he "had never seen an evil Communist." (AP Wirephotos)

Paper Charges M'Arthur Used Jap Warships

TOKYO (AP)—The newspaper Sankei Keizai said today Gen. Douglas MacArthur used Japanese coast guard warships to sweep mines in the waters around the Japanese coast guard.

Sankei Keizai quoted a former top commander of the Japanese coast guard as saying he feels it "violated international law."

The American, British, French and Russian communists met today for the conference site. The Japanese agreed last night that the ministers meet to work out detailed arrangements for the conference on German unity and the Austrian peace treaty.

Orders from their home government ended 10 days of wrangling over the conference site. The Western military chiefs and Soviet commandant Sergei Denzin agreed last night that the ministers meet for one week—the second—in the Soviet Embassy in East Berlin, and for the first and third weeks in the building in the American sector formerly used by the Allied Control Council.

Thereafter, a communique said, the agreement was signed by the Allied Control Council.

The Russians at first had demanded that half the meetings, including the opening session, be held in East Berlin. The West sought at first to hold only one-fourth of the meetings in the East.

"If the Russians have a tiny triumph if that is what they regard it to be," one Allied spokesman said. "We believe that the main point is to get around the stalemate on Germany and Austria and to reach an international agreement can be found."

FEARS DISSIPATED The agreement dispelled fears that the Russians would monkey-wrench the conference before it even started unless they could secure a rise which changed the terms of their own back yard.

The "Little Four" deputies now will determine the makeup of the conference secretariat, arrange for communications and security and decide on policies for handling the 1,000 or so men and women of the international press corps about to descend on the city.

U. S. Secretary of State Dulles, British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault are due here Friday at their home today.

Atomic Fuel Project OK'd

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) today approved use of atomic fuel today for a low-powered reactor to be built by Pennsylvania State University.

AEC said the "swimming pool" reactor, so called because its uranium fuel is suspended in a pool of water to shield radiation from the reactor.

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Compromise Sites Chosen For Parley

day for last-minute strategy discussions. Soviet Foreign Minister Vy. M. Molotov is expected Saturday or Sunday.

Their gathering will be the first major four-power meeting in Berlin since 1948 saw the opening of the cold war, its subsequent East-West split and the Berlin blockade.

As the wrangle over the site cleared up, Communist East Germany cranked up a press campaign which undoubtedly had Molotov's approval.

THE REDS contended more than five million Germans had signed a petition demanding all German representation at some point in the deliberations.

West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer ignored such tactics. The Western Powers already have assured him he would be kept constantly advised of any decisions affecting his legally elected government.

The West refused to recognize the handicapped Soviet zone regime which has insisted it must have equal representation with more populous West Germany in any German regime.

The Kremlin pledged itself yesterday to work at Berlin for the "earliest possible settlement" of the long-delayed Austrian independence treaty. The Soviet news agency Tass said the promise was made in a note delivered to Austria's embassy in Moscow.

Winds up to 60 miles an hour, heavy snow, and lightning in that state were followed by falling temperatures again. Three persons died, one of exposure, two of automobile accidents blamed on hazardous driving conditions. Snowdrifts as deep as 14 inches at Helena tied up transportation and thermometer readings were as low as 10.

More snow was in prospect today.

To the south, however, strong chinook winds warmed parts of Colorado and Wyoming. It was 49 at Denver shortly after midnight, and 41 at Cheyenne, Wyo. Farther north in Wyoming, at Sheridan, the temperature was 41 below zero.

Light snow fell in North Dakota. The Lake Superior region and along the southeast shores of Lake Ontario, and in western Missouri, Washington state had snow and coastal sections of the Pacific Northwest had rain or snow.

The mercury dropped to nine degrees at New York City early today—the lowest since seven above Jan. 30, 1952. In Chicago, which had a two-year low of 7 Sunday, a low 14 above in the early morning.

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Accused Love Rival Held In Death Of Woman

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP)—Mrs. last night with her 10-year-old son Dorothy Leona Couch, 32, was killed here last night, and a woman she accused of keeping company with her husband was arrested on a technical charge of manslaughter.

Sheriff's investigator Al Bates reported that Mrs. Kathryn Mullins Lutman, 33, wife of an overseas airman, had been arrested at her home.

Bates said he and detective Capt. Raymond Harper were investigating reports that Mrs. Lutman started her car suddenly and dragged Mrs. Couch to her death while the airman had a tight grip on Mrs. Lutman's hair.

Mrs. Couch's husband, Junior Morgan Couch, 32, a pipefitter and a reported witness in the case, was being held for questioning without formal charge. Bates told this story: Mrs. Couch was driving to church last April from Esomont, Tex.

Arctic Blast Losing Sting In Middle West

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bitter arctic air which has engulfed the North Central states lost some of its bite today in spreading eastward and southward, but subzero temperatures were still general along Canadian border states.

The great cold which lay from Montana to Maine had pushed freezing temperatures as far south through North Carolina and into Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Texas and New Mexico.

The moderation on the northern Great Plains was one of comparison, however. For example, a 25-degree warmup in 24 hours left it still 9 below zero at International Falls, Minn.

And while the mid- continent warmed slightly to the accompaniment of scattered light snowfall and light freezing drizzle—the latter in parts of Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri, Montana dug out of a new storm that had freshkilled aspects.

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New Zealand Volcano Issuing Black Smoke

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP)—Dense clouds of black smoke are rising 2,000 feet from Te Maire, one of the craters of Mount Ngauruhoe, for the first time in more than 50 years.

Tongariro is one of the three volcanoes of New Zealand's North Island. Another, 7,615-foot Mt. Ruapehu, has been showing a bright red glow from its crater for several nights. Ngauruhoe erupted in 1949 for the first time in 20 years.

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