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Truce Meet Asked

SEOUL (AP) — The Communists late Tuesday called for a meeting of liaison officers in Panmunjom Wednesday, touching off speculation they are ready to answer a U. N. proposal to sign a truce now whether or not South Korea objects.

The officers, who normally arrange meetings of the full armistice delegations, will meet at noon.

This new development came as an authoritative South Korean source said efforts to win President Syngman Rhee over to an armistice will fail unless the U. S. comes up with "a new proposal satisfactory to Rhee."

Negotiations in Recess

Armistice negotiations have been in recess since June 28 when Rhee freed some 27,000 anti-Red North Korean war prisoners. The truce agreement reportedly was ready to sign.

The liaison officers will meet on the second anniversary of the first meeting to arrange for the truce talks. On July 8, 1951, three U.S. officers flew to Kaesong to open talks the would hoped would lead to a speedy peace.

Gen. Mark Clark, U. N. Far East commander, asked the Communists June 29 to sign a truce even if Rhee refuses to go along. So far they have not answered.

No Meeting with Rhee

President Eisenhower's truce envoy Walter S. Robertson did not meet with Rhee Tuesday—the third time in 12 days they have not conferred. The two may meet Wednesday.

Next Move Up to U.S.

A South Korean government spokesman told a news conference the next move is "up to Washington."

Asked if he thought the talks had failed, the spokesman replied:

"All I can say is that the talks are still continuing."

The Rhee-Robertson talks are deadlocked as a result of Rhee's stubborn insistence that the U. S. agree to resume fighting if a post-armistice political conference fails to progress toward peaceful unification of Korea within three months.

Robertson reportedly has told Rhee the U. S. never can meet such a demand.

A well-informed South Korean source said bluntly Tuesday that no progress toward an agreement can be expected unless Robertson produces a new proposal.

So far, he said, Rhee has rejected U. S. compromise plans because they offer him nothing concrete.

One highly competent source said last week that Robertson told Rhee the U. S. would stage a joint walkout with South Korea from a political conference if the Communists used the talks to shield military operations.

He cited Red infiltration into South Korea as a truce violation which might warrant such a walkout.

But Rhee reportedly snubbed the offer because it failed to meet his demand for a 90-day time limit.

Compromise Rejected

The South Korean source said R... turned down another compromise calling for a joint walkout if the political conference failed to make progress toward peaceful unification of Korea within 90 days. Then, the source said, the two nations would discuss at top level various methods of unifying Korea, including possible resumption of the war. But any action would have to be ratified by the U. S. Senate.

A U. S. Embassy spokesman in Seoul denied that Robertson had offered such a plan.

But the South Korean source, who is close to the secret talks, swore that it had been offered and rejected because Rhee disliked the provision requiring Senate ratification of any agreed upon action to unify Korea.

The source said the 78-year-old Rhee is adamant in his insistence that the U. S. provide solid guarantees that it will unify Korea either by negotiation or war.

Chant Anti-Truce Slogans

While the talks were in recess, South Korean students and a few elderly folk paraded through the streets of Seoul chanting anti-truce slogans.

Two groups of about 1,000 demonstrators each shouted and waved banners calling for a march to the Yalu River boundary with Manchuria.

A handful of students from Seoul National University tried to force their way inside the gate of Rhee's hilltop mansion, but guards held them back.

Other marchers were noisy but orderly.

Peiping radio, meanwhile, accused the United States of "brewing a new scheme to wreck the Korean armistice." The broadcast said the U. S. has no intention of withdrawing military assistance from the ROK Army even if Rhee refuses to co-operate in a truce.

Sen. Taft Okeh

NEW YORK (AP) — U. S. Sen. Taft (R-O), who reentered New York hospital for treatment of a serious hip ailment, was reported Tuesday to be in "good condition."

Where Alaskan Bush Pilot Met Death

NEAR CENTRALIA MONDAY—The crumpled airplane that carried Vern D. Trakowski, 41, to his death is shown above. The plane and pilot's body, which disappeared last Wednesday on a flight from Bishop, Calif., to Seattle, were found Monday afternoon by a state forestry crew in rugged mountains 15 miles east of Centralia. Two of the crew, Neil Corcoran, left, Bucoda, and Rodney Kehoe, Olympia, are looking over the wreckage. The pusher-type aircraft finally piled up against a stump, stopping upside down and pointing in the opposite direction from which the pilot crashed into the snag-littered mountainside. More pictures are carried on page 9. (Chronicle Staff Photo)

Authorities Search for Reason Of Plane Crash Near Centralia

State aeronautical commission members were studying Tuesday to determine what caused the crack-up of veteran Alaskan bush pilot Vern D. Trakowski, 41, on a of stump-strewn mountainside 15 miles east of Centralia.

The pilot's body was discovered Monday afternoon near the wreckage of his Seabee plane by a state forestry crew, made up mostly of high-school age boys who were clearing brush from a road near where the ship crashed.

Bob Bartholet of Olympia was the first to sight the plane.

Missing Since Wednesday

Trakowski, operator of the Alaska Scenic Air Service at Seward, had been reported missing July 1 when he failed to arrive at Seattle on a flight from Bishop, Calif. He was flying alone.

The bush pilot's wife, Bernice who drove north to Seattle, notified authorities her husband was missing when she arrived in Seattle and found he had not arrived. A search was concentrated much farther south than Centralia, Charles S. Chester, Washington state's director of aeronautics explained as his department did not learn until Monday morning that Trakowski had stopped in Eureka, Calif., to refuel. Chester added, "We had no reason to believe he was this far north until we learned he refueled in Eureka."

Members of the ground party which went into the scene of the crash Monday afternoon said it appeared the pilot had run out of gas.

Parts Strewn

Parts of the plane were strewn along the mountainside for a distance of 100 yards, the ship evidently first having hit a snag that was sticking into the air about 30 feet. From marks on other snags and stumps, Chester, his assistant, Robert Nuber, state patrolmen and forestry men, surmised the plane had smacked into one snag, veered into another, bounced from a stump into another snag and finally piled up against a stump.

One wing had been sheared off and crumpled under the plane which came to rest upside down, the top of the other wing had been knocked off and the tail section was hanging only by shreds of metal.

Pieces of the plane — pontoons, doors and others parts — were scattered along the mountainside between the plane and the first snag. Trakowski had been thrown clear, his body lying about 50 yards from the ship.

Clock Stopped

An 8-day clock in the pusher-type craft had stopped at 11:53 o'clock, but the aeronautics men had not determined whether the crash stopped the clock or if it had just run down.

There was evidence that the pilot might have been lost. The silver and green plane, with red trim, had hit the ground headed in a southeasterly direction. It would have been pointed almost due north if it had been on course, unless Trakowski had run out of gas and was circling in an attempt to land the plane.

He was the second man to die in a plane crash in Lewis county this year. On April 23, a stowaway was killed in the crash of a KC-97 cargo plane that smashed 13 miles northeast of Centralia. All authorized on he large plane had parachuted to safety when engine trouble developed, never knowing theistowaway, a Boeing aircraft worker, was aborad until his body was discovered near the wreckage

At Crash Scene

State patrolmen at the crash scene Monday were E. L. (Swede) Larson, Myron Peterson, and Gordon Shea. Among the forestry men there were Lyle Hojum, district forest warden for western Lewis county, and Ed Haase, field supervisor for Southwest Washington.

Trakowski and his wife had been planning to fly on to Seward after meeting in Seattle.

His body was removed to Stickle's mortuary pending further arrangements by his wife. He was born in Toledo, Ohio, on Oct. 21, 1911.

Riot Quelled At Maryland Reformatory

JESSUPS, Md. (AP) — A score of state troopers used clubs and fire hoses Tuesday morning to break up a riot of 53 women at the Maryland state reformatory.

The police removed 25 of the women to another cottage and apparently had the others under control after being held at bay for four hours.

The women, all Negroes except one, had barricaded themselves in the cottage and warded off police with pieces of broken furniture, crockery and makeshift knives.

Two women attendants, locked in their room during the outburst at the reformatory 10 miles southwest of Baltimore on the highway to Washington, were released unharmed by the troopers.

State Police Lt. Martin M. Puncke was slashed on the arm in an earlier attempt to break into the rioting cottage. Six troopers had forced their way into the cottage previously but had to retreat in the face of the screaming mob of women.

Final Assault Successful

The score of troopers finally made a successful assault while another 25 were ready to use tear gas if they were repulsed.

The 20, using only clubs, got in through a ruse. The rioters were talked into releasing an aged employe. When the door was opened, the police rushed in. They grabbed fire hoses to beat back the female mob.

Miss Alice Blum, superintendent of the reformatory which houses 186 prisoners called the morning's outburst a "spontaneous rebellion against rules and regulations headed by a few ringleaders."

Nixon To Be Sent to Asia

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House announced Tuesday that Vice President Nixon will make a good will trip to the Far East and Southern Asia in the fall, probably in October and November.

The announcement said Nixon will make the journey at the request of President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles.

"The purpose of the visit will be for the vice president and his party to become acquainted with leaders of the countries visited, to hear their views, to gain firsthand impressions, to carry the sincere greetings of the President of the United States," the White House said.

The Vice President will be accompanied by Mrs. Nixon and by representatives of the State Department. A definite time of departure and a precise itinerary are to be announced later.

Obeys to Letter

SCHENECTADY N. Y. (AP)—Six-year-old Diane Hafner took her parents a little too seriously when they told her to "jump into bed".

She leaped in; bounced right out again, and hit her head against a table. She was treated at Ellis hospital for a cut over her eye.

Driver Draws Large Fines

A conviction on a charge of drunk driving, reckless driving and failure to yield to a siren, netted H. Robert Goaslind, Seattle, a $165 plus costs fine in Centralia police court action Monday night.

In other court action William Rickard was fined $125 and costs on charges of operating a vehicle without a proper license and drunk driving.

Carl Johnson, Raymond was fined $15 and costs for operating on a revoked license.

David H. Hogerman, Portland, forfeited bail when he failed to appear in court to answer a speeding charge.

Dave O. Pickel, 17, Onalaska was fined $10 and costs for negligent driving and operating a car with faulty equipment.

A bench warrant was issued for the arrest of Fred Myton, Tacoma, who failed to appear to answer speeding charges.

Speeding cost Melvin Thompson, Puyallup, $15 on a forfeited bail.

William Ramser, Centralia was cited for negligent driving. His failure to appear in court means he forfeited $25 bail.

Jerry Christin, 16, and Dave Givens, 18, both Centralia, arrested last week for exploding fireworks within the city limits, were cited in justice court. Christin was fined $15 and costs while Givens forfeited $25 bail when he failed to appear in court to answer charges.

Drought Funds Are Approved

WASHINGTON (AP) — A multi-million dollar program of government loans and aid for drought stricken ranchers and livestock operators in Texas and the Southwest was unanimously approved Tuesday by the Senate Agriculture Committee.

Chairman Aiken (R-Vt) said the legislation—similar to a broad-termed bill approved Monday by the House Agriculture Committee—should be ready for expected Senate passage this week.

More than 50 senators joined Aiken in introducing the emergency disaster bill.

No fixed total was placed on the loan funds but Aiken estimated that another 100 or 150 million dollars would be needed in addition to some 16 to 20 millions now available.

The Senate committee made several changes in the bill approved by the House committee.

It voted to limit the disaster loans to "bona fide livestock producers in order to keep out speculators," Aiken said.

It also restricted the emergency livestock loans to "producers of cattle, sheep and goats," Aiken added, explaining loans are not needed for "producers of poultry, rabbits and alligators."

Fugitives Are Still at Large

MONROE (AP)—Five inmates who escaped from the Washington State Reformatory Monday have eluded law enforcement officers of the state for more than 24 hours.

A wide scale search was under way after their flight in a stolen car. They got away by cutting a hole through a wire stockade, where shrubbery concealed them. The stockade has been used during construction work at the institution.

The men and the charges under which they were imprisoned are:

David Wesley Woodall, 28, forgery, Whatcom County; Kenneth E. Harrison, 22, burglary, Okanogan County; Hoy Denson, 25, burglary, King; Oree Knighton, 20, grand larceny, King, and Dave Franklin Wilson, 20, burglary, King.

Quirino Has Ulcer

BALTIMORE (AP) — A spokesman for President Elpidio Quirino of the Philippines announced Tuesday that physicians have found the President "has an ulcer of the stomach and that an operation will be necessary to cure it."

The announcement came after consultations with officials at Johns Hopkins Hospital where the 62-year-old President has been a patient for a week.

Warehouse Is Hit by Blaze

MOSES LAKE (AP) — Fire Tuesday damaged a warehouse at the Utah-Idaho Sugar Co. plant under construction three miles east of here.

The blaze started shortly after midnight inside the concrete block building and was controlled within an hour. The cause was undetermined. There was no immediate loss estimate.

The warehouse, intended for sugar storage, was occupied temporarily by company and building contractor's offices. Officials said some records were destroyed but that construction of the seven million dollar plant would not be delayed materially. It is scheduled to start operation this fall.

Impeachment Measure Dies

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Judiciary Committee Tuesday killed a resolution of impeachment against Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas.

It agreed to pigeon-hole it.

The resolution was introduced two weeks ago by Rep. Wheeler (D-Ga) after Douglas had granted a stay of execution for atomic spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. Wheeler accused the justice of "high crimes and misdemeanors."

Douglas' stay of execution for the Rosenbergs was short-lived. The full court was called into special session and set it aside. The Rosenbergs were executed June 19.

Communists Stage Fanatical Assaults

SEOUL (AP)—Chinese Communists intensified day-long assaults on two Allied positions in Western Korea Tuesday night as they hurled some 6,000 men in a fanatical attack against weary American and South Korean defenders.

In what front line officers said was possibly the forerunner of full division attacks, the Reds hurled about 3,000 men each against Pork Chop Hill and Arrowhead Ridge, five miles to the southwest..

Earlier Tuesday, infantrymen of the U. S. Seventh Division on Pork Chop and ROK Second Division troops on Arrowhead slammed back repeated attacks of some 3,000 Chinese.

The later attacks—described by frontline officers as suicidal assaults—pushed the Americans and South Koreans back momentarily north of Yonchon.

But the sturdy Allied infantrymen stormed back through ankle deep mud and regained all their positions in savage fighting with gun butts, knives and pistols.

"We counted 80 dead Chinks in one little piece 150 feet wide," said Col. Hal Randall, senior advisor to the ROK Second. "And that's only a fraction. There must be 250 more bodies out there in the dark."

Barrage Opens Attack

Snapping four days of rainy silence along the water-soaked battlefront, the Red assault on Pork Chop and Arrowhead opened late Monday night with a thunderous Communist artillery and mortar barrage.

Since then both sides—but mainly the Reds—have committed more and more troops.

Pork Chop Hill took the brunt of the early Red attacks. It was the first big Red assault on an American-held position in nearly three weeks.

The Reds fired some 15,000 rounds of artillery and mortars on Pork Chop while slamming 8,500 rounds at Arrowhead before launching the assaults.

Once the charges started, Allied artillery hit waves of Chinese sloshing up the muddied slopes in repeated attempts to gain a foothold.

One Red battalion—500-700 men—was caught in the open 900 yards from Arrowhead and blown to pieces with an intense barrage of Allied rockets and artillery.

A tapering-off of heavy rains that fell but grounded Allied planes the past three days allowed the Fifth Air Force to send some fighter-bombers roaring over front lines.

Twenty F84 Thunderjets swept low over Red positions in the Kumsong sector in the West, dropping napalm and high explosives on the Communists.

Night-flying B26 bombers, aided by two C47s lighting up the battlelines with flares, bombed Red positions near Pork Chop and Arrowhead. Results of the bombings were not evaluated.

Minor ground action was reported southeast of the Kumhwa-Kumsong road, where Allied guns dispersed a Red attack.

An Eighth Army briefing officer said 34 patrol clashes flared elsewhere along the curving 155-mile front, mostly in the east-central and eastern sectors.

With the rains subsiding, Allied and South Korean authorities began estimating damage caused by the downpours that dropped up to 5½ inches since Saturday night.

The Korean government estimated that 15,000 persons were temporarily homeless, 2,226 houses flooded, 430 others destroyed, mostly in the provinces southwest of Taegu in Southeast Korea.

Sixteen Koreans were reported dead, six missing and 56 injured.

Reds Execute 46 Police in East Germany

BERLIN (AP) — The West Berlin newspaper Telegraf said Tuesday that 46 Communist German "peoples' police" have been executed by Russian firing squads for "disobeying orders and resisting the Red Army" during the June 17 workers' revolt in East Germany.

No source was given for the report, which is considerably higher than any previous estimate of the number of police executions. Refugee reports have confirmed, however, that the Red German police proved in the uprising that the Russians could not rely upon them against their own people. The "vopos" — volkspolizei — often refused to fire on rioters and sometimes even joined the rebels. Nearly 500 have fled to West Berlin in the last month.

Police Budget Slashed

East Germany Monday slashed the budget of the disgraced police force by 750 million East marks (thirty million dollars) another West Berlin newspaper, Nacht Depesche, reported. It said the money will be diverted to development of light industry and more consumer goods in an announced policy of improving conditions for the mutinous workers.

Spurred by serious food shortages, the Communist East German government held out new promises to disgruntled farmers to lure them into delivering quotas asked from the new grain harvest.

Quotas were reduced and more credit and farm machinery promised, according to the West Berlin Morgenpost.

Flood Rioting Reported

Demonstrations in front of empty food stores were reported in many sections. The harvest, which began last week, is expected to be slim because so many experienced farmers have fled to the West, and those remaining have been hampered by Communist red tape and lack of equipment.

Dr. James B. Conant, U. S. high commissioner in Germany, came to West Berlin Tuesday for an on-the-spot study of the situation caused by the Russian martial law barricade dividing the four-power city.

The three Western commandants Monday night made a new demand on the Soviets to lift their armed blockade of the sector border and restore to Berliners "the right to circulate freely throughout their city."

Although it has been 20 days since the June 17 revolt, there still no indication of when martial law would be lifted in East Berlin. At present, only persons working across the sector barries and obtaining special passes from the Communists are allowed to cross.

Remove Crew Of Freighter

PUSAN, Korea (AP)—Navy small craft removed 47 crewmen from the grounded American freighter Cornhusker Mariner Tuesday leaving only the captain and six men aboard the ultramodern cargo carrier.

Rescue tugs were rushing to the scene.

The big 14,000-ton freighter, completed the past year at a cost of seven or eight million dollars, was slammed by heavy seas into Lighthouse Rock as she was anchored off Pusan harbor early Tuesday.

Two tugs put lines aboard the high-speed freighter in the morning and were trying to hold her from pounding to pieces on the rocks. The Navy said the ship was in "dangerous condition," but there was a chance to save her.

Rescued Without Accident

Despite huge groundswells that pounded the ship, the 47 crewmen were removed without accident.

Remaining aboard were the skipper, Capt. Nicholas Telesmanic, and an emergency watch of these six men:

Chief Mate Helmuth E. Bauer, New Canaan, Conn.; Chief Engineer George Hanson, Island Heights, N. J.; Second Mate Herbert L. Babbitt, Taunton, Mass.; Radio Operator Roger C. Kaney, Forreston, Ill.; Seaman John F. Higgins, Sommerville, Mass., and Seaman Donald Kissel, Cliff Side Park, N. J.

Lift Logging Restrictions

OLYMPIA (AP) — Restrictions on logging in the Vancouver area were lifted at midnight Monday, a state division of forestry official announced Tuesday.

Loren Tucker, assistant fire control supervisor, said the restrictions were ordered as a forest fire protection measure.

However, burning permits in parts of Skamania, Clark and Cowlitz County remained cancelled, Tucker said.

Mrs. Robeson Is Questioned

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mrs. Paul Robeson, wife of the Negro singer, sought to raise the 15th constitutional amendment—guaranteeing equal rights regardless of race or color—as a barrier Tuesday to questions from the McCarthy committee about possible Communist connections.

"You,re white and I'm Negro and this is a very white committee," she argued when Chairman McCarthy (R-Wis) overruled her.

She placed reliance then on the 5th amendment—the one saying no one can be forced to give testimony against himself—in refusing to say whether she is or ever was a Communist lest her answer "tend to incriminate me."

A self-possessed woman of 56, Mrs. Robeson volunteered to the Senate investigations subcommittee, however, that "I made a speech in Detroit a few weeks ago about McCarthyism."

Spectators snickered.

Earlier, playwright Arnaud D'Usseau of New York refused to tell the Subcommittee whether he is a Communist or was one at the time he co - authored the play "Deep Are The Roots."

D'Usseau clashed repeatedly with McCarthy, and at one point the Senator called capitol police to stand by to remove the witness if necessary. McCarthy told D'Usseau that if he thought he could run the subcommittee, he was going to teach him he couldn't.

In refusing to say whether he is a Communist now or at the time he wrote "Deep Are The Roots" with the late James Gow, D'Usseau invoked his constitutional protection against possible self-incrimination.

D'Usseau also declined to say whether he had contributed royalties from his play or any other money to the Communist Party.

Investigating Subversion in Labor Groups

NEW YORK (AP) — The House Un-American Activities Committee split into two sections Tuesday and held simultaneous closed hearings to speed up its investigation of "subversion in the field of labor."

The two executive hearings were presided over by Rep. Clardy (R-Mich) and Rep. Scherer (R-Ohio) in the federal building.

Rep. Velde (R-Ill), committee chairman, in a hospital here, was unable to attend the sessions. He issued a statement Monday in which he said his group would "use every legal weapon at our command to expose...Un-American activities wherever they exist" in labor.

Clardy said that about seven persons would be questioned at Tuesday's closed sessions, and that the committee would return to Washington Tuesday night. He said the committee had many executive sessions scheduled, and that a summary of the committee's work would be issued when the committee feels the time is appropriate.

Fighting Sinister Condition

"We're fighting something pretty gosh darn sinister," Clardy said.

He said that the committee did not want to tip off those being investigated, and that premature disclosures might wreck the committee's work.

Six officers of the Distributive, Processing and Office Workers Union were examined at Monday's first session of the committee here.

All six declined on constitutional grounds of possible self-incrimination to say whether they are or ever have been Communists.

The distributive workers union was formed from several unions once ousted from the CIO for allegedly following a Communist line.

Protest Filed Against LID

Chehalis' local improvement district, proposed for installing sewer in the North State street area, was hanging Tuesday on the legality of a protest petition presented Monday to the city commission.

The protest was turned over to City Attorney Lee Campbell, who was to study its legality and report back to the commission next Monday. City heads had thought the LID, first in Chehalis for a number of years, was well on its way to being formed, when residents in the area started circulating the protest petition.

To form an LID, a petition containing the signatures of property owners who represent at least 60 percent of the area's assessed valuation must be presented the commission. Such a petition had been presented some weeks before the protest was started.

Residents in the area claim the protest contains signatures representing at least 60 percent of the assessed valuation, meaning some have changed their minds since signing the original petition.

Bids on the LID were to have been opened Monday, but the opening was postponed until the city attorney presents his findings.

Searching for Fishing Craft

SEATTLE (AP) — A Coast Guard cutter and plane searched off the Washington coast Tuesday for an Astoria fishing boat and its owner after they were reported overdue with a note of mystery.

The fisherman was identified as Everett Gylden.

District Coast Guard headquarters said his 34-foot vessel, the Tonopah, was last reported seen July 3, strangely heading southwest over the horizon. It was about 15 miles southwest of Quillayute, Wash., at the time.

It was seen by crew members of the fishing boat Falcon. The Coast Guard said the Falcon fishermen thought the boat's procedure was odd, but they did not investigate.

The boat was reported due back into Quillayutte over the weekend because it was out of ice for keeping fish.

Prior to the day the Tonopah went over the horizon, the skipper had fished with the operators of two other boats.

The Coast Guard cutter Balsam, out of Astoria, set out to try to trace the Tonopah's course. It was expected to reach the Tonopah's estimated position around mid-