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REDS MASS FORCES FOR KNOCKOUT BLOW

KOREA - (9 Dec.) Field and Headquarter's reports indicated that a Red Chinese army, estimated by General Douglas MacArthur as potentially one million men strong, was moving up to try to swing knockout punches at the U.S. Eighth Army in the west and the U.S. Tenth Corps in the east.

The Marines and Infantrymen fighting their way out of a Communist death trap above Hamhung punched slowly and jerkily behind a tank spearhead through enemy roadblocks and one ambush after another.

The convoy stretched nearly five miles along the snow banked mountain road.

It slogged ahead through a swirling snowstorm without benefit of air support Friday, but clearing skies opened the way for a renewed aerial onslaught with bombs, rockets, and flaming gasoline jelly on the Chinese blocking the escape route.

KOREAN REFUGEES JAM ROAD

SEOUL, KOREA - (9 Dec.) From eighty to ninety percent of the civil population of North Korea streamed southward ahead of the Chinese Communists, imposing colossal problems in human suffering on a government poised for flight.

The vast mass migration, unlike anything ever seen in the troubled history of Korea, drew untold thousands to this city where residents feared the Chinese forces would arrive within two weeks.

BIG FOUR MEETING SOUGHT

PARIS - (9 Dec.) American, French, and British diplomatic representatives have agreed on the text of a joint note inviting Russia to a Big Four foreign ministers conference and asking her to present topics for discussion, well informed sources said.

RED JETS ATTACK U.N. PLANES IN KOREA

SEOUL, KOREA - (9 Dec.) For the first time since the beginning of the Korean War jet aircraft have engaged American fighters. The Red planes have outnumbered or been equal to the groups of U.S. planes that they have engaged. No losses on either side were reported.

This morning half a dozen Red jets jumped four shooting stars as they peeled off to bomb bridges at Charyongwan. The Shooting Stars engaged the Reds and chased them to the Manchurian Border but did not cross it.

A short while later four F-80's were attacking a bridge when an equal number of enemy jets moved in on them. When the F-80's fired their rockets, intended for the bridge, at the Red aircraft the Mig 15's broke off the battle.

Another flight of four F-80's encountered five Red jets early this afternoon. Both sides made passes but neither were able to claim any damages.

324 SORTIES FLOWN

The airforce reported that its fighters and B-26's made 324 sorties today hitting Sinuijju and the Pyongyang areas hardest.

Bridges were blown at Huichon and Charyongwan and one thousand barrels of gasoline were destroyed in a dump located at Pyongyang race track.

Fighter pilots attacked a new target and destroyed 27 camels being used as pack animals by the Chinese Reds. The U.N. forces claim a total of one thousand enemy troops killed and wounded in today's actions.

??? IMPOSSIBLE ??? ??

ROME - (9 Dec.) Actress Ingrid Bergman laughed at reports she is expecting another child. "It's just not true," Miss Bergman said.

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UN FORCES WILL DEFEND SEOUL

SEOUL, KOREA- (9 Dec.) The UN Forces will defend Seoul a highly qualified American source said today.

How far north of the city the new UN line will be established was not disclosed but Gen. Walton H. Walker's 8th Army has no intention of giving up the Korean Capital without a fight the source continued.

At the present time neither the Korean Government, the United States, and British, French nor other allied embassies and legations in Seoul have been alerted for evacuation from the city.

Some civilian agencies have sent home their personnel. Some returned to the U.S. others to Japan or areas in South Korea below Seoul because they were earmarked for duties in territories now occupied by the enemy.

Evacuation of some Korean and American civilians has been encouraged because they encumber military movements.

The Korean government will remain in the city. * * * * *

PRICES AND INFLATION

The Senate surrendered to the House and unanimously approved a compromise bill to extend Federal Rent Controls through March 31, 1951.

The action came less than an hour after House and Senate conferees had worked out a compromise on the conflicting measures passed by the two chambers thursday.

Price Administrator Michael V. Disalle said the government does not plan any immediate wage - price freeze, but warned auto makers and other manufacturers he has the authority to cancel any price increases.

Disalle acknowledged that wage-price controls orders are being prepared in case they are needed.

But, he said that it would take 60 to 90 days to get the machinery in motion.

Average wholesale prices climbed one half of one percent in the week ending last Tuesday, The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported.

Wholesale egg prices soared six cents a dozen in New York and eight cents a dozen in Philadelphia. * * * * *

INDIA PLANS NEW MOVE in U.N.

LAKE SUCCESS - (9 Dec.) India plans to demand that the United Nations take steps to establish a buffer region between Communists and Allied forces in Korea, as a result of an apparent lack of unanimity.

India, probably with the support of the 12 other Arab and Asian nations that earlier this week appealed to Peking not to cross the 38th Parallel, is preparing an amendment to the six power resolution now before the General Assembly's main political committee which calls on the Chinese Communists to quit Korea immediately. * * * * *

KOREA MUST BE FREE

WASHINGTON - (9 Dec.) President Truman and British Prime Minister Clement Attlee announced their willingness to talk peace with Communist China but said they will fight on if the Reds refuse to agree to a free and independent Korea. * * * * *

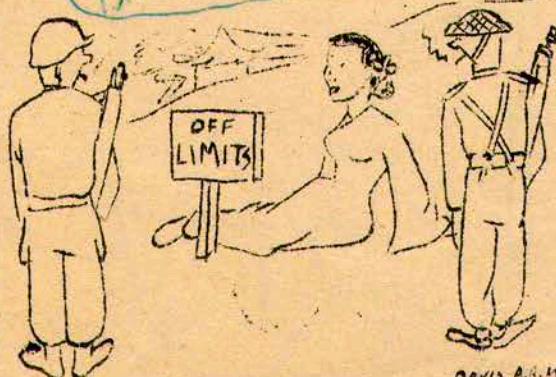
HEARTS AND FLOWERS

Beware the Korean lass
 With flowers in her hair;
 Who would ensnare our soldiers
 With sweet and demure air.

She knows that the G.I. Joe
 Is lonely, far from home;
 So she tries with cunning wile
 To lure him on the roam.

Tarry a while soldier boy
 Before it is too late.
 Keep your heart loyal and true
 For those who pray and wait.

J.D.J.



MLSTERS NOON REPORT

COURSE: west northwest
 DISTANCE SINCE LAST REPORT: 382.5
 DISTANCE FROM: Pearl Harbor 2483.5
 AVERAGE KNOTS PER HOUR: 15.94
 AIR: 78 F
 WATER: 77 F
 WEATHER: Fair
 WIND: Northeast
 SEA: Calm.



K O R E A

Three friends were sitting around a bar.
Each one smoking a big cigar,
Each one guzzling down a beer,
Each had decided to go to war,
To keep the Japs from his back door.
But each by some earthly chance
Had joined a different branch.
Eric arose on steady feet,
His eyes were filled with great conceit,
"When this war is over, we'll meet
again

And I'll tell you stories of real men."
Bill smiled and said, "You'll learn,
And you will hear of my return."
Brown didn't say a word,
He looked as if he hadn't heard,
"I'll neither brag nor boast, my mon,
Until I'm sure I'm back again."
And then they made a farewell bet.
A bet they never would forget.
The one whose story was the best,
Would charge his beer to all the rest.

The emergency was over and they were
back,
Drinking beer in the same old shack.
Eric with ribbons on his chest,
Stood up in Cutall's before the rest.
"I saw action in the far South Seas,
I shot down Japs from out of trees,
And drowned them like a bunch of fleas,
Now try to beat that if you please.
Then Bill arose with a smile,
And laughed at Eric for awhile.
"Friend, I really saw the fight,
In Italy, France, and the Reich.
I killed Nazis to my delight,
Far more than I could ever site.
But you would lose your appetite,
If I told you of my every sight."
But Brown didn't say a word,
He looked as if he hadn't heard —
Then he hit the bar with a slam,
And said, "I was in Korea — Damn."

and so admitted the other two,
"Brother, we owe the drinks to you."
For each had heard, and knew too well,
There sat a man — returned from Hell.

T/5 Donald Brown
Korea

ED. Taken from The Stars and
Stripes in the spring of 1947.

TALENT SHOW

Red Cards -- 1715
Yellow Cards -- 1930

MOVIES TONIGHT

There will be two shows
tonight starting as soon
as it is dark. The shows
will be for troops not
seeing the Talent Show
in the recreation Room.
This show is different
than the one last night,

BE SURE AND SEE THE U S
& CANADIAN TALENT SHOW.



BENNY RITES HOME

Dere Pop,

the fellas shure are swell
too me. yesturdey sum of the guys
gave me sum pineappul an sardines
an three bodduls of whiskie.

I wuz jest opinen the furst can
uf sardines wen Mr. Pebble an Mr.
Plastic came along. i invited them
too have sum, but i guess they eet
bettur than us cuz they just sed
"not jest now - we'll save them fer
Evidence!" He must be annothur offus-
sur.

The kernel called sarjint Dutchess
an tole him to prepare a charge sheet
imedjutly, but i tole him not to
bother cuz i wasn't chargin anythin
fer them on account uf i got lots
fer all.

I took out the rest uf the
sardines and pineappul. Gosh that
Evidence must be hungry cuz they took
them too.

They musn't get too meny pardies
cuz they stood around an sorta
stared at me when i took out one uf
the bodduls uf whiskey an tried too
get a sing song started. They jest
walked away an tole sarjint Oldbrush
an three boys too bring me up too the
kernels quarters.

I shure hoped he wuz gonna hav
a pardy, but awl he wanted too do wuz
tell me i cood hav a rume all by
myself up in the paint locker.

He evan gave me sum "ess peas"
to help me carry my stuff up. He said
they wuz "escorts", but i seen
their arm-bands -- they wuz "ess peas".

Wen we gawt down to our sleepin
rume the big pile uf stuff that
Horace wuz undur wuz neerly awl
gawn. i tuk awl that wuz left cuz
awl the guys sed they had awl theirs.

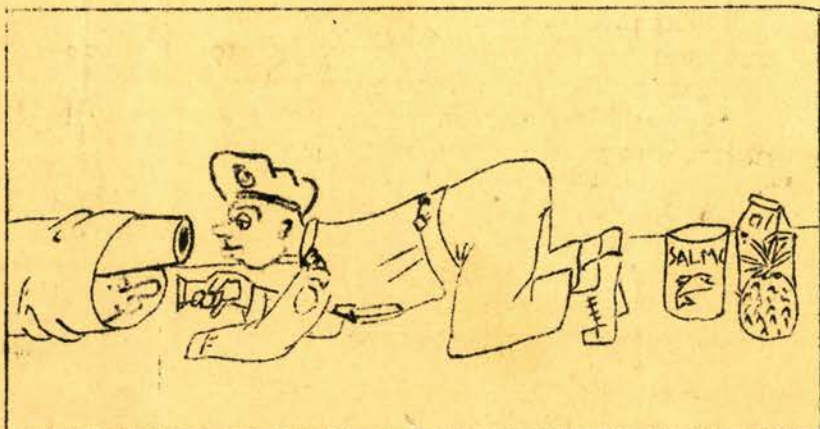
I got three left gouloshes,
a dirty hanky, a rifle bolt, an a
toothbrush. i shure fooled them cuz
i nevr had no toothbrush before.

Rite sune

"Ben"

P.S. - Wot's this "byin out" that
awl the guys is talkin about?

"Ben"



PERSONALITIES IN THE NEWS

President Truman threatened to poke a Washington music critic in the nose for panning the singing abilities of his daughter, Margaret. The threat was included in a violently worded note to Paul Hume, music critic for the Washington Post. The note was hand written on White House stationery and bore the familiar initials "H S T".

HELSINKI, FINLAND - Jan Sibelius observed his 85th birthday by sitting at home and smoking a cigar. His countrymen celebrated for him at a gala all Sibelius concert. The famous composer, whose music has carried the Finnish spirit throughout the world, has refused for 15 years to participate in observance of his birthday.

HOLLYWOOD - Negro nightclub singer Billy Daniels said he would sign a complaint against red haired actress Ronnie Quilan, who slashed him from forehead to throat with a butcher knife.

NEW YORK - British Actress Joan Simmons arrived by air from London, wearing a chocolate colored "siren suit" and the \$10,000 diamond engagement ring she retrieved at the London airport from British customs officials.

HOLLYWOOD - Green-eyed Elizabeth Taylor hopefully described her separation from hotel heir Conrad Hilton as "temporary" and said "we hope to work things out."

NEW YORK - Members of the Air Transport Division of the Transport Workers Union CIO refused to unload nine bales of Russian furs from a Pan-American World Airways plane from London because "we want to give Russia the same cooperation they are giving us in the the U N and Korea."

NEW YORK - Alger Hiss applied to the U.S. Court of Appeals for continuation of his ten thousand dollars bail pending his application to the Supreme Court for a review of his perjury conviction and the Appeal Courts affirmation.

CHICAGO - Dr. Richard Bradfield, Cornell University agronomist, said that soil conservation is not enough to insure the nation's future, and that more arable land must be made available.

WASHINGTON - The White House announced the appointment of Joseph Hudson Short, a member of the Washington staff of the Baltimore Sun, as White House press Secretary succeeding the late Charles G. Ross.

DETROIT - General Motors told the government that it could not agree to suspend price increases on its 1950 line of automobiles.

The giant auto maker raised prices of its Chevrolets, \$60 to \$80, less than 24 hours after the Economic Stabilization Board requested it, along with Ford Motor Company, to rescind price hikes announced four days ago. * * * * *

CHICAGO - The midwest dug out Friday from a wrong way storm that piled up huge snowdrifts and all but stalled traffic.

The same blow drenched middle and north Atlantic States with rains and high winds.

At least 58 deaths have been reported in the nation since Monday in a rash of wintry storms.

The whirling midwestern storm lashed across the upper Mississippi Valley and the Great Lakes region from the south instead of the usual entry from the northwest. * * * * *

Republican National Chairman Guy G. Gabrielson said that a post election survey showed "unpreparedness and failure of American foreign policy" did much to cause the swing toward the GOP as contribution issues, he listed communist appeasement, high spending and taxes, and socialist policies among others. * * * * *

The Navy authorized enlisted male naval reservists in the pay grades of recruit seamen and apprentice seamen to volunteer for two years active service. * * * * *

LOS ANGELES - More than one thousand American educators asked President Truman to instruct the U.S. delegation to the U N to sponsor a solution to disputes over Jerusalem. * * * * *

CINCINNATI, OHIO - A 3-1/2 per cent increase in the wholesale price of its household soaps and shortening was announced by Procter & Gamble Co. * * * * *

Philipp Jaffe, central figure in the controversial 1945 "Amerasia" stolen secrets case, and communist organizer Steve Nelson pleaded innocent to Congressional contempt charges and were freed on \$1500 bail. They were arraigned with two wartime atomic scientists, Lomnitz and Bohm.