

Issue Of Prisoner Exchange Sole Barrier To Armistice Argeement In Korean War

By SAM SUMMERLIN

MUNSAN, Korea (AP) — One year ago today Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway stood on a dusty helicopter field here and waved goodbye to five men who flew to Red-held Kaesong to seek peace for Korea.

Hopes were high that day. Today, one year later, the struggle of war and peace goes on, and no end seems in sight.

The papers that make up the historical record of the truce talks now stand seven feet high.

Delegates have come and gone. None of the original five remains.

Fifteen generals and admirals have sat down at the conference table across from the communists. And Gen. Mark Clark stepped in as United Nations commander when Ridgway moved to Paris.

The delegates have worked nearly 600 hours at the Kaesong and Panmunjom conference tables.

The shortest session was 15 seconds on April 14.

The longest was seven hours and 20 minutes on Nov. 26 when staff officers drew the proposed cease fire line.

Prisoner Issue Is Snag

The negotiators now have agreed on the complete armistice document—except for one monumental issue. That is how to exchange the prisoners of war.

For some 300 hours, the debaters have tried to figure out how to satisfy each side on this emotion-packed question.

The Reds want their men back

—forcibly if necessary. The Allies say they will return only those who want to return.

The easiest item to settle in principle on the truce agenda was the last one.

It took only five hours and 42 minutes to decide to recommend holding a political conference within 90 days after the truce is signed.

The politicians will decide when foreign troops—Allied and Chinese—should get out of Korea, and how to bring permanent peace to Korea.

The shooting stops 12 hours after Gen. Clark and the two Communist field commanders pen their names to the 28 page armistice document.

During the truce, strange teams will keep watch at five cities in the north and five in the south to see what men and supplies flow into Korea.

The teams will be composed of observers from two Iron Curtain countries, Poland and Czechoslovakia, and from Sweden and Switzerland.

Panmunjom will become overnight one of the fastest growing

N.W. Proposals For Power Given 70 Percent O.K.

SEATTLE (AP) — A review of congressional action shows about 70 per cent of the Pacific Northwest power development proposed by federal agencies won an O. K. from the lawmakers.

The Seattle Times says the agencies asked funds for projects to provide five million kilowatts of new power by 1960.

The appropriations provide for continuation of work on projects that will develop about 3 1/2 million when completed. Projects involving about 1 1/2 million kilowatts failed to win approval.

The major proposed projects that fell by the financial wayside were Ice Harbor and Hells Canyon Dams on the Snake River.

Major items which won appropriations in the civil functions bill were:

Oregon — McNary Lock and Dam, 63 million dollars; The Dalles lock and Dam, 20 million; Detroit Reservoir, \$10,350,000; Look Out Point, \$16,625,000; Willamette River \$400,000 (latter three for flood control).

Washington — Chief Joseph Dam, 15 million.

Idaho — Albeni Falls, seven million.

towns on earth when—and if—a truce is signed.

The village of four mud huts will mushroom into headquarters for all organizations overseeing the armistice and will be the exchange

Azalea Man Hurt In Mine Blast

By MRS. ILA QUIRKE
Elmer Scott, who was seriously injured recently in a blast on his mining property on Upper Cow Creek, is slowly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith of Coos Bay visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rod Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gaedecke, over the weekend.

Barbara Young of Klamath Falls is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Head this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Milner Larson made a business trip to Grants Pass Saturday.

William Quirke has visited his daughter, Kay Inglis, in Portland. He returned home July 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gaedecke and Jackie Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lapp of Coos Bay recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Halbert Booth visited friends on the coast recently. At Empire they saw Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hilliker and Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith. At Coquille they visited Alie Garrison and Jim White.

On the way home they stopped at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith of Corvallis, Mr. and Mrs. Ed McBee of Springfield and Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Clothier of Toledo.

Mrs. Clothier is a sister of Mr. Booth.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Mills of Hawser, Ore., visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Quirke over the Fourth. They returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Head made a business trip to Klamath Falls this week. While there they visited Mr. and Mrs. Verle Young. The Youngs lived on Upper Cow Creek a few years ago.

BOOST FOR WOMEN

CHICAGO (AP) — Rep. Katherine St. George of New York says women are particularly well qualified as campaign workers.

"One of the things you have to do is hear the candidate tell the same story time and time again—and still laugh," she told a group of women.

Maybe it is because women get so much experience in listening to their husbands' jokes, she commented.

BARRICADES OAKYED

BERLIN (AP) — The West Berlin city government said Thursday the Allies had approved the rection of barricades at danger points leading to the surrounding Soviet occupation zone. The idea is to prevent Soviet kidnapping forays.

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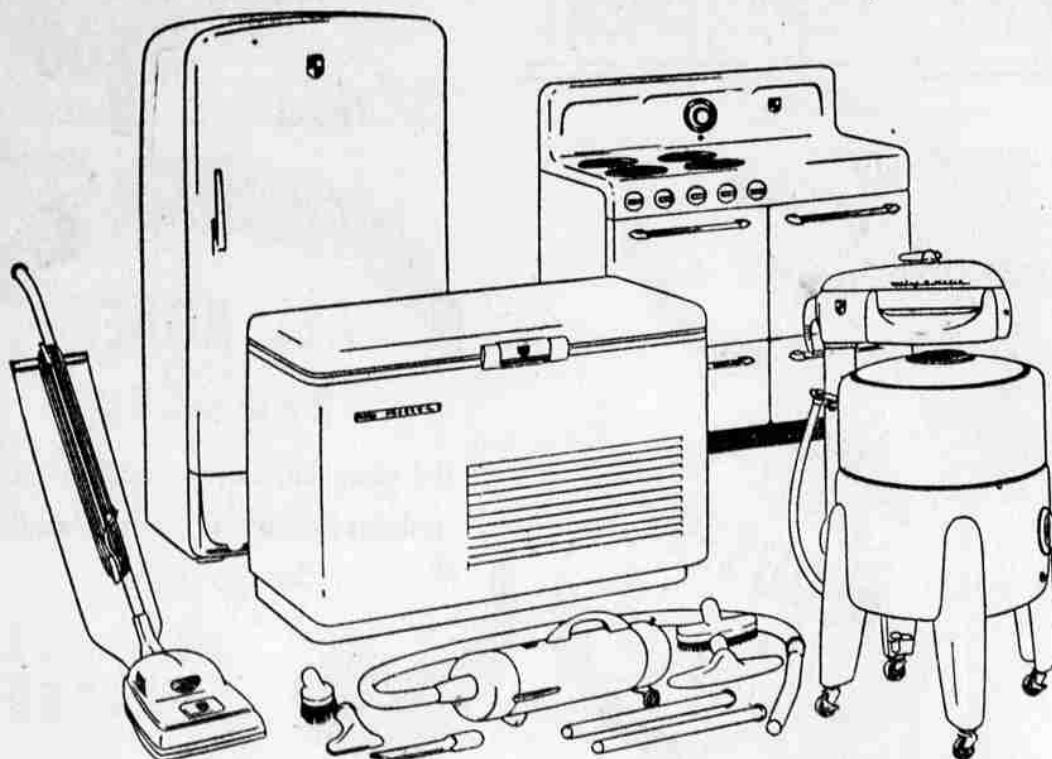


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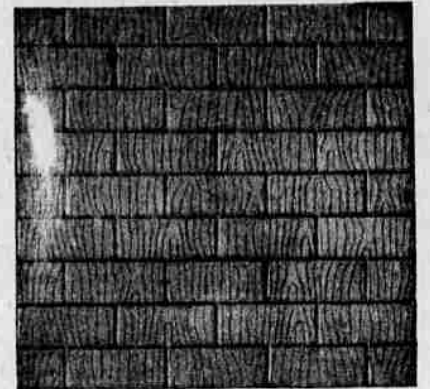
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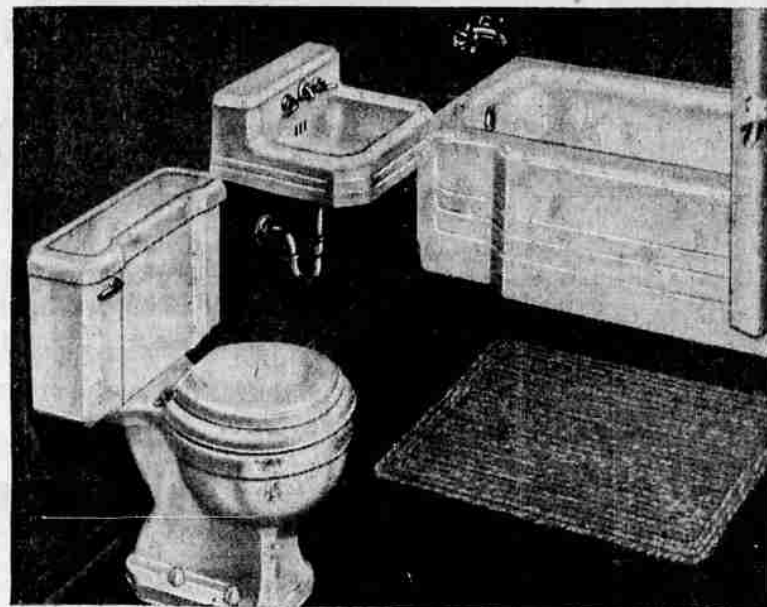
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