

UN Troops Probe Enemy Strength

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A strong Red Chinese defending force fought a blazing battle with probing U. N. troops Thursday inside Kumyangjang, on the Korean western front.

The allied scout-raider force was one of several feeling out the strength in the vanguard of what appears to be a Communist offensive buildup all across the peninsula.

An allied commander said: "All hell might break loose pretty soon."

"Drop the A-Bomb on the Chinese Communists" . . .
... declared Maj. Gen. Emmett O'Donnell, who has just returned from the command of the far eastern bombing units.

"We should use the most effective weapon we have against Red China," he urged. This includes the A-bomb.

"If we're going to fight, let's not hit 'em lightly, for heaven's sake," the outspoken general told reporters as he assumed duties as the head of the strategic 15th air force.

"It's time people know that this is an all-out war," he added. "This is a global war. We won the first round but this is the second round and we are losing on points.

"I believe we should have cracked the Chinese Communists hard and smacked the hell out of them as soon as we had them identified.

"I am in complete accord with the United Nations but it makes a very poor substitute for military headquarters in a campaign."

As to comment on President Truman's decision to ask the United Nations to declare Red China an aggressor, General O'Donnell said: "I think we'd be very effective with the A-Bomb against China."

He said, besides possible targets for A-Bombs, that there were quite a few good targets for conventional bombing in Red China and Manchuria."

"We can't continue to fight under Marquis of Queensbury rules when we are fighting thugs who are going to hit you on the back of the head with an axe," he said. "We should use the weapon most effective and not get mixed up further with a lot of knotheads."

The Air Force Announced . . .

... Thursday that it plans to immediately call up "a major portion" of the air reserve and the National Guard and large numbers of volunteer air reservists.

The call involves about 100,000 men and is designed to increase air force manpower to 971,000 as soon as possible.

The Influenza Epidemic . . .

... now sweeping England will spread to the United States, the president-elect of the American Public Health association predicted yesterday. He expressed hope that new methods of treating pneumonia will prove effective against influenza.

Mankind Will Outlaw Global Warfare . . .

... stated Dr. Robert A. Millikan, in an interview. "We will do it because we must or lose everything we hold dear to civilized life."

"What we should do is to use our intelligence to keep the aggressor in check. The reason we haven't done it is because the common man, whose judgment prevails in the end, hasn't been sufficiently informed."

Dr. Millikan, former director of the physics department at the California Institute of Technology and 1925 nobel prize winner, said that he still is skeptical that a hydrogen bomb can be built.

Philippine Army Field Headquarters . . .

... announced Thursday the start of the "biggest offensive thus far" against communist Hukbalahaps in eight central and northern Luzon provinces.

At the United Nations . . .

... Thursday, America's chief delegate called on the United Nations to consider it a fact that Communist China has committed aggression in Korea and has treated the U. N. with scorn and derision.

Austin told the General Assembly's 60-nation political committee: "It is clear to my government that the Peiping regime has committed aggression and that the General Assembly must say so."

The chief U. S. delegate said Red China's latest message rejecting the U. N. cease-fire "is their master's response, that of the Soviet ruling circle."

"They must think the United Nations trivial and contemptible indeed to have sent it such a reply," Austin declared.

He charged that the "aggression's part of the worldwide pattern of centrally directing Soviet imperialism." Because of this, Austin said, the United States believes that "the actions we take in the United Nations must be tailored to fit that pattern."

The expected U. S. resolution was not ready for introduction, but Austin outlined the main points to the committee as follows:

1. Condemnation of Red China as an aggressor.
2. Another appeal to Peiping to cease hostilities.
3. A reaffirmation of the U. N.'s intention to continue its efforts to meet aggression in Korea.
4. An appeal to all U. N. members to lend their support to refuse to aid the aggressor nations.
5. Action by the U. N.'s 14-nation collective measures committee on the next steps, such as sanctions.

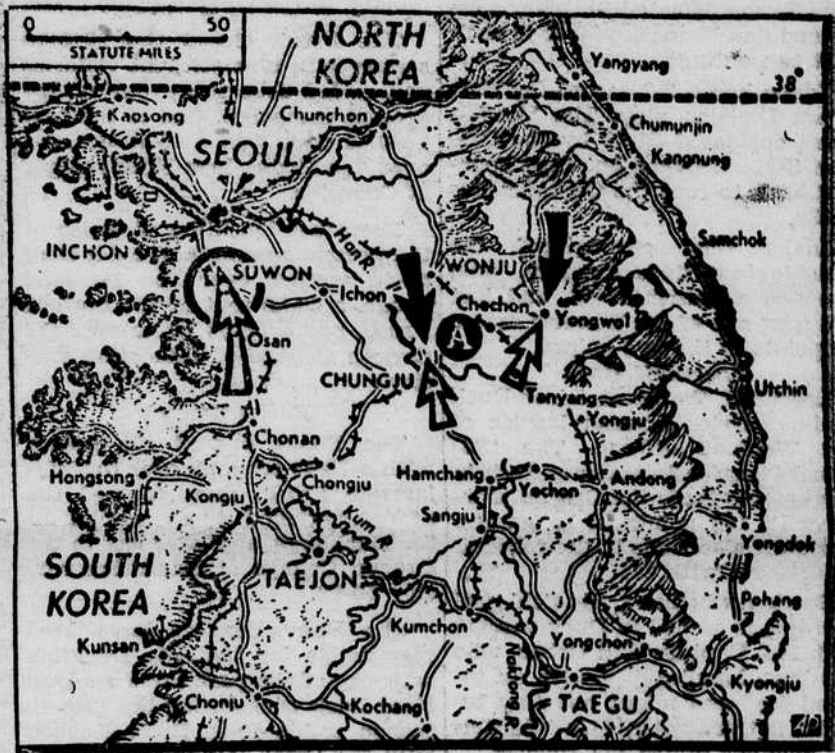
The News in View



KOREANS LOADED with possessions march to quarters on Kojedo Island, off the Korean coast, after arrival from the mainland. Nearly 100,000 refugees have reached the haven to end their long flight from the Reds. (AP WIREPHOTO)



WILLIAM E. COOK (center) is led into the San Diego, Calif., county jail by two unidentified FBI agents after he had been captured by Mexican authorities some 600 miles south of the border. He was turned over to the FBI at Tijuana. Cook is a suspect in a cross country series of eight slayings. (AP WIREPHOTO)



ENTERED BY ALLIED troops in their western front counter-thrust was Suwon, located by circle. It was the first major objective to fall to the advancing Allies. In the central front sector (A) a pullback to an undefined defense line was announced, with United Nations forces withdrawing southward from the Wonju wedge where they held off massed Red attacks for 16 days. (AP WIREPHOTO)



MAJOR BATTLE for Hanoi, Indochina, is being waged between a force of between 35 and 40 battalions of Vietminh rebels and French defenders in area shown by sawtoothed line. Battle line, about 25 miles north of Hanoi, capital of northern Indochina, extends from Vietri on the west to Lucnam on the east. French were reported standing firm as battle entered its third night. (AP WIREPHOTO)



YOUNG SMALLPOX SUFFERER is discovered by Cpl. Leo Norkus of Bridgeport, Conn., members of the United Nations Civil Assistance Team on Kojedo Island, off the Korean coast. The child just arrived from the Korean mainland aboard an LST. The mother tried to hide her child from authorities. (AP WIREPHOTO)

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