

# U.S. Troops Aim Counterblows at Fallen Pohang

## Red Forces Cross Naktong; Objective At Chinju Attained

POHANG, South Korea, Saturday, Aug. 12—(AP)—American tanks and infantry ringed Pohang airport this morning and South Korean troops began pushing toward the city.

Pohang itself is a "no man's land." The Americans and South Koreans hold the docks. The communists are concealed in the northern section of the city. The area between the two forces is empty.

Americans also were holding a bridge one and a half miles outside the city. They controlled four and one-half miles of road from the airport to the bridge.

The airport was operating this morning with planes landing and taking off regularly.

TOKYO, Saturday, Aug. 12—(AP)—American and South Korean troops launched a counterattack on the newly-fallen east coast port of Pohang today as the communists stabbed across the Naktong river toward Taegu on the western side of the United Nations Korean beachhead.

The counterblow at Pohang, second most important U. N. port in Korea, was announced in an eighth army communique issued at noon. It said the town, which fell Friday night, was held by 3,000 Reds.

During the night, a column of American tanks moved in to help the embattled American defenders who clung to Pohang's airfield and port facilities, outside the town proper. Destroyers came into the harbor and swung their guns shoreward. Battle-tested South Korean troops rushed to the area in preparation for the counterattack.

Across the beachhead 50 miles westward, the Korean Reds threw two punches at the American and South Korean defenders of the Naktong line protecting the communications center of Taegu. It might be the start of the long-awaited all-out push on the city but it was too early to say for sure.

**Met With Bayonets**  
The Reds sent about 300 men across the river into the first cavalry division front and the Americans met them with fixed bayonets in fierce hand-to-hand battle. To the north the Reds pushed against the South Korean first division with 10 tanks which they got across the Naktong Friday night. The Reds were reported haled but five tanks still were roaming east of the Naktong.

On Korea's south coast, U. S. marines chopped off a four-mile advance from captured Kosong toward Chinju, the red southern anchor. The marines were moving to throw another arm around red forces trapped east of the red base.

**High Ground Regained**  
General MacArthur's headquarters said the southern offensive "has attained its objective." The objective, a spokesman explained, was to splinter a red attack toward Wusan and to regain the high ground east of Chinju.

The Saturday afternoon summary issued by headquarters said the marines were continuing their advance against stubborn red resistance. Associated Press Correspondent Don Whitehead reported from the front that some 1,000 trapped reds east of Chinju were battling desperately to break free.

Far East air forces said a mass formation of superfortresses made a concentrated attack Saturday on military objectives in the extreme northeastern part of North Korea.

Western front—The communists heavily reinforced their bridgehead across the Naktong near Changnyong, 23 air miles southwest of Taegu, putting another regiment across Friday night. This gave them about a full division on the east side on a two-mile sector facing the U. S. 24th division. A veteran of 14 heavy red field units apparently survived a night attack by American planes.

Around Waegwan, 12 miles northwest of Taegu, the communist buildup continued west of the Naktong. In the heaviest concentration anywhere along the line, they had four—possibly five—divisions. General MacArthur's headquarters said a report not fully confirmed said the Reds had massed 30 tanks in the Waegwan area.

**Bids Opened on State Hospital Building Job**  
Malarkey-Moore, Portland, Friday submitted a low bid of \$159,330 for construction of the proposed new administration building at Oregon state hospital. Seven bids were received.

The structure will be one story high and will be located a short distance west of the main hospital building. Cost of the new administration building had been estimated by engineers at \$165,000. It will house the hospital medical and administrative staffs.

Officials said they considered the low bid very satisfactory because of the recent skyrocketing of material prices due to the Korean situation.

A contract probably will be awarded Tuesday at a meeting of the state board of control.

**Animal Crackers**  
By WARREN GOODRICH



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## Miss N.Y.C. USAF to Call Up 50,000



CANBY — Phyllis Battleson, the music student from Canby who was selected Miss N.Y.C. City this week for the annual Miss America contest. The 22-year-old brunette has sung with Portland and Oregon City radio stations and with the Glenn Woody band of Salem.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11—(AP)—The air force and the army announced today they are calling up 50,444 reserves.

The air force said it expects to put 8,000 officers and 42,000 enlisted men into active service by early fall. It spoke of this number as the "initial requirement."

Most of these officers will be of the rank of captain or below. The enlisted reservists are persons with military skills which are needed.

Previously the air force had said it was summoning reservists, on a voluntary and involuntary basis, but the figures had not been given. The army is ordering 3,444 male reserve officers from all over the country into active service.

There are two general groups.

1. A total of 1,582 from the active and inactive medical, dental, veterinary and medical service corps of the officers reserve corps; up to the grade of major in the medical and dental service group, lieutenant colonel in the dental corps, and major in the veterinary corps.
2. A total of 1,808 captains and 6,054 lieutenants in 16 branches who are not assigned to organized reserve units. They will be on active duty by October 6, assigned to 21 months' service unless relieved sooner, or unless the period is changed by law.

Age limits for the captains and lieutenants called in the 16 combat and services groups must be met. The limits in the services, which include adjutant general, chemical, military police, quartermaster and other branches, are higher than in the combat groups. Overage officers in the combat category will be ordered to duty in the service branches.

The army said that these captains and lieutenants will include both active and inactive members of the organized reserve corps. The active members are those active in training programs. (Additional details on page 2).

## Income Tax Boost Voted by Senate Group

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11—(AP)—The senate finance committee voted unanimously today to increase individual income taxes by about \$3,000,000,000. But it said all federal taxes should be removed from GI's below commissioned officer rank now fighting the Korean war.

This is what it will mean, if the senate and house approve, as they are expected to do:

1. Uncle Sam will begin digging deeper into the pockets of over 50,000,000 individual taxpayers on October 1. Withholding of wages and salaries, after personal exemptions, will jump from the present 15 per cent to 18 per cent.
2. The actual increase in taxes will be around 20 per cent for millions of persons in the lower income brackets.
3. GI's in areas of hostility probably would pay no tax at all, and their officers would get reductions in their taxes, too. The tax exemption would not apply to service men and women outside of war zones.

As an illustration of how individual tax increase would work, a man with a wife and two children and \$3,000 income (after deductions but before exemptions) now pays \$100 tax. Under the higher rates his tax would be \$120, an increase of 20 per cent. If his income were \$5,000, the tax would jump from \$432 to \$520; if \$7,000, the increase would be from \$780 to \$932; if \$10,000, the tax would go from \$1,361 to \$1,592.

**Taft Combats Controls Plan**  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 11—(AP)—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) launched a fight today to keep for congress the right to say when price-wage-rationing controls shall be imposed, if at all.

The house voted yesterday to leave the decision entirely up to President Truman. The senate is debating a measure which would do the same thing.

This, said Taft, would be handing to the president "complete and arbitrary dictatorial power over the entire economic life of the country."

**Tobacco Heir Lost on Peak**  
LONE PINE, Calif., Aug. 11—(AP)—Search parties tonight were combing the east face of Mt. Whitney, highest peak in the United States, for Christopher Smith Reynolds, heir to a tobacco fortune, and his companion, Stephen Wasserman, son of a New York broker.

The two 17-year-old boys have been missing since they left the Cerro Gordo gold mine Sunday to scale the 14,496-foot mountain.

Reynolds is the son of former torch singer Libby Holman Reynolds and Zachary Smith Reynolds, heir to the \$25,000,000 Reynolds tobacco fortune.

Inyo county undersheriff Arthur Jewett said the youths had rations for only two days when they left the gold mine.

**Forceps Left in Patient's Body**  
A pair of forceps was removed Friday in Salem from a woman's abdomen where they had been left from a previous operation performed five years ago in another state.

The name of the patient or details of the case were not revealed by the attending physician.

The patient was reported progressing Friday night at Memorial hospital, minus the forceps.

**Withholding of Filberts Asked**  
PORTLAND, Aug. 11—(AP)—A recommendation that 15 per cent of this year's filbert crop be withheld from the market was made today by the Oregon-Washington filbert control board.

The portion of the crop withheld would be classed as surplus under the filbert marketing agreement. The recommendation must be approved by the agriculture department.

**Butter Prices to Rise**  
PORTLAND, Aug. 11—(AP)—Trade sources here said butter will increase one cent a pound on all grades on the wholesale market tomorrow.

**'Fireball' Flashes Across Northwest Evening Sky**  
A meteor or "fireball" flashed across the sky north of Salem about 8:30 p. m. Friday, according to numerous residents, who telephoned reports of the phenomena to the Statesman.

The Associated Press reported that the object also was seen south of Portland and by Boeing field control tower operators in Seattle.

The first report in Salem came from John Butts, who lives at the veteran's housing unit, and reported seeing a "blue ball with a red tail which split in two and disintegrated."

Other phone calls came from Salem Heights, Kingwood Heights, the north Salem fire station and other parts of the city. Residents generally agreed that the object was traveling from northeast to northwest, close to the earth and

that it split into either two or three sections before disintegrating. One person claimed he saw smoke after it disappeared.

Salem reports coincided with those from Seattle and Portland in that the meteor apparently split into two or three sections. Descriptions varied with each report.

Carl Richards, Salem amateur astronomer, said the phenomena probably was a meteor or fireball. He advised residents to write a description of the object and send it to J. H. Pruett, astronomer at the University of Oregon in Eugene, so that the point of landing might be traced.

Neither the control tower at the Salem airport nor the U. S. weather bureau reported seeing the object, although the control tower said several planes were flying in the area about 8:30.

## 3 Prisoners Cut Way Out of County Jail, Escape in Downtown Crowds

Sheriff Labels Escapees as 'Dangerous'

By John H. White  
Staff Writer, The Statesman  
Three 22-year-old prisoners sawed through outside window bars of the Marion county jail about 4:40 p. m. Friday and escaped into downtown Salem at the height of the afternoon rush hour.

None had been recaptured early this morning despite an intense search by city, county and state police. Several leads were tracked down without success.

The escapees, all regarded as "dangerous," were Kenneth Orval Smith, San Francisco, held for grand jury action for the admitted holdup of a Salem taxi driver last week; Richard Phillip Tungate, 1785 S. 13th st., awaiting hearing on an auto theft charge; and Donald E. Floodstrom, 248 D st., serving a 90-day sentence for escape.

Smith, when arrested by Salem city police, was on parole from San Quentin prison in California where he served time for armed robbery. Tungate, arrested Monday night by sheriff's deputies, was on parole from a two-year sentence at the state prison for burglary not in a dwelling.

**Previous Escape**  
Floodstrom was one of five prisoners who sawed through the same cell window last April 23. He was recaptured several days later in a north Salem motel.

The break was discovered about 4:40 p. m. by a trusty in the kitchen who saw the men darting out the window. He ran upstairs and notified sheriff's deputies.

The trio broke through the same window where five prisoners escaped in April. Two bars were sawed and twisted upward. The trio then sawed through a heavy wire screen which had been welded after the last break, crawled through the window, and climbed a high iron grating on the east side of the courthouse. A piece of the hacksaw was found near the window.

**Leads Unsuccessful**  
Several leads were tracked down without success Friday night. Three men were reported fleeing across a north Salem back yard about 6 p. m. but investigation failed to reveal any trace of them.

Another report was received that three men boarded a freight train for Albany. Deputies met the train at Albany and searched all cars. All were empty.

Meanwhile, deputies beat the brush along the Willamette river. This was the escape route used by Floodstrom at the time of his last break from jail.

Floodstrom weighs 158 pounds, is 5 feet, 10 inches tall, has brown hair and blue eyes. Smith weighs 175 pounds, is 5 feet, 10 inches tall and has brown hair and green eyes. Tungate stands 5 feet, 4 inches in height, weighs 147 pounds and has brown hair and brown eyes.

Tungate and Floodstrom both were wearing white T-shirts and blue overalls. Smith was clothed in blue overalls and work shirt.

Two planes of the Salem police aerial patrol joined the search Friday night. The craft, one manned by Officer Clive Scott, and the other by Juvenile Officer Al McRae, flew low over the Willamette river banks and reported "perfect visibility" but no prisoners.

(Additional details on page 2.)

## Europe Assembly Backs Churchill Plan for Army

STASBOURG, France, Aug. 11—(AP)—The European consultative assembly adopted tonight, 89 to 5, a motion by Winston Churchill urging creation of a united European army for defense of the west.

There were 27 abstentions.

The motion, as revised in a 20-man committee which included the veteran British conservative leader, provides that the unified army would serve under a European ministry of defense.

Churchill said he would not be a candidate for the proposed post of defense minister.

He urged in a speech the creation of the unified army, including German troops, and the dispatch of large armed forces from Britain and the United States to guard western Europe against Soviet aggression.

"Apart from the establishment of the American base in England," he charged, "nothing has been done to give any effective protection to our peoples from being subjugated or destroyed by the Russian communist armies, with their masses of armor and aircraft."

He said the creation of a trustworthy defense system within the next two years would lessen the threat of a third world war.

The consultative assembly is the lower house of the council of Europe, an international discussion group set up on parliamentary lines. The 125 delegates are from 15 nations.

**Lingerie Sent To Warfront**  
AT A SOUTH KOREAN PORT, Aug. 11—(AP)—A shipment of ladies' lingerie, hosiery, babies' bottles, bottle warmers and expensives luggage arrived at a South Korean port recently.

"I took one look at the manifest and told them not even to bother unloading it from the ship," said Maj. Charles Whitcomb, Sacramento, Calif., U. S. Eighth army central exchange officer for Korea.

He didn't know how the shipment happened to reach the war front.

**POLISH EXILE DIES**  
LONDON, Aug. 11—(AP)—Tadeusz Tomaszewski, 69, premier of the Polish government-in-exile, collapsed at his office here last night and died. He had been suffering from heart disease.

**BOMBS TOSSED AT REDS**  
NICE, France, Aug. 11—(AP)—Communist headquarters and a theatre where Reds were holding a meeting were bombed today. Two bombs damaged the party headquarters and set fire to it. A third exploded in a movie theater. A fourth was thrown but fizzled. No one was hurt.

**BASEBALL**  
Western International  
At Victoria 2, Salem 10.  
At Vancouver 6, Tri-City 5.  
At Tacoma 6, Spokane 3.  
At Yakima 6, Wenatchee 2.  
Coast League  
At Hollywood 4, Portland 2.  
At Oakland 1, Seattle 8.  
At San Diego 9, Los Angeles 8.  
At Sacramento 6, San Francisco 2.  
American League  
At St. Louis 3-2, Detroit 4-1.  
At Chicago 2, Cleveland 2.  
At New York 7, Philadelphia 6.  
At Washington 5, Boston 2.  
National League  
At Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 2.  
At Boston 7, Brooklyn 9.  
At Philadelphia 1, New York 3.  
At Pittsburgh 1, Chicago 3.

City	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	85	67	.00
Portland	81	67	.00
San Francisco	73	58	trace
Chicago	70	63	trace
New York	86	71	.10

Willamette river 3.3 feet.  
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Generally fair today tonight, high today near 85 and low tonight near 61. Expected low relative humidity this afternoon near 35 per cent. Continue present weather for most part week today and tomorrow with moderate winds during afternoon and evening hours.  
SALEM PRECIPITATION  
This Year 42.54  
1 Year 42.34  
Normal 47.48

