

# U.N. Troops Mass For Seoul Assault



**SOUTH KOREA, Sept. 18**—Open arrows show two-pronged allied invasion force moving inland against North Korean positions. Southern prong has driven within three miles of Seoul, red-held South Korean capital. U. S. marines on the northern flank hold Kimp'o airfield and have reached Han river. The airfield is in operation. The army Seventh division troops and equipment rolled out of the Inchon beachhead toward the front. Red opposition in north was described as light and "stubborn but unorganized" on south flank. (AP Wirephoto Map.)

## Reds Muster Slim Opposition In North; Yanks Cross Naktong

**TOKYO, Tuesday, Sept. 19**—(AP)—Big Patton tanks led almost unopposed U. S. marines into the Seoul industrial suburb of Yongdungpo today.

Thus far, the North Koreans have been unable to bring any strong force against the 40,000 marines and doughboys who landed on the west coast and now are pushing vigorously inland.

Down in southeast Korea American doughboys were across the Naktong river on the red held west side in two places. South Korean troops punched hard on the northern perimeter, hammering out big gains in two sectors north of Taegu.

Warplanes hammered the North Koreans relentlessly.

U. S. carrier-based pilots saw the marines in Yongdungpo. Behind them stretched an endless column of tanks, trucks and vehicles moving up from Inchon, Seoul's port 23 miles to the west.

Yongdungpo is a southwest suburb of the 500-year-old Korean capital. It is on the southwest bank of the Han river across from Seoul.

Marines who captured Kimp'o airfield staved off five wild suicide charges Sunday night in close quarter fighting. A few hours after Monday's daylight the last reds there were wiped out after the leathernecks had been surrounded for 10 hours.

**Corsair Plane Lands**  
A marine Corsair plane was the first to land on the captured airfield. Behind it came Marine Lt. Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, commander of fleet marine forces in the Pacific, and Maj. Gen. Frank E. Lowe, President Truman's personal representative. They landed in a helicopter.

First across the Naktong on the old southeastern defense perimeter were the U. S. Second division troops. They crossed yesterday and today established a firm beachhead on the North Korean west bank near Changyong, 23 miles southwest of Taegu.

Twenty-three miles to the north elements of the U. S. First corps crossed the river early today. AP Correspondent Ben Price reported elements of the U. S. 24th division forced their way over the river in 50 assault boats.

**Bitter Fighting**  
Bitter fighting was indicated at this spot, both by Price and by a mid-day 8th army communique.

The 24th infantry division elements made their surprise crossing of the river 10 miles west of Taegu. Then they ran into a North Korean ambush about seven miles south of burning Waegwan.

Correspondent Price said not a shot was fired when the first 24th division boat hit the river at 5:30 a. m. The red shore was deathly still.

Five minutes later first wave boats were caught in the cross-fire from machineguns on two islands to the north and south of the point of embarkation.

**Machinegun Flame**  
Price reported afterwards the whole area flamed with machinegun fire and some light mortar fire from a battalion of reds dug in on high ground to the front and flanks.

The U. S. Second division crossing near Changyong was at Hajok, due west of Changyong.

AP Correspondent Stan Swinson said the North Koreans hurled repeated attacks against the mile-deep Second division bridgehead.

A Second division spokesman said American lines held firmly and the bridgehead was "secure." Clearing the red communication claimed one allied vessel was hit by shore fire Sunday near Ongjin. It said two American fighter planes were shot down by red coastal defense guns.

**THE WEATHER**

Salem	78	45	46
Portland	72	51	50
San Francisco	68	58	58
Chicago	72	52	52
New York	72	52	50

Willamette river -3.3 feet.  
FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Clatsop county) this morning with clearing skies during the afternoon and evening. High today 74-78; low tonight 42-44. Low humidity this afternoon 45 per cent.

**SALEM PRECIPITATION**

This Year	Last Year	Normal
trace	1.29	.50

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# 2 Salem Reserve Units Alerted

## Civilian Defense Plan Laid

**By Ed Creagh**  
**WASHINGTON, Sept. 18**—(AP)—President Truman laid before congress today the blueprint for a vast civil defense program to rally the nation from an atomic attack and enable it to strike back swiftly and destroy the aggressor.

Drafted by the national securities resources board, the program outlines a mutual aid system reaching into every American home and calling for the services of hundreds of thousands of paid and unpaid workers at the federal, state and local level.

Mr. Truman called it a "sound and workable" plan for coping with "the potential damage of devastating modern weapons."

He asked congress to set up in the near future a civil defense administration with a \$17,500-a-year head, and to pass other legislation needed to get the program started.

The president said he will create a temporary civil defense administration to serve until congress acts. He also urged state and local officials to "move ahead rapidly" with their own planning in line with the new national program.

Funds for the program will be requested later. Officials said it would cost millions, perhaps billions. They estimated it would take about two years to get the program into high gear.

The NSRB's master plan calls for civil defense eventually to take over from the air force the present air raid warning system. Then it parcels out to the various government bodies the responsibility for all the things to be done in case of attack—from the rescue of the wounded to shelter of the homeless.

Basically, it's a job for local authorities, with the states providing leadership and supervision and the federal government (a) making national policy and training key personnel and issuing public information.

## Sen. Tydings Wins Primary

**By The Associated Press**  
Maryland's democratic voters gave Senator Millard E. Tydings an overwhelming victory in his bid for re-nomination in yesterday's primaries which laid off the final big week of candidate-picking for the November 7 congressional elections.

Candidates also are being selected this week in Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Wisconsin. Rhode Island democrats held a routine primary yesterday. Republicans will follow suit there September 27.

Democrats and republicans vote today in Massachusetts and Wisconsin, with the renomination bid of veteran GOP Senator Alexander Wiley highlighting the Wisconsin race.

## Woodburn Hi Safe 'Cracked', \$204 Stolen

**Statesman News Service**  
**WOODBURN, Sept. 18**—Safe-crackers broke into the new Woodburn high school last night and escaped with \$204 in cash from the main office vault.

The intruders, who operated sometime between the close of school yesterday and opening this morning, also did considerable damage to both the exterior and interior of the recently-constructed \$265,000 building.

Investigating Woodburn city and state police officers reported the burglars jimmied five outside doors to the school without gaining entrance, then crawled through an open window in the girls' locker room.

Once inside the school, they smashed through an outside glass door to the main office, then pried an inside door off the hinges. The safe was cracked by using a torch, a drill, sledgehammers and chisels. It was believed the tools were obtained from the school boiler room.

The cash represented proceeds from the first football game of the year at Woodburn.

**BUY FUEL SUPPLY**  
**WASHINGTON, Sept. 18**—(AP)—Secretary of the Chapman asked home owners today to begin buying their winter supply of fuel, warning that a severe winter would increase demand and seriously slow down transportation resulting in possible local shortages.

## City Hall Gets Face Washed



Three men on a tower—as circled above—kept passersby craning their necks to watch the steam cleaning of Salem's city hall Monday. The Portland cleaning crew started the \$5,000 wash and paint task on the east face of city hall and by afternoon had started working around the tower. Some 55 years of smoke and grime are being removed from the building, revealing the warm red color of the bricks, and lightening the gray stone work. The cleaning will take several days. (Statesman photo.)

## Council May Reverse Water Policy Decision

City water service for Salem suburban residents was far from assured Monday, despite a city council grant of water connections to two suburban areas a week ago.

There were indications yesterday that several of the council members now consider their departure from established policy on water service a distinct mistake.

## Chamber Puts Forth Proposal For Building

Possibility of long-range programs aimed at a sustained drive for new industry in Salem and at an eventual building to house the Salem Chamber of Commerce was forwarded Monday night by chamber leaders.

A chamber building was proposed by J. N. Chambers, long range planning chairman and adviser to the chamber board. He maintained a growing city should have a chamber building as a "center for the town's business and industrial thinking."

A specially financed long-term industrial program is now in the committee consideration stage, Chamber Manager Clay Cochran told the board at its initial fall meeting last night in the Senator hotel.

No immediate action is in prospect for either proposal. Meanwhile, the chamber officials are preparing for a dinner next Monday, entertainment of the visiting Stanford football team October 6 and increasing facilities to aid local businessmen in obtaining defense contracts.

## Man Dies Beneath 600-Pound Stone

**THE DALLES, Sept. 18**—(AP)—A 600-pound stone crushed a house repairman to death at his work here today.

Linus Bartholdi, 39, was shoring up the foundation of a house. The stone shifted and pinned him down. Fellow workmen tried vainly to extricate him in the few minutes that he lived. A derrick finally removed the stone.

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## Cat Rejoins Family After Four-Month, 1,600-Mile Trek

**DENVER, Sept. 18**—(AP)—The cat Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lundmark left behind 18 months ago in New York is back in the Lundmark household after a 1600 mile cross country trek.

The Lundmarks said the big black cat named Clementine was left with relatives in Dunkirk, N. Y., when they moved to Denver.

Four months ago Clementine disappeared in Dunkirk.

When Clementine appeared at their Denver home, Mrs. Lundmark said "we were Thunderstruck. We just couldn't believe it."

Mrs. Lundmark added this: "She looked pretty rough when we opened the door for her. And she's still awfully wild and jumpy."

## China Red Aid In Korea Cited By MacArthur

**LAKE SUCCESS, Sept. 18**—(AP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur charged today that communist China provided a major share of the muscle of the North Korean army by swelling its ranks with 40,000 to 50,000 combat-seasoned troops of Korean origin.

Russia supplied the North Korean communists with weapons and munitions sending in a wide variety of equipment as late as 1950, MacArthur said.

In his fourth report to the United Nations security council, MacArthur made it clear that this outside aid pumped up the striking power of the North Koreans to the point where they were able to launch their invasion of South Korea on June 25. The U. N. commander pointed out, for example, that North Korea's industry "is not capable of providing heavy equipment such as armor, tanks and artillery."

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Jacob A. Malik tied the council up in a wrangle lasting more than two hours as he waged a losing fight to delay the reading of MacArthur's report. He finally was voted down 10 to one.

At the end of the reading, U. S. Delegate Warren R. Austin introduced exhibits including a sub-machinegun. Malik ducked out of the chamber then rather than examine the exhibits. Other delegates showed interest in the gun.

## Santiam Fire Out of Control

**Statesman News Service**  
**MILL CITY, Sept. 18**—A forest fire that has consumed more than 30 acres was still out of control near here Monday night.

It started Sunday in private holdings and spread to state-owned timber yesterday. About 100 men were on the fire line today and fresh volunteers were called tonight.

The fighters were aided by calm winds. Crews operating five power saws were busy felling burning snags all day. The fire was started by lightning.

**GAS PRESSURE TO DROP**  
**LONDON, Sept. 18**—(AP)—More than half of sprawling London was warned tonight its gas pressure will be reduced because of strike of 1,300 gas works employees.

## Alfred Dean Slack Pleads Guilty To Wartime Spying for Russia

**GREENEVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 18**—(AP)—Alfred Dean Slack told a federal judge today he was guilty of wartime spying for Soviet Russia and, through his attorney, begged for mercy.

Displaying no emotion as he stood before Judge Robert L. Taylor, Slack said he had supplied Russian agents with a sample of RDX, a high explosive, and the formula for its manufacture.

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The government attorney told in detail how Slack, a former \$75-a-week chemist at a Syracuse, N. Y., chemical plant, got caught up in a web of Soviet spies in the late 30's.

First, Meek related, Slack gave the Russian agents information on the manufacture of nylon and other products. In 1943, Meek said, Slack went to work at the Holston Ordnance works at nearby Kingsport, Tenn.

Harry Gold, a Philadelphia biochemist now awaiting trial on espionage charges, made contact with Slack there and asked him to obtain details of the manufacture of RDX, Meek said.

## Prominent Public, Business Officials Receive Duty Call

The army Monday alerted two Salem organized reserve units, including top public officials and prominent businessmen, to be ready for active duty about October 15.

Outfits alerted were headquarters and headquarters company of the 369th engineer boat and shore regiment and headquarters and headquarters company of the 409th engineers special brigade.

The units will assemble at Vancouver Barracks, Wash., and proceed to Ft. Worden, Wash., for training, according to Col. George Spaur, commander of the 369th engineer regiment. Seventy-eight officers and enlisted men are involved.

The alert cuts deeply into the ranks of public officials here. Col. Spaur is Oregon's state forester. He said seven others in the state forestry department have been alerted including Lt. Col. Homer L. Lyon, jr., who is commander of the 409th quartermaster.

Others include Maj. Harlan Judd, Marion county clerk, Capt. Dale Bever, assistant research forester for the state, and Capt. Ingvald Johnson, civil engineer for the bureau of reclamation.

State highway commission employees with the units include Maj. John Cattrall, county-city relations officer; Maj. Keith Flory, bridge engineer; Capt. William Haskins, right-of-way engineer; and Capt. Richard N. Chase, civil engineer.

Business men with the alerted outfits include Lt. Col. Phil Brownell, electrical contractor; Lt. Thomas B. Kay, jr., manager of Kay Woolen mill; Lt. Demsey Sullivan, proprietor of Sullivan Realty Co., Salem, and Maj. Winston Hunt, Woodburn realtor.

All but seven of the reservists involved are from Salem. Other towns represented besides Woodburn are Turner, Mill City, Silverton, Dayton and Stayton.

Both units were organized in 1946 and are part of the 409th Engineer Special brigade.

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## Inaccurate Ruler Basis For Court Suit

**CHICAGO, Sept. 18**—(AP)—A masonry contractor complained today that some of his customers got a baker's dozen after he bought a tape measure at a five and ten cent store.

Michael O'Malley declared he gave some customers more for their money, but they didn't like it any more than he did.

In a federal court suit he seeks \$20,000 from the F. W. Woolworth company and the Waterbury Lock and Specialty company, Millford, Conn.

He said Woolworth's sold him and the Waterbury firm made a rule which he thought was 25 feet long but which turned out to be 26 feet.

The extra foot was caused by having two figure 12's on the tape, O'Malley declared, but he didn't notice it until he built some buildings a foot too big.

Six garages and a house didn't measure up to expectations because of the faulty tape, he said. He has lost some customers and the confidence of others, he went on, and he is being sued for damages by a garage owner whose 21x21 foot building exceeds the 20x20 city ordinance limit.

## Passenger Jumps From SP Train In Tangent Area

**EUGENE, Sept. 18**—(AP)—Police and railroad officials were attempting tonight to learn why a passenger leaped from a speeding Southern Pacific train near Tangent early today.

The passenger, identified as Carl C. Swindel, kicked out a window of the car and leaped while the train was traveling between 60 and 70 miles an hour, railroad employes said.

He was found many hours later sitting in front of a building at Tangent. Apparently he was seriously injured by the fall. He could give no reason for the leap. He was taken to an Albany hospital.

**RECORD CLOVER YIELD**  
**MADRAS, Sept. 18**—(AP)—A possible record for yield of Ladino clover—702.8 pounds an acre—has been reported by Allen Clovers, a farmer.

## Ex-Professor At OSC Loses Passport Rights

**THE HAGUE, The Netherlands, Sept. 18**—(AP)—Dr. Ralph Spitzer, former associate chemistry professor at Oregon State college, has left Holland for the United States after his American passport was invalidated by order of the U. S. state department.

American consular officials in Rotterdam declined today to disclose the reason why the passport was cancelled. Police officials at The Hague said the Dutch authorities had detained Spitzer after they had been advised of the state department's action.

Spitzer and his wife, Mrs. Helen Spitzer, arrived here after attending a communist-organized student congress in Prague, Czechoslovakia. Mrs. Spitzer was detained by Scotland Yard on her arrival in London late last week but later was permitted to go to Paris. It was understood her passport also was invalidated and could be used only for her return to the U. S.

Spitzer was dropped from the Oregon State college faculty last year. Dr. A. L. Strand, president of the institution, said Spitzer's contract was not being renewed because he supported the genetics teachings of the Russian, Trofim D. Lyenko. Lyenko supports the Minchurin theory, which claims that acquired characteristics can be passed along by plants and animals to their offspring. This is rejected by the world's leading geneticists outside Russia.

At the time of his dismissal, Spitzer charged he had been dismissed because of his membership in the progressive party. Dr. Strand denied this.

## WU Freshmen Elect Meyers

Kent Meyers of Salem was elected temporary president of the freshman class at Willamette university Monday and Joyce Frost of Portland, secretary.

Registration of returning students and some freshmen took place Monday and will continue today. First classes take up at 9 o'clock this morning. Students were going through orientation and taking their physical examinations Monday.

A busy day for students was topped Monday night by the president's reception at university house. There WU President and Mrs. G. Herbert Smith met the students.

## ASKS SOVIET BAN END

**NEW YORK, Sept. 18**—(AP)—Secretary of Labor Tobin has urged AFL longshoremen to drop their boycott of Russian and Soviet-satellite cargoes, it was reported today.

## Animal Crackers

**By WARREN GOODRICH**



"Pardon me, but we forgot our can opener and I was wondering..."