

U.S. Envoy, Rhee Hold 9th Session

By SAM SUMNERLIN
SEOUL (AP)—President Eisenhower's special envoy and President Syngman Rhee met secretly again Monday in their ninth effort to iron out critical U.S.-South Korean differences on a Korean armistice.

Mrs. Krehbiel, 88, Pratum Resident, Dies

Mrs. Christina E. Krehbiel, longtime resident of the Pratum community and late resident of 1035 Cross St., died early Sunday at a Salem Nursing Home. She was 88 years old.

Mrs. Krehbiel was born in Donnellson, Ia., Dec. 20, 1864 and resided there until 1906. She was married there to Val J. Krehbiel who died in 1936.

The Krehbiels moved to Pratum in 1906, farming for a time and later operating the general store at Pratum from 1914 to 1945. Mr. Krehbiel was postmaster there until his death when the post was taken over by his son.

Mrs. Krehbiel was a lifelong member of the Mennonite Church, being a member of the Mennonite Immanuel Church of Pratum for 44 years. She remained active and in good health until a few months ago.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Della Stewart, Mrs. Ruth Humphreys, Mrs. Hulda Leichty, all of Portland, and Mrs. Leona Taylor and Mrs. Bertha Eoff, both of Salem. Two sons, Carl A. and Adolph, both of Salem, preceded her in death. She was also survived by eight grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. from the Virgil T. Golden chapel with the Rev. J. M. Franz officiating. Interment will follow in Pratum Mennonite Cemetery.

Polish Reds Deny Story of 'Emergency'

WARSAW (AP)—The Polish press agency, PAP, broadcast a government communique Sunday night denying flatly that any emergency measures have been taken in Poland.

The agency said there was no basis for reports by certain West German newspapers that a state of emergency curfew had been proclaimed in Poland.

Within the last few months no sensational changes have taken place in Poland, the communique said. Informants said that conditions have been calm, that no unusual measures have been taken and none are foreseen.

The West Berlin paper Telegraf said Saturday night that martial law had been declared in the Silesian industrial area of Poland and in Warsaw and Crakow. The report said that—alarmed by spreading riots—the Russians had rushed armored troops to the Polish border and that Polish partisans had blown up 17 tanks. Similar reports have been received from East German refugees. These reports were never confirmed officially by Western, Allied or West German authorities.

Lake Grove GI Saves 5 Lives In Korea War

WITH THE 40TH U. S. INFANTRY DIVISION, Korea (AP)—Throwing grenades, the wounded young patrol leader raced through a hail of machine gun bullets and destroyed a Communist machine gun nest and its three-man crew.

Lt. Charles F. Bamford II, Lake Grove, Ore., was credited with saving the lives of five other Americans on patrol with him recently and recommended for a high military award.

Assigned to locate the enemy on a strategic hill on the Eastern Front, Bamford led his patrol to the Red silt trench. Red machine guns opened fire, and hand grenades bounced at the patrol.

One grenade ripped Bamford's hand. The young lieutenant rushed at the machine gun, hurling hand grenades. One scored a direct hit, knocking out the gun and killing its crew.

Bamford, with two other men, moved through the trench. They killed seven more Reds with grenades.

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He is a member of Company K, 23rd Infantry Regiment.

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There was no official indication of any connection between the U.S. Eighth Army commander's military huddle and the conference at Rhee's mansion.

However, there has been considerable speculation about what the ROK Army would do if the U.N. Command signs an armistice without Rhee's approval. He has threatened to fight on alone, and try to drive northward to the Yalu to unify his divided nation.

Red Radio Busy
Before Monday's session between Rhee and Walter S. Robertson, assistant secretary of state for Far Eastern affairs, Red China's official radio appeared busy trying to widen the differences between South Korea and the U.N. Command.

The broadcast prompted speculation in Seoul that the Reds were hinting they might sign a truce with the U.N. Command regardless of Rhee's objections.

An expected meeting between the two Sunday failed to take place. Instead, Rhee told Associated Press Correspondent Bill Shinn he did not know whether the deadlocked talks with President Eisenhower's emissary would succeed.

Opposes Agreement
"I am trying to clear up misunderstandings," said the president. He has adamantly opposed a truce agreement which would end the fighting with Korea still divided.

Meanwhile, Peiping Radio for possibly the first time in three years of Korean warfare had almost kind words to say about the United States.

The broadcast Sunday night heaped scorn on Rhee and spoke of the spirit of independence and democracy of the American people.

Reverses Trend
These were strange words from Peiping which usually calls Americans "war mongers" or worse.

Omitted from the Peiping broadcast was its usual charge that the U. N. and the U. S. especially "connived" with Rhee in the anti-June mass escape of 27,000 North Korean war prisoners.

But Monday the Red station returned to its customary slighting reference to American practices and purposes. Quoting a Communist Chinese newsman at Kaesong, the North Korean headquarters of Red truce negotiators, the radio said:

"Observers point out here that if the American government really wants an armistice in Korea it must take all measures to deal with and prevent the criminal actions of the Rhee clique to undermine the power agreement and obstruct the armistice."

The Kaesong dispatch said that "it is clear that anyone who supports Syngman Rhee is world public enemy No. 1."

Shell Powder Blast Shakes Chicago Area

CHICAGO (AP)—Post Fourth of July fireworks rocked Chicago's northwest side Sunday night when a store of 120 mm. shell powder charge blew up at an Army anti-aircraft installation.

No injuries were reported immediately but more than 3,000 persons were evacuated from the neighborhood by midnight.

A fire at the installation was quickly brought under control and a Fifth Army headquarters spokesman said he doubted if it would spread.

Nevertheless, Chicago police began an evacuation of residents in a half-mile square area near the installation.

Capt. Clark Martin, duty officer of the 22nd Anti-Aircraft Group, said a sentry reported that a lightning bolt which hit a revetment started the fire and explosion.

Periodic explosions of the high-explosive shells rocked the neighborhood and pelted the area with chunks of shell casings.

Brilliant orange flashes of the exploding shells and the glare of the burning building lighted the sky for miles.

TAFT IN GOOD CONDITION

NEW YORK (AP)—Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio) was reported in "good" condition Sunday at New York Hospital which he entered Saturday for checkup on a hip ailment that was treated there recently. The hospital said he had spent a restful night.

LOCUSTS IN NEW DELHI

NEW DELHI (AP)—A four-square-mile swarm of locusts invaded New Delhi Sunday, blacking out the city for about three hours before flying on toward Uttar Pradesh State.

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Rain Turns Korean Front Into Quagmire

By ROBERT GIBSON
SEOUL (AP)—A driving rain turned the Korean front into a quagmire Sunday. Ground action dwindled and Allied soldiers fought to keep their water-logged bunkers from caving in.

The heaviest fighting was reported south of Virginia Hill on the Eastern Front where two Communist companies—about 200 men—assaulted South Korean Seventh Division troops before dawn.

The Korean defenders killed or wounded 100 Chinese, the Eighth Army reported, in beating off the attack despite a Communist artillery barrage of some 4,000 rounds.

Allied troops manning an outpost on Sniper Ridge in the central sector killed or wounded 87 Chinese, the Army said. The Reds threw three light probes against the position.

Other light jabs were turned back southwest of little Gibraltar on the Western Front and northwest of Front.

Nineteen B-26 Invaders unloaded 28 tons of high explosives on Red frontline positions.

For the third straight day weather interfered with fighter-bomber operations.

The Air Force said from sunrise to 5 p.m. up to two inches of rain fell along the front. Rain continued throughout the night.

Mud slowed but did not halt army supply traffic on the dirt roads. There were reports of some bunker cave-ins.

Meantime, Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, Eighth Army commander, "conservatively" estimated Communist casualties during June, at 70,000.

"The enemy used the equivalent of 125 to 150 battalions in 130 attacks against Allied positions," he said.

A battalion at full strength has 800 to 1,000 men. The Taylor estimate indicated that about half the Chinese soldiers who stormed Allied lines were killed or wounded.

Some of the assaults, supported by the greatest Red bombardments of the war, gained up to five miles of ground, however, on the East-Central Front.

Trans-Atlantic Airliners Give 'Password'

SHANNON AIRPORT, Ireland (AP)—Transatlantic commercial pilots must now fly prescribed routes when crossing America's East Coast and be ready to give a secret password if challenged, airline sources said Sunday.

The steps were taken to tighten American safeguards against sudden air attack. American and foreign airlines are cooperating in the defense plan which has been tagged "Tomcix."

Airline spokesmen said pilots of all transatlantic planes leaving Shannon Airport for the United States, are given special briefings with instructions to fly a secret zig-zag corridor when entering the U.S.

Two U.S. Air Force officers were stationed at the airport where they give sealed envelopes to the pilots containing the position of the corridor and secret password.

The instructions which change daily are mapped by the Defense Department in Washington and relayed here through the U.S. Embassy in Dublin.

The new defense measures were designed partly to ease the costly task of identifying all commercial planes crossing the radar screen guarding the U.S. coast.

Previously, jet fighters were kept busy checking planes flying outside regular channels, or otherwise not identified.

2 Burglaries Investigated

Two burglaries—one in a home and the other in the Salvation Army Thrift Shop, 237 State St.—were under investigation Sunday night by city police.

About \$31 was taken from a residence at 1275 N. 16th St. sometime between 5 and 8 p.m. Saturday.

John Dickson, of New York, who is staying at the residence while in Salem, told police the money was taken from his wife's purse which was on a bedroom dressing table.

A few cents and key to bank deposit bag were found missing from the Salvation Army Thrift Shop, police said.

A front door window was broken and a rock found inside.

Man Charged With Riding Motorcycle Around Children

A Salem motorcyclist was arrested early Sunday evening after city police found him riding his cycle in the Bush pasture playground area where dozens of small children were playing.

Mevin Lester Burright, 38, of 1035 Hoyt St., was charged with reckless driving and violation of his operator's license restriction. He posted \$55 bail.

Police said the motorcycle was being driven in between and around the playing children and around trees and bushes in the 1300 and 1400 blocks of South High Street about 6 p.m.

Burright's operator's license is restricted to motor scooters, police said.

Red Europe Restlessness Under Control

By RICHARD O'REGAN
VIENNA, Austria (AP)—Is Russia's East European satellite empire crumbling and about to fall? Is this the meaning of the Berlin and Czech riots, or reported martial law in West Poland, or reported clashes in Romania?

Western diplomats in Vienna said Sunday they do not believe so despite the impression left in the West by weekend government shakeups and reported disturbances behind the Iron Curtain.

They believe the Kremlin and its puppet leaders in the satellite countries have the restlessness of 70-million East Europeans under control.

To meet that discontent, the Communist regimes are reacting both with force and with concessions. Force has been used in Berlin and Czechoslovakia, "kindness" has been used in Hungary and Romania.

And throughout the entire area a fundamental change of Communist tactics in dealing with the subjugated East European peoples appears in the making.

The Western diplomats say the reports of disturbances are of immense significance, but they are cautioned that they "must not be over-rated."

They said they are merely signals that the Kremlin's past policy of treating East Europeans as slaves has been wrong, and that the Kremlin knows it and is changing it.

The diplomats say they believe the new Communist gestures to the dissatisfied workers of East Europe probably can be tied to East Berlin and Czechoslovak outbreaks. Fear that these disturbances would spread probably speeded them up.

They say developments in East Europe probably can be tied to the Kremlin. They say they need a period of quiet and peace to strengthen their position.

Charles Adams Succumbs At Roseburg

Charles I. Adams, 61, Salem-area resident for the past 48 years, died Friday at Roseburg Veterans Hospital where he had been a patient for four years.

For many years Adams was a berry grower on his 33-acre farm at Kingwood Heights, West Salem. He first came to Oregon in 1905 with his family, settling on Orchard Heights Road.

He was born Nov. 27, 1891 in Yakima, Wash., and was married to Ella Hillmon April 24, 1918. She died in 1945.

Adams was a veteran of World War I, serving with the 77th Division in France. He was a member of the storied "Lost Battalion."

He was a charter member of the Kingwood American Legion Post.

In 1948 Adams moved to Aumsville and resided with his son, Robert Adams.

Surviving are two sons, Robert C. Adams, Aumsville, and Daniel D. Adams, Oswego; three brothers, Robert L. Adams and George G. Adams, both of Salem, and Clarence D. Adams, New Albany, Ind.; two sisters, Mrs. Claude Moore, Cash, and Mrs. C. W. Grabenhorst, Salem; also two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in Clough Barrick Chapel with the Rev. S. Raynor Smith officiating. Interment will be at Belcrest Memorial Park.

BANK DEPOSITS DROP
SEATTLE (AP)—A survey disclosed Saturday that deposits in 13 Seattle banks and their out-of-town branches dropped \$76,752,008 in the first half of 1953.

Fire Continues In Area Near Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A three-day fire burned on Sunday night in the rugged San Gabriel Mountains despite the efforts of nearly 1,000 fire-fighting experts. More than 40,000 acres and 5 per cent of the timber in Los Angeles National Forest have been burned, foresters estimated.

A drop in wind velocity and rise in humidity after dark slowed the spread of the blaze somewhat, but foresters held little chance of controlling it before Wednesday. Eight dwellings have been destroyed.

Sunday the flames, being fought by nearly 1,000 men, broke out anew at three points—Cooper Canyon, near Buckhorn Camp and along Santiago Canyon. No dwellings were under immediate threat at the "hot spots," but the breakouts threatened new areas of watershed.

The blaze Sunday jumped the Angeles Crest Highway, main artery linking Los Angeles with Palmdale and the Antelope Valley.

The fire, worst in the area in 11 years, has been steadily expanding northeast and northwest as it burns down the eastern slope of the San Gabriels, aided by 90-degree weather, low humidity and gusty winds from the desert.

Slaughter of Beef Cattle Thins Herds

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported Sunday that a record slaughter of beef cattle since February is halting an expansion in production of this kind of meat animal.

Sharply lower prices for some classes of beef cattle coupled with a severe drought in the Southwest were said to be factors contributing to the heavy slaughter.

The agency said this offered promise that cattle prices will show more stability in the next few years than previously seemed likely, provided, of course, consumer incomes stay high.

Between 37 and 40 per cent more cattle were slaughtered by commercial firms in April-June this year than in the same period last year.

As a consequence, beef consumption has been lifted far above last year and may, for the year as a whole, exceed the record average of 73 pounds for each consumer set in 1909.

The bureau said it is normal for declines in retail to lag behind declines in cattle prices.

Thunderstorm Damage Heavy In Iowa Area

By The Associated Press
A thunderstorm with winds up to 100 miles an hour caused extensive property damage in Waterloo, Ia., and nearby Cedar Falls late Sunday.

In the extreme northwestern part of the state, hail flattened crops during that area's worst storm in years. One man was killed by lightning.

Severe thunderstorms also swept the Pittsburgh district in Western Pennsylvania. Lightning there, too, killed a man.

An early morning storm at Peoria, Ill., knocked down half the tents of the heart of Illinois Fair. Eight persons were injured. Some livestock got loose.

Winds up to 70 miles an hour were reported during a thunderstorm at Topeka, Kas., Cedar Rapids, Ia., suffered property damage in a wind storm and a funnel cloud was seen near Des Moines.

Iowa City, Ia., reported extensive damage in a violent thunderstorm that struck during a Fourth of July program Saturday night. It caused some panic among hundreds of persons who were caught in city park when the storm hit and began knocking down tree limbs.

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Senate Studies Bill to Allow USDA to Combat Cattle Ills

By A. ROBERT SMITH
Statesman Correspondent

WASHINGTON—The full force of federal protection against new livestock diseases which currently threaten flocks and herds in Oregon will swing into action if Congress enacts an administration-sponsored bill before adjournment.

The Senate on Monday is scheduled to take up the measure, which adds scrapie and blue tongue and other unspecified livestock maladies to the list of those which the Department of Agriculture can deal with in helping prevent.

These two livestock diseases plus leptospirosis and vesicular exanthema, were the four new animal diseases which the Oregon state agriculture department warned the state's farmers against this past week.

California Source
California has been the scene of outbreaks of both blue tongue and scrapie. All four maladies are incurable.

Presently, USDA can't take any action until outbreaks reach serious proportions which threaten the nation's livestock industry, when the secretary is empowered to declare an emergency. Such a situation developed in California over scrapie last October, resulting in the slaughter of 900 sheep. The state and federal government shared \$30,000 in indemnifying farmers for their lost animals.

USDA Could Help
Congressional enactment of the disease bill would permit USDA to offer its cooperation to states at any time in eradication and control. Big problem is insufficient knowledge needed effectively to combat the diseases.

Blue tongue is thought to be transmitted from infected sheep to others by a midge or culicoides, which does its work only in the summer months. Researchers in South Africa have proved that these biting gnats are carriers.

A spokesman for the Bureau of Animal Industry of the department said his agency hoped to try vaccination of sheep to protect them in areas where blue tongue-infected sheep are believed to be.

Two Methods Used
Quarantine and destruction are the only methods being used to combat spread of scrapie. Under the new bill, the secretary could indemnify farmers for lost sheep or cattle killed to block the spread.

Leptospirosis, likewise, has no cure as yet. It would be handled under the authorization being sought in Congress. A separate program is already underway for fighting vesicular exanthema.

Drunken Bus Passenger Wields Gun

WALLA WALLA, Wash. (AP)—A berserk and drunken passenger of a Greyhound bus enroute from Lewiston, Idaho to Walla Walla terrorized 20 passengers of the bus with a .32 caliber automatic late Saturday night before he was finally disarmed and subdued by the driver.

Walla Walla police removed Willie Curtis Smith and charged him with vagrancy pending further investigation.

Passengers told police the man got on at Lewiston but did not become troublesome until the vehicle was between Pomeroy and Dayton.

For several minutes he roamed up and down the aisle threatening passengers with the gun.

The driver stopped the bus near Dayton and took the gun away from the troublesome rider after a brief scuffle.

Walla Walla police were notified and were waiting at the bus depot.

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Ike Joins in Prayer for Peace Victory

THURMONT, Md. (AP)—President Eisenhower attended church services here Sunday and joined prayer for "new faith, new strength and new courage that we may win the battle for peace."

The President, spending the Fourth of July weekend at his Camp David cabin in the Catoctin Mountains, motored about six miles to the Trinity Evangelical and Reformed Church.

Mrs. Eisenhower and a group of house guests remained at the cabin. The President was accompanied only by Navy Lt. Hugh L. Culbreath, a member of the Camp David staff.

Eisenhower's attendance was not announced in advance but a small group of churchgoers was on hand to welcome him at the door.

The President joined with the rest of the congregation in reciting "Uncle Sam's Prayer," which was written by Conrad N. Hilton, president of the Hilton Hotels Corporation.

"We live in fear of war to come," the prayer says, and concludes with a call for new faith, strength and courage to win the battle for peace.

The title of the sermon by the pastor, Dr. Edouard H. Taylor, was "spiritual independence," in keeping with Fourth of July observances.

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