

'Neutral' Russians Supply Weapons For Reds in Korea

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TOKYO — (AP) — How neutral is Russia in the Korean war?

A hitherto secret report in Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway's headquarters asserts:

"The main source of supply for present Chinese Communist forces . . . in Korea . . . is from Soviet furnished material."

Although the United Nations Command never has announced the capture of a Russian soldier, practically all of the equipment now in use in the North Korean army and the Chinese Communist forces is Russian-made.

Congress Intent On Cutting Aid

WASHINGTON—(U.P.)—High administration officials fear that any sharp cuts in President Truman's \$7,900,000,000 foreign aid program may have serious political repercussions in western Europe.

They are ready to warn Congress, at hearings beginning later this week, that a slowdown in U. S. aid might cause the fall of several key European governments which are supporting Atlantic pact rearmament plans.

U. S. EXPERTS see no immediate danger that pro-Communist governments may come to power in Britain, France, Italy and Western Germany. But they are alarmed about the growing power of non-Communist political leaders who oppose the present Atlantic pact rearmament program, and want to make big cuts in their own nations' contributions to it.

Administration witnesses are expected to tell Congress that the anti-rearmament, pro-"neutrality" political factions in Europe will be greatly strengthened by any evidence of waning U. S. support for the mutual defense effort.

EXPERTS DOUBT, however, that any warnings sounded by the administration will dissuade Congress from shaving \$1,000,000,000 to \$2,000,000,000 from the foreign aid program. Powerful congressional sentiment for reducing the program has been voiced in advance of hearings which the Senate Foreign Relations and House Foreign Affairs committees are scheduled to start Tuesday or Wednesday.

Sen. Walter F. George, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and ranking Democrat on the foreign relations committee, joined the economy chorus Sunday night by advocating a \$7,000,000,000 cut in the proposed \$85,400,000,000 budget, with some of the slashes aimed at military and foreign aid.

Wanna Dig? Here's Chance

A guaranteed suntan and a month's experience in digging into cultures of ages past is waiting for six or eight persons who want to work with the Smithsonian Institution's River Basin Surveys party this spring.

The group is looking for six or eight men who can leave April 7 for the Columbia River Basin to rescue buried Indian civilizations before the water behind McNary Dam covers them up. No experience is necessary.

This will be the fifth summer a party has gone into the field, to save the artifacts that may tell the story of what life in the Northwest was like before the white man came.

Persons interested in going with the party have been asked to contact Joel Shiner, River Basin Surveys representative in Eugene. His telephone number is 5-1511, Extension 365.

A STAFF OFFICER at Gen. Ridgway's headquarters made available to the Associated Press Monday a hitherto secret report containing a list of captured guns, vehicles and other war machinery which the Soviets have turned over to the North Korean and Chinese Communist armies.

Red staff officers drafting truce supervision terms nominated Russia as a neutral observer.

"With the exception of a small amount of Japanese material left over from the Japanese occupation of Korea and Manchuria and material captured by U. N. forces in Korea, the North Korean army has been entirely equipped and, or, re-equipped with Soviet material," the intelligence report said.

"RECENT REPORTS have shown that the main source of supply for present Chinese Communist forces equipping and, or, re-equipping of units in Korea, or earmarked for Korea, is from Soviet furnished material."

"This Soviet furnished material, for both the NKA and CCF, has included tanks, self-propelled armored artillery, trucks, artillery, AAA guns and anti-aircraft, machine guns and various types of small arms."

"While some part of this ordnance has been manufactured in North Korea proper, the vast majority has come from either Russia or her satellite countries."

"All of the ordnance material listed herein has been captured during present hostilities."

"IN THE ARMORED field of Soviet material identified in Korea, there are the BA-64 armored car, the SU-76 self-propelled gun and the T-34 tank."

"The T-34 tank is armed with an 85 mm. gun and was the principal combat vehicle of the U.S.S.R. throughout World War II; the SU-76 is a 76 mm. gun mounted on a tank chassis providing a mobile artillery support; and the BA-64 is a lightly armored, highly mobile vehicle generally used for reconnaissance purposes."

"Soviet field artillery, AAA guns have been well represented in material captured in Korea by U.N. forces."

Casualties High For Red Troops

SEOUL, Korea—(AP)—Communist troops suffered nearly 2000 casualties in the first week of March, the U. S. Eighth Army said Sunday.

A briefing officer said the evaluated totals were 1033 killed, 920 wounded and 41 captured.

This is about the weekly average since the twilight war started last November.

Bus, Train Collide

MANILA—(AP)—A Manila-bound train smashed into a stalled passenger bus in Bulacan Province Sunday. Three bus passengers were killed and seven injured.



FOUR-MONTH-OLD Roddy Crow registers look of amazement as he inspects litter of four kittens born in bureau drawer to Frosting, cat owned by his grandmother, Mrs. Ted Misner, of Long Beach, Calif. Frosting appears startled, too.

60 Feared Dead In Gales at Sea

LONDON—(AP)—Sixty seamen were feared lost in gales which swept the North Sea over the weekend.

The body of one of the seamen, apparently frozen to death, was found in a lifeboat.

Search was abandoned early Monday in the storm-tossed waters around the Orkney Islands for 17 crewmen from the 447-ton German trawler Thor which capsized in heavy seas.

ONE SURVIVOR of the Thor, first mate Willi Sunkman, was picked up, unconscious and half frozen, by the German trawler Fladengrund.

"We ran into a gale," Sunkman said after he was revived, "and after that it took no time to capsize. It happened so quickly our radio operator did not have time to send out even one S.O.S."

He said there were 11 survivors in his lifeboat, but they dropped off one by one. Only the dead sailor was found with Sunkman.

SEARCH CONTINUED from Norway for 18 crewmen of the 829-ton Finnish ship Adna which radioed she was sinking. All were believed lost.

'Holy' Smokes Wins 'Musher' Race in Alaska

FAIRBANKS, Alaska—(AP)—Horace "Holy" Smokes, 30-year-old musher from Stevens Village, out-distanced a field of 23 teams over a rough 70-mile course Sunday and was crowned champion dog musher of North America for the second straight year.

Smokes streaked over the last 30-mile lap of the race Sunday in two hours and 20 minutes, averaging 13 miles an hour over the difficult trail.

Smokes' 11 hardy Malamutes are an actual working team used on the trap line throughout the winter.

Charley Jones, 27-year-old Kotzebue, Alaska, musher, finished second three minutes behind Smokes in the final lap.

Joe Caarter, also from Kotzebue, was third, Jimmy Malemute of Galena fourth and Steven Samson of Noorvik fifth.

Smokes took \$2500 as his share of the \$6000 purse.

The largest crowd in the history of the races jammed the Chena River ice to see the event. An estimated 3000 persons were on the river.

7 Enemy MIGs Downed by Jets

Army Identifies 2 More Divisions

SEOUL, Korea—(AP)—Seven Communist jet fighters were blasted out of the North Korean skies Monday, the U.S. Fifth Air Force reported. The Reds were trying to break through a screen of U.S. Sabre jets protecting the U.N. fighter-bombers.

Three other MIGs were damaged, the Air Force reported.

IT WAS THE biggest bag since Jan. 25, when the Sabres shot down 10 MIGs in four battles. The red-nosed MIGs made three bold attempts to break through the Sabres and shoot up more than 100 fighter-bombers attacking a Communist rail line east of Suncheon in Northwest Korea.

A total of about 60 MIGs swept down from Manchurian bases in several groups, some numbering only a half dozen.

Allied losses, if any, were not reported under the Air Force policy of announcing losses weekly.

FOUR MIGs were sent spinning earthward in a half-hour battle between 32 Sabres and 40 MIGs just south of the Yalu River.

Three other MIGs were shot down and two were damaged when a small flight of Red fighters pounced on an Allied photo reconnaissance jet being escorted by Sabres.

Ground action flared at only scattered points.

U. S. Eighth Army censors took the blanket of security off two more American divisions. The U.S. 40th California National Guard Division is on the Central Front south of Kumsong. It came to Korea recently from occupation duty in Japan.

The U.S. 25th division with an attached Turkish brigade is dug in along the spiny ridges northwest of the Punchbowl on the Eastern front.

CARRIER BASED Navy planes out Eastern Korean rail lines in 89 places and destroyed six bridges. They also took a heavy toll of freight cars and destroyed a locomotive.

Marine carrier based planes left 11 supply dumps blazing southwest of Chinnampo on the west coast.

Gen. James A. Van Fleet said the Communists have built up their armies in Korea until they outnumber the U.N. forces in men, weapons and planes. Van Fleet added, however, there is no indication the Reds are massing for a spring offensive.

Mine Blast Kills 5

ARLES, France—(AP)—A workman used a sledge hammer Monday in trying to remove a brass ring from an undersea mine in a pile of scrap iron here. The mine exploded, killing five workmen and injuring a sixth.

Fear Haunts Neighborhood

NEW YORK—(AP)—The sorrowing father of murdered Arnold Schuster cried bitterly Sunday: "My hero, my hero. He had to be a hero."

Max Schuster spat out the words bitterly, then he said: "I'm through. I'm through with publicity. I've had enough."

It was obvious he had no doubt his 24-year-old son was slain Saturday night because Arnold put the finger 19 days ago on Willie Sutton, the country's "most hunted bank robber."

"HE HAD to do it—point out Sutton," the father said. "And he got his reward."

Schuster spoke out as some 30 of his friends gathered in the two-story home to comfort the family. The friends and neighbors were affected by sorrow, but there also were signs of terror.

Many refused to talk to newsmen. And most of those who would talk wouldn't reveal their names.

"His family had lived in terror," one man said.

"The father even wanted to

move out of the neighborhood. They got some threatening letters and some phone calls abusing them. They finally had the phone disconnected."

Friends said Arnold himself had a premonition of his death. For a week he didn't leave the house.

After a visit from FBI agents, neighbors said, he finally went out Saturday.

He didn't return home alive. Death met him six doors away as he returned to dress for a party.

"He was a fine boy and never caused any trouble," said David Lipsky. "Since yesterday, I am crying."

YOUNG Schuster lived in a neighborhood of neat apartments and homes. Nineteen days ago the neighborhood was attractive.

Now the specter of fear haunts the place.

One man summed up the residents' views.

"Schuster did what he thought was right, and he was paid with bullets," he said. "Do you expect us to give our names? Tell you if we saw or heard anything?"

The fear was reflected in a way away at a luncheonette near Schuster's clothing store.

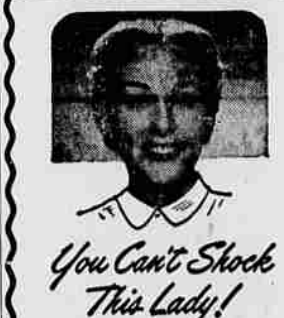
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"My name?" he said. "Nothin'. My name is nothin'."

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One member is unable to attend this Monday because of illness; another is out of town. Hines and Assistant Superintendent Dean Lobaugh are also out of town.

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