

Red Mission To 'Investigate' Plague Germs

It Calls Disease 'American Crime'

TOKYO —(AP)—The Chinese Communist Radio Peiping said Saturday night that a special Red commission had left for north-eastern China and Korea to investigate "the American crime of germ warfare."

North Korea's Pyongyang radio said that a commission of "noted British, French, Chinese, Italian and Austrian jurists" already had arrived in North Korea on a similar mission.

RADIO PEIPING said the Chinese-sponsored commission left Peiping Saturday. It includes "biologists, agriculturists, bacteriologists, pathologists and experts in various other scientific fields as well as Red Cross representatives and . . . experts in international law," Peiping said.

The delegation is led by Li Ten-Chuang, president of the Chinese Communist Red Cross Society, the broadcast added.

PYONGYANG RADIO said the commission of "jurists" consists of delegates of an "international jurists association."

These investigators, Pyongyang said, left the North Korean capital March 8 in four groups to investigate in Fanghai, Kangwon, Pyongyang and Pyonganpuk provinces.

President Gets Armored Suits As Respect Token

SEATTLE —(AP)—As a one-time haberdasher, President Truman knows about suits. But it's doubtful if he ever owned one worth \$10,000.

He's about to.

This one may be a little tight around the collar and baggy at the knees. What can you expect, though of a suit 650 years old?

It's Japanese armor, with a heavy gold and brass helmet and fine steel plates held together with chain links and attached to braided silk.

The armor and its donor, Tomozo Ogawa, president of the Pro-American Party in Japan, arrived here Friday. Ogawa, a former member of the Japanese Diet, intends to present it to Mr. Truman as a symbol of the friendship and respect of the Japanese people.

It has been an heirloom in his family for generations. The armor came in duty-free as an antique.



(NEA Telephoto)
RITA'S DATING AGAIN—Actress Rita Hayworth, estranged wife of Prince Aly Khan, relaxes in a Hollywood night club with actor Kirk Douglas. It was her first date since she started divorce proceedings against the prince.

House Inquiry Hits Spending

WASHINGTON —(AP)—Internal revenue workers' explanations of five-figure spending on four-figure salaries were assessed Saturday as "unbelievable" by House investigators of tax scandals.

The ways and means subcommittee headed by Rep. King (D-Calif.) centered its latest inquiry on personal finances of three employees of the New York City tax office.

One appeared before the subcommittee Friday but refused to answer all questions. Another told in a Brooklyn accent how he won

enough at gambling to cover \$18,350 he spent in a year his government salary was \$3500. The third, agents reported, put \$41,800 into the stock market between 1944 and 1946 when his annual paycheck was \$3900.

Chairman King summed up the subcommittee's reaction to the hectic day:

"A pattern has emerged of highly unusual sources of funds. Large horse race winnings, bridge systems, caches of currency and loans and gifts from relatives have been used to explain expenditures far beyond salaries."

Lovett Warns Korean Reds

WASHINGTON —(AP)—Secretary of Defense Robert Lovett warned the Communists Saturday that they would suffer heavy losses if they renew large scale attacks in Korea.

Lovett, discussing Korean truce negotiations, also said, "We seek an end to hostilities, but never at the price of appeasement."

His remarks were contained in a semi-annual report to the President and Congress on the Defense Department's operations during the last half of 1951. He commented that United Nations negotiators in the truce talks "have earned the gratitude of the free world for their skill and patience under exasperating conditions."

Air Secretary Thomas Finletter, in the Air Force portion of the report, said the most significant aspect of the Korean War has been the "mounting intensity of the air-to-air struggle."

Reno Burglary Suspects Found

'Mystery Woman' Passes Marked Bill

RENO, Nev. —(AP)—The fabulous story of the richest theft in U. S. history neared a climax Saturday with the arrest of two more suspects in the \$1,500,000 Redfield burglary.

Nabbed at Los Angeles was the dark-haired mystery woman in the case, Mrs. Leona Mae Giordano, 37, ex-gambling girl and cocktail waitress.

Jailed here is a 230-pound gambling club bouncer, Louis Gazzilli, 44. He is a one-time prize fighter with an extensive record of rape and robbery in New York and California.

It was Mrs. Giordano's liking for cocktails and gambling that apparently permitted authorities to crack the case.

Last Monday night, after several drinks and a run of bad luck on the 21 tables, she tried to pass off in the swank Riverside Hotel gambling casino a "hot" \$1000 bill—one of those taken from millionaire L. V. Redfield's home Feb. 29.

U. N. Can Win, Says Van Fleet

8TH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Korea —(AP)—Gen James A. Van Fleet said Saturday that if full-scale fighting should break out again in Korea, the United Nations can win.

The 8th Army commander said also that military needs of the Chinese and North Korean armies have become a serious drain on Russian industrial capacity.

This drain, he said in an interview with United Press, is "easing Communist pressure on other global fronts."

Van Fleet said the cost in casualties, if full-scale war were resumed, would be considerable and "would have to be measured very carefully against the gains to be attained."

But he expressed grim confidence in his army's ability to drive the Reds out of Korea if ordered to do so.

Non-Voting Voter Keeps Daylight Issue a Tie

RICHLAND —(AP)—Perplexed atomic city officials Saturday tossed the issue of daylight saving time into the lap of the Benton County prosecutor.

The issue was on the ballot last Tuesday. But, when the final count of absentee ballots was made, the vote was split 1512 for and 1512 against.

So city officials decided to let the prosecutor decide what to do. A meeting was scheduled for Monday to discuss the issue.

Ironically, the vote was tied when counters listed the last absentee ballot. Instead of breaking the tie, the voter left the daylight time issue blank.

WSB Appeals for No Strike by Steel Men

WASHINGTON —(AP)—The Wage Stabilization Board appealed to the CIO steelworkers union Saturday to delay any strike action until April 8 and then negotiate with basic steel industry on its recommendation for settlement of their wage dispute.

WSB Chairman Nathan Feinsinger told the union and the steel companies that the board "will make every effort" to have its recommendations ready by next Thursday.

Feinsinger gave no indication what the recommendations would be, but urged the steelworkers and the companies to begin negotiating "not later than three days" after receiving them.

That would be March 23, the present deadline set by the union.

8 & H GREEN STAMPS on watch repairing at SKEIES.

for a strike if the wage dispute is not settled.

PHILIP MURRAY, CIO and USW president, declined to give the board an immediate answer. Murray earlier had called his steelworkers executive board and the union's wage policy committee to meet Thursday.

Specifically, Feinsinger asked the industry and union to "maintain production and work" until April 4 and then give 96 hours—or four days—written notice in advance if a strike is coming.

"The board is confident that both sides wish to avoid a strike through the consummation of a mutually satisfactory agreement, and these suggestions are being made to facilitate that objective," Feinsinger said.

The board was in continuous session this weekend, working on the recommendations which will

Cat Crosses Warren Path—He Falls Again

SHEBOYGAN, Wis. —A black cat crossed Gov. Warren's path here Saturday afternoon a few minutes after the governor slipped on the second ice fall during his campaign tour in Wisconsin. The Republican presidential candidate fell at Neenah Friday. But in both cases he didn't hurt himself.

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