

Russian Issue Before Brass

MUNSAN, Korea — (AP) — The Russian problem shifts to a higher level in Korean truce talks Thursday but the Allies announced it won't make any difference.

In their final word on the subject, Allied staff officers told the Communists Wednesday that U.N. negotiators at any level will not accept Soviet Russia as a "neutral nation" to help police an armistice.

A sub-committee of top ranking truce delegates will tackle the question Thursday at the Red's request.

IT WILL BE the first time the sub-delegation on truce supervision has discussed Russia.

The Communists first proposed Russia as a neutral supervising nation at a staff meeting Feb. 18. The sub-committee of delegates last met Jan. 27, when it reached an impasse on whether Reds

would be permitted to rebuild airfields.

STAFF OFFICERS spent an hour Wednesday repeating well-worn arguments about Russia and the name to be used to designate Korea.

Col. Don O. Darrow, senior U.N. staff officer, said the Allies would insist on designating Korea both as "Han Kuk" (the Han nation) and "Chosen" (Morning Calm). An Allied communique said he pointed out "it is absolutely essential that legal terms in this document be used for both sides."

HAS TWINS AT 16
 LOGAN, Utah — (AP) — One of the nation's youngest mothers of twins is 16-year-old Mary Lou Colson Shaffer of nearby Preston, Ida. Mrs. Shaffer, married at 15, is the wife of Neil M. Shaffer, 20, himself a twin.



(AP Wirephoto)
 HERE IS THE opening blast of the third atomic series at the AEC's Nevada test site at Frenchman Flat, taken from the top of Mt. Charleston, 55 miles from blast site. Picture was made one minute after blast.

Kennan Takes Moscow Post

Ambassador Takes Oath in Washington

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Diplomat George F. Kennan, one of the authors of America's stop-Russia policy, was sworn in Wednesday as ambassador to Moscow.

He promised to work for an easing of tensions between the Communist and Western worlds and "the improvement of the international atmosphere."

"Those are objectives which seem to me urgently desirable and I see no reason why they should not be within the realm of possibility, if the desire is reciprocated," he said in a prepared statement.

Kennan is one of the administration's most trusted advisers on relations with the Soviet Union. He speaks the language fluently and will be the first American ambassador capable of talking with Generalissimo Stalin in his own tongue.

There has been speculation that Kennan's assignment to the post was prompted in part by a feeling that if the Soviets did show signs of wanting to establish better relations with countries outside the Iron Curtain this government should have on hand a man competent to read the signs quickly and accurately.

'Wanted' Prisoner Released in Salem

SALEM — (AP) — The Oregon State Prison released John H. Parker, 27, Monday, forgetting that Klamath County officials wanted him on a forgery charge.

Warden Virgil O'Malley said he knew that the Klamath County officers wanted Parker, but that Parker was released because "of just plain carelessness."

The Klamath officers came for Parker, but Parker was let out two hours before they arrived. He had just finished a two-year sentence.

Prize Award April 10

Awarding of prizes for the first week of Springfield Photo contest will be conducted at 8:30 p.m. April 10 in McKenzle Theater, Chamber of Commerce officials said Wednesday.

The chamber's retail trades committee is sponsoring the project under which child winners will be selected for 10 weeks by ballot.

Jack Briggs, chamber member, will be master of ceremonies at the prize show. In all, more than \$8500 worth of merchandise will be given winners, the chamber has announced.

Taft's Showing Elates Backers

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 WASHINGTON

Nebraska and Wisconsin voters put Sen. Robert A. Taft back in the contest for the Republican presidential nomination with a bang Wednesday with a solid showing of his midwestern strength.

Taft won the Wisconsin primary and was pulling away from Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in tabulations of Tuesday's Nebraska primary poll.

IT WAS IKE's first reverse at the polls and Taft's first triumph. Republican voters in the two great midwestern states fingered the senator and the general as far and away top candidates for their party's presidential nomination.

The returns revived Taft's fading campaign for the nomination. Incomplete Nebraska tabulations maintained a consistent lead for Taft in a head-on write-in contest with Eisenhower. Nebraska and Wisconsin put a solid Midwest foundation under Taft's pre-convention efforts.

Wisconsin Democrats gave Sen. Estes Kefauver an overwhelming victory and 28 democratic national convention votes.

And as the Tennessee main-tained a big lead in the Nebraska primary popularity contest which for Taft in Wisconsin it was win- does not bind the state's conven-or else.

tion delegates, his opponent—Sen. Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma—conceded to Kefauver.

Kefauver's stature steadily grew with the victory while Kerr's diminished.

Taft won 24 of Wisconsin's 30 nominating convention votes. Gov. Earl Warren of California took six, Harold E. Stassen and two others, including a stand-in for Gen. Douglas MacArthur, were blanked.

Taft also won the popularity contest, although his vote did not equal the combined total of his opponents.

The returns broke the back of the MacArthur for president movement in Wisconsin and probably elsewhere. Grant Ritter was the general's blessing. MacArthur managers in Wisconsin announced they were transferring their support to Taft.

THE WISCONSIN primary was crucial for Taft. His campaign could not have sustained a serious reverse there. He needed a real victory such as he won to get back on the pace. Taft said Tuesday he was in the race for the nomination win or lose in Wisconsin. Many, however, judge that primary popularity contest which for Taft in Wisconsin it was win- does not bind the state's conven-or else.

Enemy Planes Stay Distance

MIG Shot Down In Brief Skirmish

SEOUL, Korea — (AP) — Sabre pilots Wednesday downed one MIG-15 and damaged others of a Chinese Communist Air Force that showed little desire to fight after the roughing it got Tuesday.

The Air Force raised the MIG casualty total by one damaged, confirmed after the day's total to 10 shot down, three probably destroyed and 12 damaged.

It was the second big bag of the war for the pilots.

Capt. Robert T. Latham, Amarillo, Texas, knocked the MIG down in a 10-minute fight between 33 Sabres and MIGs over North Korea before dusk.

Wednesday's two damaged came out of a brief encounter the morning. Pilots said they thought they hit a third this fray.

On the ground, a U.S. Army briefing officer said only two Communist planes scattered patrol skirmishes the Korean battlefield Wednesday morning.



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Tax Agent Pays \$30 for Shirts

WASHINGTON — (AP) — When he was a \$10,000 a year tax agent, former assistant Internal Revenue Commissioner Daniel A. Bolich was buying \$30 shirts, \$8.50 neckties and \$20 pajamas. House tax scandal investigators heard Wednesday.

Bolich's financial affairs from 1946 through 1950 are under scrutiny by the House Ways and Means subcommittee investigating reports of backstage intervention in big money tax cases before the Internal Revenue Bureau.

THE COMMITTEE has received testimony that Bolich had taken "unusual interest" in large tax cases, and that a number of fraud prosecutions were "dropped improperly" in the New York tax office he headed.

During the 1946-50 period, special intelligence agents of the Revenue Bureau testified Wednesday, Bolich's sworn income was approximately \$53,000 and his expenditures approximately \$82,000.

BUT SPECIAL Intelligence Agent George H. Lemay stated these figures did not "fully" set forth Bolich's income and spending—much of it by cash.

Lemay testified that Bolich estimated his outlay for clothing for 1946-50 at an approximated \$3750, but that investigation had shown the sum was at least \$9886.

Lemay said the larger figure was reached through a check of invoices at the most expensive men's stores in New York and by checking postal money orders.

Eugene Rotary Club Elects Board of Directors

A new board of directors for the Eugene Rotary Club was elected Tuesday.

The new board will elect officers for the coming year on April 15.

Elected to the board were: Alton F. Baker, R. P. Booth, George K. Hemphill, J. B. Hewitt, Eldon L. Johnson, Julio W. Silva, Basil T. Williams, and retiring president Kenneth Wood.

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