

French Lash Out At Vietminh Foe Poised for Attack

HANOI, Indochina (AP)—Tank-backed French troops struck out from Dien Bien Phu Saturday at Vietminh forces poised for a new attack within 600 feet of the Red-circled fortress.

The French Command said 42 Vietminh were killed as French foot soldiers destroyed a string of fox holes and trenches which the Communist-led rebels have been building for another mass assault on the Northwest Indochina plains fortress. There was no report on French losses.

While ground troops pushed back the invader, French planes continued to plaster Red troop concentrations and supply lines with thousands of tons of explosive and fire-bombs.

Try Hiking For Survival In Atom Blow

WASHINGTON (AP)—If you want to train for survival in any enemy atomic attack then try hiking five or ten miles.

Sensors who have listened to top secret plans for defending the civilian population confirmed Saturday that this is one of the basic proposals for mass evacuations.

Scientific studies have convinced traffic and rescue experts that a ban on use of private automobiles in most populated and industrial areas is the only way that entire populations could be moved out in an orderly manner.

NUMEROUS PLANS

Several senators on the Armed Services Committee said this is one of numerous proposals advanced by Robert C. Sprague, North Adams, Mass., engineer and manufacturer, who has developed plans for defending against possible attack in the atomic-hydrogen age.

These senators said that most of the prime target areas are so thickly populated that initial movement outward must be on foot. Otherwise, a sudden warning of an expected attack would clog all streets with terrific traffic jams.

Plans now are to organize movement on foot along available streets and highways to collection points where trains, buses and other vehicles would carry citizens to locations regarded as safe.

FORCED REVISIONS

The mounting destructive range of new hydrogen weapons, as recently demonstrated in the Pacific tests, has forced complete revisions of past defensive planning.

Time-tables on mass evacuation must be changed and the probable danger areas greatly expanded.

Special preparations must be made for the sick, aged, infants and others unable to walk even a few miles.

French military leaders welcomed news that their Air Force would be further bolstered by 25 more U. S. B26 bombers. The planes will be serviced by American air technicians based near Haiphong.

In Hanoi, Gen. Henry Navarre, French commander in chief, broadcast a new appeal to Vietminh commander Gen. Vo Nguyen Giap to stop firing on mercy planes bringing French wounded out of the beleaguered fortress.

Navarre assured Giap that the Red Cross-marked planes carried no troops or war equipment.

Navarre asked the Vietminh chieftain to reply by radio or send a message direct to Col. Christian de Castries, French commander at Dien Bien Phu.

A French spokesman said the Vietminh acknowledged receiving three appeals to halt their shelling of Dien Bien Phu airstrip, but had ignored them. Despite this, he said, American-supplied helicopters and transports were landing in the face of ceaseless red bombardment and evacuating wounded.

'Rubi' to Meet New Interest

NEW YORK (AP)—Porfirio Rubirosa will rendezvous with his new heart interest, a ravishingly beautiful 23-year-old heiress, in Paris next month, it was reported Saturday.

The estranged husband of dime store heiress Barbara Hutton is keeping the identity of his No. 1 girl friend a secret from all but his closest friends, an intimate reported. Her name, however, is internationally known and her fortune is estimated upwards of 10 million dollars.

The Dominican diplomat is rushing repairs on his converted B25 private plane so he can fly to Paris before the arrival here next Tuesday of actress Zsa Zsa Gabor from Hollywood. Friends have revealed that "Rubi" is tired of being chased by Zsa Zsa.



(AP Wirephoto)

ALLERGIC TO MONEY—Mrs. R. J. Noland, a cashier at the Memphis, Tenn., Publishing Co. shows Saturday where a nickel is taped to her arm as a test because doctors feel she is allergic to coin money. She has to wear gloves to protect the rash in the palm of her hands.

Dam May Be First Partnership Deal

SALEM (AP)—A 320-million-dollar John Day dam on the Columbia river may be the first in this history of the Northwest and perhaps the nation to be built through a partnership of private and public power agencies which the federal government has proposed.

The John Day dam site is midway between The Dalles dam, now under construction, and McNary dam, virtually completed.

The proposal was initiated by the Portland General Electric Co., after which participation of all Oregon public power agencies and privately owned utilities was invited.

The plans were disclosed after a conference here this week held with Gov. Paul L. Patterson and attended by representatives of private and public power agencies and officials of the Oregon Public Utilities Commission and the Oregon Tax Commission.

While the plan is still in the exploratory stage, conferences have been held in Washington, D.C., with Sen. Guy Gordon (R-Ore.) and Secretary of the Interior Douglas McKay. A representative of the public power agencies joined with the private

power companies in these sessions.

Army engineers have estimated the cost of the John Day dam at \$320 million. Under the partnership plan now being considered, the federal government would put up \$156 million. Then a wholesaling corporation, formed by the Northwest region partners, would raise the remaining \$164 million.

For a period of 50 years the corporation would pay the federal government annually an amount sufficient to cover the government's expenses incident to operation of the dam together with payments to amortize the federal government's investment of \$120 million, the amount of money allocated for the power production at the dam.

It is further proposed that in consideration of this advance payment, the corporation would have the entire output of power for the 50-year period. The John Day dam power production is estimated at 1,105,000 kilowatts maximum annually. The federal government would build, own and operate the dam under the plan and at the end of the 50-year period all rights including further sale of power would revert to the federal government.

House to Study Wire Tap Bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—A compromise bill vesting sweeping new powers in the attorney general to tap wires in suspected spy cases was completed Saturday for House consideration next week.

It would also give the attorney general lesser authority, subject to prior approval by a federal court judge, to order wire tapping in kidnapping cases under the Lindbergh Law.

The main purpose of the bill is to legalize the use of wiretapped information as evidence before the courts in prosecution of cases involving treason, sabotage, espionage or conspiracy where the national security is involved. Such information is not now admissible as evidence in federal courts.

In national security cases, the attorney general's authority would be final. His authority to order the interception of communications in kidnapping cases, would be subject to court permission.

The administration-backed measure appears certain to run into strong Democratic opposition, both when it comes before the House Judiciary Committee Tuesday and later on the floor of the House.

Rep. Rogers (D-Colo.), a Judiciary Committee member, predicted "lots of opposition" from Democrats unwilling to give Attorney General Brownell such wiretapping powers.

"This matter of wiretapping is a problem, and to turn the attorney general loose without any check is a bad thing," Rogers said.

Reds Protest Pakistan Pact

MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet government announced Sunday it has sent a note to Pakistan protesting the Pakistani-Turkish mutual aid agreement and "granting of military bases on Pakistan territory to American armed forces."

The note said such actions "cannot but harm Soviet-Pakistan relations" and "responsibility for such a situation rests upon Pakistan." Moscow recently sent a similar protest to Turkey.

The United States has agreed to supply military aid to Pakistan, a near neighbor of the Soviet Union, but there has been no mention of Pakistan providing military bases for American forces. Turkey is linked directly to the Western powers' defense line against Communist aggression as a member of NATO and to Pakistan by a multipurpose agreement.

Thieves Steal Locked Auto

Eugene Police Saturday were investigating the theft of a locked 1953 Ford during early morning hours from the garage of Sylvanus Calkins, at 689 E. 13th Ave.

Calkins told police he had locked the two-door auto when he put it in the garage Friday, but found that someone had pushed the car out during the night. Foot steps were found in the driveway.

The auto was a 1953 cream-colored Ford, with license number 245-153.

In another incident, a 1947 pickup truck was reported stolen from the Acme Body and Fender Shop, 3500 Franklin Blvd. Friday afternoon, but this one was recovered by state police in Glenwood later.

The truck belonged to Charles K. Wormington, 112 Leigh St., Eugene.

Snyder to Appear Before Subcommittee

WASHINGTON (AP)—Former secretary of the Treasury John Snyder has been called by a subcommittee to give his side of the story on allegations that he promoted Harold Glaser, who the FBI reeled it had linked Snyder with Soviet espionage.

Snyder will appear at a hearing Tuesday, Internal Security Subcommittee Chairman J. P. C. (R-Ind.) announced Friday.

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