



LONELY VIGIL—A lone Chinese Nationalist sentry is silhouetted with Tachen Island hills and harbor in background as he keeps lonely vigil against attacking Chinese Communists. The Reds continued shelling Tachen from nearby islands, raising the possibility they might try to block the evacuation of Nationalist troops and civilians.

Temperatures Skid Sharply In Midwest

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bone-chilling cold gripped the Midwest Thursday as icy blasts from Canada sent temperatures tumbling to more than 30 degrees below zero in Minnesota.

The entire north central region was in a deep freeze with the coldest weather of the winter season. Below zero readings were general throughout the area. The arctic air mass which moved southward over the Northern Plains and Great Lakes region headed eastward toward the northern Appalachians and New England.

SNOW, WIND

Skies generally were clear over the frigid belt but snow was on the ground in most sections. Strong northwest winds, more than 20 m.p.h. in some places, intensified the cold.

Temperatures dropped from 5 to 29 degrees since Wednesday and it was below zero southward to northern Missouri and central Illinois. In Bemidji, Minn., it was 31 below zero. In Chicago, temperatures dropped from a high of 23 yesterday to 8 below zero Thursday morning, the coldest day in nearly four years.

WARMING TREND

There was a warming trend across most of the South except in parts of Florida, Georgia and the Carolinas and through the middle Atlantic states. Lowest reading in that area was 23 at Cross City, Fla.

Precipitation was limited to snow flurries across the northeast quarter of the country and in some parts of the Northern Plains, and a narrow band of rain in parts of Arkansas and western Tennessee.

Committee Plans Radar Measure

SALEM (AP)—The Senate Roads and Highways Committee will introduce a bill so there won't be any doubt whether use of radar to catch speeders is a violation of the state's anti-speed trap law.

The committee announced its decision Wednesday after it watched a Highway Commission demonstration of how radar is used.

State police asked for the legislation to clarify whether they have a legal right to use it.

However, police in Portland, Salem, Eugene and other Oregon cities already use it, and local courts have said it's legal.

Police Car Wins 'Chariot' Race

BALTIMORE (AP)—A "chariot race" up the middle of a Baltimore street cost two junk wagon drivers \$10 each Wednesday.

A police car joined the race and finished first. Officers said there were four cheering passengers in one wagon and three in the other.

Hyman McKinley and James E. Patterson, 17-year-old Negroes, paid their fines on charges of cruelty to animals.

Solon Seeks Committee OK Of Congressional Pay Hike

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Walter (D-Pa.) said Thursday he will move for immediate approval by the House Judiciary Committee of a pay boost for members of Congress that would total \$100,000 a year.

Prior to the committee meeting Thursday there were indications of prompt action on congressional and judiciary salary increases.

Walter predicted to newsmen that legislation raising members' pay from \$15,000 to \$25,000 a year would be approved and sent to the House for expected passage without committee hearings. The Senate Judiciary Committee opened hearing on the question this week.

The \$10,000 increase is \$2,500 more than is provided in bills already introduced by Walter and Chairman Celler (D-NY) of the House group.

Walter said he would agree to suggestions by Key House members to revise his bill upward to call for the higher figure.

Celler sounded a note of caution on any move to push the pay bill without holding hearings on it.

He told reporters he had received "complaints about rushing this thing" from members concerned over public reaction to passage of salary raises as almost the first legislative business of the House.

Members now are paid \$12,500 in salary and \$2,500 a year expense money for which they need not give an accounting. They also get other accountable expense allowances.

School Aid Delay Seen

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Clements (D-Ky.) said Thursday he doubts that the Eisenhower administration will do anything effective to meet the nation's school room shortage until late this year or perhaps next year.

President Eisenhower has scheduled a special message to Congress Feb. 15 proposing a program of federal school construction aid.

Clements said in testimony prepared for the Senate Labor Committee he foresees no immediate, effective help to result "in view of the fact that there was no provision for schools in the President's budget and that the White House conference on educational needs is not scheduled until fall."

He referred also to "past opposition by the present secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare," Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby.

The President in his State of the Union message spoke of a critical shortage of classrooms and promised "an affirmative program" to meet it. Some sources say this will center on federal guarantee of state school bonds.

The White House conference to which Clements referred is to be held Nov. 30. To be preceded by meetings in each state, it is intended to produce a comprehensive report on the nation's school needs.

Mrs. Hobby has urged that no large scale federal school building aid be undertaken until the conference has reported.

Blast Rocks Desert

DUGWAY PROVING GROUNDS, Utah (AP)—A tremendous explosion reverberated across Utah's western desert Wednesday, sending a black cloud of smoke high into the air. The detonation of half a million pounds of obsolete bombs was set off by Army and Air Force personnel.

Ridgway, Radford Reported at Odds

WASHINGTON (AP)—Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway told senators that 300,000 to 400,000 U.S. ground troops would be needed to win a foothold on the Chinese mainland, it was reported Thursday.

The statement was attributed to the Army chief of staff by a Senate informant familiar with developments at Tuesday's closed-door session of the Senate Foreign Relations and Armed Services Committee.

RADFORD STATEMENT

The Joint Chiefs of Staff appeared at that session for testimony which some senators interpreted as clear evidence of disagreement between Ridgway and Adm. Arthur W. Radford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs.

The conflict was said to have developed when Radford was asked if the four service chiefs were unanimous in support of President Eisenhower's Far Eastern defense plans. Radford had been quoted previously, in a public announcement from the House Foreign Affairs Committee, as saying they were unanimous.

'NOT CONSULTED'

Ridgway was reported to have arisen and said in effect, "I was not consulted."

Radford agreed that Ridgway was out of Washington when the Joint Chiefs considered the Formosa program. Ridgway told the committee that a deputy, who was present, was not authorized to speak for him on the issue.

Ridgway was said to have given these answers and to have testified with great reserve because his position seemed to put him in conflict with Eisenhower.

His apparent disagreement with Radford involved differing viewpoints about the likelihood of U.S. ground forces being committed in any American military action against the Red Chinese mainland or in defense of offshore islands, such as Quemoy, held by the Nationalists.

It was said Radford did not rule out strikes against the mainland or the defense of Quemoy, but he visualized such action in terms of using air and sea power. Ridgway feared that such moves might lead to the commitment of ground forces. He said these already are over-extended.

Secretarial Meeting Set

Charlotte Parr, president of the Oregon Assn. of Educational Secretaries, and secretary to the superintendent of Eugene public schools, will discuss "Our Professional Program," at the association's regional workshop in Salem Saturday.

Also participating in the workshop will be Mrs. Winnie Bolinger, secretary to the superintendent of the Bethel public schools. She and Miss Parr also will discuss filing.

About 15 educational secretaries from Eugene are expected to attend. Walter E. Snyder, superintendent of Salem public schools, will welcome the group, who will then study state forms and reports which must be made out by their offices, and other topics.

All educational office employees and school clerks from the state may attend the workshop.

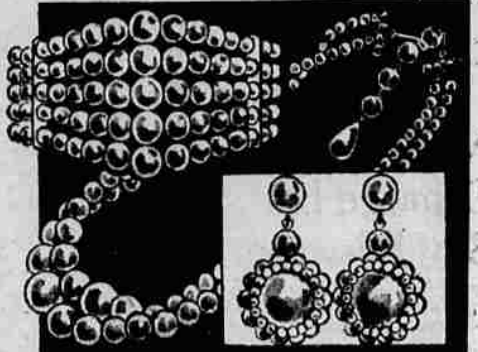
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