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RIDGWAY ON THE CEASE-FIRE ANTICS

General Mathew B. Ridgway, commander of United Nations forces in Korea, is evidently fed up with the antics of the communists at the cease-fire conference in Korea where not even a quitters' peace seems to progress.

In a copyrighted radio-telegraph interview with the magazine U. S. News and World Report, Ridgway says that the Reds so far "have produced no concrete evidence of honest, peaceful intentions" and he will now judge communist intentions "not by words, but by performance." He continued:

"The ceaseless flow of falsehoods, perversion and slanted statements which continue to emanate from communist-controlled public information media, together with the long record of communist duplicity, deceit and faithlessness in contractual obligations, have dissolved all doubts in the minds of members of this command as to communist objectives."

Ridgway said he faced a "unique" problem in asking troops to fight during cease-fire talks, but "our forces know why they fight and their spirits were never higher." He said the U. N. has "an unbeatable battle team" in Korea, and that morale among U. N. has shot up during the past six months because of improved "leadership at all levels in all the services and national contingents and the inculcation of a reasoned understanding based on the purpose of their presence in Korea and the objectives for which they fight." Rotation of troops is working well, under the circumstances, he added.

Russia evidently forced the Red Chinese to propose the peace conference to carry out its fake "peace policy" propaganda and the Red Chinese evidently utilized the occasion to mass fresh forces for a new offensive. Certainly neither Russia nor Red China have dropped their programs of aggression to communize the world.

Ridgway gets Pentagon support denied MacArthur, but evidently reached the latter's conclusion and would, if permitted, follow the same strategy for which the latter was unceremoniously fired, to end the bloody essay in futility.

NO SIGN OF DEFEATISM

The faith General Eisenhower shows in the free world's potential ability to meet any thrust by Red Russia to take over more of the world contrasts with the defeatism of other leaders.

A group of senators who were over in Europe revealed yesterday Ike's attitude of confidence in what the western world could do against the continued threat of aggression from Moscow-directed forces. Eisenhower, who is commander-in-chief of the combined forces of the free world, said the forces of the west were overwhelming. In fact, he considers them so superior that "it is almost ridiculous for us to be talking in terms of fright and hysteria."

This attitude of trust in the future, instead of defeatism, is significant, because the senators who saw Ike on a 14-day visit to Europe weren't so optimistic. The senators said western Europe is lagging in building up its ground defense. Reports from Eisenhower's headquarters have been discouraging to the regular observers. The reports recounted the division in the west's forces over who would command what, over supplying enough ground forces, over the other differences that were certain to come up in such a military wedding of forces in time of peace.

But, while the outward differences cause discouragement generally, the man whose responsibility it is to be certain this unprecedented peace-time crusade succeeds, says he isn't worried. He ridicules those who waste time in fear and hysteria.

This quality of confidence of Ike's is one of those qualities of leadership he has shown repeatedly, one of those indications of greatness, one of the reasons he was chosen for a job that most people said couldn't be done. Ike hasn't built the west's forces into a well-organized crusade yet, but he gives no indication that he can't do it. In fact, he should make those politicians who are knocking his efforts feel cheap and ridiculous.

ECONOMISTS PREDICTIONS

The joint congressional economic committee headed by Senator O'Mahoney (D., Wyo.) has been warned by its staff experts to expect rising prices, more inflation and three years of federal deficits. The main theme of the economists' report were arguments in support of:

1. A considerable higher increase in federal taxes than the \$7,200,000,000 a year boost voted by the house. Senators have been talking of holding the increase to five or six billions.

2. Stiffer government controls over prices, wages and credit with emphasis upon savings by individuals.

The staff report said "prices will rise" as more of the national production is diverted late this year into defense goods. It suggested a \$10,000,000,000 tax increase immediately and said the "additional revenue, for maximum anti-inflationary effect, should be derived largely from groups in the \$3,000-\$10,000 income brackets."

The report estimated federal spending will total about \$68,400,000,000 for the current fiscal year, jump to \$87,000,000,000 for fiscal 1953, drop slightly to \$84,000,000,000 the following year, decline to \$72,000,000,000 in fiscal 1955 and then level out at about \$60,000,000,000 thereafter.

A deficit of three to five billion dollars was predicted for the current fiscal year; 10 to 12 billions for the year following, and about 5 billions for fiscal 1954. The report said that "once the size of the defense program is agreed upon, the people will pay the costs now—either through inflation which reduces the purchasing power of the dollar or through a rational and equitable tax program."

Has No Use for Lawn Mowing

Farmington, Ill., Aug. 13 (AP)—George Goff said today that the grass on his lawn can get two feet high, for all he cares.

While busy using the lawnmower, Goff nipped off the end of the first finger on his right hand. He went to a doctor who dressed the wound. Goff returned to his mowing. The dressing on his finger interfered so he tried to take it off. He fainted and fell, breaking his arm.

BY H. T. WEBSTER

The Timid Soul



POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

Hal Boyle Now Indian Chief But Finds It Brings Him Woes

By CHIEF LEADING EAGLE, JR.
(ALIAS HAL BOYLE)

Hibbing, Minn. (AP)—You think you'd like to be an Indian chief? Well, think again, paleface. There's a lot of woe to the title, and in the Sioux tribe at least you don't get paid a sou for the job. I've been an Indian chief less than a month, and already I'm beginning to think I should have remained an Irishman.

The Oglaia branch of the Sioux took me into their fraternity during a festival at Hot Springs, S. D. It wasn't quite the ceremony I had expected. I thought it would be done in secret at night by a roaring campfire. But we Sioux are up to date now. The proceedings were broadcast through a loud speaker.

A group of painted braves and moccasined squaws led me through a crowd of curious tourists to the peak of a small hill. "Whatsa matter?" said one tourist. "Did they catch him stealing?"

"I dunno," said another. "Let's hang around. Maybe they'll scalp him."

"A little late for that," said the first tourist, looking at the sun glinting on my bald forehead.

When you entered the tribe in the old days you gashed your wrist and held it against the gashed wrist of a born Sioux, and the mingling red made you blood brothers. But after a glance at my grub-white city features, Chief Ben American Horse and his pals decided to forego that rite. They figured I didn't have enough blood.

"You now Chief Leading Eagle," said an old warrior, crowning me with a headdress of red and white eagle feathers. Then an Indian on the edge of the crowd stepped up and borrowed ten bucks from me, and I knew I really was one the family.

After that we had a victory dance. It consists of jumping up and down as if you were stamping out snakes and yelling as if you'd sat down on a thorn. We Indians found it pretty fatiguing—but it made the tourists happy.

Chief Leading Eagle? It was a nice name. But what's in a name? I asked one of my new buddies how soon I'd get a pension.

"Chiefs no get pension," he said.

"How about insurance?" "Chiefs no get insurance." "No pensions! No insurance! What kind of a lodge was I in? I began to think I ought to have joined the Elks or the Moose."

Well, it turned out that an Irishman who joins the Sioux is just moving from one down-trodden clan to another.

"Indians have had time now," one brave said bravely.

He explained that it is hard to get enough beads from Czechoslovakia to make genuine Indian souvenirs for the tourists. Our tribe is also short of cattle on the reservation, and times are so tough some of our boys have had to go to work in the palefaces' new atom plants. It's a rough world today for lo, the poor Indian.

I asked a group why we didn't send a delegation to the great white father, and demand justice. "Hell, we've worn out half the doorsteps in Washington in the last 50 years," said one disgruntled leader. "The government is still mad at us because we whipped Custer."

I regret to say I've already had a little trouble with one of my fellow chiefs. It's over my title.

Chief Standing Bear went into the offices of the Rapid City (S. D.) Daily Journal to complain about it. He said that years ago, when President Calvin Coolidge spent a summer in the Black Hills, he had taken Coolidge into the tribe and named him "Leading Eagle."

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Russian Bear Can't Swallow Satellite Nations

(Editor's note: Drew Pearson is on another tour of Europe, studying conditions there in this period of world tension and crisis. This is the first of his cabled dispatches from Central Europe.)

By DREW PEARSON

Near the Iron Curtain, in Central Europe.—If there was ever a time when propaganda was needed to encourage and stimulate the people behind the Iron Curtain, now is it. Already the people of the satellite countries and even many in Russia proper are torn by doubt and dissent and distrust. Their restlessness has been churning for some time, but now it's near the boiling point.

All clues I have been able to pick from the underground and from intelligence reports convince me that the Russian bear has swallowed too much and will have to regurgitate. A bear that's suffering from acute indigestion is not usually belligerent and it may be that additional propaganda barrages by balloons, the Voice of America and every other device possible could help increase that sickness and tip the scales for peace.

Furthermore, messages of friendship and encouragement to the people behind the Iron Curtain at this time can help produce another Tito in Poland, Czechoslovakia or Hungary.

That, of course, is what Stalin fears most. There have been reports in previous years of trouble behind the Iron Curtain, but never as many as now.

Two hundred communist leaders in Bulgaria are reported under arrest; 22 Soviet generals and high Soviet officials have died mysteriously in the last seven months; four Czech generals have been arrested or committed suicide in six months; nine of the highest officers in the Polish army were tried for treason; 12 Polish seamen on a

Czechoslovakia.—The Czechs have now recovered from the stunned apathy which followed the initial seizure of their country by Moscow and are beginning to get their courage back. A serious food shortage, blamed on the Russians, is partly responsible.

On top of this, the Voice of America, which predicted the arrest of Foreign Minister Vladimir Clementis and four other Czechs, had its effect.

Finally, Radio Free Europe has sent such devastating barages of propaganda into Czechoslovakia that the Czech government has demanded that Radio Free Europe be taken off the air.

The mystery is what prompted the telegram. The nettled police chief can't think of anything that happened to merit the congratulations. A questioning telegram has been dispatched to the Texas well-wisher and Chief Hamilton is anxiously awaiting an answer.

Klamath Falls Chief Puzzled

Klamath Falls, Aug. 13 (AP)—City Police Chief Orville Hamilton had come to grips today with an intriguing mystery... and a principal in the mystery was Chief Hamilton. The chief received a telegram from the Mission, Texas, chamber of commerce manager, Albert Day. The text of the telegram:

"Congratulations. Send picture and full details immediately."

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OPEN FORUM

Ex-Adair Commander Praises Salem

To the Editor: I just happened to be here in Salem on business connected with the U. S. department of labor and noted today's (August 10th) article on Camp Adair.

I was the post commander of Adair from Sept. 1943 to Nov. 1944 during which period the 70th Division was organized and trained, and the 91st completed its training. We had close to 50,000 men there during this period, exclusive of civilian employees, of which there were over 5000.

LT. Col. Gen Foster, later an employee of your state, was executive officer, and your present governor was training officer.

In mentioning the governor, just a few words: When I took over Adair, they had witnessed a great deal of friction between the two divisions which had been training there. These frictions were serious and greatly hampered the training of the divisions. After McKay took over the job of coordinating the work of the two divisions, checking their training schedules, seeing that they had the necessary training facilities when and where they needed them, the post commander had no further worries. Both division commanders advised me before their departure for Europe that they had never been in a camp or post where things went so smoothly. It was officers like McKay who created this condition.

My reason, however, for writing this letter is, that I do not forget, nor will the rest of those who served at Adair forget, the wonderful cooperation and friendliness extended to us by this community and state.

Our tour here was made so easy from a public relations angle. Higher command never had us called to their attention. There were no big problems to solve. No complaints were sent in about the conduct of men in town. The friendliness and cooperation was such that I never had a chance to show higher headquarters how I could solve and settle difficult problems.

As I walked around the streets this evening, I well remember the thousands of soldiers who walked your streets. I passed one of the places where you furnished a U.S.O., and remembered coming in to observe how the boys were so well treated. I remember the cooperation extended by your chamber of commerce, your city, county and state officials. I remember calling on Governor Snell to get a

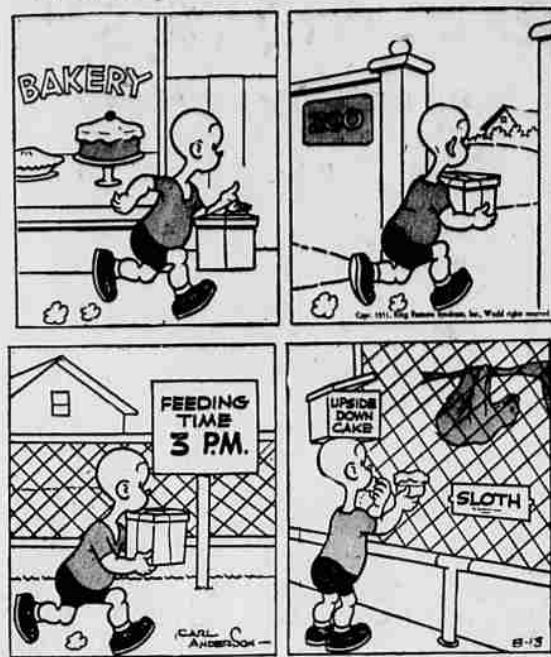


Col. Samuel D. Hays

(Editor's note: Samuel D. Hays, a retired army colonel, served as post commander at Camp Adair during a period of World War II. He is a graduate of the University of Idaho and entered the first officers' training camp at the presidio of San Francisco in 1917. Graduating as a second lieutenant that year, he was promoted through the various ranks until he took command of the 116th cavalry of Idaho as a colonel in 1930. Prior to being assigned to Camp Adair, Colonel Hays was commanding officer of Boise barracks. He now lives at 918 North 7th Street, Boise, Idaho.)

BY CARL ANDERSON

Henry



KAESONG MYSTERY

Who Is Real Boss Of Communist Delegation?

By HOMER JENKS
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

One of the mysteries of the Korean cease-fire conference is the identity of the real boss of the communist delegation. Who is the man who makes the day-to-day decisions on when the Reds shall stand firm and when they shall yield? Who will decide when to give the final word that may mean peace or war?

United Nations negotiators don't know. But they are convinced that he is not Gen. Nam Il, the senior communist delegate and the only one who addresses the UN team during the conference sessions.

"Nam Il is very definitely coming into focus as a spokesman rather than a policy maker," an official UN spokesman in Korea said the other day.

In other words, the North Korean general is just a front man who parrots what is told him, who reads what is written for him, who follows the time schedule laid down for him.

Nam Il has an impressive title and he cuts quite a figure at the Kaesong meetings. He is listed as chief of staff of the North Korean supreme headquarters and is about 38 years old.

His immaculately-pressed uniform and shiny black boots contrast sharply with the comparatively dowdy outfits of the Chinese members of the delegation.

Yet the allies are convinced that it is the Chinese who are calling the tune for the Reds at Kaesong.

The Chinese have too much at stake for it to be otherwise. Without Chinese help, the North Korean army long ago would have been driven by the United Nations into or across the Yalu river, the Korean-Manchurian frontier.

Behind this warning was the fact that the railroad between Berlin and Moscow is sabotaged so frequently that repair crews are kept busy night and day. Production is dropping.

The Catholic church is leading a potent underground, and the Kremlin has become so suspicious of top Polish generals that nine of them have now been tried.

Bulgaria—"ULCER"—Bulgaria—a peasant revolt has held up delivery of wheat to Russia and brought a battery of Soviet officials hurrying into Sofia.

About 15,000 have been added to the 30,000 already in concentration camps, while treason trials have shown that the agrarian (or peasant) party, once the strongest in Bulgaria, now operates a powerful underground.

Agrarian leaders have encouraged the peasants to withhold crops and join guerrilla units in the mountains so successfully that the official communist newspaper called Bulgaria an "ulcer" and criticized Premier Chervakov for allowing the unrest to spread.

Roumania—Minister of National Defense Emil Bodnarus has been arrested, and there have been mass evacuations of those suspected of disloyalty to Moscow.

Hungary—Deportation of thousands of Hungarian peasants to concentration camps to face slavery and death have been recently denounced by U. S. Secretary of State Acheson.

The leader of these mass arrests is Bela Szanthe, Moscow-trained Hungarian especially sent to do the job. Szanthe is a ruthless butcher who has already jailed 70,000 peasants because they have held back their grain or refused to collectivize their farms.

East Germany—Moscow's efforts to build a communist German army have been partly frustrated by the desertion of officers of the "people's police" to western Germany. Three separate undergrounds operate among the Russian and Red army personnel inside Germany.

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