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FORECAST: Continued cloudy with occasional rain tonight and Friday. Little change in temperature.

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CHINESE COMMIES SUBMIT PROPOSAL FOR CONFLICT END

Resumption of Unity Meetings Brings Proposal—Observers Hopeful

Chungking, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Chinese Communist leaders submitted a formal proposal for the "immediate and unconditional cessation" of civil war as unity meetings were resumed today after a 40-day deadlock.

The meeting was the first between Nationalist and Communist negotiators since last Nov. 17.

The Communists were strengthened by the addition of Gen. Yeh Chien-Ying, chief of staff, to the original three members, Chou En-Lai, Communist vice-chairman, Tung Pi-Wu and Wang Ro-Fei.

Guest of Marshall Chou had been a luncheon guest earlier of Gen. George C. Marshall, special American envoy who recently arrived to help the Chinese achieve unity.

Political observers were hopeful the conferees would approve the proposal in principle and leave details for consideration by the consultative council early in January.

Meanwhile, military headquarters said Gen. Tu Li-Ming's Nationalist troops, advancing rapidly a cross snow-covered southern Manchuria, had occupied the railroad station at Tang-Chiawo, 65 miles west of Mukden.

Gen. Marshall spent the day gathering information from various officials.

LITTLE GLASS EYE MUST SERVE LIFE

Yokohama, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Tatsu (Little Glass Eye) Tsuchiya, first Japanese war criminal to be tried in Japan, was sentenced today to life imprisonment for beating to death an American prisoner of war.

An eight-man U. S. military commission convicted Tsuchiya on three charges of "cruel, inhuman and brutal atrocities and other offenses against certain prisoners" at Mitsuhashi camp where he served as a guard.

Chief Prosecutor Maj. Louis Offen of Atlanta, Ga., had demanded the death penalty. He charged in closing arguments that Tsuchiya "enjoyed seeing American prisoners suffer."

The verdict was announced at 10:15 a. m. and the commission adjourned until 1:30 p. m. when the trial of Kei Yuri, commander of war camp 17-B, began.

MANY GI'S PLAN AUSTRALIA RETURN

Los Angeles, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Many of the 10,000 American servicemen who married Australian girls during the war will go back to Australia to take advantage of business opportunities there, Mrs. Eva Hayes, Red Cross worker known as the "American mother of Australia," predicted today.

Mrs. Hayes, who arrived here yesterday from Brisbane, Australia, said most of her three years' work there was in arranging weddings for American men and Australian girls.

She estimated that 6000 of the brides have already come to the U. S. and that the other 4000 are eagerly awaiting the trip, but she said she thought many of them would take their families back to Australia.

"Australia is a land of opportunity and is looking forward to many Americans returning to enter business and help its development," she said.

Man Nabbed In G. P. Faces Charges Here

James E. Wall, who was arrested Monday in a Grants Pass hotel by state police on a charge of larceny from a cabin, appeared in Justice court yesterday for preliminary hearing. He is being held in county jail to reappear at 2 p. m. tomorrow.

Wall reportedly took a radio belonging to E. C. Asbury from the Homestead auto court on the Rogue river.

Big 3 Agree On Atomic Commission; Four-Power Council to Control Japan

BYRNES REVEALS WIND-UP ACTION AT CONFERENCE

Details To Be Made Known Friday—Many Problems Settled During Meeting

Moscow, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Secretary of State James F. Byrnes revealed today that the foreign ministers of the United States, Great Britain and Russia had agreed to set up a commission on atomic energy.

The news that the Big Three had reached an agreement on atomic energy was given by Byrnes at a press conference which wound up the 12-day meeting of the foreign ministers here.

Details Friday A long and detailed communication on the three-power conference will be released at 6 a. m. Friday (10 p. m. Thursday EST) in Moscow, Washington and London.

Byrnes, unsmiling and weary after a sleepless night and 24 hours of virtually uninterrupted work, dropped a verbal atomic bomb of his own at a press conference he held before departing by plane for Washington by way of Berlin and Paris.

"When you read about atomic energy in the communique providing for the establishment of a commission, you will see that no other phase of the subject was discussed," he said.

Thus came the first official word that Russia, the United States and Britain had come to a meeting of the minds on the atomic problem, one of the gravest confronting the troubled post-war world and apparently the biggest single bone of contention among the Big Three.

While Byrnes disclosed the establishment — proposed or actual — of a commission on atomic energy, he veered away from the subject without a clue as to its nature or scope.

(The London Evening Standard reported that the foreign ministers had agreed to turn over to the 11-nation UNO security council, plus Canada, the problem of studying and making recommendations for exchanging basic scientific information for controlling atomic energy and eliminating atomic weapons.)

Byrnes said that in addition to the atomic commission matter, "many problems" were settled at the conference of himself, Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin of Britain and Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov of the Soviet Union.

He termed it a "very constructive conference" at which cordial relations were established among the Big Three, "giving hope of settlement of other problems in the same spirit."

FRENCH HOLDOUT CAUSES PROBLEM

Frankfurt, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Gen. Joseph McNarney reported to Washington today that France's holdout on allied plans for governing occupied Germany as a single unit was creating an increasingly difficult problem.

The French refusal to cooperate in the economic policies in the government of Germany is holding German economy below the minimum level of tolerability, McNarney said in his monthly report on November activity in the U. S. occupation zone.

McNarney reported that crime is increasing among the Germans, but so far was not regarded as alarmingly high. The principal crimes cited were cutting of wires fences by robbing Germans, threatening of girls who fraternized with allied soldiers, and stealing.

HOLY LAND EXPLOSIONS SHATTER HOLIDAY PEACE

Jerusalem, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Mysterious explosions shattered the Christmas peace in the holy land tonight, Jerusalem and the Jewish coastal settlement of Tel Aviv were rocked by blasts that started fires in both cities.

Russian-Occupied Portion of Germany Converted From Broken War Machine To Peacetime Concern

(The Russian occupation zone in Germany was opened to American correspondents for the first time last week. The following uncensored dispatch reveals what has happened in the zone in the eight months since the end of the war.)

By Charles Arnot United Press Staff Correspondent

Berlin, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — In the eight months since the fall of the reich, the red army has converted northeastern Germany from a broken war machine into a going peacetime concern.

The Russians are working in close liaison with a hand-picked corps of carefully tutored German civilians, many of them communists.

What they have accomplished was disclosed during a closely supervised eight-day tour covering 750 miles in two of the six states and provinces occupied by the red army.

Touring the province of Saxony and the separate state of Saxony in party of five newspapermen, this writer gathered the general impression that the Russians have tackled their

MORE HOSPITALS FOR VETERANS IS BUREAU'S PLAN

Washington, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — The veterans administration is going to mobilize facilities of civilian, army and navy hospitals to care for an unprecedented number of discharged servicemen in need of immediate medical care.

Faced with a shortage of at least 40,000 hospital beds and many hundreds of doctors, Maj. Gen. Paul R. Hawley, VA acting surgeon general, announced plans for placing 20,000 ex-servicemen in various civilian hospitals. An additional 20,000 will be quartered in army and navy institutions.

44,000 Beds Aim Hawley said these additional facilities should meet the needs of the veterans administration pending construction of hospital facilities for 44,000 beds within the next two years.

Already the veterans bureau is caring for a record load of 87,000 patients.

The navy has agreed to make available by Sept. 1, some 9,375 beds in hospitals located in 16 states, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. Similar arrangements are being made with the army.

New Facilities Listed Navy facilities to be made available immediately include Santa Margaret Ranch, Ocean-side, Calif., 100 beds; Corona, Calif., 104 beds, and Astoria, Ore., 100 beds.

Other beds, to be provided not later than Sept. 1, include: Puget Sound, Wash., 300; Seattle, Wash., 303; Long Beach, Calif., 700; San Diego, Calif., 400; Mare Island, Calif., 400; Oakland, Calif., 1,100; Puerto Rico, 100, and Hawaii, 500.

Newspaper Wrapper Helps To Identify Butter Addressee

This morning Postmaster Frank DeSouza delivered to J. S. Aldredge, 517 Beatty street, a pound of butter "lost" in the Christmas mail. Reading in yesterday's Tribune that a pound of butter remained undeliverable at the Medford postoffice, Aldredge called and convinced the postmaster that the package was his.

Aldredge explained that since butter has been hard to obtain, his daughter, Mrs. Nancy Hubbard of Roseburg, had been in the habit of mailing a pound or so each week to her family here. She usually wrapped the butter in a bread wrapper from a certain Roseburg bakery and then in an old copy of the Roseburg News-Review before adding the final outside wrapper. Checking the package, DeSouza found the wrappings to be as Aldredge described and delivered the butter to him.

occupation problems with realistic efficiency.

No Jobs The main problems, as in the western zone, are food, fuel, transport and refugees.

But there is no unemployment. The Russians have wiped out all old bank credits and the Germans must work to eat. There appears to be less inflation than in the western zone.

Most of the non-war factories are running again. The war plants either are under guard or are being removed as reparations.

German provincial officials scoff at rumors that the Russian zone has been stripped of industry. They asserted that 2,600 or 83 per cent of all non-war plants in Saxony province are producing consumers' goods.

Nazis Purged Active nazis have been purged and nominal party members are being replaced slowly. The Russian attitude, however, seems more lenient than the American attitude in the cases of those who were not active nazis.

Russian officials said they were not permitting metal mines to operate but all coal mines are operating and some are nearing pre-war production.

German officials said there was not enough food to maintain the health of the population over a long period.

There are six categories of ration cards in the Russian zone, permitting a daily average of a little more than 1,600 calories. All food is under strict Russian control, with fixed prices, except for 30 per cent of agricultural products which farmers are permitted to sell on the free market.

The Russians estimate that the average German worker earning 170 marks or more a month can supplement his 1,600 calory ration with eight pounds of meat and four pounds of butter monthly by buying in the unrationed "free market."

Germans Whine The average German is not suffering. He even receives a coal ration to heat his home but

DOVER ASKED TO ENTER PRIMARY

Floyd K. Dover, prominent democrat from this district, has been asked to run for governor of the state by a group of local party members, it was revealed today.

Lester Mathes of Central Point, spokesman for the group, said Dover told them "this is a complete surprise to me. I had no thought of running for office this year. You know, it takes quite a bit of money to campaign for this office and I am not considered a wealthy man. While I have received numerous letters from all parts of the state urging me to run for various offices, I have not given them much thought to date. However, I will give this serious consideration and give you a definite statement within the week."

Dover, president of the Jackson county Mining association and member of the state commission of Veteran Affairs, was a candidate for Congress from the fourth congressional district at the last election.

Foul Play Charge Latest For Cline

San Francisco, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Alfred L. Cline, Bible-quoting former convict involved in the mysterious deaths or disappearances of nine former associates, today was accused of "foul play" in connection with the deaths of his brother-in-law and his son, Norman.

Mrs. Helen E. Fisher, Mendocino, Cal., sister of Mrs. Bessie Van Sickle Cline, who died in Glendale, Cal., wrote to District Attorney Edmund Brown that Cline was a "fiend."

DEATH AT CROSSING

Berwyn, Ill., Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Mrs. Mildred Chochola, 25, a soldier's widow, was pinned in the wreckage of an automobile struck by a train at a crossing today and burned to death as rescuers were driven away when fire swept the car.

like Germans everywhere in the occupied reich he is whining and complaining.

As in the rest of Germany, there is an acute housing shortage aggravated by a great influx of refugees who have boosted the population in some places as much as 35 per cent in the last four months.

Eighty-five per cent of all schools are operating and the Russians say there is complete religious freedom.

The Russian and American occupation policies differ radically.

The Americans believe the Germans should work out their problems and issue orders telling German officials only what not to do.

The Russians have put hand-picked officials in many key positions and Russian military governors have issued detailed orders to German officials for what must be done.

LEGION PROTESTS DRAFTING FORMER PRISONERS OF WAR

Denver, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — The Denver American Legion Post sent a sharp protest to Washington today against the scheduled drafting into the army of three Denver youths who for more than three years were Jap prisoners in the Philippines.

The protests were sent in the form of strongly-worded telegrams to Colorado's congressional delegation, urging immediate action in Washington to prevent such inductions.

Officials of the American Legion post said the boys—all of them college students—had been called up for induction by Denver draft boards.

One Injured

One of the youths, Henry B. Parfet, Jr., 20, a freshman engineering student at the Colorado School of Mines, was said to have suffered a broken eardrum at the hands of a Japanese prison guard at Baguio, in the Philippines, Legionnaires said Parfet had been ordered to report for induction Jan. 30.

The other two ex-servicemen were Roger D. Schade, a sophomore at Denver University, and Benjamin Goodier, 21, a freshman at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Mass.

The protests stated it was understood that about 50 other American boys, restored to civilian life after serving in enemy prison camps, soon faced induction into the army.

"State headquarters of selective service advises it is sympathetic but has no authority due to existing regulations," the telegrams stated.

MOTORIST HURT IN ASHLAND ACCIDENT

Ashland, Dec. 27 — A Myrtle Creek motorist is in the Ashland Community hospital suffering from shock and possible internal injuries as the result of an auto accident a quarter-mile north of the city limits on highway 99 about 5:40 p. m. yesterday.

A car driven by Norville Lewis, Yakima, Wash., started to pass another vehicle, headed south, and crashed into a car driven by Mr. Zehring, Myrtle Creek, Ashland city police reported. A third vehicle, operated by J. F. Rude, 142 B street, Ashland, sideswiped the Zehring machine, police said.

Zehring, taken to the hospital in the Littlewiller ambulance, was the only one injured, the report stated.

HUGE SUM ASKED New York, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Two San Francisco residents filed suit today in U. S. district court against four corporations and seven individuals to recover \$5,500,000 damages in connection with the use of patents for the manufacture of stainless steel.

EQUAL AUTHORITY TO BE EXERCISED OVER NIPPONESE

U. S., Britain, Russia and China To Share Rule—MacArthur Commander

Washington, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — The Moscow foreign ministers conference agreed to create a four-power control council for Japan patterned in general after the present control council for Germany, it was learned today.

The United States, the British Empire, Russia and China would share authority equally in the control council. Each would have a veto power.

MacArthur Remains Gen. Douglas MacArthur would remain as supreme allied commander for Japan to carry out the directives of the council, it was learned. Indications were, however, that MacArthur might not be completely subservient to the control council but would retain some authority to act independently.

The allied supreme commander's role was by no means entirely clear on the basis of preliminary information. Full delineation of his powers awaited tonight's formal announcement of the foreign ministers' agreement.

Russia has agreed to sit both on the four-power control council and on the Far Eastern commission, which has been sitting in Washington. The commission now is expected to assume a secondary role in Japanese affairs.

Major Results The major accomplishments of the Moscow conference may be summarized in three points:

1. Atomic bomb control: An atomic energy commission is to be established within the United Nations organization. This commission will endeavor to bring about arrangements so that atomic energy will be used only for peaceful ends. It would seek to eliminate atomic weapons from all military use by severe control of its secret and its production.

2. Japan. A four-power control over Japan composed of four members representing the United States, Soviet Russia, China and the combined British Empire. The council will have the power of control of enforcement of the directives and recommendations of the Far Eastern commission, sitting in Washington. Russia would join that Far Eastern advisory commission, on which she has until now declined membership. MacArthur would remain as the enforcement authority and supreme commander under the control of the four-power council. Russia and Britain would share in the military occupation of Japan with "token strength." The big four would retain veto rights over recommendations by the Far Eastern commission.

3. Korea. The United States, Britain, Russia and China will assume a joint four-power trusteeship over Korea for five years. After that Korea is expected to achieve the full independence promised two years ago in the Cairo communique. In the meantime the U. S. and Russian military commanders in the two occupation zones of Korea are to co-operate in an effort to eliminate difficulties of administration and communications.

Duncan Sisters' Father Succumbs

Rosemead, Calif., Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Samuel Duncan, father of the Duncan sisters of "Topsy and Eva" fame, died last night at a sanitarium here. He was 84.

Vivian and Rosetta Duncan, the stage and screen sister team, had arrived here from Portland, Ore., just before Christmas to spend the holidays with their father. He had been in the care of the sanitarium for two years.

San Francisco, Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — California in general, and the city of San Francisco in particular, had not given up hope today of becoming the permanent headquarters of the United Nations organization.

Rose Queen



(Acme Telephoto) Patricia Auman, 17-year-old green-eyed brunette, has been chosen Queen of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses and will rule over the celebrated floral fete January 1st.

RESCUERS WITHIN 2,500 FEET OF TRAPPED MINERS

Pineville, Ky., Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — A wearied rescue crew fighting its way through smoke and crumbled rock in the Kentucky Straight Creek mine sent back word late this afternoon that they were within 2,500 feet of the place where the explosion occurred yesterday morning.

A crewman, his face streaked with smoke and dirt, told waiting relatives that the men might tunnel through to the place where 31 or more coal miners are trapped by 11 o'clock tonight. But he warned that the crew might not break through until "sometime tomorrow afternoon."

Earlier an emergency call for more volunteers was sent out as nearly exhausted rescue workers dove doggedly forward in the coal mine.

BRIDE-TO-BE SAYS SUITOR BEAT HER

Grants Pass, Ore., Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Helen Howell, 40, Los Angeles, was in a hospital here today after having been beaten by a man she came here to wed.

Police said she arrived here about a week ago to marry William D. Corey, whom she said she had known for five years. She told police Corey beat her while en route from Grants Pass to his home at Grave Creek.

State police found her at a farm house near Grants Pass early Christmas morning. They said Corey corroborated the story of the beating. He was sentenced to jail for ten days on a guilty plea to driving a car without a license and having a voided foreign license plate.

Juvenile Boys Had Supply Of Liquor

Two juvenile boys were given a 30-day jail sentence in justice court yesterday following their arrest by state police charged with possession of intoxicating liquor.

One of the youths also was remanded to the juvenile court to answer to a charge of violation of the basic rule.

Truman Calls on Newspaper Staff Hometown Independence Examiner

Independence, Mo., Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — President Truman called on the staff of his hometown newspaper, The Independence Examiner, today and then went to his federal building office in Kansas City to spend two hours shaking hands with old friends before lunching with correspondents who were covering his holiday trip.

It was the second and last full day of his Christmas holiday at home. The president emerged late from the "Little White House" in Independence, appearing first

POLICE SCATTER PICKETS BEFORE STAMFORD PLANT

Six Arrested On Charges of Peace Breach—Electrical Workers Strike Looms

By United Press Police broke up picket lines at the Yale and Towne Manufacturing Co., Stamford, Conn., today and a nationwide strike of 200,000 electrical workers threatened.

Six pickets were arrested on technical charges of breach of peace. The pickets were accused of resisting the efforts of company officials to enter the strike-bound plant.

It was the second time in two days that police had acted against pickets. The police labor detail in Chicago arrested 31 pickets at the Illinois Gear and Machine Co. yesterday.

Officials of the United Electrical Workers announced that the general executive board would authorize a strike early next month in 76 plants of the General Electric Co., Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co., and in General Motors' electrical appliance division.

\$2 Day Boost Wanted UE members are waging a campaign for a \$2-a-day pay boost, roughly the equivalent of the CIO United Auto Workers' 30 per cent demand.

Negotiations between General Motors and representatives of some 175,000 striking auto workers were at a standstill until tomorrow's scheduled meeting with President Truman's fact-finding committee.

Meanwhile, labor disputes kept a total of 498,000 workers away from their jobs across the country, a United Press survey disclosed.

ELKS GIVE \$100 TO LEGION FUND

The Grants Pass Elks led the Medford American Legion building fund rolling with a check for \$100, it was announced at the post meeting at the armory Wednesday night. Building finance chairman, O. L. Overmyer, reported that the building fund is making a rapid growth. Many organizations have signified their intention of aiding the veterans' project.

Preliminary plans have been drawn and the complete program will be presented for final approval at the next meeting, Wednesday, Jan. 9, according to building chairman, Merle Jarmin.

Commander Richard Baize announced that several offers of labor assistance have already been received and that as soon as plans are completed the assembly and club rooms will be rushed to completion.

Girl Admits Story Of Baby Kidnaping 'Dreamed Up' Hoax

Helena, Mont., Dec. 27 — (U.P.) — Marian King, 24, Williston, N. D., alias Loretta Anderson, admitted to authorities today that she "dreamed up" a story that an unidentified man pushed her from his car on the highway three miles north of here Christmas day and drove off with her four-week-old baby girl.

Sheriff E. R. (Chub) Munger reported that after further questioning the woman confessed "there was no baby or husband."

He said she carried a bundle in her arms to get "sympathy and rides."