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Knowland Would Back Leaving UN If Reds Admitted

San Francisco — (UP) — Sen. William P. Knowland warned the free world Saturday if any moves are made to bring Communist China into the United Nations he will call for Senate adoption of a resolution declaring "the United States will get out" of the U. N.

The Senate Majority Leader said if Red China was "allowed to shoot its way into membership in the United Nations," it would be "a violation of every moral principle in the U. N. charter."

National Bread Tax Studied; Farmers Pass Wheat Control

Washington — (UP) — Department of Agriculture officials are weighing the merits of a penny-a-loaf bread tax to help finance

Thirteen out of 61 eligible wheat farmers took part in the wheat quota election in Jackson county Friday, according to the Jackson county Production Marketing Association.

Of those voting, 10 were in favor of the quota and 3 were against it.

a proposed two-price support plan for wheat, the nation's basic food grain, it was disclosed Saturday.

Would Start in 1955

The plan, if approved by Congress and the President, would go into effect in 1955 when the present farm law expires. The tax would be levied on wheat processors who presumably would pass it on to the consumers.

Under the proposal, farmers would be guaranteed high prices for only as much of their wheat as goes into domestic food. Supports for wheat for exports, animal feed and kindred purposes would be lower.

Details of the plan became known on the heels of a nationwide referendum in which wheat farmers approved — by a record vote of more than 87 per cent — government production controls on their 1954 crop.

Would Have Cut Price

Had they voted down controls, price supports would have dropped to as low as 50 per cent of parity. The farmers also would have had to return to the so-called "free enterprise" system of growing and selling wheat competitively.

Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson called the vote "a wise decision." It means that supports under the current law will continue next year at 90 per cent of the "fair return" parity price for the entire crop. This averages about \$2.21 a bushel. Dropping of controls would have lowered the support price to about \$1.10 a bushel.

Dick Randall 28th In Driving Contest

Washington — (UP) — Dick Randall, 18-year-old Medford, Ore., high school graduate, Saturday ranked 28th among the 48 entrants in the National Road-eo contest here.

Randall scored a total of 720 points out of a possible 1,000 in the competition which included driving a specially-designed obstacle course, an actual road test in downtown Washington traffic, and a written examination.

Randall recently won the Oregon Road-eo title at Bend. Results of the contest were announced Friday night at an awards banquet.

Washington — (UP) — The Nation's new teen-age driving champion, 17-year-old Jimmy Miholick of Honolulu, said Saturday his best tip to other motorists is: "Develop a safe driving attitude."

Miholick outpointed 46 "state-side" youngsters and one from Canada to win first place honors in the three-day finals of the 1953 teen-age driving Road-eo which ended yesterday.

Berlin — (UP) — The first phase of the American-backed food program for East Germans ended Saturday after 2,600,000 Eastern residents had picked up Eisenhower food packages.

Medford Soldier Died in Prison, Communists State

Cpl. Phillip Todd Missing Three Years

The Defense Department Saturday announced that Cpl. Phillip J. Todd, Medford, is reported by the Communists to have died while in a Korean

Washington — (UP) — The Defense Department Saturday night released a heart-break list of 243 more American soldiers whom the Communists said either died in or escaped from Korean prison camps.

The new installments of the lists went out from the Pentagon with the customary notice — for whatever solace families of the men can find in it — that the reports were based entirely on the word of the Reds.

Identified were 210 American soldiers whom the Communists said died while in prison. It was the fourth such list, and raised to 568 the number of names in that group released thus far.

prison camp. The announcement was carried by United Press.

Corporal Todd is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Todd, 603 North Fir st. He was born and lived his entire life in Medford until enlisting in October, 1949 in the Army.

Lived at Howard

The family lived in the Howard district until after he completed the eighth grade and later moved into Medford proper where he attended Medford junior high school.

The evening before he was to start in Medford senior high school he was injured in a bicycle accident and after recovery did not continue his schooling.

For about a year before enlisting he worked at the Big-Y doing warehouse work and carrying groceries for customers.

The corporal received training at Ft. Ord, Calif., and left April, 1950, from this country for the Far East from Camp Stoneman, Calif. He served in combat with the infantry from July, 1950 until Nov. 28, 1950, when he was reported missing in action.

No Dirt Available

The only other information the family has had regarding him is a Defense department notification that Communists reported his name on a list of prisoners who died in their camps.

He has two brothers and three sisters, all living away from this vicinity with the exception of a sister, Ardith Todd, a student at Medford junior high school.

Cpl. Williams Now Heading for Home

A personal telegram from Cpl. Henry Frank Williams, 24, just released from a North Korean prisoner of war camp, was received Friday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Williams of 48 Mace rd. in Medford.

The brief message simply stated "free again," and told his family he would be home soon. His parents reported that the message from their son, personally, completed official notices of his release.

After receiving the telegram they sought to find out what boat he would return to the United States on in order to meet him when he first landed.

It was learned yesterday by radio station KJYC that Williams left Inchon in Korea on Friday night aboard the Gen. W. F. Hase. The ship will dock at San Francisco in about two weeks, the station learned, when it was seeking information regarding a radio interview.

75 More American POWs Freed; 'Red Tape' Delays Troopship

Panmunjom, Sunday — (UP) — Seventy-five more Americans came back from Communist prison camps today to raise the total of GI's freed in Korean prisoner exchange over the 1,000 mark.

Appeared Well

The Americans, part of a contingent of 412 UN prisoners released by the Reds today, appeared well. They shouted and waved and leaped briskly from their trucks as they arrived at Freedom gate.

The Communists announced they would return 402 Allied

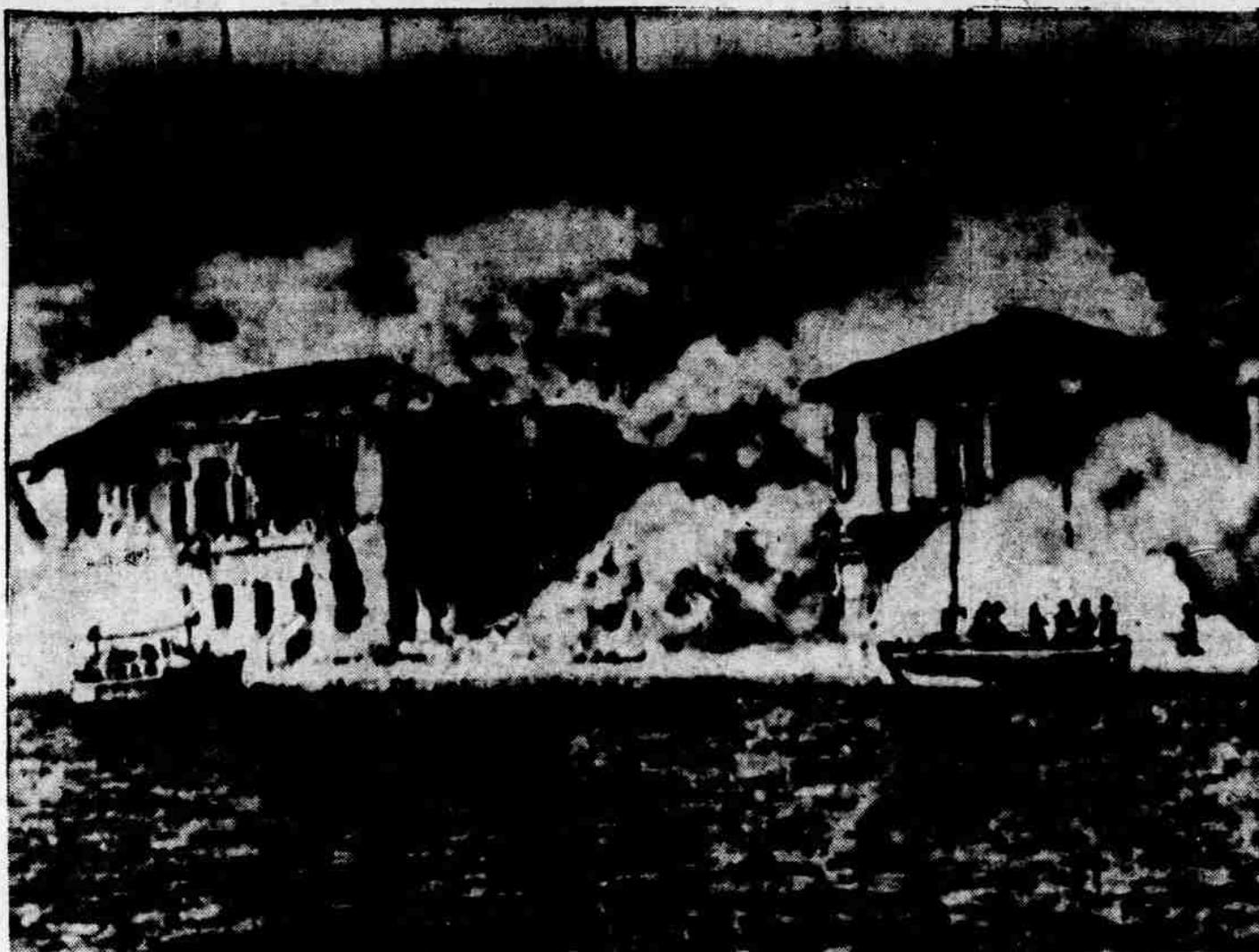
war prisoners tomorrow, including 75 Americans.

Another 437 American soldiers, released earlier in the 12-day-old operation "Big Switch," sailed from Inchon this morning aboard a troopship bound for San Francisco after a 14-hour delay caused by Army red tape.

Forms Left Ashore

It was discovered at the last minute someone had left the soldiers' administrative forms ashore and the ensuing delay forced the transport to wait for the next tide.

RUSSIA MAY ATTEND CONCLAVE



DISASTER BEYOND IMAGINATION—Two small boats carry survivors from a quayside at Argostoli, Greece, as new tremors rocked islands off the Greek coast. Death toll was unofficially estimated at 1000. In background of radiophoto above, clouds of dust partly envelop wrecked city.

Foresters Battle Blaze on Slopes Of Mt. McLoughlin

A 20-acre fire in brush and scrub alpine fires on the southwest slope of Mt. McLoughlin at timberline is proving to be a "son-of-a-gun" to combat, according to Jack Wood, supervisor of the Rogue River National forest.

No Dirt Available

The blaze, one of some 20 caused by lightning strikes in the past few days, is difficult to fight for several reasons:

There is no dirt to scrape away to make a fireline; the area is mostly in jagged lava flows.

There is no water; the nearest is 2,000 feet lower in elevation than the fire.

The nearest road is four miles away, and a trail runs only half this distance.

A variable wind, mostly from the east, was blowing Saturday at 25 to 30 miles per hour.

Wood said there is little danger of any valuable timber being threatened unless it spreads around the side of the mountain and down the slope. The firefighters are attempting to cut it off on the lower side.

Supplies Dropped

Bedrolls and supplies were dropped to the 40 men on the fire yesterday afternoon by a Mercy Flights plane, which was called into service because Forest Service planes are busy in other areas, mostly in California.

The fire will probably get bigger before it can be controlled, Wood said. All other fires in the forest, mostly in the Union Creek district, were small and were under control yesterday, he added.

The state forestry department reported that 10 fires were started by the lightning storms. All are small, the largest being about an acre, and all were controlled Saturday. They were scattered along the east side of the forest district between Prospect and the Dead Indian area.

Speeding British Passenger Trains Crash; Ten Killed

Manchester, England — (UP) Two speeding railroad trains collided with each other on a high viaduct Saturday that one crowded coach was hurled through a brick wall to carry at least 10 persons to death in a river bed 90 feet below.

All of the known dead were in the wreckage of the fallen coach. Authorities said it would not be known if there were other dead until the smashed car was pulled from the waters of the river.

More than 50 injured, many of them in serious condition, were taken to three Manchester hospitals.

Police, firemen, railway workers and volunteers pried open the twisted steel with crowbars and torches in a search for further victims.

The locomotive of the steam train and three other coaches of the electric train were derailed along the viaduct.

The dead included a seven-year-old boy, an elderly woman whose hand still clutched a ticket to a seaside resort, and the electric train's engineer who was identified as former Mayor Albert Hardman of Bury.

FIRES RAGING IN QUAKE RAVAGED CITIES OF GREECE

Athens, Greece — (UP) — Fires fed by stockpiles of olive oil raged through devastated cities of Greece's western islands Saturday as American and British Navy teams rounded up the dead and helped survivors of the worst earthquake in modern Greek history.

Bulldozers landed from warships crunched through the rubble, clearing debris and opening fire lanes. One huge cache of olive oil was moved out of danger of new fires which were eating their way back over stretches of ruins already blackened by earlier flames in the city of Zante.

Estimated 1,000 Dead In Greek Islands

The rescue work went on in devastated towns on the islands of Cephalonia, Ithaca and Zante, where the weeklong quakes have left an estimated 1,000 dead, 4,000 injured, and 100,000 homeless and destitute.

United Press Staff Correspondent Robert Musel flew from London to Zante aboard a naval plane. He reported that the ancient capital of that island is a "dead city."

Adm. J. H. Cassady, commander of the U. S. Sixth fleet, reported from the cruiser Salem lying off the port of Argostoli that the situation there was "still serious."

But he said British and American shore parties were making headway against blocked roads, fires and the threat of wholesale contamination from the hundreds of unburied dead bodies.

Parachute Food, Water

American and Greek planes continuously parachuted food and water to survivors while the corpses and the injured were being recovered.

The International Red Cross at Geneva reported that 10 nations were sending relief supplies to the quake-hit islands.

U. S. Navy demolition teams carefully planted dynamite charges among the piles of jagged masonry and splintered timber and blew them up to help others searching for bodies or trying to reach dazed and injured survivors.

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Local Pear Picking Set to Start Monday

The earliest pear crops will be ready to begin picking on Monday, according to the Jackson county agent's office.

Main picking of Bartlett pears will begin Aug. 24, and the picking of the d'anjou pears will begin about the first of September, it was reported.

Communists Call Additional Strikes Throughout France

Paris — (UP) — The Communists called new strikes Saturday in an effort to block a back-to-work movement by other unions and eventually force Premier Joseph Laniel to resign.

Union Out Monday

The Communists ordered its powerful Metallurgical Union to go on sit-down strikes Monday when the metallurgical industry, largest in France, returns to work after the annual August holiday.

The sit-down strike was called in the Bouches-du-Rhone departments which includes Marseille, the second city of France, stronghold of military Reds and often the scene of violent fighting between workers and security forces.

The Communists, through their General Confederation of Labor (GCT) control most of the workers in the industry. The strike call for Monday was seen as an important test of their ability to win control of the labor situation.

Seek Compromise

Other non-Communist union chiefs meanwhile made their first move to seek a compromise with the government since they began a wave of strikes 11 days ago that paralyzed most of the nation.

Socialist and other non-Communist unions who actually began the strike movement conferred privately and unofficially with government representatives to head off the Communist threat.

Seven Dead as Storm Heads Into Atlantic

Nantucket, Mass. — (UP) — The season's first major hurricane, which battered the Atlantic coast from Florida to Cape Cod, turned out to sea Saturday, leaving in its wake seven persons dead and some \$1,500,000 in damage.

The storm, which forced some 50,000 persons to flee the 500-mile coastal belt from North Carolina to Long Island, was headed seaward south of the Nova Scotia coast, the Weather bureau said. Canadian fishing boats fled to shelter as weathermen warned that winds up to 50 miles an hour would hit the coastline.

Yachts Washed Ashore

The hurricane's backwash whipped southern New England throughout the night. On the island of Nantucket, yachts were washed ashore. The Coast Guard said several others were taken in tow when their anchors failed to hold. But by noon the storm was 300 miles east of Boston.

Along the southern coast of Long Island more than 1,000 persons who heeded coast guard warnings to seek higher ground began moving back to their homes and to inventory the damage as the morning brought clear skies. Among those who fled large estates built on seaside dunes were Henry Ford II, and his family.

Families Return to Homes

Westhampton Beach's Mayor Paul Waldo estimated that 150 families complied with police warnings to leave their Long Island homes along the narrow peninsula between the ocean and Moriches Bay. The evacuees began returning today.

New York shipping, battered down for the big blow, returned to near-normal. The United States lines America, whose sailing was delayed six hours, was at sea.

Tentative Approval Given Soviet Bid To Far East Meet

United States Opposed To Inclusion of India

United Nations, N. Y. — (UP) — The United States has agreed tentatively to a United Nations proposal to include Russia in the Far East political conference, informed sources said Saturday.

The U. S., it was learned, will oppose a similar bid to India.

Met Three Hours

The disclosure came after the 16 nations whose troops fought for the U. N. in Korea met for three hours at the American delegation headquarters Saturday to iron out British and American differences over invitations to those two countries to attend the forthcoming conference. The political meeting on the Far East was set up by the Korean armistice agreement.

American Delegate Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., flanked by British Minister of State Selwyn Lloyd and French Deputy Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann, told newsmen after Saturday's meeting:

"We are rapidly approaching an area of very complete agreement on a great number of important subjects."

The conferees will meet again Sunday afternoon.

Lodge confirmed that the 16-nation group was working on more than one resolution dealing with the composition with the Far Eastern "Korean Peace" parity that is to be held by Oct. 27.

According to informants one would be sponsored by all or most of the 16 Allies and name the six to 10 nations among them who should represent the U. N. countries that waged the Korean campaign against Red aggression.

The other two would be individual resolutions naming Russia and India to attend.

Reliable sources said the commonwealth-European supporters of a U. N. bid to Russia had forged a resolution they believed the U. S. would vote for — thus apparently disposing of the chief issue standing between the U. S. and its major allies.

But they added that the U. S. still opposed India and that the New Delhi government might withdraw if it saw it could not win support from the U. S. and Russia. The U. S. was believed to command the votes needed to kill any bid to India.

Fire Spotter Brought Out for Operation

Merlyn Guss, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Guss, 721 Pennsylvania ave., underwent an emergency appendectomy late Friday, after being brought to Sacred Heart hospital from the top of the Bessie Rock forest lookout, where he was a fire spotter for the U. S. forest service.

Young Guss reported his illness by radio Friday, and forest service men immediately started out to get him down. The lookout is about 10 miles due east of Prospect, and Guss had to be carried down 3½ miles of trail where a Conger-Morris ambulance was waiting for him.