

Soviet, China Troops To Egypt Would Be Threat of Major War

Washington — (U.P.) — Russia and Red China would be flirting with a major war if they carried out their threats to send "volunteer" forces into Egypt, American officials said today.

President Eisenhower was expected to discuss these threats and other aspects of the Middle East crisis with his top advisers at a meeting today of the National Security Council. He also planned to confer with Acting Secretary of State Herbert Hoover Jr. later today.

The big hope in Washington is that arrival of the United Na-

tions police force in Egypt will eliminate any pretext the Communists might use to send forces to Egypt. This is why the United States has been pressing for a speedy arrival of the U.N. troops.

At his news conference Wednesday the President stressed the United States would oppose through the United Nations, any

attempt by the Communists to pour "volunteers" or weapons into Egypt.

He said he could not forecast specifically what the United States and the United Nations might do if Red troops and weapons moved into Egypt. But he recalled that the United Nations in 1950 had taken action against Communist aggression in

Korea. He also pointed out that the United Nations is not limited only to passing resolutions.

He clearly left the door open for any possible future action, saying:

"I don't know exactly what we would do. It would depend upon the circumstances."

Interpreted as Warning

The President's reliance on

the United Nations and his refusal to say what action the United States might take was interpreted in some diplomatic quarters as a warning to the Communists against intervening in the Middle East.

Actually, many diplomatic and military officials believe that the Russians are spreading the "volunteer" idea primarily for

propaganda effect in the Arab world.

Military men pointed out there are practical obstacles to moving large numbers of Soviet troops over land or sea to Egypt, and the Russians are aware of the risks. If they got their force into Egypt, they would encounter huge problems of supply and command.

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Maltreatment of Marine Recruits Told in Confession

Parris Island, S.C. — (U.P.) — Confessions of a demoted Marine drill corporal charged with maltreating recruits today uncovered details of forced balancing by a trainee a few inches above a naked bayonet.

Pfc Frederick A. Renton, 19, of New York City, also admitted subjecting Marine boots to "blanket party" and "shower surprise" beatings.

18 Counts of Cruelty

Renton went on trial Wednesday before 10 Marine officers on 16 specific counts of cruelty at this Marine training center. Renton, in pleading guilty Wednesday to two of the specifications, admitted that he forced recruit Pvt. Douglas A. Ploof to "suspend himself by his elbows and toes" for about five minutes above a bayonet pointed at his stomach by another recruit, Pvt. Edward R. Juneau Jr.

This apparent variation of a common military punishment of making victims crawl on elbows and toes occurred last Sept. 19, about six weeks after the publicized "death march" trial of former S-Sgt. Matthew C. McKeon. Six recruits drowned during a march into nearby swamplands, touching off national attention on Marine Corps training methods.

Renton also confessed that on Sept. 27, he "caused recruits to participate in assaults against each other and to inflict unnecessary pain and injury to themselves." But he pleaded innocence on the 16 other counts.

Renton could receive up to 20 years and six months if given maximum sentences on all the charges.

Benson Warns on Shift of Power

Washington — (U.P.) — Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson warned today continued shift of power to the federal government may make the state hollow shells.

Benson said there has been a tremendous shift in the last 25 years from individual to governmental responsibility in many phases of economic and social life. At the same time, he said, "we have seen a rapid shift of responsibility from the states to the federal government."

Benson listed the magnitude of these changes in a speech prepared for a meeting of the American association of Land-grant colleges and universities.

He said the federal government 25 years ago received one-fourth of all taxes collected in the United States; now, he said, the federal government collects three-fourths of all taxes.

Mrs. Roosevelt Eyes Lack of Leadership

Milwaukee — (U.P.) — Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt said Wednesday England and France, had "great provocation" to send troops into Egypt because of this country's "lack of leadership."

She said the United States gave England and France "no hope of leadership" after Egypt's Nasser seized the canal.

"I understand their action, but I regret it," Mrs. Roosevelt said at a news conference.

The Dalles Boy Dies After Bike Accident

The Dalles — (U.P.) — A seven-year-old The Dalles boy died in a local hospital yesterday, the result of a bicycle accident Sunday.

Dead was Robert Rasey, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rasey.

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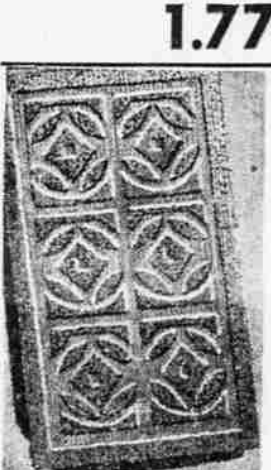
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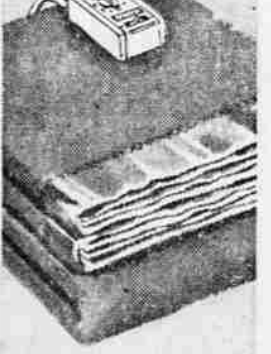
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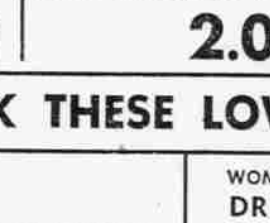
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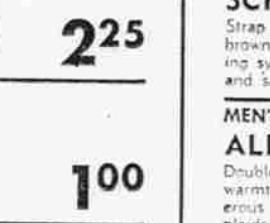
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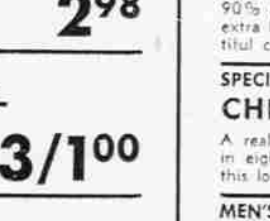
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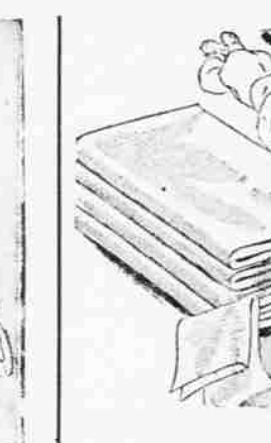
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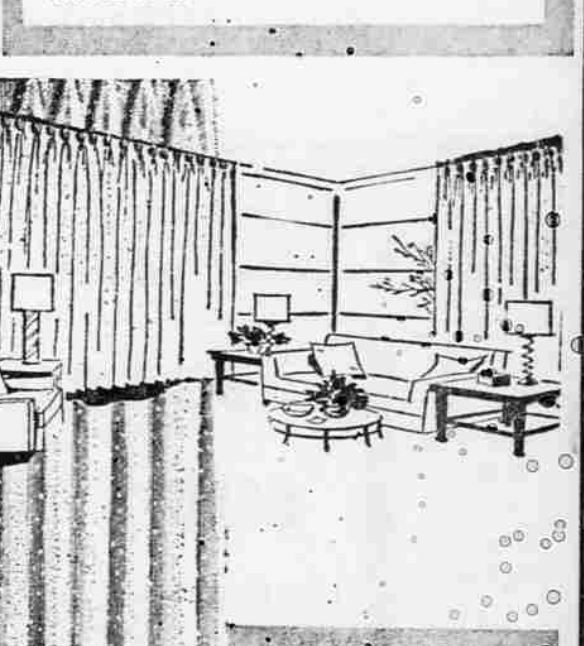
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