

# Speculation Rife As To Degree Of Aid That Could Be Given UN By British

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WASHINGTON (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill's address to Congress Thursday left open the question of just how much aid Britain could help in applying "prompt, resolute and effective" action against a violation of the proposed Korean truce.

He said Britain and the United States are agreed this would be "our" response should an armistice once arrived at, be broken.

His statement was generally accepted as referring to the original proposal of the United States that any truce should be unqualified by an implied ultimatum that Red China would be bombed and blockaded if the Communists launched a new aggression in Korea.

The Prime Minister did not spell out the form the promised resolute action would take. That raised such questions as these:

1. How much military force could Britain—deeply committed to the defense of her own island and Western Europe and in trouble in Egypt—divert to the Far East to help support a punitive operation?
2. Did Churchill's statement mean that Britain was prepared to end her recognition of the Chinese Red government by joining in air-sea operations against China's harbors, commerce and industry?

If for any one or all of various reasons Britain was unable to contribute more than token support—Churchill noted the U.S. is bearing nine-tenths of the burden in the Korean war—the task of punitive measures would fall almost entirely on this country.

Fortunately, the requirements would be greatest in the type of armed forces where the United States is strongest, sea and air.

The American fleet is the world's largest.

The total strength of the United States Air Force is about 80 wings, of which an undisclosed but fractional part are in the Korean War.

However, Air Force officials, viewing growing Red air strength in Asia and in Russia, say it isn't enough, that at least 143 wings are needed.

On the ground, the United States has only eight divisions in the Far East, seven of them in action in Korea.

There is nothing to indicate an intention to increase the number of ground units there.

That force apparently is considered adequate to hold the line across Korea until a truce is reached or to turn to new tactics if it isn't.

Moreover, reasons other than tactical quite possibly may underlie such policy. The broad plan now appears to be a buildup of strategic reserve forces at home, rather than a continued expansion of ground forces in theaters chosen by Moscow.



**LAWRENCE SMITH**—17-year-old son of Mrs. M. A. Benedict, 2215 Etna, finishing boot camp at San Diego, spent Christmas here with his mother. When he completes his training he will be assigned to the USS Princeton, where a twin brother, Lloyd is stationed. They expect to be sent overseas sometime in March. Both boys attended KUHS. Miller-Brumbaugh

**GIFT**—The Oregon State Elks Association has announced another \$4300 contribution to the State Medical School for aid to visually handicapped children. That brought to \$14,000 the amount the Elks have given to the school in the past year.

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## School Election Set February 15

LAKEVIEW—School District No. 7 (Lakeview) has announced a special election for Feb. 15 in which voters of the district will be asked to float a \$270,000 bond issue for new school construction.

The money would be used to construct an eight to 10-room school for the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grades on property bought a few months ago by the school district in the Drenkel Addition near the South School.

Purpose of the program is to move these grades from the Central building and relieve crowded conditions in the High School due to increased enrollment.

## Range Drill Model Slated

LAKEVIEW—A six-foot rubber tired model of the Fremont Range Drill will be constructed by Forest Service technicians at the Arcadia, Equipment Development Center, it was reported here by John Kucera, Fremont National Forest staff member in charge of range management, who returned Jan. 12, from Arcadia.

The Fremont drill was created and built by Kucera and Nat Smith when Smith was head mechanic for the Fremont last winter. It features extra high wheels and seeding units which operate separately in order to pass over large rocks. The design was made especially for seeding rugged range areas.

Kucera just spent a week at Arcadia consulting with engineers who have been charged with designing and building a six-foot trial model of the drill. The full scale model made by Kucera and Smith was operated successfully in drilling operations on the Chewaucan River the past fall.

## Britons Vote For Sunday

LONDON (AP)—Sunday won first place in a poll to determine which day of the week the British like the most.

Saturday finished a close second and Blue Monday ended up just where you'd expect, said the British Mass Observation Bulletin.

The 33 per cent who placed Sunday No. one on their hit parade explained in general that they liked its passive, leisure, "do as you please" atmosphere.

The 25 per cent who plumped for Saturday did so because it is "active, exciting and colorful, with plenty of shopping, sport, film and theatre going."

Blue Monday was picked for last place by a solid 32 per cent of those polled.

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## Denio To Head Savings and Loan

LAKEVIEW—A. M. Denio was elected president of the Lakeview Federal Savings & Loan Association Jan. 15 at the annual meeting of the group. The meeting was held at the association headquarters in the offices of the Favell-Utley Realty Company.

Denio succeeds R. E. Harlan as president. Other officers elected are M. M. Barry, first vice-president; E. G. Favell, secretary-treasurer; M. K. Nelson, assistant secretary-treasurer; Forest E. Cooper, attorney.

Other members of the board of directors are D. E. O'Connor, J. H. Ousley, B. C. Robinson and Harlan.

The brightest lighthouse in the United States is the one at Hillsboro Inlet, Fla., with a candlepower of 5,500,000.

## Rancher Taken Into Town

LAKEVIEW—A rescue mission, using the Fremont National Forests new Sno-Cat and county road equipment, succeeded Jan 16 in bringing Charles Builta to Lakeview from his snowbound home at the mouth of Dent Creek, at the West side of Drews Creek Valley.

Built was found ill at his home Tuesday by Tim Toomey and asked Toomey to notify Sheriff Tommy Elliott so he could be brought out. Toomey, who with others had gone horseback to Builta's home, found him out of firewood and the livestock without feed.

On Tuesday evening, Elliott contacted John McDonald, supervisor of the Fremont, and arranged for use of the Sno-Cat, which travels across snow on wide treads at the rear and skis in front. He also arranged for use of the county equipment to haul the Sno-Cat to Drews Valley, and the party left Lakeview at 9:30 Wednesday morning. In the party were Elliott, McDonald, Deputy Sheriff Todd Shelton, Ranger Don Peters; Bill Bowman, driver of the county grader; and Lee Tracy Sno-Cat driver.

**CASUALTIES**

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Defense Department Thursday identified six additional casualties of the Korean war. The list (No. 481) included two killed, two injured, one wounded and one missing.

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