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Some Progress Made In Korean Truce Parleys

By ROBERT B. TUCKMAN
MUNSAN, Korea (AP)—The Communists hinted Tuesday that Red China would wash its hands of direct participation in administering a Korean armistice. The hint was cryptic and indirect, it came during a meeting of staff officers on truce supervision at which the U.N. Command reported "progress was being made."

In another truce meeting, however, Reds rejected an Allied plan for exchanging prisoners. The Communists were promptly told they "must contribute something" if an agreement is to be reached. The Chinese hands-off hint was made by a North Korean during discussion of an 18-page U.N. program for supervising the truce. The Allied plan provided that civil administration of the Red half of a demilitarized zone would be the joint responsibility of the Supreme Commander of the Korean Peoples Army and the Commander of the Chinese Peoples Volunteers.

North Korean Col. Chang Chun San, principal Red staff officer, asked that the word "joint" and the phrase "Commander of the Chinese Peoples Volunteers" be stricken. This would leave administration of the area exclusively in the hands of North Koreans. Brig. Gen. William F. Nuckols, U.N. Command spokesman, commented "if this is an indication the Chinese don't want to have anything to do with administering an armistice 'it is the first time to my knowledge'."

There was no implication that the Chinese considered withdrawing their troops during an armistice. The Reds tentatively agreed to the first 12 paragraphs of the 64 paragraph Allied draft. But they raised objections to the 13th, the last considered before they adjourned for the day.

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SOCE Enrollment Figures Rising

Enrollment at Southern Oregon college for the winter term is 4 per cent greater than during the fall quarter this year. It was announced today by Mrs. Mabel W. Winston, registrar and dean of women. A total of 600 students is enrolled in the Ashland institution. Mrs. Winston said there is an increase of 9 per cent in the number of new students as compared with the same period last year. She said college authorities are pleased to see the upswing in attendance as young men and women defy the many challenges of today to continue their educations. Winter term will continue until March 18. Spring quarter will begin March 24 and last until June 6.

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Three-Way Presidential Race Shaping Up In N.H. Preference Vote Mar. 11

By The Associated Press
The possibility of a three-way Republican race loomed Tuesday in New Hampshire's March 11 presidential preference balloting, first in the nation this year. Gen. Eisenhower already is qualified, backers say Sen. Taft of Ohio will enter Tuesday and it was possible Harold E. Stassen would file by deadline Wednesday. The word on Taft came from Ted Johnson in Concord, head of New Hampshire's Bob Taft club. Taft, stumping in Florida, had no comment. But he spoke out, before lastly cheering crowds, on issues like foreign policy and honesty in government. He talked at Tampa, St. Petersburg and Orlando. Stassen, on leave as president of the University of Pennsylvania, opened his Illinois preferential primary campaign at a dinner in Decatur Monday night. He discussed foreign policy, saying he disagreed with both President Truman and Sen. Taft. In Boston, meanwhile, a CIO union convention was due to vote Tuesday on a resolution questioning Gen. Eisenhower's right to labor support. The resolution declares "Eisenhower stands to the right of Taft and possibly to the right of Hoover on domestic issues."

Tax Taker Gets 2 Years

BOSTON (AP)—Denis W. Delaney, ousted collector of internal revenue for Massachusetts, was sentenced Tuesday to two years' imprisonment and fined \$10,500 on convictions of receiving \$7,500 in bribes and falsifying that \$180,000 in tax liens had been satisfied. Federal Judge Charles E. Wyanski Jr. sentenced Delaney to two years in prison on each of three counts in an indictment which charged he received \$7,500 to influence tax decisions. The court ordered that the terms be served concurrently. Delaney, while collector, was accused of soliciting and receiving. The sentence also included disqualification of Delaney to "hold any position of honor and profit" in the United States government.

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