# op Jet Ace ulled Out Of orean Combat

UK (AP) — The Air Force today Capt. Joseph McConnell Jr., world's top jet ace, to fly no combat missions over Korea. California native jet pilot his 14th, 15th and 16th MIGs today.

air war quieted today after days of savage sky battles, but ground Red Chinese battalions hit Allied positions in Central Eastern Korea.

Korean bayonets and bullets turned back both assaults and pushed down one-fourth of the Red

Fernandez, of Apple Valley, shot down three Communist over North Korea Monday to the title of No. 1 jet ace Capt. Manuel Fernandez Jr., Miami, Fla., who has 14 kills. Fernandez was grounded Monday and both aces will leave for within a few days, the Air said. Fernandez has flown missions and McConnell 106. jet pilots normally fly 100 missions before returning Both had asked for 25 more. jets invading North Korea Tuesday spotted Communist in the distance, but Red showed no desire to tangle, the Air Force said.

In six days of aerial combat ending Monday the Reds lost 36 MIGs and probably lost two. Sixteen were damaged.

Tuesday's ground assaults followed several days of relative quiet along the 155-mile battlefront.

One reinforced Chinese battalion of about 800 men slammed into outposts on Snipe Ridge in Central Korea and the momentum of the attack carried some Reds through a hail of small arms and artillery fire into South Korean trenches.

Fresh ROK troops thrown into the battle drove the Reds back to their own lines with 257 killed or wounded, the Eighth Army said.

On the Eastern Front another Chinese battalion bypassed four outposts and attacked the main Allied front line at Christmas Hill. The Reds were driven back in an all-night battle and a South Korean relief column found all four of the bypassed outposts still in ROK hands, the Army said.

Col. John W. Mitchell, Enid, Miss., commander of the 51st Fighter Wing, announced that McConnell soon would head for home following a conference at Fifth Air Force headquarters.

"He is more valuable to the Air Force alive than dead," said Col. Edward Szamawski of Scarsdale, N. Y., 51st Wing deputy commander. "Mac is so far out of reach for MIG kills now that there's no use pushing it."

McConnell had received permission earlier to fly 125 missions, and Monday he said he had put in for another 25, or 150 altogether.

Fernandez also asked permission to fly 150 missions, but was turned down.

Twenty-eight Sabre jets flying as fighter-bombers attacked a Red troop concentration near Chariyon north of the Western Front Tuesday, while other Allied fighter-bombers bombed and strafed Communist artillery positions along the front, the Air Force said.

Eighteen B29 Superforts from Okinawa dumped bombs on a big Communist troop and supply area at Yangsi, 10 miles southeast of Sinuiju deep in Northwest Korea.

# lons Clash ver Name

SHINGTON (AP) — Oregon Washington congressmen pre- d rival views Monday before ate Public works subcommit- ver the naming of the back- pool at McNary Dam.

pool will form a 64-mile- lake on the border between two states.

Holmes (R) and Magnuson (D) of Washington, urged subcommittee to name the pool "Wallula" to perpetuate the of Wallula, in Walla Walla ty, Wash., which has been ed by the backing waters.

Cain (R-Ore.) proposed Umatilla to retain the name pids which will be smoothed by the Columbia River dam.

subcommittee took the ques- under advisement. The chair Rep. Mack (R.-Wash.).

STRIKE ENDS

ARIS (AP) — France's costly 23- old maritime strike ended day as ship's officers at Le ed to return to work at The officers fell in line with decision of the Communist- ating General Confederation abor and the Christian Work- Union which accepted Prem- Rene Meyer's offer to arbitrate.


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