

Latest Surveys Show Red Long-Range Air Force Big And Powerful; Threat Seen

WASHINGTON (AP)—Russia now has between 900 and 1,000 planes in operating units of its long-range bombing force, according to a new estimate of Soviet war power.

Allies To Work Out Truce Plan

TOKYO (AP)—Allied headquarters today worked on a revised Korean truce plan to be presented to the Reds next week at Panmunjom, possibly on a "now or never" basis.

Authoritative sources who insisted on anonymity said the plan contained some phases of the India plan approved by the United Nations Assembly last December.

These sources said new ideas have been gained by the U. N. Command in long-range consultations with allies on the deadlocked prisoner exchange issue, main stumbling block to a Korean truce.

They took an optimistic view of the talks, which resume Monday, without revealing what the U. N. proposal will be.

They hinted a time limit on the talks may be enforced with the Communists being told to act "now or never." This was emphasized by the statement a few days ago of a high source at U. N. Command headquarters.

"We are not going to let these things drag out. We are going to keep hitting at the stumbling blocks trying to iron them out."

The Red Peiping radio today quoted British Communist reporter Alan Winnington as saying:

"Amidst all speculations about what the Americans may or may not do next Monday, it is well to state clearly what they cannot do. As far as the Korean and Chinese side is concerned, all propositions to hand the prisoners over to their enemies is utterly unacceptable."

Any difference of treatment between Korean and Chinese prisoners is utterly unacceptable. Any restrictions aimed at tying in advance the hands of the neutral powers (a five-nation neutral reparations commission) so as to prevent proper explanations to the prisoners, whom the Americans have terrorized, is utterly unacceptable."

Winnington's statements often reflect thinking of the Red truce delegation.

version of the U. S. Air Force's B29. They represent only those aircraft in organized, ready-to-operate squadrons.

The 900-to-1,000 figure does not include bombers in production or in reserve.

The TU4s are considered capable of reaching virtually any large industrial city in the U. S. with atomic bombs.

The calculations of Soviet war making capabilities place the number of Red interceptor planes in operationally ready units at several thousand. Actually, these figures are fairly definite, but the exact numbers used in official estimates may not be disclosed.

In the past, there have been unofficial estimates that the total number of aircraft in the Red Air Force of all types and ages—be about 40,000.

Secretary of Defense Wilson told a news conference last week the U. S. Air Force now has in excess of 20,000 planes, the Navy and Marine Corps about 9,900.

Yesterday, during an appearance before a Senate committee, Deputy Secretary of Defense Hoyt H. H. Kyles was asked about comparative air strength. A committee member commented that everyone knows Russia has more planes than the U. S.

"I don't subscribe to that," Kyles said.

This served to add to the confusion about what is known officially of Russian air power.

Wilson, in a committee appearance Tuesday, said it was difficult to determine the exact size of the Soviet air arm. The secretary said he thinks the U. S. has more long-range bombers than Russia.

"Do we have very many more?" a committee member asked.

"The Iron Curtain is pretty thick," was Wilson's reply.

But Wilson's apparent uncertainty seemed to contrast with a remark last Friday by Gen. Omar Bradley, outgoing chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Bradley said that, in deciding how strong U. S. forces should be, the Joint Chiefs "have good intelligence on the capabilities of potential enemies" and that "the yardstick of military measurement is rather accurate."

She was elected by the 500 students from a court of six girls. The others are white.

The queen is Thelma Graham, a Vancouver, Wash., contralto who is hoping for a concert career. She intends to transfer to Willamette University for her final two years of college.



HEY, WAIT FOR ME! — A French soldier (arrow) slips and is almost submerged as his unit fords river near Hanoi, Indochina. It is in this strategic Red River delta area that two fresh Viet Minh Communist divisions are advancing to join in the battle. On the perimeter of the rice-rich area, troops from three other Red divisions harassed French outposts virtually within earshot of Hanoi. An all-out Viet Minh offensive appeared in the offing just as General Henri Navarre arrived at Saigon to take command of French forces.

Chamber Of Commerce Pays Tribute To Roy Rakestraw

Klamath County Chamber of Commerce directors paid tribute to the memory of the late Roy Rakestraw, treasurer of the organization, at their weekly luncheon Wednesday in the Winema Hotel.

Rakestraw was fatally injured in a recent automobile accident. A memorial prayer was offered by the Rev. Galen Onstad, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Lloyd Porter, assistant manager of the First National Bank, was the forum speaker.

George Davis, president of the chamber, announced that V. J. McNeill of the Portland Visitation Service, will address the directors at their luncheon meeting next Wednesday.

Champ Car To Be Shown

Friday, May 22, and Saturday, May 23, Basin Motors, 424 South Sixth St., will display the Grand Champion of the 1953 Mexican Pan-American-Highway stock car race.

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Car Plants Slowed By Walkouts

DETROIT (AP)—Layoffs engulfed or threatened 150,000 or more auto workers today as half a dozen major manufacturers reported their flow of parts choked off by supplier strikes.

Ford Chrysler, Studebaker, Willys, Nash and International Harvester all figured in the mushrooming production cuts.

They attributed their moves to three supplier strikes: at Ford's Canton, O., forge plant; at Borg-Warner's Warner Gear Division plant at Muncie, Ind., and at the Budd Company car body stamping plant here.

This was the situation: Ford laid off an unannounced number of employees at its big Rouge plant in neighboring Dearborn yesterday and said that was the start of layoffs which will idle 55,000 employees across the nation within the next five days.

only source of forgings for cars and trucks.

Chrysler sent 27,000 employees home from its Chrysler, De Soto and Dodge assembly plants here yesterday. It said a jurisdictional dispute at the Budd plant had halted the inflow of car bodies. About 8,000 Budd workers were idle.

Studebaker, Willys, Nash and International Harvester all said the Warner Gear strike, also a month old, was hurting them.

Studebaker announced last night it was cutting from three-shift to one-shift operations next Monday because of a lack of transmissions normally supplied by Warner. Only cars with automatic transmissions will be assembled, the company said. It was uncertain, a spokesman said, how many of Studebaker's 23,000 workers might be affected.

workers yesterday for a lack of transmissions. Another 3,000 employees in nonauto divisions were kept on the job.

Some 4,100 Nash workers at Milwaukee and Kenosha, Wis., plants have been idle since Monday because of the Warner strike.

International Harvester has laid off more than 3,000 production workers at Springfield, O., for the same reason.

The Warner plant has been closed since April 20 by a strike of CIO United Auto Workers members in a dispute over incentive pay.

The Budd strike, not authorized by the UAW, stems from a jurisdictional fight between millwrights and repairmen.

The Canton, Ford strike, which also dates back to April 20, involves about 1,400 workers and centers around pay rates for various job classifications.

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