

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
Truce dope (I don't care much for the word "dope," but it seems to be the only one that fits): South Korea's President Rhee: "My country will follow its own course of action unless the reds agree that within six months after a truce is signed they will leave North Korea."
The red Chinese radio: "Rhee's statement is a pretext to wreck the armistice... American connivance with Rhee has placed the armistice in great danger."

Meanwhile—
The communies at Panmunjom continue work on the new pagoda-like building where an armistice is to be signed—if it is signed. The red radio refrains from saying that a truce is impossible. It goes on muttering in its beard that the task of achieving a truce is being made very difficult.

Conclusion—if any?
The soundest one is that if the reds WANT a truce there will be one. If they don't want a truce, there will be no truce.

Here are the realistic facts of the situation:

1. If the reds don't get out of North Korea at the end of six months and if President Rhee and South Korea "follow their own course of action," they won't get far unless we go along with them. Little South Korea, no matter how courageous she may be, can't lick the whole communist world alone and single-handed.

2. If we back away from little South Korea and leave her to be butchered by the communists, our reputation as the DEFENDER of FREEDOM throughout the world won't be worth a plugged nickel. That's about the way it stands.

What I'm getting at is that if there IS a truce it won't end our troubles. It will merely put an end to the killing and the maiming of American boys in a foreign war that we can't afford to lose and think we can't afford to win.

Nothing could be more PROFITLESS than a foreign war you can't afford to lose and think you can't afford to win.

A delegation of cattlemen from the West and the Southwest visits President Eisenhower in Washington to urge federal price support for beef. They ask a rate of 90 per cent of parity, and say that is the only way the cattle industry can be stabilized.

Well, if you're going to support feed prices at 90 per cent of "parity," you've just about got to support beef prices at 90 per cent of parity. And if you support beef prices you've just about got to support other livestock prices.

If you do that (thus making it profitable to go on raising meat animals regardless of supply and demand) meat will be as plentiful as grain is now piling up in the elevators.

One of the easiest things in the world is to pass a law guaranteeing EVERYBODY a profit. One of the hardest things in the world is to make such a law WORK.

Temperature Drops Below 32

PRINEVILLE (AP) — The temperature dropped below freezing in Central Oregon Wednesday night, nipping some vines and forming ice at higher elevations.
The temperature here and at Bend was 31 degrees. It was 29 at Ochoco Ranger Station east of here.

But County Agent E. L. Woods said he thought there would be little if any crop damage. However, low-lying fields of beans and potatoes showed there had been a frost.

At Ochoco Ranger Station, where there is a tourist camp, the frosty morning brought a heavy demand for fire wood, rangers said, reporting a trace of ice on some still water.



DORA GODDARD, Chief Deputy for the Sheriff's office, found herself under the scrutiny of the nine o'clock lense this morning.



PRINCESS MARGARET (center) extends hand to Premier Sir Godfrey Huggins of Southern Rhodesia ending her recent tour of South African colony. The British government indicated Queen Elizabeth II had given the Princess permission to wed a divorced man. He is Group Capt. Peter Townsend (right), new British Air Attache in Brussels, pictured as he walks from Belgian Defense Ministry following his first official visit. Princess Margaret, sister of Queen Elizabeth II, is 22, Townsend, 38.

Mine Riots Reported In East Zone

BERLIN (AP) — New riots in the Soviet-run uranium mines of East Germany were reported today as a fresh wave of arrests by Communist police spread over the rebellious Russian zone.

The U. S. High Commission news paper Neue Zeitung said troops of the East German "people's army" have been rushed into the Erz Gebirge uranium mining area along the Czech border to put down the miners' new uprising.

The paper said 200 miners have been arrested this week for "open rioting." They were demanding release of 1,200 comrades arrested in the big anti-Communist revolt of June 17.

Schwarzenberg and Johanngeorgenstadt, two mining towns between Aue and the Czech border, were named as the main trouble centers. This area produces rich uranium ore used by Russia to make atom bombs.

A new campaign of terror swept through the Communist zone as police and courts combined in a concerted drive to suppress the danger of a new mass revolt.

Refugees fleeing to West Berlin told of night raids by police into hundreds of homes and mass roundup of suspected trouble makers in many cities. They said the wave of arrests began Tuesday.

"Red Hilde" Benjamin, the new justice minister, was busy carrying out her announced program of cracking down on strikers through the court system she heads. Hundreds of people acquitted and released after the June 17 revolt were reported rearrested. Others who got off with light sentences have had their cases reopened for an increase of penalties.

Many Justice Ministry workers were reported fired—and some arrested—for dealing too gently with riot participants.

Police joined civilians in fleeing before the wave of Communist vengeance. Twenty-one members of the Communist "people's police" and 562 other refugees, including a former state secretary in the East German Construction Ministry, reported to West Berlin police yesterday and asked for asylum.

Unconfirmed reports of partisan resistance along the German-Polish border continued to seep through the Iron Curtain.

Something To Do 2:33-5:11 Sunday Morning

Early risers in this area have a treat in store next Sunday morning.

According to J. Hugh Pruett, astronomer, extension division, Oregon Higher Education System, Eugene, a total eclipse of the moon is scheduled for the early hours of July 26.

"The moon will enter the umbra (dark shadow), at 2:33 a.m., Pacific Standard Time," he stated. "Totality will start at 3:30 a.m. It will end at 5:11 a.m. PST, or a considerable time after moonset. The moon will be in the southwest and will set at about the time the sun rises."

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3. The hall for the signing was nearly completed, with interior decorations to be installed Friday.

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Latest Hint: Cease-Fire In 3 Days

By ROBERT B. TUCKMAN

PANMUNJOM, Korea (AP) — Persistent reports that a Korean truce might be signed with 72 hours gained strength Friday from a North Korean broadcast hinting broadly that the armistice document was complete and that the Reds were ready to approve it formally.

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Half-Million Men In Pending Strikes

Woodworkers Decide Not To Strike

PORTLAND (AP) — The CIO International Woodworkers union will not call a region-wide strike to enforce contract demands in the Pacific Northwest, President Al Hartung said Thursday.

He said union members in a referendum turned down strike action by a 47-vote margin.

Hartung did not give the vote totals, but the union represents upward of 40,000 woods and mill workers of the region.

Local unions now can strike or reach local settlements as they wish, Hartung said.

The union negotiating committee recommended that employees of

Weyerhaeuser Timber Company accept a 5-cent hourly pay increase offered by that company.

Most of the industry refused, in negotiations which started early in the year, to grant pay increases. Most companies offered only to renew the present contract which has varying base pay scales.

However, the big Weyerhaeuser company offered a 5-cent hourly boost to its 7,000 workers, and Hartung said a similar offer was made by these firms and settlement with them was reached: Edward Hines Lumber Co., West Fir, Ore.; and Erickson Logging Co., Levin Logging Co., and McCorkie Bros., Inc., in the Raymond, Wash., area.

In many instances locals settled directly and in virtually all of the cases reported, the settlement was for renewal of the old contract. Some 5,000 workers are thought to be covered by these contract renewals.

Hartung said that although the region-wide strike was rejected "a number of local unions cast strong strike-action votes," and the matter now goes back to them "to take whatever action they see fit."

The recommendation on accepting the Weyerhaeuser offer calls for a vote by Weyerhaeuser employees by Aug. 1.

Atom Plant, Copper Seen Most Vital

WASHINGTON (AP) — Well over a half-million workers are poised for a possible mid-summer series of strikes across the nation.

They include about 100,000 workers in the vital copper-producing industry and more than 5,000 at the Oak Ridge, Tenn., atomic energy plant.

Many of the unions involved are seeking pay boosts like those earlier this year in the steel and auto industries. Pay increases have been running in the neighborhood of 5 to 10 cents an hour.

Probably the most imminent strike threat is at the Oak Ridge atomic plant, where AFL workers are asking higher wages and other benefits. One of the installations threatened with strike action is the atomic laboratory which builds experimental projects for scientists.

The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service won a 10-day postponement of a threatened strike at Oak Ridge but the respite period runs out at midnight Sunday.

Nearly 200,000 telephone workers across the nation are talking strike. The CIO's Communications Workers Union says it has not set any date as yet for a walkout. But phone exchange workers in Los Angeles, several cities in Indiana and in Maryland and Virginia have staged "quickie" walkouts of several days each.

The International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers (IUMS) recently announced that workers at the Anaconda, Kennecott, Phelps-Dodge and American Smelting and Refining Companies voted 9-1 for strike action.

Contracts at three of the firms already have expired and the other one — with Phelps-Dodge — expires next week.

Still another dispute causing concern among federal mediators involves 75,000 members of the AFL Teamsters Union with the California Processors and Growers Association.

Several firms in the farm equipment industry are being pressed by unions to match the increases given earlier in the auto industry.

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Big Assault On One Man

'One Goonie Stuck His Head Into The Bunker And I Shot Him In The Face With My .45'

(Editors: The following story of how a Marine sergeant beat off Red attackers in a cramped bunker on Outpost Berlin and then lived for 60 hours behind Communist lines was written by Capt. Verle E. Ludwig, a Marine combat reporter, and distributed by The Associated Press.)

By CAPT. VERLE E. LUDWIG

WESTERN FRONT, Korea (AP) — A Haggard young Marine squad leader Thursday told how he lived for 60 hours in Communist territory on nothing but rice paddy water and ice-cold nerve.

It started Sunday night when the sergeant was trapped in a cave-in bunker that crumbled around him under heavy Chinese shelling before the Red attack on Outpost Berlin in the 1st Marine Division sector.

"The next thing I knew," said Sgt. Robert E. Rich, Cincinnati, Ohio, "goonies were talking all around me. They'd moved in right under their own artillery."

"They started yelling for me to lay down my weapon and surrender," the 22-year-old veteran of many patrols into no-man's land said.

"I guess those were the only English words they knew."

"One goonie stuck his head into the cave-in bunker and I shot him in the face with my .45."

"Then there was another and I blasted him at point blank range."

"I guess they didn't know that that shot finished off my ammo

because there were no more to stick their heads in. But at least they knew I wasn't about to surrender because they threw a grenade in with me. It had a long fuse on it though, and I had time to pick it back out before it went off."

"Next came a charge of explosives packed in a long iron pipe," Rich continued, "and I was just shoving that back out the opening when the thing went off."

The blast knocked the sergeant back across and bunker and dazed him. He was cut on the face, arms and hands by fragments. When he regained consciousness he looked outside and the Chinese saw him. A Red soldier stuck head and shoulders into the bunker opening and began to fire at the Marine.

Rich escaped by sliding out a rear opening of the bunker and working his way down the slope of the outpost hill toward enemy territory.

The squad leader, who has been in Korea since February, hid the next day near an abandoned rice paddy where he could get some water. He had no food.

The following night — 24 hours after he escaped from the bunker — Rich again took to the darkened trails.

He climbed a hill toward what he thought was the Marine front line and shouted his identity near two machine gun positions. But then he discovered he was deeper in enemy territory. He had walked

under the muzzles of the two Chinese machine gun nests.

"They began to shoot at me," Rich said, "and fire mortars around me. So I knew I was still a little off base."

"I circled around to the Berlins," the sergeant continued, "and started working my way up over the shoulder of East Berlin."

East Berlin is the other half of the two cities positions, wrested from the Marines Sunday night in savage fighting.

Rich found his escape route blocked on East Berlin. So he doubled back deeper into enemy country to switch toward Allied lines in the saddle between the fallen outposts.

He spent the day hiding in a rocky niche only a few yards from a Chinese soldier working on a gun emplacement. And in daylight he was able to regain his sense of direction.

"I knew I could make it back then," Rich said. "I'd been in this area before on patrols and I knew where it was."

The Marines saw Rich about 10 o'clock Wednesday morning after 60 hours in enemy territory.

Blood streaked his torn uniform. His cheeks were hollow and his eyes sunken.

Navy Dr. Stanley J. Yamula, of Hazleton, Pa., who took care of Rich when he was brought to the forward hospital said, "He'll be all right after a little rest. His wounds aren't serious. I'm sure he could make it on his own. He's a mighty cool customer."

2nd Methodist Faces Grilling

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Un-American Activities Committee Thursday voted to call the Rev. Jack Richard McMichael, Methodist pastor at Upper Lake, Calif., for questioning next Thursday. It has received testimony he was a Communist Party member.

Chairman Velde (R-Ill.) told reporters a subpoena for McMichael was approved by a unanimous vote. He declined to say whether next Thursday's meeting would be an open or closed session.

Velde said the committee deferred action regarding Dr. Henry P. Ward, a former Union Theological Seminary faculty member. It also has received testimony that he was a Communist.

Rep. Gladys (R-Mich.) disclosed Tuesday night, while the group was questioning Methodist Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, that McMichael and Ward had been described as Communist Party members in secret testimony received by the committee earlier.

McMichael denied to reporters that he had been a Communist. Ward could not be reached. His home at Fallsides, N. J., said he was vacationing in Canada.

Oxnam was questioned for nearly 10 hours. The committee adopted a motion then that there was nothing in its record which showed the bishop was affiliated with Communism.

McMichael is former executive secretary of the Methodist Federation for Social Action.

Velde said the decision to question McMichael was taken "due to his identification as a member of the Communist Party sometime in his past by two foreign witnesses."

Velde added that information regarding McMichael was received during recent hearings in New York.

Ex-Track Star, 53, Dies Walking Home

PORTLAND (AP) — A former University track star collapsed and died, apparently from a heart attack, here Wednesday while walking home from work.

He was Reginald J. Pratt, 53, an insurance engineer who came here a year ago from Seattle. He was associated with the Cole, Clark and Cunningham Insurance Firm.

Pratt was graduated from the University of Washington in 1922. He won the Pacific Coast Conference quarter-mile championship in 1921.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair through Friday with high of 88; low Thursday night 59.

High yesterday 87
Low last night 53
Precip last 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 14.87
Normal for period 12.32

Same period last year 17.11
A year ago in Klamath Falls it was hot in the morning, reaching a maximum of 85; it clouded over at noon, rained gently about five minutes in the evening. The minimum was 43.



JESS GARD, Republican national committeeman from Oregon, will be guest speaker at the annual Republican picnic to be 3:30 p. m. Sunday at Collier Park. Others slated are Mrs. Olive Cornett, Republican national committeewoman, and Oregon State Senator Phil Hitchcock. Gard is a director of the Multnomah Bank, Portland.

Judge Accuses Alderson of Devoting Time To Two Kinds of Crimes Only

By LYLE DOWNING

Another salvo was fired by Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg from the bench Thursday in his battle with District Attorney Frank Alderson over methods of handling bad check cases.

The judge accused Attorney Alderson of devoting his time to prosecuting sex and check offenders but denying an opportunity to appear before the County Grand Jury to victims of burglars.

This assertion by the court was hotly denied by the District Attorney.

Judge Vandenberg declared he had been informed that persons seeking a hearing before the grand jury were ordered to leave the courtroom by Alderson.

"That is not true, your honor," Alderson declared. "I believe I know the case you are referring to. I told those people that the grand jury had a very tight schedule. I didn't order them to leave. In fact, we have a complaint issued in that case."

The altercation started after the case of Allen Mitchell, alias Pat Woods, accused of forgery, came before the court. Arguments were heard on a demurrer to the indictment against Mitchell filed by the defendant's counsel, George Proctor.

When Deputy District Attorney Joe Thuhoff started to present the state's case, Judge Vandenberg stopped the proceedings.

"Send for the District Attorney," he ordered. "He started this section. It has been a rule of this court for 28 years that you can't change lawyers in the middle of a case."

Alderson appeared a few minutes later and the proceedings were resumed.

The defense demurrer was based on the contention that the indictment against Mitchell was defective because he was accused of forcing a "bank check" instead of just a "check" as stated in the statutes.

After hearing counsel argue, Judge Vandenberg reiterated statements made to The Herald and News Wednesday in which he attacked the policies of the District Attorney's office in handling bogus check cases.

Referring to the sentencing in District Court of Robert R. Smith, now serving 90 days in the County Jail, Judge Vandenberg said:

"If any one comes up here with a writ of habeas corpus, I'll release that man so quick it will make your head swim. That man was sent to jail for cashing an insufficient funds check when he didn't even have a bank account."

"Before that man could be sent to jail he was entitled to a preliminary hearing before a magistrate or his case should have been taken before the grand jury. Neither action was taken."

Wednesday Judge Vandenberg called attention to the fact that the defendant in question, Robert R. Smith, had actually cashed four checks with no funds in the bank.

"He is serving 90 days in jail," the judge added. "Right now I have a man before me who didn't even pass a check. He merely had a forged check in his possession. I'll have to send him to the state prison as he has pleaded guilty to the charge."

Judge Vandenberg said he would defer ruling on the Mitchell demurrer until he had time to further study the case. Mitchell was remanded to the custody of Sheriff Murray Britton.



CITY FIREMEN made a short run to 308 Broad yesterday to quell a small blaze in the roof of the H. W. Bester home. Children playing next door spotted the smoke and notified Mr. Bester who turned in the alarm.