India Troops Wouldn't Stop Mass Out-Break, Leader Says

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PANMUNJOM (AP) — The senior Indian officer in Korea said today that Indian troops would not attempt to halt a mass breakout of anti-Communist war prisoners because of the "terrible slaughter" that would follow.

Lt. Gen. K. S. Thimayya made this statement at a news conference even as thousands jammed streets in the South Korean capital of Seoul in a demonstration against Indians guarding POWs who have refused to go home.

It also came amid renewed threats by South Korean leaders to drive out the Indians, whom they denounce as pro-Communist.

Thimayya said, "We are not concerned if South Korea threatens us because we have the huge U.N. Command" and Communist forces "at our disposal."

He said the U.N. Command was responsible for preventing South Korean troops from entering the neutral zone to attack Indian forces.

Thimayya did not comment on a letter sent to him today by Gen. Mark W. Clark in which the retiring Far East commander said the United Nations will not waver from the principle of freedom of choice for the 23,000 anti-Communist prisoners in Indian custody.

Clark said the U.N. had "shed blood to win that right and will not compromise."

Clark, who turns over his command Wednesday to Gen. John E. Hull, accused the five-nation repatriation commission—of which India is chairman—of working on the false idea that the reluctant prisoners "actually desire repatriation."

Thimayya said it was "highly likely" that the long-delayed interviewing of the balky POWs would begin next Tuesday.

Allied and Communist teams were to begin meeting Sept. 26 with the prisoners in an attempt to persuade them to return home, but a dispute over facilities for the interviews forced postponement.

Thimayya said the "explanations" could begin as soon as the U. N. Command finishes temporary interview booths demanded by the Communists. The UNC said the job would take about seven days.

Thimayya answered dozens of questions fired by both Allied and Communist newsmen in a 1 hour and 40 minute news conference at his headquarters in the demilitarized zone near Panmunjom.

He said his 5,500 Indian troops could halt a mass breakout by the restive POWs, but added quickly:

"I do not think we would try to check a mass breakout because of the terrible slaughter, which no civilized nation could perpetrate."

Thimayya said Indian forces had asked for gas masks and tear gas.

The Indians put down—but not without bloodshed—two attempted breakouts by anti-Communist prisoners during riotous demonstrations last week. Three prisoners were killed and 9 wounded.

Thimayya acknowledged that the commission had not definitely decided what to do if the prisoners refuse to attend interviews.

He added, however, that he did not think it would be "physically impossible" for the commission to force POWs to listen to "explanations."

"I think we can ask the prisoners to listen for 5 or 10 minutes," he said.

Clark, in his letter to Thimayya, denounced the commission ruling that all POWs must attend the interviews—whether they like it or not.

He said the U. N. Command "cannot now condone any abrogation or compromise" of the Korean War truce terms.

"It would seem," Clark wrote, "that the commission has not taken full cognizance of the fact that the Korean and Chinese prisoners made their choice many many months ago and that, in the absence of force or coercion, the vast majority will adhere to their decision."

The letter to Thimayya was one of Clark's last official acts before turning over the U.N. Command to Gen. Hull.

Protection From ROK Required

PANMUNJOM (AP)—Lt. Gen. K. X. Thimayya, Indian commander in Korea, said today the U. N. Command must head off any South Korean troops which might try to attack Indian forces in the demilitarized zone.

He said Indian forces also could call on Communist forces in Korea for protection.

ROK officials, angered because Indian guards have killed and wounded number of rioting anti-Communist war prisoners, threatened to drive the Indians from Korea.

"We are not concerned if South Korea threatens us," Thimayya told his first news conference, "because we have the huge U. N. Command and the K.P.A. (Korean Peoples Army) and C.P.V. (Chinese People's Volunteers) at our disposal."

Monkey Kidney Vaccine In Works

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A new antipolio vaccine made from the tissue of monkey kidneys may be ready in time for next year's epidemics, says Joseph F. Nee, national fund-raising director for the March of Dimes.

He said yesterday small scale tests have been successful and more extensive experiments will be conducted soon. He said the tissue contains three major polio viruses and would be given to patients in diluted doses.

ROK General, Father Sentenced

SEOUL (AP)—A South Korean general and his father, a colonel, were convicted today of embezzlement and the general was sentenced to three years at hard labor for giving military secrets to Korean civilians.

A court martial at Taegu also ordered Brig. Gen. Kim Chong Pyung and his father, Lt. Col. Kim Il Noh, dismissed from the service.

A third officer, Col. Lim Wha San, was acquitted of plotting to assassinate President Syngman Rhee.

The military had sought the death penalty for all three.

Private Drane Over Hill Again

CAMP STONEAN, Calif. (AP)—Pvt. Robert Drane of Louisville, Ky., is over the hill again, the Army said today. It's the second time since he went AWOL in Korea and hitchhiked to the United States aboard a troop transport.

A public information officer said the 22-year-old soldier slipped away from a prisoners' work detail here Thursday.

The Army said Drane also was AWOL three days from the Presidio of San Francisco, where he was taken after he gave himself up Sept. 21 after riding a troop transport from Korea without orders.

Fort Fund Drive Meeting Thursday

FORT KLAMATH—An organizational meeting will be held Thursday night at 7:30 in the C.I. Clubhouse to get things in working order for the United Fund-Red Cross Drive slated to start Oct. 26. Myrtle Wimer is chairman of the Fort Klamath area.

The public is invited to attend; residents of the Fort Klamath area—which runs from Modoc Point to Crater Lake National Park—are urged to be there.

Virginia Dixon, executive secretary of the Red Cross in Klamath Falls, and J. W. Kerns, UF-RC rural division chairman, will be in attendance to explain the drive and organization necessary to make it successful.

Representatives from the Fort Klamath area of United Fund agencies will also be present.

—NEA Telephoto

SAUCER SECRETS — Donald E. Keyhoe, retired Marine Corps major, holds copy of his book in which he "discloses" that the flying saucers really are space ships from another planet. Keyhoe claims the Air Force has secret motion pictures of the apparitions which prove that they are interplanetary craft.

Nixon Off On Big Trip

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Nixon started a 38,000-mile trip early today as President Eisenhower's personal emissary to Far Eastern leaders.

The vice president got final instructions at the White House a few hours before taking off at midnight on the first leg of his 72-day journey, a flight from Washington to San Francisco.

He said President Eisenhower gave him not only general instructions, but both written and verbal messages for the 18 heads of government and other dignitaries with whom he is to confer on all the great problems which confront the free nations."

CHILDISH FIX

WOLCOTT, N. Y. (AP) — Joanna Snyder, aged 6, was in a common childish fix. Her problem, forsooth, a wiggling tooth.

With string the child joined tooth and arrow. And when her bow Joanna bent, away both tooth and arrow went.

Mailers Picket Seattle Times

SEATTLE (AP) — The AFL Mailers' Union continued to picket the strikebound Seattle Times Tuesday as its representatives met with the newspaper management for the second straight day of contract negotiations.

The mailers set up the picket line over the weekend after the CIO American Newspaper Guild, which struck the newspaper July 16, and the AFL Typographical Union voted to accept new contracts.

The first mailers-management negotiations Monday resulted in scheduling another session Tuesday afternoon.

A third group moved into the bargaining picture Monday when web pressmen confirmed they are meeting with Times management. Discussions also were scheduled with photo-engravers and stereotypers.

Jap Envoy, 79, Marries Widow, 53

TOKYO (AP)—Kenkichi Yoshizawa, 79, Japanese ambassador to Formosa, today married Mrs. Michiye Kawamura, 53, a widow.

Yoshizawa, known as the world's oldest diplomat, said he "fell in love at first sight" when introduced to Mrs. Kawamura Sept. 29.

The prewar foreign minister's first wife died in 1948.

ATROCITY PROBE BEGINS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate investigations subcommittee today opened an inquiry into reported Communist atrocities in the Korean War and the fate of U. S. prisoners of war for whom the Reds have not accounted.

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