

# RIDGEWAY SEEKS PEACE IN KOREA

## Troop Cut Defended By JCS Chief

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway said Thursday Pentagon leaders do not see any evidence that the Communists intend to renew hostilities in Korea.

Ridgway, the Army chief of staff, was formerly supreme commander of Allied powers in the Far East.

He told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that the planned withdrawal of two U.S. divisions from South Korea since the armistice from North Korea since the armistice but he said the over-all Communist strength there still is "not far from one million" men.

Ridgway said the committee there also was verified evidence that the Communists have rebuilt war-torn airfields since the armistice and have constructed some new airfields.

But, he added, "our conclusions are we do not see evidence of an intention on their part to renew hostilities."

Ridgway's testimony was in line with President Eisenhower's statement at his news conference Wednesday that he had no reports of Communist build-ups in violation of the truce.

The President said the evidence is that the Communists have dug in defensively, done a surprising amount of economic rebuilding in North Korea and reduced their ground forces.

Ridgway answered "positively, yes," when asked by Sen. Humphrey (D-Minn.) if South Korea was an essential bastion for United States security in the Pacific.

Humphrey also explored the administration's announced new policy of retaliation to Communist aggression at a place of this country's own choosing, but not necessarily where the Red attack occurs.

He wanted to know whether this country's striking power had been increased so greatly that the policy was feasible, and what the chances were that it might touch off a world war.

Ridgway answered that the United States "has greatly expanded its (military) capabilities" in the buildup which resulted from the Korean War.

## Rail Rate Hearing Set

Word was received in Klamath Falls Wednesday by the Southern Pacific Company that a Tariff Bureau hearing has been set for Jan. 23 in Los Angeles pertaining to the proposed freight rate reduction by the Union Pacific Railroad, according to George W. Morgan, S. P. district agent.

According to information available here the U.P. proposes to cut rates on potato shipments from Idaho and northern Utah points on their own lines, to the Los Angeles area.

At the hearing the Union Pacific will ask that the "emergency clause" rate known as XI75 be removed between these points and will ask for a further reduction of from two to four cents in the regular rate.

This emergency clause requires railroads to add 15 per cent to the regular rate for potato shipments.

The Southern Pacific and other transportation companies will protest the proposed reduction, Morgan stated.

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## The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
— apparently acting on her authority as custodian of the prisoners—announces that on January 20, three days ahead of the January 23 deadline, she will turn back all the controversial POW's to the sides that originally held them.

Latest Korean peace note: The Reds refuse to discuss an armistice for the insults they have heaped at us, and so resumption of the peace conference discussion is stymied again.

Meanwhile—The Berlin allied and Russian representatives have been unable to agree on a site for the Big Four foreign ministers conference, which is scheduled to open on January 23. The Russians want to hold it in their zone and our side wants to hold it in our zone.

As a result of the deadlock, the Big Four powers (U.S., Britain, France, Russia) have asked their governments to come for new instructions.

Well, talking is cheaper than fighting—and we hire our diplomats by the year, anyway.

Note from a realistic thinker: General Matthew Ridgway, our former army chief of staff, tells the senate foreign relations committee this morning that he sees no signs that the Reds intend to renew the fighting in Korea.

On the home front, the Oregon highway commission announces that in about a couple of weeks it will start putting up new highway signs. They will be red, with white lettering. It is part of a new national program to bring about uniformity in all states. It will take Oregon about five years to get all its signs changed.

It's a good idea. In a nation where everybody travels everywhere, highway signs should follow the same pattern everywhere. I do wish that while they're at it our highway people would change our distance signs. Nearly all of them are now parallel to the highway, and it's practically impossible to read them at average road speeds.

You crane your neck and try to read a sign to wind up at the edge of a ditch or a grade so steeply cracked up that you no longer care where you're going or how far it is.

In most states, the distance signs are set crosswise of the line of travel so they can be read at a glance. That system is much better than ours.

This changing world note: The ghosts that haunt the state homes in England are keeping up with the times. The newest one reported is a blonde who wears a wig. The Birmingham psychic research society reports that she also appears in 3-D and full color.

More on this modern world: In San Antonio (Texas) the keeper of the city zoo complains that in the past few months 85 wild animals on the outside have been caught trying to GET INSIDE.

The yen for security is apparently spreading to the wild creatures.

## Argetsinger To MC Show

John Argetsinger, owner of the Chambers Lane Auction Mart, will be auctioneer on the March of Dimes radio auction Tuesday, Jan. 19, according to an announcement by Tom Perkins, co-chairman of the special events division of the drive.

KFLW will broadcast the radio auction from 9 to 10 p.m. Tuesday, and again on Thursday, Jan. 21, if more time is needed. In the event that all items have not been sold in the two hours of broadcast, the items will be removed to the Auction Mart where Argetsinger has volunteered to continue disposition of them, with proceeds to go to the March of Dimes.

Latest merchandise donations reported include a 1940 Dodge coupe, in good condition except for a battery. The car was donated by George Williams, 2333 Wantland, a carrier for the Herald and News on the Chiloquin route.

A set of golf clubs from Bill Jensen; a new 3/4 horsepower motor, a Side Electric; and a washing machine from Jack Ballantyne have also been contributed.

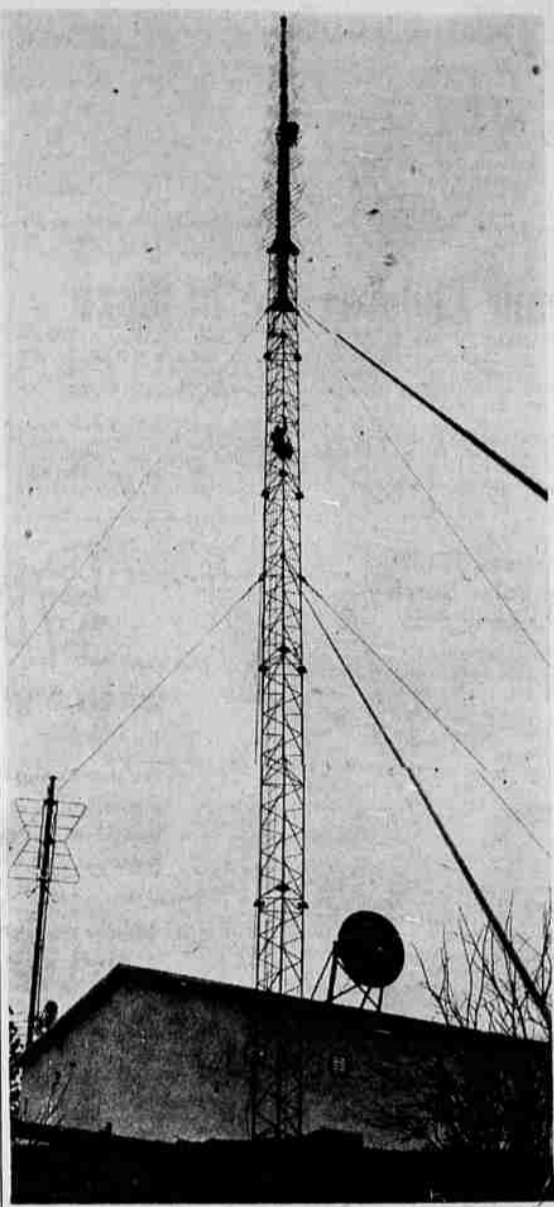
The Venture Club has offered to sell all merchandise to ask them for donations. Those who wish to make donations will be given a telephone number to call Ann Lindskog, president of the club, is heading this project.

## Edward C. Clark Death Learned

Word was received here today of the death at Salem, Jan. 11 of Edward C. Clark, long-time employee of the California-Oregon Power Co., who recently retired from active service out of the Dunsmuir office.

Funeral services were held today in Vancouver, Wash. Mr. Clark was a member of Klamath Falls Lodge, BPOE, No. 2124.

Surviving is his widow, Helen Clark.



FULL POWER for KBES-TV at Medford was a reality today when the valley television station started using this new rig. The picture shows workmen assembling the last of the five bay antenna which replaced the old single bay temporary antenna shown at lower left. Just to the right of the tower is the micro-wave receiving antenna which brings network programs to the station from downtown Medford.

## Square Dance Jamboree To Aid March Of Dimes Here

Plans are centering for the March of Dimes Square Dance Jamboree to be held this Saturday, Jan. 16, from 8 to 12 p.m. at the Armory. The dance is sponsored by the Klamath Do-Si-Do Club in cooperation with the March of Dimes Committee.

Mrs. B. M. Antle, chairman of the project, announced the following program.

Grand March, led by the new Do-Si-Do president and lady (1954 officers) will be elected Thursday evening; welcome address by Dick Gallagher, Klamath Falls March of Dimes campaign chairman.

Squares, "Just Because" and "Around Just One," called by Tom Orr; round, "Pretty Baby," squares, "Crawdad Square" and "Down Yonder," Vernard (Skinny) Esigate; round, "Irish Waltz,"

squares, "My Pretty Girl" and "Texas Star," Jim Bradshaw; round, "Waltz of the Belles," squares, "Texas Plains" and the "Whirlpool Square," J. D. Stanley.

Demonstration, "Corrido" (Mexican) by the Minute Club; squares, "Red Wing" and "Barnical Bill," Otto Ellis; round, "Cotton Eyed Joe."

KFLW will broadcast the next portion of the program, the squares "Tennessee Polka," Bill Mayhew "Wabash Cannon Ball," Marianna Kerr; "Hashin, the Breaks," B.M. Antle; round, "Blue Pacific."

Broadcast time is 9:30 to 10 p.m. A mixer will follow, "Teton Mountain Stomp," progressive; squares, "Old Fashioned Girl" and "Kansas City My Home Town," Bernie Daily; round, "Canadian Barn Dance," demonstration, Love Tango, A and I Folk Dancers; squares, callers choice, by a guest caller; round, "Missouri Waltz," mixer, "Hula Blues," progressive.

Squares, "Hurry, Hurry," Otto Ellis; "Hello," J. D. Stanley; round, "F a s c i n a t i o n Tango," squares, "Oklahoma Hills" and "Put 'em in the Lead," Bill Mayhew; round, "Glow Worm," demonstration, "Zeller Teller Lander," Swiss dance, A and I Folk Dancers and the Minute Club; squares, "End of the World," Tom Orr, and "Jessie Polka Square," Vernard Esigate.

Round, "1898," squares, "Comin' 'Round the Mountain," Jim Bradshaw; callers choice, guest caller; round, "Pretty Girl Dressed in Blue," squares, "Down South" and "Side by Side," B. M. Antle; round, "Peek-A-Boo Waltz," square all caller hash (each caller to call one change).

"Home Sweet Home" will be the finale. B. M. Antle is master of ceremonies.

Local clubs participating in the Jamboree are the Keno Promoters, the Circle Eighters, Peterson School Dancers, Minute Club, A and I Folk Dancers, Elk Square Dancers, YMCA Square Dancers, Moose Square Dancers. Also cooperating is the Klamath County Callers Council.

## Spangler Will Quit OLCC Post

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Paul Patterson of Oregon confirmed here Wednesday that William A. Spangler, Klamath Falls, chairman of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission, wants to resign.

## House Group Okays Cuts In Income Taxes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Ways and Means Committee Thursday approved sharp cuts in personal income taxes on income from dividends. Experts said the revenue loss would be 24 million dollars the first year and up to one billion when the program takes full effect.

The proposed changes would apply to some four million persons who receive income from dividends. About one third of these would be relieved of any taxes at all on their dividend income.

This was the second major step announced in a complete overhaul of tax laws launched by the committee Wednesday. The first agreement would provide 50 million dollars in tax savings for about 700,000 single heads of households.

Democrats were reported to have raised some opposition to the program of relief for dividend recipients.

The proposed new law provides that individuals pay no income taxes on dividends up to \$50 annually received in the taxable years ending from next July 31 to Aug. 1, 1955.

For taxable years ending after Aug. 1, 1955, individuals would pay no income taxes on dividends received up to \$100.

In the first year, taxpayers would be allowed to deduct from their tax bill 5 per cent of their dividend income. This would be increased to 10 per cent the second year and 15 per cent the third year.

The deduction is from the actual tax payment. The taxpayer would face under present law—not from his income to which tax rates are applied. Thus, in effect, a much larger percentage of dividend income would be free of taxes.

Still before the group are staff recommendations for bigger deductions for medical expenses, a new deduction for cost of child care expenses, working widows or widowers, and a provision permitting taxpayers to count as dependents some persons making more than \$600 annually.

## Airliner Crashes In Italian City

ROME (AP) — A smoking four-engine Philippines Airline plane crashed and exploded in the populous outskirts of Rome Thursday and all 16 persons aboard were killed.

The big DC6 hit a vacant lot not far from a big apartment building. It was coming through a driving rain for a landing on a flight from Beirut, Lebanon, one leg in its regularly scheduled trip from Manila to London.

An eyewitness said the left engines were smoking as it approached Ciampino Airport outside Rome. It appeared to be heading for the building, then banked and plunged into the lot with a tremendous roar.

Among the seven passengers aboard was the airline's European manager, Royal R. Jordan, a native of Boston who has lived in Rome several years.

The pilot—chief of the nine-man crew aboard—was Ira Brooque of Warren, Ark., head pilot for the airline. The co-pilot was identified as William Rose of Alton, Ill., who friends said lived with his wife in Rome. Mrs. Rose reportedly is expecting a baby.

It was the first fatal accident in the airline's international operation. The Philippine Airline was given a safety award last October at an international air conference.

Airline officials said the cause of the crash was as yet unknown. An investigation was launched immediately. The officials speculated the pilot chose to plunge his smoking plane into the open field rather than crash into the crowded apartment buildings nearby.

## Yellow Stop Signs Going Out

PORTLAND (AP) — The familiar yellow stop signs on posts will begin turning red in about two weeks in Oregon.

W. C. Williams, assistant state highway engineer, said the state has ordered the new signs as part of an agreement among states to make all highway signs uniform.

Red was adopted for the stop sign. The word "stop" will be in white.

Williams said the change-over would be slow. He estimated it would take three to five years for the state and counties to replace all stop signs with new ones.

## Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Occasional snow flurries through Friday. High Friday 30; low Thursday night 22.



HIGH ABOVE THE GROUND these Copco workers were busy at the corner of Fourth and Jefferson the other day putting in one of the new, taller poles.

## Cold, Snowy Weather In Chicago Leaves Spud King Weary, But He Sees Sights

(Eds. Note: This is the third in a series of stories by Rex Porterfield. Kiwanis sponsored 4-H spud king currently in Washington D.C. on a trip to deliver a sack of Klamath Basin spuds to Secretary of Agriculture Benson.)

By REX PORTERFIELD  
Two things for certain—the wind blows in Chicago and I am tired.

First, we took in Don McNeill's Breakfast Club. I told them on my card that I had taken a potato out of the sack we were going to present to Secretary Benson and gave it to Sam, and Bryant made me sign it, "Potato Champ." When he called me up on the program the first thing he noticed was my Kiwanis button and it took quite a while to explain to him why we were in Chicago.

Mr. McNeill of the 4-H Boys and Girls Foundation met us after the program and took us to the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. I got a whole bunch of stuff explained to me that I didn't understand about hedging and buying and selling produce.

Then our picture was taken by the Auction Board and for someone bought a carload of potatoes there. I guess it would be all right if I knew what they were doing but it sure sounded crazy so we went.

Next, we went down to the Produce Market and had pictures taken of Klamath Gems along beside Idaho potatoes. I don't know whether they meant it or not but several of them tried to buy a carload of potatoes from me. One fellow was wrapping potatoes in tissue paper and putting them in wooden boxes and had a number of potatoes in each box but I was getting so hungry I didn't pay very much attention to the rest of the stuff.

Mr. McNeill took us up to the 4-H Boys and Girls Foundation office and Bryant says these are the fellows I met and had lunch with: G. L. Noble, Chairman of the 4-H Foundation; James E. Edmondson, Public Relations man for national Kiwanis; C. C. Lang, who has a bigger job than Mr. Skinner in the same department.

Then we went up to the Kiwanis International headquarters and the president was there and we had our picture taken giving him some potatoes. I forgot to add that we had our picture taken with Mr. Noble and everybody up in the 4-H office. I don't know how many pictures we had in the Kiwanis deal but there were sure a lot of them and a lot of people there.

After we left the Kiwanis International office Mr. McNeill took us down to where all the Negroes live, told us they were tearing down all those buildings and building new. I don't know how anyone drives through all this traffic but it was too cold to walk so we just waited until the lights changed and finally ended up at the Aquarium. I was kind of glad that we had only 30 minutes to stand up in there although we could look at all the fish.

I am going to bed early tonight because Jim and I are tired.



PRINCIPAL SPEAKER at the annual meeting of the Klamath County Marketing Association in Merrill Wednesday night was right: Floco Feldmiller, manager of the Valley Livestock Marketing Association. Center, Earl Kerns, chairman of the local association board of directors and left, Arch Bathurst, order buyer for Valley association.

## Klamath County Marketing Association Meeting Held

The second annual meeting of the Klamath County Marketing Association held in the Presbyterian Church in Merrill Wednesday night was well attended.

Earl Kerns, local cattleman, and a member of the board of directors served as chairman and introduced Floco Feldmiller, manager of the Valley Livestock Marketing Association at Stockton, who spoke to the group.

Giving a brief background of the Valley association, Feldmiller stated there are now three large cooperative marketing organizations in the U.S. and that the Valley is the 21st member of the largest of these agencies.

Purpose of the association is to serve the livestock grower both as a seller and buyer.

Working in close cooperation with farm bureau the association has yards at both Stockton and South San Francisco.

Starting in 1938 the association did a \$330,000 business that year.

## KLAMATH BASIN POTATO SHIPMENTS

Shipped Today	Same Day Last Year
66 cars	84 cars
Total For Season	
5538 cars	6199 cars
1953-54	1952-53

Through the cooperative form of selling the small beef grower has the same chance of getting top prices for a few head of cattle as the large stockman has in selling large numbers.

Arch Bathurst, order buyer for the Valley association spoke briefly on the two services rendered by his company, stating that separate staffs, one for buying and one for selling, were used for fast turnover in livestock.

The local marketing association members were urged to take advantage of the Valley facilities by Chairman Kerns.

A potluck dinner preceded the meeting and interesting film on meat handling were shown at the conclusion.