

U.N. TALKS WITH CHINA EYED

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The world's biggest warship, the atomic bomber carrier Forrestal, is floated and christened today at Newport News, Virginia.

The Forrestal is the biggest warship EVER built. Her flight deck (from which bombers carrying atom bombs will take off) is 1066 feet long — approximately a fifth of a mile. It is 252 feet wide at its widest point.

That is to say:

The Forrestal, when completed and ready for service, will be a floating airfield that can be moved to any point in the world where we might need to launch bombers carrying atom bombs.

A few more statistics on the big ship's size:

From keel to masttop, she will be as tall as a 25-story skyscraper. So that she will be able to pass under bridges, her masts will fold. The power required to move and handle her will be somewhat over 200,000 horsepower.

Here's a comparison:

That will be in the general neighborhood of a third of the power output of Bonneville dam.

Another comparison:

The Forrestal is big, but she isn't as big as the British Queens, the Elizabeths and the Marys. Her displacement, fully loaded with ammunition, stores and planes, will be about 76,000 tons.

The Queen Elizabeth displaces 33,723 tons and the Queen Mary 31,235 tons.

Maybe you're fuzzy about "displacement."

Displacement is the weight of the water displaced by a floating body. The weight of the water (or other fluid) displaced by a floating body, in this case a ship, is equal to that of the displacing body.

That is how ships are "weighed." They can't be put on the scales. They're too big.

The Forrestal has been a controversial issue since she was first planned by the navy. The air force argued that there was too much money to put into a floating airfield that might be sunk by a single well-placed bomb. British Field Marshal Montgomery recently asserted that the day of the aircraft carrier is approaching its end.

At the big ship's launching this morning, Navy Secretary Charles Thomas said, presumably in answer to these criticisms:

"The Forrestal will be our most versatile and DISPENSABLE weapon."

Such a carrier will be able to carry our air power to parts of the world where no comparable friendly force can be found or maintained. . . . With its speed of up to 40 miles per hour, the Forrestal will be a phantom target for any enemy.

The big carrier, you see, is a gamble.

Here is an interesting thought: Back in the Civil War, the Monitor (our first ironclad warship) was a gamble. All kinds of fun was poked at her. Among other things, she was called a "cheese-box on a raft."

But the Monitor arrived in Hampton Roads just in the nick of time to vanquish the Merrimack, an ironclad that had been built by the Confederates and which — when the Monitor arrived — was sinking the wooden ships of the Union navy just about as fast as they could be got in the sights of the Merrimack's guns.

Nobody ever knows in advance whether or not a gamble will pay off.

How big a gamble is the Forrestal?

Her cost will be about 197 million dollars. Assuming that our present population is about 160 million, the Forrestal will cost each American individual about \$123.

If the Forrestal should happen at some time in the future to arrive on a critical scene at a critical moment, as did the Monitor, and should perform as effectively as did the Monitor, the gamble involved in her building would pay off in a big way.

Woman Killed By Explosion

ROSEBURG (AP) — A kerosene-kindled fire in a cook stove resulted Friday night in an explosion and fire that killed Mrs. Betty Marie Jones, 31, at her home in Camas Valley.

Flames spread quickly through the five-room house, but her four children escaped. A 7-year-old son, William, led the younger children outside. The youngest was 16 months old.

Mrs. Dan Head, a neighbor, heard the explosion and ran to the house, where she broke a window and shouted for Mrs. Jones to come there.

"I can't," came the faint reply, and flames prevented rescuers from going inside.

The husband, Isaac, a logger, was away at work at the time. The family, which formerly lived at Bandon, moved to Camas Valley last week after a brief stay in Eureka, Calif.

EMIGRANTS

Kobe, Japan (AP) — One hundred and one more Japanese families, a total of 637 persons, will sail for South America, Dec. 21 under the government's resettlement program. The group, sixth of its kind to take up farms in Latin American nations, will go to Brazil.

Navy Launches Giant Carrier 'Forrestal'

By ELTON C. FAY

NEW PORT NEWS, Va. (AP) — The Navy, launching its giant aircraft carrier Forrestal, Saturday hailed the world's biggest warship as "the most versatile and most dispensable weapon in our nuclear arsenal."

Secretary of the Navy Charles S. Thomas said in a speech prepared for the christening ceremony that vessels like the Forrestal can be used for many purposes, including "massive retaliation" — a phrase often used by high administration officials in connection with United States defense policy.

The Navy used the formal launching of the Forrestal — it was to be floated by christening time-to dramatize its bid for a

Four Killed In Seattle Auto Crash

SEATTLE (AP) — Four Ft. Lewis, Wash., soldiers were killed early Saturday when the car in which they were riding collided with a train engine. Two other GIs were injured.

The dead were identified as: Pfc. Ans DeHoop, 21, Waterford, Calif.

Pfc. Richard A. Larkin, 21, Garden Grove, Calif.

Pvt. Donald E. Hanson, 18, Omaha, Neb.

Pfc. Robert B. Souza, 21, Elk Grove, Calif.

The injured were: Cpl. John M. Dekker, 21, Artesia, Calif. In critical condition with possible basal skull fracture.

Cpl. Ralph M. DeForrest, 21, Susanville, Calif., shock fractured kneecap. Condition satisfactory.

DeHoop, Larkin and Souza were dead on arrival at the King County Hospital. Hansen died shortly after admittance.

Police said the car, owned and driven by DeHoop was traveling at high speed when it collided with a Great Northern Railway freight engine.

The car was hurled more than 100 yards by the impact.

No other single traffic accident in Seattle history had taken four lives. The automobile was not broadside by the switch engine as it sped eastward under the Spokane Street viaduct, in the city's South End.

The engineer, John M. Paine, reported he had slowed down to about 15 miles an hour and was blowing his whistle and sounding the bell. Special Traffic Investigator Ray U. Muffley said.

"Suddenly the car was in my path," Paine said. "I applied the brakes immediately."

Investigator Muffley also said he talked with Corporal DeForrest at the hospital. All six men were attached to Company I, 38th Infantry Regiment, stationed at Fort Lewis.

Earlier in the evening, DeForrest said, they had been at a party at White Center, south of Seattle.

"We left the party just prior to the accident and to my knowledge, DeHoop was not driving fast or erratic," the investigator quoted him.

"I was half dozing in the back seat and remember someone yelling, 'look out.' I half-way braced myself and that's all I remember."

The crossing signals at the scene were operating properly when they arrived, police said.

major combat role in this atomic age.

In his speech, Thomas also seemed to be replying to critics of Naval carriers at home and abroad, including British Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery who said recently that the day of the aircraft carrier is approaching its end. Others have argued that a carrier task force can be located easily and destroyed.

Thomas said:

1. "For the foreseeable future, nothing is in prospect which will diminish our need for the continuing control of the seas—the surface of the seas by ships, the underseas by submarines, the air over the seas by naval airpower."

2. The Forrestal with its speed (up to 40 miles per hour) "will indeed be a phantom target for any enemy."

Adm. Robert B. Carney, chief of naval operations, said of the Forrestal that "by her mobility, she will be able to bring air power to parts of the world where no comparable friendly force can be found or maintained."

And Secretary of Defense Wilson said that in the building of the Forrestal "we mark another milestone in the progress we are making to modernize and improve the readiness of our armed services."

The setting for the ceremony was beside the looming shape of the still-unfinished 1,036-foot ship, moored in the graving dock where her keel was laid almost 2 1/2 years ago.

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KUHS Benefit Concert Held

A generous, capacity audience of 1100 persons at the benefit concert given in Pelican Court at Klamath Union High School last night helped swell the travel fund for the high school band to \$1500.

Cash and checks dropped into band caps passed by members of the band totaled \$590. Eighteen hundred dollars is the minimum amount needed to take the 31 band members to San Francisco for the East-West game New Years Day. Expenses of chapbooks, yet to be named, and the two band directors, LeMar Jensen and Don McKenzie are not included in that figure.

The band will participate in half time activities at the game. John Houston, co-director with Benny Loftsgaard, of the Klamath Falls Barbershop chorus which donated time for the program, made a plea for funds for the trip.

The Shrine Club has also donated time and money to the project.

Applause was frequent and sustained during the program presented by the band, the high school orchestra, the a cappella choir and the barbershop chorus.

VISA

BERN, Switzerland (AP) — The Swiss government Saturday granted Ex-President Jacobo Arbenz of Guatemala a three month visitor's visa to Switzerland.

Arbenz applied for admission to Switzerland from his present residence in Mexico, where he fled after the overthrow of his Communist-supported government.

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TAKING THE FINAL COUNT OF HIS RING CAREER, Ralph Weiser of Beatty is shown being counted out by referee Wally Moss in the ninth round of last night's 10-round main event at the Armory. The Beatty Bomber, one of the best known boxers in the Pacific Northwest, died later at Hillside Hospital of possible brain injuries. Further details on sports page.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair through Sunday. High Sunday 35; low Saturday night 14.

High yesterday — 31
Low last night — 8

December 10 weather — clear and sunny during the day with lowering temperatures after sunset.

Prehistoric Horn Shown

Bison antiquus, a prehistoric bison horn core, found some years ago near Henley, has been returned to Klamath County for display in the new Klamath County Museum through the courtesy of Dr. Arnold Shotwell, curator at the University of Oregon Museum of Natural History.

R. S. Hopkins, former U.S. Bureau of Reclamation official, made the discovery during construction of an outlet channel in the diversion canal about one-half mile south of the Henley school. The horn core rested at a depth of about 20 feet in the pebbly sand of an ancient river bed.

Hopkins placed the horn on exhibit at the Henley High School after the discovery in 1940. From there it went to the Museum of Natural History at Eugene.

Dr. Shotwell stated that the ancient bison was larger than the present day buffalo and lived between 10 and 15,000 years ago. Its companions were the mammoth, the camel, the giant horse and the saber toothed tiger. He believes that the fossil remains of these animals may be found in this region.

Bison antiquus, will grace the geology section of the museum.

Ralph Weiser Dies After Klamath Armory Ring Bout

Ralph Weiser, 25-year-old Beatty lightweight prizefighter, died shortly before 5 a.m. Saturday in Hillside Hospital from an apparent brain injury suffered a few hours earlier during a 10-round bout at the Klamath Falls armory.

The Klamath Indian pugilist, known in Northwest ring circles as the "Beatty Bomber," was fatally injured in one of the strangest boxing matches on record.

In the opening seconds of the three-round, Weiser knocked Teddy Hall of Vancouver, to the canvas. Hall was counted out. However, the clamoring of 1500 fans for action and Weiser's willingness to continue fighting, induced ring officials to let the bout be renewed.

In the ninth round, according to witnesses, Weiser suddenly slumped against the ropes from a short right punch to the jaw. Dr.

J. Martin Adams, who was substituting for Dr. George H. Adler, boxing commission physician, who was out of the city, was unable to revive Weiser. Twenty minutes after he collapsed, the boxer was taken to the hospital. He died without regaining consciousness.

Dr. Adler said the city boxing commission would meet at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the city hall council chambers to launch a thorough investigation of the tragedy. All the ring officials and handlers of the two boxers have been summoned for the hearing. Hall also will be questioned.

During seven years in the ring, Weiser established an impressive record as a game, hard-hitting fighter. He was a former Northwest Golden Gloves Champion.

Weiser was born June 28, 1928 at Beatty. Besides his wife, Estelle, Weiser is survived by his father, Irwin Weiser; five children, Ralph Jr., Rawleigh, Rodney, Carroll and Catherine; three brothers, Lorenline, Irwin Jr., and Buddy Kenneth; three sisters, Wilda Mae Weiser, Carmelita Sampson and Donna Jean Weiser.

Weiser also leaves two half-brothers, Ira Jackson and Virgil D. Weiser, and a half-sister, Diane Ross.

Funeral services will be held at 9 a.m. Wednesday from the Methodist Church at Beatty with burial in Plum Creek Cemetery. The body is at Ward's Klamath Funeral Home.

(Further details on sport page.)

Photo Ruling Postponed

PORTLAND (AP) — Oregon Circuit Judges Friday postponed until next year a decision on whether photographing and broadcasting public trials should be barred.

The recommendation, one of several on court procedure, was submitted to the judges' association meeting here Friday by a special committee. The matter was referred to another committee on relationship between the press and the bench and will be considered again at the next convention.

The convention also heard talks by Charles Huggins, Salem, chairman of the State Parole Board, and Warden Clarence T. Gladden of the state penitentiary.

Huggins urged judges to make wider use of the board's facilities for pre-sentence investigations.

Gladden reported on the proposed intermediate institution to be built near St. Paul.

Gladden and Judge Donald Long, both members of the governor's advisory committee on the institution, said one of the questions not yet settled is whether judges are to sentence offenders to the institution or whether the prison director or warden would have that authority.

Cars Damage Skating Rink

"Some automobile drivers seem to find the unfrozen ice at the Moose Park ice rink an irresistible temptation," Bob Bonney, city recreation director said this morning.

"Three cars drove over the rink during this week, setting back the work several days. Until the ice is completely frozen, a car breaks the seal, digs up the mud and makes it necessary to thaw the ice and start over again," he added.

If cars will stay off the rink, his department hopes to have it ready for ice skating by Monday, but because of the delays caused by thoughtless drivers there will be no skating over the weekend.

The rink has been greatly enlarged for the enjoyment of ice skaters this winter. Parking space for cars has been provided across the highway from the rink, so there will be no necessity for blocking the road this year.

New rest room facilities have been built and a full season of enjoyable skating is anticipated, Bonney said.

Effort To Free U.S. Prisoners Reported

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — U.N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld was reliably reported Saturday to have made a bid to Red China for direct talks on the 11 American fliers held as spies.

A diplomatic source said the secretary general had sent a communication to Peiping asking whether the Chinese Communists would be willing to discuss the case. He was understood to have indicated he would make himself available for such talks if Peiping would talk.

This, it was understood, included the possibility of a trip to Peiping, if necessary.

U.N. officials declined comment. Hammarskjöld had told associates, however, that he regarded

ed the case of the fliers as the greatest challenge that the office of secretary general had ever faced. This led to the belief that he would not treat Friday's assembly directive as a routine matter.

RESOLUTION

The assembly resolution called upon Hammarskjöld to make "continuing and unremitting efforts" to get the fliers released.

Because of the condemnation, also included in the assembly resolution, there was some belief here that the Chinese Reds might refuse to discuss the case with the secretary general.

The Chinese already had rebuffed efforts of India to get the fliers released.

Hammarskjöld quickly accepted the mission after the Assembly yesterday approved, 47-5, a resolution introduced by the United States and its Korean Allies condemning Peiping for jailing the fliers and demanding their release.

The vote was taken after two days of bitter East-West debate. The only opposing ballots were cast by the five-nation Soviet bloc which fought the item every step of the way. Yugoslavia and six Arab-Asian states abstained, apparently because of the clause condemning Peiping.

ASSEMBLY VOTE

The Assembly poll originally stood at 45-5, but delegates for Costa Rica and El Salvador who not caught in a cross-town traffic jam and missed the ballot later persuaded Assembly President Elio N. van Kliefden to record them as supporting the resolution.

Hammarskjöld is known to consider the task entrusted to him as one of the greatest challenges to face a secretary general since the U.N. began work eight years ago. He told the assembly "I will do all in my power to serve the interests of the organization." A spokesman said later Hammarskjöld was "taking immediate steps" to carry out the mandate.

"For the present," the spokesman said, "he believes it would not serve the purposes of the resolution to make any public pronouncements as to what these steps are. He hopes to be shortly in a position to say something further for publication."

OBSERVERS

U.N. observers said Hammarskjöld could use several avenues to seek release of the airmen:

1. Send a personal emissary to Peiping.

2. Work through some neutral country such as his native Sweden, Switzerland or India, which served as principal mediator in the Korean armistice negotiations.

3. Authorize the head of the U.N. office in Geneva, Switzerland, to make representations to the Red Chinese ambassador stationed there.

4. Try to persuade Russia to use her influence with Peiping to set aside the sentences levied against the airmen.

Blister Soviet resistance to the resolution and repeated claims by Russia's Jacob Malik and his colleagues that the airmen were "spies" who got their just deserts, gave scant hope of any help from the Kremlin. But Hammarskjöld was seen conferring with Malik after the Assembly vote, arousing speculation that he might be sounding out the Russians on the case.

Hammarskjöld also conferred privately with U.S. Chief Delegate Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., and British Minister of State Anthony Nutting, who spearheaded demands for U.N. action on the fliers. Later the secretary general talked with Arthur S. Lail, India's permanent delegate.

Ike Names New Foreign Policy Aides

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower Saturday created a new council headed by Joseph M. Dodge, former budget director, to help shape up administration foreign economic policy.

The council also was given the job of simplifying what President Eisenhower called "a complex" set up in which various agencies and groups deal with limited aspects of foreign economic matters.

Murray Snyder, assistant White House press secretary, told reporters the council will try "to settle policy problems (on foreign economic matters) at the agency level before they get up to the President."

STUDIES

Dodge, a Detroit banker, has been studying the Asian situation and soon will make recommendations on how the United States can best exert its economic strength there in combating communism.

The administration has been giving more and more emphasis recently to foreign economic policies amid reports of conflicting views by members of the Eisenhower administration.

An important issue is that of grants-in-aid as opposed to loans or other investments made in foreign nations to finance their economic progress.

COUNCIL

On the council with Dodge will be Secretary of State Dulles, Secretary of Treasury Humphrey, Secretary of Commerce Weeks, Secretary of Agriculture Benson and Harold E. Stassen, director of the Foreign Operations Administration.

Three others will serve as ex-officio members, or advisors. They include Gabriel Hauge, administrative assistant to the President for economic affairs and Robert Cutler, special presidential assistant on national security affairs. A third member will come from the President's council of economic advisors.

SILENCE CAMPAIGN

PARIS (AP) — The Archbishop of Paris, Maurice Cardinal Feltin, has asked his priests to ring their bells as little and as late in the morning as possible.

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CLEANING UP KLAMATH FALLS this morning were, left, Gene Silva, 600 Torrey, and Angelo Gaspirini, 2262 Reclamation. Both men are employees of the Klamath Falls Garbage Collection Company, 323 Spring.



DICK PUCKETT — Klamath Falls, holds a prehistoric bison horn core, found many years ago in Klamath County. The core has been returned to Klamath Falls by Dr. Arnold Shotwell, curator at the University of Oregon Museum of Natural History, to be placed in the new Klamath County Museum. The mural at the rear was painted especially for the museum by Charles Steber, principal of the Bonanza High School, and will be exhibited on the wall above the relic of earlier days.

SHOOTING HOURS

Oregon	
December 12	
OPEN 6:57	CLOSE 4:18
December 13	
OPEN 6:57	CLOSE 4:18
California	
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OPEN 6:55	CLOSE 4:34
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