

China Offer Reject Seen

NEW DELHI (UPI) — Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru probably will reject Chinese Communist Premier Chou En-Lai's offer to meet in Rangoon or Red China to discuss the Indian-Chinese border crisis, informed sources said Saturday.

Nehru met this morning with his inner cabinet to study Chou's latest note and was expected to announce a decision in Parliament today. Members of the inner cabinet include Home Minister G. B. Pant, known for his strong anti-Communist views.

Chou's note to Nehru, broadcast Friday by Peiping radio, suggested a meeting Dec. 26 to discuss the border question. Chou offered to withdraw Red Troops from Longju on the eastern sector of the border but asked India to withdraw from the western region.

Chinese troops attacked and seized the Longju border post in a small fight last August, killing three Indians. They also seized part of Indian-claimed territory in the Ladakh sector above Kashmir and recently battled Indian border guards in the area.

Informed Indian sources advanced three reasons why Nehru probably will reject Chou's offer.

1. The time of the meetings is too close. Nehru's schedule for the next two weeks is already fixed.
2. Nehru said before no useful purpose will be served by a mere meeting unless there is preliminary agreement on some points.
3. It will be necessary for the Chinese to withdraw from occupied territory first before discussing the solution.

Other Sabotage Tried By Reds, Says Radio Boss

MUNICH, Germany (AP)—The head of Radio Free Europe said Saturday the attempted mass poisoning of his employees was not the first time Communists have tried to sabotage the organization's work.

"There have been many such attempts to disrupt or discredit RFE's work in Europe," Erik Hazelhoff, RFE European director, said in a statement.

"These have ranged in severity from attempted kidnapping to the strewing of tetrahydroon nials near vehicles of our employees and the forging of documents and directives."

Hazelhoff, of Mount Kisco, N.Y., did not go into details of previous sabotage cases involving the American-financed private organization beaming anti-Communist broadcasts behind the Iron Curtain.

U.S. Army headquarters at Heidelberg said Friday that a Czechoslovak consular official had supplied the poison found in salt shakers at the radio station's cafeteria Nov. 21. An agent whose identity was withheld tipped off the authorities about the alleged plot.

CONVICTS CAPTURED

CEDARTOWN, Ga. (UPI) — Five convicts who escaped the Polk County prison Friday night were captured near here early today. A 100-man posse using bloodhounds tracked the prisoners down.



SANTA'S HELPERS, these eight members of La O Te Li, Camp Fire Girls of Sacred Heart Academy, made these clever, terry cloth monkeys during meetings to be sent to the children in St. Anne's Children's Home in Tacoma. Leader of the girls is Mrs. Eugene Cook. The group name means Lady of the Light. Front row, left to right, are Vicki Hueftl, Lucille Schiff, Margaret De Nault, Ursula Novak. Second row, same order, Mary Catherine Smith, Diane Abts, Theresa Walker and Pam Hartin.

Scientists Fail To Reach Accord On Policing Ban

GENEVA (AP)—An East-West group of scientists reported almost total disagreement Saturday on how to police a ban on underground nuclear weapons tests.

The scientists' failure to agree on technical control procedures was a serious setback to the nearly 14-month-old negotiations for a nuclear test ban treaty.

The scientists met here for three weeks to revise a 1958 plan for policing underground nuclear blasts which the West considers out-dated and inadequate.

The group reported only one small area of agreement: An increase and improvement of instruments for recording underground shock waves.

There was complete disagreement on all other aspects of this key issue in the test ban negotiations.

Ventura Held On Dope Rap

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Jazz saxophonist Charlie Ventura, charged with possession of marijuana, says: "I don't use the stuff, I've been framed."

Ventura, a musician long associated with the fashionable resort hotels along the Las Vegas strip, was arrested early Saturday by sheriff's officers who said he was driving in an erratic manner.

Deputies said they found marijuana in the car and then went to Ventura's home and found some there as well.

Ventura, 42, was released later in the day on \$1,500 bail. He told a newsman, "I wouldn't jeopardize my position by being subject to such a thing as this."

Assault Case; Cop Guilty

WEST MEMPHIS, Ark. (AP)—Sgt. Kermit Tullos, police desk sergeant here, was found guilty Friday of assault and battery on a Negro newspaper editor.

Tullos, suspended from the force since shortly after the incident occurred Nov. 22, was fined \$25 and costs.

L.F. Palmer Jr., 37, editor of the Tri-State Defender at Memphis, Tenn., complained that Tullos had struck him and thrown him into a telephone booth.

Palmer said it had happened when he put several rolls of coins on Tullos' desk while posting bond for one of his employees who had been arrested on a minor traffic charge.

Tullos told him to stack the coins, Palmer testified. He said when he asked what the sergeant meant—that they were all stacked up—Tullos attacked him, warning him to "act like a nigger should" when he was in West Memphis.

Firing Squad Executes Pair

MARKLEEVILLE, Calif. (AP)—A frightened coyote chained in a backyard killed Kerry Barr, 3½, Sunday, biting the youngster's throat after he became entangled in the chain.

Kerry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl K. Barr of Fairfield, Calif., who were visiting relatives in this remote, mountain community, died before arrival at the home of a physician 17 miles away.

"Nobody saw it happen," said Glen Barr, Earl's brother. "The boy had lost a lot of blood before we discovered him." He said he shot the coyote.

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Poisoning By Monoxide Perils City Dwellers

NEW YORK (UPI) — The case of an excessively good humored cop rouses the suspicion of two medical scientists that a lot of people are suffering from low-grade carbon monoxide poisoning without knowing it.

Excessive good humor was not his only suspicion-rousing flaw, however. Between times he was highly nervous and irritable, and he was given to attacks of light-headedness and mental dullness. His gait now, and then took on a stagger.

Occasionally, he blacked out and would be out for 15 to 30 minutes. During that time you might see his hands twitch. His appetite was shot and he had been losing weight for months.

Drs. Gordon J. Gilbert and Gilbert H. Glaser of Yale University School of Medicine, had two chances to find out what all this added up to. The first chance they missed, despite the finest tools of diagnostic science.

They got the correct answer the second time. It was low-grade carbon monoxide poisoning of long duration. The cop had directed heavy New Haven, Conn., traffic until he began figuring age was slowing him down, since he was feeling so washed-up. He wasn't yet 50 but he transferred to a job in the police garage.

He didn't know it but he was jumping from the frying pan into the fire. Carbon monoxide accumulates more readily in a garage than in a street. But more and more carbon monoxide is presented to the lungs of city dwellers as their streets become more and more cluttered with gasoline-burning engines.

The scientists made the point that carbon monoxide poisoning is no black and white business as most people, including many doctors, believe. It's not a simple alternative between being killed by it or not having any of it in you, messing up your nervous system, they said.

Heavy carbon monoxide poisoning is plain to anyone. The victim, if not dead when found, is in a coma. But low-grade poisoning can be chronic and it is insidious, producing contradictory symptoms which can baffle. They argued against the widely held view that "carbon monoxide is quickly eliminated from the body by ordinary breathing of uncontaminated air."

They reported the case of the cop to the scholarly New England Journal of Medicine which

remarked editorially that "the ed." For that reason, it added, disease is probably widespread the report "is both timely and although not commonly recognized provocative."

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