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# TACTICAL AIR BLOWS BATTER JAPS BIG THREE PARLEY PROGRESS REPORTED

American  
Delegation  
Says Work  
Going Well  
Much Serious  
Business Done

By ERNEST B. VACCARO  
POTSDAM — (AP) — The Big Three held their fifth meeting today, the American delegation announced, and "much serious business has been done."

"The work of the conference is going ahead," the delegation reported. "Since the first meeting on Tuesday the Big Three have met every day, including today, and we've had almost three hours per meeting."

SECRETARIATES MEET

Foreign secretaries of the United States, Soviet Russia and Britain have been meeting every day since Monday, putting in long hours and making progress, and their secretaries also have been busy drafting report for action by the Big Three.

Both President Truman and Prime Minister Churchill were understood to be anxious to speed up deliberations.

In the American compound, Truman conferred with Admiral Ernest S. Land, chairman of the National Defense Commission, before discussions looking to the post-war utilization of America's big merchant fleet. Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, Gen. Eisenhower's deputy in Germany, had dinner with the Big Three.

Church Services

Tomorrow Mr. Truman presumably will attend church services as usual. The American delegation planned services in an army church, but the service will not be conducted by Col. L. Curtis Hernan, chief of chaplains of U.S. forces in the European theater. An American friend, Capt. Wm. T. Morrison, serving in the 12th Field Artillery in the last war, Col. Tammam, called on the President last night and they talked for several hours.

The President is eager to return to Washington soon, and is believed seeking to keep discussions down to a minimum, with a view to quick decisions. There is also a possibility of adjustment of date.

For his part, Prime Minister Churchill wants to return to London by July 25, and returning to London after the announcement of the national election results, and his associates are reported working toward the usual arrangement of a conference at that date.

President Truman was possibly being insistent that any bargaining of conference proposals be presented upon Soviet participation in the war against Japan. It is regarded as obvious that he is presenting the American position more strenuously from the premise of saving American lives.

In London diplomatic sources said that from the Potsdam meetings the may emerge a United States-Britain-Soviet front to bring Japan to heel toward all nations of good will. Similar negotiations are reported to be continuing on the basis that President Truman would translate such a policy into a note for the United States to present to other allies in Europe.

Prisoners

WASHINGTON — The Army old Navy journal and today that President Truman carried to the Big Three Conference a draft of the Japanese surrender terms as proposed by the State, War and Navy Departments.

These terms, the unofficial copy of which was carried to the Big Three by Capt. John G. Stilwell, commanding officer of the 42nd Division, included the demand that Japan end its war.

The Japanese peace terms are probably not yet official, but no official support in Washington then it added.

"Yes, this does not remove suspicion that the Japanese and Marshal Stalin may be entangled with a serious peace formula by the Japanese Government. It may be that they are not so much concerned about the destruction of her war industries, the complete control of her economy by the United States, and the continuation of designated war criminals."

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When President Truman left for the conference, the newspaper said that he had a sore throat, and that he was drinking remedies. The 42-year-old president, who has been suffering from a sore throat for months, has been taking medicine under a heavy load of smoke.

Spanish Shakeup

## Franco Swears In New Cabinet

By CHARLES S. FOLTZ  
MADRID — (AP) — Generalissimo Francisco Franco administered the oath of office to his new Cabinet today, and the right-wing newspaper Asistencia declared that the new Government would continue the "Fascist" ideal.

The newspaper's editorial said the long-expected Cabinet shakeup, which conservative monarchist newspaper partners was a "new step" in the life of the Franco Party, the only one in Spain.

One of the displaced Cabinet members, Foreign Minister Jose Felix Tejero, has succeeded Juan Francisco Cardenas as Ambassador to Washington, but there was no explanation given.

Leguizamón and Eduardo Aranaz, Minister of Justice, who also was replaced with known to be in sympathy with the Falangists, which at that time was friendly.

The Cabinet shakeup revealed that nearly displaced Falange Señor Secretary-General Jose Luis Alfonso through the elimination of his portfolio.



Franco, prime minister without portfolio

## Chinese In 3-Pronged Kweilin Push

Close In Upon Former U.S. Base

By SPENCER MOOSA

CHUNGKING — (AP) — Chinese forces closing in on Kweilin from three sides have beaten down Japanese counter-attacks on the latter perimeter of the city, according to the former U.S. Fourteenth Air Force base city, the Chinese High Command announced today.

All the Japanese counter-attacks were totally frustrated, the Chinese announcement said.

Chinese columns in Kweilin Province continued to move in on Kweilin from the southeast and south. Kweilin is 40 miles northeast of recently captured Inchuan.

CHINESE ATTACK

Considerable casualties were inflicted on Japanese forces in Kweilin Province, 40 miles south of Inchuan, and the capture of Kweilin is imminent, the report stated. The implied capture of Inchuan by the Japanese indicated that they had broken the Chinese front, but the Chinese established at that point and which for a time on the escape route of Japanese troops from Kweilin to the interior of China.

The High Command said that the Japanese counter-attacks were aimed at Kweilin, which they mounted from points as far as 25 miles to the west, being six miles to the northwest and northwest of Kweilin. The report said the Japanese had adopted the plan to surround the city. The implied capture of Inchuan by the Japanese indicated that they had broken the Chinese front, but the Chinese established at that point and which for a time on the escape route of Japanese troops from Kweilin to the interior of China.

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Rain Helps Fire Fighters

PONTBLAND, Oregon — A deluge of rain in northeast Oregon saved the timber town of Glenwood from a devastating fire that was falling on the town.

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Under the formula, the Navy would release personnel and administrative personnel and reserve officers who were more requirements.

Service age of officers and enlisted men would be computed by allowing one point for each year the service member had been in the service.

Thus, a member who had been in the service for 10 years would receive one point, two points for each four months of active duty in the Navy since Sept. 1, 1939.

The number of points required for release, retention or discharge would vary by different categories as follows:

Retired: One point for each five years.

Active: Two points for each five years.

Reserve: Three points for each five years.

Naval Reserve: Four points for each five years.

Naval Air Reserve: Five points for each five years.

Naval Supply Corps: Six points for each five years.

Naval Medical Corps: Seven points for each five years.

Naval Dental Corps: Eight points for each five years.

Naval Chaplain Corps: Nine points for each five years.

Naval Personnel Service: Ten points for each five years.

Naval Construction Corps: Eleven points for each five years.

Naval Supply Service: Twelve points for each five years.

Naval Communications Service: Thirteen points for each five years.

Naval Engineering Service: Fourteen points for each five years.

Naval Ordnance Service: Fifteen points for each five years.

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