

# Chinese Communist Increase Threat To Nanking

## Red Troops Push South Toward Suichow

NANKING (AP)—Red threats to Nanking increased today as Communists surged southward from the Suichow area.

A mounting breakup of National forces along the outer approaches to the capital was reflected in reports from the war area.

Neutral reports from Suichow were isolated. Others had a mechanized force fighting its way westward out of trapped Government troops east of the city.

Communist forces reached Suichow, 135 miles northwest of Nanking. One report said the town was captured.

The railroad connecting Pukow across the Yangtze from Nanking, and Suichow, had been cut in several places. Government reinforcements moving up from Nanking were reported stranded in spots along the line.

China's war effort, without a plan that flew out 25 Catholic missionaries to Shanghai, and there were reports of fighting near the Suichow airport, five miles east of the city.

At the Suichow front, President Chiang Kai-shek and top leaders of the Nationalist Government allegedly fled into the Red zone. The Red zone is the area between the Yangtze and the Huai River.

Communist occupation of Suichow, 90 miles southwest of Nanking, was reported Thursday. The city was the last Nationalist stronghold in the area.

Experts on All Phases Of Farming  
They make up the contributing staff of CAROLINA NEWS, a new weekly magazine which will be published in the South.



ADELE MARA AND JOHN WAYNE  
Adele Mara, Republic Pictures star who will be the prominent role in the Republic picture, "Wake of the Red Witch". In this photo she is shown with John Wayne in a scene of the picture. Miss Mara was scheduled to arrive at Municipal Airport at 2.57 P. M. today and will leave the city Thursday morning by plane.

## Film Star To Arrive By Plane Here Today

By MARTHA AZER LEBON  
Beautiful Adele Mara, Republic Pictures star, was scheduled to arrive in the city late this afternoon in plenty of time to appear as the guest of the Carolinas Christmas Festival on Wednesday.

Miss Mara was to arrive at the Charlotte Airport. She was to be met at the airport by a number of the festival's leaders, including Mayor H. H. Baker, P. Earl Crawford, general chairman of the festival, Thomas J. Robinson, chairman of the distinguished guests committee, and Cy Dillon, manager of the festival's local branch.

Miss Mara will participate in a full-day's program planned for the festival on Wednesday. Tomorrow, she will be an honor guest at the Variety Club's Christmas dinner on Thursday night at El Morocco.

WITNESSES TELL OF GIVING 'PRESENTS' TO GET AUTOS  
WASHINGTON (AP)—Two witnesses told a House Committee today that they had given presents or "commission" payments from a Washington firm. A company official denied one man's story.

The committee, headed by Rep. Macey (R-NY), is investigating automobile trade practices. In a statement last week, the committee estimated that so far this year new car buyers across the country have had to take \$200,000,000 worth of unwanted accessories and have lost \$200,000,000 through under-valuing of traded-in cars.

The present hearings are confined to practices in the Washington area.

George C. Gilbert, president of Water Systems International, Washington, testified that his company bought a new Oldsmobile last January from the Kearney Oldsmobile Co., Washington, for \$4,432.50, including extras, and gave an additional \$500

## AFL Gunning For Labor Act Backers

Taft-Hartley Law Repeal Demanded  
By HAROLD W. WARD  
CINCINNATI (AP)—AFL President William Green said today the new objective for organized labor was to "defeat any member of Congress who votes against repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act."

Green karned the opening of the 67th annual convention of the American Federation of Labor in London, where he will review the work of the Federation in contributing to President Truman's victory in the recent election.

"Labor came through, met the issues bravely and won the greatest victory that labor has ever won," Green said.

"We do not meet here in a vindictive mood, but rather with a feeling of serene confidence to operate with all classes of people to work together to make men free to elect their representatives, to secure liberty and justice and to perpetuate our American form of government."

"Just as our objective was to defeat those who voted for the Taft-Hartley Act, those who refuse to vote repeal must be defeated at the next election," he said.

The AFL entered a political league in 1948 campaign, the first time in its history. The league was officially endorsed by Truman, but 80 per cent of its backers worked for a Democratic victory.

In the Congressional contest, the AFL-like all the other labor political organizations, including the Teamsters, the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, and the International Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, proposed a quick return to the status quo.

The Wagner Labor Relations Act, adopted in 1935, was amended by the Taft-Hartley Act in 1947. The labor leaders would build on that act.

Matthew J. Connelly and Charles R. Ross, chief executives of the American Federation of Labor, were coming in from Washington. They were moving in from Washington.

PARIS (AP)—An informed source said today that the French government will support the American position on the Marshall plan.

Ben Chas. Washington, said he "would a friend obtain a car from the Keary Co., and paid \$500 extra as a 'present' to the company's representative."

Cohn named William Maxwell, a Kearney salesman for twenty years, as the man who received the \$500.

Manuel was called and testified that he had given the \$500 as a tip. Manuel said he never asked for a tip but accepted "whatever they gave and

## Elizabeth And Son Doing Well

Noisy Celebrations Set Off By Birth Of Heir To British Crown  
By TOM WILLIAMS  
LONDON (AP)—Joyous Britain roared a welcome today to the tiny Prince of Edinburgh, first born of beloved Princess Elizabeth. He probably will be England's next king.

The "Bonny lad," as Buckingham Palace said in a note, weighed 7 pounds 16 ounces at birth Sunday at 9:14 P. M. (14:14 P. M. EST). Elizabeth, betrothed to Prince Philip, was second in line both before and after his birth.

The U. S. warships Columbus and Hamul joined British naval craft at Plymouth in firing a 41-gun salute in honor of the newborn prince.

The Royal Horse Artillery, King George's own troops, wheeled six guns into Hyde Park and fired 21 multi-rounds in honor of the child and his mother.

Elsewhere trumpets and bands played, bonfires flamed and fireworks snapped.

The baby was born six days before the first wedding anniversary of Elizabeth and Prince Philip. Crowds outside the palace screamed when the nervous father laid the newborn prince in his arms.

The Union Jack whipped in the wind above Buckingham Palace, salutes in London docks set their sirens screaming, sailors got a double ration of rum.

Through his father, the baby can claim as an ancestor Arthur, the first of the Tudors.

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I am going to give the mayor the picture of what is going on in the port of New York. It is expected, however, that any settlement reached will be in force by the six-day old strike in other East Coast ports.

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WASHINGTON (AP)—Civil defense planners advising that air raid shelters afford only partial protection from atomic attack, urged that more be done to protect the public when they are in their homes.

What amounts to a primer for the public on how to do it, was issued over the week-end by the Federal Civil Defense Administration.

The primer emphasizes that the best defense is a good offense, and that the best offense is a good defense.

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## Situation Is Called Dangerous

Mediator's Plan Is Commended  
By EDWARD CURTIS  
PARIS (AP)—Canada demanded today that the United Nations order Jews and Arabs to negotiate an immediate armistice in Palestine.

Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton offered a new resolution to the Security Council following closely the mediator's proposal.

The mediator's plan is commended. It is a necessary bridge between the broken truce and a final settlement.

The resolution called on the Jews and Arabs to negotiate either directly or through British to set up permanent armistice demarcation lines for the truce.

Informed circles said the United States has shown great interest in the mediator's proposal to replace the truce with an armistice. These sources said U. S. delegation members are in Israel and some Arab delegates.

The General Assembly's resolution called for a first half-hour arguing whether to begin debate on political questions in Palestine.

McNaughton, in the eleven-nation Security Council, said he commended the mediator's plan. He is known also to have consulted the U. S. and British.

Paris E. Kharzi of Syria told the council the Jews get arms and the Muslims get no arms.

The Canadian resolution proposed action under Article 40, Chapter 7 of the United Nations Charter.

King Resians As Canadian Premier  
OTTAWA (AP)—William Lyon Mackenzie King resumed as Prime Minister today. He had been head of the Canadian Government more than 21 years.

Louis St. Laurent, a French Canadian lawyer who entered the cabinet in 1947, was asked to form a government.

King retired by choice. He plans to take early leave. He is 73 and has been ill.

Laurent, once a corporation lawyer in Quebec and until now Minister of External Affairs, was chosen King's successor with his blessing.

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## Bullitt In Shanghai

SHANGHAI (AP)—William C. Bullitt arrived by air today to begin his mission as special envoy for a special U. S. Congressional Committee.

Bullitt was greeted by ECA Chief Roger Lapham and representatives of the national and municipal governments.

Bullitt is expected to meet with the secret bacteriological warfare project at Camp Detrick, Md., over the planning group.

Because they wanted the people and local governments to know what was going on, the project was presented a dark picture of the situation.

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