

By Claude B. Johnson, after viewing the international scene, conclude that we are now entering the Iron Decade when the usual pleasures of civilization will have to give way to military demands. This column is on the editorial page, 4-A.

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Congress Rec'd To Vote Big Defense Fund Boost

Hearings Begun By House Body Little Opposition To Truman Request

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST WASHINGTON—(AP)—Congress appeared ready today to pump another \$17,850,000,000 into the national defense effort to help check what President Truman called "the imperialist designs of the Soviet Union."

Hardly had the President asked for the money yesterday when the House Appropriations Committee started hearings. At the end of the first of probably ten days of hearings committee members, Republicans and Democrats alike, told newsmen privately there is not a word that Congress can do except provide the money.

Money Will Boost Forces

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Military officials today said the new defense budget President Truman sent to Congress will provide for an actual strength of 2,711,121 men. They gave the following figures comparing the strength contemplated under the new law with the actual strength last June 30:

Our Weather

CLOUDY and warm with showers tonight. Shows tomorrow, turning cloudy. See Weather Data on Page 3-A

NATION'S CIVILIAN DEFENSE HEAD



Milford F. Caldwell, right, former governor of Florida, who was named Friday by President Truman to be Civilian Defense Administration head, talks with White House reporters as he leaves the conference with the President (left). (AP Photo)

Czechs Convict Nine Churchmen

By WILLIAM OATIS PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia.—Nine Roman Catholic churchmen, including a bishop and two nuns, were convicted of espionage and burglar today in an alleged Vatican plot to overthrow the Communist Government.

2 Young Men Questioned As Truman Attends Game

By ERNEST R. VACCARO PHILADELPHIA—(AP)—War-time security regulations guarding President Truman were put into effect for the Chief Executive as he came here today for the Army-Navy football game.

Royster, Taylor Vieing For House Speaker Post

RALEIGH, N.C.—(AP)—A two-man race for Speaker of the House will be the first issue to be settled when the 1951 Legislature gathers here a month from next Tuesday.

No Change Seen In Draft Law

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Chairman Winston D-Ga of the House Armed Services Committee said today he saw no reason for any change in the draft law this year to speed up the induction of the armed forces.

Chinese Red Has Talk With Lie Peace Efforts Pressed At UN

By STANLEY JOHNSON NEW YORK—(AP)—Chinese Communist Delegate Chen Chiao conferred for half an hour this morning with United Nations Secretary General Trygve Lie, apparently in connection with Lie's efforts to find a solution of the Korean crisis.

No Reinforcement in Sight For M Arthur

By JACK BELL WASHINGTON—(AP)—Informed sources here said today that Gen Douglas MacArthur apparently is going to have to fight out the present tactical situation in Korea without any sizable reinforcements.

Collins on Way To Tokyo; Austin Called To Capital

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Gen. J. Edgar Collins, chief of staff, flew today to Tokyo for an on-the-spot inspection of the military situation in Korea.

Goets With Mother Against Will

By LARRY ALLEN STAMPAUGH—(AP)—With her sireling down her cheeks, the 13-year-old girl was taken from her Moslem husband today and turned over to her mother.

Some Allied Units, Detachments Flee City

TOKYO—(AP)—Chinese Reds swarmed forth tonight for an attack on Pyongyang. Allied rear echelon units and refugees streamed south out of the former Korean Communist capital ahead of the new Red wave.

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