

THE LAST

Red Attacks Halted Some Land Recovered By Allies

Enemy Shifts Efforts To East

By OLEN CLEMENTS

TOKYO — Three American in-fantries counter-attacked North Korean divisions today in the hills north of Chechon where the enemy had denied Allied lines ten miles.

The American troops supported by 70th Air Artillery bargages fought as much as two miles in some sectors.

The battle still was raging across rugged valleys at 5 P. M. (3 A. M. M. S. T.).

One Red force drove within three miles of the Chechon road but South Koreans rolled the enemy back there.

FLANK NOT TURNED

A U. S. Tenth Corps officer said that South Koreans had not formed into a definite pattern. But the Reds had failed in the opening phases to turn the Allied east flank.

Accurate artillery fire and counter-attacks blunted the force of the enemy, which shifted southward at Chipyong and Wonju.

The smash at the east flank near Chechon, a mountain gateway to South Korea, was the only serious enemy effort. The Reds massed 15,000 or more men in the area but a late field report said only spearheads had been committed.

Eastward on the coast, South Korean troops made a deep pull-back from the 38th Parallel to a new defense line but under no enemy pressure.

FIGHTING SCATTERED

Westward for 70 miles to Seoul, there was scattered, small-scale fighting.

Around Wonju and Chipyong, where Chinese Reds suffered 22,128 casualties in four days but failed to break through, Allied patrols ranged one to more than two miles north without finding Reds.

Fourteen miles southeast of Wonju, Accurate U. N. artillery quickly broke up a Red attack at 11:40 Friday night six miles north of Seoul.

At about the same hour, a Red regiment assaulted South Korean units ten miles northeast of the town of A. M. Saturday night attack subsided.

The third action was initiated north of the Chechon road by South Koreans against a south-bound North Korean column.

Reporting from the central front.

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Open Safety Pin's Removed From Eight-Year-Old's Lung

By TOM FENNERMAN
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Eight-year-old Joyce Smith, who "always did put things in her mouth," calmly read comic books in her hospital bed today after an open safety pin had been taken from her lung.

Joyce, a slender blonde Gaffney, S. C. child, will stay in the Eye, Ear & Throat Hospital for a few days while her physician, Dr. W. K. Hart, makes certain she has recovered completely.

Joyce, just one of thousands of children who have swallowed everything from bolts and screws to can openers.

DIFFICULT CASE

But here was an unusually difficult case, even for specialists who counter the recovery of potential bullets from small lungs as routine.

Her case started some six months ago. It was Summer and Joyce was playing in the yard at her home in Gaffney, where her father, L. K. Smith, a fireman, had discovered her.

She came into the house, with her hand on her throat, and her mother said "What's the matter?"

Joyce, from babyhood, had a habit of putting various and sundry items in her mouth, and Mrs. Smith had warned her about it repeatedly. Now she was on her guard.

"Nothing," Joyce said.

She went on about her play, but some 30 minutes later Joyce brought in a small object.

"I found it," she said, and announced that she had swallowed a safety pin.

The child had had the pin in her mouth, and suddenly she had given a sort of gasp — why, no one knew. When she was two years old, Joyce had swallowed a little finger ring which someone had given her. That time, she'd eaten potatoes and bananas, and that had worked.

Joyce's safety pin was soon forgotten, more or less. But later, she developed a cough. It was a hacking, dry cough.

Mrs. Smith took her to a doctor who it was whooping cough, but nothing seemed to stop the chronic cough. About two months ago, she determined to find out what was causing all this, the doctor looked into the fluoroscope.

PIN OPEN IN LUNG

There she saw the safety pin. It was in her lung, and it was open, and it was misshapen, that's what she had seen.

The child holds a safety pin in a closed position. The pin was retracted, but the point was sticking upward in the direction of the throat.

Joyce was brought to the Eye, Ear & Throat Hospital. Dr. Hart handled the case. He saw the pin, and it was removed with difficulty immediately of course.

The hospital had instruments which, he said, he used to pull things out.

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JOYCE BREATHESEASIER
News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin Studio

Joyce Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Smith of Gaffney, S. C., relaxed at a local hospital today after an open safety pin, which had been in her lung for six months, was taken out. The bandage on her throat covers the opening made so that physicians could get instruments into her lung.

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Government Seeks Wage Board Peace Labor Walkout Creates Crisis

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON — State Department officials explored Prime Minister Stalin's new pronouncement on world problems today for possible clues to changes in Soviet foreign policy. Most believed they searched in vain.

The attitude of the Administration's experts in Soviet behavior appeared to parallel that of several Senators who assessed the statement as propaganda.

Considerable interest was aroused, however, by the fact that Stalin himself has now taken up and given final public sanction to a life voiced for the past year by lesser Soviet figures. That the U. S. has become an instrument of Anglo-American control dominated by what the Russian premier called the "aggressive cord of Western Hemisphere and Atlantic treaty nations."

MAY QUIT UN

There was some speculation that the emphatic manner in which Stalin pressed this contention may indicate the Kremlin is completing a propaganda basis for pulling out of the U. N. if and when such action would appear to serve Soviet designs.

One line of speculation on this possibility is that the Russians, having branded the U. N. as no longer an organization for world peace would denounce it, walk out and proceed to form an alternative league.

The initial reaction of responsible officials here was that while Stalin's pronouncement with a powerful voice in the Soviet Union may now re-emphasize Russia's known position not only on the U. N., but

Soviet Chief Raps Action On Korea

Says World War Not Inevitable

By THOMAS P. WHITNEY

MOSCOW — Prime Minister Stalin's latest broadcast against the United Nations which he termed a tool of "American aggression" was on every front page in the Soviet Union today.

Repeated broadcasts on the Soviet radio echoed the Kremlin leader's pronouncement—his most important in two years—to the one sixth of the world which is the USSR, and beyond.

Stalin, in a lengthy interview with a radio show, branded as "shameful" the U. N. resolution labelling Communist China as aggressor on Korea.

"If Britain and the United States reject finally the proposals made recently by the Government of China, the war in Korea can only end in a defeat of the interventionists."

"Do you consider a new world war inevitable? Stalin was asked. The Kremlin leader replied: "No. At the present time, it cannot be considered inevitable."

STATEMENT STUDIED

Diplomats here and in world capitals studied carefully the latest authoritative statement from the head of the Soviet Government looking for keys to future Soviet moves.

Western envoys in Moscow interpreted his views on the Korean war as highly significant. It was viewed as indicating the USSR has not yet closed to a peaceful settlement between the U. N. and the "aggressive interventionists."

Mostly, however, they regarded Stalin's carefully worded pronouncement as a reaffirmation of what lesser Soviet spokesmen have been saying in the past few months.

(United Nations sources at Lake Success seized on the word "aggression" in the paragraph referring to the proposal to admit the people's Government of China for a peaceful settlement. This, they said, was the first indication that Moscow might not feel that the Western nations have completely ruled out talks with Red China on Far East questions. But there is no real optimism at Lake Success that the "if" sentence would be taken as a good omen of a committee trying to make peace with Red China.)

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(Diplomats in Western European capitals were reportedly of the opinion that the frontal attack against the United Nations was more urgent than ever a Big Four conference to ease East-West tensions. It was expected that Stalin's pronouncement comes at a time when the Western nations are preparing for such a conference. A foreign minister's meeting, as a forerunner in the Big Four party, is scheduled for Feb. 20.

His first major foreign policy statement in two years (the 71-year-old Stalin presided at the Korean war would end in defeat of American forces, unless Washington and London agree on terms laid down by Communist China.)

He declared "The United Nations organization is preparing for the road of the League of Nations. In this way it is burying its moral prestige and coming itself to disintegration."

Stalin charged that the U. N. was organizing a military expedition of world populations and had become "not so much a world organization as an organization for the American people acting on behalf of the requirements of the American aggressors."

He said American GI's fought brilliantly and effectively in defeating Germany and Japan, but

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3-Month GOP Foreign Policy Split Looms

White-Sided Tires

By JACK BELL

WASHINGTON — Seen as a prime legislative agenda for the coming year, the three-way split to stay over the troops-to-Europe issue.

At the same time, the combined Foreign Relations and Armed Services committees accepted answers to their invitations to report President Hoover and Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York on the issue of whether Congress should limit the number of American troops to serve in the United States.

Dewey, the 1948 Republican Presidential nominee, has urged the raising of an army of 100 divisions and all-out help to Western Europe to return. Hoover has said the United States should not send another man or dollar until Europe erects a "sure dam" against Communism.

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