

U.S. Military Training is favored by a majority of American voters. This was revealed in a survey of opinion by George Gallup, Dr. Gallup's report of the survey is on page 2-A of this edition.

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GUNMAN DOWNED BY OWN BULLET



A desperate gunman, who held a woman hostage and barricaded himself in this house at Auburn, N. Y., for six hours Thursday, falls from a second-floor window with a self-inflicted bullet wound in the stomach. The man, who gave his name as Daniel Walker, 22, of New Jersey, later was reported in serious condition. This picture was made by Ned Ryan of Television Station WHEN, Syracuse, N. Y. (AP Wire-photo).

Describes Long Ordeal
Seeing Ship Go Hurt Carlsen

FALMOUTH, Eng. (AP)—Capt. Kurt Carlsen, whose stubborn courage inspired repeated efforts to take his ship, the Flying Enterprise, out of the water, today described his long ordeal. He said the ship was hit by a rocket from the Flying Enterprise, which exploded in the pressure of the water. The most hurtful moment in all his two-week ordeal came 30 minutes after the ship was hit, when the ship was hit by a rocket from the Flying Enterprise, which exploded in the pressure of the water. The most hurtful moment in all his two-week ordeal came 30 minutes after the ship was hit, when the ship was hit by a rocket from the Flying Enterprise, which exploded in the pressure of the water.

WE LOVE THAT PERSONAL TOUCH FOUND IN LETTERS

WASHINGTON (AP)—Members of Congress are receiving thousands of letters these days on a variety of subjects. Some of the letters are inspired by organizations that are so wrapped up in their subject they'll tell you how to write your letter. All you have to do is fill in the name of the person you want to write to. Senator Martin (R-Pa.) has received one letter in which the writer followed instructions to the minutest detail. It was addressed to: "Honorable John Doe (substitute name). It began: 'Dear Mr. Doe.' How come the letter got to Martin? The envelope was addressed to John Doe, Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C. Since it was a Pennsylvania postmark, the Senate post office routed it to Martin.

Man Accused Of Forcing 2 To Cut Wood For Still

ROGERS, Ark. (AP)—A farmer has been accused of holding two men in penance to chop wood for his whiskey still. Neal Robinson, 35, was arrested at his farm near Talbott, Okla., about 45 miles west of here. He was charged with violating Federal laws. An investigation was started after Cecil Dutton, 22, and Walter Moore, 18, both of whom are from Rogers, told the police that Robinson was forcing them to chop wood for his whiskey still. The officers said Robinson showed up in Rogers and accused the men of stealing whiskey from his farm and threatened them with a pistol. Dutton and Moore then went to the police. Robinson was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner at Muskogee, Okla., yesterday. He was charged with two counts of holding persons in penance and operating an illicit whiskey still.

OUR WEATHER

Fair and continued rather cold today and tonight. Expected sun tonight 23 degrees. Saturday increasing cloudiness and warmer. Highest yesterday 63 degrees. Lowest this morning 25 degrees. Sunrise, 7:32 A. M.; sunset, 5:30 P. M.

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TWILIGHT FROM COMETS

What causes twilight—that half-light just before sunrise and after sunset? Dust from comets, according to the recent findings of one astronomer, Dr. Fred L. Whipple of Harvard University says the soft twilight glow is caused by very small dust particles scattering the sun's rays while the sun is below the horizon. The particles are blown off comets when their icy surfaces are vaporized by sunlight. They spiral slowly into the sun under the influence of the sun's pressure and gravitation, and the earth is constantly traveling through them.

Search Widens For Seamen In North Pacific

SEATTLE (AP)—A widening sea air search for the freighter Pennsylvania and the 45 men who abandoned her wallowing bulk Wednesday was underway today over a large North Pacific area. Three ships continued to comb the area and seven airplanes were alerted to participate in the second day of searching the windy, surging ocean spot where the men last were heard from. Canadian and U. S. ships and planes yesterday conducted a day-long "criss-cross" search of the region 46 miles northwest of Vancouver Island where the broken and waterlogged freighter last reported being in difficulty. They found nothing—not even scraps of wreckage, a drifting bit of clothing or a life preserver. Just wind and waves and snow flurries.

No Trace Found Of Freighter Or Men

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Civilian Metals Use Curtailed

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Government today ordered a sharp curtailment of use of metals for home building and almost all types of civilian construction beginning April 1. The Defense Production Administration, which has the job of dividing up scarce materials between the military and the civilian economy, said the curtailment would begin in the April-May-June quarter. The curtailment would affect 600,000 new home starts a year. This is 45 per cent below the total of 1,300,000 dwellings actually begun last year and compared with a current building rate of 800,000 a year. In announcing the allocations to-day, the War Relocation Authority said the curtailment would be by encouraging small-home building and substitution of more plastic and reduced visibility to 600,000 figures.

French General De Latre Dies

PARIS (AP)—General Jean de Latre de Tassigny died tonight, the French news agency announced. The 61-year-old French commander-in-chief and high commissioner in Indo-China had been in a hospital since he was hit by a tumor of the prostate gland. The British firm, which held some of the insurance on his Flying Enterprise, instituted the system of awarding the medal for "meritorious service" 58 years ago. Only 416 have been passed on since.

Daughter Is Born To Rep. Mr. FDR Jr.

NEW YORK (AP)—A daughter, Nancy, was born today to Rep. and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr., at LeRoy, Saratoga. The child was the couple's first. The mother is the former Suzanne Roosevelt had two children by a previous marriage to Ethel Dunt.

Aiken Thinks He Should Resign Post

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Aiken (R-Vt.) said today that "if Gen. Eisenhower wants to be President, I should like to be relieved of my present job and make his own domestic issues known." "I should come out swinging and not be so coy," Aiken said, adding "and I'm from an Eisenhower family." Aiken's comments attracted attention here because he long has battled what he calls "The Old Guard" in the Republican party. Aiken's proposal followed President Truman's news conference statement yesterday that he will keep Eisenhower as Supreme Commander of Allied Forces in Europe as long as the general will resign.

Cleared Of Security Risk Charge

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FATHER SPURNS MEDALS OF 2 KILLED IN KOREA

WASHINGTON (AP)—The father of a lieutenant killed in Korea fighting to defend the United States Medal of Honor, a Defense Department spokesman said today. The spokesman said the action of Halley McGovern of Washington, D. C., is without precedent. While it acknowledged receipt of McGovern's letter, the Army refused to divulge his reasons for turning down the Medal of Honor. McGovern's father, a Silver Star, awarded in another of his sons killed in Korea. The Medal of Honor was awarded to 1st Lt. Robert M. McGovern, 26, of the 1st Cavalry Division, who was killed in action on his brother, 2nd Lt. Jerome P. McGovern, 21, of the 2nd Division. Robert was killed Jan. 30 and his brother fell in battle twelve days later. Both were buried in Arlington National Cemetery Nov. 15. McGovern was not immediately available but the Washington Times Herald quoted him as saying: "Accepting these medals would imply that I think Truman is worthy to confer these honors. And I don't think that fellow is worthy to confer honors on my boys or anyone's boys."

U. S. Fliers Shoot Down 4 Red Jets Over Korea

SEOUL, Korea (AP)—American F-8 Sabres shot down four Red jets in a series of air battles today that ranged to within 30 miles of the Pusanum site of U. S. troops. Twelve others were damaged. Ground fronts were so quiet the heaviest reported action came from American naval guns yesterday. The cruiser Rochester, supported by the destroyer USS De Haven, shelled Communist troop concentrations near Kungang, today. The eastern end of the move, a 14-mile battle line. To the north two other U. S. destroyers—the Gregory and the USS De Haven—were long held by Red shore guns. Four Communist 76 mm guns firing from caves dug in a bluff near the coast broke out in a series of attacks yesterday. The Navy said neither the crew nor the destroyer was damaged. The destroyers reported at least one direct hit with 300 rounds fired from their own five inchers. The one MIG was the only casualty reported in a 30-minute fight between 32 Sabres and "about 10 Red jets." One Sabre reported they tried unsuccessfully to pick a fight with 30 more MIGs. The U. S. Eighth Army said a series of patrol clashes broke out along the frozen front, but no sizeable action developed.

Kidnaped Baby Found Unhurt

NEW LULY, Minn. (AP)—An 18-day-old baby boy was found unharmed here today. The boy was kidnapped from his home in Mankato, 28 miles southwest of here. A short time after he was found, the infant was restored to his mother. The baby was found by a woman who called her home from Mankato. The baby was found in his mother's apartment over a tavern in downtown New Lully. Chief Larson said he got his first tip from Mrs. Frances Preller, a neighbor of Mrs. Preller's. "I feel better if I tell someone about this," she said.

Enemy Casualties Put At 1,569,069

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Army today estimated total enemy casualties in Korea at 1,569,069 through Jan. 3. This represented an increase of 22,001 since Dec. 17 when the last estimate was made. The new total includes 1,121,242 estimated battle casualties, 277,822 non-battle casualties, 12,065 captured military prisoners of war and 37,984 civilian internees. The latest count of United Nations casualties, not only in Korea, was 109,459. This did not include 212,500 casualties reported up to last June by South Korean forces.

Allies Demand Explanation Of Airfield Stand

Virtual Ultimatum Handed Communists
By OLEN CLEMENTS
MUNSKAN, Korea (AP)—Allied troops negotiators handed the Reds a virtual ultimatum today. They demanded an explanation of an alleged contradiction in the Communists' announced stand on construction of airfields during an armistice. Maj. Gen. Howard M. Turner said negotiations for supervising a Korean truce could not continue until the Reds explain the apparent discrepancy. Turner said the Reds last month announced they planned to build and repair airfields while a truce was in force, but denied yesterday that this is their intention. Chinese Maj. Gen. Hsieh Fang stated that the Communist position never has changed and declared: "We will never get a satisfactory answer to your unreasonable demands."

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Kefauver's Name Going Into Illinois Primary

CHICAGO (AP)—A group of Chicagoans supporting Sen. Kefauver (D-Tenn.) for the Democratic Presidential nomination announced today that his name will be entered in the Illinois primary.