

Gallup Poll American Institute of Public Opinion went out and asked the man on the street whether he preferred a large standing army, or a small one with special weapons. For the consensus, turn to Page 5-A.

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ALLIED AIRMEN SCORE HOLIDAY WIN IN KOREA

Today's Victory Near All-Time Record In Korean Air Fighting

SEOUL, Korea.—(P)—Allied flyers shot down 12 Communist MIG-15s today in a Fourth of July battle that was the second greatest victory of the war.

In addition, Allied planes probably shot down a thirteenth MIG and claimed six others damaged. The day's score was just one short of the all-time record set last Dec. 13 when 13 MIGs were shot down, two probably destroyed and one damaged.

Today's big battle came when the MIGs tried to break up an Allied bombing attack.

NEAR RECORD The battle between 97 American F-86 Sabre jets and 115 MIGs was one of the Korean war's biggest air fights, although it fell short of the all-time record, the Fifth Air Force said.

There were 11 separate engagements today. The Sabres were flying cover for a flight of 10 Thunderbolt fighter bombers raiding Communist installations near the Yalu River. The Air Force did not identify the target except to say it was about 20 miles southeast of Suho, where the world's fourth biggest power plant was smashed in a 500-plane raid June 23.

Allied losses, if any, were not announced. On the ground, fighting erupted along three sectors of the front as Allied artillerymen wheeled every big gun on the 153-

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Strike Halts Ferry Service

DETROIT.—(P)—Passenger and railroad car ferry service on Lake St. Clair and the Detroit River was halted today by the strike of members of the Great Lakes-Lake St. Clair Seafarers' Union.

Herman M. Booth Jr., marine director of the independent union, called the strike at 12:01 A. M. this morning. Ferries operated by five railroads were affected by the strike, called as the Fourth of July holiday traffic to Wisconsin and resort areas in Michigan's upper peninsula.

Some 250 members of the union are involved in the strike. They are all officers on the car ferries. The strike centers on a wage dispute.

Ships officers are demanding a pay increase from \$28 to \$40 a day for captains of ferry boats, and corresponding raises for lower grade personnel.

Negotiations between the officers and the operating railroad have progressed since March 1. The National Railway Labor Mediation Board abandoned efforts to settle the dispute. The board's mandatory 30-day cooling off period. The strike idled 120 ferries.

OUR WEATHER

Partly cloudy with little temperature change today and tomorrow. Widely scattered afternoon and evening thundershowers.

High temperature yesterday, 86 degrees; high expected today and tomorrow, 88 degrees. Low temperature, 61 degrees; low expected tonight, 66 degrees.

Sunrise, 5:14 A. M.; sunset, 7:41 P. M.

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THE DRY FOURTH

Are Fourth of July fireworks apt to cause extra rainfall on this day? For many years it was believed that loud explosions brought on rain. Generals thought so in wars which followed battles were due to a artillery discharges somehow jarring moisture

from clouds and "professional rainmakers" would set off dynamite charges or fire a cannon to try to break a drought. But a study of scientists know no amount of noise has any effect on rainfall: the Fourth of July showers are the result of fireworks, that it would have been without them.

SEE MY OPERATION?



Four-year-old Donna Wakeman of Houston, Tex., shows her mother where she got her anti-polio shot. She is one of 35,000 children expected to get the shot of gamma globulin. The Texans are giving mass injections in a fight against a polio epidemic. (United Press Telephoto).

MOTORISTS RACE TOWARD HOLIDAY WEEK-END DEATH

Millions of Americans headed for outings today, jamming highways, with a warning to motorists from safety officials to drive with caution.

In the first few hours of the extended week-end holiday the death toll in traffic accidents was 16. But the National Safety Council estimated that 430 persons would lose their lives in highway mishaps between 6 P. M. Thursday and midnight Sunday (local time).

Caution by motorists, the council said, could hold the toll to 300 or less. It based its estimate of 430 deaths on "cold" deaths, past experience and current traffic trends.

In the Memorial Day week-end the final toll was 303 traffic deaths, 55 drownings and 62 violent deaths from miscellaneous causes.

Six persons were killed last night at Monroe, La., when their automobile was demolished in a crossing collision with a Missouri Pacific train. The accident occurred during a heavy rainstorm.

Other states reporting traffic fatalities included Kentucky, three; Ohio, two; and Arkansas, Iowa, Maine, North Carolina and Wisconsin, one each.

Congressmen Drive For Adjournment

WASHINGTON.—(P)—The nation's lawmakers are doing the independent day errand to get out of town today rather than on platforms at Fourth of July celebrations.

The senators and representatives called off their holiday plans to act on bills which must be passed if Congress is to meet its final adjournment deadline tomorrow.

Literally hundreds of bills speed through the congressional mill yesterday but a dozen major items still must be sent to President Truman before the 82nd Congress quits.

Some Republicans were demanding that adjournment come in time for them to catch late afternoon trains and planes tomorrow for Chicago and their National Convention. But the Democratic leadership would make no promises as to when the final gavel will fall.

QUICK ACTION The Senate plainly showed its get-out-of-town mood last night by passing a \$1,289,877,000 military construction authorization bill with less than five minutes of consideration and with no copies available.

EVENING PRAYER

O God, who doest all things well: I thank Thee that when it is night the stars come out, that on a cross our hope was born, that suffering can be redemptive, that perfect love casts out fear, and that in Christ there is a friend who stetheth closer than a brother. In His dear name. Amen.

Taft Proposes Sift Delegation

Would Accept 22, Give General 16

(CHICAGO.—(AP)—Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio—following through on a harmony appeal by Dwight D. Eisenhower—formally offered today to split the contested Texas delegation to the GOP convention.

Taft suggested that 22 of the 38 disputed voters be cast for him and sixteen for Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower. Up to this point, Eisenhower leaders have indignantly refused to talk compromise over the blazing Texas delegate row. They claim a matter of high principle is involved.

Jack Porter, head of the pro-Eisenhower Texas delegation, told newsmen that while his group would meet with the rival Taft delegation "We have no intention of compromising this matter."

Taft made his bid in a letter to Gay Gabrielson, chairman of the GOP National Committee. Gabrielson just before, had wired Taft from Hoover, who is only living former President, suggesting that the National Committee review the Texas row, and try to reach "an amicable and equitable settlement."

WANTS 'UNITY' In his letter, Taft said he was anxious that "unity be again brought about in the Republican Party in Texas—so without the bitterness and prejudices" he

entertained that he was proposing the compromise. He wrote: "While I will suffer a delegate loss in making this proposal, I am doing so because I think it is so generous that its equity will be questioned, and I am willing to take that loss as a contribution to the strengthening of the Republican Party."

Taft said the Taft letter was read by Gabrielson, the National Committee—which had just convened to hear the last and hotly contested delegate dispute—postponed until afternoon to permit both sides to study the proposal.

Taft said that if the Eisenhower camp accepted the idea, a substitute would be proposed.

He pin-pointed it when he said: "If I know the American people, the roughness in Chicago will boom."

He was referring to the fact that Taft backers had shut out television and radio broadcasts of delegate disputes—and to the way in which delegate decisions were going to be made.

HOOPER'S CHIEF Taft's chief rival for the Republican presidential nomination, Eisenhower was expected to continue to push ahead with final details before the Taft maneuvers as his train rolled across Iowa. His schedule offered plenty of opportunity for a campaign.

This afternoon, Eisenhower and his wife, Mamie, were scheduled to leave for Chicago. Eisenhower's headquarters at Boone, where the townspeople have invited them to a picnic.

Tonight, he was slated to appear on a television show (NBC's "The People at 7:30 p. M., EST.) at Ames, Iowa, and later to make a brief talk in the Ames football stadium. He will arrive in Chicago tomorrow.

All these occasions afforded the Republican a chance to make a point of their party's position.

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This is the scene of the collision between a Royal Transportation truck and a Greyhound bus fourteen miles south of Winnipeg, Canada. The accident, which happened at about 1 A. M., killed eight and injured fourteen others. The crash tore off the entire front of the bus. (AP Wirephoto).

Hoover Calls To Delegates To Turn Thumbs Down On Taft's Tactics

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The Box Score

CHICAGO.—(P)—Here is the way the delegate disputes have been settled so far by the Republican National Committee:

Florida (eighteen votes)—Pro-Taft "regular" delegation seated over "grass roots" group. (AP poll shows regulars divided fourteen Taft, one Eisenhower, three uncommitted.)

Georgia (seventeen votes)—seventeen for Taft. Louisiana (fifteen votes, thirteen in dispute)—eleven for Taft, two for Eisenhower.

Mississippi (five votes)—five for Taft. Missouri (twenty-six votes, one in dispute)—one for Eisenhower.

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Allies Agree On Secret Sessions

MUNANS, Korea.—(P)—Allied trace negotiators today accepted the Communists' bid for secret sessions and voiced hopes that the Reds are ready to modify their adamant insistence that all prisoners be sent home.

Maj. Gen. William K. Harrison Jr. told the Reds the United Nations would agree to a new bid. The negotiators immediately went into a 40-minute secret session to discuss the bid.

U. S. Embassies throughout the world held receptions and parties. One of the largest was given by the U. S. high commissioner to Germany, John J. McCloy. He invited 4,000 guests to a reception at his headquarters in Bonn.

Secretary of State Dean Acheson, in Brazil on an official courtesy visit, took time from his official duties to speak at a Fourth of July dinner of American residents in Rio de Janeiro.

Senior ships of the U. S. Sixth Fleet, scattered in ports throughout the Mediterranean Sea, fired 21-gun salutes in celebration of the anniversary.

Comic Dictionary

GIRL A female who is always one of three things: hungry, thirsty or both.

Labor Board Will Probe CIO's Charges

WASHINGTON.—(P)—The National Labor Relations Board plans an immediate investigation of charges by striking CIO steelworkers that major steel producers have entered into a conspiracy to prevent settlements with any struck company unless the Big Six agree.

President Truman made virtually the same charge at a news conference yesterday. He accused the major steel companies of conspiring to draw out the strike, and said the situation does not call for the use of the Taft-Hartley Act.

Pruman indicated strongly he did not plan to follow the "request" by Congress that he try to end the 22-day work stoppage by asking the courts for an 80-day injunction against the strike, as provided for in the T-H law.

Industry spokesmen promptly said Truman knew about the latest union move before it was made. They noted the timing of the T-H law.

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Greater Part Of GOP's Platform 'Roughed Out'

CHICAGO.—(P)—Most of the plank for the new Republican platform were roughed out today by party leaders here for secret sessions before public disclosure.

Sen. Eugene D. Millikin of Colorado, national chairman, told a reporter he will see reports from six of the 11 subcommittees working on separate planks.

Millikin, John Foster Dulles and Clarence Budington Kelland are working for hours last night on the major foreign policy section.

Both Millikin and Kelland are supporting Taft and a check of the 15-member subcommittee drafting the foreign policy plank showed eight Taft supporters to five for Eisenhower, one for Gov. Earl Warren of California and one listed as uncommitted.

Despite the Taft majority, Mrs. F. Travy Heffelfinger of Mine Fork, an ardent Eisenhower booster, told this reporter that Chairman Millikin "is being fair to all sides."

Millikin has promised to avoid the issue of Taft-Eisenhower battle in drafting the platform and so far appears successful.

Without disclosing their contents, the chairman said he already has tentative planks on these subjects: national defense; Communism and corruption; governmental affairs; Western affairs; natural resources and public works; veterans of World War I; and taxation and monetary policy.

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