

POW AND FATHER GIVE THANKS



Pfc. Joseph Picerno, one of the first repatriated POW's to return home, prays in St. Monica's Church in Queens, N. Y. with his father, Nicholas, at his side. (UP Telephoto).

Last Group Coming Home

More Ex-PW's Reach Honolulu

Civil Service Firing Provision Is Attacked

WASHINGTON—House Democrats tried today to fight to prevent a provision in the new bill which would give the administration the right to fire any civil servant who is engaged in any activity which might be injurious to the national defense.

Front Quietest In Many Days

SEoul—The Korean battle front was so quiet today the sight of a lone Communist soldier, some faint noise and the occasional Navy task force poured tons of shells and bombs into the battered east coast port of Pusan, the heaviest strikes in months.

OUR WEATHER

Considerable cloudiness, warm and humid the rest of today. Light and tomorrow. Scattered thunderstorms and showers mostly during the afternoon and evening.

Weeks Urges World Trade

WASHINGTON—Secretary of Commerce Weeks said today the United States and other free nations must aim "at the highest level of trade possible on a profitable and equitable basis."

Have His Views Changed?

WASHINGTON—Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) and his investigations subcommittee turned today to a public quizzing of a top U. S. business executive, who is now the chief of a major defense contractor.

Conference Of Governors Ends In Washington

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President, Dulles Appeal To Congress

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Scott Ponders Race; Money Big Problem

RAW RIVER, N. C.—Money is the problem that worries W. Kerr Scott as he considers the possibility of running for the U. S. Senate in 1954.

Comic Dictionary

BARGAIN—Something well sold at a price low enough to make you want it.

Reds Bolster Forces In Laos

HANOI, Indo-China—(AP)—Communist-led Vietminh troops reinforced their forces against two stoutly defended French-Laotian posts in the mountains north of Luang Prabang today.

MONEY-MINDED

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Reds Stalling Truce Talks, Allies Charge

PANUNJOM—The U. N. Command today accused the Communists of throwing up a smokescreen in the Korean truce talks and said Red stalling "casts serious doubts on their sincerity."

Senate Nears Final Vote On Offshore Oil Land Bill

WASHINGTON—The Senate today edged toward expected passage by tonight of legislation to establish state ownership of oil-rich offshore submerged lands within their boundaries.

Red Chinese GENERAL TAKES VIETMINH JOB

TAIPEI, Formosa—(AP)—Nationalist Chinese troops today took control of a Communist-held area in the north of Laos.

Indochina Aid Talks Break Off

WASHINGTON—Informal negotiations today between British-French negotiators for loans of British-French planes for Indo-China broke off.

Evening Prayer

Holy Father, who dost support us who are so prone to err, help us not to hear the voices of men but ever to heed and obey Thy voice. Help us to walk today in mercy, and forever, not by the wisdom of men, but by Thy wisdom. In Christ's name. Amen.