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RHEE CALLS HOME HIS OFFICERS



In an extraordinary new ultimatum Syngman Rhee, president of South Korea, (right above) declared that the South Koreans will continue the war by themselves unless an armistice meets his own terms. All ROK military officers were called home including Gen. Park Sun-yeop (top left) chief of staff, Major Gen. Choi Duk...

Shin (top center) Korean delegate to the UN has boycotted UN meetings. Six ROK officers attending General Staff College at Leavenworth, Kas., were all recalled. Meeting with newsmen (below) are Col. Ahn Kwang Ho, Col. Jung Nae Huk and Maj. Gen. Choi Young Hl. (UP Telephone photos).



Presbyterians Hear Plea Church Segregation End Urged

By BRYAN HANSLIP MONTREAT (P)—A young West Virginia minister today asked the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. to end racial discrimination at all church levels. The assembly sent to its Council of Christian Relations "for study and recommendation" a motion to open its institutions of higher learning to all races, and to "strongly recommend" to synods and presbyteries that segregation in local churches be ended. Minutes earlier a Southern minister apologized to the assembly for using the word "nigger" in arguments over proposed changes in church rules on marriage and divorce.

Victory Claimed For De Gasperi

ROME (P)—A government spokesman claimed today that Premier Alcide De Gasperi's Center Coalition has won absolute majorities in both Senate and Chamber. Interior Minister Mario Scelba, a Christian Democrat, confirmed that the coalition of four parties had won more than 50 per cent of the Senate, but declined to say what the result would be in the Chamber of Deputies, the more important lower house. The chief of De Gasperi's press office declared, however: "The tabulation of votes for the Chamber is almost complete and the government will have over 50 per cent." He said unofficial returns indicate that the Chamber will elect 73 deputies.

OUR WEATHER

Considerable cloudiness, warm and humid today and tomorrow. Scattered afternoon or evening thundershowers. High temperature yesterday, 83 degrees; high expected today, 85 degrees; low expected tonight, 72 degrees. Sunrise, 5:48 A. M.; sunset, 7:36 P. M. More Weather Data on Page 2-A

South Koreans Continue To Protest Plan

Armistice Possible Before Week Ends By ROBERT B. TUCKMAN PANNUJOM (P)—Staff officers worked today on final details of a Korean armistice as hundreds of thousands of South Koreans demonstrated violently against the impending truce that will leave their nation divided. The liaison officers met for an hour and 20 minutes. Both sides brought maps into the conference, but, indicating they were working out a cease-fire line. The South Korean Assembly backing up its leaders' unswerving opposition to the armistice terms, called for "all necessary measures" to prepare for a "northward advance."

Even as Koreans surged wildly through the streets of Seoul, Allied and Communist assemblies in the tiny truce hut at Panmujom for 12 minutes amid increasing signs that an armistice may be signed within the week. Although an Allied spokesman gave no hint of what took place in the hut, the briefings of the meeting indicated that only finishing touches remain before a ceasefire agreement was reached. Lower level officers assembled after the plenary sessions today to iron out the wording of the document that would call a halt to the bloody three-year-old war.

While the demonstrations raged, Seoul Korean President Syngman Rhee assembled with his generals behind closed doors. The meeting followed one with Gen. Maxwell Taylor, U. S. Eighth Army commander and the South Korean Cabinet. Rhee's spokesman said the Cabinet and National Assemblies who attended the session reaffirmed their decision to "smother an armistice."

Troops Must Stay 6 Months

WASHINGTON (P)—Secretary of Defense Wilson said today it will be "six months or more" before any U. S. troops can begin moving out of Korea on an armistice is reached. Wilson made the statement while testifying before a Senate appropriations subcommittee on the subject of Air Force spending. Other witnesses including President Eisenhower, have said U. S. troops would have to remain there for some time but have mentioned no specific period.

Wilson repeated again what he told the Senators yesterday—that the U. S. demobilized too fast after World War II—and added: "Let's not get foolish now if we have a situation in which we can't bring the boys back here." Wilson went on to say "people will be a little disappointed that we can't bring the boys back here," but he said the situation in Korea is pretty disturbing.

Wilson said that even if there is a truce, U. S. troops can begin building up ammunition supplies there. Rain soaked the front again in the night. Heavy overcast cleared briefly for the first time in three days before dawn. B26 bombers reached Red supply trucks destroyed in night flights over North Korea.

Comic Dictionary RAISE The increase in pay you get just before going a little more into debt.

TOP SECRET DATA



Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson reads from a top secret report as he testifies before the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee in defense of the cuts in defense spending. He was recalled for more testimony today. (UP Telephone photo).

Wilson Promises Senators U.S. Air Buildup To Continue

WASHINGTON (P)—Secretary of Defense Wilson told senators today the new Pentagon command intends to continue the buildup of U. S. Air Force but is against asking for new funds that can't be spent presently and properly. He said that the expectation of 120 wings for the Air Force by the end of 1955 doesn't mean the new administration has "set aside the 143-wing basis."

The Truman administration's Air Force goal was 143 wings, ranging in size from bombers to 75-light aircraft each. Wilson said the appropriations subcommittee for the second year defending his five billion dollar slash in the Air Force budget drawn up by the Truman administration for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

Wilson said Sen. McClellan (D-Ark) during one long exchange. "McClellan has urged Wilson to forget about balancing the budget," and tell congress just how many billions were needed to build toward a 143-wing Air Force. "A considerable group in Congress has been challenging the advisability of Wilson's five-billion-dollar slash."

Home-Sick GI Hires Man To Chop Off 4 Fingers

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Michigan, Ohio Lashed By Storms

FLINT, Mich. (AP)—Six roaring tornadoes, their black-cloaked funnels dealing multi-million dollar destruction, ripped furiously through parts of Michigan and Ohio last night, killing 139 and injuring 750. The most deadly of the shrieking windstorms flung full force against Flint, a heavily industrialized city of 183,000 about 70 miles north of Detroit. In Flint alone at least 113 persons were killed. Forty houses in one Flint street were flattened like pancakes. Many mangled bodies were found today in the wreckage of homes. The tornadoes shot the nation's Spring twister toll to 238 dead. Alabama, Texas, and Oklahoma have been hit hard recently. The new tornado struck Michigan while the state was still cleaning up the May 21 twister that whirled through the outskirts of Fort Worth and jumped the St. Clara River, one at Ann Arbor and one in Flint. The first tornado lashed Erie, Mich., just over the Michigan-Ohio line near Toledo, O., at 8:25 p. m. (EST). At 8:10 p. m. a twister hedge-hopped through Wash-

ington County, 35 miles to the north and swept into Milford, Oakland County, 15 miles to the northeast. Tawas City, midway up the east coast of Michigan on Lake Huron, was hit at 8:25 p. m. and Flint at 8:45 p. m. The tornado area extended from Tawas City down across the Ohio-Michigan border to Bowling Green—a path of 350 miles. Eight persons died in the twister that struck the Cuyahoga, O., area six died in the Cleveland area; and one each at Elyria and Cuyahoga. OTHER FATALITIES Michigan fatalities, in addition to those at Flint, included four dead at Erie; four dead at Tawas City; one at Ann Arbor; and one in Brown City, near Leapeur. Flint hospitals were filled with the injured. Many were carried into corridors still smudged by the swift destruction that hit their homes.

National Guard troops, state police and police officers from numerous Michigan cities converged on Flint to aid in the rescue work. Gov. G. Mennen Williams took personal command but did not dare a state of martial law. The Flint tornado killed many in homes on Coldwater Road and in a school building. A 14-year-old boy was killed in a school building. A 14-year-old boy was killed in a school building. A 14-year-old boy was killed in a school building.

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