

SENATE OKAYS BUDGET CUTS IN AIR FORCE

President, Wilson Are Victorious In Economy Efforts

By EDWIN R. HAKINSON  
WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower and Secretary of Defense Wilson have won their long battle to cut funds and target goals of the Air Force.

Without a record vote, the Senate late yesterday approved a bill carrying \$34,434,140,500 to operate the defense establishment for the fiscal year which began July 1.

The real tests had come earlier after lengthy and at times angry debate.

First, by a 55-38, roll call, the Senate rejected an effort by Sen. Maybank (D-SC) to give the Air Force an additional 400 million dollars to order 200 B-47 jet bombers, capable of delivering atomic bombs.

This was the big test, since it was the first to come to a vote. Republican lines held firm against the increase and they picked up 9 valuable Democratic votes to add to the 46 GOP ones. Voting for Maybank's amendment were 37 Democrats and 1 Independent.

If Maybank's had succeeded, other Democrats planned amendments to raise the total of the five billion dollars cut from former President Truman's Air Force budget by the GOP administration.

Sen. Hayden (D-Ariz.) lost 48-11 in an effort to add 50 million dollars to step up pilot training. He recalled that many World War II pilots had been called into active service in Korea and said Congress should train enough pilots to avoid this in the future.

Sen. Ferguson (R-Mich.) floor manager for the bill, said the Air Force should be able to turn out 8,000 new pilots this year in addition to some 47,000 now trained.

A new change was made in the bill. It had been reported by the Senate Appropriations Committee. A conference committee will be named to adjust Senate-House differences.

One Senate provision may cause trouble there. It would end the recent policy of giving a raise of 5% to all military personnel in the award of defense contracts.

The Senate topped the House totals for the Air Force by 200 million, for the Army by 21 million and for the Navy by 96 million. It offset this in part by chopping out 250 million from the House vote for a machine tool pool asked by Secretary Wilson.

As the bill cleared the Senate it contained about 77 million more than the House version. The Senate bill still was more than 1 billion below Eisenhower's budget, more than 6 billion under the Truman requests and more than 12½ billions less than Congress voted defense agencies last year.

The funds are expected to result in a total military force of 1,338,000 by the end of next June, which will be cut to 1,300,000 if a year is reached. That compares with a recent 3½ million in uniform.

The bill gives the Air Force slightly more than 11 1/4 billion dollars to provide 3 build-up from 106,000 to 114 by a year from now, and to 120 by June 1955. There are 30 to 75 planes in a wing. Truman had urged 143 wings in 1955.

GREECE TO SIGN  
ATHENS, Greece.—The Foreign Ministry announced today that Greece soon will sign a 20 million dollar trade agreement with Russia. The Greeks will exchange tobacco and other farm products for Soviet oil, timber, fish and newsprint.

HIS LONG-DISTANCE CALL...  
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GILMORES IN HAMBURG



Eddy Gilmore, former Associated Press bureau chief in Moscow, follows his Russian-born wife, Tamara, up the steps to their room in the Hotel Atlantic in Hamburg, Germany. The couple is en route from Moscow to the United States. (AP Wirephoto).

Malenkov Top Red, Gilmore Believes

EDITOR'S NOTE:—How does Georgi Malenkov look? Eddy Gilmore, AP Correspondent in Moscow for 11 years, is one of the few Americans who have seen the Soviet Premier in action. Gilmore gives his appraisal of Malenkov—and of his chances of staying Premier—in this article, last of a series written this side of the Iron Curtain.

By EDDY GILMORE  
PARIS (AP)—Who's running Soviet Russia today?

Is it really Georgi M. Malenkov? Could it be Y. M. Molotov? Is Nikolai Bulganin the real man in charge? Is it possible that Nikita Khrushchev is manipulating things from the dark corners of the Kremlin? Or is it government by committee as the Communist party would have us believe—a committee composed of the party, the government and the Supreme Soviet?

Or, is it the army?

Frankly, I don't know and I don't know if anyone outside the Kremlin knows.

The dismissal of L. P. Beria—listed officially as Malenkov's No. 1 lieutenant—has narrowed the field. But it has also confused it. A wise Western diplomat, with many years' experience in Soviet affairs, is not completely convinced by the Beria story. He explains:

"This could be another grand piece of Russian make-believe and deception. They may be trying to fool the West. At this extremely important moment of our time the Beria disgrace could be a huge lie."

I do not hold with this diplomat which, I'll be the first to admit, doesn't mean very much. I believe Malenkov is in charge, and has been in charge since 1951 was stricken. I believe he saw Beria stealing up behind him and out of the corner of his quick Slavic eye, caught a glimmer of the knife in Beria's hand. That he felt strong enough, or desperate enough to eliminate the high chief of the political police, with his principal henchman.

MORE DUE  
If this is true then a lot more people are due for disgrace and death in the near future. For Beria had a lot of friends and followers. He was a politician and in any dictatorship there are a lot of policemen. They don't like to give up their authority lightly, or at all.

Truce Igniting Slated Today Or Monday

Kim Reported To Be Replacing Pro-Russians

Top Korean Red Swinging To China

TOKYO (AP)—Korean sources indicated today Marshal Kim Il Sung, the fat box of Red Korea, is swinging away from Russia and toward closer ties with Red China even as contradictory reports said Kim himself had been purged.

There was no way of checking the rumors, but it appeared that political unrest gripped North Korea.

Kim reportedly has been turning Korean Reds who lean toward Russia and boosting party members who put Communist China first.

At least three members of Kim's Cabinet were reported purged: Foreign Minister Park Hui Ung, Vice Premier Kim Lee Sop, Vice Premier Hu Ka Wee. All are Koreans.

ON IN JAIL  
Park Hui Ung was reported in a Communist jail after being purged three months ago. He was formerly head of the Communist party in South Korea until his defection to the North in 1946.

An officer at the front reported that Kim Jong Ju was throwing out Red Koreans favoring Russia and backing Korean Communists favoring Red China.

CONFLICTING REPORTS  
It was confusing because other Korean sources said Park Hui Ung favored Red China and this stand cut him his job. There was no way to reconcile the conflicting reports.

Home Minister Chun Hui Shik said the chairman of the North Korean Peoples Supreme Committee, Kim To Bong, had won the favor of Marshal Kim.

There were other reports that Marshal Kim, whom the South Koreans call an impostor, was close to Lavrenty Beria, the deposed police chief of Russia.

South Korean intelligence sources said they did not know if Kim had any close connection with Beria.

There were still other reports that Kim Il Sung has been given the ax in North Korea and would not be at Panmunjom to sign a truce armistice, if one is arranged.

However, the last report seemed doubtful because Gen. Mark W. DeBolt's headquarters in Tokyo has signed true communications bearing the name of Kim Il Sung in the past.

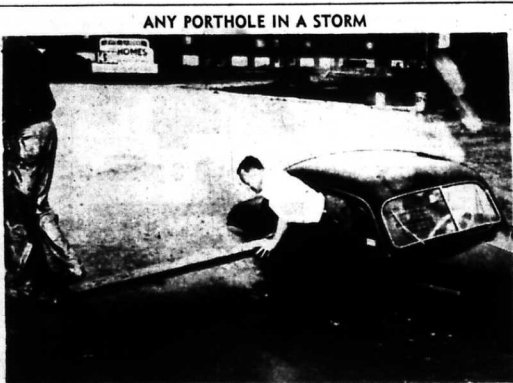
SEAT SPACE  
If Kim does not go to Panmunjom to sign the truce document that will mark his Red peace counterpart, Gen. Peng Teh-huai would not be expected to be there. The truce must be signed by the opposing commanders—Kim and Peng for the Reds and Clark for the Allies.

U. S. warships were maneuvering in the area, the Navy said. The Navy said the freighter, the Sea Eduard, was heading from Japan to the Red Chinese port of Chingwangtao.

The Coast Guard said the freighter reported by radio that it was "under shell fire" at 1:30 A. M. (6:30 P. M. EST).

The Coast Guard tried for several hours to contact the ship after it intercepted the brief message and got no reply.

From Korea, Radio Pan broadcast a report that the Sea Eduard was on fire, but did not give source of information.



Joseph Blanchette of Flushing, N. Y., makes a porthole exit from his car as waters from a three-inch rain piled up in streets when storm sewers were unable to handle the deluge. (AP Wirephoto).

Striving To Take Hills

Chinese Reds Keep Up Attacks

By GEORGE A. MCARTHUR  
SEOUL, Saturday (AP)—Savage Chinese Red attacks by perhaps 5,000 men lashed last night at three hills outside the Korean town of Panmunjom.

Western Front northeast of the town, the Reds flared at the sky. Chinese were in the trenches on two of the hills and Allied soldiers were fighting with bayonets and gun bolts.

"We still hold 50 per cent" of the two hills, the officer said. Shortly after midnight officers at the front reported the battle appeared to be slackening after more than two hours of savage combat.

The Chinese unleashed fiery barrages of Russian-made Katusha rockets on Outpost Esther.

The Reds also threw in heavy artillery and mortar barrages. Allied artillery in counterfire cut up two Chinese efforts to retake the hills. The South Korean troops overpowered the Reds here, but the other three were still in Communist hands despite the South Korean efforts.

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Clark Receives Authorization To Act For U. N.

Rhee Issues New Blast At Armistice

By ROBERT B. TUCKMAN  
SEOUL, Saturday (AP)—Sources here and in Washington reported Friday the Korean truce may be signed either Sunday or Monday, Korean date.

A usually reliable source close to the talks said here it probably would be Sunday.

In Washington, where officials said Gen. Mark W. Clark has received the final authorization from President Eisenhower to sign for the United Nations, belief was expressed that the signing would be Monday.

TO GIVE NOTICE  
Washington sources said the day and hour would be set 24 hours in advance and would be announced immediately so the world would be apprised of the move.

The sources both in Seoul and in Washington took into account that the signing date should be set by some new move of South Korea's President Syngman Rhee, who opposes the truce.

The signing date probably was set, tentatively at least, by senior liaison officers at a meeting in Panmunjom Friday afternoon. A full-dress session of the main delegation might be held today to approve the move.

Rhee angrily denounced the armistice agreement Friday, saying some of the Allied promises to the Reds "cannot be allowed to happen."

NO REACTION  
Rhee's new threats brought no immediate reaction at Panmunjom where the liaison officers met for 2 hours, 46 minutes Friday, then recessed without scheduling another session.

The liaison officers met for 2 hours, 48 minutes, then recessed without scheduling another session. The stubborn old South Korean President acknowledged that a truce was imminent and said he was anxious "not to follow a unilateral policy, if it can be avoided."

Rhee has threatened several times in the past to pull out of the U. N. Command and fight alone.

In a strongly worded statement, Rhee accused the Reds of giving the Communists pledges which "render impossible a fulfillment" of some of South Korea's basic understandings with the United States.

He said his agreement with U. S. Secretary of State Walter S. Robertson, President Eisenhower's true envoy, provided:

1. "... that no troops from India or any other foreign nation will be landed in South Korea to guard against a possible invasion."

He said that the Communists claim Gen. (William K.) Harrison has agreed that such troops will land in South Korea and that they will be granted police protection by the U. N. forces. I can only say that the Korean people will not permit this to happen."

2. "... that the United States and Rhee on page 6-A

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Comic Dictionary  
BORE  
A person who never seems to have a previous engagement.

Police Prevent Battle Between 2 Girl Gangs  
NEW YORK (AP)—Two teenage girl gangs formed battle lines in the Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn last night and were ready to fight with ice picks and knives when police broke it up.

Evening Prayer  
Help us, blessed Lord, to believe in the promise of Thy Spirit's presence. If we but recognize these things, we shall find that Thou art at our side to guide, to bless, to comfort, and to save. We thank Thee for Thy presence. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Back in Jamison, the dog, listened quietly to his master's voice which came from Eddie's mouth and her son Curtis, wailed to see if Eddie's assurances would relieve Allgetra's worries. (AP Wirephoto).