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# Allied Troops Arrive Back Across 38th Parallel

## STREET BUSSES

### Bradley Criticizes Way M'Arthur Fired

WASHINGTON — Gen. Omar Bradley told Senators today he thinks President Truman was right in firing Gen. Douglas MacArthur but the "method" of doing it "probably could have been handled better."

This implied criticism of the summary fashion in which MacArthur was dismissed came at a session with Senate investigators in which Bradley also

discussed that total U. S. casualties in Korea — both battle and non-battle — total 141,355. This includes 75,570 non-battle casualties, and 65,776 combat casualties, with 10,680 listed as killed in action and 612 dead of non-battle causes.

Non-battle casualties are those resulting from such things as accidents and illness. In this case, it includes also the frost-bite victims of last winter's cold.

2. Testified the North Atlantic treaty nations "do not have the capability, right now, of stopping an aggression by Russia."

3. Said that while Iran is a danger point he is "not too sure the something in Iran before they start it somewhere else."

4. Declared that in his opinion the issue of whether to admit Red China to the United Nations should

have no place in negotiating a settlement of the Korean war.

Senator Wiley (R-Wis.) asked Bradley: "Do you think that general MacArthur was treated in the way he should have been treated in handling this matter?"

BRADLEY ANSWERED: "From a military point of view, I agree that he should have been relieved."

"As to the method of relief, I agree that it probably could have been handled better."

Bradley, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, testified before the Senate Armed Services and Foreign Relations Committees. They are making a joint inquiry into the "military and political aspects" of the firing.

When giving the casualty figures, listing 13,248 Americans killed in action, Bradley told the Senators:

"In fighting the Germans we usually got back a very large percentage of the missing, but 'in fighting the North Koreans we got back very much smaller."

Senator Byrd (D-Va.) asked: "Would you say that two-thirds of those are likely dead?"

Bradley: "I would even hesitate

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### Strong UN Forces Roll Northward

#### Van Fleet Says Red Push Failure

By TOM STONE

TOKYO — A powerful Allied task force lunged across Korea's 38th Parallel today in a 15-mile strike through retreating Reds.

Americans in another tank-led force recaptured Chunchon and pushed on toward the border, ten miles to the north. With Chinese' fall the Reds lost the last important town taken in their last offensive.

The Eighth Army drove north with little trouble along the entire 125-mile front. Its commander, Lt. Gen. James Van Fleet, called it a Red-killing column offensive.

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### 81-2 Billion Asked For Foreign Aid

By JOHN SCALI

WASHINGTON — President Truman asked Congress today for a "vast new foreign aid program costing \$8,100,000,000 to help thwart 'Communist dreams of world conquest.'"

Of the total, \$6,250,000,000 will go to strengthen the defenses of the United States and its allies around the world, Mr. Truman told Congress.

He said the bill is needed as part of a plan to build up within Russia "internal pressures" which will cause Soviet leaders to abandon their policy of aggression.

"It is too early to predict how or when this policy will change," he said in a special message sent to Capitol Hill. "But this program of mutual security will help to bring about such a change."

"It is certain that the united vigor and co-operative action of the free world can produce such results if we act in time."

"No system based on slavery and terror can long withstand the tremendous human energies that are released by the advance of freedom."

DEFENSE FIRST

Mr. Truman said that for the time being emphasis must be placed on building up the defense of the world's defense to "put a stop to the Kremlin's hopes of easy conquest by the use of atomic weapons."

But he added, because "growing prosperity in the free countries will frustrate Soviet political warfare."

Boat Capsizes; 2 Sailors Drown

NEWPORT, R. I., (AP) — Two men perished and about 120 more were pitched into icy seas today when an "edge of hurricane" smashed a 50-foot launch, turning a shore leave party to their ships in the harbor.

Capt. H. Temple, chief of staff for the naval base here, said "I don't believe anyone is missing." But he said the "couldn't be sure until after a check of five vessels to which the men were returning."

Twenty-four men, including fifteen stretcher cases, were hospitalized.

Seconds after the launch overturned in wind-whipped seas, the city of Newport feared the naval base island only a short distance out in the bay at least fifteen other boats raised in the rescue.

Sailors on other liberty party boats dived overboard to help rescue the boddies and in minutes the waters were a confusion of men and life preservers.

"It was a rescue by the grace of God," said Capt. Templeton, "it was only by the grace of God that the harbor was so full of boats going back to other ships."

"In these circumstances," the President said, "the Soviet rulers will face growing internal pressures, the rulers of the Soviet Union will be forced by the pressure to change their policy of aggression."

He said the President requested would go to speed shipments of American weapons and munitions aid to nearly 90 friendly countries. It covers the fiscal year beginning July 1.

EUROPE GETS MOST

A record sum of \$3,800,000,000 would be earmarked for Western European nations, described by the President as "the most important prize for Soviet ambitions and our strongest allies in the world struggle for freedom."

The remaining \$1,814,000,000 would be spread among friendly governments in the Far East, South and Southeast Asia, the Near and Middle East and Latin America.

A total of \$380,000,000 would be set aside for military and economic help and "Atlantic nations including Formosa" to help keep it island out of the hands of the Reds.

The President also urged Congress to increase by \$1,000,000,000 the lend-lease authority of the Government's Export-Import Bank. This is not a request for appropriations, but an appeal for permission for the bank to draw on the Treasury up to that amount when needed.

The added loan funds, he said, are urgently required for development loans abroad, especially in the Far East.

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OUR WEATHER

Generally fair and cool today and tonight. Friday, partly cloudy with a slight wind. Sunrise, 5:13 A. M.; sunset, 7:27 P. M.

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LIGHTNING STRIKES UP

Did you know that lightning strikes up, as well as down? The upstrokes are part of a second interchange between cloud and ground. First, a stroke probes downward from cloud about 50 yards. It fades for a tiny fraction of a second, then reappears to probe farther.

This probing continues until contact is established with the ground, then the main part of the stroke sweeps upward from ground to cloud. A series of strokes, up and down, follows. But the whole thing happens so quickly it appears as a single, one-way flash.

### Stock Market Falls Sharply

NEW YORK — (AP) — A selling wave broke over the stock market today and brought on a violent 40-minute retreat.

Selling was general throughout the day, with losses running as much as \$6 a share with frequent declines in the 3183 share frequency.

The peak of the rush came in a 40-minute period starting around 11:30 A. M. (EDT). At the worst point the high speed ticker tape was as much as five minutes late in recording sales made on the floor of the stock exchange.

As the selling drive waned, there were scattered recoveries from the extreme low.

Among the hardest hit were Nickel Plate Railroad, Standard Oil (N. Y. & U. S.), Chrysler, U. S. Rubber, Anaconda Copper, and Du Pont.

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### BUSSES IN THE GARAGE—NONE AT THE SQUARE



A News photographer made this picture of a few of the 138 buses in the Duke Power Co. garage and parking lots to prove that the familiar vehicles hadn't vanished from the face of the earth. Bus supervisors report the machines ready to roll—gassed and lined-up in order of departure—when somebody arrives to start 'em.

The bus transfer point was locking its usual crowd of shoppers and business fell to a degree. Wide expanses of empty curb indicated that the

usually bustling Independence Square looked lonesome, at mid-morning.

The smiling, pleasant blond of the bus strike, found no one unaware of the fact that the buses would not run.

Most of the people waiting at the bus stop yesterday for transportation this morning.

W. B. Allen of 2500 Belvidere Ave. said he was waiting for some co-workers at the telephone company who had promised to pick him up this morning.

C. J. Lloyd of 2500 Shenandoah Ave. said some people from his office were going to give him a lift.

Reporter Wister said some, like Lemuel McKune, Robert Bellamy and Harold Hewitt, all of 720 Westover St., had gone to the bus stop still uncertain whether the strike was on.

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### Five Other Cities Hit By Walkout

#### No Indication Of Early Settlement

by J. A. DALY  
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Street bus service for Charlotte was completely suspended today as a strike of Duke Power Co. bus drivers which involved this city in the severest transportation difficulty in its history.

Night-long efforts by Charlotte's Mayor Victor Shaw and the Mayors of five other cities also involved in the strike failed to bring about a "truce."

The same street transportation disruption was reported from Winston-Salem, High Point, Salisbury, Greenville, S. C., and Spartanburg, S. C.

Outstanding light highways in the night were these big uncertainties related to the strike and answer was lacking for each question: When will a new peace effort

Additional news and pictures about the bus strike may be found on page 7-A.

be undertaken? What next can be done to promote settlement? How long will the strike probably continue?

The Government's mediator probably immediately will begin his quiet exploration of the situation through separate conferences with leaders of the disputing principal groups.

The co-operating six mayors announced that they will stand ready to take full advantage of an opportunity to promote agreements to end the strike.

Meanwhile, the men who took part in the unsuccessful night-long deliberations had returned to their homes in other cities or were still asleep at their homes after the afternoon.

Approximately 625 bus drivers and garage mechanics employed by Duke Power Co. in Charlotte and five other cities went on a strike at 5 A. M. in response to a union order issued Monday night to "peacefully withdraw from service" at that hour.

Charlotte was involved in 1919 and 1920 when the city's population was around 50,000 and service was provided by trolley. The last time, the city was involved in a strike was in 1919.

With the announced intention of eliminating any likelihood of violence flaring up in this strike, power company officials declared that the leaders will be locked in the garage until the strike is over.

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### Truman Skirts Election Issue

By BOB SAIN

WASHINGTON — President Truman, asked today whether he would run for the Presidency again next year, said the season is still open.

As he has before, he told a news conference he has made up his mind what he is going to do, but is not ready to disclose his intentions.

That decision, he said, has not been affected by what he called the "ruckus kicked up by the great general from the Far East."

There was an obvious reference to Gen. Douglas MacArthur, whom he ousted from all his commands.

There has been some speculation by political columnists that Truman might be inclined to run again to put before the people the issues raised in connection with MacArthur's firing.

The President did nothing to discourage reports he will take a cross-country trip this Summer.

Asked about that possibility, the President said that if he takes to the road, he will give correspondents plenty of notice so they can go with him.

The objective of such a trip, he added, would be to tell the people the truth and the facts as to his domestic and foreign policies.

When the people have the facts, he continued, you can't fool them. The President continued what correspondents have known all along, that Mrs. Truman does not want him to seek another term.

Mrs. Truman, he said, never has been enthusiastic about his holding public office. She had had to put up with it for 30 years.

Mr. Truman said he is confident his program for peace will avert a new world war.

He told a news conference that he would not seek another term.

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### No Paralysis Here

### City 'Machine' Keeps Running

By BOB SAIN

Charlotte News Staff Writer

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### 500 More Vehicles Per Hour

### City's Streets Show Great Auto Traffic Increase

By DONALD MACDONALD

Charlotte News Staff Writer

During the peak traffic hours today, an average of 500 more cars per hour passed into the city than the same locations under normal conditions, and found that in most cases an increase of 500 cars per hour generally noted.

COUNTY SITES

Automatic traffic counters were placed on Trade St. between Pearson and Mint Sts.; on Trade between Caldwell and Davidson Sts.; on Tryon between Jackson Ter. and Vance Sts.; and on Tryon between Trade and 5th St.

The greatest increase in any one hour was noted on Tryon St. between 9 A. M. and 10 A. M. The automatic traffic checker between Jackson Terrace and Vance St. there were 1,600 automobiles in an hour's time. Normal total for this same period is 1,048 cars.

At the same location, between 9 A. M. and 9 A. M., there were 1,500 cars which passed today. Normally the figure is much closer to 1,151 — which was the figure tabulated on July 6, 1950.

Mr. Hoose said that only in a very few instances could the average citation detect any visual difference in the amount of traffic. During the peak hours there were several times, especially out on Merchants St., but these occur only on a few occasions.

The evening peak hours, however, may tell a different story. The increase in vehicular traffic may then be more easily detected.

On a normal day — such as Thursday, Oct. 5, 1950 — a total of 1,152 automobiles passed the point between 9 and 10 A. M.

Today's total of 500 more automobiles than the number which passes this spot on a normal weekday.

OTHER INCREASES

Other increases worthy of notice were the following: On Trade St. between Caldwell and Davidson Sts., there were 1,700 cars between 8 and 9 A. M. compared with 1,210 cars on a normal day between the same hours.

Between 7 and 8 o'clock on Tryon St. at Jackson Terrace and Vance St. there were 1,600 automobiles in an hour's time. Normal total for this same period is 1,048 cars.

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