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WHERE 12 DIED IN EXPLOSION



These smoking ruins are all that remain of a processing plant of the Hercules Powder Co. at Pineole, Calif., after it exploded Thursday. Twelve men were killed and damage was estimated at \$50,000.

## Tides Threaten New Losses In Low Countries

By TOM OCHILTREE  
LONDON.—A relentless tide thundered against hastily-plugged gaps in the sea walls of Britain, the Netherlands and Belgium today threatening a new loss of life and property.

On both shores of the North Sea the battle to hold back the waves reached a new critical phase. The fight against the greatest expected tide of the month, will continue until Thursday.

Britain, and the United States and eight continental countries, got a sanding airift under way. Millions of bags were loaded into planes and ships to strengthen the battered levees on England's east coast.

British, Dutch and Belgian servicemen and volunteers fought at a new tempo to hold back the sea. As new weaknesses appeared in the dikes, fresh crews rushed up to bolster the defense.

Britain and the low countries counted more than 2,000 dead from the storms and floods that swept against their shores from Jan. 31 to Feb. 2. All three countries are better equipped now to prevent more loss of life.

## WARNING SYSTEM

Not only have coastal areas been evacuated in many places, but elaborate warning systems are in operation.

The wind dropped over the North Sea, but numbing cold was a new enemy for the workers on the dikes. A blizzard continued over much of Northern Europe.

Spring tides, pulled by the moon, will reach their peak Monday afternoon. If no new gales whip up waters, the threat of tides rises to get safely by this period. By the end of next week, the giant February tides will have begun to recede.

The British are winning the sea battle thus far. The walls are starting back in some places. The danger areas of Kent, Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk, Yorkshire and Lincolnshire are being cleared.

Ice and snow continued to snarl road and rail traffic in Northern England and Scotland.

Blister weather gripped the Continent. The French port of Le Havre had its third snowfall of the winter, the first time this has happened in 30 years. Snow fell as far as Marseille.

## Mother Asks Ike To Get Boys Home From Korea

COAL GABLES, Fla. (U-P)—Notified her son was missing in action, an anguished Coal Gables mother today pleaded with President Eisenhower and the Florida Congressional delegation to get her boys home.

"Let's get our boys home," Mrs. Richard H. Shadick said, as she hoped other mothers through out the nation who felt the same way would join in a write-to-congressmen campaign.

"We know our boys want to come home and this is all that is important," Mrs. Shadick wrote. "If it cannot be done any other way leave Korea to whoever wants to win."

"I hope other anguished mothers all over the country will join me in imploring their Congressmen and Senators and the other good powers that be to get busy and get our boys out of those prisons and out of the battlefields and bring them home."

The Shadicks have two sons in service. 2nd Lt. John Philip Shadick, 25, a bomber pilot, was reported missing Jan. 29. The other son, 2nd Lt. Richard H. Shadick, 22, is stationed at Good Field Field, San Angelo, Tex. A daughter, Mrs. Edwin J. Tibbitts, lives at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

## Senators Question Dulles in Secret

WASHINGTON.—A Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee questioned Secretary of State Dulles on the administration's new Korean policy today, and sought to clamp on a tight lid of secrecy. Chairman Smith (R-N.J.) gave out a statement saying there would be no announcement as to what took place at the closed-door meeting or at future similar meetings.

"The purpose of the confidential subcommittee is to provide a means for informal, off-the-record discussion between Senators and policy-making officials of the executive branch," the statement said.

The Far-Eastern subcommittee established a particularly close and cordial relationship with Mr. Dulles last year during negotiations of the Japanese peace treaty, and we hope to continue that relationship.

"Obviously any public announcement of what takes place at these meetings defeats the purpose of them, and no such announcement will be made regarding this or future meetings."

The Senate offered the Senators an opportunity to explore Administration thinking on Pacific policy. There have been expressions of concern, from Democrats particularly, that the Administration might be oversteering hand adventures. They have called for consultation with Allies on future steps in the Pacific area.

They already have received assurances that President Eisenhower is unlikely to make any quick decisions on a naval blockade in Korea, bombing of Manchurian bases or other dramatic action.

AWAIT VAN FLEET  
The Senate Armed Services Committee awaited the return of Gen. James A. Van Fleet to get the details of how he thinks a general offensive would succeed in Korea, Van Fleet, who is retiring, gave up command of the Eighth Army last Tuesday.

He said then he was sure a general offensive at this time would succeed. In Honolulu, he felt, he said yesterday he felt such a big push would not broaden the war beyond Korea. As to his appearing before the Senate committee, he said: "I will just answer their questions the best I can."

Secretary Sees Chance For European Unity  
WASHINGTON.—Secretary of State Dulles says "there is a good chance" for formation of a European Defense Community, but he hopes that "concrete evidence" of progress will be forthcoming promptly.

Dulles gave that report of his impressions of a flying trip to Europe, from which he returned Monday, in a radio and television broadcast to the nation last night.

He cautioned that the alternatives to formation of a European Defense Community are considered by President Eisenhower to be weak, and he said the security of the United States depends on the security of the United States against the power of Russia and the threat of Communist domination of the continent.

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VALENTINE, Neb. (U-P)—Nebraska's Valentine is going to get a new name. Valentine, Nebraska, is being renamed Valentine, Nebraska.

Mrs. Nebraska Valentine is a school teacher at Baumham, Ky. A committee planning the Valentine's Day celebration is now raising her name in a college alumni list, contacted her and prepared a special Valentine for her.

The annual influx of Valentines for remembrance with the City's well-known catch had topped 4,000 yesterday. The Valentine's Day contains the words: "Saint and city greetings from Valentine, Neb."

## Administration Begins Unkinking More Controls

Production, Materials  
Curbs Slated To Go

WASHINGTON.—B.—The Eisenhower Administration with price ceilings lifted off thousands of items — is expected to make start today on the dismantling of production and materials controls.

The Office of Defense Mobilization, it was learned, plans to announce an easing of the controlled materials plan — the basic system for allocating steel, copper and aluminum.

It is understood that the action, to be effective at once, will permit producers of the three defense metals to sell freely any of their output which is not claimed by priority users.

Purchasers of the metal would be free to use it as they choose. Defense officials call this an "open-end" system. It is to continue until mid-year, when — as President Eisenhower has announced — some simplified material will be established to insure deliveries of the three basic metals to military and atomic energy claimants. This, it is understood, would leave civilian users completely free of allocations.

The order will mark another step toward a free economy and free markets. And, with these moves toward dismantling the controls system, the Government had tabbed major 2,000 price control workers for dismissal.

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Eight Killed As Plane Crashes  
TOKYO.—An amphibious rescue plane crashed in Southern Japan today and all eight Americans aboard were killed, the Air Force said today.

The dead included an Army sergeant, his wife, a nurse and five crew members.

The SAH plane, en route on an air evacuation flight from Beppu, Ashik, in Southern Japan, crashed two miles south of Beppu on Honshu Island.

A Force spokesman said the amphibian crashed into the side of a hill or mountain shortly after noon. He said the cause had not yet been determined.

The sergeant's wife was a patient aboard the plane. She and her husband had been picked up at Beppu.

The newspaper Asahi said the plane burst into flames immediately after the crash.

The newspaper said a schoolboy reported the crash after he saw smoke rising from the scene. Fog and rain hid the area for several hours.

Asahi said a rescue squad located the scene in late afternoon and took the bodies to an American airfield near Beppu. The Air Force withheld identification of the victims.

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## Teachers, Employees Blasted

RALEIGH.—(AP)—Teachers and state employees who had been hopeful of getting their retroactive pay increase in the next few weeks got bad news from the Governor's office today. As a result, they likely won't get their 10 percent back pay boost until after the end of the legislative session.

Gov. Unstead in his inaugural message recommended a 10 percent pay increase for all teachers and state workers retroactive to last July 1. There had been some sentiment among legislators to pass special legislation to make the retroactive pay raise immediately available instead of making the employees and school teachers wait until the regular appropriations bill is passed toward the end of the session.

However, Gov. Unstead wrote the Legislature that a special appropriations act before passage of the regular spending bill would violate the state's executive budget law except in the existence of an emergency.

In letters read to both House and Senate, the governor said he would like to see the workers get their increase "at the earliest possible date" but that he does not consider the matter an emergency.

Meanwhile, there were indications that the governor will recommend to the Legislature the issuance of at least 20 million worth of bonds for mental institutions and to continue the state program of aid to counties in building schools.

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