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COUNTY SEAT GETS A WORKOUT

Statesville, being the county seat of Iredell County, plays host to the surrounding rural farmlies on Saturday. Places to sit are not readily found, but the problem is easily solved by these two solid citizens, who turn the old cannon piece into a seat while discussing farming weather and politics. (Photo by Bob Plyler).

Rhee Demands Pact With United States

Says Defense Pact Would Quiet People

SEOUL—(AP)—President Syngman Rhee says the U. S. must sign a mutual defense pact with South Korea immediately to quiet "public unrest caused by the proposed armistice."

"I need something concrete to show the people that our security has been guaranteed and that (a defense pact) will help," Rhee said.

In written replies to a Swedish newsman's questions, Rhee said the U. N. now is "going to wash its hands of Korean entanglement" and called this a "flagrant sell-out" of his nation.

President Eisenhower, in a message delivered to Rhee last Sunday, said the U. S. would negotiate a mutual security pact with South Korea after an armistice is signed.

Rhee said yesterday the U. S. has failed to fulfill a promise of security made in 1948.

He did not say outright he would accept the impending armistice if a mutual security pact is signed immediately, but his answers left little doubt that such a pact would go a long way toward winning him over.

Rhee said there has been smoldering discontent among his people "against the fact that Korea has been regarded expendable."

"This diseased idea of Korean expendability has tinctured every phase of the free world action in Korea," Rhee added.

ASSAILS INDIA

The President called India pro-Communist, and said it was impossible for South Koreans to permit Indian troops to land on this battered peninsula to guard prisoners who refuse repatriation, as they would under present truce terms.

Rhee's statements were in answer to questions submitted by Rolf Lamborn, correspondent for the Stockholm Tidningen.

He said:

"If the U. S. Government is ready to conclude a mutual security pact, it will be a great encouragement to our people so long as it is not conditioned as it is by so onerous an armistice as far as the ROK Government is concerned, it is immaterial whether such a pact is made at any time.

"But to quiet down the public unrest caused by the proposed armistice it is necessary to conclude and sign it now. I need something concrete to show the people that our security has been guaranteed and that will help. I have no doubt about the sincerity of President Eisenhower in his promise to conclude a security pact.

"However, the Korean people will have very little confidence in such statements. We have on file a statement of the same nature made before the evacuation of U. S. occupation forces from Korea in 1948 and the promise made in it has not been fulfilled as yet.

"If a pact can be signed now, that will convince the people without question."

ROK Official Says Allies Can Pull Out

SEOUL — Violent anti-armistice demonstrations surged through devastated South Korea today and a top government official told the Allies they could pull out of the Korean War if they wish.

Acting Prime Minister Pyun Yung Tai, the most violently outspoken South Korean leader in the anti-truce campaign, declared in a statement:

"Foreign forces can . . . if they so wish, agree to any armistice and disengage themselves from Korea.

"We Koreans cannot disengage ourselves from Korea."

South Korea, Pyun said, "cannot and does not accept" the impending truce.

Pyun said of Allied forces:

"We will let them go without any grudge against them, rather with thanks for what they have done so far to help us . . . If we let them have an armistice we ourselves cannot accept, it is only fair that they should not force it upon us.

"If we part at all, let us part friends."

Pyun warned South Koreans against violence. He cautioned "that slips either in action or in speech might lead to serious consequences in this time of crisis and tension."

South Korean opposition hit a furious pitch in these rapid - fire developments:

1. The ROK defense ministry cancelled all military leaves "in view of the grave emergency" and restricted all service personnel to their bases.

2. Fiery President Syngman Rhee reasserted his bitter opposition to the armistice—which may come within a few days—"to uphold the principles of self-determination." At the same time, however, he called for "utmost efforts to prevent injustices from being inflicted on our allies."

3. Furious demonstrations swept South Korea for the fifth straight day. Mobs chanting "drive north . . . drive north" . . . boiled through Seoul streets. Fist and rock fights erupted. Barbed wire barricades were thrown up in front of Allied correspondents billets in Seoul where 1,000 Korean War veterans staged a sit-down strike.

Three U. S. soldiers fired 10 to 15 shots over the heads of a crowd of high school boys who stoned an Army wrecker in Pusan. An Army spokesman said this show of force cleared the street. The soldiers were questioned later by military police.

Some 400 to 500 young Koreans

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MONROE EDITOR SUCCUMBS

MR. BEASLEY

Roland F. Beasley Succumbs In Monroe

MONROE—Roland Fowler Beasley, editor of The Monroe Journal, and one of the most prominent citizens of this area, died early this morning at Union County Memorial Hospital.

Death came to the 82-year-old newspaperman and civic leader at 6 A. M. He had been seriously ill for several weeks.

Funeral services have been set for 5 P. M. tomorrow in Monroe at a place yet to be designated.

Mr. Beasley has been editor of The Monroe Journal since Feb. 8, 1894, when he and his brother, G. M. Beasley, founded the weekly.

For years he wrote a front page editorial essay, sometimes on the subject of international affairs, sometimes on national politics, other times on state conditions, occasionally just personal recollections of earlier days. They were freqently reprinted by other papers.

Although he remained editor of The Journal throughout his career, there were times when he did other lines of work.

FORMER SENATOR

He entered politics early. He became a member of the State Senate in 1903, and fourteen years later he was elected to the lower House. He maintained his interest in State affairs and returned to Raleigh in 1933 as a member of the House.

He did several other types of public service, too. In the early years of this century, he served as superintendent of schools in Union County. Before World War I, he was a member of the State Board of Internal Improvements.

From 1917 to 1921, he was the State's first Commissioner of Public Welfare. Under his administration, a system of juvenile courts and county superintendents of welfare was set up. He also selected and bought the site for Samarcand Manor, corrective school for girls.

Mr. Beasley always showed an unusual interest in child care and other means of welfare. In his days in the Legislature he helped draft the first anti-child labor law, the first compulsory school attendance law, a mothers' aid bill, and the first corrective prison law.

In 1934 he was a member of a State commission to study the ABC system of liquor control in several counties.

At home in Monroe, he served as a member of the Board of Trustees of Ellen Fitzgerald Hospital for seventeen years.

While never severing his connection with The Monroe Journal, he spent brief periods editing other papers, among them the old Greensboro Telegram, the Goldsboro Daily News and The State Journal.

Mr. Beasley was born on Jan. 26, 1871, in New Hanover County. His parents' antecedents came to North Carolina from Virginia in the colonial years. His father, a Baptist minister, brought his family to Monroe on Christmas Day, 1880.

Mr. Beasley was graduated from Wake Forest College the year he helped found The Journal.

Mr. Beasley is survived by his wife, Mrs. Clyde Dowell Powell Beasley; one daughter, Mrs. George S. Lee Jr., Monroe; one son, R. F. Beasley Jr., Monroe; two stepsons, George Powell, Charlotte; and John Powell, Americus, Ga.; six grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Mr. Beasley's first wife, the former Miss Ellie Stewart of Monroe, died in 1907.

PARTICULAR ROBBER

DENVER —(AP)— A man carrying a pistol went into a North Denver florist's shop, took a look inside the cash register, muttered "this isn't enough" and walked out.

Ike Hopes For Easing Of World Tension

President Winds Up Midwestern Tour

CUSTER STATE PARK, S. D. (AP) —President Eisenhower flies back east today after expressing hope the Korean prisoner of war agreement will lead to an armistice, a just peace and general easing of world tension.

The President was scheduled to take off from the Rapid City, S. D. Air Force Base at 1:30 P. M. (EST) and to arrive at Lebanon airport near Hanover, N. H. at 5:55 P. M. (EST). At Hanover tomorrow he will receive an honorary doctor of laws degree at Dartmouth College commencement exercises. He will make a brief speech there, then go on to Oyster Bay, Long Island, New York for another informal talk at ceremonies dedicating Sagamore Hill, the home of President Theodore Roosevelt. From there he will fly back to Washington, arriving Sunday evening and completing a five-day trip into as many states.

The President came to the state game lodge here late Thursday and spent about eight hours Friday trout fishing in French Creek. He caught seven trout, the largest about two and one-half pounds.

MESSAGE TO NEHRU

Late in the day, Eisenhower made public a message to Prime Minister Nehru of India. In it, the President expressed the "earnest hope" the POW repatriation agreement reached last week at Panmunjom "will speedily lead to an armistice and just peace in Korea and to a relaxing of world tension."

Also made public was an earlier Nehru message asking the State Department to congratulate the President on the signing of the POW agreement.

"The United States under the leadership of the President," Nehru said, "has played a wise and generous part in these negotiations which have resulted in an agreement. I should like to offer my respectful congratulation to President Eisenhower for his leadership at this critical moment.

"I earnestly trust that this agreement will lead to peace, not only in the Far East but elsewhere."

India is a member of the five-nation commission which, under the Panmunjom agreement, would handle POW repatriation.

In his reply, Eisenhower thanked Nehru and said India's participation in the commission work "will mark a further significant contribution" toward peace in Korea and the easing of world tension. On the trip back East aboard the Presidential plane, Columbia, Eisenhower may fly over Worcester, Mass., for a look at the damage caused by the tornado which hit that city Tuesday.

Swiss Accept Korean Roles

BERN, Switzerland (AP) — The Swiss government formally decided today to serve on both the armistice commission and the prisoner-of-war commission in Korea.

The seven-member Federal Council (Cabinet) nominated Divisional Col. (Maj. Gen.) Fritz Rihner, former commander of the Swiss Air Force, to lead a 100-man Swiss military mission to help supervise the armistice.

Under proposed armistice terms, Switzerland, Sweden, Poland and Czechoslovakia are to form a neutral commission supervising observance of the armistice. The same four countries plus India are to supervise prisoner-of-war who refuse repatriation.

The Federal Council's decision today completely reversed an earlier Swiss reservation that Switzerland would refuse to serve on the neutral commissions in Korea unless the armistice terms were accepted by the South Korean government. This reservation was severely criticized by Swiss newspapers of all political shades as likely to delay the conclusion of an armistice.

EVENING PRAYER

Forgive us for our neglect of prayer, our Father. Give us faith to realize the possibilities in prayer. Grant us the desire to pray without ceasing. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

Reds Attack By Land, Air

2 Communist Jets Shot Down

By SAM SUMMERLIN

SEOUL, Sunday (AP)—Sabre jets shot down two Communist MIGs, probably destroyed one and damaged another Saturday in a clash with the Red Air Force while Allied fighter - bombers struck air fields deep in Red territory, the Air Force announced.

The new air battles were announced just after five to seven Communist planes raided Seoul and its outskirts for 2 hours 33 minutes dropping flares but no bombs. It was the longest raid of the war on the South Korean capital.

KIMPO LIT UP

The Red raiders over Seoul also dropped flares on Kimpo Air Base and the port of Inchon, some 20 miles west of the capital.

Anti-aircraft guns blazed at the low-flying planes but made no claims of damage or destruction.

Some air officers speculated that the raiders may have carried extra fuel with the intention of causing as much alarm as possible. A heavy bombload would have cut their range sharply.

On the ground more than 5,000 Chinese Reds slammed into Allied lines along a 50-mile front in Central Korea supported by one of the greatest artillery and mortar barrages of the war.

In the heavy Central Front fighting a U. S. officer on Outpost Harry estimated the Chinese have lost 3,400 men killed and wounded in three successive night assaults on the height.

Hundreds more Chinese have fallen in raging battles to the east where today the Reds shoved Allied troops from main line positions in one sector.

Associated Press Correspondent Milo Farneti said Allied tanks, flame throwers and guns cut down hundreds of charging Reds Saturday, but the attack carried some Communist troops into Allied trenches. U. S. and South Korean infantrymen met them with knives and bayonets.

An Eighth Army officer said a semi - official count indicated 118,000 Red artillery and mortar shells fell on Allied positions during the 12 hours ending at 6 A. M. Saturday.

He said the total may be scaled down, but it probably will top the previous 24-hour record of 107,650 rounds fired in the vicious Western front fighting last month.

Col. Russell (Red) Akers, Washington, D. C., commander of the Third Division's 15th Regiment said his troops have wiped out more than a Chinese regiment in three nights of fighting.

Akers explained that capture of Outpost Harry would let the Reds "overlook the Third Division main line."

"We have fought them much of the time hand-to-hand—waves of Chinese have been killed by our boys with bayonets, grenades and carbines at close range," Akers said.

The Eighth Army officer said 82,000 rounds of artillery and mortar fire fell on South Koreans defending Capitol Hill, eight miles southeast of Kumsong. He said the strategic height probably is in Red hands.

Church Unity To Be Studied

CARLISLE, Pa. (AP)—The proposal to form a single nation-wide Presbyterian Church reaches the ruling body of the United Presbyterian Church of North America for initial action today.

The 95th General Assembly of the church takes up the question in the form of a report from its committee on church relations.

The union, in the planning stages 15 years, received preliminary approval during the last fortnight from the two other major denominations concerned—the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. (Northern) and the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern).

The General Assembly of each church has been asked to receive the plan and refer it to local church units for study, comment and revision before acting upon its acceptance or rejection next year.

A single church with almost 3½ million members, to be called the Presbyterian Church of the United States would result from the merger—in 1955 at the earliest. All three churches must accept the 297-page document for it to become effective.

Flash Flood Blamed For Eastern N. C. Train Wreck

ROXBORO (AP) — A flash flood that weakened a railroad trestle abutment caused the derailment of nineteen cars of a Norfolk and Western freight train near here early today. No one was hurt.

The 37-car train, southbound from Lynchburg, Va., to Durham, left the tracks at Longhurst, a mill village about one mile north of here.

The accident occurred about 4 a. m. only five hours after a heavy rain and hail storm had hit this North Central North Carolina farming area, severely damaging crops and knocking out power lines.

Deputy Sheriff J. B. Dunn said the cloudburst caused Marlowe Creek to overflow its banks, undermining the railroad's enbankment near the trestle.

Freight cars loaded with coal, pulpwood, tractors and other produce, toppled from the rain-weakened rails, spilling their cargo down the enbankment.

2 Rock Hill Men Killed

KERSHAW, S. C. (AP)—A car carrying four men ran off a highway near here early today, killing two of them and injuring the other two.

Killed were Henry Jackson Neely, 25, and William Glenn Howe, 24, both Rock Hill textile workers.

The injured were Carl D. Tennant, a Rock Hill chemical worker, and a Columbia marine identified as Patrick A. Strom. Tennant was given emergency treatment at a Lancaster hospital and dismissed.

Strom, hospitalized at Camden, was reported to have suffered severe internal injuries and a broken collar bone.

The state highway patrol said the late model car, headed for Myrtle Beach, ran off a curve on Highway 903, about six miles east of here, in pre-dawn darkness.

Sen. Taft In New York

NEW YORK (AP) — Sen. Robert A. Taft is undergoing hospital tests here today for a serious hip ailment that forced him to give up active floor leadership of the Senate Republicans.

Comic Dictionary

BACHELOR

A man who has lost the opportunity of making some woman miserable.

OUR WEATHER

Partly cloudy weather with not much change in temperature today and tomorrow. Scattered thundershowers this afternoon and evening, and again tomorrow.

High temperature yesterday, 86 degrees; high expected today, 90 degrees; high expected tomorrow, 90 degrees.

Low temperature this morning 66 degrees; low expected tonight, 70 degrees.

Sunrise, 5:08 A. M., sunset, 7:39 P. M.

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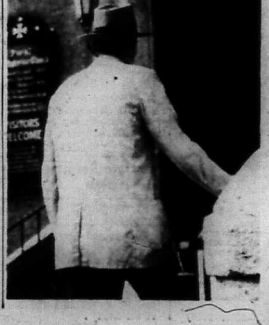

Many Ministers Won't Object To A Coatless Congregation

By BOB WALLACE
Charlotte News Staff Writer

If you look around in church Sunday and see some of the men in their shirt sleeves while you are sweltering in a coat, don't think anything of removing it and trying to be more comfortable.

A poll of some of the leading ministers in Charlotte shows that the majority of them don't mind men coming to church in their shirt sleeves. In fact, most of them are all for it, just as long as they come to church.

A few ministers feel that due to the place and circumstances a coat should be worn as a symbol of dignity in the presence of God. Others feel that clothing has nothing to do with religion, that it is what a man brings in his heart.

Here are a few quotes from some Charlotte ministers on the subject:

Dr. W. H. Williams, pastor of Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church: "A man ought to be dressed comfortably. I never believed that comfort and decency excluded a sense of reverence."

Rabbi Aaron J. Tofield, spiritual leader of Temple Israel: "Jewish tradition has a strong leaning toward wearing a jacket and added to that a general feeling of wearing a coat for any dress-up occasion. I would vote for wearing a jacket but if anyone comes without one he will not be barred."

Rev. Lee F. Tuttle, pastor of First Methodist Church: "I never have objected to men coming to church without coats in hot weather. We're always happy to have them that way."

Msgr. John P. Manley, pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic Church: "It's not going to hurt men to be a little dignified in church. They're going to be in great company in the presence of God."

Rev. Edward A. Cahill, pastor of Charlotte Unitarian Church: "I'll just state our practice here. When it gets hot I invite the gentlemen to remove their coats if they wish. That's just standard practice as far as we are concerned. It's the attitude one brings to church that is important, not the kind of clothes one wears."

Rev. Sam M. Inman, pastor of Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church: "I don't mind if the men come to church in their shirt sleeves."

Dr. Walter B. Freed, pastor of St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church: "If I was preaching hell fire and damnation I would insist the men wear their coats. But since I'm preaching the grace of God I won't insist. God looks upon a man's heart."

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