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BATTERED ALLIED ARMY FIGHTING FOR LIFE IN KOREA

Acheson Sees Grave Danger Of New World War

Britain Urges Political Settlement In Korea To Avert Third World War

By Edward Curtis LONDON, Nov. 29 (AP) - Britain held out to Communist China today the possibility of a political deal in Korea to avert a third world war.

to avoid a general war, if they show the slightest sign of willingness to co-operate in exploring a solution by peaceful means. I am satisfied solutions can be found," he said.

Bevin, opening a two-day debate in the Commons on foreign affairs, said he did not pretend to know the Chinese motives or intentions in Korea, and asked: "Is this move into Korea part of the grand strategy for a bigger purpose? Is there a Russian-Chinese conspiracy on a world-wide scale?"

He asserted he did not wish at this stage to go into details of any possible political solutions.

Working On Solution Britain has recognized Communist China and has a charge d'affaires in Peking, but full diplomatic relations have not been established.

Through his representative in Peking Bevin recently sent a personal message to Chinese leaders reaffirming the U. N. objectives of peace, unity and independence for Korea.

Britain also favored the admission of Communist China to the U. N. as a replacement for Nationalist China. She has repeatedly urged for a buffer area in North Korea to allay Chinese fears of a U. N. invasion of Chinese territory.

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (AP) - State Secretary Dean Acheson told the world tonight the Korean crisis has created a "situation of unparalleled danger," and that "no one can guarantee that war will not come."

United States history shows, Acheson said, that Americans will fight if they must to preserve freedom and justice.

Hour of Decision He solemnly called on the Chinese Communists to end their "brazen aggression" in Korea, telling them that this is their hour of decision and that they "stand before the judgment bar of mankind."

He urged them to show in the United Nations that they "represent their own interests" and are not mere dupes of the Soviet Union.

"An act of brazen aggression has taken place in Korea, the second such act in five months," Acheson said in a country-wide broadcast speech. It was to be carried on the trans-Canada network of the CBC.

"If over a time imposed a test, not of strength, but of character, upon our people, this is such a time," he said.

"All the resources at our command, of wisdom, of conscience of character; the finest traditions of our people; our deepest wells of faith, must guide us in fulfilling the responsibility which history has placed upon our country."

Voices Confidence Acheson voiced confidence that the U. N. "will not be found lacking in firmness or spirit or determination in responding to this new aggression. He termed outright the Chinese Communist attack on the Korean peninsula as a 'brazen act of aggression'.

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Railways Asked To Draft New Freight-Rates Plan

OTTAWA, Nov. 29 (CP) - The railways have been asked by the Board of Transport Commissioners to draft by mid-January a plan for the equalization of freight rates between various parts of Canada.

The plan will not necessarily be adopted. It has been requested by the board for study as part of its general freight-rate inquiry aimed at equalizing rates.

The Board session here Jan. 15 will be the first public hearing in the inquiry, which up to now has been confined to private investigation by the Board members and their staff of experts. It is expected to be the first in a series of sittings that may possibly extend to different sections of the country as well as the capital.

The equalization inquiry was launched by the Board in 1948 on instructions from the Federal Cabinet, following complaints from several Provinces of inequalities and "discriminations" in freight rates as between different regions.

Chief complaints were the Western Provinces, which contended their general level of rates was higher than in the Eastern Provinces, particularly Ontario and Quebec.

The Board was asked to conduct a sweeping survey with a view to levelling off rates generally. While no details have been made public, it is known that the railways have been working on equalization plans of their own for at least two years. They made reference to such a scheme in a 1948 application for higher freight rates, though they did not advise the Board of its nature.

It is this plan which the Transport Commissioners now wish to have filed with them by Jan. 15. Provincial Attorneys-General have been advised by the Board of the new move, and the hearings may touch off another in the series of freight-rate battles that have been waged between the railways and seven Provinces for the last four years.

The Provinces that have been opposing railway rate increases include all but Ontario, Quebec and Newfoundland.

Up to now, they have not taken part in the Board's general rate inquiry, confining their submissions to the Royal Commission on Transportation, which has been holding a wider investigation into transportation problems generally.

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U. N. Asked To Take Prompt Action On Chinese Challenge

By Francis W. Carpenter LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Nov. 29 (AP) - The Chinese Communists are challenging two-thirds of the world, the United States said today, and the United Nations must show that it will not submit to threats nor tolerate military actions against the U. N.

Warren R. Austin, chief American delegate, said Peking's representative here had lied and distorted the facts in a defiance which must be answered by speedy action to stop the spread of war in Asia.

Answers Chinese Attack Sharply answering the long attack on the U. S. Tuesday by Wu Han-Chuan, Peking's representative, Austin said he denied categorically Wu's charges that the U. S. and U. N. committed aggression in Korea.

In the course of his speech, Austin told a grave-faced security Council, "General Wu contrived to challenge two-thirds of the world, defy the United Nations, and dismay the friends of China glorifying peace, he sounded threatening. Invited here to give information and shed light, he gave, only distortions, slanders, half-truths, and outright lies, some big, some small."

"General Wu went very far yesterday to show that his hand is against all men's. Let him give heed lest he go home from this place with all men's hands against him," Austin said once more that the U. S. and U. N. have not committed aggression in Korea, and are not threatening China. He then called on the council to vote speedily—perhaps tomorrow—on a six-power resolution which calls on Peking to pull its soldier out of Korea quickly and assures Peking that China's legitimate interests will be protected.

"Compliance with its terms could avert the threat of war which now hangs over Asia," Austin said.

Russian Speaks After Austin spoke, Jakob Malik launched into a Russian attack of more than an hour on the U. S. role in the Far East. He said (Continued on Page 16 Col. 7)

Expect Ban On Steel In Amusement Construction OTTAWA, Nov. 29 (CP) - Trade Minister Howe this week-end will issue an order banning the sale of steel for amusement construction, it was learned today. The order will become effective Monday, Jan. 1.

The offer will have a three-fold purpose: 1. To conserve scarce steel supplies for defence construction needs.

2. To cut down on new building of theatres, bowling alleys and such non-essentials, as a means of curbing inflation.

3. To show the United States that Canada is doing as much as she can to save steel as called for under joint economic and defence planning.

At the same time it was learned that Mr. Howe, also on Jan. 1 will withdraw emergency exchange import controls on capital goods. Finance Minister Abbott already has announced that all remaining emergency exchange controls on consumer goods will be lifted on that day. This will eliminate the whole range of import controls first enacted at the end of 1947 when Canada's dollar reserves declined sharply.

The question of nationalization of the liquor industry earlier sparked a heated debate among the 50 delegates. Eventually it was tabled for further study.

No Announcement On Cabinet Session

OTTAWA, Nov. 29 (CP) - The Cabinet, amid widening concern over the Korean crisis, delayed today into what Prime Minister St. Laurent termed a "confused" international situation.

No official statement had been expected and none was issued when the council rose about 5:30 p. m. ending two Cabinet sessions, one this morning and one this afternoon.

However, it was known that the Korean development occupied the No. 1 spot. It was understood the Cabinet also discussed preparations for the Federal-Provincial fiscal and constitutional conferences opening here Monday next and other domestic issues.

While Korea got top priority, today's sessions were in no sense of emergency character since Cabinet meetings normally are held Wednesday.

Prepare For Air Raids In Tokyo

TOKYO, Nov. 29 (Reuters) - Gen. MacArthur tonight issued instructions on air raid precautions to Americans in Tokyo. As tension mounted in the city with the setbacks in Korea, the Americans received a six-page mimeographed leaflet telling them what to do if the city was attacked by air.

A SHARP CONCERN SHOULD BE HANDLED WITH CARE!

TORONTO, Nov. 29 (CP) - Minimum temperatures observed between 7:30 p. m. and 7:30 a. m. EST; maximum temperatures between 7:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Victoria 34-47; Edmonton 43-53; Calgary 15-27; Regina 2-14; Winnipeg 1-11; Toronto 30-36; Ottawa 36-33; Montreal 34-36; Quebec 37-43; Saint John 53-57; Moncton 34-38; Halifax 52-56; Charlottetown 45-48; Sydney 45-49; Yarmouth 52-54; St. John's Nfld. 33-41.

HALIFAX, Nov. 29 (CP) - Official forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax. Synopsis: Gales and heavy rain were moving eastward out of the district tonight, followed by much colder air with scattered rain-showers and snowflurries. In the colder air winds were light to moderate southwest.

With the cold air continuing to flow across the district, tomorrow temperatures will drop below freezing in the evening, and there will be snowflurries in most regions.

Regional forecasts valid until midnight Thursday: Prince Edward Island: Cloudy with occasional rain showers and snowflurries Thursday night and snow. Much colder. Southwest winds 15. Low and high Thursday at Charlottetown 43 and 48.

High tide today at 1:07 A. M. and 3:03 P. M. Sun rises at 7:29 A. M. and sets at 4:34 P. M. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Coming Events

*Mail your films to Garnhum Photo Studio, Charlottetown.

*Kinkora Hall, Friday, Dec. 1st. *Oliver Theatre.

*Stevie's, 218, for Kinkora concert.

*Buying Timothy seed daily. McGowan and Boyle.

*Cleaning and Buying Timothy Seed daily. John Leard, Crapaud.

*Dance, South Melville School, Friday, Dec. 1. Sale of lunches. Good music. Women's Institute.

*Trinity W. A. cake sale at Moore & McLeod's, Friday, 2:30 AM.

*Show Moggil Community Hall, every Tuesday, Friday, Saturday. Show starts 8 o'clock.

*See St. Margaret's Players in "Brookdale Farm" at Cardigan, Friday, Dec. 1st. Dance after.

*Dance in Holy Name Hall, St. Peter's Day, Friday, December 1st. Chalmers' orchestra. Last until after Christmas.

*Canoe Cove tonight at 8:15. A western show "The Drifters". Also 12th and final chapters of serial.

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CAIRO, Nov. 29 (AP) - Egypt has recalled its Ambassador to Greece in protest against statements attributed to Queen Frederica of Greece concerning a "high Egyptian personality" which appeared last week in Life Magazine.

The newspaper Al Misri speculated that political circles might demand a break in diplomatic relations within the next two days unless Greece takes a decisive step to repair the damage done to Egypt's dignity.

Egypt's Acting Foreign Minister, Ibrahim Farag, said Ambassador Adly Andrews was due to return from Athens by plane tonight to report on the Greek attitude toward the Life Magazine story, which he said thus far was "not clear." Questioned on the possibility of a diplomatic break, Farag said the dispute had "not yet reached this stage."

Life published an interview with Queen Frederica in which she was quoted as describing an incident with Egypt's King Farouk in 1941, when Frederica and her husband, then Prince Paul, were living in Egypt in wartime exile. The article said Frederica was sitting in a small Cairo drawing room talking to the former Queen Farida—now divorced from the Egyptian monarch—when Farouk walked in. "He didn't know who I was," Frederica was quoted as saying. "But he (Farouk) took one look, ordered his wife out of the room and switched off the light. I was quite terrified. If I slapped his face I knew it might cause all sorts of international complications. So I just stood up and said, 'That very big man outside in the naval uniform is my husband, and I love

him very much.' Farouk simply laughed, turned on the light and walked out."

(The Cairo newspaper apparently did not mention that the incident concerned King Farouk but simply referred to "a high Egyptian personality.")

National Council Of Churches Born At Grave Period

CLEVELAND, O., Nov. 29 (AP) - An hour after its birth, the National Council of Churches—dominant voice of Protestantism—faced the problem of speaking out for 31,000,000 communicants on the world crisis.

Methodist Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam posed the problem in a surprise motion from the floor of Cleveland's public hall. The New York Bishop moved that the first General Assembly of the National Council consider the advisability of drafting a policy statement on the international situation.

Truman Asks Speedy Aid To Yugoslavia

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (AP) - President Truman appealed to Congress today for speedy action on emergency aid to Yugoslavia to help that country defy "the savage threats of the Soviet imperialists."

He said in a message that it is his "earnest hope" that they will provide a \$38,000,000 fund at the present, short session to keep food shipments rolling to the drought-stricken country.

By-election In Britain Today LONDON, Nov. 29 (CP) - Conservative and Liberal forces are concentrating their heavy campaign artillery in a bid to win Bristol Southeast from Labor in tomorrow's by-election.

The by-election, necessitated by the resignation, due to ill-health, of Sir Stafford Cripps, former Chancellor of the Exchequer, is the eighth since the general election last February.

The voting in the previous seven tests failed to bring about any changes in party representation. Labor retained four of the seats and Conservatives three.

But to win the Bristol riding the Opposition candidates face a formidable task. They must overcome the 18,800 majority gained by Sir Stafford in the general election four-cornered fight. He was then opposed by Conservative, Liberal and Communist candidates.

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Two-Way Fight For Mayoralty In Montreal

MONTREAL, Nov. 29 (CP) - Montreal's mayoralty campaign, to be decided in voting Dec. 11, boiled down to a two-way fight today when nominations closed.

Candidates will be colorful Camille Elude, seeking reelection, and Eric Fournier, Liberal member of Parliament for Montreal-Maison-neuve-Rosemount.

an all-water movement to Montreal and other eastern ports. Candidates found it much cheaper to buy the wheat in the United States rather than haul it all-rail from Western Canada to the seaport.

Instead of loading at Halifax and Saint John, ships-Canadian and British alike—will be sent to Philadelphia, New York and Baltimore, the Star reported. Shipping men said they believe the situation "is without precedent" in Canadian maritime history.

The Canadian ports of Halifax and Saint John were said to be without enough grain to fill half a dozen ships. Elevators are usually well filled at this time of year.