

REDS LAUNCH OFFENSIVE ON CENTRAL KOREAN FRONT

Commons Debates Growing Manpower Problem

Attlee Demands Vote Of U.N. Members Before 38th Parallel Crossed

(By Tom Oehlert)
LONDON, Feb. 12 (AP)—Prime Minister Attlee today demanded "full consultation" among United Nations members fighting in Korea before Gen. MacArthur's forces drive across the 38th parallel.
His speech to the House of Commons was made after reports from Korea had said South Korean troops had crossed the 38th parallel, old occupation border between North and South.
Later official reports contradicted the first accounts that a five-mile penetration had been made into North Korea on the east coast. It appeared by the later reports that a fight had taken place on or close to the border.
Attlee raised an old issue between Washington and London on how far MacArthur's forces should go. In this case the new offensive by Chinese Communists in Central Korea may make the issue academic.
Britain reluctantly agreed to the first crossing of the 38th parallel late last year. Foreign Secretary Bevin especially counselled against the drive to the Manchurian and Siberian borders. Critics here said the action provoked Communist China's intervention.
Today Attlee said MacArthur should refrain from re-crossing the parallel until there has been consultation with United Nations members, especially those who are "contributing forces in Korea."
British troops are in the first

Gov't Hears Questions From Opposition

OTTAWA, Feb. 12 (CP)—The Commons today discussed Canada's mounting manpower problems — both in the services and the defence production program — and heard a parliamentary assistant suggest that compulsory military training be inaugurated, the reserve forces and the cadet corps.
James Sinclair (L — Coast Caplan), parliamentary assistant to Finance Minister Abbott, applied his suggestion to students in high schools and universities and to young men in the country's working force. Mr. Sinclair served as an Air Force flight lieutenant during the Second World War.
From the Opposition ranks, E.D. Fulton (PC — Kamloops), Julian Ferguson (PC — Simcoe North) and Charlie Gillis (CCF — Cape Breton South) all pointed to the dwindling pool of manpower and asked what the Government was going to do about raising men for the forces and for the growing defence production machine.
Mr. Fulton, a major in the Second World War, previously has advocated conscription for the active services. He asked why the Government had made no provision for accommodation to handle an increasing flow of recruits. He also criticized what he said was a trend towards Americanization of the Canadian forces.
Reinforcements Question
Mr. Ferguson, a veteran of the first World War, recalled the parliamentary battles over lack of reinforcements in the two wars. He wanted to know what provision has been made for replacements for the Canadian troops in Korea.
Mr. Gillis, also a First World War veteran, said the Government, faced with the need for a rapid and substantial industrial expansion, was going to have difficulty finding the men to place in defence plants.
J.L. Gibson (Ind. — Comox-Alberni), a lumberman, advocated a national registration of the country's manpower resources, but said he realized major problems would confront any step towards compulsory service.
The manpower debate developed as an off-shoot of the Throne-Speech debate.
Mr. Sinclair said the use of manpower for the development of Canadian resources is the "over-riding need" today, but he did not believe that the country could "drain off its 18 and 19-year-olds for two years of compulsory military service."
But those in high schools and universities could take compulsory service in the cadet corps. Young working men, who spend their evenings at sports events, movies, dances and pool halls, also should be willing to "spend two or three nights a week during the winter months" in the services.
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Pearson Sees Grave Threat Of General War

MONTREAL, Feb. 12 (CP)—External Affairs Minister Pearson today said the risk of war "is now very great."
Giving a solemn appraisal of the world situation to the Canadian Lumberman's Association, he said "I do not accept the thesis that war is inevitable, but at the same time draw attention to the fact that the Soviet Union may adopt tactics short of war which may have damaging effects upon our way of life."
Mr. Pearson warned:
"We must be ready for the possibility that an overt attack may not come for many years but that, meanwhile, we and other countries in the free world will be subjected to great tensions and provocations and exertions."
"We do not know enough about the present intentions of those who direct the policies of the Soviet Union to determine which type of challenge — the direct or indirect — is more likely."
He added that the main reason why the Soviet Union does not launch attacks on these areas may be the superiority of the United States in atomic weapons and the growing strength of Western countries in other armaments.
Mr. Pearson said part of Canada's task against indirect aggression is to "labor with might and main to see that the social structure and economy of our country remains healthy."
"It is because the period during which the forces of freedom will be pitted against the forces of totalitarianism may be protracted that the Government is anxious to avoid the imposition of a rigid and across-the-board system of controls."
"This Government," he added, "will resort to direct control of prices, wages and materials when only such controls have been proved necessary, and when they can be effective."
He agreed with the plan to place emphasis on the air force. He subscribed to the views of Hon. C. G. Power, former Air Minister, who said in the Commons last week that Canada was particularly qualified to train large numbers of airmen.

Roll Ahead 18 Miles In First 24 Hours; Estimate 100,000 Enemy In Action

By Robert Eason
TOKYO, Feb. 13 (Tuesday)—(AP)—Red troops surging south through snow-caked mountain passes today drove a dent 18 miles deep into the Allied line in Central Korea.
Elements of more than 100,000 Chinese and North Koreans seized the pivotal town of Hoengsong last night after a 24-hour fight and pushed south almost to Wouju.
Wouju is a major highway hub 10 miles south of Hoengsong. The Communist counter-attack, which began Sunday night, first hit South Koreans eight miles north of Hoengsong.
The enemy assault obviously was aimed at bursting through the U. S. 10th Corps and menacing 100,000 United Nations troops of the 1st and 9th Corps in the west around Seoul. Hoengsong is 55 miles east of Seoul.
AP correspondent William J. Waugh reported from the western front that air observers saw a heavy small-arms fight only 2 1/2 miles west of Wouju.
Highway Key Threatened
Wouju is the key to highways to all points of South Korea. Its heroic defence early in January thwarted a Red drive similar to the current push. The Reds then had tried to crack the U. N. defence line across Korea and cut in behind the main force of the U. S. Eighth Army at that time retreating south from Seoul.
A 10th Corps spokesman told Waugh that Allied forces gave up Hoengsong "to preserve a more favorable defence line." But he said over-run allied troops, in breaking out of Red traps, had to leave behind artillery and vehicles.
American troops still clung to Chippong, 20 miles west of fallen Hoengsong.
The counter-drive by elements of nine Chinese and six North Korean divisions landed with stunning force on two South Korean divisions and forward American units.
It was a typical blood-curdling Communist attack, complete with suicidal charges, bugle-blowing, ringing, whistle-blowing and drum-beating. Treacherous, some Chinese waved white flags and offered handshakes in a surrender gesture—then blasted an American unit with hand grenades.

Civil Defence On Mayors' Agenda

MONTREAL, Feb. 12 (CP)—Civil defence will be the chief topic discussed by Mayor P. Horace Bolvin of Granby, Que., president and other executive members of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities at a two-day conference here Wednesday and Thursday.
Mayor Bolvin said today that while the first day's activities will be devoted to the discussion of civil defence, the next day's sessions will deal with purely municipal questions.
On Friday, Mayor Bolvin will head a delegation of the Federation's executive members who will meet Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent and members of the Federal Cabinet in Ottawa and will submit a memorandum on the two day's discussions.
About 25 mayors representing cities from across the continent will attend the two-day parley.
On Wednesday morning, mayors will meet Maj.-Gen. F. F. W. Worthington, Federal co-ordinator of civil defence.

Beautification Contest For Ch'town Suggested

A City Beautification Contest was among the suggestions for civic improvement made in a brief presented to the City Council last evening by a delegation from the Business and Professional Women's Club of Charlottetown.
A committee of seven, headed by Miss Lillian Duchemin, presented the brief which was read by Mrs. I. Sutherland. Other members of the delegation were: Mrs. B. Rogers, Mrs. T. Garrett, Misses Dorothy Cullen, Gertrude Love and Mona Wilson. Eight other C.W.B. members were also present.
"The Rural Beautification Contest which has been operating for the past few years," the brief stated, "has been such a decided success that we would be intensely interested in seeing a City Beautification Contest conducted as a means of encouraging our citizens to improve their properties by painting, attention to lawns, gardens, etc."
"Every effort is being made to attract tourists to our fair City. At the present time plans are being formulated by you, Your Worship, and gentlemen of the City Council in co-operation with other public minded citizens, to make the first week of July a really outstanding drawing card to tourists. Would NOW not be a splendid starting point to commence clean-up and beautification projects? We feel confident that at this particular time you would have the full co-operation of the majority of our citizens in any plans suggested for the betterment of the City."
Other recommendations in the brief were as follows:
Waste Paper Containers
"It is our opinion that while we have a beautiful City — and here we should like to congratulate you
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Abbott Predicts Balanced Budget

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Flu Epidemic In Halifax, Sydney

HALIFAX, Feb. 12 (CP)—The Victoria General Hospital here tonight banned all visitors except those wishing to see the critically ill because of the influenza outbreak.
Dr. A. R. Morton, city health commissioner, said that the outbreak had downed 10 to 15 percent of the city's employees and about 20 percent of the city's teachers and students.
SYDNEY, N. S. Feb. 12 (CP)—The School Board ordered Sydney's schools closed today after supervisor A. W. Woodill reported 1,500 students and 24 teachers absent because of influenza and colds.
He said the situation was getting worse.

Severe Cold Claims Life Of P. E. I. Man

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Feb. 12 (CP)—Severe cold claimed the life of a Prince Edward Island man at Southfield, N.B., early Saturday, it was learned here today.
The victim, Wilfred Gallant, died while walking in his lonely cabin at the King's County village. His body was found by Conrad Hatfield, who had given him a lift to within three miles of his camp the previous night. Dr. A. L. Windsor, coroner, ruled an inquiry was unnecessary.
Another Prince Edward Island man, John Francis Gallant, who had been with Wilfred earlier, was found suffering from frostbite in a farmhouse Saturday and now is in hospital at Sussex.
It was understood Gallant was a native of North Rustico, P.E.I.

Vancouver Author And Lawyer Dies

VANCOUVER, Feb. 12 (CP)—Thomas B. E. McKees, 84, author and lawyer, died here Sunday. He drew up the original Federal Anti-Narcotic Act and the Immigration Act and published a book of poems and numerous novels and articles, including "Klontenberg of the Arctic" and "Chinook Stories."

Predicts Ukrainians Will Turn On Masters

TORONTO, Feb. 12 (CP)—George Drew, Progressive Conservative leader, last night predicted that 15,000,000 Ukrainians under Soviet domination will some day turn on their Russian "slave masters."
The fate of that group may determine the course of world history, he told the 10th anniversary meeting of the Ukrainian Canadian Committee.

Forecast Sales Tax For N. S.

HALIFAX, Feb. 12 (CP)—Legislation paving the way for a 1 1/2 percent sales tax will be introduced during the Legislature session opening tomorrow, it was learned reliably tonight.
Also indicated was legislation providing payment of old age pensions to Nova Scotians between the ages of 64-69 on an eligibility basis if payment of \$40 monthly pensions to all over 70 is undertaken by the Federal Government on a contributory system.
The proposed sales tax and old age pension legislation would be subject to amendments to the British North America Act.
PARIS, Feb. 12 (Reuters)—France today ordered a restriction on the movements of Romanian, Albanian and Bulgarian diplomats in Paris in reprisal for similar restrictions placed on movement of French Embassy staffs in those countries.

Coming Events

- **Mail your Films to Garnham Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- **Crockinole, Ugg Orange Hall, Tuesday, thirteenth. If not fine next fine night.
- **Y. P. U. Valentine Social, North Granby Hall, Tuesday, February 13th. If stormy, Thursday.
- **Horse Races on Vernon ice Feb. 14. If not fine will be held Saturday 17.
- **Hockey Stanley Bridge rink tonight, French River vs. Stanley Bridge.
- **Hockey Hunter River rink tonight, League game. South Rustico vs. Hunter River. Skate after.
- **Hockey in Seaview rink tonight, Spring Valley vs. Darnley. If not fine, Wednesday night.
- **Valentine Social, Springfield Hall, Friday, February 16. Sponsored by Women's Institute. Lunch free.
- **Hockey North River rink tonight, Hampshire Bulldogs vs. Milton Hornets. Game time 8:30. Skate after.
- **Don't miss the hockey game in Fredericton rink tonight, Millvale Beavers vs. Fredericton Jets. If not fine, following night.
- **Morell White Stars vs. Charlottetown Monarchs, Wednesday, Feb. 14 at North River Rink, 8:30 sharp. Skate after.
- **The Millvale Driving Club will hold their first race of the season on February 14th, 1951, on Millvale ice. Come and bring your horses.
- **Follow the crowd to Winsloe Road Hall, Wednesday, February 14th and enjoy the South Winsloe Y. P. U. Valentine Supper. Baked Beans, Fancy Served, Pies, Cakes, etc. Supper served at 5 to 8 P. M. Admission 50 cents and 35 cents. Good roads.

Says Flying Saucers Real, But Are Balloons

(By Alton L. Blakeslee)
NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (AP)—Flying saucers are real—but they're only huge balloons used in cosmic ray studies, Look magazine says in tomorrow's issue, quoting Dr. Urner Liddel.
Dr. Liddel, chief of the nuclear physics branch of the office of United States naval research, is in charge of the cosmic ray-balloon project.
The balloons are huge plastic bags, 100 feet in diameter, that may rise 10 miles high—about 100,000 feet. Winds may sweep them along at 200 miles an hour. At dusk, the slanting rays of the sun light up their bottoms, giving them a saucer-like appearance.
They carry instruments aloft to record what happens when cosmic rays hit atoms in the earth's atmosphere. This splitting gives a clue to how atoms are put together, and how to release their energy.
"When this project first began it was kept secret," the magazine quotes Dr. Liddel.
"The Liddel report is considered to be the most authoritative scientific explanation of the flying saucer phenomenon. As far as Dr. Liddel is concerned personally, he considers his answer incontrovertibly right."
The balloons, called "Skyhooks," were first sent aloft in 1947, and it was then that flying saucer reports began. There were more balloons in the next two years and more "saucers" seen. There were fewer balloons sent up in 1950, and fewer saucer reports.
A picture, taken by telescope of a balloon at 77,000-foot altitude over Minnesota, convinced Dr. Liddel even more. The photo fits descriptions of flying saucers.
At dusk on a cool summer evening is the best time to see the balloon "saucer." Look adds.
"The lateral rays of the sun at dusk illuminate the base of the balloon. There is no chance of your ever seeing the full roundness of it because you are so far below it. You see only the illuminated cup of the bottom. The sun's rays may suffuse the plastic bag with a fiery glow."

News In Brief

VALETTA, Malta, Feb. 12 (Reuters)—The United States Sixth Fleet and British Home and Mediterranean Fleets today are staging their biggest post-war air-sea manoeuvres in the Central Mediterranean.
FLINT, Mich., Feb. 12 (AP)—Buick motors said today it has awarded a contract to manufacture the British J-65 Sapphire jet engines to be used in American fighter planes.
SEATTLE, Feb. 12 (AP)—Savege rivers of the Pacific Northwest gradually were being tamed today by a change in the weather. Floods slackened in all but a few localities after causing havoc estimated in millions of dollars.

Iran's King Takes Bride From Former Rebel Tribe

By Robert E. Hewett
TEHRAN, Iran, Feb. 12 (AP)—Iran's king of kings, Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi, was married today—a half-hour late because his beautiful bride exercised the woman's privilege and kept him waiting.
For a royal wedding in Persia it could be said to have been a simple ceremony but it glittered with the sparkle of the bespangled guests and the bride's gown—probably the most spectacular wedding gown seen in Persia in years.
The handsome, once-divorced Shah did not exactly wait at the altar. He and Soraya Efsandiari, 19-year-old beautiful daughter of a one-time rebel tribe chieftain, were seated on gilded chairs before a gold brocade cloth spread on the floor of the palace.
In contrast to the bride's breath-taking gown of silver lame trimmed with pearls sequins the 32-year-old Shah wore a uniform of dark blue, with golden epaulets and a sash of light blue decorated with medals from his should-ers to his waist.
A 21-gun salute heralded the event. Tonight, the Shah's subjects—rich and poor—feasted.
It marked the fulfillment of a romance which budded when the Shah met Soraya Efsandiari two years ago at a party in Paris and which blossomed after he divorced his first wife, Princess Fawzia, a sister of Egypt's King Farouk.
A squadron of prancingancers escorted the European-educated Soraya, granddaughter of a former rebellious chieftain and daughter of a German mother, to the pink-marble palace.
While thousands paying homage packed the streets, Soraya swept up the broad staircase to the Shah's study where the wedding vows were pronounced.
Only the royal family, relatives of the bride and a few court dignitaries were present.

38th Parallel Becomes Politically Hot Again

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Feb. 12 (AP)—The 38th parallel in Korea became politically hot again today just as the U. N. finally completed the good offices committee that will try to stop the fighting.
U. N. observers predicted the issue of crossing the parallel, the old border between North and South Korea, would be the first major headache of the committee. Communist China already has announced she would ignore the body.
Mexico's veteran U. N. envoy, Luis Padilla Nervo, took the third man's place in the new three-man team.
Nasrollah Entezam of Iran, president of the General Assembly and Sven Graafstrom, Sweden, are the others.

Urges World-Wide Monroe Doctrine

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 (AP)—Governor Thomas E. Dewey tonight called for a world-wide Monroe Doctrine, with all-out war the penalty if Russia steps over the global line.
Inside the line, he suggested the free countries of the Atlantic Pact, plus Greece, Turkey, Iran, Spain, Yugoslavia and the Moslem world from Egypt to China.
"Let us stop handing armies an over to the Russians," Dewey demanded in a Lincoln Day address. "The only way to stop it is to draw the line."
Dewey took sharp issue with Republicans who would limit aid to a disunited Europe.

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SUNDAY SERVICE	
Leave Borden	Leave C. T.
8:10 A.M.	2:40 P.M.
MCA AIR SERVICE	
Lv. Charlottetown for Moncton	5:50 A.M.—11:20 A.M.—4:45 P.M.
Ar. Charlottetown from Moncton	7:40 A.M.—1:25 P.M.—5:55 P.M.
Lv. Charlottetown for New Glasgow — Halifax	7:55 A.M. New Glasgow only;
1:40 P.M. New Glasgow & Halifax.	Ar. Charlottetown from New Glasgow and Halifax.
11:10 A.M. from New Glasgow only	4:50 P.M. from New Glasgow and Halifax.
Charlottetown — Sydney flights	every Monday, Wednesday, Friday.

