

25,000 Yanks Break Out Of Red Snare; GI's Streaming Into Evacuation Port

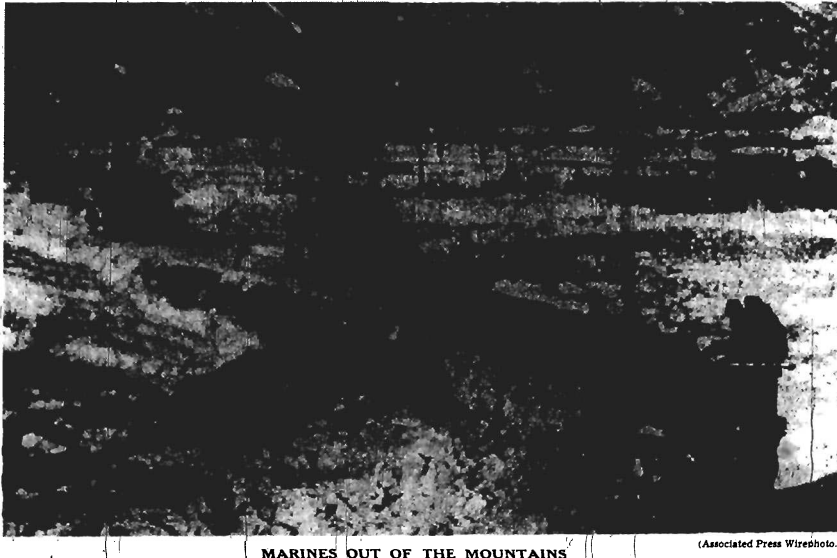
Korea Peace Prospects Studied

China May Heed Urgent Appeal

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Dec. 10.—UPI—The Chinese Communists have told India that they are willing to stop their offensive in Korea at the 38th parallel, high diplomatic sources revealed tonight.

Sources near the Indian delegation said that the Chinese Communist representative, Gen. Wu Hsueh-shan, told New Delhi's chief delegate, Sir Benegal N. Rau, yesterday that the Peking government was willing to halt the march of its troops at the parallel as basis for further negotiations.

Wu reportedly said that no formal reply to the 13-nation appeal for a halt at the parallel would be received before the fighting and acceptance of it might "weaken our moral stand." The reply to the appeal would be given on the battlefield, Wu was reported as saying.



A vanguard of the U. S. First Marine Division makes up this convoy of trucks and other equipment rolling along the plains 20 miles north of Hamhung. In the background are the mountains the Marines fought through for 12 days after starting their retreat from the Changjin reservoir in northeast Korea. This picture was made by Jim Pringle, A. P. staff photographer who joined the retreating forces at Koto.

Senators Call For Strict Controls

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Four senators demanded today that the administration abandon its "jawbone" approach, which was worthless any idea of trying to harness wages and prices through a voluntary program.

Rejection by General Motors and the Ford Motor Company of the government's request that they restrict their price increases on 1951 models was cited by the lawmakers as plain evidence the voluntary approach won't work.

Mandatory wage-price controls as quickly as possible after the "jawbone" approach, which Senator O'Mahoney (Democrat, Wyoming), Maybank (Democrat, South Carolina), Ives (Republican, New York), and Capenarth (Republican, Indiana) declared in separate interviews.

Marines Out Of The Mountains

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Jet Fighter Autopilot Created

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Push button flying, has caught up with the jet era of aerial warfare. A new automatic pilot, already in production, will take the "swoosh" planes smoothly through good or bad weather, guide them safely through "soup" to the runway, and may even fire their guns aimed by radar.

The Air Force Air Materiel Command (AMC) said in a statement the new F-5 autopilot "is the first mechanism developed which can meet the high speed and maneuverability required to fly today's jet fighters."

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Lava Menaces Two Towns In Sicily

CATANIA, Sicily, Dec. 10.—A massive wall of fiery lava more than 2,000 feet wide and 46 feet deep, flowing down from Mt. Etna's craters, menaced the harassed villages of Milo and Renazzo today. But it was moving very slowly.

It had been feared previously the molten stream would engulf the two villages before dawn tomorrow. Experts from the University of Catania gave no new time table but said soldiers at dawn today roused those who had ignored evacuation warnings before.

Today's Chuckle

Prosecutor: "Now tell the court how you came to take the car."
Defendant: "Well, the car was parked in front of the cemetery, so naturally I thought the owner was dead."

Changes Seen In Tax Bill Provisions

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Senator Millikin (Republican, Colorado) said today a House-approved excess profits tax bill is "wide open" to changes and predicted that the Senate Finance Committee will rewrite some of its provisions.

Millikan, top Republican on the committee, said he thinks the committee must decide whether it wants to change the base rates approved by the House and whether it wants to give special treatment to utilities and so-called "growth companies" before it shapes the final form of the bill.

Earl Interrupts 'Honeymoon' To Wed After Legal Mix-Up

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 10.—The 37-year-old Earl of Essex and his 66-year-old fiancée left their honeymoon cottage here last night after a quickie marriage ceremony following a discovery that they were not legally wed.

They had gone to the cabin for the night after having appeared before a Seattle judge. They assumed they had been married, and so told reporters. But a query to the judge disclosed that he had granted them only a waiver on the legally prescribed waiting period which is supposed to precede all marriages.

Tar Heel Suggests Critic Sell Truman Note To Aid Charity

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—If Missie Critic Paul Hume sells the letter which President Truman threatened to burn, he would be giving a "lousy" review of Margaret Truman's singing, the proceeds may be turned over to charity.

Hume disclosed in reply to a reporter's inquiries today that he has received a number of offers for the letter.

At Mt. Holly, N. C., Henry H. Ryan, a cotton broker, said he had phoned Hume last night suggesting that the note be sold to aid the "Bigger" Price Seen.

Dread Locust Plague Threatens Vast Africa-Asiatic Region

CAIRO, Dec. 10.—The dread Anglo-Egyptian Sudan Locust, Etnoclocus plague is darkening the skies p. Eastrea, Benmaland, Kenya, over vast areas of Africa and South-Tanganyika, French Equatorial Africa, threatening millions of men, animals, crops, and livestock.

The locusts are the voracious swarms that have blighted these lands since biblical times already have begun. Local governments and have they terrified the breeding grounds by spraying with DDT.

Radio Flashes News

The news flashed on the radio. The British nobleman's family name is Algernon George de Vere Capell. He is the eighth Earl of Essex, a name prominent in British history for nearly three centuries.

Losses Exceed Tarawa's In 'Bloodiest Retreat'

TOKYO, Monday, Dec. 11.—(UP)—Battle-weary American Marines and infantrymen rolled into the Port of Hungnam in a steady stream today after fighting their way out of a Chinese Communist trap in northeast Korea.

TOKYO, Monday, Dec. 11.—(AP)—The last of a 25,000-man American escape force today ended two weeks of frozen hell in northeast Korea as they reached the coastal plain leading to Hamhung.

A U. S. First Marine Division spokesman said the last elements had completed the treacherous descent from Changjin reservoir after breaking out of a series of Chinese Communist traps.

Marines Walk Out Of Icy Nightmare

EDITOR'S Note: Jack MacBeth, 36-year-old Associated Press war correspondent, came out of Koto with the Marines and infantry today, the only war correspondent participating in the flight through the light hours of a blizzard. MacBeth stayed to see it through despite his lack of sufficient winter clothing.

IT WAS THE longest pull-back in Marine records—nearly 50 tortuous miles.

They broke out of a death trap sprung by many thousands of Red Chinese and Koreans and converted what looked like almost certain disaster into a moral triumph if not a military victory.

Trapped GI's Rip Through Red Lines

BY STAN SWINTON
NORTHEAST KOREA FRONT.
Dec. 10.—(AP)—Spearheads of a 23,000-man American force and a few British Marine commandos crashed through the last vestige of Chinese Red line today and sped toward Hungnam, Korean East Coast port.

Field officers said it would be at least late Monday, however, before the main column could reach the Hungnam area. It was held up while the American infantry of the U. S. First Division cleared a band of Chinese from two snow-crested ridges.

Casualties

Wounded Flown Out
Four hundred wounded were evacuated by air from Hagaru and Koto up to two days ago. More have been flown out since. Most of these were Marines, the others were remnants of two battalions of the British Royal Marines Division, which was cut off and sheered up the east side of the reservoir at the same time the Leathernecks were catching hell on the west.

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