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Secretary of State John Foster Dulles had his talk with British Prime Minister Winston Churchill today. They discussed the new Eisenhower policy on Korea - which has aroused a storm of complaint in England. We hear that Dulles informed Churchill that the new administration intends to follow a "positive line" in an effort to bring the Korean war to an end.

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KOREA - REDS

The Red government of China issues a call for an end to the fighting in Korea. But, once again -- only on terms laid down by the Communists.

The Red radio reports Premier Chou en-Lai as advocating an immediate resumption of the truce talks at Panmunjom. Which have been suspended - after endless obstruction by the Reds. But Chou en-Lai stands pat on the prisoner-of-war issue - that old question of forcing captives to return to the Reds, against their own will.

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FORMOSA

Word from Washington is that our top military leaders are urging - a rapid build-up of Nationalist forces on Formosa. They are saying - we should send large supplies of armament to equip Chiang Kai - Shek's army, for effective raids against the Red mainland. The military experts believe that, in this way, pressure on the Korean warfront would be relieved in six to nine months, the Reds - having to switch their forces for defense against threatened attacks from Formosa.

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latter might be interested by the small Chinese
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AVIATION GAS

The United States finds there is no way in diplomacy to stop the shipment of seven thousand tons of aviation gasoline - to Red China. The fuel, which could be used in enemy jet planes, was loaded at a Bulgarian port - aboard a Finnish tanker. But the government of Finland says it has no authority to intervene. The tanker had to pass through the Dardanelles, controlled by Turkey. But the Turkish government points out that, according to treaty, the Dardanelles is open to ships from all over the world.

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KOREA PLANES

The Marines reveal the existence of "the flying nightmare." A squadron of jet fighters equipped with radar - for hostilities against enemy planes at night. That nocturnal outfit has shot down seven enemy planes, six of them jets -- and one old open-cockpit bi-plane. Where the Communists ever resurrected that ancient box kite, the airmen of the "Flying Nightmare" can't guess.

The Red radio says that the port of Hungnam has turned into an underground city -- because of continuous bombardment by U.S. warships and planes. Hungnam is a center of North Korean industry, hit so hard and so often - that the Reds have been driven into subterranean factories. There they have established a veritable city - below the surface of the earth. So says the Red radio.

VAN FLEET

General Van Fleet, retiring Commander of the Eighth Army in Korea, announces that a new South Korean division has gone into the line. Now fighting - on the Eastern front. The new R O K division is identified as the fifteenth - which was trained and equipped last year. Together - with another ~~sixth~~ R O K division, the twelfth. Last month, the twelfth took its place at the front. Today - the fifteenth.

These two ~~new divisions~~ bring the South Korean total up to ^{a total of} ~~thirteen~~ ^{divisions.} There are seven American divisions in the battleline, one British Commonwealth division, together with smaller units of other members of the United Nations. So the South Koreans, with thirteen divisions, are holding a good deal more than half of the line.

Today's news tells how an R O K outfit beat back a violent enemy assault on a mountain strong-point, which the G.I.'s call - Luke the Cook's Castle.

KOREA-TURK

Here's a story of a hero in battle, who will never get a decoration. He came out with five wounds, and will recover. Hailed by his comrades as a raging lion in combat. But he'll never get a military medal for valor in action.

He's a corporal in the Turkish Brigade, and has the fine Moslem name of Abdurrahman. Out in the man's land, his patrol was trapped by the Reds - and, in a wild fight, Corporal Abdurrahman found that his rifle had jammed. So he went at the enemy with cold steel. The bayonet. Reds in ambush blazed at him. Bullets hit him in the hip and leg. A grenade exploded behind him, and fragments ripped into his back.

"I didn't feel any pain", says Corporal Abdurrahman. "My only idea was to get at the Reds."

So he went at them with his bayonet, and got one. "When a Turk is wounded" says Corporal Abdurrahman, "he makes a little noise that sounds like a grunt. But that Chinaman screamed like a dog."

He got three ~~more~~ in that wild one-man bayonet charge; then collapsed, carried off to a hospital.

But he'll never get a medal for heroism. Today he explained: "The Turkish government does not permit military awards." The Turks don't go in for medals."

"When I go home" Corporal Abdurrahman relates, "my father will say to me, 'my son, you fought well.' That will be my reward."

Which sounds in the spirit of those Turkish conquerors - who, only a few centuries ago, were the terror of Europe.

STATE DEPARTMENT

Testimony was given, today, by a file room supervisor at the State Department. Who stated that derogatory material had been removed from the files. Some - ~~xxx~~ may have been burned. The testimony involved cases concerning Communism. Also - derogatory material involving - morals.

Mrs. Helen Ballog declared that the file concerning former Ambassador-at-large Philip Jessup was taken out and kept out for many months. Jessup - assailed on the grounds of pro-Communism.

She said that one document missing from the files - was a letter of recommendation written by Owan Lattimore, in behalf of an official serving ~~us~~ abroad. Lattimore is now under indictment for perjury, in connection with Communism.

She told of a letter that disappeared - and may have been burned. ~~A~~ communication from the Guatemalan embassy - with derogatory information on a U.S. diplomat assigned to Latin-America.

REMINGTON

William Remington gets three years - the sentence imposed by the Judge today. Convicted of committing perjury, when he denied Communist connections - the former government economist could have got a maximum of ten years. But Judge Vincent Leibell said he was taking into consideration - the fact that Remington's career has been ruined. Also - that he was young when the Communists "got their grip on him." And he was, in the words of the judge - "a prisoner and a victim," of the Reds.

CONFIRMATIONS

The Senate Foreign Relations committee voted unanimously to confirm General Walter Bedell Smith as Under-Secretary of State, and Dr. James Conant of Harvard - as High Commissioner to Germany. There was scattered criticism of Dr. Conant, on the ground that he was opposed to church-supported schools, like the ~~Catholic~~ parochial schools. He denied this, and the confirmation by the committee was unanimous.

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FARM PRICES

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the end of this week - in accordance with President Eisenhower's promise for an "orderly" end of wage-price controls.

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ACTRESS

Word from Hollywood is that movie actress June Haver plans to become a nun. So stated by friends of hers and by Catholic Church authorities. We hear the dancer and singer in musicals has been considering this for a long time. But she was told - she shouldn't enter a convent merely on the "rebound". Because of an unhappy personal life.

June Haver was engaged to a handsome doctor, John Duzik - but jilted him to marry trumpetplayer Jimmy Zito. The union was unhappy, and ended in divorce. Because of this, the actress has had to get special church permission to become a nun. After the divorce, she went back to the doctor, and was about to marry him - but he died following an operation. In her grief she became intensely religious, and made a pilgrimage to Rome during Holy Week.

She has had, we are told, a year to think it over, and now tells the Church authorities that her desire to become a nun has nothing to do with

what happened in the past. Not just "on the rebound"
from personal unhappiness.

The dancing beauty of the musicals will
take religious ~~XXXX~~ vows, we hear, in a convent in
Kansas, entering the Order of the Sisters of Charity.

Giving up her days of ^(glory)~~XXXXX~~ in the movies
for the habit of a nun.

FLOODS

New gales were blowing in the North Sea today - which meant -- new flood waters for Holland.

Northwest winds up to seventy-eight miles an hour whipped the water against the low-lying coast, and another inundation poured through broken dikes.

This is the time of the year for the highest tides - the spring tides. That, combined with a hurricane storm, caused the first disaster. Now, a northwesterly gale - bringing new peril. Holland now has a death list of more than fifteen hundred, with some ninety thousand persons marooned on islands. These, faced with new floods; but, not as bad as the deluge over the weekend.

QUEEN

Queen Elizabeth-the-Second gains a new title:-

- Queen of Canada. At Ottawa, the House of Commons has adopted the necessary legislation.

Of course, Canada has always had for its Monarch - the King or the Queen in London. Which was expressed in a general way:- "Sovereign of the Dominions beyond the Sea." But Canada now makes it something special. Today's dispatch from Ottawa states that shortly before the Coronation in June, Elizabeth-the-Second will proclaim herself - "Queen of Canada."

CORONATION-FASHIONS

The Coronation in London, in addition to its imperial aspects, will also have an effect - in the world of fashion. So stated by the royal dressmaker, Norman Hartnell, who is on a visit to New York. "The Coronation" he says, "is an historic occasion! - not a fashion parade. But ^{he added} it cannot help setting styles."

So what will these be like? The royal dressmaker answers - a return to classically simple lines.

He points out that the dresses of the Peereses of the realm will be worn under Coronation robes - and a simple type of fitted dress is necessary. The regulations issued by the Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal of the Coronation, call for the gowns to be white, or cream colored. All of which, thinks the royal dressmaker, will set a trend in world fashion.

Paris, however, doesn't seem to agree. ~~News~~ News from the traditional capital of fashions for women, pictures a flamboyant fantasy - or dresses

decorated with blazing designs of oranges, grapes, and pineapples.

At a fashion show today, one gown was made of organdy printed with oysters-on-the-half shell. Each oyster with a pearl - a round gleaming pearl sewn on. Imitation gems - unless the lady wants to spend about a hundred grand or so!

Another dress was patterned with green grapes and purple mulberries - to be worn with special earrings; golden peanuts, with earrings.

So Paris competes with London. The Coronation will have the crown, the spectre and the orb. But - no golden peanuts. By the way Nelson - how would you like your oysters-on-the-half shell -- on m'lady's skirt, in organdy? With or without pearls?