

EISENHOWER L.T.P.G. Fri. Nov. 28 - '52.

Today General Eisenhower talked with high officials of the C I O. Since the death of Philip Murray, the C I O is without a President. But leaders of its great branches came to see Ike; - among them, Walter Reuther, President of the United Auto Workers, a leading candidate to succeed Murray at the top of the whole organization.

During the campaign, the C I O supported Adlai Stevenson. But today its leaders pledged their support to Ike during his administration. They pledged it on condition that he does not take, what they would consider, an anti-labor stand on domestic policies. They did not suggest any individual for the post of Secretary of Labor, but they told Ike it should be some one with the interests of the Unions at heart.

~~According to~~ ^{Said} the Secretary-Treasurer of the C I O, James Carey; - "without quoting the general directly, I would say he indicated that the White House door would be open to us. It will be a reciprocal thing, however, ⁱⁿ ~~we~~ intend to cooperate with ^{him.}

SUB FOR LAST PARAGRAPH OF EISENHOWER

After all the campaign^oatory, Ike and the C I O are letting by-gones be by-gones. From the meeting today, it is clear that they intend to work together as far as possible. As evidence of their good will, the C I O leaders invited General Eisenhower to attend their meeting next Monday - when the organization's fourteenth annual convention begins. The election of a new President to succeed Philip Murray is scheduled for Thursday.

EISENHOWER'S STAFF

General Eisenhower names two more - he adds two to his White House staff. Gabriel Hauge (hard g) to be an administrative assistant in charge of domestic and foreign economic affairs. Thomas Stephens to be the President's special counsel.

Gabriel Gauge directed research for Eisenhower during the campaign. He is on leave from his job as an Editor of "Business Week" the McGraw-Hill Magazine edited by Elliott Bell.

Thomas Stephens is a New York attorney. He was Eisenhower's appointments Secretary during the campaign. So, one by one the new President is filling up the blank spots. Two cabinet appointments still remain to be made: Labor and Commerce.

SYNGMAN RHEE

South Korea President Syngman Rhee repeats that he is anxious to have American troops to remain in Korea. The latest on this comes in a letter drawn up by Syngman Rhee's Liberal Party; addressed to General Eisenhower. ~~XX~~ A Republic of Korea spokesman says the letter attacks our policy in Asia, claims it led to the Communist conquest of China; and requests Eisenhower to take a stronger stand in Asia, with unification of Korea as a goal.

The letter also attacks Japan, claiming that the Japanese are exploiting the Korean war for their own benefit.

KOREAN WAR

Only scattered skirmishes reported. But the air war goes on with our planes blasting targets not only near the front but deep inside North Korea, at supply centers.

One target a Red ammunition dump near Pyongyang. Returning airmen say the dump went off like some colossal fireworks display. With "giant balls of fire" soaring high in the sky. Indicating that it ~~was~~ was where the Reds stored their aerial rockets. An important Communist arsenal.

MEDAL

Now Private Jimmy Cline, of Reading, Pa, is a machine gunner. He was stationed on a hill where the Reds attacked along with a heavy artillery and mortar bombardment. One shell knocked over Jimmy Cline's machine gun. But he set it up and kept on firing. The Chinese Reds got close enough to hurl grenades - and twice he was wounded. Finally they had to carry him to the rear. But before they did he had cut down more than a hundred of the advancing Reds. For which Private Jim Cline was decorated today.

CHINESE

The Chinese rejection of the Indian plan for a truce in Korea is more definite than ever. Today the Chinese Premier, Chou En Lai, repeated that his country stands firmly behind the Russian proposals. Which means that the Chinese Reds also insist on the forcible return of prisoners of war to their homeland.

Peking
Said the Premier about the Korean deadlock;~

"The U.S. Government must bear full responsibility for the grave international tension caused by the failure ~~to~~ to achieve peace in Korea."

SAAR ELECTIONS

On Sunday, elections will be held in the Saar basin, the coal-center on the Rhine, long disputed by France and Germany. Elections as important as any held in Europe since the end of World War Two.

The French are sponsoring these elections. And to make sure the elections go the right way, they have banned three pro-German parties; which now are carrying on their campaign by means of newspapers and pamphlets smuggled in from Germany. Also West German political groups have been holding rallies along the border to encourage the pro-Germans of the Saar. The Bonn Government is urging all pro-Germans to boycott the elections. If a substantial portion of the Saar's population does that it could bring on a crisis between France and Germany. Might even kill the plans for a European Army made up of both French and German troops.

So, Europe is watching, to see what the voters (of the Saar do when the polls open on Sunday.

CRASH

That appalling air accident ~~at~~ Tacoma, Washington, was caused by a heavy fog. The plane was coming in from Alaska. It carried women and children, the families of service men, as well as members of the Armed Forces. Coming in low for a ground-controlled landing the plane hit the top of a tall tree. Thirty lives lost, on Thanksgiving.

ADD CRASH

A dispatch from Anchorage, Alaska: - the big plane, missing since last Sunday, crashed on "surprise Glacier", eight thousand feet up Mount Gannett, and apparently all fifty-two aboard were killed.

Because of recent crashes in the area, the Air Force announces that it is setting up a "survey team" to investigate flight navigation and Communications in Alaska.

CHURCHILL

When Winston Churchill attends the Coronation he will ride in a movie stage prop, drawn by brewery horses. The movie prop is a carriage, loaned for the occasion by Sir Alexander Korda, the movie magnate. Korda is also loaning a number of other carriages to carry Commonwealth Premiers. The vehicles are drawn by two horses each, and each will have a coachman and a footman.

Korda is loaning the carriages, the London breweries ^{providing} ~~have offered to loan~~ the horses, ~~to pull~~ ~~them~~. The movies and the breweries contributing to the success of the coronation festivities.

MOUNT EVEREST

A dispatch from Nepal throws further light on other reports about that Swiss expedition on Mount Everest. Last week ~~xx~~ optimistic reports turned out to be false - the one that said the expedition was near the top. Now we know the Swiss climbers have been delayed by accidents. In one a native porter killed - and three have been injured.

However, we hear now that the expedition is pushing on, with the odds this time in their favor - a chance to reach the unconquered summit. They have pitched their sixth camp, at an altitude of more than twenty-two thousand feet, and today's dispatch says two more camps remain to be established. Then some of the climbers will make a final effort to reach the top of the world's tallest mountain.

The climbers are reported above the clouds, with clear visibility all the way to the top of twenty-nine thousand foot Everest. Just over twenty-nine thousand. The expedition is following the route of the previous Swiss attempt which was forced ~~to~~ back

before, eight hundred feet from the top. This has made extensive reconnoitering unnecessary. Moreover, this time the Swiss are said to have better equipment, including improved ~~ex~~ oxygen apparatus. We are told that this apparatus may prove decisive - may enable ~~ix~~ them to reach their goal.

The dispatch says it ~~is~~ now is mainly a question of weather. The expedition must succeed before the end of December. That's when the snow begins to fall in the Himalayas, and when no human being can remain, high up on a mountain in those parts. Indian meteorologists predict that the weather will be good until then. Which may be all that is needed, since the Swiss expect to be on their way back by mid-December.

So everything - according to report - is favorable as the expedition moves forward in the greatest trial of endurance that mountaineers can face -- the attempt to reach the top of Everest, that lofty, windswept summit which so far has hurled back every man who has pitted himself against Earth's

Rishest sinners.

BUDDHISTS

India is preparing for one of the most sacred rites of the Buddhist religion. A dispatch from Calcutta tells us that on Sunday the relics of Buddha's first two Disciples will be interred at Sanchi, in Central India.

The Buddhist religion is about five centuries older than christianity. It's founder was an Indian Prince, who gave up his Kingdom in order to seek an answer to the mysteries of life. The answer he found was that life is essentially evil, because of its sorrow and suffering. And that wisdom lies in renouncing life. He spent his last years in preaching the doctrine of Nirvana. According to this doctrine, we should strive to overcome all our desires, so that eventually we may enter a state of complete nothingness - ~~or~~ Nirvana.

This Indian Prince became known to his followers as "The Buddha" - which means "The Enlightened One". After Buddha's death his religion spread rapidly through the Far East. It became particularly strong in Ceylon, Tibet, ^{Burma, Siam,} China, and Japan.

Strangely enough, Buddhism never was so

successful in India, the land of its founder. Hinduism, the older Indian religion, proved too strong for it. India has many Buddhists, but the immense majority of the people are still Hindus.

On Sunday the Indian Buddhists will venerate Buddha by giving a final resting place to the relics of his first two disciples. For almost two hundred years, the relics have been in the British Museum, in London. Now the relics are back in India. During the forthcoming ceremony, Buddhist Monks will place crystal urns, containing the relics, in a Pagoda specially built for the occasion. Prime Minister Nehru is scheduled to speak to Buddhist Pilgrims from many lands, including a few from the United States.

In the future, that Pagoda in Sanchi will be an important Buddhist holy place. A Twentieth Century tribute to the Indian Prince who became "The Enlightened One" - "The Buddha" - and who taught the world the path to Nirvana.

BOY

Here's another down-fall of an inspiring idea. Several days ago, we had the story of a pastor, who took money of the Church fund, and distributed it among members of the congregation. Asking them to invest it - then bring in the profits. When the profits were turned in - they were enough to pay off the church debt. *A near miracle.*

Quite an idea; and, something of the same sort was attempted at a grammar school, ^{at} Spotswood, New Jersey. ~~T~~here the class adviser of the eighth grade, Mrs. Audrey Schedig, gave each pupil one dollar -- telling each to invest the buck in some small business. She wanted to encourage the children in ways of earning money.

The results were inspiring - at first. Some pupils bought ingredients and made candy to sell. Others purchased and resold sporting goods. The down-fall came when a boy in that eighth grade spent seventy-five cents on himself. And, with the remaining

quarter - bought a pair of dice. Then he started a
crap game among the other pupils, and was really
making money - when the teacher caught him. She
confiscated the African dominos -- and that, Nelson,
put an end to the most profitable business of all.