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CHINESE CELEBRATION

The Chinese Communists over there in Korea tonight filled the air with red, green and yellow signal flares. No enemy action followed the fireworks and apparently all the pyrotechnics were in celebration of the Armistice agreement on the cease-fire line that has just been reached - and made formal tonight!

TRUCE

~~A few hours from now, the full Korean armistice teams will be meeting ~~to~~ to give their formal approval to the cease-fire line that was finally drawn up today.~~ All day, the meetings have been going on at Pan Mun^N Jom, the longest held so far, [^] more than seven and a half hours. ^π The negotiators got together early, ~~in the morning~~ pouring over two giant maps, ^{working} ~~to iron~~ out the final ~~map~~ cease-fire line along the present battlefield. ~~Following the last meeting,~~

Ten ^{areas} ~~points~~ were still in dispute, ten hills along that hundred and forty-five mile fighting front. ~~By~~ ^{noon} ~~lunch~~ ~~time~~ four of these had been settled, with three going to the Allies and one to the Communists. Then, in the afternoon, ~~the negotiators started work afresh, point by point,~~ hill by hill, the map-makers marking ^{ed} ~~ing~~ in the final details. ~~of these disputed peaks. By seven-thirty,~~

By ^{evening they} ~~evening~~ ~~they~~ ~~had~~ inked in the last inch across ^a ~~that~~ fourteen foot ^{map. Then followed} ~~shoot~~ ~~and~~ the announcement ~~was~~ ~~made~~ that the thirty day truce line was ready for signatures. With flash ~~in~~ bulbs popping, Colonel James

Murray and Colonel Chang Chun put their signatures to ~~two maps,~~ ^{the two maps,} one for the U N command and one for the Communists. The marathon meeting was over, the final line drawn ~~up~~ - the maps sealed and delivered, ready for formal approval ~~at this evening's parley,~~ ^{tonight.}

The truce teams now have until December twenty-seventh to work out the remaining armistice details; ~~these include~~ such problems as the exchange of war prisoners, and the supervision of armistice teams once the firing is over. There's ~~as much~~ speculation in Tokyo as to whether thirty days is enough. Some say yes, but the general opinion seems to be that more time may be needed.

This idea was taken up by Vice President Alben Barkley today in Tokyo. ~~Barkley,~~ ^{The Veep} on a trip to the Far East, which took him to Korea last week, was giving a farewell press conference before leaving Japan. In answer to newsmen's questions he stated that his hopes were for an armistice by New Year's Day.

~~The Veep's idea~~ of Korean peace by the end of Nineteen Fifty-One, ^{in 30 days - he hopes.}

EISENHOWER

In Rome today, General Eisenhower addressed the two top committees of the North Atlantic Treaty organization. Speaking before the Chiefs of Staff of the military committee and the full session of Foreign Defense and Finance Ministers, the Supreme Commander ^{told how} ~~revealed that~~ he ^{has been} watching very closely the development and progress of atom bombs and guided missiles. However, ^{Gen.} Eisenhower warned that "no new weapons will solve ^{such} ~~the~~ strategic problems ~~such~~ as training men and ~~their~~ ^{ing them} mobilization for a European Army. - ^{He referred to} the European defense force ^{as} is one of those impossibilities that has got to be ~~xxxxxx~~ achieved." For the present, he added, he needs ~~as many~~ well armed divisions as rapidly as they can be supplied - between thirty and forty ^{of them} next year, and from sixty to seventy by Nineteen Fifty-four.

In the United Nations today, Philip Jessup announced that the United States is ready for private disarmament talks with Russia "at any time."

However, Jessup did not hold out much hope, and said he thought agreement unlikely. Then he went on to say we would continue to seek U N approval of our own disarmament proposals, irrespective of any private talks there might be with the U.S.S.R.

JUGOSLAVIA

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From Paris tonight, comes a story with a familiar ring. Before the U N political committee the Yugoslav delegate charged that Russia and its satellites were massing armed forces along the Yugoslav border - some twenty two Hungarian, Romanian and Bulgarian divisions.

The Yugoslav went ^{on} to report how the Balkan satellites are stepping up their military training programs, and have far more planes and tanks massed on the frontier ~~xxx~~ than permitted by the peace treaties. He went on to say that an invasion of Jugoslavia is threatened -- which he termed a "fundamental threat to world peace."

EGYPT

In the Suez Canal Zone today, Egyptian terrorists again. The incident this time in a suburb of Ismailia, where British signalmen were repairing telephone lines. The terrorists walked up to one ~~man~~ soldier, and in a friendly way started to talk to him - in perfect English. Then, without warning, the Egyptians drew pistols from under their robes, and opened point blank fire. The Tommy went down - hit six times. But, he is still alive, and may live to tell the tale.

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Also, another British soldier was wounded by Egyptians, near Ismailia.

Late word from Egypt: The American Embassy in Cairo tells how a State Department Courier was attacked and injured by a crowd of Egyptians yesterday. The announcement states that he was "mistaken for a Briton; because he spoke English."

Over in Iran - everything is unanimous. That is, the support given by the Iranian Parliament to Premier Mossadegh. Returning from the United States, where he failed to make a deal in the anglo-Iranian oil dispute, Mossadegh has received two votes of ~~the~~ confidence. Yesterday the Teheran lower house of ~~the legislature~~ made it ninety to nothing. Today the Iranian Senate voted - thirty to nothing.

Simultaneously, Mossadegh announced that he will run for ~~the~~ re-election. He will seek another term in the Iranian Parliament. Previously he had stated that, after the nationalization of the anglo-Iranian Oil Company was complete, he would retire from public life. But he has changed his mind, and will be a candidate on December fourth -- Iranian election day.

Mossadegh is backing a change of the electoral system -- whereby only the literate would vote, only those who can read and write. It is not clear how many of the population would be disfranchized.

There are no figures for ~~xxxxx~~ illiteracy in Iran, but they must be large. The biggest newspaper in the country has a circulation of only eighteen thousand - which would indicate that not many people over there can read a newspaper.

STABILIZATION ADMINISTRATOR

President Truman announced tonight that he has given Roger L. Putnam, one-time Democratic candidate for Governor of Massachusetts, a recess appointment to the post of Economic Stabilization Administrator. Roger Putnam to succeed Eric Johnston, who resigned last week.

INCOME TAX

The ousted Chief tax prosecutor in the Department of Justice, who was fired by President Truman, admits that he was given discounts on three automobiles, together with other favors, by a business firm investigated on charges of tax evasion. Former Assistant Attorney General, T. Lamar Caudle, testified before a Congressional committee, and told of dealings with Keith Beaty, operator of a fleet of taxicabs at Charlotte, North Carolina.)

He says Beaty was a friend for twenty-five years - and there was nothing wrong in accepting favors from him. He explains that he played no part in the tax case against Beaty - having "disqualified" himself.

In his testimony today, the dismissed Assistant Attorney-General waxed emotional - declaring that he was being persecuted because he tried to break up "rackets" in North Carolina. And - his life had been threatened.

Meanwhile, the committee has heard that the investigators will have a look at the tax-files in the

Department of Justice. They want to inspect these -
for evidence ~~of~~ on charges of income tax corruption.
Hitherto the request has been refused, but ~~now~~
now Attorney-General MacGrath promises - the committee
can look into the files.

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POLITICS

Politics blazed high at a Senate hearing today -- when Taft of Ohio testified before the Senate Elections Committee. The other night, in a political blast, President Truman intimated that big money had been used in Senator Taft's overwhelming victory in Ohio last year. The Committee is investigating the charge -- and that brought on the political fireworks today.

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of New York, and ^{the} anti-Taft faction in the G O P.

This emanates from former Congressman F. Kingsland Macy, one-time chairman of the New York Republican party. Macy is a bitter antagonist of Governor Dewey. In the New York election of Governor Dewey last year, ^{it was Macy who} ~~he~~ gave out copies of the famous Hanley letter. So now Macy sends a telegram of protest in claiming that the investigating committee in Washington is being used by what he called ^S "satellites" of Governor Dewey, trying to embarrass Taft -- Dewey being a supporter of General Eisenhower for the G O P nomination.

The Dewey "satellites" named are Republican Committee members, Senators Margaret Chase of Maine and Robert Hendrickson of New Jersey. This led to an immediate demand by Mrs. Chase, who asked the committee to investigate the charge against her. The committee will investigate.

All this is vivid illustration of a feud in the Republican party, which, however, is mild and

quiet compared with the internecine battle among the Democrats. Today, Democratic Senator Byrd of Virginia is quoted as saying that President Truman will be defeated, if he runs for re-election. The Virginia ~~legislator~~ legislator declares that he is convinced the President will seek another term, if he thinks he can win; so Byrd wants to keep him from running - by assuring him he won't win.

This was stated in an interview published in the Weekly News Magazine, the U S news and world report. The Virginian going on to say that the anti-Truman opposition in the south is more bitter than ever.

He predicts that, at the Democratic National Convention, the Dixiecrats will present conditions and terms - and, if these are not met, they will ~~it~~ follow their own course. This, he intimated might possibly be an all-around southern secession from the ~~XXXXX~~ convention -- the Dixiecrats walking out and holding a "rump" convention of their own.

Just to make the politics a bit more intricate, Senator Byrd declared that General Ike could surely be elected President -- "on the Democratic ticket," *was the way he put it.*

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BOMBER

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okay -- sixteen of them. Also the huge B-36 with Captain Horton at the wheel has just made a successful belly-landing, thereby saving the tax-payer more than a million dollars and well as saving his own life and the lives of two companions who stayed with him. And that good news, Nelson.