

The latest from Korea tonight is news of a violent Communist attack at the position called Bunker Hill. That summit is twenty-five miles West of Old Baldy which the Reds captured in the past several days. Both hills are ~~xxxx~~ on invasion routes to the capital city of Seoul -- and some officers in Korea think that the drive in the Bunker Hill sector may be merely a diversionary attack -- to help the Reds hold Old Baldy.

In any case, earlier news today, told of four separate assaults. The one on Bunker Hill beaten back without much difficulty. But, at three neighboring outposts, the Reds broke into American trenches.

And 2 hills have been captured from the U.S. Marines.

Later this evening a news dispatch stated that ~~xxxxxx these~~ ³⁵⁰⁰ Communists had renewed the ^{drive} ~~attack~~ in the Bunker Hill section, attacking at ten different points. At last reports, the battle there was raging.


Meanwhile, Old Baldy, captured by the Reds, was under a bombardment -- ~~ix~~ described graphically by U P Correspondent Victor Kendrick --

"I watched from ^a nearby ~~Pork Chop~~ Hill," he writes, "while jet and propeller driven fighter bombers ripped the Chinese with bombs, tanks of flaming napalm, rockets and machine gun bullets. Napalm tanks," he goes on, "tumbled end-over-end like footballs -- to explode in huge bursts of orange flame and black smoke. Small rivers of flame flowed swiftly into trenches and bunkers. The sharp crack and ~~whoosh~~ ^{whoosh} of rockets mingled with the clatter of machine guns. Direct bomb hits," he says, "sent ^{timbers} ~~rocks~~ flying through the air, along with shower ^s of dirt and rocks."

An ~~accurate~~ ^{equally} tell-tale account is given by four Columbian soldiers who came down from Old Baldy today. They were among the South American troops overwhelmed by the ~~first~~ ^{first} rush of the enemy -- and had been on top of the mountains ^s for three days. The four Colombians were trapped in a bunker, when the Chinese Communists overran their position Monday night, and they stayed in that bunker,

hidden, from the Chinese, who wandered around outside.

So how did they ever get away? Well, they state that the Reds took a bad beating in today's artillery and air bombardment. To escape the shells, rockets and napalm and bullets the Chinese took refuge in holes and trenches -- down as deep as possible. So ~~they~~ that gave the four Colombians their chance, and they took it -- braving the bombardment, and making their way down Old Baldy to the American lines.



EISENHOWER-AMMUNITION (revised)

President Eisenhower states that this morning, he made a personal check of the ammunition situation of our forces in the battle now raging. Was ~~there~~ a shortage of ammunition, by any chance, responsible for a setback -- the Reds capturing the strategic hill called "Old Baldy?" He found that the answer was -- no, there was no shortage of bullets and shells.

The President states that the ammunition situation in Korea is -- satisfactory. That is, for military operations on the present scale.

EISENHOWER-MAYER

Today, President Eisenhower went into conference with Premier Eene Mayer of France -- their discussion ~~44~~ concentrating on the French position in West European defense, and on the war against the Reds in French-Indo-China.

The talks were held aboard the Presidential Yacht Williamsburg -- but, not at sea. The Yacht was tied up at the Naval Gun Factory -- not out on the rolling waves. Which sounds like General Ike so long a soldier, but never ~~xx~~ a sailor.

BURMA

The U N has received a protest from Burma complaining about Nationalist China. which brings to a diplomatic climax the trouble in northern Burma where there are twelve thousand refugee Chinese troops. Fugitives from the Reds -- who crossed the border when the Communists won control of China. They ^{have} ~~was~~ been at odds with the Burmese ever since, and sporadic fighting has been going on for several years.

The Government at Rangoon charges that Nationalist China is responsible for the doings of the ~~xxx~~ refugee soldiers -- that these, actually, are under the command of the Chiang Kai Shek regime on Formosa. So now the Burma government asks the U N to condemn Nationalist China as an aggressor. And -- to take action to get these Chinese troops out of Burma.

(All this was conveyed in a long cablegram today from the Burmese Foreign Minister. And, presents the U n with a new dilemma.)

(The communist countries ~~is~~ in the world organization, are likely to ^{back} pick up the Burmese demand -- adding new tension to the delicate state of affairs in the Far East.)

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EISENHOWER-BOHLEN

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philosophy and international affairs.

The gist of it all was that President Eisenhower stands firmly behind his nominee for the post of Ambassador to Soviet Russia. "Chip" Bohlen -- who, in spite of a Senate fight, is virtually sure to be confirmed on Friday.

COMMUNISTS

In Boston, Senator Jenner of Indiana says there is evidence of systematic Red attempts to penetrate the nation's colleges and schools. The testimony of witnesses appearing before his committee, indicates what the Senator calls: "a very small but very dangerous minority of teachers, who are actually soldiers in the service of a foreign power."

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VISHINSKY

We have Vishinsky with us again -- he arrived in New York aboard the liner Queen Mary, today. He had hurried back to Moscow when Stalin died. So what did he have to say today? Did he echo Malenkov's peace talk? No, he didn't echo anything. Vishinsky, looked tired and drawn after having been sea-sick most of the way across. Questioned by the newsmen he replied: "I will see you all tomorrow."

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EISENHOWER-VACATIONS

President Eisenhower gives his opinion on vacation money collected by high officials of the Truman administration. Every member of the Truman Cabinet, except former Attorney General McGranery receiving extra cash for time they did not take out for vacations. Total coming to more than seven hundred thousand dollars.

This is called entirely legal, but President Eisenhower feels it was unethical.

Today, at his news conference he stated that, actually, an official like a cabinet member cannot take a vacation. Explaining - that when he, himself, goes off on a trip, he does not lay down the responsibilities of his office. His work as President follows him, problems, decisions.

So it is really not a vacation -- and the same goes for a member of the cabinet. And, if a cabinet officer cannot really take a vacation -- how can he have money coming to him for vacations he does not take.

SCIENTIST

The Atomic Energy Commission tells a remarkable story in connection with the case of a brilliant atomic scientist -- who died of a brain tumor, and was guarded by vigilant security. William Twitchell of the Atomic Laboratory of the University of California; described as: "Knowing as much about atomic energy as any one man". In delerium he talked at random, and they were afraid he might babble atomic secrets -- which some unauthorized person might pick up. Hence the security precaution.

The Atomic Energy Commission explains -- there was nothing unusual about this. In fact, similar precautions are a regular thing at our great atomic centers. Security measures taken -- to prevent atomic secrets from leaking out, when scientists are under anesthetics that cause them to talk. Like the ordinary "laughing gas" of dentistry, under the influence of which a patient may say almost anything.

The same thing applies to cases in which an atomic scientist may have some sort of mental disturbance. And we are told of a young naval officer who had been ~~xxx~~ dealing with atomic secrets -- when he was stricken with dementia praecox. ^{ff} At the Oak Ridge laboratory he was kept in ^{a secluded} ~~xxxxxxxx~~ wing of the hospital, which could have accommodated as many as a dozen patients. He was kept under a twenty-four hour security watch. Nobody allowed near him except doctors and attendants who had been carefully screened. All at a cost of a hundred thousand dollars. The most expensive patient on record, they say.

Today, at the atomic Energy Commission, the statement was made: "Such measures are necessary. This is a serious problem which has had to be faced ever since the atomic project was undertaken."

~~A ~~xxx~~ strange problem. -- that of atomic~~

EXPLOSION

The former German naval base of Wilhemshaven had a tremendous explosion today -- when a giant ammunition dump dating back to world War Two blew up. -- Only one fatality, apparently, and only a few injured, ^{hundred} several workmen running to safety when a fire ^{broke out.} ~~spread and touched off tens of explosive.~~ Wilhemshaven was rocked by a series of incessant ~~xxxx~~ blasts for nearly three hours.

LADY ASTOR

Senator McCarthy of Wisconsin gives -- the retort courteous. Ordinarily, Joe McCarthy can be vitriolic, when provoked. But this time, he returns -- a soft answer.

All of which follows ^{that} an incident last night which the news has been relating. Details in -- today.

It happened at the top social event ~~in~~ of the Washington season -- the Taft reception, Senator and Mrs. Taft entertaining a list of distinguished guests, headed by President and Mrs. Eisenhower.

↖ The Tafts and the Eisenhowers were standing in the receiving line, shaking hands with guests. One of the guests -- Lady Astor, the Virginia born member of the British nobility, widow of the late Baron Astor. She's in this country now, after many years of living abroad.

Lady Astor was chatting with someone when she saw Senator McCarthy enter, walking to the reception line. He, in turn, noticed a friend nearby, a lady sipping a cocktail. So, Joe McCarthy

went over -- and jokingly, took a sip from her glass.

Whereupon, Lady Astor who was watching, spoke up and said; "I wish it were poison".

Obviously she doesn't like McCarthy, the Communist hunter.

Today, Lady Astor said that she repeated the poisonous remark twice. Not being sure the Senator heard it the first time.

So what about McCarthy? Today, he said; "I understand that some nice, fine, little old lady did make that remark. But I didn't hear it."

So that's the retort courteous, the soft reply. Which brings us to a few gentle words from the Ivory Girl.