

Around-the-World—

2 China Envoys Off to Peiping For Peace Talks

Seek Direct Parleys With Reds; 200,000 Foes Near Nanking

By United Press

Acting President Li Tsung-jen of Nationalist China tried today to speed up arrangements for a peace conference with the Communists.

He sent two personal emissaries to Communist-held Peiping with orders to seek a direct line of communication with Communist leaders Mao Tze-tung and Chou En-lai.

Eleven Communist columns totaling 200,000 men were converging from three directions on Nanking. President Li's capital, for a climactic assault that only an early peace conference can avert.

Advanced Toward River
One thousand Communist vanguards advanced down the red clay slopes facing the Yangtze River opposite Nanking at dawn and engaged Nationalist outposts at Pucheng, two miles north of the river. But the Nationalists scattered them in a brief engagement.

Nanking reported that pessimism over an early peace was spreading through government ranks as result of the Communist radio's demand for the arrest of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and other top Nationalists as war criminals.

Shanghai

Li Gen. Yatsugu Okumura, former Japanese commander-in-chief in China, was acquitted today of charges of committing atrocities and supporting aggression.

The war crimes tribunal of the Nationalist Defense Ministry said there was insufficient evidence to sustain the charges.

London

The cabinet met in special session today and was understood to have discussed disciplinary action against rebel Labor party members who spoke against the government in Palestine debate and then failed to support it in a crucial vote of confidence.

Prime Minister Clement Attlee called his cabinet together to assess the damage done to the government's position by the unimpressive 283 to 193 vote of confidence in Commons last night.

Rio de Janeiro

President Eurico Gaspar Dutra of Brazil expects to visit President Truman in Washington May 18 at Mr. Truman's invitation, the foreign office announced today.

Tel Aviv

Leaders of Premier David Ben Gurion's Socialist labor Mapai party were understood to have begun a series of informal conversations today to form a possible four-party coalition government for Israel.

Mapai leaders, assured of a clear-cut victory in Tuesday's elections even though the final vote may not be known until tomorrow, were cautious about disclosing their plans.

Paris

Several unusually bright meteors were reported seen over western France last night.

Observers near Limoges said they saw two brightly burning meteors moving eastward. Near Clermont-Ferrand, in the same region a workman said he saw an enormous ball of fire fall near him.

Protestant Group Seeks Fund for Fight

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (UPI)—An organization led by 12 Protestant clergymen has opened a drive for \$1 million to "cope with the aggressive program of the Roman Catholic Church."

The board of directors of "Protestants and Other Americans for Separation of Church and State" said it plans a three-year program. The board described it as a fight against "the danger which threatens religious liberty."

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Wise Old Bird

Answers to Previous Puzzles



State Pastors Oppose Bill On Affidavits

Object to Singling Out Teachers for Anti-Red Statements

The Indiana State Pastors' Conference was on record today as opposing the passage of a state law making it compulsory for school teachers to sign non-Communist affidavits.

The conference, which has been in session since Tuesday in the Third Christian Church, closed at noon today.

The pastors, after considerable discussion, yesterday passed a resolution in which they indicated they consider it unfair to single out teachers and require them to sign the non-Communist affidavits when everybody else is asked to do so.

The conference also considered endorsement of the Fair Employment Practices Code but took no official action on the subject. However, they did refer the matter to the social action committee of the Indiana Council of Churches for thorough study and possible action.

Express Sympathy
Since Dr. Peter Marshall, Senate chaplain, who died Tuesday in Washington, D. C., had been invited to address the conference, the organization voted that an expression of sympathy be sent to Mrs. Marshall.

Dr. Paul Hutchinson, editor of the Christian Century, Chicago, spoke twice yesterday and Dr. Reuben H. Mueller of Dayton, O., Evangelical United Brethren official, today. Dr. Mueller is a former Indianapolis pastor and present chairman of the National Teaching Mission.

The pastors also ratified the proposals of the nominating committee by electing suggested officers, and passed a resolution condemning an Indiana House bill which would legalize parimutuel gambling for soldier bonuses.

Officers Named
Officers which will serve the organization during 1949 and '50 are: Dr. Wesley Bransford of Anderson, president; the Rev. Victor Frohne, Evangelical and Reformed pastor of La Porte; Dr. Chester Wharton, minister of the Prentice Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, second vice president; and the Rev. Philip Palmer, Methodist of Evansville, third vice president. Dr. Ralph E. Holland was re-named secretary-treasurer and Dr. A. C. Brooks, president of the Indiana Council of Churches, was re-elected an ex-officio member of the conference executive board.

He no sooner became Canterbury's vice president than he set out to acquaint Episcopalians with Canterbury, their only co-educational institution of higher learning in the United States. He traveled up and down the country talking to Episcopal parishes, large and small.

Likes 'Father'
The new president likes to be called "father" rather than by the other titles he bears. He formerly resigned as minister at St. John's Episcopal Church, Irving Park, Chicago, to begin the study of psychiatric medicine.

Other offices which Father MacLauray has held are: Director of the Western Province Servants of Christ the King and chairman of the Youth Commission of the Diocese of Chicago. He has given intensive study to social pathology, that is, to marriage and youth problems and the plight of the underprivileged. And he has been called upon in an advisory capacity by several courts when cases were pending involving social and domestic problems.

The Rt. Rev. R. A. Kirchoffer, bishop of the Diocese of Indianapolis, announced the unanimous election of President MacLauray by the college board of trustees.

Guzzles to Divorce

FT. WORTH, Tex., Jan. 27 (UPI)—The woman told the judge her husband was a heavy drinker.

The jurist wanted to know how heavy. She said she had him "guzzle" 40 bottles of beer at a two-and-one-half hour sitting.

Her divorce application was granted.

CIO Union Voted Out
By Seymour Employees

Times State Service
SEYMOUR, Jan. 27—Employees of the Seymour Manufacturing Co. here have voted out the United Auto Workers, CIO local 610, as their bargaining agent.

The balloting in an election conducted by John Hines, Indianapolis, representative of the National Labor Relations Board, was 49 to 36 in favor of withdrawal from union representation.

The employees' action was a reversal of their vote in May, 1946, when the UAW was chosen as the collective bargaining agent.

3 Hunted in Florida After Schooner Blast

MELBOURNE, Fla., Jan. 27 (UPI)—The waters and shore line of the Indian River were searched today for three persons believed to have been aboard a 36-foot auxiliary schooner which exploded and burned to the water line last night.

A dinghy drawn up on the north shore at the east end of the Melbourne causeway was found early today by W. E. Mainsland, Melbourne harbor master, leading searchers to hope that the persons aboard the burned craft had escaped.

FIND FUNERAL VASES
Funeral vases closely modeled after potato tubers have been found in prehistoric Peruvian graves.

White River Breaks Out of Banks



Flood waters of the White River inundate farmlands five miles north of Martinsville as January rains push Indiana streams far above their banks. Stages along the White and Wabash Rivers average more than 10 feet above flood levels.

Carnegie Award Honors Hoosier

Died Trying to Save Drowning Girl

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 27 (UPI)—

Eugene H. P. Frey, 18, Ft.

Wayne, Ind., was honored

posthumously today by the Carnegie Hero Commission for his heroic attempt to save a drowning girl in Indiana last year.

Mr. Frey was among 13 persons in nine states and Canada honored by the commission for heroic attempts to save the lives of others. The youth's father, Henry Frey, received a bronze medal award.

Officials of the commission

said Mr. Frey died while trying

to save Ruth Schmidtke at Lake

James, Ind., on July 5, 1948. Wil-

hemes said Miss Schmidtke was

thrown into deep water when a

wave lashed the boat in which

she was riding with Mr. Frey and

several other companions and

overturned it.

They said Mr. Frey swam to

the drowning girl, who grasped

him by the shoulders and pushed

him under the water during the

struggle that followed. A group

of sportsmen in a nearby motor

boat rescued the girl. Authorities

did not find young Frey's body

until the following morning.

After inspecting the church, he

hurried and waited. Finally, he

ordered one of his party to call

Miss Christian.

"Tell her to come right away,"

he said.

Bride Is Late

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8000 Women Scream, Sigh As Tyrone Weds His Linda

Couple Received by Pope After Ceremony; U.S. Ambassador Loses Overcoat in Crash

ROME, Jan. 27 (UPI)—Amid a mob scene that would have done credit to a Hollywood epic, Tyrone Power and Starlet Linda Christian were married here today.

Their scheduled "quiet wedding" almost produced a riot. More than 1000 police, many of them on horseback or in jeeps, were called out before a screaming, sighing crowd of about 8000 women could be brought under control.

U. S. Ambassador James Doolittle lost his overcoat in the crowd. His top-hat crumpled and his starched collar wilted, he finally made it to Santa Francesca Romana Church in time for the flood-lighted ceremony which united 35-year-old Mr. Power and his 24-year-old bride.

A platoon of jeep-riding police pushed the crowd back from the entrance to the lane leading to the ancient church, where Romans have worshiped for hundreds of years, as the couple left to ride to the Vatican, where they were received in audience by Pope Pius XII.

100 Present at Ceremony

The Rt. Rev. William Hemmick of Washington, D. C., a monsignor and canon of famous St. Peter's Basilica, performed the ceremony before 100 carefully chosen guests and then said a wedding mass.

Power—"Ty the Magnificent," to many in Rome today—arrived in the church half an hour before the ceremony.

Hundreds of women massed outside, pressed toward his limousine, screaming: "Ty, Ty."

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State Health Board Probes Sore Throats

The Indiana State Health Board sought today the source of a septic throat outbreak in Greene County.

There were so many sore throat cases in Midland school in Northwestern Greene County that the county health officer, Dr. George Moses, ordered the school closed. Nearly 35 per cent of some 450 pupils were ill.

Paul Madison to Quit As Deputy Sheriff

Paul Madison of 4615 English Ave., will resign as a Marion County deputy sheriff Jan. 31 to accept a position as plant guard at the Shadeland A. E. Western Electric plant.

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Air Force

Army Sec. Royall said to

minister, but

He made

answer to new