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World Report—

Declare China's Reds
Stiffen Terms of PeaceThreaten New Drives
Across Yangtse RiverNationalists Deny 'Ultimatum'
That Imperils Parley at Peiping

Chinese Communist forces followed up a reported demand for the unconditional surrender of Nationalist China today with stepped-up attacks threatening a drive across the Yangtse River to envelop the whole country.

High official sources said the Communist attitude permitted no bargaining or concessions. It threatened the peace negotiations going on at Peiping, with a yes or no answer demanded by next Tuesday, informants said.

The government reported that a big force of Manchurian Communists was rolling into Hupeh Province toward Hankow, while 25 miles east of Nanking other Communist units smashed into the strategic river port of Hsiang.

Denies Ultimatum

The government was silent on the reported demand for unconditional surrender. It issued a statement regarded by high quarters as an attempt to cover up a serious situation. A government spokesman issued the following statement:

"The government has not received any ultimatum from the Communists, nor has it notified foreign missions about any possible river crossing. The report is sheer fabrication, and has absolutely no basis of fact."

However, the situation as ascertained from other unimpeachable sources was that the Communists formally had asked unconditional surrender, laying down certain terms to be embraced by the unconditional surrender, and a yes or no answer was required by Tuesday.

One of the new surrender terms was understood to be establishment of a joint committee, headed by Mao and Nationalist Acting President Li Tsung-shan, to take over the Nationalist government.

Others were believed to include confiscations of the property of China's "first four families," the Chiangs, the Soongs, the Kungs and the Chenes; reorganization of the Nationalist armed forces into the Communist "People's Liberation Forces"; and Communist control of all financial and economic resources.

Syria

COL. HUSNI AL-ZAIM, Syrian army commander who seized power in a bloodless coup last week, said his government would welcome formation of a "greater Syria" composed of Trans-Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and Arab Palestine. Meanwhile, Syria's overthrown president, Shukri Al-Kuwatly and Premier Khaled Al-Azem, finally resigned, clearing the way for the army to form its own government.

Applauded



Sir Stafford Cripps

Revolts broke out in the British Labor Party against the continued austerity program of Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, but he quickly squelched them today in a party caucus. Hot words were reported to have been passed, but in the end the Chancellor was applauded. He was reported to have told his critics that they must "face the facts" that socialism costs and costs mean taxes.

signed to set up a "military dictatorship" in the country.

Mr. Figueres told a press conference that the rebels wanted to install as dictator Claudio Cortes, father of four army officers implicated in the army uprising which the government quickly put down.

He said his military junta government would "apply the law to the fullest extent" in punishing those responsible.

Czechoslovakia

THE newspaper Lidove Noviny complained today that there were not enough teachers who could give proper instruction in Russian, "the language of our great ally."

It said that in some school districts only two or three out of 400 teachers had passed Russian language examinations.

The newspaper demanded the introduction of the Russian language.

Japan

WELFARE Minister Joji Hayashi told the lower house of the diet today that he is working on plans for "effective and proper means of birth control" to meet the "menace" of over-population. Japan's population is increasing by more than 1 million persons yearly and imports are the only source of food to feed the additional mouths.

Doctors Grave
On Inspecting
Douglas' EyeRefuse Comment
On Danger of
Losing Its Sight

SOUTHAMPTON, England, Apr. 7 (UP)—Three British specialists, including the surgeon-oculist Dr. King George VI, examined U. S. Ambassador Lewis Douglas' injured left eye today but did not disclose whether his vision would be affected.

A U. S. embassy spokesman who conferred with the physicians after the examination said: "There is no change in the condition of the eye. Another examination will be made Saturday."

The Ambassador was injured Monday when a gust of wind whipped a fish hook into his eye while he was fishing on the River Test. The hook was removed by eye specialist E. C. Zorab, Sir Stewart Duke-Elder, the King's eye doctor, and his medical

Russ Open Major Attack
To Block Probe of TrialsCampaign in UN Held Certain to Fail
As Allied Group Favors Inquiries

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Apr. 7 (UP)—Russia today opened a major attack against the West in an effort to block United Nations action on recent trials of church leaders in eastern Europe.

The Soviet campaign was certain to fail in the 14-nation United Nations Steering Committee since a majority already have indicated they favor Assembly investigation of the trials of Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty in Hungary, and Protestant clergymen in Bulgaria.

Opening efforts of the Soviet bloc to fight the inquiry, were conducted single-handedly yesterday by Chief Polish Delegate Julius Katz-Suchy.

He forecast the Russian line by charging that United Nations intervention would be illegal inasmuch as the issue was an internal one handled by Hungarian and Bulgarian courts.

The United States and Britain are hopeful that the Assembly will not go too deeply into the trials behind the Iron Curtain since the two powers already have colleagues refused flatly to comment for waiting newsmen. But one of them had reported earlier that the condition of the Ambassador's eye was causing "grave concern."

Big 3 Spurs
Formation of
German StateExpects to End
Washington Talk
By Nightfall

WASHINGTON, Apr. 7 (UP)—Foreign ministers of the Big Three Western Powers are seeking to establish a Western German state by late summer, diplomatic informants said today.

Secretary of State Dean Acheson was said to have told the Foreign Ministers of Britain and France that the three powers must speedily resolve their differences on the German question.

Mr. Acheson, Ernest Bevin of Britain and Robert Schuman of France resume their talks at the State Department today and are expected to complete their business by nightfall.

News Blackout

The ministers made such progress during a four-and-a-half-hour meeting yesterday that they dropped their original plans to

Dull Blighters,
Don't You Know,
Eh, Old Fellow?

LONDON, Apr. 7 (UP)—A school exhibit that opened here today displayed reports on two 18-year-old schoolboys from teachers at St. Paul's School.

The first report, dated 1891, said the student "was not on the same plane as the rest. Composition mostly futile."

THE SECOND, dated 1905, said "he is rather backward for his age, but has made considerable progress."

The first report concerned the late world famed author G. K. Chesterton and the second, Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery.

Diplomatic sources said Mr. Acheson's emphasis on an early solution of the German problem may be prompted in part by recent developments abroad.

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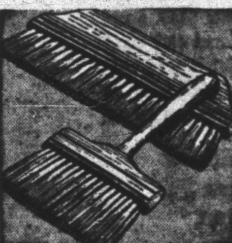
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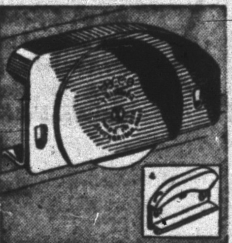
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