

Here Are Highlights Of Gen. Marshall's Testimony

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Following are highlights of today's MacArthur hearings, with Defense Secretary George C. Marshall the witness.

Chairman Richard B. Russell (D. Ga.)... I want you to tell us for the record just what restrictions were placed upon the scope of military operations in Korea and where those restrictions originated.

Gen. Marshall: The restrictions imposed on Gen. MacArthur in the conduct of the campaign in Korea were in general to confine the operations to Korea, and under no circumstances to carry out operations beyond the border of Korea into Manchuria.

He was also cautioned against having units within 10 miles of the border in northeast Korea where it touched the perimeter of Siberia, the Soviet government.

The restrictions did not apply to operations by the navy on the water along off the coast of Korea, but those were restricted in other words forbidden, in relation to the Manchurian coast, the China coast, and most specifically the northeastern tip of Korea in close proximity to the Soviet border.

There was a modification in those restrictions in the event that our forces were attacked outside of Korea, to the effect that he was authorized to retaliate in bombing against such operations.

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Soviet Intervention Would Be Very Serious

There was an agreement that not only were these restrictions necessary in order to avoid a break with our Allies and a complete confusion in our relations to the United Nations and specifically the Security Council, but they also felt it would be necessary in regard to the retaliation that could be carried out by a heavy force if they developed on the Communist side.

Sen. Russell: What is your opinion as to the potential power of retaliation available to the Soviet in the Korean War?

Gen. Marshall: You are asking, as I understand it, the retaliation of the action of the Soviet military planes.

Sen. Russell: If the Soviet wanted to see fit to enter the Korean War?

Gen. Marshall: From the information estimates that I have seen, it would be a very serious matter, because they have a considerable force. I have forgotten the exact number.

I don't know whether there are any plane concentrations in relation to Sakhalin, but there have been reports of troop concentrations and particularly Japanese prisoners, former prisoners, organizations, presumably of industrial Japanese on the Sakhalin point, which is not very far off northwest Hokkaido (northernmost island of Japan).

UN Forces Never Given Task of Unifying Korea

In... somewhat oblique fashion, the United Nations authorized its forces in Korea to advance beyond the 38th Parallel. This authority, however, has always been considered as permissive, rather than mandatory; and at no time have the United Nations forces been given the task of unifying all of Korea by military action.

In other words, the unification of North and South Korea has been set up as a political, rather than a military objective of the United Nations.

Following the intervention of the Chinese Communists early in November, the United Nations believed that the situation was becoming more serious.

came gravely concerned about the possible extension of the area of conflict beyond Korea. On Nov. 13, 1950, our Department of State advised several of the member nations having forces in Korea as follows:

That it may be necessary at an early date to permit United Nations aircraft to defend themselves in the airspace over the Yalu River to the extent of permitting hot pursuit of attacking enemy aircraft up to two or three minutes flying time into Manchurian airspace.

Now that is a very vital question. Yesterday you went into some detail in answering that question. Unfortunately the greater part of your answer was chopped out of the record on the ground that it contained material that would be vital to our country's security and would adversely affect the operations that are now in progress in Korea.

I do not question that decision as to security... but I do think that a statement should appear in this record from you as to whether... you think that the methods now being employed in Korea... can bring that war to a successful conclusion in the foreseeable future.

Gen. Marshall: It is exceedingly hard to decide what may be said in answer to your question because it really amounts to disclosing a war plan.

We have to do always all in our power not only to maintain but to build up the fighting morale of our forces. That is sometimes very difficult. During the last war it was difficult in certain areas.

MacArthur Statements Harmful to Morale

It is equally difficult here. They have made a magnificent response and I was told only this morning that the last reports indicated a very high morale, which is the most important factor.

Politicians Cheer A Slow Vote

Party Workers Busy at Polls

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only polled one vote here this morning out of 75 voters," she said. Mrs. Bayt said she was positive, but wouldn't disclose how she got the information. "I know it, that's all," she said.

Balloting Heavy In Some Cities

Voting at Gary May Set New Record

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county seat had no primary races for mayor.

Observers figured about 100,000 voters would turn out in Hammond, Gary, East Chicago, Hobart and Whiting.

Some 300,000 to 325,000 others will vote in the other Indiana cities to round out a total of roughly half a million.

Bars, taverns and liquor stores were shut tight as a drum by state law during hours the polls were open. This penalized drinkers on the farm and in more than 400 towns and cities ranging up to the size of Logansport where there were no primary scheduled.

Three mayors under indictment by grand juries were among 48 mayors involved in fights for survival today in their first tests to determine whether they stay in office four more years beginning next Jan. 1.

They were all Democrats—Henry E. Branning Jr., Ft. Wayne; Andrew Kovack, Whiting; and Frank Migas, East Chicago. Branning was indicted in an investigation of coal purchases for city utilities. Kovack and Migas were indicted days apart by the same Lake County jury on charges of failure to act to halt crime.

Two of 501 persons who filed for mayor in the state's 103 cities were arrested during their campaigns. Charles W. Dougherty, 56, Terre Haute Democrat, was charged with disorderly conduct. Lloyd C. Aspinwall, 49, Peru Democrat, was booked for public intoxication the same day he filed his declaration of candidacy.

Two Women Candidates

The field of aspirants included two women, Mrs. Lydia Mae Burton, a Gary housewife bearing the colors of the Gary Women's crime-fighting committee, and Mrs. Alice Stratton, Beech Grove clerk-treasurer. Both are Democrats.

Mrs. Burton has seven opponents and Mrs. Stratton two. At Muncie, a blind judge was fighting to unseat Mayor Lester E. Holloway. Mario Pieroni, a Democrat, was one of six candidates on the Democratic ticket.

Sullivan Democrats faced last week with the prospect of choosing between eight mayor candidates, had the field cut by the withdrawal of Karl Hoover, a bottling plant owner who moved to Kentucky but too late to have his name stricken off the ballots.

Next November, the candidates nominated today will square off in party fights in the municipal elections. At that time, more than 425 towns also will ballot; many of them on a non-partisan basis. Their nominees are chosen in party conventions.

Besides the Democrat and Republican candidates, some cities will have independents out for mayor next fall.

Although only 48 mayors had opposition today, 27 others were unopposed and thus automatically nominated for places on the fall ballots. Those 28 represented the bulk of the state's 103 mayors now in office. Only 28 incumbents failed to seek another term.

Has Defense Department Program to End War?

Sen. Russell: Yesterday... I asked as to when there was a...

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in bringing the operation to a successful conclusion, but I am of the opinion that I should think you would be disturbed at the effect that will sweep through that force of a situation in which their commander has stated his views which accentuate the casualties they are suffering and in effect that it is without justified purpose.

That is not only one time, but a number of times; and the effect of the fact that their commander has been in complete disagreement with the constituted authorities of this government, that is a most serious matter, and we should find some way or proceeding with this investigation that does not destroy us in the field by serious reaction in the way of morale.

Now, I don't approach this in the purely abstract manner because I have gone through some very grueling experiences in connection with it.

Now, that is a war plan that this question leads to. I did state yesterday, but it was—I said we had three choices... as I saw them. The one was the extension of the campaign along the lines suggested by Gen. MacArthur. The one was to withdraw from Korea and violate our promise to those people and sacrifice them to assassination and probably almost extinction, and the other was to fight where we were, to what advantage we could gain by the method that we followed.

That method was to inflict the greatest number of casualties we could in order to break down not only the morale, but the trained fabric of the Chinese armies.

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forces. If we break the morale of our armies, but more particularly, if we destroy their best trained armies as we have been in the process of doing, there, it seems to me, you develop the best probability of reaching a satisfactory negotiatory basis with those Chinese Communist forces, without getting ourselves into what we think would be a great enlarged struggle with consequently larger casualties or a complete world war.

And also that we will retain our Allies, bring them to more satisfactory reactions before the United Nations as their confidence in our leadership in this delicate matter is increased, and generally improve the situation.

Gen. Marshall: I have some notes here relating to this, you might say, the criticism of stalemate which is directed so often at the campaign in Korea.

In the first place, in the last five years the United States has been engaged in a unique struggle against Communist imperialism and aggression. This for us is an unprecedented situation and has called for unprecedented measures to deal with it.

I want to rectify these because this is part and parcel to them.

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The results I think speak for our policy has been uniform in the following respects:

We have spurned appeasement. We have brought to bear whatever has been necessary in money and manpower, to curb the aggressor; and we have sought in every possible way to avoid a third world war.

The application of this policy has not always been easy or popular. Korea is not the first time there have been complaints of a stalemate, and it is not the first time that there have been demands for a quick and decisive solution.

I think these periods are of interest. Korea has lasted for 10 months but the Berlin crisis lasted almost 15 months and was a very daring undertaking.

And entirely off the record, (about 100 words deleted.)

It was carried out as you know, and ended up in relieving the blockade without our getting into actual war, but it lasted 15 months.

There were times when the fight for Berlin also looked like a stalemate, but we kept our heads and persevered and in the end won a notable victory.

Incidentally, off the record, (about 35 words deleted.)

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Year by year the United States has opposed these aggressions with courage and poise, and in each instance the threats were curbed or overcome without involving the government in a total war.

The struggle between the democracies, as we define the term, and the Communist powers is a continuing one. It has already lasted over five years, and it may last much longer.

There can be, I think no quick and decisive solution to this global struggle short of resorting to another world war. The cost of such a conflict is beyond calculation. It is, therefore, our policy to contain Communist aggression in different fashions in different areas without resorting to total war, if that be possible to avoid.

This policy may seem costly, if maintained over a period of years, but those costs would not be comparable at all to what happens if we get involved in what you might call an atomic war.

Korea is only the latest challenge in this long, hard, continuing world-wide struggle.

We are applying there the same policy that has been successfully applied in the attempted aggressions that preceded it elsewhere in the world.

Each incident has required different military and diplomatic efforts on our part, to cope with the situations as they develop, in one area or another. All of them have been costly, but Korea is the most costly of all, for it has involved the lives of American troops.

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