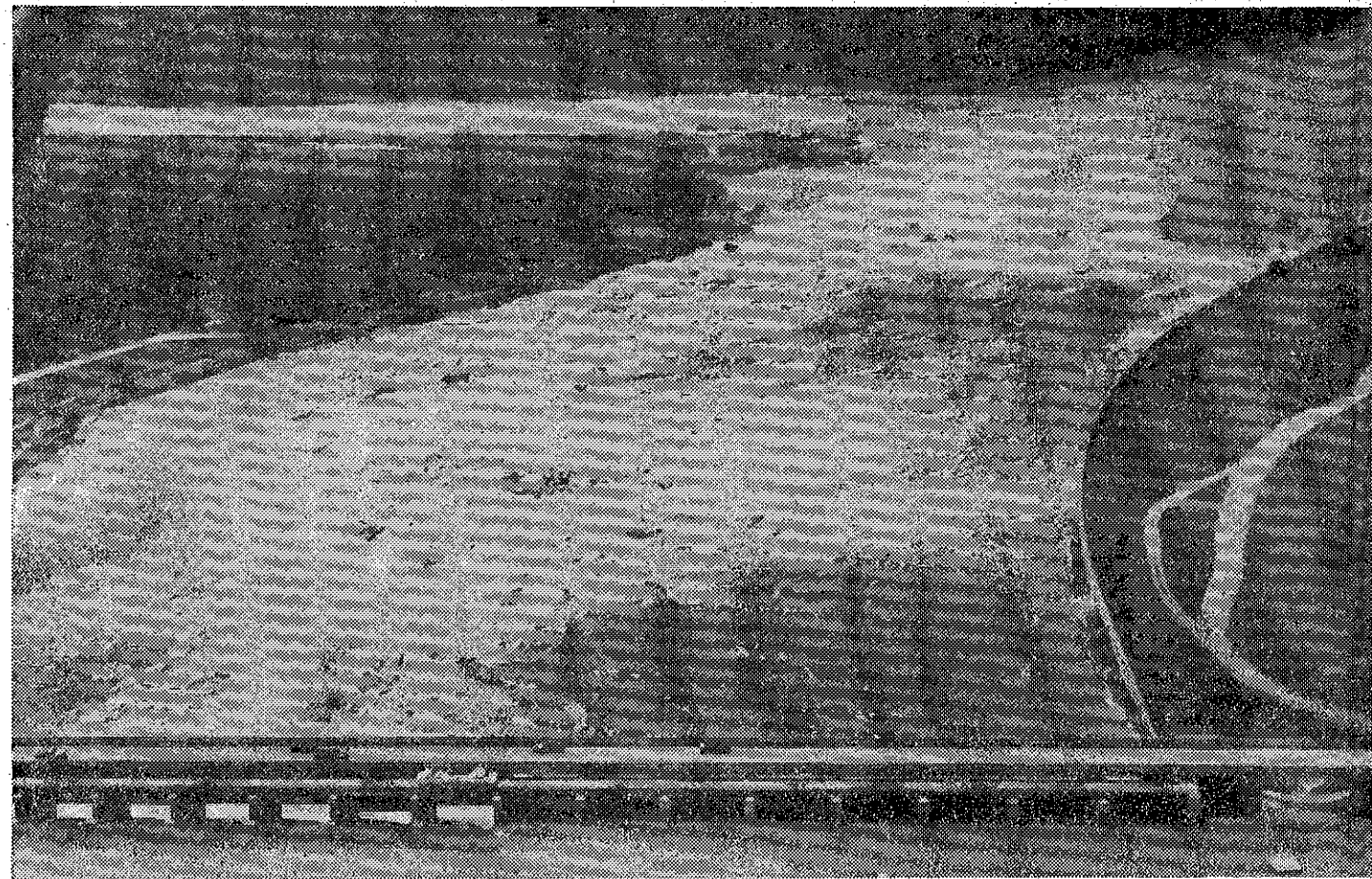


## 1,000 Families Flee Homes in Northeast State City

# MIAMI FLOOD LOSS \$5 MILLIONS

## Crest of Raging Neosho At Grand Lake Entrance



—Times Staff Aerial Photo by C. J. Kahn.

### Flood Fate of Arkansas River Hinges on Turbulent Waters at Pensacola Dam

The Pensacola dam, creating Grand lake, holds the answer to further floods on the Arkansas river south toward Muskogee. The dam is holding back waters on Grand river from swelling the Arkansas at the junction of the two rivers, 60 miles south of the dam. Grand river is formed by the Neosho and Spring rivers in northeastern Oklahoma, about 10 miles south of Miami, Oklahoma's most flooded section Monday. This photo from the air over Grand lake shows the torrent of water being released through an east spillway of the Pensacola dam. The spillway is approximately one-half mile east of the main dam. Water in the upper section at left, is from a second and smaller spillway, still farther east. (More photos, Pages 6, 7.)

### Kansas City Flood, Fire Easing Off

Victory Seen in Fight  
To Protect Vital  
Installations

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 16—(U.P.)—The great flood ravaging the twin Kansas Citys began to recede and a fire in the industrial district began to burn out Monday, leaving property damage of more than three-quarters of a billion dollars.

North Kansas City lifted an evacuation order. The men and women who fought for hours against the flood waters won their battle to save the Kansas City, Kan., municipal light and water plant and the Kansas City Municipal airport.

**Firemen Need Water**  
The oil fire which had raged four straight days in the southwest boulevard district here began to burn down after destroying eight square blocks of oil tanks, lumber yards and smaller

### Warnings Save Day At Miami

Planes, Patrols Send  
Residents Fleeing  
Wall of Water

By Bill Van Dyke  
(Oklahoman-Times Staff Writer)  
MIAMI, July 16—Teamwork, officials believe, saved scores of lives which might have been lost in a wall of water on the Neosho river here the last 48 hours.

Low-flying airplanes, with loudspeakers, radio broadcasts, newspaper warnings, patrols by police, deputy sheriffs, the Red Cross and dozens of volunteers, warned residents of lowlands to get out and take their belongings.

It was a difficult idea to sell, because never before in history had there been such a wall of water on the Neosho. Even the oldest Indians in this vicinity can't remember when the river had ever previously reached 23 1/2 feet above its normal level—9 1/2 feet higher than the record-breaker of 1943.

### Points Below Claremore Get Warning of High Water Peril; Refugees Are Fed at School

By Gilbert Hill

More than 1,000 families were homeless in Miami, Okla., Monday—with property damage already estimated at more than \$5 millions—and countless farm homes and lush crops were flooded above that city as a record-breaking wall of water poured into Grand lake from Kansas, and floods jammed other eastern Oklahoma streams.

It was the worst flood in Miami's history, nearly 10 feet above the stage reached in 1943. All points below Claremore, on the Verdigris, were warned to expect another flood within a foot of the one less than a month ago.

But as the skies cleared, and weather observers said only light and scattered showers would fall, authorities were hopeful that the worst is over.

The property damage estimate, made by J. W. "Witt" Ellis, Miami chief of police, was believed conservative. It was made after a tour of the flooded areas to see homes of rich and poor alike and dozens of business firms under water.

### More Than 3,000 Being Cared For

No one knew for sure, but Red Cross officials said between 3,000 and 4,000 persons were being given shelter, food, and free typhoid shots if they wanted them, in the city.

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### City Life Is Full Of

### Weekend Road Toll Rises to 8

# Harmony at Cease-Fire Parley Spurs Optimism

## Reds Meet UN Demand for Neutral Conference Site; Progress Reported on Armistice Agenda

MUNSAN, Korea, July 16—(AP)—Cease-fire negotiators reported they made "some progress" in two 55-minute sessions Monday toward organizing an agenda for their Korean armistice talks. Their next meeting was scheduled for 11 a. m. Tuesday (7 p. m. Monday CST) in war-shattered Kaesong. After Monday's sessions United Nations negotiators announced: "The communists have fulfilled their agreement with respect to the neutrality of the conference site in that no armed personnel were observed."

# 720,000 Reds Seen at Front

## UN Troops Dig In, Ready for Attack

EIGHTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Korea, July 16—(U.P.)—The communists have rushed at least 27 divisions to the Korean front, building their battle force to an estimated 720,000 men, since cease-fire talks began, the Eighth army announced Monday. United Nations troops pounded enemy lines throughout the week to keep Red troops off balance for any possible "doublecross" attack during the truce negotiations. But the communist rear areas were clogged with men and supplies moving up to the battle line. An Eighth army briefing officer said the Reds had built their offensive potential from an estimated 45 to 72 divisions since June 1. Communist divisions in Korea number about 10,000 men each. Most of the Red reinforcements were thrown into the eastern front, where UN soldiers dug-in Monday on newly won high ground after a three-day offensive which drove communist troops back more than seven miles toward their key supply and communications hub at Kumsonng. UN troops were ready for anything the Reds might throw at them. Patrols

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### War

#### The Weather

From the U. S. Weather Bureau, Airport Station  
LOCAL—Partly cloudy today, tonight and Tuesday, with possibly scattered thundershowers late this afternoon or tonight. Continued hot, with high today near 95, low tonight near 72. High Tuesday in middle 90s.  
STATE—Partly cloudy, hot and humid through Tuesday with a few local afternoon or night time thundershowers; low tonight 68-75; high Tuesday 95-100.

#### Hourly Temperature

3:30 p. m.	88	3:30 a. m.	71
4:30 p. m.	85	4:30 a. m.	71
5:30 p. m.	86	5:30 a. m.	70
6:30 p. m.	85	6:30 a. m.	71
7:30 p. m.	81	7:30 a. m.	75
8:30 p. m.	78	8:30 a. m.	80
9:30 p. m.	77	9:30 a. m.	84
10:30 p. m.	75	10:30 a. m.	85
11:30 p. m.	74	11:30 a. m.	87
12:30 p. m.	72	12:30 p. m.	88
1:30 a. m.	72	1:30 p. m.	89
2:30 a. m.	72	2:00 p. m.	91

# City Life Is Full Of Bounces

By Bob McMillin

Things are rough all over, particularly over Oklahoma City streets, but that probably doesn't come as much of a surprise to the natives.

After years of bouncing up and down the local thoroughfares, two Oklahoma City Times reporters set out to prove scientifically, or at least semi-scientifically, that there are more bumps on city streets than on a Texas cattle trail.

#### Intensity Recorded

We've ridden on a lot of streets and expect to check the jolt frequency on some more. Someone even suggested that a count should be made of the bumps in front of the homes of various city officials.



With a sense of fairness and seeking ever to be accurate, we used a gadget that not only counts the bumps but records their intensity as well. In the beginning, we asked the state highway department if it had a bumpometer. We felt the state might be interested to learn how many bumps there are on city streets. But there must be some sort of a fraternal feeling between the state and city engineering departments.

Carl Held, highway department information officer, is an old newspaperman and was too foxy for us. He smelled a mouse apparently.

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### Gadgets

# Weekend Road Toll Rises to 8 State Soldier Latest Traffic Crash Victim

STATE TRAFFIC DEATHS 1951 to date, 296; July, 29. 1950 to date, 254; July, 29.

A Quinton, Pittsburgh county, soldier was killed instantly about 1:35 a. m. Monday in a head-on crash 11 miles east of McAlester on U. S. 270. His death brought the state traffic toll to 296 for the year—42 more than on this date a year ago—and raised the weekend toll to eight.

The weekend dead were:

- CPL. DOYLE L. WILSON, 21, Quinton.
- WAYNE FRANKLIN BELL, 16, Warwick, Lincoln county.
- EDWARD EUGENE HAMILTON, 27, Clayton, Pushmataha county.
- CARL HENRY CORDER, 23, Tulsa.
- BILL ROARD, 40, Sallisaw.
- ANNA JAY SELF, 16, Boswell.
- ALMA ELIZABETH BURKETT, 29, Tulsa.
- WILLIAM JACOB MEYER, 46, Tulsa.

Six Persons Hurt  
Wilson, enroute to Camp Chaffee, Ark., from Fort Lewis, Wash., on delayed orders, died when his car crashed with one driven by Leonard Franklin Robertson, 39, Pontotoc

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### Traffic

# Dope Peddler Gets 5 Years

## Federal Judge Gives Him Terms on 8 Counts

Dewey Charles "One Arm" Kessler, 52, who was arrested June 29 at 16½ NE 5 for handling heroin, Monday was sentenced to five years in federal prison, on each of eight counts, the sentences to run concurrently. This means a total term of five years.

Edgar S. Vaughn, United States district judge, who imposed the sentence, told Kessler it is dangerous for him to be out of prison and that he also needs medical treatment. The court recommended imprisonment at the federal narcotics farm at Fort Worth.

Kessler last week pleaded guilty to seven different sales of heroin and also to one charge of possession of and concealing 90 grains of the deadly drug. He was arrested June 29 by Ted Hagstrom, federal narcotics agent, and Walter Acord, city police narcotics officer.

After Kessler was taken to the city jail the two officers held "open house" and arrested 12 of Kessler's customers when they came to his small apartment for their daily supply of the narcotics.

Kessler was doing a business of \$100 per day, officers said. They had watched the place for 11 days and nights to determine if Kessler was selling any of the dope to juveniles. Officers said their check of the 12 customers arrested showed none was under 25.

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### Fire

## ASK ABOUT THE VACATION-PAK

You can catch up on the local news the day you get back from your vacation by having your carrier save The Oklahoman and Times for you while you are away. Ask your carrier or call Service Department, 2-1211, for Vacation-Pak Service.

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It was a difficult idea to sell, because never before in history had there been such a wall of water on the Neosho. Even the oldest Indians in this vicinity can't remember when the river had ever previously reached 23½ feet above its normal level—9½ feet higher than the record-breaker of 1943.

Only one man lost his life. He went back into the flood in a boat to get his belongings, and the boat upset. But no one was lost by being caught in the rise of the river.

After the warnings came more teamwork. Businessmen cleared their warehouses. Garages were opened. And volunteer workers, rich and poor, everyone 12 or older, carried out furniture and personal belongings and took them to higher ground. There were volunteer trucks and drivers from several cities in this area.

At least 1,000 families, both the wealthy and poor, were in

# Miami Asking \$2.5 Millions

## Governor Terms Entire County Emergency Area

An appeal by city officials of Miami for \$2,500,000 emergency flood relief funds for northwestern Oklahoma was telegraphed to Washington Monday as Gov. Murray declared all of Ottawa county an emergency area.

Murray also sent telegrams to members of the Oklahoma delegation in congress to be "on the lookout" for federal help in the area.

Mayor Roy Green and Elmer Isern, president of the Miami chamber of commerce, sent telegrams to Sens. Mike Monroney and Robert S. Kerr urging immediate federal help in the Miami area.

# \$8 Million Tinker Expansion OK'd

Approval of an \$8,202,000 request for new construction at Tinker airforce base was announced in Washington Monday by the house armed services committee, putting the project in line for further consideration on appropriation of funds, according to advice received here Monday.

None of the contemplated projects has been itemized publicly, but the amount was recommended recently by the department of defense as part of the \$6½ billions authorization bill for army, navy, marine corps and airforce construction.

# Accidental Rifle Shot Fatal to Girl Visitor, 6

TECUMSEH, July 16—(Special)—Margie Neely, 6, was killed instantly Monday when a slug from a .22 caliber rifle pierced her lung and heart. The gun fired accidentally as it was being poked up by Jimmy Fisher, 10, son of the baby's grandparents. The accident occurred in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher, where the victim's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Neely of Hutchinson, Kan., were visiting. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

The city was flooded from two directions, by the Neosho from the northwest, and by Tar creek to the northeast which was being backed up by the Kansas flood. There were reports that the river had fallen about an inch, but officials agreed it would be hours before anyone could detect any real change.

The Neosho at Miami, which normally runs at 745 feet above sea level, Monday stood at 778.52. Previous peak set in 1943 was 769 feet. But authorities said the crest is now at Grand lake's entrance.

U. S. engineers at Tulsa said the water is pouring into the lake at 220,000 cubic feet per second, and was expected to reach 250,000 about noon Monday. The lake had been drawn down to 746.4 feet the last several days—at the rate of 90,000 cubic feet per second—and there was that much still pouring through into Grand river, to Fort Gibson dam, and on into the Arkansas river.

### River Stopping Over Banks

The lake rose to 749.7 at 6 a. m. Monday and will be filled to 755, if necessary. Residents around the lake have been warned to be prepared to move if they are uncertain of their elevation.

Below Fort Gibson, the Arkansas was slopping over its banks at Webber Falls, Fort Smith and Van Buren, Ark., as the engineers kept the channel full.

Flood refugees were being fed at the new highschool cafeteria at Miami, and housed in schools and other public buildings.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. officials in Oklahoma City reported more than 1,000 phones out of order in Miami, more than 480 because telephone workers had removed the phones to prevent water damage in advance of the flood.

### 59 Circuits Out

There were 59 long distance circuits out to Miami including 50 on one cable between Joplin and Tulsa and nine others, all under water. There were 10 more out from Ponca City to Oklahoma City.

Wyandotte, on Grand lake, which had been isolated, had telephone service once more Monday, and the telephone company also established emergency radio service to help out this town which was completely surrounded by high water.

The advance warning of the flood saved lives, said Red Cross authorities in Miami. Only one man, Claud Vanatta, 33, was dead in the flood, drowned when his boat overturned after he had returned to his farm

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### Flood

# Labor Leader Trial Dragging

## Jury Selection in Rape Case Moving Slowly

WAGONER, July 16—(Times Staff)—Selection of a jury dragged Monday as the second trial of Jack J. Ride-nour, Muskogee labor union official, finally got under way after one conviction on charges of raping a 12-year-old girl near Muskogee.

Postponements of the second trial, and a change of venue from Muskogee to Wagoner county have marked the retrial, and Thomas J. McGoldrick, Wagoner county attorney, said selection of the jury probably cannot be completed before late Monday.

Ridenour was convicted at his first trial in 1949, but the case was reversed and sent back for new trial on grounds that the trial judge left the courtroom during final arguments. The trial originally was scheduled for June 4, was postponed to July 9, and then delayed again to Monday. If selection of the jury is completed Monday, testimony in the case is due to be started Tuesday morning.

# \$25 Millions Voted for Aid

WASHINGTON, July 16—(AP)—The house Monday voted a \$25 millions emergency relief fund for use in flood-stricken Missouri and Kansas.

WASHINGTON, July 16—(AP)—President Truman made plans Monday to fly over the Missouri-Kansas flood area Tuesday. Congress rushed to vote a multi-million dollar relief fund, perhaps \$25 millions.

The White House announced Mr. Truman would leave at 10:30 a. m. (CST) Tuesday in his plane, the Independence, and make an air survey of the flooded areas of his home country. He will return here Tuesday night.

Effective Job Urged  
Giving much personal attention to the flood situation, Mr. Truman got a report from Maj. Gen. Lewis Pick, chief of the army engineers, that damage in Missouri and Kansas will exceed \$750 millions. Pick telephoned from Kansas City.

At the capitol, the house took up a request from the president for a \$15 millions relief fund and promptly raised it to \$25 millions. Democratic Leader McCormack (Mass.) proposed the increase.

"The disaster out there calls for action of this kind," McCormack said. "If we are going to do a job, we should do it effectively. The health situation out there is of paramount importance. The appropriation should be effective."

Senate in Recess  
Across the capitol, meantime, the senate appropriations committee unanimously approved a bill carrying the \$15 millions Mr. Truman had asked.

Final congressional action cannot come until Tuesday since the senate was in recess Monday. McCormack told the house the conditions in Kansas are "indescribable" and the effort to provide federal funds "appeals to not only reason but to our hearts."

No one objected to his proposal to boost the fund to \$25 millions.

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**Fire**

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Sunday night in the Kansas-Missouri state line industrial area where the fire is raging. One held 500,000 gallons of fuel oil and another 300,000 gallons. Ten 20,000 gallon tanks and four 10,000 gallon tanks also exploded.

City officials closed off 250 square blocks in the downtown Kansas City, Mo., business area as a fire hazard.

"We want to keep people out of buildings where fires could start," one official said. "You could imagine what would happen if fire started in some of those old buildings with no water to fight it."

The flood which has inundated 1,000 blocks in the twin Kansas Cities was ebbing here at about an inch an hour Monday as the crest moved down the Missouri river toward St. Louis.

**More Tanks May Ignite**

Fire director Francis Wornall hoped that an oil slick which has been igniting and setting off new fires would soon float away.

The Kansas City, Mo., public works department sent a bulldozer, six trucks, engineers and a crew of workmen to the fire area to build a dam that would keep the oil slick from drifting southward.

Officials feared that additional tanks might be set off if the slick drifted farther south.

An appeal for men to fill sandbags failed to produce enough volunteers and 50 women reported to the Kansas City, Kan., utilities plant. Dressed in slacks, they immediately began to fill the bags.

**Women Work Three Hours**

Civil defense officials then broadcast that the women were at work. So many men volunteered when they heard the news that there were 100 left over for a standby crew.

The women worked three hours before the men took their places.

Although the flooding Missouri, into which the swollen Kansas river runs at Kansas City, had retreated more than four feet from its high water mark at 3 a. m. Saturday, Kansas City was nearly paralyzed by the fire, an acute shortage of drinking water and forced unemployment.

As the flood moves downstream more persons were expected to flee their homes and join the 500,000 evacuees in Missouri and Kansas.

Acting Gov. James T. Blair jr. of Missouri called out four companies of the national guard at Kansas City. Many guardsmen had already gone on duty voluntarily, but they had to be formally called up to get paid.

**Gougers Face Crackdown**

H. Roy Bartle, the regional office of price stabilization director, rescinded all livestock slaughter quotas and told meat packers to kill all the cattle and hogs they needed to feed the flood-stricken Kansas and Missouri region.

Bartle ordered his agents out to crack down on small groceries and butcher shops that have been reported gouging customers.

J. V. Quigley, president of the Kansas City Milk Distributors association, said the milk supply was ample, but a shortage of bottles was developing. No shortages of other foods were reported.

The flood drained rapidly from interior points in Kansas which were hit a week ago. At Manhattan, a searching party found the body of a woman in a house which had been flooded a week.

**Crest Passes Lexington**

She was the 24th flood victim of the month and the seventh in the last week in Missouri and Kansas. No deaths have been reported at Kansas City.

**CONTIGUOUS**

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**Truce**

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Red generals smiled and posed for UN photographers.

**City Takes on Neutral Air**

Joy said the communists had asked for a two-hour recess. He said the allied delegation had talked the entire morning session, and by agreement the Reds would have the floor when the meeting resumed at 1 p. m.

After the communists had had their say, the two delegations appeared to be in accord.

The whole city had taken on a neutral tone as the result of Red acceptance of UN demands. Details were worked out Sunday, when conferences resumed after a three-day break.

Associated Press correspondent John Randolph said from all appearances the communists were observing their agreement.

**Armed Guards Absent**

There were no armed guards along the route from the UN peace camp to Kaesong. There were none at the conference site.

North Korean military police were in Kaesong, as agreed Sunday, but they did not come near the meeting place. They carried Russian-type burp guns slung across their backs.

Randolph, three other correspondents and an army captain strolled freely through the city, trailed by 100 cheering children.

Some guards scowled at the party, but there was no incident.

**UN Demands Are Met**

In a two-hour session Sunday negotiators patched up differences that had led to the interruption of cease-fire talks. Allied headquarters announced conferees agreed:

"ONE—The road leading to the conference site shall be open to unrestricted use of vehicles of the United Nations command delegation. No notice will be required for such movement."

"TWO—The neutral area, five miles in radius, with a traffic circle in Kaesong as its center would contain no armed personnel except the minimum need for military purposes. Such personnel (military police) could be armed with small arms. The conference site would be defined as an area having a radius of one-half-mile, centered on the conference house."

**Joy Speaks Firmly**

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**Warnings**

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emergency housing here Monday; being fed by the Red Cross at the highschool cafeteria, which can care for 500 at a time.

It wasn't easy. Dr. Bruce Carter, president of Northeast Oklahoma A&M college, opened the facilities of that institution to the refugees. Twenty of 52 apartments there were vacant. They were filled, as were the girls dormitory, gymnasium and three shop buildings.

Then the flood advanced, filling every one of the buildings with water. This time the refugees moved to the north campus, where British fliers were trained during the last war.

Dr. Carter had no estimate of damage, but he's hoping Gov. Murray can find some funds in his emergency kit to help the school get reorganized once the river goes down. Water three to four feet deep filled some of the city's oldest and finest homes. Others floated away in 16 feet of water.

A \$18,000 home, being built just 1 1/2 blocks from the home of Chief of Police I. W. "Witt" Ellis, had 10 feet of water in it Monday. It was scheduled for completion next week. Ellis' home was high and dry.

Homes of J. F. Neiberding, police and fire commissioner; A. U. Fisher, street commissioner, and A. L. Morgan, finance commissioner, were under water. But those of Mayor Roy Green and Lloyd Cowgill, utility commissioner, escaped.

Capt. A. B. Gailey of the police department worked 36 hours warning people and helping them get out of the flood zone with their furniture. He forgot all about his own home, which is now under water.

This city was virtually cut off from traffic. U. S. 66 to the south and SH 10 to the east were flooded, but traffic still was moving by an around-about route through Afton, to the Twin bridges, then back through Ottawa and east of Commerce.

Organized reserves in uniform under command of Lt. Col. John Wallace are patrolling the flooded areas of the city to prevent looting, but not a single case has been reported to date, he said.

The Neosho was causing the trouble with its water from Kansas. But back water was going up Tar creek to the northeast, too, and coming into the city, so that virtually every type of property in the city was affected by the flood.

**War**

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plunged aggressively into enemy territory to keep up the pressure aimed at knocking the Reds off balance despite their buildup. Lt. Gen. James A. Van Fleet, Eighth army commander, said when the cease-fire talks opened that the UN troops would stay alert for any Red move until the communists proved their sincerity at the conference table in Kaesong.

**State Marks Up Fifth Polio Death, City 5-Year-Old**

The fifth polio fatality in Oklahoma for 1951 was recorded Monday with the death of Joseph Lynn Micknal, the 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Micknal, 3821 NW 28.

The child died in Crippled Children's hospital at 9 p. m. Sunday night of bulbar polio. He had been ill since late Tuesday and was admitted to the hospital last Wednesday.

Services will be at 5 p. m. Monday in a cemetery south of Pauls Valley.

Survivors include the parents and a brother, James Kendall Micknal, 5 months old, and a sister, Elizabeth Ann Micknal, 2 1/2.

The Oklahoma state health department has recorded 96 cases of polio for the first six months of the year, with five deaths. By July, 1950, Oklahoma had had 149 cases with 10 deaths on record.

**House Group OK's Ban On Aid to Reds' Patrons**

WASHINGTON, July 16—(P)—The house foreign affairs committee Monday approved legislation designed to cut off United States military and economic aid to nations shipping war materials to Russia or her satellites.

It would replace an existing law aimed at denying only economic help to nations which let the Russians have war materials.

The measure calls for President Truman to appoint a mutual defense assistance officer. This officer would determine what items should not be sent to the soviets and their friends.

**Traffic**

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farmer. Six persons were injured.

Four persons riding in Wilson's car were injured. Ollie Mae Shannon, 22, Blocker, Pittsburg county, suffered a fractured skull and is in critical condition in St. Mary's hospital at McAlester.

Jimmie Joy Powers, 17, also of Blocker, is unconscious and also has a broken arm.

Mary Ellen Kear, 21, Stony Point, Pittsburg county, was critically injured. She suffered a broken pelvis and a head injury. Crockett S. Crosswell, 23, Orphelar, Pittsburg county, suffered minor injuries. All were taken to St. Mary's hospital.

**Driver Is Injured**

Robertson suffered a broken hip and a passenger in his car, Stanley Scudder Riddle, 56, Fontotoc, suffered minor cuts. A second passenger, John G. Morrison, 24, Wilburton, escaped injury.

Five of the eight weekend victims were killed Sunday. Miss Burkett was killed when a car in which she was riding plunged into a ditch three miles east of Inola, Rogers county, on SH 33.

Anna Jay Self died in a Hugo hospital three hours after the pickup truck in which she was riding plunged into a ditch southwest of Hugo.

**Car Leaves Road**

Bell was killed when a car in which he was riding ran off the road and overturned seven miles west of Chandler on U. S. 66.

Hamilton was killed instantly when his car crashed into a bridge abutment six miles north of Clayton on U. S. 271.

**Flood**

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home trying to recover some of his belongings.

The Arkansas river claimed the life of James Burney, 6, Tulsa. He fell into the swollen stream while playing near his home. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Burney. The body was recovered about three hours later.

**15 Highways Closed**

More than 15 highways were closed in Oklahoma, but in general the situation seemed to be improving except along the Verdigris. It has reached 39 feet at Claremore, is still rising and is expected to reach 45 to 46 feet there, with floor stage at 38 feet. But the river was falling rapidly at Independence, Kan.

At Ralston, the Arkansas is expected to reach 20.5 feet, with flood stage at 16. It was 19.9 early Monday. At Tulsa it is expected to reach 14.5, with 16 feet as flood stage.

Muskogee has a river stage of 29.4 feet on the Arkansas. The river is expected to go about two feet higher if engineers release no more water from Pensacola. Flood stage there is officially 35 feet, but the river goes out into lowlands at 20 feet.

**Tonkawa Situation Eases**

It was much the same situation at Webber Falls, which had a stage of 27 feet and where the river may reach 30. Flood stage there is 23 feet. The river was slopping over at Van Buren and is expected to climb just a bit higher.

Meanwhile, three families were moving back into their homes at Tonkawa after the Salt Fork drove them out Sunday.

The Chikaskia was falling at Blackwell, down to 22.9 feet after reaching a crest of 26. Bird creek in Osage county also was falling rapidly, and the ordinarily bad-acting Caney river was behaving well near Bartlesville, without a flood in sight.

**Hot Weather Ahead**

Forecasts call for hot, humid weather, with typical widely scattered summer showers. Some might fall in Oklahoma City, with temperatures expected to range from a top of about 95 to a low near 72.

That would compare with 89 to 69 at the airport, 91 to 71 at the Classen station the last 24 hours. Highest in history here for this date was 108 in 1936, and the lowest was 61 in 1891.

High temperature Sunday in the state was a blistering 103 at Frederick, while the overnight low was 66 at Gage and Guymon.

**Governor Ousted By Painting Crew**

A handful of painters Monday did what some legislators have been talking about—they put the governor out of office.

They assured him, however, he could move back in by the end of this week or early next week.

Fact is, the governor is having his private office, in the extreme southeastern corner of the capitol's second floor, completely redecorated.

During his enforced absence, the governor is holding forth in the Blue room, which also will be repainted after the governor moves back into his own office.

**Lice Dip Is Fatal**

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, July 16—(P)—A Mexican farm worker bothered by lice doused himself Sunday with

**'Hermits' Man 45th Ambulance Unit's Shuttle System**

WITH U. S. 45TH INFANTRY DIVISION, Hokkaido, Japan, July 16—(U.P.)—An ambulance shuttle system set up by Ambulance company of the 120th medical battalion is giving men of the 45th infantry division 24-hour a day ambulance service in top efficiency.

But some of the company's sergeants have had to turn hermit to carry out the system.

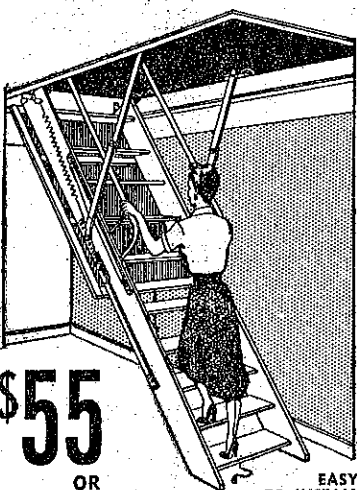
Along the major highway running by the 45th's encampments are ambulance relay points. When an ambulance leaves a regimental combat team leading point, another one moves up from the relay points.

This gives the speediest possible service to the dispensary at Camp Chitose or to the 161st station hospital in Sapporo. Usually only emergency cases go to Sapporo.

To operate the relay points, control points have been set up to tell ambulances where to go when they move from one relay point to another. The system is the same that probably would be used in combat.

"It sure's gets lonesome," said Sgt. Reaves Nahwokey, Walters, Okla. "I felt like a hermit."

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**National Study Of Prices Set**

WASHINGTON, July 16—(P)—The office of price stabilization announced Monday it will conduct a country-wide survey of wholesale and retail grocery costs and prices during the next two months.

The aim, OPS director DiSalle said, is "to lay the basis for a program of posted dollar-and-cents 'community prices' in the nation's grocery stores."

DiSalle said his organization wants to learn "whether there is sufficient stability in the prices of a number of standard grocery items to make a 'community pricing' program possible."

The survey of wholesalers will begin July 30; that of retailers on August 2.

**\$18 Million Ranch Bid Is Kept Open for Month**

LONDON, July 16—(P)—Shareholders of the Matador Land and Cattle Co. Monday were given another month to decide whether to accept an American financial syndicate's offer of \$18,960,000 for 812,000 acres of Texas Panhandle cattle ranches.

Negotiations for the sale are in an advanced state. Monday was the original deadline on the syndicate's offer, but this now has been extended to August 16.

A spokesman for Lazard Brothers, an international banking firm with an interest in the syndicate, said notice of the extension had been mailed to Matador shareholders. Matador is a Scottish firm and 77 percent of its 800,000 shares are held in Britain. The rest are held by Americans.

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searching party found the body of a woman in a house which had been flooded a week.

### Crest Passes Lexington

She was the 24th flood victim of the month and the seventh in the last week in Missouri and Kansas. No deaths have been reported at Kansas City.

Downstream at Lexington, 41 miles east of Kansas City, the Missouri crested at 33.3 feet, about two feet higher than the previous record, at noon Sunday and receded Monday.

General offices and retail stores were to be allowed to operate four hours Monday. They were closed by order of city manager L. P. Cookingham Saturday. Factories that don't use water, commodity exchanges, brokerages and offices may operate on a normal schedule.

The flood and lack of water to operate factories that weren't flooded threw 107,000 persons out of work in both Kansas Cities. The pay they lost totaled an estimated \$1,300,000 a day.

### Leaves Expected to Hold

Cookingham said restrictions on business "may have to continue for some time." As water receded from the Turkey creek pumping station, engineers dismantled its machinery, floor by floor, for reconditioning. Even so, it will take two weeks to get the pumps back into operation.

All drinking water in Kansas City, Mo., was being boiled or treated with halazone tablets; health authorities feared it might be contaminated. Housewives had no water to wash their clothes Monday; thousands had to carry their cooking and drinking water from the nine emergency water stations and from hydrants fitted to fireplugs.

The U. S. engineers thought levees around the Kansas City, Kan., public utilities plant would hold, but they said they couldn't guarantee it. More than 1,000 men worked on the levees around the plant day and night, but dangerous sandhills kept popping up inside the levees.

Federal weather forecasters in both Kansas and Missouri predicted generally fair weather for the next two days. Unprecedented rains had caused floods all over Kansas and raised the Kansas river, which was responsible for most of the flood at Kansas City.

### Wife of War Contracts Convict Tries Suicide

NEW YORK, July 16—(AP)—Mrs. Murray Garsson, whose husband was convicted of bribery and conspiracy in connection with war contracts, was in a hospital Monday after taking an overdose of sleeping tablets.

Police listed the case as an apparent suicide attempt. They said she took the pills early Saturday morning. The hospital reported her condition as critical Monday.

Detectives quoted Garsson as saying he had found his 32-year-old wife on the floor of their apartment and that she had taken too many pills by accident.

### Luscious Goat Jailed

DALLAS, July 16—(AP)—A man who always gives his Christian names to police as Emmet Luscious Possum Rabbit Goat was arrested again Sunday for investigation of vagrancy. "Some of them names is nicknames," he said.

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son as its center except the minimum need for military purposes. Such personnel (military police) could be armed with small arms. The conference site would be defined as an area having a radius of one-half mile, centered on the conference house.

### Joy Speaks Firmly

"Things went so well in the session that some observers were hopeful the task of drawing up the agenda would be completed in a few days.

Joy opened Sunday's conference, launching without any preliminaries into the question.

An allied spokesman said the chief UN delegate spoke "very firmly, strongly and with intense feeling."

During Sunday conferences, a UN spokesman said, Joy and Nam did all the talking. Joy sat across the conference table from Nam, who smoked cigarets constantly.

All UN delegates traveled back and forth Monday by helicopter, their usual method.

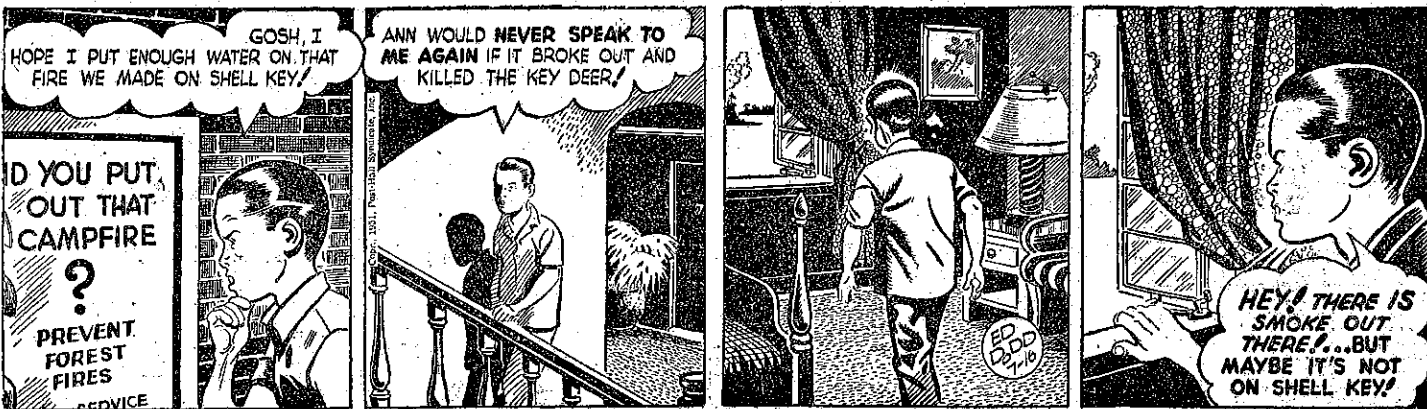
### UN Legion Proposed To Deter Aggressors

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., July 16—(AP)—A private American group has proposed the creation of a United Nations legion complete with airforce to deter would-be aggressors.

The force was recommended in a report Sunday by the research group of the American association for the United Nations. It was one of a series of proposals to put sharper teeth into a U. S.-sponsored program adopted last autumn by the UN general assembly to give the UN power to act when security conciliation is blocked by a big-power veto.

The report also called for several thousand UN "armed guards" who could serve as garrisons in trouble spots or supervise truce settlements as in Korea.

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ritory to keep up the pressure aimed at knocking the Reds off balance despite their buildup. Lt. Gen. James A. Van Fleet, Eighth army commander, said when the cease-fire talks opened that the UN troops would stay alert for any Red move until the communists proved their sincerity at the conference table in Kaesong.

Naval units continued to blast the east coast ports of Wonsan, Songjin, Chongjin and Sosong through Sunday but bad weather limited air strikes to small raids on Red airfields and supply routes.

### House Group Favors Ending Reich War State

WASHINGTON, July 16—(AP)—The house foreign affairs committee Monday approved a resolution to end the state of war between the United States and Germany.

President Truman asked last week that congress take such action. He said that unfortunately Russia had made a formal peace treaty impossible.

The resolution provides that the war shall be officially ended on the date the resolution is adopted by both the house and the senate.

### NAACP Pioneer Dies

NEWTON, Mass., July 16—(AP)—Miss Mary White Ovington, one of the founders of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, died Sunday at the home of a sister. She was 86. A white woman, she was the author of "Half a Man," a novel about Negroes.

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Corder died when a car in which he was riding struck a bridge abutment eight miles south of Claremore on U. S. 66.

Roard died Saturday night after his car plunged over an embankment three miles north of Gore, Muskogee county, and caught fire.

Meyer was killed in a crash early Saturday morning 11 miles east of Perry on U. S. 64.

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room, which also will be repainted after the governor moves back into his own office.

### Lice Dip Is Fatal

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, July 16—(AP)—A Mexican farm worker bothered by lice doused himself Sunday with a powerful insecticide which is supposed to be diluted one part of 300 parts of water. Filemon Munos, 34, a Mexican citizen, died in agony within a few minutes.

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