

AMERICANS BREAK THROUGH

DRIVING REDS TO HILLS

New Stamp
On Sale



These new 3d. postage stamps, printed in red and featuring a portrait of the King were on sale at all Post Offices today. The new issue follows the recent amendments of postage charges.

TOKIO, February 27 (A.A.P.-Reuter): American troops on the east central Korean front broke through the enemy lines today and drove the Communists into the mountains.

Front dispatches said the U.S. 7th Division—one of seven American divisions pushing "Operation Killer" against the Communists—broke through the main defences of the North Korean 3rd Corps in the central mountains between Pannim and Wonju.

The break-through came when the Communists were forced to flee to avoid being caught in the jaws of a giant pincer forged by two 7th Division units battling west and north-west along parallel roads toward Wonju and Hoengsong.

A 7th Division regimental commander, Colonel William Quinn, said his men had broken the enemy's main line of resistance.

"But we aren't letting them rest," he said. "We are going in after them and we are going to sweep them out of the hills, valleys and caves."

"We are taking a terrific toll of the enemy and our casualties have been amazingly light."

West of Hoengsong, the South Korean 6th Division, supported by American artillery, gained a number of important hill positions. They knocked two Chinese companies out of their positions.

Frontline correspondents estimated that 130,000 Chinese and North Korean troops were digging into a new defence line to escape the crushing United Nations attacks.

The new line was roughly 30 miles south of the 38th Parallel. Moving towards the line all along the front were seven American divisions, four South Korean divisions, and the British Commonwealth force, including Australians, New Zealanders, and Canadians.

Aussies dent line

A handful of Australian infantrymen made a dent in the new Chinese hill line north-east of Chipyeong when they clawed their way with rifles and bayonets to the summit of a hill in a five-hour fight. The 2,000 ft. ridge forms part of a chain of mountain defences tenaciously held by the Chinese for the past four days.

It was here that the Canadian troops saw their

first action and punched several holes in the Red lines.

Australians leap-frogged ahead of the Canadians as the Canadians prepared for new assaults.

The Australian attack began at 8 a.m. after a barrage by New Zealand and American guns, supported by fighter-bombers.

The hilltop was plastered with rockets and jellied petrol fire bombs just ahead of the Australians, who clambered up an almost perpendicular slope on their hands and knees.

Sheep causing knitters worry

MELBOURNE: The pre-war 9½d. 1.oz skein of wool is now 2/2½, but don't imagine it has reached its peak.

A spokesman for one knitting mill predicted today that it would cost 2.6 very soon.

And if wool prices continued to rise, he said, it would not be long before it cost 3.3, 3.4 "or even more."

A spokesman for a knitting firm said that these predictions were exaggerated.

Buyers for several city stores said that they had not heard of another price rise.

"Not that we ever do until the day it comes into force," said one.

Percentages rises in knitting wool prices—and the reasons for them—are hard

to unravel. Different mills have varying supplies of wool bought at certain prices.

As the stocks of low-priced wool are depleted, the price rises according to the amount of higher-priced wool included.

The same applies to knitted socks, cardigans, jumpers, underwear and all the other woollen things you need for winter.

So next winter, if you find more women concentrating on books of philosophy than on knitting on their way to and from work, you will understand why.

CHINA MISSION TO WORK ON EXILES

The work of the China Inland Mission would be continued among Chinese outside their homeland—in Malaya, Thailand, the Philippines and other places, said Bishop F. Houghton, general director of the mission, on his arrival in Brisbane today.

The mission had had to withdraw from China after 86 years.

"We have certainly not abandoned hope of returning," said Bishop Houghton. He could not say when that would be.

Of the Chinese Christians Bishop Houghton commented, "The Church in China is strong."

He said that the work of reaching Chinese outside China would take some time. Survey teams would be sent into the countries where Chinese were to be found, and missionaries leaving China would be allocated to selected areas.

With Bishop Houghton was Mr. F. Mitchell, home director for Great Britain, of the China Inland Mission, and chairman of the Keswick Convention.

They had been attending a conference of the mission in the Dandenongs, Victoria, where the situation in China and the future of the mission were discussed.

TAKEN IN TOW

PERTH: H.M.A.S. Labuan, which had her speed considerably reduced through engine trouble on her way back from Heard Island, has been taken in tow by the naval boom ship Karangi.

SHOE X-RAY DANGERS

Shoe X-ray machines constituted a danger only if they were too powerful, were not properly installed, and were used too frequently by individuals, particularly children, the Director General of Health (Dr. Fryberg) said today.

Malayan has varsity aim

A 21-years-old Malayan, Ts'ei Hsi-hung, wants to be the best surveyor in Singapore.

He completed the first step towards the fulfilment of his ambition today when he became an undergraduate of Queensland University.

Ts'ei was one of 450 freshers who attended the matriculation ceremony at St. Lucia today.

Ts'ei, a bright-faced lad of Chinese extraction, arrived in Brisbane on the Merkur last Thursday.

University Vice-Chancellor (Mr. J. D. Story) addressed the students before they signed the matriculation register.

WOMAN "HOOKED" WHILE ON WALK IN CITY

A young woman admitted in the Police Court today that she had "hooked" a Sydney woman visitor in Turbot Street this morning.

Before Mr. McLean, S.M., Margaret Digby Turner, 29, domestic, pleaded guilty to a charge that on February 28 she unlawfully assaulted Dorothy Alice Jones.

The prosecutor (Sub-Inspector Risch) said the incident occurred as Mrs. Jones

was walking along Turbot Street, with her husband, threading her way through produce trucks. The husband was walking in front.

Suddenly the woman, Turner, came across and struck Mrs. Jones a heavy blow across the face, he said. The husband went to his wife's assistance and held Turner until the police arrived.

"Turner," Sub-Inspector Risch said, "told Detective Dale and Jordan that she did not like the look on the woman's face. She thought Mrs. Jones was grinning at her so, to use her own words, she 'just hooked her.'"

Mrs. Jones was not badly injured, Sub-Inspector Risch said, but suffered a swollen face.

Sub-Inspector Risch said that since coming to Brisbane from N.S.W. Turner had been sleeping on the river bank and getting money from men.

"I thought the woman said something rude to me," Turner told Mr. McLean. "Apparently I was mistaken."

She was fined £2, with 6/ costs, in default imprisonment for 14 days.

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RIGHT: Grey worsted suit, exclusively tailored with fully lined coat, fancy tabs and buttons. Has plain tailored skirt with side pleat. Sizes SSW, SW, W, XW. PRICE £16/6/0

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