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ANOTHER AIRMAN!



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U. N. Chief Stops Over At Hankow

Nephew Flies From Peking

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Jan. 4 (AP).—United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold, en route to Peking by plane, stopped at Hankow, China, today for a surprise conference with his diplomat nephew about the delicate task of seeking freedom for eleven American airmen jailed as "spies" by the Chinese Communists.

Mr. Hammarskjold and his party were scheduled to arrive at Peking at 1 a. m. Wednesday.

The nephew, Peder Hammarskjold, Swedish Charge d'Affaires at Peking, had traveled from the Chinese Communist capital to Hankow and was waiting at the airport, along with local officials, when his uncle arrived.

On Last Leg

The Secretary-General, completing the last leg of his flight on board a Chinese Communist plane, had been expected to fly directly from Canton to Peking.

He sent word to U. N. headquarters today that he was stopping overnight in Hankow, 750 air miles from the capital, for a meeting with his nephew. It was believed Mr. Hammarskjold wanted to sound out his nephew about the political climate in Peking.

The Chinese Reds have indicated Mr. Hammarskjold faces a difficult task in seeking to win release of the eleven American airmen and 2,840 other U. N. troops still held prisoner by the Reds.

The Peking radio has announced that it plans a public exhibition of evidence against the Americans to persuade Mr. Hammarskjold they were guilty of espionage. Yesterday the Red Chinese radio broadcast a purported "confession" by one of the prisoners, Maj. William H. Baumer, of Lewisburg, Pa.

Speech by Chou

The Peking radio also made a brief announcement that Mr. Hammarskjold had arrived at Wuhan, the tri-city area of which Hankow is the most important part. The broadcast, heard in Tokyo, said he was welcomed by Yao Kuang, head of the Foreign Affairs office of the Hupoh Provincial People's government. Nothing further was said about Mr. Hammarskjold's trip.

In still another broadcast, Peking said Chinese Communist Premier Chou En-lai had announced he was willing to "expand the peace area" in the world. The statement was made in a speech at the Burmese Embassy last night.

The Peking radio said Premier Chou and other Chinese Communist officials would meet Mr. Hammarskjold and his party at the airport, a short distance from the ancient Chinese capital city.

No reporters are traveling with Mr. Hammarskjold. His ex-

ecutive assistant, Per Lind, of Sweden, is sending cablegrams to U. N. headquarters, and they are relayed to reporters. The first message from Chinese soil said, "All is well."

The message said the Hammarskjold party touched Red Chinese territory at Canton at 7:30 p. m. Monday.

Mr. Hammarskjold, who left New York Dec. 30, flew from Calcutta to Canton aboard an Indian government plane and changed to a Chinese plane at Canton.

NY Times 5 Jan 55

U. N. CHIEF SPENDS NIGHT IN HANKOW

He Is Greeted by Subordinate
Chinese Officials—Peiping
Bars Press Coverage

By HENRY R. LIEBERMAN

Special to The New York Times.

HONG KONG, Wednesday, Jan. 5—Communist China announced the arrival of Dag Hammarskjold at Hankow yesterday afternoon. He is en route to Peiping.

A brief dispatch published at 2:30 A. M. read: "Jan. 4: United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold and six members of his party arrived here by plane from Canton this afternoon. He was welcomed at the airfield by Yao Kuang, head of the Foreign Affairs Office of the Hupeh Provincial People's Government."

Earlier the Hsinhua (New China) News Agency had announced the arrival of Mr. Hammarskjold on Chinese soil in Canton. He reached the Kwangtung capital on a special plane at 8:30 A. M. yesterday. The Secretary General was reported to be spending the night in Hankow, center of Hupeh Province, in Central China.

When Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru of India arrived in Canton during his trip to China in October, a high-ranking Foreign Ministry official was sent to meet him. But the Peiping Government, which is not in the United Nations, delegated its on-the-spot representatives to greet the Secretary General in both Canton and Hankow.

To Seek Captives' Release

Mr. Hammarskjold is in China to seek the release of United Nations prisoners of the Korean war, including eleven United States airmen convicted on espionage charges last November.

All indications are that little if any day-to-day news will be available on the progress of the talks in Peiping. Several non-United States Western correspondents who requested permission to visit Peiping were turned down.

One such request brought the following reply from Mme. Kung Peng, Foreign Ministry information director in Peiping: "Since United Nations Secretary General Hammarskjold is to have individual contacts and not to hold open meetings, my Government is not prepared to receive especially for this occasion foreign correspondents to come to China. However, if you desire to come to China to do general reporting, your visa application may be considered."

More attention was given by the Peiping radio last night to Burma's National Day than to Mr. Hammarskjold's visit. Premier Chou En-lai declared at a Burmese National Day reception in Peiping last night that Red

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The new XP6M-1 Martin S

Special to The New York Times.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 4—The world's first multi-jet seaplane, theoretically able "to operate with complete flexibility in or near enemy waters," was taken off the secret list today.

The Navy and the Martin Aircraft Company showing the swept-wing four-jet plane for the first time, said it was designed for speeds of more than 600 miles an hour and would cruise normally at 40,000 feet. Mine laying and photo-reconnaissance are its two main missions.

The plane is known as the

China welcomed and supported the efforts of Asian nations to "defend Asian, African and world peace."

The Peiping Government has not yet announced its acceptance of an invitation to participate in an Asian-African conference scheduled for next April. It is taken for granted here, however, that Peiping will accept.

"The Chinese people value peace," Mr. Chou said. "They are willing, together with the Union of Burma and other Asian and African countries, to fight against colonialism, to set up and extend the peace area and to maintain peace in Asia, Africa and the world."

Indians Deny Greeting Was Cool

Special to The New York Times.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Jan. 3—Indian sources here took issue with press reports that Mr. Hammarskjold had received a cool reception in New Delhi. Although Prime Minister Nehru did not go to the airport to meet him, the Secretary General was an official guest of the Indian Government, these sources said.

Indian sources declared, moreover, that the decision of Premier Chou to receive Mr. Hammarskjold had resulted from urgings by Mr. Nehru.

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Doing Their Best



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MORNING NEWS

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PAKISTAN STANDARD

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Hankow is a major Chinese railway centre and is about midway between Canton and Peiping.

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Mr. Hammarskjöld, took no newsmen with him. Except for reporters already in Peking, or on special assignment from countries with diplomatic relations with Red China, the world's only other access to information on the mission was through Peking Radio.—UPA.

PAKISTAN TIMES

'MOVE TOWARDS PEACE'

Dag's appeal at Calcutta

CALCUTTA, Jan. 4: Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, the United Nations Secretary-General, said here last night his meeting with Prime Minister Nehru was "very useful and pleasant".

Mr. Hammarskjöld, who passed through here in a special Indian Airlines Corporation's Skymaster provided by the Indian Government, said the new year had opened with signs of less tension though, he added, his observation was not based on deeper knowledge. "Let us all move towards peace," he said. Questioned about the Chinese students held in the United States for the 11 American airmen held in Chinese custody, he said he did not combine the issues. Each question must be judged on its own merits.

He gave an assurance that Asian problems always remained in the frontline of the United Nations.

After a two-hour break, while his plane refuelled, he left for Canton.—Reuter.

CIVIL & MILITARY GAZETTE

Hammarskjöld arrives in Hankow

NEW YORK, Jan. 4: Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, United Nations Secretary General, and his party had arrived in Hankow on their way to Peking, a message to United Nations Headquarters reported to-day.

Mr. Hammarskjöld and his advisers are to fly on to Peking in the same plane tomorrow.

At Hankow airfield, the Secretary-General was met by local officials and by Mr. Peder Hammarskjöld, the Swedish Charge d'Affaires at Peking, who is Mr. Hammarskjöld's nephew.

An earlier message received at the United Nations here of the party's eight and a half hour non-stop flight to Canton from India by way of Burma, Thailand and North Viet-Nam in a special Indian Airlines skymaster.

Dag Meets Chou

TOKYO, Jan. 5 (UPA)—Communist China's Premier Chou En-lai gave a cocktail party in honour of Dag Hammarskjöld today shortly after they met for the first time during the United Nations Secretary-General's mission to free American airmen held by the Reds.

Peiping radio said that the cocktail party was held at 5:30 p.m. and was attended by Communist Ministers and foreign diplomats in Peiping.

The broadcast monitored here also said that Chou honoured Hammarskjöld and his party at dinner in the evening at 8:00 p.m. (12.00 GMT).

Earlier Peiping radio said that the Secretary-General had conferred with Chou at 4:30 p.m. shortly after he arrived in the Communist capital.

Red China was definitely giving Hammarskjöld the lavish treatment it has honoured other important visitors with who came behind the bamboo curtain.

But the brief Communist broadcast made no further mention of the conference between Hammarskjöld and Chou this afternoon.

The first announcement from the Voice of Red China also stayed clear of making any comment on the meeting except that it had taken place.

Peiping radio said that four other Communist officials were present but gave no further details.

The length of the session was not reported.

Dag Hammarskjöld arrived by plane in Peiping earlier in the afternoon with his six-member group.

No time was wasted in getting together with Chou to attempt to begin negotiations for the release of U.S. airmen and other United Nations prisoners.

Peiping radio said that the Chinese officials present at the meeting in addition to Chou were Chang Han-fu, Vice-Foreign Minister of Red China, Tung Yueh-Chien, Director of the Department of International Organizations and Conferences, Wang Cho-fu, Chief of Protocol of the Foreign Ministry and Chiao Kuan-hua, Foreign Ministry assistant.

The members of the Secretary-General's party accompanying him to the historical conference were Ahmed S. Bokhari of Pakistan, Hammarskjöld's political adviser, Humphrey Waldo of England, legal adviser and Per Lind of Sweden, interpreter.

Hammarskjöld and his six-member delegation completed their historic 10,000-mile journey from U.N. Headquarters in New York to the ancient Chinese capital at 1:55 p.m. (05:55 GMT), according to an earlier Peiping radio broadcast.

They flew across the heart of China today, from the Yangtze river twin cities of Wuhan to Peiping, in a Chinese Air Force plane.

A brief report, read by a woman announcer, did not mention the reason for the U.N. Secretary-General's trip. The broadcast said he was greeted by the Vice-Foreign Minister, Chief of the International Department of the Foreign Office, and Chief of Protocol of the Foreign Office.

COCKTAIL PARTY

A London message says: The Communist New China News Agency in a Morse broadcast monitored here today gave the following version of Chou En-lai's cocktail party for Dag Hammarskjöld which Peiping radio described earlier in a voice broadcast heard in Tokyo.

"Chou En-lai, Premier of the State Council and Foreign Minister of the People's Republic of China, welcomed Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, Secretary-General of the United Nations, and his assistants at a cocktail party here this afternoon at 5.30.

"Present on the occasion were Chen Yi, Vice Premier, and Hsi Chung-Hsun, Secretary-General, of the State Council; heads of Ministeries; Chang Han-fu Vice Foreign Minister; and Peng Che, Mayor of Peking.

"Leading members of the China Peace Committee, the Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs, the Chinese People's Association for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, Democratic Parties and People's Organizations were present.

"In attendance also were the Ambassadors of Czechoslovakia, Poland, Bharat, Sweden, Romania, Mongolia, the Korean Democratic People's Republic, the Soviet Union, Bulgaria, Albania and Hungary to China, the Ministers of Finland, Denmark and Switzerland to China, the British and Dutch Charges d'Affaires, the Charges d'Affaires and Interim of Norway, Pakistan, Burma, the Viet Nam Democratic Republic and the German Democratic Republic; and the First Secretary of the Indonesian Embassy.

"The cocktail party proceeded in a friendly atmosphere."

UPA message from Ceylon adds: Ceylon's Prime Minister Sir John Kotelawala said today he was still willing to go to Red China in connection with the imprisoned American airmen if any beneficial result would follow his action.

Sir John first offered to go to China while he was in America during his recent world tour, then dropped the idea when the United Nations took up the matter. He again mentioned it today as he reported by Radio to his countrymen.

Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld and Red Chinese Premier Chou En-lai will meet late tonight for their first formal discussion of the sentencing of 11 American airmen as spies by the Chinese Communist regime.

'Keep Door Open' During Talks In Peking

CHRONICLE ON NEHRU'S ADVICE TO DAG

LONDON, January 4 (Reuter)—The "News Chronicle" today endorsed the advice given by Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, the Bharati Prime Minister to Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, the United Nations Secretary-General to "keep the door open" during his talks in Peking.

This independent progressive newspaper said, it was good advice.

The "Daily Worker," a Communist newspaper commented, "Why should the Secretary-General of the United Nations go to any country to question the judgment of that country's courts

"Bharati opinion has given Mr. Hammarskjöld plainly to understand that he is trailing a red herring in the way of a vital pursuit: the acceptance of the Chinese Peoples Republic into its rightful place in the United Nations".

AFP adds: Dag Hammarskjöld UN Secretary-General will begin his negotiation with the Chinese Premier Chou En-lai on Thursday afternoon, Peking time. This was learnt here tonight by a cable received from Mr. Hammarskjöld, now in the Chinese capital.

The Secretary-General earlier today met Chou En-lai at a reception in his honour attended by Government officials and members of the diplomatic corps.

Dag arrives in Hankow on historic mission

TOKYO, Jan 4: Mr Dag Hammarskjöld flew through the "Bamboo Curtain" of Communist China today on an historic United Nations mission that may bring freedom to 11 American airmen sentenced to Red prison as "spies".

It was the first time in the history of the world organization that it dispatched an official to Mao Tse Tung's Communist nation under orders to confer with Red leaders.

The UN Secretary-General's special plane landed at Hankow in Central China according to a brief Radio Peking broadcast heard in Tokyo.

Only Chinese official on hand to greet the Secretary-General, when he arrived at Canton, was Mr Tsao Jo Ming, whom Radio Peking identified as "head of the Foreign Affairs Office of the Kwangtung Provincial People's Government."

His reception was in marked contrast to the flag-waving, cheering, dignitary-packed crowds that have welcomed other international visitors to Red China in the past year.

ARRIVAL IN CANTON

Mr Hammarskjöld and his six assistants arrived in Canton from Calcutta on a special Bharati plane. He was scheduled to transfer to a Communist plane for the last leg of his journey to Peking.

Although the Secretary-General's welcome at the Peking Airport was expected to be warmer than at Canton, he probably would not have an easy time in his negotiations with Premier, Chou En-lai.

Observers believed that Mr Chou would use the situation, which finds a UN official going to Peking for the first time, to press Red China's claims for entry into the United Nations.

INDIAN PRESS COMMENTS

A New Delhi message states that Mr Dag Hammarskjöld was criticised in some Bharati newspapers after his one-day visit here on his way to Peking.

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Dag arrives in Wuhan

PARIS, Jan. 5: Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, arrived in Wuhan, China, by air from Canton yesterday on his way to Peking, New China news agency reported yesterday.

The agency said that Mr. Hammarskjöld accompanied by six aides, was welcomed at the airport by local officials.

He is due to meet Chinese Premier Chou En-lai in Peking, to discuss the question of the American airmen imprisoned in Communist China on espionage charges.—AFP.

PAKISTAN TIMES

U.N. SECY-GEN. ARRIVES IN HANKOW

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"A spokesman for the party says that all is well", the message ended.

The Secretary-General flew on from India after obtaining the views of statesmen in London, Paris and New Delhi on his forthcoming talks with Mr. Chou En-lai, People's Chinese Prime Minister.

Mr. Chou has agreed to meet Mr. Hammarskjöld, but has also told the United Nations that it has no right to interfere in the case of the airmen.

The United Nations General Assembly asked Mr. Hammarskjöld to seek the release of the airmen and Korean war prisoners still held by China.—Reuter.

Hammarskjöld is 'too Dulles-minded'

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U. N. CHIEF OPENS TALKS IN PEIPING

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NY Times

Hammaraskjold Sees Premier Chou Shortly After Arrival

—Chinese Fete Party

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Special to The New York Times.

HONG KONG, Jan. 5—Dag Hammaraskjold, United Nations Secretary General, arrived in Peiping today. His mission is to seek the release of United Nations prisoners of the Korean war, including eleven United States fliers imprisoned as spies by Communist China.

He paid a preliminary call on Premier Chou En-lai about two and a half hours after reaching Communist China's capital. They dined together tonight following a cocktail party given by the Premier for Mr. Hammaraskjold and the six members of his mission.

[Mr. Hammaraskjold will hold his first formal talk with Mr. Chou Thursday afternoon (Peiping time), a radiogram from the mission to United Nations headquarters said.]

Mr. Hammaraskjold's activities were reported by the Chinese Communist radio. No details were given on the matters discussed in his initial talk with Mr. Chou.

The Peiping broadcast said the cocktail party had proceeded in "a friendly atmosphere."

Chinese Guests Mentioned

Among the guests, it said, were a number of Chinese officials, senior diplomatic representatives and "leading members" of the following groups: China Peace Committee, Institute of Foreign Affairs, People's Association for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, "democratic parties" and other "people's organizations."

Diplomats at the cocktail party were said to have included representatives of Czechoslovakia, Poland, India, Sweden, Rumania, Outer Mongolia, North Korea, the Soviet Union, Bulgaria, Albania, Hungary, Finland, Denmark, Switzerland, Britain, the Netherlands, Norway, Pakistan, Burma, North Vietnam, East Germany and Indonesia.

Mr. Hammaraskjold's dinner with Mr. Chou apparently was private. The Peiping radio said Chang Han-fu, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs, also attended. Mr. Chang speaks fluent English.

When the Secretary General and members of his party called on the Premier, they were accompanied by Mr. Chang and two other Chinese officials, all of whom had met them at the Peiping airfield.

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plane from Hankow, largest city in Hupeh Province, in central China. He and his associates had spent the night in Hankow, where they arrived yesterday after landing on Chinese soil at Canton, in south China, earlier in the day.

[A Tokyo report said Mr. Hammarskjold planned to limit his mission to a week, The United Press reported. Pan American Airways said he had reservations to leave Hong Kong for Tokyo Jan. 13.]

Mr. Hammarskjold's arrival in Peiping was announced without comment by the official Hsinhua (New China) News Agency. It said he had been met at the airfield by Vice Foreign Minister Chang, Tun Yeh-chien, director of the Foreign Ministry's Department of International Organizations and Conferences, and Wang Cho-ju, chief of protocol.

Dag confers with Chou

2-HOUR TALKS HELD

HONG KONG, Jan. 5: Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, the United Nations Secretary-General, called on Mr. Chou En-lai, the Chinese Premier two hours after his arrival in Peking today, for talks on the fate of 11 American airmen gaoled as "spies."

Peking Radio said the Secretary-General, who left Calcutta with 6 advisers on Monday, arrived at Peking airport at 2 p.m. local time after an overnight stop at Hankow.

DAG'S AIDES

Mr. Hammarskjöld was accompanied at the interview by Professor Waldo of Oxford University, his adviser on International Law, Mr. Ahmed S. Bokhari, Pakistani Under-Secretary of the United Nations, and Mr. Lind, the Secretary-General's Executive Assistant.

Mr. Chou, who is also Foreign Minister had with him Mr. Chang Han-Fu, Vice-Foreign Minister, Mr. Chiao Kuan Chien, Director of the Department of International Organisations and Conferences, and Mr. Wang Chou Ju, Chief of Protocol.

Mr. Chang, Mr. Chiao, and Mr. Tung had earlier gone to the airport to meet Mr. Hammarskjöld, who was also welcomed by a number of European diplomats, who included a Counsellor of the British Charge d'Affaires office, the Indian, Swedish, Polish, Czech and Russian ambassadors as well as the Ministers of Finland, Denmark and Switzerland. Also on hand to meet him were the Charge d'Affaires of Pakistan, Norway, and Burma and the First Secretary of the Indonesian embassy.

Mr. Lind, a member of the Secretary-General's executive office plans to keep UN headquarters and the Western world informed by cable of the progress of talks between Mr. Hammarskjöld and Mr. Chou En-lai, the Chinese Premier.

Mr. Hammarskjöld is expected to spend about 5 days in Peking.

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COURSES OF ACTION

Meanwhile American officials are quietly planning possible courses of action to take if Dag Hammarskjöld's U.N. mission to Peiping fails to secure the release of imprisoned American servicemen, it was learned here today.

The "possible" next moves range all the way from a new effort through the facilities of the United Nations to direct action on the part of the United States alone, United Press was told.

Well-informed sources emphasized however that the United States at this stage still hope Hammarskjöld would be successful, and was studying alternative courses "only as a means to be ready for any eventuality."

The broad extremes of the situation, it was pointed out, are this: If the United Nations mission fails, the anti-Communist Powers either have to bow to the Communist or do something to counteract the Red stand. American officials in Asia are strongly opposed to any further concessions to the Reds.

NEHRU DENOUNCED

A New York message adds: The Sun and New York Wared Telegram and editorials, today, denounced what they called Indian Prime Minister Nehru's "cold shouldering" of UN Secretary-General, Dag Hammarskjöld at New Delhi.

"The Indian added to his calculated discourtesy," the paper said, "by refusing to send along a senior diplomatic aide to Red China with the Secretary-General.—Reuter/UPA

Dag Meets Chou

CRUCIAL TALKS ON US AIRMEN BEGIN

HONG KONG, Jan. 5:

Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, United Nations Secretary-General, arrived in Peking today for talks with the Communist Government on the fate of 11 American airmen imprisoned there on charges of espionage, Peking radio reported.

Mr. Hammarskjöld's aircraft reached the Chinese Capital at 2 p.m. (local time) after an overnight stop at Hankow.

The latest news programme today, an English-language broadcast read by a woman, dismissed Mr. Hammarskjöld's arrival in China with only two short sentences.

The New China news agency said that the United Nations party was met at Peking Airport by Mr. Chang Han Fu, Chinese Foreign Affairs Vice-Minister and a number of European diplomats.

They included a Counsellor from the British Charge d'Affaires office and the Indian, Swedish, Polish, Czech and Russian Ambassadors.

Mr. Lind, a member of the Secretary-General's Executive office plans to keep UN headquarters and the western world informed by cable of the progress of talks between Mr. Hammarskjöld and Mr. Chou En-lai, the Chinese Premier.

Mr. Hammarskjöld is expected to spend about five days in Peking.—Reuter.

Mr. Hammarskjöld called on the Chinese Premier, Mr. Chou En-lai, two hours after his arrival in Peking.

He was accompanied at the interview by Prof. Waldo of Oxford University, his adviser on International Law, Mr. Ahmed S. Bokhari, Pakistani Under-Secretary of the United Nations, and Mr. Lind, the Secretary-General's Executive Assistant.

Mr. Chou, who is also Foreign Minister, had with him Mr. Chang Han-Fu, Vice Foreign Minister, Mr. Chiao Kuan Chien, Director of the Department of International Organisations and Conferences and Mr. Wang Cho Ju, Chief of Protocol.

A brief Communist broadcast made no further mention of the conference between Mr. Hammarskjöld and Mr. Chou. The first announcement from the Voice of Red China also stayed clear of making any comment on the meeting except that it had taken place. The length of the session was also not reported.

Mr. Chou gave a cocktail party in honour of Mr. Hammarskjöld, shortly after they met for the first time. Peking radio said that the cocktail party was held at 5-30 p.m. and was attended by Communist Ministers and Foreign diplomats in Peking. The broadcast monitored in Tokyo also said that Mr. Chou honoured Mr. Hammarskjöld and his party at dinner in the evening at 8-00 p.m. (12.00 GMT).—Reuter/UPA.

D A W N

Dag meets Chou

HONG KONG, Jan 5: Mr Dag Hammarskjöld, United Nations' Secretary-General, called on Mr Chou En-lai, the Chinese Premier, two hours after his arrival in Peking today for talks on the fate of 11 American airmen gaoled as "spies".

Peking Radio said the Secretary-General who left Calcutta with six Advisers on Monday arrived at Peking Airport at 2 p.m. local time after an overnight stop at Hankow.

Mr Hammarskjöld was accompanied at the interview by Professor Waldock of Oxford University, his Adviser on International Law, Mr Ahmed S. Bokhari, Pakistani Under-Secretary of the United Nations, and Mr Lind, the Secretary-General's Executive Assistant.

Mr Chou, who is also Foreign Minister, had with him Mr Chang Han-Fu, Vice-Foreign Minister, Mr Chiao Kuan Chien, Director of the Department of International Organisations and Conferences and Mr Wang Chou Ju, Chief of Protocol.

ARRIVAL AT AIRPORT

Mr Chang, Mr Chiao and Mr Tung had earlier gone to the Airport to meet Mr Hammarskjöld who was also welcomed by a number of European diplomats.

They included a Counsellor from the British Charge d'Affaires office and the Bharati, Swedish, Polish, Czech and Russian Ambassadors.

Mr Lind plans to keep UN headquarters and the Western world informed by cable of the progress of talks between Mr Hammarskjöld and Mr Chou En-lai.

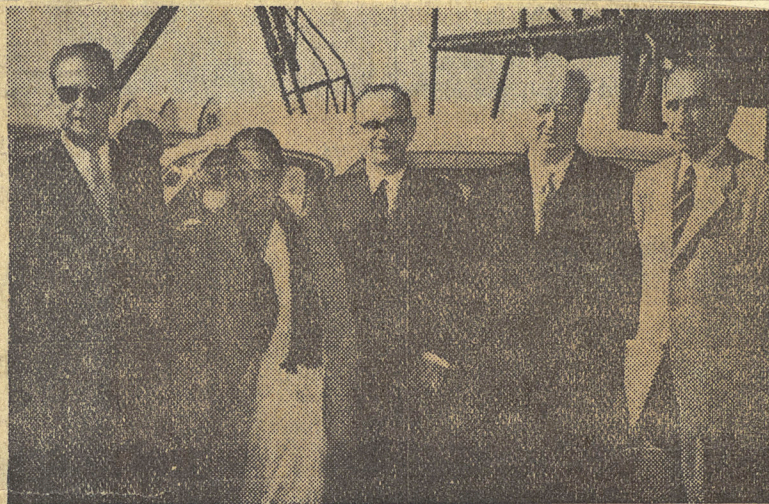
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The British Foreign Secretary, Sir Anthony Eden (right), and his wife welcoming U.N. Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld to lunch at Dorney Wood, Buckinghamshire. P.T. 6



The United Nations Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, stopped at Karachi for about two hours on his way to Peking on Sunday morning. The Secretary-General (extreme left) standing with Prof. Ahmed S. Bokhari (extreme right), who is accompanying him as his Political Adviser.

PAKISTAN TIMES

Hammarskjöld meets Chou in Peking

HONG KONG, Jan. 5: M. Dag Hammarskjöld, United Nations Secretary-General, called on Mr. Chou En-lai, Chinese Premier, two hours after his arrival in Peking today for talks on the fate of 11 American airmen jailed as "spies".

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The Secretary-General accompanied by six advisers left Calcutta on Monday.

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They included a counsellor from the British Charge d'Affaires' office and the Indian, Swedish, Polish, Czech and Russian Ambassadors.

M. Hammarskjöld's party included Prof. Humphrey Waldock,

of the Oxford University, Prof. Ahmed Shah Bokhari, U.N. Under-Secretary and former Pakistan delegate, Mr. William Rapallo, M. Hammarskjöld's American personal Assistant, Miss Wase Im, his Norwegian Secretary, M. Gustav Nystrom, an interpreter, and Mr. Per Lind.

Mr. Lind, a member of the Secretary-General's executive office plans to keep U.N. Headquarters and the Western world informed by cable of the progress of talks between M. Hammarskjöld and

Mr. Chou En-lai, the Chinese Premier.

M. Hammarskjöld is expected to spend about five days in Peking.

M. Hammarskjöld was accompanied at the interview by Prof. Waldock, Mr. Ahmed Shah Bokhari, and Mr. Lind.

Mr. Chou, who is also Foreign Minister had with him Mr. Chang Han-fu, Vice-Foreign Minister, Mr. Chiao Kuan-chien Director of the Department of International Organisations and Conferences and Mr. Wang Chou, Chief of Protocol.

It had earlier been expected that the visitors would reach Peking today.

Mr. Lind cabled news of their safe arrival at Hankow to United Nations Headquarters in New York.

(An earlier cable to U.N.O., reporting their arrival in Canton, South China, after the long hop from India, said: "All is well.")

M. Hammarskjöld on his way to China obtained the views of statesmen in London, Paris and New Delhi.

Mr. Chou En-lai while agreeing to meet him had informed the United Nations that it had no right to interfere in the case of the airmen.

M. Hammarskjöld has been authorised to seek the airmen's release and that of the Korean war prisoners held by China.—Reuter.

Will Meet Again Today

Hammar skjold, Chou Discuss Flyers 3 Hours

By Ralph Chapman

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Secretary-General Dag Hammar skjold met with Chinese Communist Premier Chou En-lai in Peking for three-and-a-half hours today to discuss the case of eleven United States Air Force men imprisoned by Red China on espionage charges.

Word of the meeting came in a cable signed by Mr. Hammar skjold. The tenor of the talk was not disclosed. It was apparent that there had been agreement on how much of what went on in the private meeting would be made public.

Another meeting between Mr.

Hammar skjold and Mr. Chou is scheduled for 3 p. m. tomorrow, Peking time (2 a. m. Friday, New York time).

Mr. Hammar skjold is seeking the release of the American flyers and "all other captured personnel of the United Nations Command still detained" since the signing of the Korean armistice July 26, 1953. His cable to U. N. Headquarters said nothing as to whether any agreement had been reached or, indeed, whether the discussion had been general or specific.

The first formal discussion continued from 3 p. m. to 6:30 p. m. today, Peking time.

According to his message, received here at 9:56 this morning—Continued on page 20, column 6

Reaction to Messa

Eisenhower I On Farm, Tax

By James E. Warner

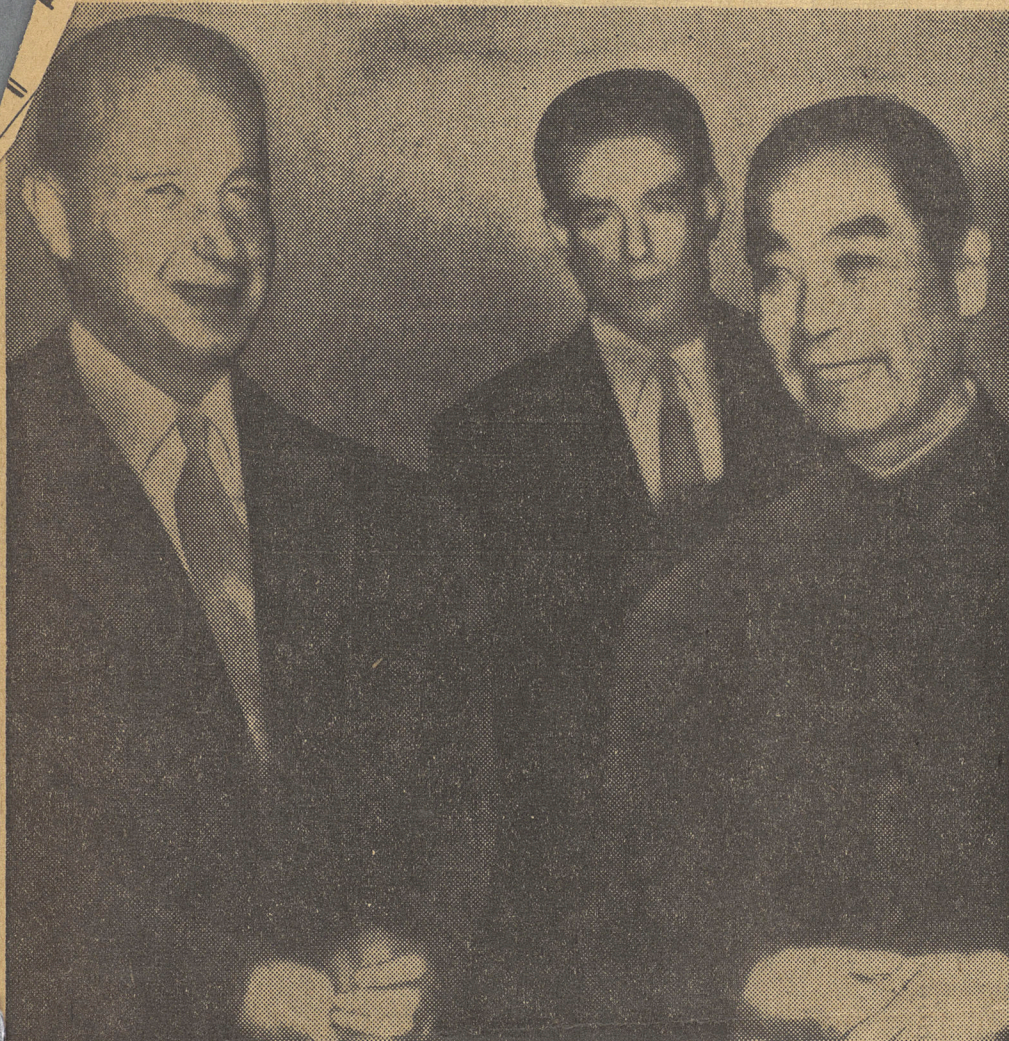
WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—While President Eisenhower's message to the new Democratic-controlled Congress was greeted cordially today, it became apparent immediately that some of his proposals will meet stiff opposition, despite pledges of bipartisan cooperation.

The farm bloc announced plans to renew its fight for restoration of rigid price supports, despite the President's strong plea for retention of flexible supports which his followers battled through the last session.

Cutbacks in the military establishment, for which the President has assumed personal responsibility, face keen scrutiny by cognizant committees, headed by Democrats traditionally friendly to large military forces.

Public power advocates said the message was disappointing to them, with the old campaign issue of the Dixon-Yates contract still lurking in the background.

Maintenance of present tax rates, plus a reduction in tariffs,



Herald Tribune—United Press radiophoto

Secretary-General Dag Hammar skjold (left) in Peking with Premier Chou En-lai. In center is William Ranallo, the U. N. executive's personal aid.

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U. N. Chief

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ing, the Secretary-General was accompanied by Ahmed S. Bokhari, of Pakistan, Under Secretary-General in charge of the U. N. department of public information; Humphrey Waldock, professor of international law at Oxford University, England; Per Lind, a member of Mr. Hammarskjold's executive staff, and Gustav Nystrom, a Lutheran missionary who is serving as interpreter for the U. N. party.

"On the Chinese side," the cable said, "others (besides Mr. Chou) present were Chang Han-fu, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs; Chiao Kuan-hua, Assistant Minister; Tung Yuen-chien, director of the Department of International Organizations and Conferences, and Prof. Chou Keng-shen, adviser to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs."

There was no indication as to who would attend the meeting tomorrow. A second cable received here today and signed by Mr. Lind made it evident that the Chinese are going out of their way to make things pleasant for the U. N. party. The group was taken for a tour of the Forbidden City, the oldest part of Peking. Directed by an official with the title of Chief of Art Collections, they visited "palaces and exhibitions."

Last night Mr. Hammarskjold was the guest of Mr. Chou at a private dinner. The only other person present was Mr. Chang. Today's cables had nothing to say concerning the subject of conversation among the three.

The Secretary-General and part of the group who traveled to Peking with him are staying at the Swedish Embassy. Others in the party are quartered in

the Peking Hotel, best hostelry in the city.

How long Mr. Hammarskjold will remain in Peking is still not certain. He said before he left here Dec. 30 that he wanted to be back by the middle of this month to sit with the U. N. advisory committee that has been set up to make plans for a scientific conference on the peaceful uses of atomic energy. The ninth regular session of the General Assembly, recently concluded, adopted unanimously a resolution that such a conference should be convened no later than August.

The same session of the Assembly asked the Secretary-General to seek the release of the American airmen and other U. N. personnel still unrepatriated since the cessation of fighting in Korea. With the five-nation Soviet bloc dissenting, the Assembly requested him to make "continuing and unremitting efforts to this end."

The resolution, which did not suggest the direction such efforts might take, had the approval of forty-seven U. N. members.

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Chou Is Host to Him

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Hammar skjold in Peking, To Take Up Flyers Today

By The Associated Press

TOKYO, Thursday, Jan. 6.—

United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammar skjold reached Peking yesterday on his mission to seek freedom for eleven American airmen, and later met Premier Chou En-lai in what the Peking radio described as "a friendly atmosphere."

[U. N. headquarters in New York announced that Mr. Hammar skjold and Premier Chou will have their first formal dis-

cussion Thursday morning, New York time.]

Mr. Chou did not turn out to meet Mr. Hammar skjold at the airport, however, as is the case when Communist China gives a distinguished visitor a rousing reception. Nor did the Red broadcast mention the reason for the United Nations official's visit.

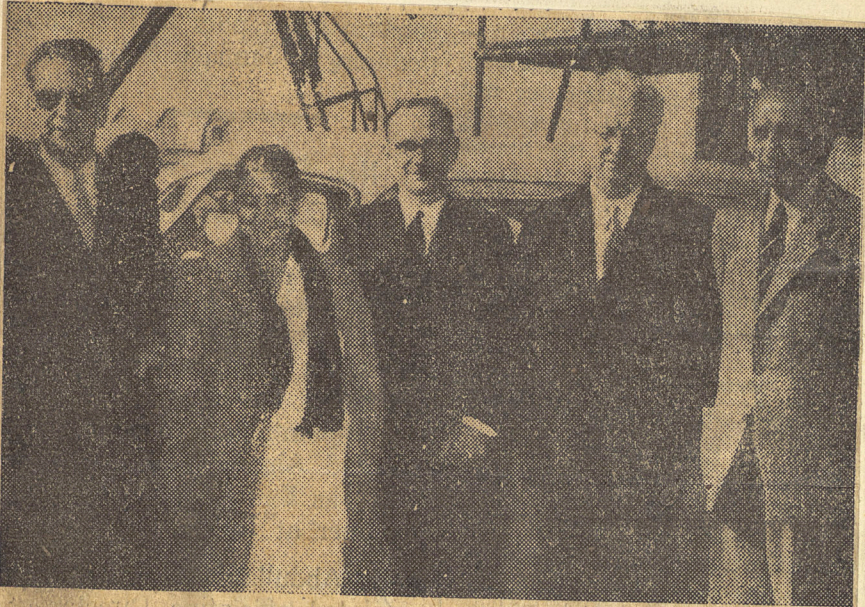
Mr. Hammar skjold and his party landed at 1:55 p. m., Peking time, and Mr. Chou did not welcome him until 4:30 p. m., when he gave a cocktail party.

Mr. Chou invited to the party the diplomatic representatives of the various Iron Curtain embassies and those from Finland, Denmark, Switzerland, Great Britain, the Netherlands, Norway, Pakistan, India and Burma.

"The cocktail party proceeded in a friendly atmosphere," the Peking radio said.

Mr. Chou then was host at a more intimate dinner at 8 p. m. The Red radio mentioned only three as attending—Mr. Hammar skjold, Mr. Chou and Chang Han-fu, Deputy Foreign Minister.

CIVIL & MILITARY GAZETTE



THE UN Secretary-General Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, stopped at Karachi on his way to Peking. The Secretary-General is seen standing (extreme left) with Prof. Ahmed S. Bokhari (extreme right).

Chou entertains Hammarskjöld

UNITED NATIONS (New York), Jan. 5—Dag Hammarskjöld, the United Nations Secretary-General will begin his negotiations with the Chinese Premier Chou En-lai on Thursday afternoon, Peking time. This was learnt here tonight by a cable received from Mr. Hammarskjöld, now in the Chinese capital.

An earlier message from Paris said that the United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld, to-day was the guest of the Chinese Communist Premier Chou En-lai at a cocktail party held in a "friendly atmosphere", the "New China" news agency reported.

The agency said that the cocktail party in honour of Mr. Hammarskjöld, who arrived in Peking earlier to-day to seek the release of United Nations personnel, including American airmen, imprisoned by the Chinese, was attended by the Ambassadors to China of India, Sweden, Poland, Rumania, Mongolia, North Korea, the Soviet Union, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Albania and Hungary, the Ministers of Finland, Denmark and Switzerland, the Charges d'Affaires of Britain and Holland, the interim Charges d'Affaires of Norway, Pakistan, Burma and the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (North) and the First Secretary of the Indonesian Embassy.

Chinese Government officials and representatives of various organisations also attended, the

agency said.

Dag Hammarskjöld was later the guest of Chou En-lai at dinner, the agency added.

The U.N. Secretary-General and his party were officially received by Mr. Chou shortly after their arrival.

Mr. Hammarskjöld was accompanied, at the interview with Mr. Chou, Professor Waldock of Oxford University, his adviser on international law, Mr. Ahmed S. Bokhari, Pakistani Under-Secretary of the United Nations, and Mr. Lind, the Secretary-General's executive assistant.

Mr. Chou, who is also Foreign Minister, had with him Mr. Chang Han-Fu Vice-Foreign Minister, Mr. Chiao Kuan Chien, Director of the Department of International Organisations and Conferences and Mr. Wang Chou, Chief of Protocol.

The "New China" news agency said that Mr. Hammarskjöld was met at Peking airport by Chang Han Fu, the Vice-Foreign Minister of the Chinese People's Republic, Tung Yueh Chien, Director of the Department of International Organisations and Conferences and Wang Cho Ju, Chief of Protocol of the Foreign Ministry.—A.F.P.

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FORMAL PARLEYS ON U. N. PRISONERS BEGUN IN PEIPING

Hammarskjold and Premier Chou Confer for 3 1/2 Hours —Seven Aides Attend

DETAILS ARE WITHHELD

Reds, in Reversal, Give Three Foreign Correspondents Visas to Enter China

By HENRY R. LIEBERMAN

Special to The New York Times.

HONG KONG, Jan. 6—Dag Hammarskjold, United Nations Secretary General, conferred today in Peiping with Chou En-lai, Chinese Communist Premier.

The meeting, which lasted three and a half hours, was the first formal business conference held by the two since Mr. Hammarskjold arrived in Peiping yesterday to seek release of United Nations prisoners of the Korean war. Among the prisoners are eleven United States fliers imprisoned by Red China on spy charges last Nov. 23.

Mr. Hammarskjold paid a preliminary call on Mr. Chou yesterday, two and a half hours after landing in Peiping by plane from Hankow. The two also dined together last night after a cocktail party given by Premier Chou in honor of the visiting United Nations group.

The Hsinhua (New China) News Agency, which reported that today's meeting had taken place, gave no details of what had been discussed. The text of its announcement read:

"Chou En-lai, Premier of the State Council and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China, had a meeting with Dag Hammarskjold, Secretary General of the United Nations, from 3 to 6:30 this afternoon.

Chou Has Four Aides

"Present at the meeting were Chang Han-fu, Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs; Chiao Kuan-hua, Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs; Prof. Chou Keng-shen, adviser to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Tung Yueh-chien, director of the Department of International Organizations and Conferences of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

"Also present were Ahmed S. Bokhari, Under Secretary of the United Nations; Per Lind of the executive office of the United Nations Secretary General, and Humphrey Waldo, Professor of International Law."

Earlier Chinese communiqués on Mr. Hammarskjold's visit have been equally terse. Since Mr. Hammarskjold landed on Chinese soil at Canton Tuesday neither the Peiping radio nor the Hsinhua News Agency has mentioned the purpose of his visit.

However, in what appeared to be a modification, if not a reversal, of an earlier decision, the Foreign Ministry in Peiping suddenly granted visas that permitted three foreign correspondents from Hong Kong to enter China today. The correspondents are Russell Spurr of The London Daily Express, Francis Lara of Agence France Presse and William Stevenson of The Toronto Star.

The three, who had applied for visas to report on the Hammarskjold visit, received telegrams early this week stating that the

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FORMAL PARLEYS ON CAPTIVES OPEN

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Peiping Government was not prepared to receive correspondents for this occasion.

But they were told their visa applications "may be considered" for "general reporting" if they wanted to come to China.

Later the correspondents got another series of telegrams informing them they could enter China before Jan. 10 and pick up their visas in Canton. They left by train for Canton this morning and were planning to fly from that South China city to Peiping in the north.

Mr. Hammarskjold is expected to leave Peiping this week-end or early next week. It is believed here he will pass through Hong Kong on his way back to the United States.

Next Meeting Scheduled

Special to The New York Times.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Jan.

6—The next meeting between Mr. Hammarskjold and Premier Chou is scheduled for 3 P. M. tomorrow, Peiping time (2 A. M., Eastern standard time), it was announced here today.

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"MR. STANLEY, I PRESUME?"



The U.N. Secretary-General reaches China.

Dag presents UN demand FORMAL TALKS WITH CHOU

TOKYO, Jan. 6: Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld laid before Communist China's Premier Chou En-lai today the UN Allies' demand for the release of 11 American and other Korean war prisoners.

The first negotiating session of the UN Secretary-General's unprecedented mission to Peking was held this afternoon, Radio Peking announced in a brief report monitored here by United Press.

A Peking report later said that the meeting took place at 3 p.m. (07.00 GMT) but gave no details on how long it lasted, where the session was held or what was discussed.

The official voice of Communist China adhered rigidly to its recent policy of making no mention of the reason for Mr. Hammarskjöld's trip to China or of the UN resolution demanding the prisoners' freedom.

The British-accented woman announcer repeated for at least the third time the Government information agency's report of a cocktail party given by Premier Chou in honour of the Hammarskjöld party after their arrival in Peking on Wednesday.

Mr. Hammarskjöld was accompanied by his Political Adviser, Prof. Ahmed S. Bokhari of Pakistan, his Legal Adviser, Mr. Humphrey Waldock of England and Per Lind of Sweden, his interpreter.

With Chou were Vice-Foreign Minister, Chang Han-fu, Assistant to the Foreign Minister, Chiao Kuan Nua, Adviser of the Foreign Minister, Chou Heng-sheng, Director of Foreign Ministry's Department of International Organization and Conference, Tung Yueh Chiem.

Dag Confers With Chou

HONG KONG, Jan. 6 (Reuters)—Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, United Nations Secretary-General conferred today with the Chinese Prime Minister Mr. Chou En-lai in Peking, Radio Peking reported.

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Mr. Hammarskjöld was accompanied at today's meeting by Professor Humphrey Waldock of Oxford University, his Adviser on International Law, Mr. Ahmed S. Bokhari, Pakistani Under-Secretary of the United Nations and Mr. Per Lind, his executive assistant.

With Mr. Chou who is also Foreign Minister were Mr. Chang Han Fu, his Vice-Foreign Minister Mr. Chiao Kuan Chia, Director of the Department of International Organisations and Conferences and Foreign Ministry Advisers.

He also planned to raise with Mr. Chou the General Assembly's demand for the release of other prisoners of the Korean war. These are believed to include 45 Britons, 43 Australians, 15 South Africans, more than 500 Africans, 2,100 South Koreans and a number of Turks.

Peking radio made no mention of the subjects discussed at today's meeting.

Dag Demands Release Of US Airmen

FORMAL TALKS OPEN IN PEKING

TOKYO, Jan. 6:

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Mr. Hammarskjöld plans to limit his mission to Communist China to one week, it was revealed. The Pan American Airlines said that Mr. Hammarskjöld has made reservations to leave Hong Kong for Tokyo next Thursday (Jan. 13) for himself and five aides.—Reuter/UPA.

CIVIL & MILITARY GAZETTE

HAMMARSKJOELD HAS FIRST WORKING SESSION WITH CHOU

UNITED NATIONS, (New York), Jan. 6: United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld cabled his headquarters here to-day that he held his first working session with the Communist Chinese Premier Chou En-lai at Peking this afternoon.

Mr. Hammarskjöld who is seeking the release of the 11 American airmen imprisoned in Communist China on charges of espionage, said the meeting lasted three and a half hours.

The Secretary-General's cable said that those attending today's meeting

on the Chinese side included Deputy Foreign Minister Chang Hang Fu and Tung Yueh Chien Director of the International Organisations and Conferences Department.

At Hammarskjöld's side were his legal adviser Humphrey Waldock Professor of International Law at Oxford University Ahmed Shah Bokhari Under-Secretary of the United Nations and the Secretary-General's Assistant and interpreter Nystrom.

The Secretary-General is scheduled to hold a second working session with Mr. Chou En-lai tomorrow afternoon (Peking time) added the cable.

Last night Mr. Hammarskjöld had dinner in private with the Communist Chinese Premier and Chang Hang Fu Deputy Foreign Minister.

DAWN

Dag meets Chou again

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DAG AGAIN MEETS CHOU EN-LAI

American airmen issue

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