

# Monday April 17, 1950



[Sun Rise](#) 0555 1906  
[Moon Rise](#) 0540 1907  
[Moon Phase](#) New Moon 12:26 A.M.

## Weather

### [Korean Climate](#)

Mean Temp 10.8°C 51.44°F at Taegu

Heavy Overcast

### [1950 Pacific Typhoon Season](#)

### [Korea Temps - 1950-1953 - Station 143 \(Daegu\)](#)

## Overview

April 17, 1950 (Monday)

- A California man placed a time bomb into the luggage of a United Airlines flight departing from Los Angeles to San Diego with 16 people on board, including the man's wife and two children. John Henry Grant, an aeronautical engineer, had instructed his wife to take out flight insurance, then placed a five-gallon gasoline bomb into her luggage. A baggage handler set off the bomb prematurely when he dropped the suitcase on loading it, but was not seriously injured. At the same time, Grant had a change of heart and told airport officials not to let the Douglas DC-3 airplane take off. Grant would be convicted of attempted murder in August. "Bomb Plotter Found Guilty"
- The "First National Congress of the Khmer Resistance" met at the Cambodian city of Kompong Som, with 200 delegates, over half of whom were Buddhist monks, and advisers from the Communist Viet Minh movement from neighboring Vietnam. After three days, the delegates formed the United Issarak Front to fight the French colonial government. Exactly 25 years later, on April 17, 1975, the Communist Khmer Rouge would succeed in taking complete control of Cambodia.

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Maj Gen O.P. Smith



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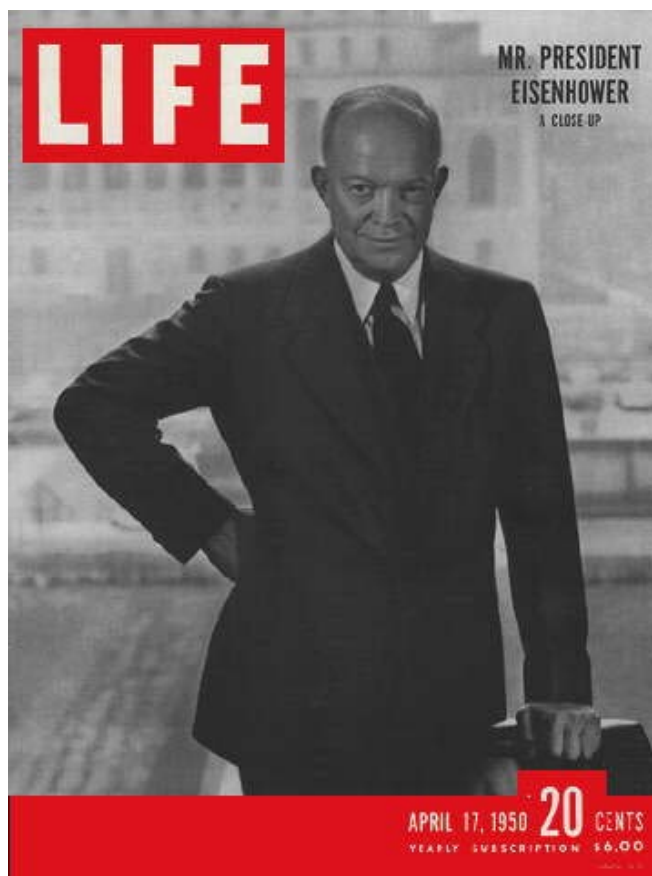
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NAACP community organizer, regarding the creation of another all black unit in the reserves. He said that the choice of integrated or segregated units must be made by the local community "in accord with its cultural values."

When the NAACP objected to the creation of another all-black reserve unit in New York City as being contrary to Defense Department policy, the Marine Corps justified it on the grounds that the choice of integrated or segregated units must be made by the local community "in accord with its cultural values." [18-8]

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