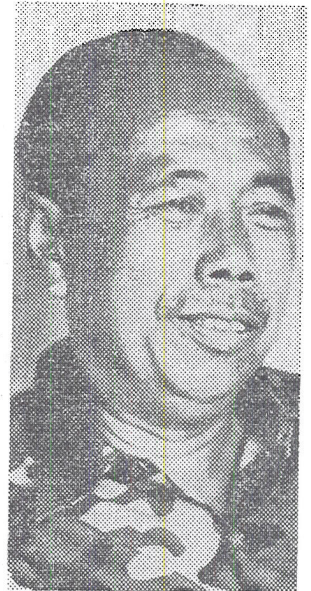


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Cambodian Premier Sees No Early Talks to End War

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Premier In Tam

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia, June 13—Premier In Tam said today that he still saw no immediate possibility of negotiating the end of the war in Cambodia and virtually ruled out talks between the Government and the deposed Chief of State, Prince Norodom Sihanouk.

In an interview, Mr. In Tam added that he hoped American air and other military support of Cambodia would not be cut off, but if it should be, he said, "it will not necessarily mean we have lost the war."

Speaking before the Paris announcement of an agreement between Henry A. Kissinger and Le Duc Tho of North Vietnam to repair the Vietnam cease-fire, Premier In Tam acknowledged that the military situation was serious west of Phnom Penh on Route 4, where the Communists opened an offensive last week.

'Good Opportunity' Seen

"But the situation elsewhere is calm," he said, and the Communists have had to concentrate all their resources on the Route 4 operation. This gives us a good opportunity to destroy their whole military potential."

Prince Sihanouk, who retains the diplomatic support of China and North Vietnam, insists that he will negotiate only with the Americans and not with the Government headed by President Lon Nol. He said recently that he not only would not negotiate or collaborate with the Government but that he would hang its leaders if they fell into his hands.

In comment on Prince Sihanouk's position, Mr. Tam said: "I have known him for 30 years and he changes his mind quickly. What he says today could be completely reversed in one month."

"As for our attitude toward him," the Premier continued, "we have already considered his to be a special case. He was deposed by the people, by both houses of Parliament, and there is a judgment against him." The Prince was sentenced to death in absentia after his ouster in 1970.

'We Would Fight On'

"Regarding him personally," Mr. In Tam said, "there are no means of entering into conversations with him."

Asked about current moves in the United States Congress to cut off air support of Cambodia, he said:

"United States aid is very precious to us, and I hope the

American people will continue to support us. But if American air support should end we would fight on."

Mr. In Tam was designated as Premier by President Lon Nol in April in response to increasing American pressure to broaden the base of his Government. Mr. In Tam is also a member of the new governing High Political Council, of which Sisowath Sirik Matak and Cheng Heng are also members, with Marshal Lon Nol as council president.

In the election last year Mr. In Tam was the main opponent of Marshal Lon Nol, and he had strong misgivings about participating in the Government on the ground that he might not have real authority.

Asked how effective he now feels his role to be after nearly two months in office, he replied: "This is a presidential regime and in principle all power resides in the President. But I benefit from his confidence and he has given me a lot of authority."

Changes in the Army

Just before the Premier took office he said he considered the army his most important task.

Today, asked how work was going on reorganizing it, eliminating ghost payrolls and other corruption and instilling a more cohesive fighting spirit, Mr. In Tam said: "I am not really in the swim of that yet, but I learned at a briefing last Friday that the reorganization planning in the army is nearly complete and the plans are nearly ready to put into application."

He said one of his greatest problems was coping with the flood of refugees that the fighting along Route 4 has produced in the last week. There are now about 30,000 refugees on Route 4, some of them on this side of Ang Snuol [16 miles west of the capital] and others at Kampong Speu on the other side," he said. "We have to keep them supplied with food and some kind of shelter since their villages were burned."

Discussing the Watergate case, the Premier said: "That is an American domestic problem causing President Nixon some worries. I suppose it could be a new factor in the making of American policies toward Cambodia, but I believe President Nixon will show proof of his good faith and that this episode eventually will be eclipsed and will even enhance his grandeur."

Judge Here Orders Trial On U.S. Role in Cambodia

A federal judge ordered yesterday that a suit by Representative Elizabeth Holtzman to halt American combat operations in Cambodia go to trial here on June 29.

Judge Orrin G. Judd rejected the Government's motion to dismiss the Brooklyn Democrat's suit on the ground that she lacked standing, that the court lacked jurisdiction and that her complaint involved political questions.

"This is one of the first suits brought after the withdrawal of American troops from Vietnam and the return of prisoners of war," Judge Judd said in his decision in the Federal District Court in Brooklyn. "Reluctance to jeopardize the safety of American soliders or prisoners is no longer a barrier to judicial determination of the constitutionality of a phase of war activity."

"The delicate balance in the relationship between the Congress and the President concerning the power to wage war is a controversy arising under the Constitution and therefore within the jurisdiction of this court."