June 29, 1950—Thursday

Subject: P.M. Press Conference

A transcript of the President's press conference is filed with other press conferences.

The press conference was interesting, naturally, because there were many Korean questions. One question which had later significance ran as follows: "Mr. President, would it be correct, against your explanation, to call this a police action under the United Nations?"

The President replied: "Yes. That is exactly what it amounts to."

The President also said "We are not at war."

The President called the North Koreans "a bunch of bandits."

Source: White House files.