

## Russian Pilot, Who Deserted To Americans Last October, Repents, Returns To Red Zone

VIENNA, Austria, Sept. 1. — (AP) — Soviet pilot Anatole Barsov voluntarily returned Wednesday to the red army from which he fled as a political refugee last October.

In a brief ceremony at the zonal demarcation line, American authorities handed him over to a group of Russian officers.

The transfer was made on the bridge linking Linz in the U. S. zone with Urfahr in the Russian zone. The transfer took place only a few miles from the American airbase where Barsov and two other Russian airmen crashed in a twin-engined bomber last Oct. 9.

Before formally turning Barsov over to the Russians, the Americans gave him a final chance to change his mind. The Russian flier stuck to the decision he had made July 28 when he told the Soviet embassy in Washington he "repented" his desertion and wanted to go back to Russia.

Barsov was flown here from the U. S. on Aug. 24. Wednesday American army authorities received instructions from the state department to return Barsov to the proper Russian authorities.

Barsov and his navigation pilot Pirogov flew their bomber from an airbase in the western Ukraine after what they said was more than a year of planning. They were accompanied by a Russian sergeant who was handed back

to Soviet authorities at his own request.

In a news conference at Linz after the plane crashed here Barsov said he was opposed to the communist ideology although he had been a candidate for party membership. He said all Russian officers must apply for membership or face serious investigation.

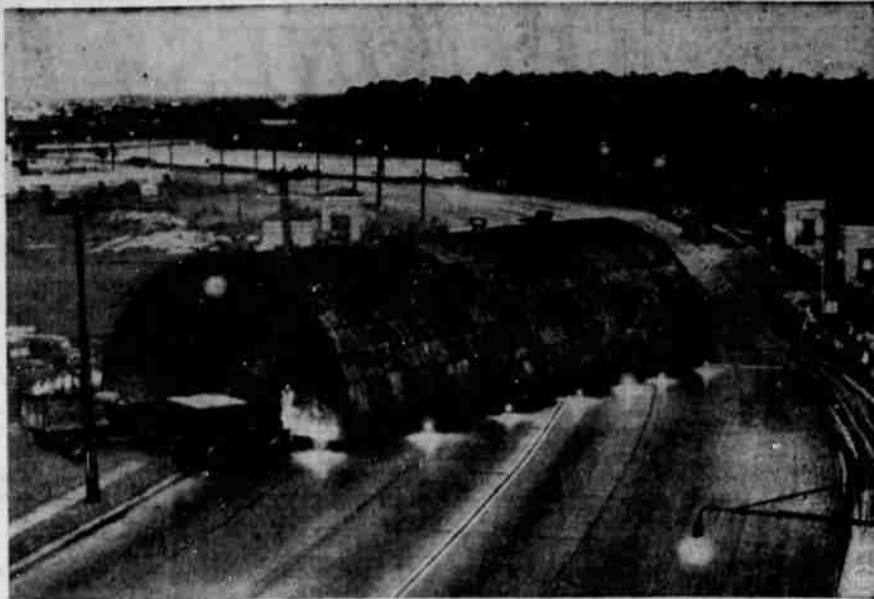
**America Too Hasty**  
One army spokesman said Wednesday the state department acted with more haste than judgment in authorizing Barsov's release.

"There are at least three Americans missing in the Russian zone of Austria and at least two Americans missing in the Russian zone of Germany," he said.

"We did not even try to bargain Barsov's return for the return of our own people," he said.

American circles in Vienna speculated on Barsov's probable fate.

It was noted that Russia's latest note to Yugoslavia contained a bitter denunciation of deserters. American sources said they ex-



**QUONSET HUT HITS THE ROAD**—The owners of this 100-foot-long quonset hut, used as an auto body shop, needed it moved across the Cooper River at Camden, N. J. So they jacked it up on rollers and took it down the highway and ferried it across the stream. A dozen men completed the 300-yard road trip in less than an hour.

pected Barsov to be used for propaganda attacks against the United States for a few weeks and then to drop from sight.

Yesterday, in Washington, the Soviet embassy formally complained over the "sudden disappearance" of Barsov. The embassy said he had "repented" fleeing Russia and had arranged to re-

turn a month ago before dropping from sight.

The state department cleared up the mystery later in the day. It said Barsov was taken into custody by immigration officials when he was found visiting the Soviet embassy Aug. 17. That was the day the embassy said it was

completing final preparations for his return to Russia.

Barsov's visit to the Russian embassy apparently raised doubts in the minds of officials that he was really a refugee. So he was taken into custody "for security reasons," Barsov at that time said he wanted to return to his home-

## Two Cases Are Dismissed, Two Judgments Given

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly has issued orders dismissing as settled the suit of State Unemployment Compensation commission vs. J. M. Bevans, and the suit of Earl W. Duncan vs. Harry C. Duncan.

Judgment favoring the plaintiff, State Industrial Accident commission, has been granted by default against Orville Smith, one of the defendants, doing business as Roseburg Sanitary Market, in the sum of \$708.55, plus interest and costs, and a lien against the business had been granted the plaintiff in lieu of payment of the judgment. The other named defendant, Leola Smith Stock, associated in the business, has been granted 90 days in which to appear and plead to the complaint.

Andrews Machinery, plaintiff, has been granted judgment to recover a used M-80 Worthington compressor, attorney fees and costs in a suit brought against Judd Creek Lumber Co.; Hugh H. Earle, collector of internal revenue; Walter Shanks, chief field deputy collector; Earl M. Gray, deputy collector of internal revenue, Medford district, and John Doe Bond.

## Fishing Boat Explodes Off Alaska; 2 Men Saved

KETCHIKAN, Alaska, Sept. 1. — (AP) — The fishing vessel, El Paso, exploded and burned nearby to the water early Wednesday morning about 60 miles west of Ketchikan, coast guard headquarters reported.

Two crewmen from the 40-foot troller were rescued from icy Alaskan waters shortly after the accident by another boat, the Santa Ana.

They were identified as Lee Moore and Ted Foster, (home towns unavailable). They said they were the only ones aboard.

Coast guard officials said that the badly damaged El Paso was taken in tow.

The explosion occurred within view of workers of the Waterfall cannery, owned by the Nokat Packing Co., on Prince of Wales island.

## VIEW WRECKS

CLAYTON, N. M. — (AP) — Instead of a speeding ticket, Police Chief Emmet Coble took a careful of hurrying tourists to see some smashed up cars.

"We have a nice city," the chief said, "and like to have motorists drive slow enough to see it. We also have some nice eating places." Then he released the visitors.

They ate in Clayton, too!

land and had a Russian passport to do so.

NEW YORK, Sept. 1. — (AP) — Soviet Lt. Piotr Pirogov said today that the Soviet embassy in Washington tried both threats and bribe offers to persuade him to return to Russia with Anatole Barsov.

Pirogov and Barsov were the two Russian fliers who deserted the Soviet air force last Oct. 9 in the U. S. zone of Austria.

Barsov was returned to the Soviets in Austria at his own request today.

Pirogov is living in the New York area, writing a book about his experiences.

Pirogov said Barsov attempted to persuade him not to write a book, indicating the Soviet embassy was prepared to reimburse him for the advance he got on the book if he promised not to write it.

Pirogov made his statements at a news conference in the offices of his publishers.

## Aged Woman Swindled In "Lost Purse" Bunco

SPOKANE, Sept. 1. — (AP) — An 80-year-old woman was swindled out of \$2500 in savings by two women using the "lost purse" bunco trick, Detective Robert Piper said Wednesday.

Piper said Mrs. Ethel E. Smith told him two women she thought were Negroes got the money.

One of them stopped Mrs. Smith on the street and started talking to her, Piper said. Then the other appeared and said she had found a purse containing \$3100. She said she would ask her boss what to do about it.

The woman returned in a few

moments and said her boss had told her that the three women should split the money. However, each should produce an equal amount to show good faith, the woman said.

Mrs. Smith went to the post office and withdrew \$2500. She gave it to one of the women and they agreed to meet later to split the \$5100.

Mrs. Smith was the only one of the three who showed up for the appointment.

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