

# OREGON MAN, WIFE MURDERED BY HUKS

## Dairy Farm Manager Also Shot To Death

### Ambassador At Manila Warns Americans To Take Safety Precautions

MANILA — (AP) — U.S. Ambassador Myron M. Cowen warns Americans in remote areas to take precautions for their safety. His warning followed his investigation of the executions — one of them from Oregon — and an Australian by Communist-led Hukbalahaps 15 miles east of Manila. An eyewitness told Cowen the three were bound and shot to death after 50 Hukbalahaps looted their dairy farm.

Army patrols directed by Defense Secretary Magsaysay clashed today with 50 Huks, reported to be the raiding band. The Huks escaped.

The slain Americans were John Hardie, a native of Condon, Ore.; his wife Irene Wilkins Hardie, reported a native of Hilmar, Calif., and Australian Donald Capuano, their farm manager.

Paul Day, a mechanic at the dairy, said 50 Huks looted the place, then left a 10-man execution squad which tied their victims' hands, marched them into the yard and shot them down with automatic weapons.

Day said he and 35 Filipino employees were kept under guard while the Huks looted the place, then killed the three.

Cowen expressed concern over the killings. He visited the scene and calmed the fears of some Americans who had expressed doubt the Filipino army could protect them.

Three members of a U. S. topographical survey team were slain in southern Quezon province Oct. 28.

Retaliations Theorized  
Many Americans here contend the slaying were Huk retaliations against U. S. arms aid to the Philippines army.

President Quirino, told Magsaysay to take personal command of the search for the slayers.

Hardie was a former U. S. air force captain. He came here after the Philippines liberation near the (Continued on Page 2)

## Millionaire Field Freed Of Congress Contempt Charge

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Frederick Vanderbilt Field, New York millionaire, was freed today of contempt of Congress charges.

Federal Judge T. Alan Goldsborough, who presided at Field's trial without a jury, granted a defense motion for acquittal.

The judge held Field was within his constitutional rights in refusing to answer questions of a senate foreign relations subcommittee on grounds his answers might incriminate him.

Field was charged with contemptuously refusing to answer 32 questions during an investigation of charges by Senator McCarthy (R-Wis.) what Communists had infiltrated the State department.

Field, great grandson of Cornelius Vanderbilt, was linked with communism in testimony from Louis Budenz, a former Communist.

Judge Goldsborough commented: "The court is of the opinion that if the defendant (Field) had answered all these 32 questions in the affirmative—in a certain way—it would have taken very little more evidence to put him in the penitentiary."

The judge said the privilege against possible self-incrimination, guaranteed by the constitution "has to be treated in a practical manner, the way the supreme court has always treated it."

The provision declares that no person shall be compelled in a criminal case to be a witness against himself.

## Loggers, Lumbermen To Hear Price Speaker

Price ceilings, priorities and other regulations applying to the lumber industry will be discussed at a loggers and lumbermen's meeting at the Hotel Umpqua starting at 6:30 tonight.

The dinner meeting, sponsored by the Western Forest Industries association, will also consider the advisability of holding regular monthly meetings. Highlight of the gathering will be a talk by guest speaker Al Henderson of the Office of Price Stabilization.

## OREGON HAS 604 DPs

SALEM — (AP) — Oregon has admitted 604 displaced persons from overseas. F. L. Ballard, chairman of the state committee for displaced persons, reported to Governor McKay.

The total number admitted to the United States is 223,000.

## Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein  
Paging the "Voice of America": Broadcast to the world that the United States, now more than ever, affords an unequalled opportunity to get rich by any old type of crime; also for business skulduggery with a starting loan from RFC.

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## WHO DOES WHAT By Paul Jenkins



**HUMOR AND GLOOM**—Yes, you're right, the man is telling a funny story; and yes, you're correct again—he is a traveling salesman; nope, you're wrong—it wasn't that story. The gentleman alluded to, standing at the right in the picture above, is C. J. Holway, Centralia Glove company representative, who has been making this territory for 25 years. His one-man audience is Norman Wicks, salesman in the men's work clothing department at J. C. Penney's. After the funny story mentioned had been digested, the subjects of glove costs and price stabilization were brought up and there wasn't a smile in the house.

## Congress Draws Rap Labor Leaders Denounce Defense Production Act As Betrayal Of People

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The heads of the AFL and the CIO each asserted today that Congress is to blame for the mobilization squabble because it enacted a weak defense production act.

AFL President William Green, addressing a conference of CIO, AFL, machinists and rail union officials at a precedent-making nationwide rally, said Congress had "failed the people."

In adopting the defense production act last year, Green said in a prepared speech, "Congress went out of its way to lend the law with special privilege for business interests. Under that law, which expires on June 30, it is virtually impossible to stabilize the cost of living."

"In deference to the real estate lobby, Congress acted to decontrol rents. In obedience to the financial interests of the nation, it adopted tax laws that soak the poor and spare the rich."

"Second, the administration became intimidated by the reactionary coalition that rules the roost in Congress. Apparently, it decided to appease Congress in order to get some cooperation from Congress."

"This policy of appeasement... resulted in the appointment of big business executives to almost every significant position in defense agencies."

All Labor Plans Rejected  
"The results speak for themselves. Not a single recommendation by labor representatives in the defense program was adopted. Our views were either ignored, or the exact opposite of our proposals was put into effect."

"We decided, therefore, to take a dramatic step. We voted unanimously for the withdrawal of labor representatives from any defense agencies in which they were serving. We felt that this was the only way we could effectively impress upon the American people (Continued on Page 2)

## Costello Still Defiant Refuses To Tell Probers His Net Worth, Says He's Now Promoting Broilers

NEW YORK — (AP) — Underworld boss Frank Costello today defied senate crime investigators for the fourth time in their efforts to find out his net worth. He said he wouldn't answer the question.

With the same sullen stubbornness he has displayed when the matter came up previously, Costello said the committee was asking for information it had no right to.

"I refused before," Costello said. "I'm not going to answer that question."

The gambler, labeled by the committee as head of a national crime syndicate, pictured himself to the committee as one now engaged in purely legitimate business.

Costello had disclosed he has around \$150,000 in cash in his home safe and in two bank accounts, but beyond that, he contended his holdings are his own affair.

"Do you have a safe deposit box anywhere else other than in your home?" asked committee counsel Rudolph Halley.

Costello stared at the ceiling momentarily, then he said in his hoarse, thin voice: "No."

Costello's attorney, George Wolf, has contended that his client is constitutionally entitled to withhold data about his wealth. The committee has asked for a legal brief on this claim.

It says the brief will figure in its recommendation to the Senate to cite the witness for contempt of Congress.

Sen. Charles Tobey said Costello's refusal to answer "makes us suspicious and I don't want to be suspicious."

## Strike Wave Rolls Over France Entire Nation Facing Threat Of Hardships

PARIS — (AP) — A mounting strike wave rolled through France today, threatening to affect almost everyone in the nation. A near-generally without appeared the most alarming immediate possibility.

Premier Queuille warned that the strikes, all pressing wage increase demands, "may develop into a veritable attempt on the life of the country."

Most of the stoppages were aimed directly at the government, by far France's biggest employer. Unions of all political alignments were taking part, reflecting widespread discontent with rapidly rising prices and the cabinet's hesitancy to raise wages.

The Communist-controlled general federation of labor (CGT), leader in many strikes of a political nature in the past, was again involved but was not always the leader.

French's Appeal Futile  
The strike actions defied a broadcast appeal by Queuille to stay on the job. The government decided to requisition key workers in the gas and electric industries—a sort of civilian draft authorized when the country's economic life is endangered. It has been applied in individual cases in the past, but is a highly unpopular procedure in France and is used sparingly.

Delegations from non-Communist railroad unions met today with Antoine Pinay, minister of public works. Leaving the meeting, union leaders said they had received no satisfaction and added: "We decline any responsibility for the turn of events."

Miners Granted Increases  
One bright spot in the strike picture was an agreement making available 12,000,000 francs (\$34,000,000) for raises to coal miners. Non-Communist unions accepted the principle of this move and promised to hold off any strike.

Queuille took another positive move yesterday. He summoned the government council controlling the minimum wage scale to meet Thursday. An increase in the minimum wage level might slow or halt the strikes.

Government sources said about 40,000 Parisian workers were striking on the transport system, on suburban trains and in public utilities. No estimate was available of the number elsewhere in the country.

## Colored Oleo Bill Signed By Gov. McKay

SALEM — (AP) — Colored oleomargarine will go on sale in Oregon in about four months, or 90 days after the legislature goes home.

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While the committee took no action on this idea, it indicated it favored it.

Under the proposal, the people would be given a choice between a sales tax or higher income tax rates. The people could make their choice, but they also could reject both plans.

The money that would be raised from this idea would be used to finance the state for the period beginning July 1, 1953.

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The amendment they want would permit heavier loads to be hauled over certain routes when the haulers agree to pay for strengthening such roads.

## JOY FOR CONSUMER Prices To Break Soon, Forecast Of Price Chief

BOSTON — (AP) — Price Stabilizer Michael V. Di Salle says Americans bought \$5 billion worth of nothing in 1950, due to rising prices — but he forecast an early break in consumer prices.

He said he previously had "felt that the break in price was still months away. Now I feel justified in moving up that schedule."

Di Salle said also his office will issue in the near future "regulation for wholesale and retail food distributors covering 60 percent of the items in the average family's market basket, and we are at work on a regulation establishing ceilings for all kinds of manufactured products."

In an address before the industrial conference board, he said "prices on manufactured goods will be developed from a pre-Korean period, with provision for reflecting increases in manufacturing costs since that base period."

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## Blast Rips U.S. National Bank Floor

PORTLAND — (AP) — A blast shattered the basement and first floor of the Citizens branch, U.S. National bank, on S.E. Grand avenue at 9:30 a.m. today and at least eight persons were injured.

Police said there had been a smell of gas in the area. One of the injured was said to have been badly hurt.

Sixty-three employees were in the bank at the time, 30 minutes before opening.

The bank is in a two-story concrete building.

Excavation was under way in the street at the time.

The street excavation was part of the city's east side sewer construction program.

The sidewalk was ripped up, exposing the bank's record files in the basement.

## Chinese Commies Still In Retreat

TOKYO — (AP) — Chinese Red forces were reported withdrawing today from their last footholds on the once hotly-contested central front of South Korea.

Allied patrols may have reached or crossed the border into Red Korea.

Field dispatches said the Reds apparently have abandoned Chunchon, main Chinese supply base south of Parallel 38. Chunchon, 8½ miles south of the border, was the funnel through which the Chinese poured into South Korea last January.

On the east coast, South Korean troops were within 8½ miles of 38. Other United Nations units across the peninsula were only a few miles farther south of the border.

Fifth air force fighters Wednesday littered the northwestern corner of North Korea with wrecked and burned transport.

Seven locomotives, 100 railroad cars and a number of vehicles were hit in strikes reported before noon.

On the propaganda front, Red Korean Premier Kim Il Sung assured Russia's Stalin that his people intend to fight the war to the bitter end.

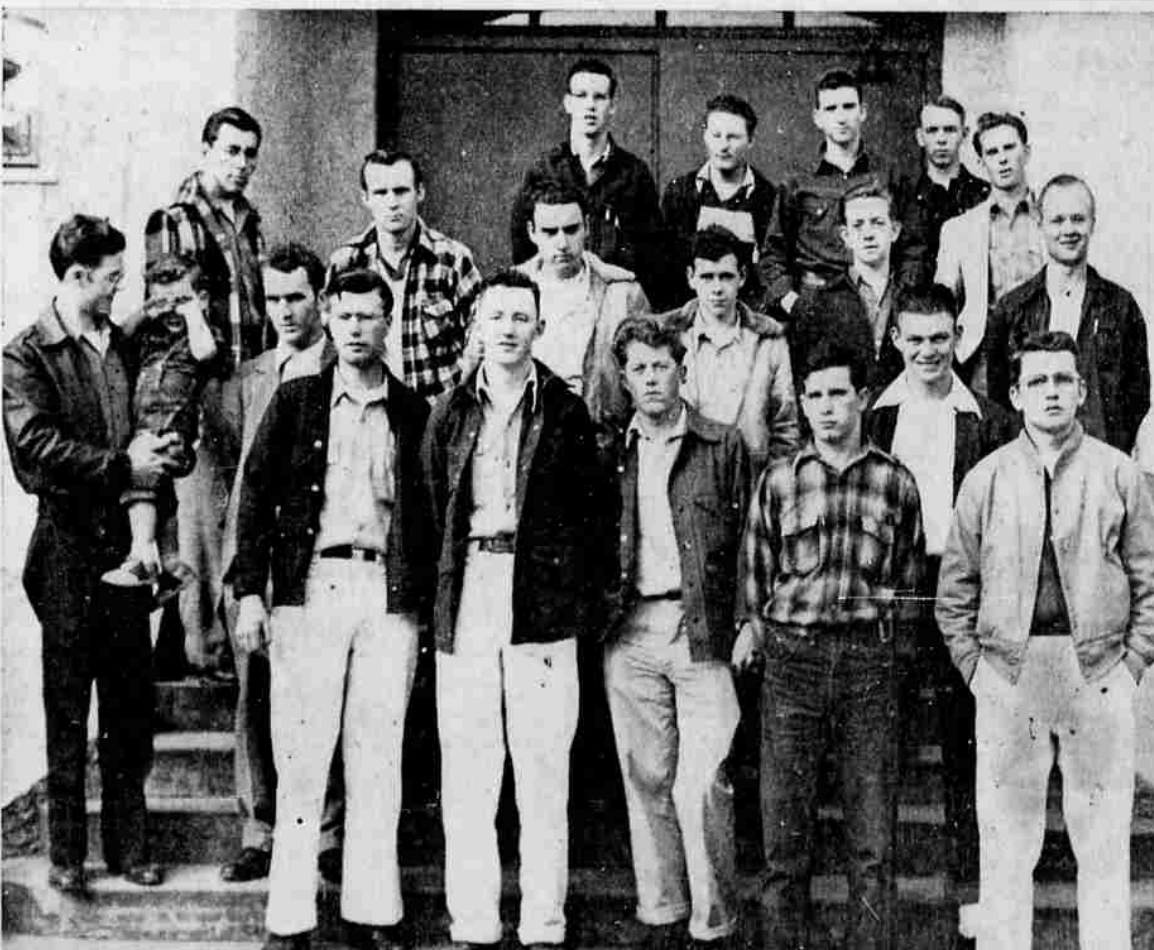
The Communist news China news agency said Kim sent this word to Stalin March 17 to mark the second anniversary of the economic and cultural mutual assistance pact between Russia and North Korea.

## The Weather

Showers today, becoming partly cloudy with scattered showers tonight and Thursday.

Highest temp. for any March — 85  
Lowest temp. for any March — 18  
Highest temp. yesterday — 62  
Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 42  
Precip. last 24 hours — 3.03  
Precip. from March 1 — 35.24  
Excess from Sept. 1 — 12.38

Sunset today, 6:28 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow, 6:28 a.m.



ARMED-FORCES BOUND—Pictured above is a group of 24 men to be inducted into the armed forces by the local selective service board. The men left Tuesday night for Eugene to be formally inducted into the army. From Eugene, they will be shipped to Ft. Lewis, Wash., and then to various training camps. The 24 men represent the total selective service call from Douglas county during March. (Picture by Paul Jenkins)