

Phone Girl's Bras Conceal-Coin Loot

MIAMI, Fla., Sept. 25—(AP)—Girls working in the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. counting room systematically stole more than \$100,000 during the past two years by concealing the money in their brassieres, police reported today.

I. Ray Mills, safety director in suburban West Miami, said six telephone employees orally confessed they smuggled pay station collections out in their bras, sometimes carrying as many as four \$15 rolls of quarters at a time. (Each roll weighed 12 1/2 ounces).

Fourteen persons, including eight women, their husbands and boy friends, were rounded up after Mills reported finding three suitcases stuffed with coins and currency totaling nearly \$5,000 in an automobile at the suburban home of one of the employees.

Mills, who first broke the case yesterday, said thus far nearly \$10,000 in coins, currency and negotiable bonds have been recovered.

The eight women were released to the custody of their attorneys following a habeas corpus hearing before Dade County Circuit Judge George E. Holt. A second hearing is scheduled for tomorrow.

Assistant Dade County Solicitor Michael F. Zarowny said all the thefts were from the counting room where a torrent of silver came each day from pay station phones.

He said the girls admitted stuffing the money in their brassieres before putting the money in automatic counting machines.

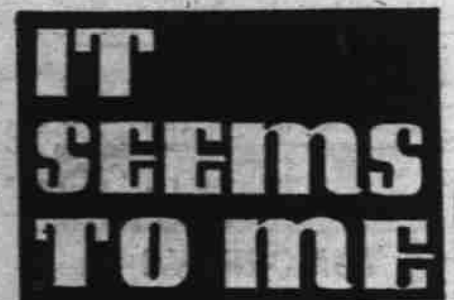
Zarowny indicated those involved may escape prosecution because, he said, "the only thing we've got is a confession."

Water Service Offer Recalled by Council

City water service will be held within city limits after all, Salem aldermen decided Monday night after a short-lived departure from the water policy of several years' standing.

The city council reconsidered

By Robert E. Gangware
City Editor, The Statesman



By Charles A. Sprague

Have you heard about the Crusade for Freedom? If you have, or if you haven't, let me assure you that it is OKAY, non-subversive, sponsored and directed by men who are sincere in trying to serve the cause of freedom.

This assurance seems to be necessary since there are many fronts for communism masquerading behind such honest labels as "peace," "democracy," "freedom," "friendship." Under the new McCarran bill a person has to be skittish about joining any organization less than a year later it is revealed as a sidelong entry into the communist party.

But the Crusade for Freedom is all right; it's safe; and it's a worthy undertaking. Of course if you sign the Freedom Scroll and the Red Revolution comes then your name would be "on the list" and off to Siberia you would go. However if the Crusade for Freedom accomplishes its purpose the Siberias of the world will have their gates opened and men will be free.

The Crusade for Freedom is the idea and promotion of the National Committee for Free Europe. The head of the Crusade is Gen. Lucius Clay who was the military governor of the American zone in Berlin, an able, courageous and intelligent man. Sponsors include men and women from all walks of life, men of affairs, executives of labor unions, ministers of the gospel—a real cross-section of the USA.

A major project of the Crusade is operating Radio Free Europe. This is not the Voice of America, which is operated by our department of state. This is privately owned and operated and so has more flexibility than the government Voice. It beams its programs to people in satellite countries of (Continued on Editorial page, 4)

O'Neill's Son Takes Own Life

WOODSTOCK, N. Y., Sept. 25—(AP)—Eugene O'Neill, Jr., 40, son of the noted playwright, killed himself today by slashing a wrist. Ruth Lander, an artist's agent, said she had broken off an engagement with him last Saturday. Friends reported he had been dependent since then.

Ulster County Coroner Earnest O. Kelly said O'Neill slashed his right wrist with a razor while in the bathtub at his home and "staggered downstairs while he was bleeding to death."

Kelly, listing the case as suicide, said O'Neill also had cut his leg with the razor but it was the wrist wound which caused his death.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



What are you, 33 1/3, 45 or 78 rpm?

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MACARTHUR ANNOUNCES LIBERATION OF SEOUL

Malik Bid On Peace Decried

NEW YORK, Sept. 25—(AP)—Jacob A. Malik declared today he favors a meeting of top leaders of the United States and the Soviet Union to negotiate for peace. He said also his government would pledge not to be the first to use the atomic bomb.

Several hours later the U. S. state department declared Malik's statements were only propaganda which "smacks of the Stockholm peace petition." Press Officer Lincoln White made the brusque statement to Washington reporters after consultations between the state department and the American delegation to the United Nations, headed by Secretary of State Acheson.

Enough of Words
Added White: "We have had enough of words. What is needed now is action to give practical effect of these expressions of good intention."

Malik's statement, aroused speculation among United Nations delegates. Western delegates wondered whether this was part of a new Soviet "peace offensive" seeking to convince the world that the Russians are more inclined to peace than the United States.

The Russian deputy foreign minister made his views known to a delegation of the Maryland Committee for Peace. This organization has been active in distributing a "peace ballot," asking signers whether they favor outlawing of atomic weapons and a U. S.-Russian meeting to negotiate differences. Dr. Ruth Bleier, president of the committee, said recently it was merely coincidence that this ballot was distributed at the same time as the "Stockholm Peace Appeal," denounced as a fraud by many anti-communists in the United States. The Stockholm appeal calls mainly for an outlawing of atomic weapons.

Answers Ready
The Maryland committee arranged some time ago to see Malik. Its questions apparently were submitted in advance, for Malik had his answers ready. The Russians are always careful about answering questions, and never do so until the answers have been cleared and approved.

Reporters were not present when Malik met the Maryland group at the Russian delegation's offices in Park Avenue. The statement of his views was made public by a Russian spokesman, who telephoned the Associated Press.

The spokesman said Malik had answered "yes" to each of the following questions from the Maryland group:

1. Will your government pledge that it will not be the first to use the atomic bomb?
2. Do you favor general disarmament and the outlawing of atomic weapons by all nations under a strict system of control and inspection administered through the United Nations?
3. Do you favor (or will you agree to) a meeting between the top leaders of the United States and the Soviet Union to negotiate their differences to help achieve full peace?
4. Do you favor the free interchange of ideas and information between the peoples of the two countries in order to achieve the understanding that is necessary to an enduring peace?

Women Reservists Recalled to Duty

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25—(AP)—For the first time since the current expansion of the armed forces began, the army today summoned 1,644 women reservists to active duty.

Affected by the order are lieutenants or captains in the Women's Army Corps (WAC), the Army Nurse Corps, the Women's Medical Specialist Corps, and WAC enlisted personnel.

Those called will serve for 21 months or such other period authorized by law.

Marines Welcomed to Seoul



Natives waving United Nations flags yell greetings to U. S. Marines as they roll through village four miles from Seoul on way to battle for the liberation of the South Korean capital. Gen. MacArthur announced the capture of the city in a communique Monday night. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman).

22 Missing After Crash of C-54 Guard Unit to Activate Tonight

General Due For Reserve's First Meeting

First Salem unit of the new Oregon national guard reserve will be activated tonight at 8 o'clock, with about one-half its authorized strength on hand, Col. Armin Berger, regimental commanding officer, announced Monday.

The unit is headquarters and headquarters company, 7th Oregon infantry regiment.

The activation proceedings will take place in the lobby of the state office building, with Brig. Gen. Harry C. Brumbaugh, Portland, commander of the guard reserve, in charge.

Assigned as company commander is Capt. Robert K. Powell. Already a list of officers and men have signed for the group. They include:

Col. Berger and Elburn B. Sims, Maj. Ernest L. Freeman, Capt. Ira O. Pilcher, Robert K. Powell and Homer F. Smith; 1st Lt. Earl H. Ahlers, Harrison W. Elgin, Lauren H. Gale, Clayton E. Steinke; 2nd Lt. William A. Exline and Ellis E. White; and Robert M. Duvall, James C. Garvin, Robert C. Friess, Gary W. Owen, Charles C. Quimby, Glen C. Wade and Harry H. Weinstein, all enlisted men.

South African Flyers in War

TOKYO, Tuesday, Sept. 26—(AP)—A South African air force squadron liaison staff has arrived at Far East air force headquarters in Tokyo.

The fighter squadron, composed of World War II veterans who saw action in Africa, Europe and the Pacific, will fly with United Nations forces in Korea.

Far East air force headquarters said it will be equipped with U.S. F-51 Mustangs after a brief training period and will be assigned to a U. S. fifth air force tactical wing as a squadron unit.

The seasoned South Africans have been flying British Spitfires and Jet Vampires.

SALAZAR, FRANCO CONFERENCE

LA CORUNA, Spain, Sept. 25—(AP)—Chief of State Francisco Franco and Premier Antonio De Oliveira Salazar of Portugal met here today. A communique issued later shed no light on what the two government leaders discussed.

BASEBALL

Cost League
At Portland-Los Angeles, rain. Only games scheduled.

American League
At New York 8-7, Washington 3-4
At Philadelphia 0-0, Boston 8-3
Only games scheduled.

National League
At Boston 4-5, Philadelphia 12-3
At Brooklyn 3-4, New York 2-4
Only games scheduled.

Hoffman Resignation Accepted by Truman

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25—(AP)—President Truman today accepted the resignation of Paul G. Hoffman as administrator of the economic cooperation administration.

The president announced that he is appointing William C. Foster to succeed Hoffman. Foster now is deputy administrator.

Hoffman has been reported as planning to become director of the Ford Foundation, a research, educational and philanthropic organization set up by grants from the Ford automobile family.

Mill City Fire Under Control

The Tom Rock forest fire, east of the Mill City area, east of Salem for more than a week, was reported in "pretty good shape" by state forestry department officials Monday, due to heavy rain in that section.

Foresters said the fire was still burning, although under control. Fire crews reported difficulty in reaching the blaze Monday because of muddy roads and trails.

Forestry division officials said approximately 50 men fighting the fire would be held there until all danger is removed.

The fire progressed less than two miles from where it started and covered approximately 900 acres. The flames were confined mostly to an old burn and little green timber was destroyed.

South Koreans Capture Chimi

South Korean Navy Headquarters, Sept. 26—(AP)—A spokesman for the South Korean navy said today a "suicide squad" of South Korean navy men landed on Chimi Island in Haeju bay off the west coast of Korea just south of the 38th parallel.

The "suicide squad" was organized immediately after a South Korean patrol ship in the area reported communist troop concentrations on the island.

An undetermined number of Reds were killed, the spokesman said. Others were captured.

Eight North Korean ships were sunk while trying to escape from the South Koreans, the South Korean navy spokesman said.

THE WEATHER

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	64	56	.23
Portland	62	57	.44
San Francisco	72	56	trace
Chicago	68	43	.00
New York	68	43	.00
Willamette River -32 feet			

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Cloudy with showers today becoming intermittent rain tonight and showers again Wednesday. High today 66-68; low tonight 46-48.

SALEM PRECIPITATION
This Year Last Year Normal
78 1.31 1.30

BRAZILIAN REDS KILLED
RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, Sept. 25—(AP)—Four Brazilian communists were killed today and eight others wounded in a battle with police

Snipers Slow Down Mopup Inside Town

TOKYO, Sept. 26—(AP)—General MacArthur dramatically announced today the liberation of Seoul while U. S. marines fought die-hard Korean communists in foxholes dug between streetcar tracks in the flame-swept capital.

"Seoul, capital of the republic of Korea, is again in friendly hands," the general said.

"United Nations forces, including the 17th regiment of the republic of Korea army and elements of the U. S. 7th (army) and first marine divisions, have completed the envelopment and seizure of the city."

Red defenders of the city of 1,000,000 had been cut off for days from major reinforcement. Yesterday and today, United Nations seized their strongest positions and drove into the city's heart.

But a deadly mopup job remained.

AP Correspondent Tom Lambert, with the Marines in Seoul, reported a fierce fight this morning downtown. Seven Red tanks were destroyed and three others damaged.

His dispatch placed the Leathernecks near Duk Soo palace in the center of the sprawling city of twisting streets.

But the liberation of the ancient capital was a fierce, deadly business—going forward slowly house by house, building by building, street by street.

Last night, fires broke out in four areas, threatening to devastate sections of the embattled metropolis. They sent up smoke columns visible 10 miles away.

The communists fought from schools, from a prison, a warehouse and from a former Buddhist welfare home, Lambert said.

Red small arms and automatic weapons fire sniped at the slowing advancing Leathernecks. The Reds fired from windows, from the tops of buildings and from hillside.

The marines went forward, firing rifles and carbines and hurling hand grenades.

General MacArthur issued his liberation announcement at 2:12 p.m. (12:12 a.m. EST).

It said the liberation of the city was conducted in such a manner as to cause the least possible danger to civil installations.

But the attackers had to use more fire power than they had hoped. Lambert said the marines reluctantly fired mortar shells which exploded near Duk Soo on dug-in red positions.

The U. S. seventh infantry, slipping into southwest Seoul under cover of a mist yesterday, won the position from which the Reds had been expected to stand long.

It was South mountain, honeycombed with defenses.

The Americans clawed their way up the slopes but they had to halt once while carrier-based navy planes eliminated communists who were lobbing mortar shells from the other side of the 700-foot mountain.

Today's reports from the perimeter put U. N. forces within 40 miles of a juncture which would trap more than 100,000 Reds. All along the perimeter, U. N. attacking forces shot out entrapment arms.

As advancing troops pursued, split and destroyed red units, low-flying planes exacted a heavy toll. An air force summary estimated that 1,400 Reds were killed yesterday. Pilots had reported over a three-day period last week, more than 2,500 communists were killed by air attack alone.

U. S. seventh division troops near Osan, 30 miles south of Seoul, were within a few miles of linking up with U. S. first cavalry division troops which entered Chongju Monday. The first cavalry was reported today to have brought up a sizable force at Chongju, suggesting preparation for further advances.

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Two Postmasters In Area Confirmed

Senatorial confirmation for two mid-Willamette valley postmaster appointees was learned Monday in Salem.

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Touring VA Chief Tells Salem Group 94% of Funds Direct Benefit for Vets

By Conrad Prange
Staff Writer, The Statesman

Ninety-four cents of every dollar spent by the veterans administration directly benefits the veteran and only six cents goes for operational expenses, the VA's chief administrator said here last night.

Speaking at a banquet sponsored by the Salem Chamber of Commerce and the Salem Memorial Auditorium association, Maj. Gen. Carl R. Gray, Jr., outlined operation statistics of the veterans administration.

Prior to his talk Gen. Gray said armed service demands on VA physicians was weakening the staff. "I can't staff more than 125,000 beds," he said. "And not that many if the services keep taking my doctors for active service."

He said that 85 per cent of VA doctors, 60 per cent of the dentists and 80 per cent of the nurses have

Clouds Eclipse Eclipse; More Rains Expected

Rain clouds ruined the Salem area's ringside seat for an eclipse of the moon Monday night.

Another 23 inch fell during the day, and the weather bureau predicted today and Wednesday would vary only from "showery" to "intermittent rain."

After a belated start, September's rain was bidding to catch up with other Septembers.

reserve or national guard commissions.

Gray said VA spends about \$6,000,000 annually on more than 19,000,000 veterans of six of the eight wars in which America has been involved. World War I left us with 516,000 disabled veterans, 26,000 widows and 145,000 dependent children. World War II contributed 1,700,000 veterans with some sort of disability, 69,000 widows and 137,000 dependent children, he said.

His formula for peace is to "combat the world's selfishness" by having a strong nation and by returning to the days of "an honest day's work for a day's pay."

Gray on a tour of the nation's VA hospitals left last night for San Francisco, Calif. In Spokane Sunday he dedicated a new VA hospital.

A veteran of both world wars he is a railroad executive in civilian life and worked for the Southern Pacific company in the area about

Jackson Gives 10 of 11 Top Reds Freedom

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25—(AP)—Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson today granted freedom under bond to 10 of 11 U. S. communist leaders convicted of conspiracy to advocate overthrow of the government by violence.

Jackson's stay of sentence means that the 10 red leaders will remain at liberty—presumably under close federal surveillance—pending a final supreme court decision on the case. The eleventh is in jail on another charge.

8-Page Opinion Explaining His Action, Jackson Declared

"I am not naive enough to underestimate the trouble-making propensities of these defendants. But, with the department of justice alert to the dangers, the worst they can accomplish in the short time it will take to end the litigation is preferable to the possibility of national embarrassment from a celebrated case of unjustified imprisonment of communist leaders."

"Under no circumstance must we permit their symbolization of an evil force in the world to be hallowed and glorified by any semblance of martyrdom."

All Have Appealed
"The way to avoid that risk is not to jail these men until it is finally decided that they should stay jailed."

The 11 convicted Reds have already served informal notice of appeal against their conviction last October 14 by a New York jury.

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Gray Visited Gov. Douglas McKay upon arriving in Salem Monday afternoon. The governor introduced Gray at the banquet in the Senator hotel last night. Special guests at the banquet were Carl Greider, president of the Salem Memorial auditorium association; Charles Langdon of Portland, regional VA director; John Haskins, manager of the Roseburg veterans hospital; and Paul Carter, VA manager in Portland.

Clear Brown, president of the Salem Chamber of Commerce, was master of ceremonies. Rev. Brooks Moore gave the invocation for the 5000 present.

Gray was guest at a reception late Monday afternoon at the home of Mayor R. L. Elstrom. Mrs. Gray was honored with a tea at the home of Mrs. Douglas McKay.