

Captured Orders Show Russ Planned to Invade North Iran if British Troops Landed at Abadan

TEHRAN, Iran, Oct. 31-(AP)—Iranian police have seized communist orders showing that Russia planned a lightning invasion of northern Iran if British landed troops at the oil refinery town of Abadan in the south, it was reported today.

Such a move would have given Russia an excuse to send her troops into the country under terms of the Iranian soviet treaty of 1942 guaranteeing Iranian territory against invasion. However, no British force was sent into Iran and the oil company British staff was withdrawn.

Well-organized acts of sabotage would begin before dawn. Factories would be burned, bridges and railways blown up, fuel and ammunition depots would be exploded and army barracks attacked.

Subsequent acts of sabotage would be extended to the south, with the Abadan and Kermanshah oil installations marked for destruction.

Back Down



John Omar Pinson, convicted killer of a state patrolman, wielded a wooden gun in escape attempt at state prison Wednesday.

20 Cons Subdue Guards in Futile Grab at Freedom

Twenty convicts overpowered seven state penitentiary guards Wednesday night on the points of homemade knives in a frantic grab at freedom—and then returned quietly to their cells rather than try to crash the prison's outer defenses.

No one was injured, although several of the guards' lives were momentarily threatened by prisoners holding knives against their throats.

The Halloween night "trick" occurred during the dinner hour, as inmates of the construction area at the front of the prison and intended to go through the turnkey's gates, and out the front entrance, Warden Virgil J. O'Malley said.

As they were milling around the cells, the escapees diverted the unarmed guards with scuffling and catcalls and then overpowered the guards individually, shoving them into cells.

They attempted to get out of the prison by crossing the construction area at the front of the prison and intended to go through the turnkey's gates, and out the front entrance, Warden Virgil J. O'Malley said.

And, led by Omar Pinson, a lifer who attempted a prison break two years ago, they returned quietly to their cells.

But for a period of more than half an hour, 400 prisoners were unguarded. All were inmates of cell block D who had been let loose by the escapees.

Warden Virgil J. O'Malley named the seven guards who were imprisoned as: Guard Captain Roy Riggs, Alfred Felman, Hal Masterson, Lee Harley, Dennis Knight, Edward J. Muster and Chief Engineer Wendel Rambo.

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All the men were held in the isolation ward, awaiting action by the disciplinary committee of the prison which will meet Thursday afternoon, O'Malley said.

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United Salem Days Bring Many Bargains

United Salem days, opening today, offer Salem area shoppers a wide choice of specially priced merchandise in stores of all description throughout the city.

The three-day carnival of bargains is under auspices of the Salem Retail Trade Bureau, with scores of retail businesses participating.

Designed to appeal to all sorts of shoppers throughout the Salem trading area, the sales promotion event will continue through Saturday.

Many of the stores have arranged special purchases in recent weeks in order to have outstanding bargains on hand in sufficient quantity to go around.

The special offers of the Salem Days merchants are advertised widely today in distinctive shopping sections of The Statesman.

Ex-Salem Man Would Rather Stay in Korea

EAST CENTRAL FRONT, Korea, Oct. 31-(AP)—Sgt. Ralph Ripley, 30, doesn't want to go home to Oregon; he likes it too well here in Korea. But the army has ordered him to go anyhow.

Ripley, who attended high school in Salem, has 112 points, almost three times the number needed to qualify for return on rotation, and army authorities have told him he can't delay the trip any longer.

"If I gotta go, I gotta go," Ripley said sadly. "But there's nothing to keep me from applying for Korean duty again after my furlough ends."

He has several reasons for liking conditions in Korea. "For one thing 'you're safe from women overseas," he said. "I had a lot of buddies who went back and they got hooked. I'm against marriage as long as I'm in the army."

Ripley runs the regimental post office, a choice job for a stamp collector like him. It's a rich source of new stamps and Ripley estimates the collection of 15,000 stamps he has built up over an 18-year period is worth \$35,000.

"One difficulty, though, is the temptation to snip stamps off letters before he delivers them."

"We have a big variety, but I can't touch them," he said. "There's a \$500 fine if we get caught taking stamps off letters."

Another thing, Ripley likes "wide open spaces—places where the winter is cold and the summer hot."

That's why he is planning to settle down in eastern Oregon after he retires from the army in another 24 years.

"I may even get married then," he said.

Ripley, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Ripley, Portland, joined the army in May, 1941, and went to Japan in September, 1945. He has been overseas ever since.

NO INJURIES IN CRASH—BURBANK, Calif., Oct. 31-(AP)—A Pacific Southwest Airlines plane with 24 passengers aboard crashed in a field today from an altitude of about 500 feet but apparently there were no serious injuries to the passengers or crew.

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Agreement Near on Korean Buffer Zone

MUNSAN, Korea, Thursday, Nov. 1-(AP)—Only the armistice status of red held Kaesong and minor differences in allied and red versions of the battle line today blocked agreement on a buffer zone for Korea.

No agreement was reached in a morning session today. "We're still trying, we're still trying," Maj. Gen. Henry J. Hodges, chairman of the U. N. command subcommittee, said after the meeting at Panmunjom.

The delegates went into their afternoon session at 3 p. m. (1:00 a. m., EST).

The communists yesterday abandoned demands for a line five to 15 miles south of the battle front. They proposed a buffer zone close to that asked by the allies.

The allies want Kaesong, the old truce conference site six miles west of Panmunjom. So do the reds.

But Kaesong was not a major question at the morning session," a spokesman said. He explained that the allied delegates worked to obtain "clarification of the latest red proposals." This meant comparing maps drawn to different scales.

A communist correspondent insisted the talks would break up unless the allies give up their demand for Kaesong.

"We are not going to compromise," he said. "We are firm on this issue. The U. N. cannot claim Kaesong and the talks will break up unless it gives up its demands."

U. S. EIGHTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Korea, Nov. 1-(Thursday)—(AP)—Communist gunners knocked out two allied tanks and two tank retrievers Wednesday as a U. N. command armored column thrust into red hill positions west of Kaesong on the Korean east coast under cover of a snow storm.

Again, on the item Taxes, the "should do," is "Make everyone pay his fair share of taxes"; the "did," "Soaked the poor and let the rich escape their fair share of taxes."

Another item was rent control, with the "should do," "Hold down rents"; the "did," "Increased rents 20 per cent over what they were in 1947."

The test for senators and the vote which earned the AFL "R" for Right embraced the following: Taft amended to Taft-Hartley law; Restriction on Troops to Europe; More Money for Schools in defense areas; Amendment forbidding livestock slaughter quotas; Nay

Tax Load Increases Today

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31-(AP)—A \$5,700,000 tax increase, piling an additional average load of \$38 a year on each of 150,000,000 Americans, goes into effect at midnight.

Here are the Halloween tricks the tax collector is playing: An individual income tax boost averaging between 11 and 12 per cent for most persons. The withholding rates goes up on every pay check bearing a November date.

Higher excise taxes on a lot of widely sold items such as cigarettes, automobiles, gasoline, liquor and some household appliances.

The office of price administration issued regulations tonight permitting sellers to raise their ceiling prices to reflect the new excise taxes. In some cases the price increases will be more than the tax boost because sellers will be allowed to apply their usual percentage markups to their entire costs, including the tax.

Heavier corporate and excess profits taxes calculated to bring in \$2,207,000,000 a year. A few shafts of sunshine pierced the tax cloud.

The levy on telegrams goes down from 25 to 15 per cent of the message charge. The 20 per cent retail tax is removed from baby oils, powders and lotions. The tax on smoking and chewing tobacco drops from 18 to 10 cents a pound. A 3 1/2 per cent levy on electric current is repealed.

In general, however, the salaried taxpayer is going to have to try to stretch a smaller pay check to cover heavier expenses.

His daily pack of cigarettes will be taxed eight cents instead of seven. Ten gallons of gasoline will cost him a nickel more. The federal excise on a small sedan, now about \$105, goes up to \$150 at a new rate of 10 per cent of the manufacturer's list price.

The rate on hard liquor rises from \$9 a 100-proof gallon to \$10.50 with a dollar-a-barrel boost in the beer tax, from \$8 to \$9.

The new law contains special relief for home owners who sell their houses in today's inflated market. Any profit they make on such a sale will not be taxed provided they reinvest the money in another personal dwelling place within a year. This provision applies to all home sales since the first of this year.

A second brand new tax on professional gamblers goes into effect November 1, but there was little advance indication it would bring in the \$407,000,000 additional revenue estimated by the lawmakers. Bookmakers and lottery operators were obviously wary of openly proclaiming their trade by buying a \$50 a year occupational tax stamp.

Most of them said they would actually lose money if they cut the government in for the 10 per cent levy on the gross take—that is, the whole amount bet with them.

Halloween Fete Blasts Injure 22 in Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 31-(AP)—A series of earth-shaking explosions broke up a gay Halloween parade tonight, sending at least 22 persons to hospitals. Three were reported in critical condition.

There were no known fatalities. Police said they believed the explosions resulted when gas from a broken main leaked into nearby basements.

A score or more persons went home after emergency treatment in nearby doctors' offices. Four blasts occurred in rapid succession. The first, reputedly the heaviest, could be felt four city blocks away.

A roaring fire broke out after the first explosion. Firemen confined it to a large two-story frame building, which housed four families and a confectionery store.

Police said they could not say positively but they believe all residents escaped from the flaming structure. The owner of the store, Mrs. Rose Davidson, 62, was among the seriously injured.

The first blast apparently occurred under the confectionery store. It cascaded glass and debris over hundreds of persons gathered for the parade.

Between 200 and 300 children wearing grotesque masks and costumes milled through the area as firemen fought to bring the blaze under control.

Escaping gas added to the hazards. A sheet of flame, rolling up alongside the house from the basement, made it difficult to extinguish the fire.

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Elizabeth and Philip shook hands with this country's first family.

Then cabinet members and their wives and British commonwealth diplomats and their wives came up to meet Elizabeth.

The American women shook hands with her; the commonwealth wives neatly curtseyed. Elizabeth and the president went to a rostrum for the official welcome.

In a voice calm and firm, Elizabeth told the president and the millions more watching and listening by television and radio that Britain and Canada will "work with all our strength for freedom and for peace."

Elizabeth "everywhere," she said, "look towards the United States with affection and with hope. The message that has gone out from this great capital city has brought help and courage to a troubled world."

Truman had a speech all prepared, and then didn't use it. He said he wished Elizabeth would tour clear across the U. S., as she did across Canada.

The petite Elizabeth, in a dark red suit, black hat and black accessories, seemed to hit it off with the president immediately.

They chatted away cheerfully as they walked together reviewing the troops. Philip, in his naval uniform, lagged along behind.

And when they got into the open car to come into town, they continued their animated conversation.

Philip rode in another car with Mrs. Truman and Margaret. The cheers rolled out as the princess and the president rode by.

The crowd estimate of 550,000 was made by Maj. Robert Barrett of the Metropolitan Police. Many in the crowd were women, and even if Elizabeth had the sturdiest role, they saved their loudest cheers for the blond, handsome Philip.

Tonight's busy schedule included a meeting with the press at a special reception at the Hotel Statler, and a formal dinner with the Trumans.

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Prizes Given at Dallas Parade On Halloween

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