

Correspondent Eddy Gilmore Answers 10 Most-Asked Questions About Russia

Moscow Press Nearly Silent On McCarthy

(Editor's note: If you could question an American who has lived 12 years in the Soviet Union, what would you ask him about Russia? Chances are you'd ask some or all of the 10 questions Eddy Gilmore, former Associated Press correspondent in Moscow, was asked most frequently on a recent U. S. lecture tour. Here are the 10 questions and Gilmore's answers.)

By EDDY GILMORE
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You don't have to tell the American people about communism. They know.

This was the biggest discovery I made during a lecture tour that took me from the sugar-white sands of the Gulf of Mexico (I wasn't exactly talking on the sands, but in cities close by them) to the lovely wooded hills of Seattle.

However, although the American people recognize the true face of Soviet communism for what it is — they still ask you an awful lot of questions about it.

The very questions they put to you reveal how much they really know about the subject. Very, very few of the questions are pointless or silly.

I always emphasize I'm no Russian expert. There's no such thing. But, by living and working in Russia for nearly 12 years, knowing several hundred Soviet citizens and traveling over the country, you can't help seeing and hearing a lot of things.

Most-Asked Questions
These were the 10 questions most frequently asked and my answers:

Q. How does the Moscow press treat Sen. McCarthy?
A. The Moscow press almost ignores the senator. Every once in a while they give him three or four paragraphs and denounce him generally as the "leading American Fascist." No matter what you may think of the propaganda machine of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.

In order for the Soviet press to discuss McCarthy the papers must at least mention the word subversives, and that there are Americans who have been used by Moscow, and others suspected of being used by Moscow, to spy, or aid the Soviet Union.

This doesn't fit in with the party line, which says Russia "never interferes in the internal affairs of any foreign country." The Moscow papers don't like to report that someone is even suspected of subversive activity on behalf of the U. S. S. R.

Voice of America
Q. Can you hear the Voice of America in Moscow?

A. You can hear the English language broadcasts of the Voice in Moscow. You cannot hear the Russian language broadcasts. They are drowned by a torrent of jamming from several hundred (I've seen them) jamming stations in and around the Soviet capital.

But — I lived in a Russian village 25 miles from Moscow for four summers and I could hear the Voice of America's Russian language broadcasts almost around the clock. Sometimes they were as loud as Moscow Radio.

Also, people from the State Department who move about the country with portable radios told me you can hear the broadcast in many parts of the nation. I do not know how effective these broadcasts are and I know no way of determining this.

Not Just 10 Millions
I do remember a Russian man saying to me: "Gospodin Gilmore (gospodin is mister) I was listening to the Voice of America last night and the announcer told a great lie. He said the Soviet government had 10 million people in concentration camps. Now, gospodin, that's just not right. If the announcer had said that our government had 15 million people in concentration camps I would have believed him, but not when he said just 10 million!"

Q. Is religion free in Russia, and is there freedom of worship?
A. During the war Stalin opened a number of churches in the Soviet Union. I would say there are about 50 or so operating in Moscow and I've seen them in other cities and villages.

There is one so-called Baptist Church, one so-called synagogue and one so-called Catholic Church in Moscow, but the great majority are Russian Orthodox churches. They are all well attended and it is truly stimulating to visit them at Easter time and on the Russian Orthodox Christmas Eve and on any of the other church holidays.

They are packed as tight as sardines in a can. The churches come under a bureau which operates under the Council of Ministers. I don't mean religious ministers, but political ones. We always called this the Commissariat of God and you can imagine how much freedom the churchmen have under such a set up.

The patriarch of Moscow and all Russia (the head of the church) wears the Order of Lenin and, perhaps this was a Christian thing to do, offered public prayers when Joseph Stalin lay dying. But the people who go to church burn their candles, say their prayers and listen to some beautiful music.

Priests Silent
The priests never say anything political, but I doubt if they were very daring under the Tsars either. The Communists discovered that God wouldn't stay under ground

McCarthy Cries 'Blackmail'



WASHINGTON — Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wisc.) cries "blackmail" to an Army report he and his chief counsel, Roy Cohn, right, pressed the Army for special treatment for a former committee aide, G. David Schine, an inductee now in field training in Georgia. McCarthy and Cohn met the press at the capitol after four members of his Senate Investigations subcommittee called for prompt hearing on the Army's charges. (AP Wirephoto.)



WASHINGTON — Senators Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash.), John L. McClellan (D-Ark.) and Stuart Symington (D-Mo.), left to right, members of the McCarthy Senate Investigating subcommittee, at a news conference at the capitol, demand a prompt subcommittee meeting to probe the Army's charges that McCarthy and his chief committee counsel, Roy Cohn, used pressure on the Army to get special treatment for G. David Schine, former committee aide, now an inductee on field training in Georgia. (AP Wirephoto.) (Story on page one.)

— even in their country — so they opened the churches and determined to control them.

Q. Have things really changed since Stalin died and Malenkov took over?

A. Not really. There's a new look, but I'm afraid all the old ambitions of world communism are still there. The new group has done a few things which have cost them very little, if anything, to make it appear that everything has changed. Perhaps some naive people in various parts of the world believe them. I think they'll learn differently in time.

No Hatred of U. S. People

Q. What do the Russian people think of the United States and the American people?

A. I suppose I must have known 400 Soviet citizens by name and I never recall hearing one of them say anything unkind about us. I remember a woman in a village saying to me, "Gospodin Gilmore, during the last war your country sent us many things and we appreciate them."

"You sent us food. I know. My three children ate it and I ate it, but if we have a war with you, and God forbid, (she censored herself), you won't be sending us food, you'll be dropping bombs on us. I'm afraid we'll all die."

Q. Do you think we are going to have a war anytime soon with Russia?

A. No. The Soviets don't start wars they are not sure they can win. I saw many things to convince me they believe beating us would be very difficult. I don't advocate throwing away a single gun, for if there is anything those people respect it's strength. And if there is anything they despise it's weakness.

Settlement Chance Slight
Q. Do you believe there is any chance of settling our differences with Russia around a conference table?

A. Very little right now. If there is one single thing the communists really believe about us, it's that we are going to have a terrible depression. One that will make the last one look like a wave of prosperity. They think it's coming and that when it does we'll withdraw our forces and influence from all over the world — and then they'll move in. And after that it'll only be a question of time before we collapse at home. As long as we feel this way why expect them to compromise?

Q. Were the Russian people sorry to see Stalin die?

A. I watched them file by his body by the thousands and I saw a few of them crying, but the vast majority seemed to me to have come down there out of curiosity — and to make sure he was dead.

Q. Do the Russians have the atomic and hydrogen bomb?

A. I have no real way of telling, but if you asked me what I think, I'd say I believe they have an

McCarthy, Stevens Fire Verbal Volleys

(Story also on page one.)

By EDMOND LEBRETON
WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) and secretary of the Army Stevens kept their epochal battle going Saturday night with new volleys aimed at each other's versions of a row over an Army private.

McCarthy demanded that Stevens say publicly the senator never asked special treatment for Pvt. G. David Schine, a former consultant to McCarthy's Senate investigations subcommittee. And he made public the text of a letter he said he wrote Stevens last Dec. 22 saying investigations of the Army would "in no way be influenced" by its handling of Schine. McCarthy added in this letter that some of his associates thought Schine would not have been drafted except for his subcommittee connection.

"Smokescreen," retorted Stevens in a telegram to McCarthy touching on the Dec. 22 letter. And he repeated contentions that McCarthy and "your representatives" kept after the Army with requests for special handling of Schine.

An Army report that McCarthy put on pressure for this purpose and that his subcommittee's general counsel, Roy M. Cohn, used threats started the current phase of the McCarthy-Stevens fray. McCarthy said and Stevens denied that there had been an attempt to "blackmail" the subcommittee into dropping Army investigations. No Blackmail Protest

Stevens said in his telegram to McCarthy Saturday that "you never made any claim to me that you or any one else was being blackmailed about Pvt. Schine until the efforts to get him special and preferential consideration were presented in reply to requests by members of the Senate."

In the Senate, meanwhile, there were suggestions and counter-suggestions as to how the whole walter of accusations could be sifted to determine who was telling the truth and — perhaps — who should be fired.

McCarthy, in Milwaukee on a speaking tour, said he would step down from his chairmanship of the subcommittee long enough to testify under oath on the row with the Army. He said he would ask Sen. Mundt (R-SD), who ranks next to him among Republican members, to take his place in the chair.

But in Washington Mundt said that of all the various possible ways of investigating the matter "it would be least desirable to have it handled by a committee whose staff and chairman are involved."

Special Committee
Some other committee with a large and well-trained staff, perhaps even a specially created committee, should take on the job, Mundt said.

But he added that, if necessary, the investigations subcommittee would undertake to make the inquiry as best it could.

McCarthy said the idea of his stepping down in Mundt's favor, should such a hearing by the subcommittee develop, had occurred to both of them.

As for investigations by other committees, the chairman said "they can investigate us if they want to... but no other committee is going to tell us who to hire or fire."

He already has praised Cohn and said he expects him to remain in Washington a long time.

A Democratic member of the subcommittee, Sen. Jackson of Washington, agreed that "the subcommittee has the responsibility to pass upon its own staff."

An investigation by the armed services committee was suggested by Sen. Keftover (D-Tenn) and (D) Sen. Fulbright (D-Ark) said he would try to get other Democrats to support a "high level" inquiry.

Information 'Leaks'
Fulbright also said he has stopped giving the FBI information in its security checks on other persons because he believes information from it "leaks" to the McCarthy committee.

Sen. Ferguson of Michigan, chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee, said that since an activity relating to Schine's career in the Army "has no real connection with committee work," he didn't see there was much the Senate could do.

But Sen. Knowland of California, the GOP leader, said he wants the McCarthy subcommittee to "get to the bottom" of the controversy.

Dallas to Hear Children's Choir From Farm Home

Statenman News Service
DALLAS — Under sponsorship of the Loyol Temperance Legion of the Dallas WCTU, the children's choir of the WCTU Farm Home in Corvallis will be presented in Dallas Sunday. The program will be given at 3 p.m. in the Junior High School auditorium.

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Big Furnace to Double Output Of Phosphates

By WILFRED FERLHABER

SODA SPRINGS, Idaho (AP) — Idaho's large deposits of phosphate ore will be further tapped as a result of another multi-million dollar electric furnace in Soda Springs.

Monsanto Chemical Co. has started foundation work on its second furnace. It will double the firm's production here of elemental phosphorus, an abundant element which when chemists get through with it finds its way into tooth-pastes, medicine, soaps, soft drinks and hundreds of other products.

Elemental phosphorus is one of the products the industry gets from the ore. Another important one is phosphate in the form of fertilizer to feed plants.

Production of both is growing in Idaho, Wyoming and Montana. Some firms produce one of the products and others turn out both.

The industry, comparatively new in this region, has developed mines and plants in Southeastern Idaho at Pocatello, Conda, Soda Springs and Montpelier, at Lefe in Wyoming and near Butte, Mont.

Among the other firms engaged in the industry are Westvaco, Victor and San Francisco Chemical, J. R. Simplot and Anaconda.

By June or July, 300 to 350 men will be employed at building the new electric furnace, a Monsanto spokesman said. It is to be completed by Nov. 15.

Those who mine the ore are bringing out as part of it billions of ancient skeletons which have remained part of the earth.

300 Million Years
Geologists say the skeletons of microscopic animals and perhaps of animals of mastodon or dinosaur size make up much of the phosphate matrix, or ore, which was laid down 300 million years ago.

It is reasoned that as the animals died they sank to the bottom of a vast lake or sea which by upthrusts of the earth has disappeared. Their billions of bones, tiny and large, were leached by ground waters into a matrix of phosphate and lime.

None of the bones is in evidence now as bones, although not far away in Northeastern Utah and Northwestern Colorado lies the Dinosaur National Monument where remains of dinosaurs have been found.

Near Soda Springs belts or veins of the matrix lies within 25 feet of the ground surface and are easily strip-mined.

For the Monsanto operation the Morrison-Knudsen Co. does the contract mining at Monsanto-owned mine 16 miles from the plant.

Sand Added
In the processing the ore is mixed with screened coal or coke. At another place silica sand is added.

In the searing 8,350-degree heat of an electric furnace the yellow phosphorus emerges from the mixture. The operation requires 750,000 kilowatts of electricity each day.

Utah Power and Light Co. supplies the power and will do so for the new furnace too, Monsanto says.

The distilling and condensing at the plant put the fickle elemental phosphorus in a really dangerous state. A great servant of mankind it burns fiercely if it comes in contact with the air.

How to handle it at this stage is a whole technology in water-jacketed pipes to tanks.

The water keeps the air away. In the Soda Springs operation (Monsanto has six similar furnaces in the heart of the phosphate fields of Tennessee) melted phosphorus is pumped into railroad tank cars for shipment. Water is put in with it to form a blanket and keep it from bursting into flames.

In other parts of the country, through chemistry, the yellow phosphorus is transformed countless times before it is used in everyday products.

Used as Antacid
You may have taken some of it last night as an antacid for relief of simple acid indigestion. A compound made from it is used as a mineral supplement in prepared livestock feeds.

In one form or another it goes into wariars, dentrifices, gelatin, cheese, water softeners, baking and medicinal fields, cloth processing and countless other uses.

Corvette Displayed Here



Declared to combine Continental ideas with American standards of luxury and quality, the Chevrolet Corvette sports car with its 150-horsepower triple-carburetor engine, plastic body and 105-inch wheelbase has arrived in Salem and is on display this week at the McKay Chevrolet Company where it is shown above with S. B. Myers.

Study Records Stress Of Combat on Soldiers

By WALTON M. ROCK
BALTIMORE (AP) — Soldiers who undergo five days of relatively light combat emerge in much worse physical condition than those who have gone through 18 hours of much fiercer fighting, according to a scientific study based on research in Korea.

Large Variation
But physiologically, the researchers found an enormous variation between individual soldiers — a finding that was discouraging because they were looking for formulas to apply to whole units.

The report noted that men with the same training, the same combat experience, and in the same physical condition fought side-by-side for the same length of time, but they came out in markedly different states of exhaustion. One might be relatively fresh, while the other found it a great effort to give the simplest report.

The variation was so great, the report continued, that in some areas of study it was hard to see any pattern at all. As one member of the expedition commented: "About the only thing we proved is that the poor doughfoot leads just as bad a life as everyone thinks."

The scientists sought answers to such questions as: How long can a man be expected to stay in action before he loses his efficiency? What does stress do to a man, physiologically and psychologically? Is there any way a commander can predict the point of exhaustion in his men before they collapse and endanger the whole line?

70 Per Cent Casualties
The researchers ran detailed tests on about 120 men including a combat group which attacked Triangle Hill. In 18 hours of vicious fighting, the unit sustained 70 per cent casualties.

Another test combat group had a longer but less intensive period on the front. The men went in after a position had been taken, then withdrew three counterattacks and almost constant artillery bombardment. They took 7 per cent casualties in five days.

"Measures of blood, urine and saliva showed that the men who had stood five days of less vicious combat were far worse off than those who had had 18 hours of much fiercer fighting," the report said.

The soldiers who had been in action for five days showed severe adrenal exhaustion, with their reserve well below normal. The 18-hour men, by contrast, were actually above normal in both reserve and output of adrenalin.

The most striking physical evidence of stress an infantryman undergoes is a violent blood count change in which adult white cells almost disappear. The normal ratio of adult to immature cells is about 18 to 1. After combat it

Beer License Sought as Ban To Teen-Agers

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The operator of an ice cream parlor sought a beer license for his place Friday to keep it from being so rowdy.

Robert Leon French told Jefferson County Judge pro-tem Charles B. Zirkle that teen-agers who congregate at his shop are "busting up the place." A beer license would keep them out because they are minors, he explained.

The application was taken under consideration.

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Brazil Joins Anti-Commie Backer List

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Brazil Friday threw its unconditional support behind the U. S. plan to fight Communism in the Americas.

U. S. Secretary of State Dulles, apparently confident a major diplomatic victory was assured at the 10th Inter-American Conference, announced he would leave for home "sometime Saturday."

But one of the toughest problems still facing the United States remained unsolved — how to satisfy Latin America's insistent demands for economic help. That one seemed to be getting bigger by the minute.

Q. Why was Beria eliminated?
A. Beria was executed in a raw and only slightly disguised struggle for power. If Malenkov hadn't gotten Beria, then Beria would have gotten Malenkov. Ignore any of the official reasons advanced for his arrest. It was a wolf fight. One had to go. Just as simple as that.

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Hayesville P-TA Elects Officers

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HAYESVILLE — New officers have been elected by the Hayesville P-TA. The retiring president, Vernon Olsen, presented the badge of office to Charles Love, secretary; Mrs. Charles Love, treasurer; and Mrs. Robert Garrett, vice-president.

Speaker for the recent meeting was Janice Westaby, state home safety consultant, on safety at home and at play.

Summerfield Rules Anti-Ike Cards Indecent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pink Williams of Caddo, Okla., can't receive any more mail addressed to him as "cowboy," Postmaster General Summerfield announced Friday.

Williams, 62, caused a disturbance last fall when he sent out about 300,000 postcard invitations to an admittedly fictitious picnic and public kicking for Eisenhower voters.

The cards, mailed in sealed envelopes, stated that all cattle men "who voted for Ike" would get a free kick "and all the crew they can eat" at the gathering, which was to be held up a creek in Oklahoma. A jackass was depicted in a kicking position.

At the time, ranchers were complaining vigorously over falling cattle prices.

Summerfield Friday signed a final order upholding in all details an examiner's finding and said he had ordered the postmaster at Caddo to mark "unlawful" and return to the sender all mail addressed to Williams as "Cowboy." Williams had appealed the examiner's finding that the cards were "filthy and indecent."

The post office department said Williams had solicited orders for additional copies of the card, with the remittances to be sent simply to "Cowboy" at Caddo Box 157.

The post office department charged Williams with "using the alias 'Cowboy' to solicit funds through the mail for the purchase of filthy and indecent cards."

Williams contended that a word used on the card several times referred to a pack animal — not to any slang term for a part of the human anatomy. And he said he had been called "Cowboy" all his life and ran the Cowboy Barber Shop in the Cowboy Building in Caddo.

Summerfield commented: "I concur with the conclusion of the examiner that the reasonable and sensible criterion to apply is the standard of ordinary decent people. The language on respondent's cards measured by this test is filthy and indecent."

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