

Charges Wallgren With 'Influence'

Interference to Kremlin Administration

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SUNDAY WAS A BIG DAY for Obsidian Club skiers as they played host to 72 racers entered in the Pacific Northwest Ski Assn. cross-country races at Willamette Ski Area. One of the outstanding racers, who will enter national competition at Tollgate next Sunday was Gunnvald Haugen, Fjeld Ski Club, Mt. Baker, Wash., shown upper right receiving his Class A Open first place trophy from Baker Ferguson, president of PNSA. Birgit Tjader, Eugene, upper left, receives her first place trophy for the Class C Women's event from George Korn, Eugene, race chairman. The scene below shows Haugen crossing the finish line after negotiating the 12 miles of grueling cross-country course. Race officials were grouped at the finish line, and a small portion of the crowd is shown at the bottom. The event is the largest ever held at Willamette area, and was pronounced a success (but a difficult race) by visiting racers from ski clubs all over Oregon and Washington. (Staff photos, Wiltshire engravings.) See story Page 8.

General Offers Immunity Waive

TOKYO — (AP) — Maj. Gen. Charles A. Willoughby, chief of General MacArthur's intelligence staff, Monday offered to waive immunity to "legal or any other action" as a result of the Sorge spy report.

Miss Agnes Smedley, American writer, was named as a Soviet agent by the spy report, which was prepared under General Willoughby's direction. Miss Smedley denied the charge and threatened to sue General MacArthur if he would waive immunity.

In Detroit, Miss Smedley's attorney, O. John Rogge, said: "If it's true the general has waived immunity and is taking responsibility for the report, he can get a New York lawyer right now because we're certainly going to sue."

Willoughby placed responsibility on Washington for releasing the spy report against the wishes of General MacArthur.

Commuters Ride To Work Again

PHILADELPHIA — (AP) — A subway guard shouted "watch the doors!" A crowded bus squealed to a stop. A trolley motorman bellowed his passengers to "move to the rear of the car."

For Philadelphia's commuting millions, those were welcome sounds Monday. The city's 10-day transit strike was over.

The Philadelphia Transportation Company's rolling stock began moving Sunday night a few hours after rank and file CIO unionists roared approval of the pay raise that ended their walkout.

Although the transit tie-up was ended, the nation's third largest city will not soon forget the "strike of '49," which cost business and industry an estimated \$70,000,000.

Berliners Riot Over Dickens Movie Again

BERLIN — (AP) — Enraged Polish Jews rioted before a British sector movie theater Monday and for the second time blocked a showing of the film "Oliver Twist," which they charge is anti-semitic.

Police used clubs and fire hoses to hold back a charging crowd of demonstrators, but without much success, when the theater tried to open for the afternoon showing of the film based on the Dickens novel.

A melee of flying fists and clubs surged up and down the Kurfuerstendamm, the street which is the center of Berlin's artistic life. German police of the British sector had to call out all available reserves and British public safety officers on duty decided to suspend the showing once again.

Demonstrators halted the first showing of the film in the Kurbel Theater Sunday night. Monday the British rejected a demand by high-ranking German officials of the British sector that it be banned. The demonstrators object to the portrayal of Fagin as a Jew who teaches young boys to steal.

In the milling crowd a British officer was beaten. Several German policemen were bloodied. The Soviet-licensed press splashed headlines saying the British were sponsoring an anti-semitic motion picture.

The American-licensed newspaper Tagesspiegel Sunday printed an editorial, protesting the film's alleged anti-semitic nature and urging the non-Jewish Berliners to protest its showing.

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Israel Accepts Armistice Draft In Egypt War

CAIRO TO STUDY TERMS OF COMPROMISE NEXT

TEL AVIV, Israel — (AP) — The Palestine war between Israel and Egypt — lately fought only with words — appeared Monday to be drawing to a close.

The Israeli cabinet has accepted a draft of a compromise armistice agreement with Egypt, an authoritative source reported Sunday night.

There was no immediate indication whether Cairo officials would also endorse the draft for the Egyptians.

At Rhodes it was reported that a copy of the draft was flown to Cairo Monday. The Egyptian delegation asked until Tuesday for Egypt to make its position known.

Delegates of the two nations, meeting at Rhodes since Jan. 13 under United Nations auspices, were said there to have accepted the armistice agreement in principle except for one controversial point.

Egypt and other Arab nations went to war against Israel shortly after the new Jewish state was proclaimed nine months ago. Actual fighting ceased around the first of the year after a strong Jewish offensive.

The Tel Aviv informant said the armistice draft approved by the cabinet provided for a withdrawal of main military forces of both the Israelis and Egyptians only in the Western Negev — a desert area on the Jewish-Egyptian frontier. He said it did not apply to the Eastern Negev, where Beersheba, only important Negev city, is located.

A Rhodes dispatch said the one point in controversy was the question of Beersheba, considered the mother city of the Arab race. Israeli forces occupied the city — a strategic road juncture — last October. The Jews have insisted on retaining it.

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ROBERT LEE NEWBURN, son of Dr. and Mrs. Harry K. Newburn, has been nominated by Rep. Harris Ellsworth as a principal for appointment to West Point. Newburn, who has been active on the varsity basketball and football teams at University High School, is a senior this year. According to Ellsworth, Newburn took his qualifying examinations Jan. 17 and will enter the Academy July 1 upon successful completion of the final mental and physical examinations. (Felley Photo, Wiltshire Engraving.)

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Indirect Reply Made
Murray's complaint drew an indirect reply from Democratic congressional leaders after they met Monday morning with President Truman.

Sun Fo Opposes Return With Li

CANTON — (AP) — Acting President Li Tsung-jen was believed encountering heavy opposition Monday in his efforts to persuade Premier Sun Fo to return with his cabinet to Nanking.

Li made a flying weekend trip to Canton to talk to the premier and his supporters, who reportedly are opposed to making peace with the Communists.

Some reports said that Li would demand Premier Sun's resignation if he refused to return to Nanking and join the government there in united peace negotiations with the Communists.

Li arrived in Canton Sunday with 12 advisers in a surprise flight from Nanking. He was scheduled to return to Nanking Monday, but postponed his departure until Tuesday.

It had been hoped that Li would give some hint of his mission's success or failure at a speech in Sun Yat Sen Memorial Hall Monday, but he skipped the subject.

Pope Sounds Church Pledge

ROME — (AP) — The Catholic world had the assurance of Pope Pius XII Monday that totalitarian states never could silence the church.

The pontiff's pledge was made Sunday in a brief address to a crowd of 250,000 persons who jammed St. Peter's Square in protest against the imprisonment of Hungarian primate Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty.

"The church does not meddle in purely political and economic questions nor does she care to dispute the utility or the harmfulness of one of the other forms of government," the Pope said.

Speedy Arrest Catches Robber

Arrest within four hours followed an armed robbery of Riedon's Grocery, 760 High St., Sunday night, city police reported Monday.

William L. Saunders, 26, who told police he was from Los Angeles, Calif., was arrested shortly after midnight Sunday at the Eugene Mill and Elevator Co. He later signed a statement admitting the holdup and was formally charged with armed robbery Monday morning in district court.

Police were called into the case by Howard Casebeer, employe of the grocery who said that shortly after 8 p.m. a man came into the store and asked for some cigars. When Casebeer's back was turned, the man stuck a revolver in his back and said "Open the till."

Casebeer related that the man then took \$50 in bills from the cash register and left the change. He then took Casebeer's wallet, which contained from \$300 to \$350, and made his departure.

US Backing of Atlantic Pact Member Countries Assured

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The proposed North Atlantic Pact will give its members strong assurances that the United States will not stand idly by in case of attack, it was learned Monday.

An official source whose name may not be used said the military clause of the pact will not commit this country automatically to war. But, he said, it will carry assurances so strong that none will mistake this nation's intention to resist aggression.

Reliable reports said also that Li flew to Canton to nip in the bud Sun Fo's reported overtures for a separate peace made to Chinese Communist representatives in Hong Kong.

Morse Attacks Many 'Selfish' T-H Advocates

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Sen. Wayne Morse, (R-Ore.) Monday sharply attacked "selfish" employers who, he said, are urging retention of the Taft-Hartley Labor Law "in order to hold labor down."

"This attitude of the selfish proponents of the Taft-Hartley Law constitutes a Judas betrayal of the capitalistic system," Morse said in a caustic statement.

He said such employers are following the philosophy of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States and the National Association of Manufacturers. The two organizations have urged retention of the Taft-Hartley Law in testimony before the Senate Committee which is considering an administration bill to repeal the law and revive the Wagner Act with "improvements."

Morse said he and Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-O) may not agree on all details as to the need for drastic revision of the law. But, he said, "we are much nearer together on the point of the need for a law less drastic against labor than we were in 1947 when the Taft-Hartley Law was passed."

He praised Taft's "fair-minded objectivity" in considering testimony and evidence of "the shortcomings" of the law.

He charged that "many" employer representatives who appeared before the committee take the attitude that labor is a "commodity to be hired as cheaply as possible." But he added that he is convinced that the overwhelming majority of American employers do not share "this class-conscious, selfish attitude."

Shovelman Buried in Mud

A state highway shovel operator, identified as Neal Edmond, Roseburg, was buried for 30 minutes Saturday afternoon in a landslide which held up traffic on Highway 101 near Heceta Light-house.

A worker in a crew supervised by Glen Davidson, Roseburg, Edmond was swept from the highway with the power shovel he was operating by a cascade of rain-soaked earth. He was buried up to the shoulders, and suffered one broken shoulder.

The highway crew was operating out of the Roseburg office of the State Highway Department.

Fellow crewmen dug the injured man out.

They believe such a promise would be illegal because it would be passed by the Congress' constitutional right to declare war.

The precise phrasing of the military clause in the pact now being drawn is still secret. But it is understood there is agreement to give signatories an assurance of aid in case of attack.

Licenses Waivable

Some of the city's bicycles are for several days at the Department, Police Chief said Monday.

License plates are being stamped into the reflective tape is being

Monday will be from 8 p.m. to 11:30 a.m. Since Tuesday is a holiday, the line will be open and continue until 5 p.m. for the rest of the week. Charge for license is 25 cents and is compulsory.

More Highways Opened

Effective Wednesday morning the State Highway Commission will open the McKenzie Highway to Vida for logging, and also will lift the load limit restriction on the Territorial Highway south as far as Lorane. The Territorial stretch from Lorane to the Lane-Douglas county line still will be subject to the limit ruling.

GOVERNOR TO APPEAL
OLYMPIA — (AP) — Gov. Arthur B. Langlie will appeal to the Legislature for support of his flat two per cent income tax bill at a special joint session Monday, his office announced.

NEWBY PLANS TRIP

SALEM — (AP) — Secretary of State Earl T. Newby plans to leave for Chicago, Ill., Tuesday to attend an executive meeting of the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators of which he is first vice-president.

Santiams Still Closed

The State Highway Department Monday reported the continued closure of both the north and south passes of the Santiam Highway. Crews have been struggling for a week to reopen the route which has been blocked for a week by a huge slide near Hogg Rock. The department advised the use of chains over the Willamette Pass.