

No Move Made To Reinstate Chinese Family

Neighbors Learn
Area Not All-White

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—(P)—Southwest residents did not take another vote Friday night on the Sing Shengs—the Chinese family which they told last week they did not want as neighbors.

The Shengs moved out of the neighborhood after their potential neighbors voted 174-28 against allowing them to stay.

Instead, they learned that their residential district had not been all-white since 1946.

RESIDENTS of the golf-course bordered district met at the call of a group who wanted to rescind the former action and invite the Shengs to live among them.

The bitter, almost disorderly meeting of 200 persons, fell silent when a man dressed in army pants and a field jacket stepped to the front and said:

"You've had me among you for some time. You have put up with me. I have put up with you."

Then the speaker, Belmar B. Shepley, described himself as a "hapa hade—a half Hawaiian." And he added his wife is a full blooded Hawaiian.

"She's not as fair as you," he said quietly as he looked over the audience.

SHEPLEY'S announcement was like a bombshell. He carefully explained his racial background and said he was a disabled veteran who purchased a Southwood home in 1946. He said he lived there for almost a year and then moved to Colma, renting his Southwood property.

"I still own Southwood—a little portion of it—pay my taxes. Why all this about a non-Caucasian?"

Shepley was warmly applauded. Then Felix C. Surmont read a statement opposing the Shengs as neighbors.

The meeting broke up without any decisive action.

Gas Consumption Up For Oregon in 1951

SALEM—(UP)—More than half a billion gallons of gasoline were sold in Oregon last year.

The total was 541,034,754 gallons, a net gain of 5.9 per cent over 1950 gas consumption in Oregon, the secretary of state's office said Saturday.

The upward spiral continued despite decreases in July, August and December sales. The 1951 total was 81.6 per cent higher than in 1941.

Lenten Restrictions Relaxed for Catholics

WASHINGTON—(P)—U. S. Roman Catholics may be permitted to eat meat once a day on Wednesdays during Lent this year, except on Ash Wednesday.

Such a suggestion has been made by a three-man committee of the bishops of America. Whether the abstinence rule will be relaxed is still up to the bishop of each diocese, who has considerable freedom in such matters.



THOMAS KLING, listed by the FBI as one of the 10 most wanted criminals in the country, is shown in New York after his arrest by three detectives. He was described by police as a pal of bank robber Willie (The Actor) Sutton.

Harsh Discipline

HONOLULU—(P)—A special Navy Board of Inquiry is investigating charges of unnecessarily harsh discipline aboard the salvage ship Reclaimer. Crew members recently told newsmen the skipper and executive officer behaved like martinis and unduly restricted liberty.

Israel Gets U.S. Aid

TELAVIV, Israel—(P)—Israel and the United States began last week to negotiate a formal agreement for 65 million dollars in U. S. aid which already has begun to arrive under provisional agreements.

Plugs for Tax Loopholes Considered Soon by Groups

By G. MILTON KELLY

WASHINGTON—(P)—Plugs for recently-disclosed tax loopholes will be considered soon by two committees of Congress, Senator George (D-Ga.) said Saturday.

"There seems to have been some pretty loose handling of certain matters," George told a reporter. Specifically, he added, there appeared to be "some laxity"—and tighter rules indicated—in granting former employees of the Internal Revenue Bureau special permission to act as counsel for tax-troubled companies.

GEORGE SAID action will be taken by the Senate Finance Committee, which he heads, and

the House Ways and Means Committee, which writes tax laws.

Two investigating Senators, Nixon (R-Calif.) and Mundt (R-SD), described tax loopholes as "glaring." Unless these are plugged, they said in separate statements, their investigations subcommittee's inquiry into a profitable surplus ship deal "will be a failure."

George said one recent disclosure he has in mind is that involving Joseph D. Nunan, former internal revenue commissioner.

THE REVENUE Bureau, records show, issued Nunan's law firm special permits to represent 102 clients whose tax cases had been pending when he left his federal job in 1947.

Senator Butler (R-Neb.) called for an outright ban on such waivers. He demanded that no exceptions be made in a present law which prevents, for at least two years, any person from representing a client before the government agency for which he had worked.

Red Air Power In Korea Grows

WASHINGTON—(UP)—The Communists are building up their air power in North Korea despite the toll taken by United Nations planes, informed sources said Saturday.

It was estimated that the Chinese Reds now have about 1700 planes—including 900 jets—in Manchuria and North Korea. This would indicate that Russia is supplying the Chinese air force with about 100 planes a month, in addition to the number needed to replace MIG-15 jets shot down by the U. S. Air Force.

Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Air Force chief of staff, estimated last November that the Red air force in Korea totaled 1400 planes, half of which were MIG jet fighters.

The present Red air strength is believed to be greater than that of the United Nations, both in jet and propeller-type planes.

It also was reported that Russia is making progress in developing a new, high-speed bomber capable of making round-trips to American targets.

Soviets Note Start of Army

MOSCOW—(UP)—A Soviet major general reported Saturday that the Soviet Union has built and tested "atom bombs of various calibers."

The article was one of many appearing in the Soviet press on the occasion of the 34th anniversary of the founding of the Red army.

Maj. Gen. Peter Korkodinov discussed the atomic bomb.

"Aware of the jungle customs of aggression," he wrote, "the Soviet government saw to it that our state would not be caught unprepared and that an aggressor will be met with all possible weapons. For this purpose, it organized and tested atom bombs of various calibers."

All the newspapers accused "Anglo-American imperialists" of planning to unleash a third World War.

Lovett to Explain Service Shift

Congress to Hear
Defense Secretary

WASHINGTON—(P)—Secretary of Defense Lovett will be called before Congress upon his return from Lisbon to explain what some legislators said was a plan for further separating the Armed Services.

Chairman Bonner (D-N.C.) said his House Expenditures subcommittee has seen a Pentagon document in Berlin directing the Air Force to establish its own supply system, its own corps of engineers and other special services. These have been furnished in the past by the Army.

Rep. Brownson (R-Ind.) said the cost of setting up separate Air Force services "runs into billions of dollars."

The chairman said the subcommittee will hear Lovett, Chairman Small of the Munitions Board and the three service secretaries in a closed session. It will be held two or three days after Lovett returns, Bonner told newsmen.

The subcommittee probed a wide range of subjects Friday in continuing its effort to locate waste and duplication in the military establishment. It will continue hearings next Wednesday, with Karl R. Bendetsen, assistant secretary of the Army, as the main witness.

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