

American Huk Leads Guilty

Couple Sentenced To Life Imprisonment

MANILA — (AP) — American leader, William J. Pomeroy, his Philippine wife pleaded guilty to rebellion in a surprise Wednesday and were sentenced to life imprisonment.

The guilty plea by the former ranking Communist leaders of the Philippines broke an unending pattern of innocent victims of the Huk movement. The time an alien was convicted of rebellion against the Philippine government.

The presiding judge told the couple that admission of guilt, throwing themselves on the mercy of the court led him to their lives.

Charges of rebellion, complexed with murder, arson, kidnapping, robbery call for the death sentence here.

It had been believed that Pomeroy, a long time Communist in the Philippines, and in the Philippines—pleaded not guilty.

The Huk leader from Waterloo, N.Y., was captured by Philippine government forces April 11 during a drive to flush the disaffected from the outlying jungle.

Pomeroy's Philippine wife, Cecilia, reported dead, was captured days later.

Kills Playmate With 'Empty Rifle'

PORTLAND — (AP) — John Richardson, 32, was showing his new gun to a group of friends Tuesday.

"unloaded" the gun, playmate pointed it at the head of Sam Pense, 9, and pulled the trigger, police said. The gun fired, the Pense boy outright.

G. Richardson had given the gun to his son as a gift. He told the boy to use the gun unless his were around. They were at home Tuesday.

Pense's check the setting of his diamond. No charge.



(NEA Telephoto) EIKICHI Araki, Japan's first post-war ambassador to the United States, arrives at the White House to present his credentials to President Truman.

BPA Council Holds Meeting

SPOKANE — (AP) — The 22nd session of the Bonneville regional advisory council will be held here Thursday and Friday with discussions centering on management and financing of Pacific Northwest power resources development.

Paul J. Raver, Bonneville power administrator, will open Thursday's session with a review of regional participation in Northwest power development and current problems in ways and means of insuring an adequate power supply.

The administrator's report will be followed by three panel discussions dealing with operations of the Northwest Power Pool in power management, managing and financing regional power projects, and advance programming of power development.

Union Proposes U.S. Labor Party

AFL Convention To Vote on Measure

SEASIDE, Ore. — (AP) — A third political party—made up of union laborers—was proposed at the Oregon Federation of Labor convention here.

The resolution, introduced Tuesday by members of the Portland AFL Typographical Union, called the present parties "instruments of big business" and said that with them in power there appeared to be little prospect of repealing the Taft-Hartley Act—a labor law opposed by unions because of restrictions it imposes.

Delegates will vote on the resolution later.

They approved resolutions asking:

Construction of an intermediate prison for young law breakers.

Higher limits on earnings under social security.

Accident compensation for apprentices.

Extension of state accident insurance to cover all employees.

Higher employment and injury compensation.

Increased pay for jurors.

Teachers and other public employees introduced a series of resolutions and changes in federal and state labor laws.

Barbara Payton to Be Near Tom Neal on Trip

HOLLYWOOD — (AP) — Barbara Payton and Tom Neal appeared at the U.S. Immigration Bureau office here Tuesday to get passports for a trip to Europe.

The voluptuous blonde, recently divorced by Actor Franchot Tone, assured reporters the fact that she and Neal were applying for passports at the same time did not indicate a wedding was in the immediate offing.

"Tom's going to Europe to nail down some film commitments, and I'm going to London to make a movie, 'The four-sided triangle,' Miss Payton said.

New Light Shed on Old Topics

Rotarians Get Tips on Death and Taxes

Dividing the subject between them, Otto Vonderheit and Ed Ivey Tuesday noon presented Eugene's Rotarians with 15-minute talks on "Death and Taxes."

Attorney Vonderheit followed the tax angle rather closely—leaving the audience with certain misgivings about Ivey's part of the topic. But the First National Bank's trust officer neatly dovetailed his remarks on estate planning with those Vonderheit had advanced.

Both speakers emphasized that good estate planning is not simply the avoidance, insofar as possible, of state and federal taxes. Wherever inheritance and gift taxes can be minimized, opportunities should be explored, they said. However, the essential factors in estate planning should be the purposes to be accomplished. That is, the protection and provision for surviving members, the support of charities and similar aims.

VONDERHEIT discussed at some length the specific means by which gifts before death can be used to reduce taxation on estates. He also spoke of the practicability for some couples to divide their wealth evenly before the death of either husband or wife.

Explaining that inheritance taxes often can be reduced or eliminated through property divisions coupled with the establishment of trust funds, Vonderheit paved the way for Ivey's explanation of trust agreements.

An attorney himself, Ivey said that avoidance of succession costs in handling estates requires thoughtful planning. On the other hand, he advised that "guidance by the dead hand" be avoided.

IVY COUNSELED that a trust officer be selected only if complete confidence can be had in him. Once selected he should be given authority sufficient to permit him to cope with the unforeseeable conditions of the future. Trust companies manage estates through

committee actions, he pointed out, thus insuring the soundness of decisions by testing them through a variety of opinions.

The magnitude of the estate planning problem was indicated by Vonderheit's notation that federal inheritance taxes range from 18 per cent on sums between \$30,000 and \$40,000 to 30 per cent over \$100,000—and on up to 77 per cent.

IN ONE OF several examples, Vonderheit pointed out that a couple possessing \$120,000 could avoid inheritance taxes by dividing the property equally and providing for trust agreements to cover the share of the husband or wife, whichever passed on first.

The federal government allows a \$60,000 exemption per person, he noted. This would cover the share of either husband or wife, but the

Cardroom Owner Faces Tax Suits

PORTLAND — (AP) — Hugh Earle, internal revenue collector, Tuesday filed tax liens totaling \$276,128 against the proprietor of a former downtown Portland cardroom.

Irving I. Hasson, former operator of Pasha's Sports Center, owes the government \$161,412 in tax, penalty and interest for 1946, Earle said. Another lien was filed against Hasson and his wife, Eda, for 1947 to 1950.

The cardroom was closed down last year after Hasson was arrested on a bookmaking charge.

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