

West Berlin Looking For New Crackdown

BERLIN (AP)—Communist-surrounded West Berlin looked Wednesday for a new Red crackdown on its traffic with the Soviet Zone following East German charges that the Western powers have turned the city into a spy center.

The East German cabinet Tuesday night announced the arrest of 521 "Western agents" and the liquidation of "a considerable number of espionage and terror groups." It said these were being directed from Allied-occupied West Berlin.

The Red regime said it would take "all necessary measures" to protect the East German state from what it called the West's criminal activities based in West Berlin.

West Berlin circles anticipated

Reactor Plans Disclosed By Magnuson

SPOKANE (AP)—Plans for a nuclear reactor which "will create electric power and will substitute for steam plants in the Pacific Northwest" were disclosed by Sen. Magnuson (D-Wash.) Tuesday night.

Magnuson said the Atomic Energy Commission has budgeted funds for the plant. It will be built at Hanford, Wash., by the General Electric Co.

The senator said the "dual purpose" reactor, first proposed by General Electric 2 years ago, would produce electrical energy and quantities of plutonium for the nation's stockpile.

Magnuson said he was advised the "larger the reactors the cheaper the electricity it can produce. At Hanford we already have reactors which are truly mammoth in size."

His statement added it is "sound technical reasoning to expect that a very large power plant can be built by the people now working at Hanford—a plant which will produce electricity cheaper in the Northwest than can conventional steam plants."

the Communists would put new restrictions on German moving between the Allied part of the city and the Eastern zone. Many Germans live in one area and work in the other. Others visit relatives or friends across the borders.

Any West Berliner seeking to enter the East Zone must obtain a special permit from the East German ministry of the interior. Movement between Berlin's Western and Soviet sectors is still free. Controls on the East Berlin side are normally limited to checks of luggage for anti-Communist literature being smuggled eastward or food, cameras and optical instruments being brought to the West for the higher prices obtainable there.

The East German announcement said Communist secret police chief Ernst Wollweber's men had seized 19 American-made radio receivers and transmitters, arms and ammunition, poisons, incendiary sets, special cameras, forged passes and other equipment from the arrested "agents."

It claimed the American-operated radio Rias in West Berlin was organizing the espionage and sabotage on orders from the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency.

Attlee Says Soviets 'Afraid of China'

FORT WILLIAM, Ont. (AP)—Clement Attlee, leader of the British Labor Party, says Communist China is no "mere cat-paw to Russia."

The former prime minister told 1,200 people here Tuesday night, "I think the Russians are afraid of China." The address was his first on a cross-country speaking tour sponsored by Canada's CCF Party. Both the CCF and British Labor are Socialist parties.

BIBLE BAIL

EAST HAVEN, Conn. (AP)—Salesman David F. Mulcahy, 50, of Yonkers, N.Y., failed to appear in police court on a traffic charge and forfeited the bond. Mulcahy had left 7 Bibles, valued at \$150 as bail.



RUSSIANS GREET AUSTRIAN WITH FANFARE—Austrian Chancellor Julius Rabb (hatless) stands before microphones as he and his party of 10 are welcomed in Moscow. The Austrians are in Russia for talks on an Austrian peace treaty. Heading the welcoming party are Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov (second from left) and Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas Mikoyan (left). A 100-man honor guard raised sabres and a 60-piece band played at Central Airport in one of the most gala receptions accorded a visiting dignitary in years.

Spring Erupts Again With Blizzard, Flooding Rains and Dust Storms

By UNITED PRESS

Spring erupted again Wednesday with a Texas blizzard, flooding rains and dust storms which left 3 persons dead and widespread property damage through the South.

The Texas panhandle city of Dalhart was isolated by more than a foot of snow. In Jackson, Miss., a 3-inch rainfall flooded streets almost up to the level of car windows.

In the Southwest high winds kept some of the worst dust storms of the season going for the second day. Many towns in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico were closed in by dust early Wednesday and hundreds of motorists were reported marooned late Tuesday.

APRIL WILDNES

The violent weather continued a pattern of April wildness. The northern plains were buried under the second major blizzard in a week Tuesday and ripping winds have been tearing at the dust bowl.

The new outbreak started with 2 tornadoes in Texas, 3 in Arkansas, and 1 each in Louisiana and Indiana late Tuesday. An unidentified man was killed at Pine Bluff,

Ark., when a twister toppled his home.

The vicious storm pattern then changed quickly, sweeping the Texas panhandle with blizzard snows carried by 63-mile-per-hour winds and dumping 4.21 inches of rain on Greenwood, Miss.

At Amarillo, Tex., a newsman said "We got dust, then we got rain, and then we got more dust."

Dalhart, a high plains city of 6,000 located 80 miles north of Amarillo, was quickly snowed-in. Heavy ice snapped every telephone line and most power lines leading into the city and its communications with the outside world ceased completely.

Still farther north, there was a foot and a half of snow at Boise City, Okla. Fog closed in Tyler, Tex., ending an opening day baseball game in the third inning, and dust cut visibility to an eighth of a mile at Big Springs, Tex.

The swirling dust appeared even worse farther west. The winds hit 93 miles per hour at Pueblo, Colo., yesterday and a woman carrying a year-old baby was whipped 15 feet in the air as she stepped from her home.

Another Pueblo resident was killed in a car accident during a blinding dust storm.

A third weather-caused death

was reported at Jackson, Miss., when an unidentified woman ran her car into a rain-swollen creek and drowned.

Jackson's torrential rains closed 5 city streets and water was almost up to car windows at 1 intersection. Some highways leading into the state capital city were covered with water, almost stalling traffic, and at least one family was evacuated when water from a drainage ditch sloshed through their home.

TORNADIC WINDS

Elsewhere in Mississippi, tornadic winds blew in two hangar doors at the Vicksburg airport, damaging airplanes inside, and 4 homes were unroofed at Hernando.

A twister at Baton Rouge, La., ripped through a hardwood forest, tearing down telephone poles and wires, while a "light tornado" touched down in Indianapolis, Ind., demolishing a car, knocking out windows, and damaging a restaurant.

The unpredictable spring weather meanwhile clamped a cold wave on the snow-covered northern plains and Cheyenne, Wyo., which was isolated by a blizzard Tuesday, shivered in 11-degrees temperatures Wednesday.

Slayer Ends Hunger Strike

KLAMATH FALLS (AP)—Convicted slayer James Quinton Anderson has ended his hunger strike, Sheriff Murray Britton again reported Tuesday.

Anderson, being held in jail here while his attorney appeals the murder conviction, began refusing food a week ago Monday as a protest because he and his 19-year-old wife were not permitted to exchange notes.

The wife is serving a 60-day sentence for drunkenness. She is in a cell on the floor above Anderson.

He apparently called off the strike when Britton agreed to let the Andersons send regular mail to each other. But then his wife decided she would get a divorce and Anderson said he still wasn't eating. He said, too, he wanted to give up his appeal and begin immediately to serve his life term in the state penitentiary.

Anderson changed his mind Tuesday. He accepted food and said he had asked his attorney to continue the fight for his release.

HIROSHIMA SURVIVOR

ABILENE, Kan. (AP)—The atom bomb that devastated Hiroshima nearly a decade ago destroyed a Japanese temple but left intact a 300-year-old blue bowl of Imari porcelain. The bowl is the latest addition to the Eisenhower Memorial Museum, presented by Mrs. Walter H. Walker, widow of General Walker, who was killed in Korea.



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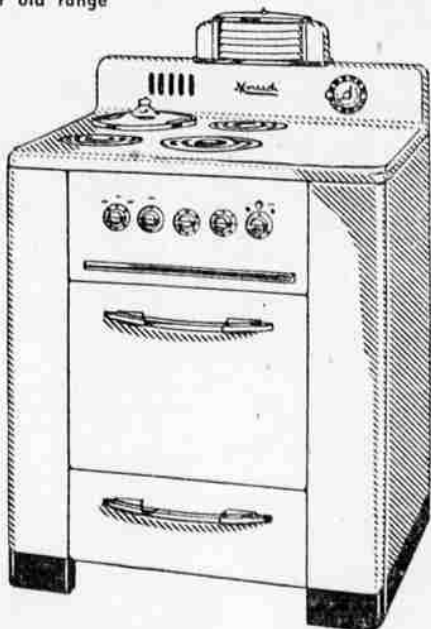
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