

Laos Rebels Near Town

VIENTIANE, Laos (AP) — Pro-Communist rebel patrols have pushed to within two miles of Houei Sai in northwest Laos and two U. S. military advisers are missing, American military sources said Tuesday.

The informants said the defense perimeter established about three miles outside Houei Sai, on the Mekong River border with Thailand, "is giving way" in the face of Pathet Lao attacks.

Two U. S. military advisers attached to the Laotian army at Houei Sai have been missing since Sunday, it was reported.

Fighting flared up Sunday at that town when pro-Communist rebels overran government outposts.

The spokesman for the U. S. Military Advisory Assistance Group said the two Americans were with Laotian troops at one of the outposts captured by the rebels.

Both Americans are non-commissioned officers and are members of the special forces training and advising Laotian troops. Their names were withheld pending notification of relatives.

A spokesman in answer to reporters' questions had denied Monday that there were any Americans injured, killed or missing in the fighting at Houei Sai.

The spokesman said Tuesday these were the first Americans to be reported missing since April 1961, when four other American advisers disappeared after a pro-Communist assault on Vang Vieng, 80 miles north of Vientiane.

U.S. Policy Criticized
In Manila Tuesday, Philippine President Diosdado Macapagal sharply criticized U.S. policy on Laos and voiced strong support for the anti-Communist government of Premier Boun Oum and Gen. Phoumi Nosavan.

Speaking at a luncheon for the visiting Laotian leaders, the president said: "It is unfortunate that you and those who follow your leadership have not been given the full support of those which are leading the global struggle for human dignity and liberty."

"It is incomprehensible that you should receive less support from the West than the neutralists among your people."

The statement referred to U. S. pressure on Boun Oum and Gen. Nosavan to force them to agree to formation of a coalition government headed by neutralist Prince Souvanna Phouma.

Four to Continue
Attending the luncheon were the ambassadors of the United States, Great Britain and France. Britain is also strongly backing the proposed coalition.

Boun Oum and Gen. Nosavan went ahead with their tour schedule despite new Communist threats at home and mounting criticism from Washington of their departure from Laos.

Newsman asked the general whether he considered Pathet Lao moves toward Houei Sai serious enough to require his return to Laos. He said it was more important to spread understanding abroad of his government's situation.

The two Laotian leaders are scheduled to leave for Hong Kong Wednesday night.

Mobile Exhibit Goes on Display
SALEM (AP) — The Oregon Civil Defense Agency said Monday that it has placed on display for the first time a specially designed mobile exhibit which shows the ins and outs of a fallout shelter.

The exhibit is mounted inside a 20-foot trailer, and is now being shown at the AFL-CIO's union-industries show in Portland's Memorial Coliseum.

The agency said the shelter exhibit will also be shown at the Little World's Fair at Damascus in June, and at the Oregon State Fair here in September.

New Pakistan Plant
TOKYO (AP) — A \$1 million sodium hydroxide plant will be constructed in East Pakistan under a \$20 million credit Japan extended to Pakistan last year.

402,337 Receive Polio Vaccine
PORTLAND (AP) — Some 402,337 persons received oral polio vaccine at clinics in Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas counties over the weekend.

The turnout at the final phase of the tri-county area's mass immunization program was smaller than at the first two sessions.

Some 421,000 persons received the first dose, 411,000 the second.

A spokesman for participating medical societies blamed the lower turnout partly on Oregon Day at the Seattle World's Fair.

8 Australian Jets Join Thai Buildup

SEATO Nations Augment Marines

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — A squadron of eight Australian Sabre jet fighters flew into Bangkok Tuesday from Singapore to join anti-Communist military buildup in this strategic Southeast Asian nation.

The Australian jets will be stationed in Ubon, the U.S. Marine base in Thailand's sensitive northeast region bordering the Communist-threatened south of Laos.

An Australian spokesman said the jets would fly to Ubon "within two or three days."

The top U.S. military commander in Southeast Asia, Gen. Paul D. Harkins, flew from Saigon to Bangkok Tuesday as the big job of organizing American troops airlifted into Thailand two weeks ago continued.

Harkins, who has overall command of U.S. forces in both South Viet Nam and Thailand, will make regular visits to Bangkok and the U.S. forces in Thailand every three or four days, a U.S. military spokesman said.

Australia was the fourth member of the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization to send forces to back up the Thais.

A British squadron of 10 Hawker Hunter fighters, a twin-engine Canberra jet and a Pembroke reconnaissance plane, arrived last Friday. It has been stationed at Chiang Mai, 375 miles north of Bangkok and 100 miles from the Laotian frontier.

A detachment of 50 New Zealand airborne troops has also arrived and was sent to Khorat, 135 miles northeast of Bangkok, where Lt. Gen. James L. Richardson, commander of the U.S. task force, has his headquarters.

They augment a growing American force that is to total about 5,000 infantrymen and Marines.

Sir Garfield Barwick, Australia's foreign minister, arrived in Saigon Tuesday for a three-day visit to discuss Australian military aid to South Viet Nam.

Australia announced earlier it planned to send some form of token military aid to South Viet Nam. It is believed these will be military advisers to work with Vietnamese forces.

6 Japanese Ships Leave

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — The six-boat Japanese fishing fleet which nearly caused an international incident off Alaska last month is returning to Japan with empty holds.

Gov. William A. Egan, here for the Western Land Commissioners convention, received word from Juneau Monday of the fleet's departure.

This followed by a day Egan's refusal to allow the Japanese to fish three weeks for herring in Shelikof Strait. The commander, Yamaki Hisa, said in making the request that the fleet had caught nothing since its arrival March 24.

Three of the Japanese skippers were arrested by Alaska game and fish agents in mid-April while the fleet was in Shelikof Strait between Kodiak Island and the Alaskan Peninsula. They were charged with violating Alaska fishing regulations. No trial date has been set. The fleet moved into the Gulf of Alaska after the arrests.

Alaska claims jurisdiction over the strait. The Japanese insist it is international waters.

Convention Set
NEW DELHI, India (AP) — The Ghandi Peace Foundation says it will stage an international anti-nuclear arms convention here June 16-19.



(AP Wirephoto) Adolf Eichmann is flanked by guards as he stands in his glass cage Tuesday in Israel's Supreme Court. The court rejected Eichmann's appeal from his death sentence. It even called the penalty inadequate when compared to the enormity of his crimes.

Nazi's Appeal

Investigators Silent On Air Crash Probe

CENTERVILLE, Iowa (AP) — Federal investigators maintained silence Tuesday on reports of a link between a murder-suicide pact and a Continental Airlines jet plane crash that claimed 45 lives.

No official would discuss this facet of the case for the record, but there were indications that they were not dismissing this theory.

A briefcase bearing the initials T.G.D., found among the debris after the plane disintegrated in the air, was in custody of Federal Bureau of Investigation agents.

George Van Epps, head of the Civil Aeronautics Board crew investigating the crash, said an explosive might have been carried aboard the plane in the brown leather case.

The CAB said an explosion occurred in a lavatory of the plane shortly after it passed through a line of thunderstorms last Tuesday night.

John S. Leak, of the CAB engineering division, said the blast was a high velocity explosion in a concentrated confined space, rather than a gaseous explosion.

He said since no copper wire or other evidence of a bomb timing device was found in the wreckage, a person must have set off the blast.

Authorities have not said, so far, that a bomb caused the disaster. They say only that it was caused by an explosive force inside the plane.

Chicago's American said the initials on the briefcase are the same as those of a passenger who bought a \$225,000 insurance policy in Kansas City, then went to Chicago to meet a woman with whom he boarded the plane. Both are reported to have died in the crash.

CAB investigators disclosed they had traveled to Odessa, Tex., to examine the body of Joyce Rush, 23, a stewardess whose body was found near the fuselage.

They have ordered analysis of numerous metal fragments removed from her body and clothing.

Eichmann's Chances Slim After Court Rejects Appeal

JERUSALEM (AP) — The Israeli Supreme Court rejected Adolf Eichmann's appeal Tuesday and left the former Gestapo officer only the slender chance of executive clemency to escape the gallows for his part in the Nazi massacre of millions of European Jews.

The 56-year-old former chief of the Gestapo's Jewish Affairs Section stared fixedly at the five Supreme Court judges as Associate Justice Simon Agranat began reading the judgment affirming "without hesitation or reserve" the death sentence imposed on Eichmann last December.

Eichmann's defense counsel, Robert Servatius, was expected to submit an appeal for clemency to Israeli President Izhak Ben-Zvi. Justice Ministry officials said a decision is not likely before mid-June.

A certificate rejecting clemency would constitute an execution order. Eichmann probably would be hanged soon after, behind the grim sandstone walls of Ramleh Prison, near Tel Aviv.

The modernistic auditorium in which Eichmann was tried last year by a special three-judge tribunal was again packed with spectators. Relatives of many of them were victims of the Nazi slaughter which befell the Jews.

Eichmann again sat in the bulletproof glass cage as the judgment was read in Hebrew and translated into German, English and French. Still wearing the dark suit and striped tie he wore through his 4½-month trial, Eichmann occasionally pressed his lips together and twitched his mouth as, one by one, every defense he put up to escape the gallows was rejected.

The judgment began with a brief review of the 15-count indictment charging Eichmann with crimes against the Jews and humanity.

Then it declared: "The district court which tried the appellant, convicted and sentenced him dealt with all categories of the defense arguments in an exhaustive manner. We should say at once that we fully concur, without hesitation or reserve, in all its conclusions and reasons, because they are fully supported by substantial proof culled and abstracted out of the monumental mass of evidence produced to the court. The conclusions of the district court rest on solid foundation. We can do no more than associate ourselves with them."

In his original defense of Eichmann and again in his appeal to the Supreme Court in March, Servatius challenged Israel's right to try Eichmann with arguments that:

• It never has been universally accepted that one nation can try a foreign national for crimes allegedly committed outside its own borders.

• The law under which he was tried was enacted after the alleged crimes were committed.

• Eichmann was kidnapped from Argentina and illegally brought to Israel for trial.

The high court rejected these challenges, declaring: "Crimes with which the appellant is charged are within the jurisdiction of the Israel court. It is clear that all acts of persecution, deportation and murder in which the accused took part constitute war crimes within the meaning of the Nazi and Nazi collaborators' law under which he was tried here."

The judgment reviewed precedents from a dozen countries establishing the right of nations to forcibly bring to trial persons accused of such crimes.

Basically, the high court ruled that as the efficient technician of the Gestapo branch that sent Jews to their death by the millions Eichmann had violated the international law on genocide established at the Nuremberg war crimes trials after World War II.

Four Missile Bases Planned Near Tokyo
TOKYO (AP) — The Defense Agency Tuesday formally approved construction of Japan's first four Nike-Ajax missile bases at sites circling Tokyo.

Construction will start early next month, and the bases are to be completed by November. Each base will have nine launchers.

The Defense Agency has 339 officers training in the United States to handle the missiles.

Soviets Free 2 Accused Of Espionage
MOSCOW (AP) — Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Werner of West Germany, imprisoned last autumn on charges of spying for the United States, were handed over to West German embassy officials Tuesday.

The middle-aged couple was taken to Moscow airport to board a plane for Copenhagen.

They spoke briefly to newsmen before leaving. "We were treated correctly," said Werner, a shoe salesman from Karlsruhe.

Both appeared in good health. The Soviet foreign ministry told the West German embassy Monday that it had released the couple on humanitarian grounds.

He indicated that it expected the West German government to reciprocate by releasing V. A. Pripolstev, an official of the Soviet trade mission in Cologne. He was sentenced last February to four years in prison on espionage charges.

The Werners declined to say where they had been imprisoned.

Their release was similar to that of American U2 pilot Francis Gary Powers last February, who was traded for convicted Soviet spy Col. Rudolph Abel.

Officials of the West German embassy declined to speculate whether Pripolstev will now be released.

The Werners were arrested near Kiev last fall while on a motor trip through the Soviet Union. They were accused of photographing and making notes on military installations.

A military court sentenced the husband to 15 years in prison and the wife to seven years. Werner testified that he had been enlisted for espionage work by U.S. intelligence agents in West Germany.

Pastor Hurt In Explosion
PORTLAND (AP) — The Rev. Lyle O. Wilson was in a Portland hospital Tuesday, recovering from the effects of an explosion that destroyed his home Monday.

Wilson suffered a back injury and first degree burns of the face when the explosion ripped his home apart and damaged neighboring houses owned by Lee Neilan and David Jensen.

The explosion came after gas leaking from a broken main apparently seeped into the Wilson home. The main had been broken about two hours earlier by a water district crew.

Fire Chief Ray Hicks of District 10 said it was not clear as to why the leaking gas exploded.

The Rev. Wilson, 30, is pastor of the Sunrise Baptist Church. His wife and three children were away at the time of the explosion.

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