

In South Viet Nam

Loyal Troops Battle Reds

SAIGON, South Viet Nam (AP)—Heavy clashes were reported Tuesday between Red guerrillas and a strong force of government troops airlifted into Communist-infested territory by 30 U.S. helicopters.

Several of the helicopters reportedly were hit by Viet Cong ground fire, but there was no word of U.S. casualties. The operation was in an area about 40 miles northeast of Saigon.

The region is not far from the spot where about 500 guerrillas ambushed a convoy of 19 vehicles and about 270 Vietnamese troops Saturday. The Reds killed 23 Vietnamese and their American adviser, Capt. Don J. York, Asheville, N.C., then got away.

Searchers have found the body of another American serviceman from a U.S. Army helicopter shot down by the Communists Sunday. This brought the toll to five Americans dead and four missing in three air crashes in two days.

JFK to Meet Soviet Envoy

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Kennedy will meet this evening with Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin at the White House to discuss such crucial issues as Berlin, disarmament, and Laos.

In announcing this Tuesday, White House Press Secretary Pierre Salinger said Kennedy had asked Dobrynin to come to the executive mansion for a conference. It will be their first meeting of any length since the ambassador presented his credentials on March 30.

Dobrynin has met several times with Secretary of State Dean Rusk in the Washington end of discussions here and in Moscow on the Berlin situation. Administration sources cautioned against placing special significance on the Kennedy-Dobrynin meeting.

Yet they said Kennedy feels that it is important to maintain personal contact with the Soviet envoy and intends to see him from time to time.

These sources noted Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev has periodically conferred privately in Moscow with U.S. Ambassador Llewellyn Thompson.

Kennedy's desire for a meeting with Dobrynin was conveyed to the ambassador Monday.

Salinger said he did not know whether Kennedy and Dobrynin would be joined by other officials for any portion of their conference.

U.S. to Offer Data on Tests

GENEVA (AP)—The United States told the 17-nation Disarmament Conference Tuesday it hopes new data on detecting underground nuclear tests will enable "a real forward movement" to take place in negotiations for a nuclear test ban treaty.

American Ambassador Arthur H. Dean told the conference the United States would gladly put the technical data obtained from Project Vela explosions before it as soon as Western scientists have finished their evaluation.

The Defense Department announced in Washington last week that the Vela explosions in Nevada had enabled scientists to devise better ways of detecting underground blasts from far away. There has been speculation the West was planning new compromise proposals for a test ban treaty based on the Vela information.

"We hope this information from Project Vela will provide a clearer understanding of the problems involved in drafting a test ban treaty," Dean said.

British Minister of State Joseph Godber earlier hinted at new Western proposals. He said: "It will be seen in due time that the Western powers have not been wasting their time during the recess."

The conference resumed Monday after a one-month summer recess.

Arson Charge Lists Coburg Man

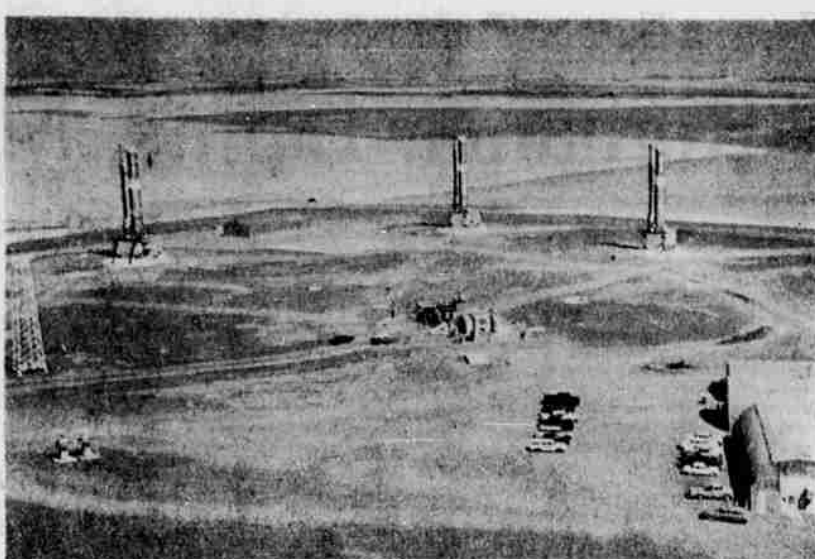
Dewey Irwin, Whitaker, 21, of Coburg, was arrested Monday evening by state police on a secret indictment from the grand jury charging him with first degree arson. He was taken to jail and will be arraigned on the indictment Wednesday in Lane County Circuit Court.

The indictment accuses him of maliciously setting fire to his father's house at 297 W. Van Duyn St., Coburg, June 13. The house burned to the ground.

Deputy Dist. Atty. John Osburn identified the defendant's father as Irwin Whitaker. The defendant and his wife had been living in the house but moved out a few days before it burned, he said.

Holmes Appointed

SALEM (AP)—Ex-Gov. Robert D. Holmes was appointed Monday by Gov. Mark Hatfield as United Nations Day chairman for Oregon. Holmes will direct U.N. Day activities Oct. 24, when the governor will hold a reception in honor of foreign consuls in Oregon.



(AP Wirephoto)

Titans Ready

Air Force Takes Over Three Titans

MOSES LAKE, Wash. (AP)—An underground complex of three Titan I missiles ready to launch from deep silos was turned over to the Air Force Monday.

The complex sits atop a hill in the rolling wheat country near Odessa. It is the first of three complexes ringed by Larson Air Force Base to be completed for the 4170th Strategic Wing. The other two, near Warden and on Royal Slope west of Othello, are expected to be turned over later this week.

The three missiles at the Odessa complex were in elevated positions as the installation was transferred from one Air Force command to another in a brief ceremony. Jet bombers and tankers flew high overhead as a part of the ceremony.

The missiles were without nuclear warheads, waiting an official order from the Pentagon for their installation, which was expected later in the day. Otherwise the complex was combat ready.

Crews of the 568th Strategic Missile Squadron at Larson manned the complex for the first time under the direction of Lt. Col. Joseph Norman, complex commander.

The squadron which will man all three complexes is commanded by Col. Robert S. Miller. The complex was turned over by Brig. Gen. Harold F. Kelley of the Air Force System Command to Col. David E. Tate, 4170th Wing commander, representing the Strategic Air Command.

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Before British Court

Soblen Disavows Suicide Intention

LONDON (AP)—Dr. Robert Soblen told the British high court Tuesday he knifed himself aboard a New York-bound airliner for the sole purpose of reaching British soil—and British justice.

In an affidavit supporting his fight against removal to America to face a life sentence as a Soviet spy, Soblen said he had no intention of committing suicide.

"The wound I inflicted on my wrist was longitudinal," he said. "Had I inflicted a circular wound across my wrist, I would have bled to death."

"Similarly, the cut in the abdomen ripped through the skin and belly muscles, but did not penetrate into the abdomen itself."

Soblen said he jumped his \$100,000-bail and fled to Israel last month "because I was convinced of my own innocence of the counts against me, and because I felt that justice had not been done to me in the American courts."

"I further hoped that if I were able to enjoy my freedom a little longer, my innocence might be established."

Three-Judge Panel Soblen was brought before the three-judge panel from Brixton Prison on a writ of habeas corpus seeking his release from the custody of the British Home Office. The British government claims he is a deportable alien in the country illegally.

If the court rules in the 62-year-old fugitive's favor, his lawyers plan to press his appeal to the Home Office for asylum as a political refugee. He is suffering from leukemia — incurable cancer of the blood — and his doctors say he has only a few months to live.

The court is expected to hand down its decision some time Wednesday.

Israeli authorities refused to let Soblen stay in Israel and on July 1 put him aboard a chartered airliner bound for New York via Athens and London. With him were an Israeli doctor and U. S. Marshal James McShane.

The judges will decide whether to continue a writ of habeas corpus Soblen's lawyers obtained in a lower court. The British government contends he landed in Britain without permission and has to leave when recovered from the suicide attempt.

If Soblen is freed, he could leave for any foreign port. The espionage charge against him is not extraditable under the extradition treaty between Britain and the United States.

Presumably, however, only a Communist country would accept him since he does not have a valid passport. He made the flight to Israel on a dead brother's Canadian passport.

TAIPEI (AP)—Formosa's provincial government is seeking U.S. aid funds to help buy a 7,000-ton tuna fishing trawler with refrigeration equipment that would help build the island's fishing industry.

Two Workmen Die in Mishap BY ASSOCIATED PRESS Two Oregonians were killed in industrial mishaps Monday. Clifford W. Siverts, 57, Portland, suffered fatal injuries in a 25-foot fall. He was erecting structural steel for the Portland General Electric Co's Sellwood Substation in Portland when he fell to his death. The widow and four children survive.

Vance L. Sutherland, 59, Portland, was killed in a logging accident in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest near White Salmon, Wash. He was struck by a rolling log.

Cabinet Resigns TOKYO (AP)—The Cabinet resigned Tuesday to give Prime Minister Hayato Ikeda a chance to reshuffle the ministries. This is a routine move that follows Ikeda's re-election Saturday as president of the Liberal-Democratic party, which dominates Japan's Parliament.

Circuit Court Records Divorce Suits Filed Dorothy L. Bonine vs Donald A. Bonine; Marjorie Josephine Woody vs Seth Abraham Woody; Mary A. Dover vs LaMonte D. Dover; Frank A. Harvey vs Frances M. Harvey; Betty Forster vs Gary M. Forster; and Darla Kaye English vs Meredith Ray English.

Jean M. Douglas vs Iverne E. Douglas; Martha Matthews vs Ernest Samuel Matthews; Kyle Leon vs the matter of the application of Violet McReynolds for a writ of habeas corpus.

Selma Andrysek vs Virgil C. Hansen and the Ohio Life Insurance Co.; declaratory judgment.

Ronald L. Casbeer vs Carrie Ruth Casbeer; annulment.

Dividends Revealed PORTLAND (AP)—The White Stag Manufacturing Co. Monday announced quarterly dividends for stockholders. The company said directors declared a dividend of 25 cents per share of class A common stock, 7½ cents per share of classes B-4 and B-5 common stock; and \$1.12½ per share of preferred stock.

Production, Income Up During June

WASHINGTON (AP)—Personal incomes of Americans and the nation's industrial production advanced in June to record highs.

But the income gains were only half as great as in the previous month. Industrial production rose so slightly as to remain almost on dead center.

The two key economic indicators—expected to be scrutinized closely by President Kennedy as he considers seeking an economy-spurring tax cut this year—were disclosed Monday.

The Commerce Department said personal incomes rose \$700 million in June to a record annual rate of \$440.4 billion, an increase of \$24 billion over June 1961. But the increase was only about half as big as the one registered in May and was substantially smaller than the advances made earlier this year.

The Federal Reserve Board said that industrial production in June struggled upward to a record 117.8 per cent of the 1957 level compared with 117.5 per cent in May. Some economists expressed surprise that it hadn't declined in the face of the stock market plunge and a strike which cut sharply into auto production.

The increase was less than half that recorded in May. The Reserve Board's monthly report showed these items on the minus side:

• An 8 per cent decrease in auto production, attributable mostly to a strike at the Ford Motor Co., parts plant at Walton Hills, Ohio, which led to an assembly line shutdown of several days.

• An 8 per cent decline in iron and steel production following a 14 per cent drop in May.

• A decline in stock prices to a low point in late June.

• An increase of one-tenth of 1 per cent in unemployment.

• Retail sales off 2 per cent and new car sales down 7 per cent.

On the plus side, the board reported:

• Continued increases in production of television sets, furniture, some consumer staples, and commercial and farm machinery.

• Generally stable commodity prices.

• New advances in construction that boosted residential, commercial and industrial building to a record annual level of \$63 billion.



(AP Wirephoto)

Actresses Bette Davis, seated, and Joan Crawford are co-stars in a movie named "What Ever Happened to Baby Jane?" It's the first time the two have worked in the same picture. They're cast as sisters — both as former film stars who have to give up their careers because of tragic circumstances. They are shown here on a set in Hollywood.

Algeria Ministers Threaten To Quit Ben Khedda Regime

ALGIERS (AP)—Two more ministers were threatening Tuesday to quit Premier Ben Youssef Ben Khedda's regime unless national unity is established by Wednesday night.

Information Minister M'Hamed Yazid and External Affairs Minister Saad Dahlab told newsmen about their decision Monday night.

"I have no wish to belong to any faction," Dahlab said. "My only desire is to serve my country. Nobody can in the situation now."

"I am in the same frame of mind and ready to leave if the confusion continues," said Yazid.

Anglican Bishop Dies GLOUCESTER, England (AP)—The Rev. Wilfred Askwith, 72, Anglican bishop of Gloucester, died Monday night after a long illness.

However, spokesmen for both sides Monday said they hoped the meeting of the military and civil district leaders could resolve the dispute.

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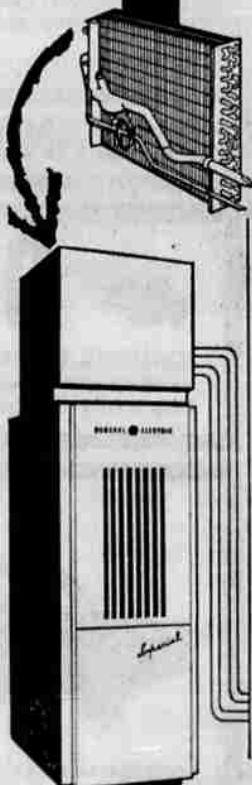
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