

ARRESTED BY FBI



Sidney Steinberg (standing) appears before U.S. Commissioner Joseph Karesh in San Francisco, after he and five others were arrested by the FBI near Sonora, Calif. The FBI said Steinberg has been evading arrest in the Communist "underground" since June 20, 1951, when 21 Communist party leaders were indicted in New York City for violation of the Smith Act. Also arrested were, seated left to right: Carl Edwin Rasi, Mrs. Shirley Keith Kremen, and Samuel L. Coleman. Steinberg and Robert G. Thompson were identified by FBI as two fugitive Communist leaders and the others were charged with harboring them in the Sierra Mountains. (AP Wirephoto)

Cop Kills Slayer of Bronx Labor Leader

New York (AP) — Detectives investigating the slaying of a Bronx union leader Saturday picked up for questioning a former \$2,000-a-month Yonkers raceway "trouble shooter."

Bronx District Attorney George B. DeLuca said the

man, Lawrence Lynch, was taken into custody at his Hopewell Junction, N. Y., home. He was brought to the Bronx for questioning in the fatal shooting Friday of Thomas F. Lewis, 35, president of local 32-F, AFL Building Service Employees Union.

Col. Monroe Info Chief

Lt. Col. Stephen C. Monroe this month was named chief of the information section of Sixth Army headquarters, succeeding Col. James Notestein, who retired July 31 after over 35 years of service with the Army.

Monroe, executive officer of the information section until his recent appointment, served with the information section of Sixth Army at the Presidio of San Francisco under three different generals, Gen. Mark Clark, Lt. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer and Lt. Gen. Joseph M. Swing, the present Sixth Army commander.

Col. Monroe's tour at the Presidio, however, was broken by an assignment in Alaska, where he reported in the summer of 1950. While in Alaska Monroe was chief of information for the U. S. Army in that territory.

A native of Boston and a graduate of Harvard University, Col. Monroe, was active in public relations work in San Francisco prior to entering the Army in 1942. During World War II he served overseas in the China-Burma-India theater.

Monroe returned to San Francisco in 1946 and was assigned to Sixth Army Headquarters as assistant public information officer.

Upon the establishment of the Armed Forces public information office in downtown San Francisco in November, 1948, the Colonel was named to represent the Army. It was while he was on that duty that he visited in Salem.

From the latter assignment Col. Monroe went to the duty in Alaska. On returning from Alaska he was again assigned to the information section at Sixth Army headquarters.

Albany Man Gets GE Post at Hanford

Richland, Wash. (AP) — Appointment of Douglas M. Johnson, a native of Albany, Ore., as financial department manager for the General Electric Co., at the Hanford Works was announced Friday.

Johnson will take over his new post Sept. 1, coming here from Schnectady, N. Y., with his wife and two small daughters.

W. E. Johnson, general manager of GE's Hanford operations, told of the appointment. GE is prime contractor for the government at the atomic plant.

Ebey's Firing 'Unjustifiable'

Houston, Tex. (AP) — The Oregon Education Association contended Friday that the dismissal of George Ebey as deputy superintendent of Houston's public schools was "unjustifiable."

In a letter to members of the Texas State Teachers Association, the Oregon group urged that the Texans invite a "full and complete investigation" of the firing.

"Methods used by individuals or groups opposing Dr. Ebey's reelection appeared to us to have posed a serious threat to our American system of free public schools and to our American way of life," the letter said.

It urged the Texas teachers' group "immediately to invite and urge the National Education Association to undertake a full and complete investigation."

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Three other persons were arrested at the cabin near Yosemite Park and a fourth was arrested Friday after tracing a car found at the hideaway.

A second car was discovered at the cabin and the owner of this car is now being sought by authorities, said William Whelan, FBI agent in charge here. Thompson has been sent to Alcatraz Prison in San Francisco Bay to begin serving a three-year prison term to which he was originally sentenced July 2, 1951.

He was one of 11 top Communist leaders convicted in New York of conspiring to advocate the violent overthrow of the U. S. government.

He now faces the additional charge of unlawful flight to avoid imprisonment—punishable by as much as five additional years. A hearing on the removal of Steinberg to New York has been set for Monday. He fled after being indicted there June 20, 1951, as a "second string" conspirator. He was described by the FBI as assistant national secretary of the American Communist Party.

Steinberg is now held at San Francisco county jail in lieu of \$100,000 bail.

Also in county jail are Carl Edwin Rasi, 40, Minneapolis, secretary of the Minnesota State Communist Party; Samuel I. Coleman, 42, New York Red organizer; Mrs. Shirley Keith Kremen, 21, Los Angeles; and Mrs. Patricia Blau, 42, who had been living at San Jose, Calif., under the name of Janet Conroy.

The U. S. attorney's office said the four are held on charges of helping conceal Thompson and Steinberg.

All are jailed in lieu of \$35,000 bail, which their attorney, Richard Gladstein, said he will seek to have reduced when they appear Monday before U. S. Commissioner Joseph Karesh.

Salem Phoners Take Strike Vote

Local members of the CIO Communications Workers Union cast their ballots Friday on whether or not they wish to strike against the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company over a new contract.

Results of the vote will not be known until Sunday when ballots will be counted in Portland for the entire state. The secret ballot was cast at a meeting of the union at the Senator hotel Friday evening.

The main issue at hand now is not wages but certain contract provisions that the company wishes to withdraw or

change. Peter Sweigert, president of the Salem local, said Friday. If a strike call is authorized by the bargaining committee, he added, it will not be used until all other means of settlement have been exhausted.

Meanwhile in Portland, the company said Friday that it has raised its wage offer to certain workers and has modified some of its proposals on the contract provisions. The new wage increase will pay up to \$3 a week more to some workers. The company earlier had offered \$2 to \$2.50 a week more.

Negotiations were continued Saturday in Portland. A member of the Federal Mediation service is taking part.

In case of a strike in this area, about 80 per cent of the

Overtime Out For Truckers

Portland (AP) — The Santiam Lumber company, which operates mills at Lebanon and Sweet Home, does not have to pay overtime to truckers owning their own equipment who are contract haulers for the firm, according to a decision by U. S. District Judge Gus J. Solomon.

Solomon ruled yesterday telephone workers here would be affected, Swiebert said, including the 150 union members for the area of Salem, Woodburn, Dallas, Independence and Monmouth.

against Secretary of Labor Martin P. Durkin, who had sued the Santiam company for alleged violation of the fair labor standards act. The judge ruled that such drivers are entrepreneurs, as well as laborers.

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Molalla Mill Forced to Close

Molalla (AP) — A sagging lumber market was blamed today for closure of another Oregon lumber operation.

Frank Lowes, president of the A. F. Lowes Lumber company, said the firm's Colton plant would be closed indefinitely because of lack of sufficient market for its production.

The mill employed 20 persons who will be given preference openings at other Lowes operations, he said.

The Colton mill will not be reopened until there is sufficient business to put the big Lowes plant at Molalla back on a two-shift basis, he said. The Molalla plant is now running one shift a day.

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