

U.S. Grants Asylum To 20 Russian Sailors

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WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States has decided to grant asylum to some 20 Russian sailors who deserted their ship after it was seized off Formosa by Chinese Nationalists.

Atty. Gen. Brownell, it was learned, is ready to lift present immigration barriers and rule it is in the national interest to admit the men.

The action, however, is virtual certain to provoke a hot protest from Russia which has been demanding return of the men along with their ship.

The defectors are part of a 48-man crew captured last June 23 by Nationalist destroyers along with their ship, the tanker Tuapse, as it sailed for Red China.

It is understood that the Tuapse

along with the 28 crewmen who have chosen to stick to their ship will be turned over to Soviet authorities within a few weeks. The ship and all crewmen are now in Chinese Nationalist custody.

Under an asylum plan now being developed, the crewmen will be screened rigorously to make certain no diehard Communists and security risks are permitted to enter the United States.

Secretary of State Dulles is reported to have favored admitting the seamen. With cold war repercussions in mind, he felt accepting the seamen would encourage other Soviet sailors to defect and would tend to make Moscow jittery about the loyalty of its ship crews.

Brownell, on the other hand, at first opposed the asylum plan, fearing among other things it would add to the already heavy workload handled by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

After numerous conferences, Brownell is understood to have relaxed his stand and is ready to grant temporary visas to the men, making it clear the length of their stay depends on their behavior while in the United States.

Brownell has the right to waive restrictions barring Communists when he believes it would serve the government's security interests.

Last fall, 22 Polish seamen were

Ike's Holland Tulips Threatened by Squirrels

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WASHINGTON (UPI)—Back stairs at the White House, a studious lady who clocks the movements of downtown squirrels reports:

"If the President doesn't get rid of his lawn squirrels, he'll have no new buds from the Queen of The Netherlands."

Queen Juliana last spring sent Mr. Eisenhower several hundred Holland tulips. And the White House squirrels love the early green shoots.

One of the President's old friends from South Dakota, Korchak Ziolkowski of Custer, S.D., showed up in town the other day. Ziolkowski is a proper Bostonian who emigrated to the Black Hills some years ago and dedicated his adult life to blasting out a rough, rock figure of Chief Crazy Horse, leader of the Cheyenne Tribe just before the bloody battle in which Gen. Ouster lost his head.

Ziolkowski had an artist's dream—he'd do the figure of Chief Crazy Horse without federal money. The strain of daily blasting, however, proved too much and Ziolkowski is now willing to accept \$5-million dollars, provided the government doesn't tell him how to arrange his chief's feathers—in stone.

Ward & Paul, the company that makes stenographic transcriptions of Mr. Eisenhower's news conferences, reports a spurt in business since the White House decided to make the President's remarks available for radio and television use.

The unofficial Ward & Paul transcript, prepared by high-speed stenotype in an office next door to a funeral parlor down the street from the White House, is a hot commodity. It has been agreed that the transcript shall not be sold commercially until it has been printed in the newspapers. This makes life difficult for such lobbyists as would like to teletype the transcript back to their home of office bosses before the transcript gets into print.

This happened at a recent Eisenhower lunch for members of Congress, Rep. Wayne Hays (D-Ohio) who sat next to the President, vouches for it.

The President said that when he first bought his farm at Gettysburg, Pa., he had a small, mixed herd of cattle. He said he broke up the herd on the advice of Atty.

Gen. Herbert Brownell Jr., who felt that a Chief Executive should not be deeply involved with cows at a time when he was building a major farm program.

Mr. Eisenhower followed this advice for a time, then decided it was an unworthy worry. He now has a sizeable herd of Black Angus beef cattle. Congressman Hays is well aware of this herd build-up and asked the President the other day what he intended to do about it, particularly on Brownell's advice.

"What would you do," the President asked Hays.

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San Clemente Bombarded

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP)—Army-Navy bombardment of San Clemente Island was Saturday's noisy phase of "Exercise Surfbomb."

While warships ranged off the cactus-covered, volcanic island, 70 miles west of here, Army mortars and 105 m.m. and 155 m.m. howitzers were moved to positions ashore.

They were aimed at the common target, imaginary enemy positions.

It was probably the heaviest battering ever scheduled for the island, which the Navy bombards regularly, sometimes nearly every day for a week or two at a time.

The fleet of 50 warships and transports will move on Saturday night for an amphibious landing north of Los Angeles, at San Simon, by the 5,000 troops of the Army's 38th Regimental Combat team from Fort Lewis, Wash., Monday.

FINISH TRAINING
SMITHFIELD—Sharon Ralph and friend Constance Oslund arrived by plane at the Portland airport on Wednesday from Bainbridge, Md., where they finished boot camp training for the WAVES. Mrs. Hardy Smith Annette and Becky were there to meet the girls.

Virginia Neighbors Proud Of Both Eisenhowers

GETTYSBURG, Pa. (AP)—Everywhere in this community you meet folks who are mighty proud of two new neighbors, President and Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

They are folks who expressed the hope the Eisenhowers will thoroughly enjoy their newly completed home on a 189-acre farm at the edge of town. They are folks, took, who seem determined that the President and his wife will have as much privacy as possible.

The determination was pointed up in the Gettysburg Times Friday in a front page column which read in part:

"A few days ago President Eisenhower spent his first night in his Gettysburg farm house in complete privacy."

Thursday evening Mrs. Eisenhower and her mother, Mrs. John S. Doud, spent their first night at the farm, also in complete privacy. Today the President joined his First Lady and until some time Saturday they will enjoy their first "owned" home in the seclusion they desire.

"They will have the privacy they are entitled to on those few occasions when they temporarily set aside the cares of their public life for a few hours of relaxation at their historic farm."

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