

British Paratroopers Sail for Mid-East; Nasser Calls Units

Reds to Allow U. S. Newsmen To Visit China

Seven-Year Ban Lifted; Visas Okayed for 15 Reporters

HONG KONG (AP)—Communist China today lifted a seven-year ban on American newsmen visiting the Chinese mainland.

The Peiping correspondent of the French news agency AFP reported to his Hong Kong office that visas had been authorized for 15 correspondents of American news agencies, newspapers, radio and television companies.

Peiping cabled five Americans in Hong Kong they could pick up visas good for one month at the Red China Embassy in Moscow or at Sumchong, across the border from Hong Kong.

Those notified in Hong Kong were John Roderick of the Associated Press, Gordon Walker of the Christian Science Monitor, Robert Martin of U.S. News and World Report, James Robinson of the National Broadcasting Co. and Dan Kurzman of McGraw-Hill Publishing Co.

No American correspondents have been permitted in China since the 1949 conquest by the Communists. The Red regime has permitted extensive visits by correspondents from most other countries.

Correspondents here believed the relaxing of Peiping's ban was connected with the meeting in Peiping Sept. 15 of the eighth Congress of the Chinese Communist party. The Communists say the Congress will be an important meeting.

Thieves Drill Into 3 Stores

ALAMEDA, Calif. (AP)—Burglars drilled their way from one store into another and got \$700 in cash and \$1,400 in checks.

They bored 30 holes in a wall of a grocery store, kicked in the section, knocked off the lock of a safe and took \$300.

Next they bored through a wall into a meat market, but took nothing.

Then they bored through a third wall into a drugstore and took \$400 in cash and \$1,400 in checks from another safe.

Maj. Gen. Willson B. Parsons, White House aide, is also a top authority on submarine cables.



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New Round in 'Nerve War' On Suez

By JAMES F. KING

LONDON (AP)—Some 1,200 British paratroopers carrying full battle equipment sailed toward the Mediterranean today as more of Egypt's Arab neighbors lined up behind President Gamal Abdel Nasser's seizure of the Suez Canal.

Even as the British reinforcements set sail, Nasser's government announced it was putting a "limited number" of Egyptian reservists back in uniform.

The latest round in the Suez battle of nerves came as Britain waited for Nasser to answer her invitation to a 24-nation conference here Aug. 16 to discuss placing the great waterway under international control.

Six nations reportedly have accepted Britain's invitation—Australia, Portugal, Pakistan, Ceylon, Italy and Turkey.

Nasser was understood to be having second thoughts about his reported initial intention to reject the invitation outright. He conferred for an hour yesterday with Soviet Ambassador E. D. Kiselev, whose government also has been invited. It was his third meeting since Britain issued the invitations last week after the conference of British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd, French Foreign Minister Christian Pineau and U.S. Secretary of State Dulles.

Russia's attitude toward the conference was expected to have a strong bearing on Egypt's decision. The Soviets have upheld Egypt's right to nationalize the Suez company, but they have voiced hope for a negotiated settlement of the dispute.

The British paratroop brigade was in high spirits as it boarded the aircraft carrier, *Theseus*, last night. Hastily scrawled signs on their vehicles read "Look Out Nasser, Here We Come." Men of an armored artillery unit who also went on the carrier shouted, "Where's Nasser?"

Egypt's announcement of a reserve callup was the first reply in kind to Britain's threats to use military force. However, an army spokesman in Cairo flatly denied that Egypt had begun general mobilization.

Lebanon's President Camille Chamoun warned the West in a speech that any antagonistic move toward Egypt might lead to "the West losing forever the confidence and cooperation of Mideast peoples."

Pro-Western Iraq, a partner of Britain in the Baghdad Pact, announced shortly after Premier Nuri said returned to Baghdad from London that she "stands beside Egypt in the dispute over the Suez issue."

Syria announced Premier Sabri Assali would lead his country's delegation to an emergency Arab League meeting in Cairo tomorrow or Wednesday. A spokesman in Damascus said the meeting would decide on "inter-Arab measures in support of Egypt's nationalization of the Suez Canal."

Akram Hourani, Syrian political leader, said the league would declare an "Arab war against the West in the event of aggression on Egypt." He urged nationalization of the Western-developed oil of the Middle East should the West fight.

Jordan also announced it would attend the Cairo talks. Yemen congratulated Egypt on her stand.

Texas Legion Backs Negro Voting Rights

DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—The Texas American Legion passed at the annual convention yesterday a resolution giving Negro members equal voting rights with white members.

State voting previously gave the 750 white Legion posts two votes for the first 15 members and an additional 25 members or major fraction thereof.

But the 4,236 members in 125 Negro posts got only 25 votes—five for each of five Negro Legion subdistricts and a vote by the Negro Division VI commander.

"Now with equal voting privileges, our Negro members will have around 300 votes, instead of their customary 26," said the new state commander, Joe L. Matthews of Fort Worth.

A Legion spokesman said very little opposition was offered when the resolution came up near the end of the four-day meeting.

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FIRE DAMAGE LIGHT

Arsonist Invades 7 N. Y. Churches

NEW YORK (AP)—Small blazes were set in seven of Manhattan's biggest churches over the weekend.

The fires were touched off in St. Patrick's Cathedral and three other Roman Catholic churches. Also hit were three Episcopal churches. All are in the midtown area.

The fires broke out when few worshippers were in the churches. They were quickly stamped out and damage was minor.

Police are questioning a 56-year-old jobless laborer. They said he had matches and a bottle of lighter fluid in his pockets.

The man, Salvatore Sorrentino, 56, was held on a misdemeanor charge. He denied setting any fires.

His apartment was found crammed with religious statues, candles and literature.

The first fire was reported Saturday afternoon at the Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Cross (42nd St. near 8th Ave.). That night another small blaze broke out at the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation (Madison Ave. and 31st).

Yesterday afternoon fires were reported over a six-hour period at St. Patrick's (5th Ave. and 50th St.), St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church (Park Ave. and 50th St.), St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church (31st St. near 7th Ave.), St. Thomas' Episcopal Church (5th Ave. at 53rd St.) and St. Columba Roman Catholic Church (343 W. 28th St.).

St. Bartholomew's was worst hit. Six fires were found there. Lighter fluid had been poured on cushions in six pews and set afire.

At St. Patrick's the fire was set in a candle storage room. Altar linen and religious pamphlets were burned in several of the other churches.

McKeon Hopes Thomas Might Trim Penalty

PARRIS ISLAND, S.C. (AP)—Sgt. Matthew C. McKeon today pinned his hopes on Navy Secy. Charles Thomas to remove his bad conduct discharge for leading a Marine death march, and restore him to the corps.

If not reduced by the secretary, an appeal is still possible of his sentence of nine months at hard labor, reduction to private, a fine of \$30 a month during imprisonment, and then a bad conduct discharge.

The 31-year-old career Marine from Worcester, Mass., whose wife is expecting their third child momentarily, was jailed and tear-stricken when a court-martial board of six Marine officers and a Navy doctor decided on his sentence Saturday, a day after it had found him guilty of drinking on duty and negligent homicide. Negligent homicide was defined by the court as "absence of due care by one responsible for the safety of others."

McKeon ordered and led a night march April 8 into marshlands at the Parris Island Marine Training Depot. He said he ordered the march for 74 members of Platoon 71, the first training platoon under his command, to teach the recruits discipline. Six drowned in Ribbon Creek.

The court-martial board cleared him of charges of manslaughter, oppression of recruits, and drinking in the presence of a recruit. These charges could have sent him to prison for six years—double the maximum he faced after the verdict.

His civilian defense attorney, Emilie Zola Berman, said after the verdict that he would not appeal. If McKeon were allowed to stay in the corps, after the sentence, Berman left for New York without saying whether he would appeal to higher military authorities than the court-martial board.

The automatic review by the Navy secretary, and the appeal, if any, may take months.

Until then, McKeon will not be imprisoned or stripped of rank. He has been assigned as an enlisted aide to the Roman Catholic chaplain on the base, the Rev. Maurus Cook.

Two Slain as Car Halts at Traffic Light

HAVERHILL, Mass. (AP)—Charles W. Testa, 39, died early today of bullet wounds in the chest some five hours after his girl friend was killed outright by pistol fire as they sat in their car halted by a red traffic light.

Testa had four wounds in the chest and another in his left hand. Shortly after the shooting at the busy junction of Lawrence Street and Kenosia Avenue, police issued a "wanted for murder" bulletin for Arthur Koehler, 31, divorced husband of Mrs. Koehler.

Police Lt. Timothy D. Donovan said Testa told him before dying that Koehler "fired the shots."

Donovan quoted Testa as saying that Koehler got out of his own car, approached him and Mrs. Koehler at the stoplight, emptied his gun at them, returned to his car and sped off.

The dead woman's mother Mrs. Gertrude Los, who had been caring for Mrs. Koehler's two children, said her daughter and Koehler were divorced last April.

Rep. Hinshaw Dies at Age 62 Of Pneumonia

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Carl Hinshaw of California died Sunday night, at the age of 62, of pneumonia with heart complications.

A Republican from Pasadena, Hinshaw had been a member of the House since 1939, having been elected to nine consecutive terms.

He died at the nearby Bethesda (Md.) Naval Hospital, to which he had been admitted July 27, the day Congress adjourned.

The seventh member to die during the two years of the 84th Congress.

He was a member of the House Commerce Committee and the Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee and showed particular interest in aviation legislation.

Hinshaw's wife, Roberta, was at the bedside when he died. Other survivors include two sons, John D., of New York City, and William R., of Berkeley, Calif., and his mother, Mrs. William Wade Hinshaw, of Washington.

Blind Veterans Pick Ore. Man

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Durham Hail, Reedsport, Ore., was elected judge advocate of the Blind Veterans Assn., as the group ended its national convention here Saturday night.

James L. Womack, Winfield, La., attorney, received the association's achievement award.

Womack, who lost his sight and both arms in a land mine explosion in Germany in World War II, was graduated with honors from Louisiana State University law school last year.

BULLETS WHIZ ON BORDER JERUSALEM (AP)—An Israeli army spokesman today reported a short exchange of fire between Israelis and Egyptians in the Kisufim area east of the Gaza Strip. He said the Israelis suffered no casualties.

CAMP TRANSFER OKAYED WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower Wednesday signed a bill authorizing the Secretary of Army to transfer Camp Withycombe at Clackamas, Ore., to state control for National Guard purposes.

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Aid Truck Splashes Through Flood Waters



UNIONTOWN, Pa.—An emergency truck surges past a stalled car in the flooded business district of nearby Fairbank last night during storm which caused widespread damage in Western Pennsylvania. (AP Wirephoto)

Steel Industry Rolls Back Into Full-Tilt Work

PITTSBURGH (AP)—The basic steel industry, backbone of America's industrial might, roared back toward full production today under an unprecedented three-year, no-strike contract.

The five-week walkout of 650,000 members of the United Steelworkers was declared officially ended last night when the last major company, Armco Steel Corp., signed a contract.

Three other big firms signed earlier yesterday. They were Allegheny-Ludlum Steel Corp., Inland Steel and Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co.

An estimated 25 per cent of the 650,000 strikers were back on the job today. By the end of the week all are expected to be working for the first time since July 1. But it will be 10 days to three weeks—depending on the companies—until full production is achieved.

Men idled in other industries because of the strike are also returning to work. An estimated 103,000 persons were furloughed with the hardest hit being the railroad and mining industries.

Thousands of coal miners returned to work in U.S. Steel Corp. mines near Uniontown, Pa. Railroads too summoned back hundreds of crews.

The industry lost an estimated 10 million tons of production. And, though some steel supplies were plentiful when the walkout started, there are shortages in many items now.

The major steel companies are expected to announce price boosts soon. They're estimated to range from \$8 to \$12 a ton. Steel sold at about \$130 per ton before the walkout.

Manufacturers of everything from hairpins to autos are expected to pass along at least part of the price hike to consumers.

The steelworkers, who lost an estimated 225 million dollars in wages, averaged \$2.46 hourly under their old contract. The new contract gives them an hourly package increase variously estimated at from 45 to 55 cents over the three-year contract.

The three-year pact was agreed upon by the USW and 12 major companies July 27. Long discussions over contract language held up a return-to-work.

8 Go on Trial Today For Brink's Robbery

BOSTON (AP)—Eight men go on trial today for the record \$1,218,211 Brink's robbery of Jan. 17, 1950.

It may be several days or weeks—however, before a single word of testimony is uttered in the Suffolk Superior Court case.

Chief defense counsel Paul T. Smith said his first move in the trial will be to file motion for dismissal of 156 of 169 indictments outstanding against his clients.

He said also he will take additional steps, as yet undisclosed, to halt the trial.

Fully 2,000 men and women have been called as prospective jurors. They have been ordered to report to the courtroom in groups of 100 a day until a panel of 14—a 12-member jury and two alternates—is selected.

On trial are: Anthony Pino, 48; Michael V. Geagan, 47; Vincent J. Costa, 42; Joseph F. McGinnis, 32; Adolph Maffie, 45; Henry Baker, 50; James J. Faherty, 45; and Thomas F. Richardson, 49.

Three others also were named in the robbery indictments, including Joseph F. (Specs) O'Keefe, who pleaded guilty after reportedly asserting the robbery gang cheated him out of his full share of the loot.

The other two are now dead—Stanley Gusciora, 36, and Joseph Bantfield, 45.

Pennsylvania Flood Kills 2

3-Inch Rain, Wind Cause Deluge

PITTSBURGH (AP)—A combination of rains totaling almost 3 inches and high winds drove rivers and creeks over their banks in a wide area of western Pennsylvania yesterday and today, causing flooding, at least two deaths and nine injuries.

Although the rains had stopped in most of the Pittsburgh area, the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers continued to rise toward an expected crest of 23-24 feet about 7 p.m. tonight. With flood stage at 25 feet where the two rivers join to form the Ohio River here, further minor flooding was expected.

In other sectors a giant mop-up operation was already under way. It appeared damage would run into the hundreds of thousands of dollars through the wide path cut by the storm.

In addition to the flooding, it felted trees, blocked roads, and knocked out thousands of electrical and telephone lines.

One of the hardest hit was the nearly isolated community of Canonsburg, where 40 to 50 families were evacuated for the night before the Chautauque Creek began receding. At Uniontown, 50 miles south of Pittsburgh, a part of the business section was under water.

Other communities in which residents were moved from their homes or suffered heavy damage were Somerset, Connellsville, Latrobe, New Alexandria, Puritan and Oil City on the north and Conemaugh Borough, near Johnstown, on the east.

The two deaths attributed to the storms were those of Miss Gertrude Stacey, of Bakerstown and Mrs. Mary A. Helmick, 24, of Arbutus, Md.

Miss Stacey was electrocuted in her home, apparently as she tried to replace a fuse in a power line knocked out by lightning. Mrs. Helmick apparently lost control of her car during a severe thunderstorm and smashed into guard on Route 88 near Carmichaels.

Sen. Knowland Swings Calif. Vote to Nixon

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)—A new Nixon-Knowland alliance among California Republicans built up home state support today for Vice President Nixon's retention on the Eisenhower ticket.

Powered by Sen. William F. Knowland, a resolution enthusiastically endorsing President Eisenhower and Nixon was approved without opposition by 700 members of the party's official organization—its state central committee.

A representative poll confirmed that Nixon is well entrenched where it counts—in the 70-vote California delegation to the Aug. 20 national convention in San Francisco.

Two years ago Knowland sided with Gov. Goodwin Knight in a state party dispute involving friends of Nixon. While the Senate minority leader swung vigorously to Nixon over the weekend, Knight steadfastly refused to endorse the vice president.

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