

# 6 Persons Drowned As Overloaded Boat Sinks

## Four Children Listed Among Those Dead

BAY MINETTE, Ala. (AP)—Six members of two related families drowned yesterday when an overloaded skiff sank as it started on a 20-day trip. Four of the victims were children.

One of the three survivors, 25-year-old Jack Hodge, said he pleaded with the group to let him take the party in two groups, but was overruled.

The families were going to work on a houseboat owned by Hodge when the small craft sank in a canal which branched off the Tennessee River.

Hodge rescued his sister, Mrs. Inez Cook, 28, and her daughter Bobbie Ann Cook, 12. The drowning victims were Joe Cook, 31; his two sons, Billy Wayne, 9, and Thomas, 5; and three Hodge children, Joyce, 16, Challie, 11, and Hubert, 9. The bodies were recovered.

"I had just started the motor and looked around and saw that the boat was swamped," Hodge told a reporter. "I immediately killed the motor but by that time the boat was already filled with water. In the excitement it capsized."

"Everything happened so fast I didn't know who I was rescuing. I could hardly stay above water to make it to shore with the two I had. Then I pulled off my boots and went back to help the others."

## New Red Jet Bombers Lag Behind U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP)—New intelligence estimates reportedly indicate that Russia may be producing fewer long-range jet bombers than the United States.

Air Force officials were said to have furnished a new estimate of Russian bomber strength to the House Appropriations Committee during current hearings on the military budget.

Testifying at a Senate airpower investigation last May, Gen. Curtis LeMay, chief of the Strategic Air Command, said 78 eight-jet states that Russian long-range in this country as of that time. Intelligence estimates then were that the Russians had turned out almost twice that number of B-50s, and that the Soviet lead would increase.

The B-50 is the Russian counterpart of the B-52 intercontinental jet bomber.

However, the House committee reportedly was informed recently that a revised estimate, based on fresher intelligence reports, indicates that Russian long-range bomber strength last year was probably below total B-52 production.

One official familiar with information given to the House committee said B-52 production still may be outstripping that of the B-50.

Exact production statistics are kept secret, but it is estimated about 100 B-52s have been produced so far. The present B-52 production schedule calls for 600.

### ACTOR NOMINATED GENERAL

WASHINGTON (AP)—Movie star James Stewart, now a colonel in the Air Force Reserve, was nominated by President Eisenhower Monday to be a brigadier general.

## MEET THE LEGISLATORS



REP. WILLIAM A. GRENFELL

Voters in the North subdistrict of Portland returned Rep. William A. Grenfell (D), Portland fireman, to the house for his second term.

He was the youngest member of the 1955 session and is now 31 years old. He joined the Navy early in 1942 and was aviation radio man, Troop Carrier Wing, Air Force, becoming staff sergeant before being mustered out in 1945.

He is member of Portland fire department before going into armed service, and returned to department after army service. However, he has continued his college work and was graduated in first class of Portland State college last June. He is still doing post-graduate work at Portland State.

Rep. Grenfell was born in Portland March 18, 1925, early education in Portland schools. Married last May. Member of American Legion, VFW, International Fire Fighters association, on World Affairs council of University of Oregon alumni; active in Young Democrats; member of Rose City Presbyterian church. In this session is member of military affairs committee, member of taxation and education committees. His experience gained in the 1955 session has stood him well, and is considered as one of the young comers in the Oregon legislature.



REP. AL FLEGEL

When a bill up for consideration in the house has been "talked on enough," Rep. Al Flegel (D), Roseburg, gets up and moves the previous question, thus halting further debate.

He opposes long-winded speeches and makes his short and to the point. He was mayor of Roseburg from 1948 to 1952 and has served as chairman of Douglas county Democratic committee. He is a member of O & C advisory committee, Roseburg Park commission, Salvation Army board, for several years head of Roseburg Peewee baseball club.

Rep. Flegel is member of well-known Flegel family and was born in Portland May 14, 1906, and received his early education there. Lived in Portland until 1940 when he moved to Roseburg where he operated oil distributorship, then took over transfer and storage business. Served in 9th Army Field Artillery in Europe during World War II. Well known in Salem, Rep. Flegel attended Willamette university. He belongs to the Episcopal church, Masons, Shrine, Elks, VFW, American Legion. Rep. Flegel is vice-chairman of local government committee, and member of Highways and Education committees.

## Little Change Expected From Japan Premier

### Kishi Once Scrubbed Floors in U. S. Run Prison

TOKYO (AP)—Nobusuke Kishi, a skillful politician who once scrubbed floors in U.S.-run Sugamo Prison, today became prime minister of Japan.

Kishi is a political conservative who is expected to make few changes in Japan's pro-Western policy. He has said Japan and the United States must always "go hand in hand," but that Japan also must do business with Red China.

The Diet (Parliament) elected Kishi overwhelmingly to the post he has long coveted, replacing Prime Minister Tanzan Ishibashi, who resigned because of ill health Saturday after only two months in office. Kishi was Ishibashi's foreign minister and had been "acting temporary prime minister" during the past month while Ishibashi was confined to his home with pneumonia and a weak heart.

The new Cabinet took office in ceremonies before Emperor Hirohito. Kishi retained the foreign minister's portfolio and made only one change in Ishibashi's Cabinet—the addition of Mitsujiro Ishii, a senior member of the ruling Liberal Democratic party, as minister without portfolio.

Ishii's support brought about the unanimous recommendation of the party's executives that Kishi get the job. After that, Kishi's selection was automatic. The party holds 296 of the 467 seats in the dominant lower house. Kishi got 276 votes to 129 for Socialist Matsuhiro Suzuki in that body, and 147 votes to 50 in the upper house.

## Copenhagen to Tokyo Flights Pass Over Pole

COPENHAGEN (AP)—Scandinavian Airlines Monday completed the inaugural flight of its Tokyo-Copenhagen service across the North Pole. Another SAS jetliner raced the other way to open the Copenhagen-Tokyo route.

The two big DC7Cs missed a carefully planned rendezvous 10,000 feet above the geographic North Pole by three minutes, but the passengers toasted the occasion on top of the world with champagne.

SAS has been operating regular flights between Los Angeles and Stockholm over the pole since 1954.

The plane from Tokyo landed its 45 passengers and crew at Copenhagen an hour and a half behind schedule, at 9:45 a.m. after headwinds slowed it off Norway and forced it to refuel at Oslo. The plane had refueled earlier in Anchorage, Alaska.

The elapsed time, including the refueling, was 32 hours, 31 minutes. This compared with the hours for the line's older Tokyo-Copenhagen service via South Asia. The other jetliner, with 47 aboard, was due in the Japanese capital at 6:30 p.m. It also refueled in Anchorage.

SAS plans twice-a-week service over the pole between Denmark and Japan and expects to cut 20 hours off the present route around southern Asia. The shortest distance via Anchorage is almost 7,000 miles, but weather conditions can increase the flying distance considerably.

Robert Green, wanted for burglary and captured by FBI agents at St. Paul, Minn., on Feb. 13.

## ONE YEAR LATER Khrushchev Forced to Eat Words on Stalin

By THOMAS P. WHITNEY Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP)—A year ago today Nikita Khrushchev made a history-making speech in the Kremlin—still unpublished in Russia—denouncing Joseph Stalin for unspeakable crimes.

Now he is being forced to eat his words. On Jan. 17 he declared in public that "Stalin was a model Communist."

This is the same Stalin that Khrushchev, just a year ago, called "capricious, irritable and brutal," to whom he attributed "a persecution mania" and a "mania of grandeur," whose acts he described as "shameful" and "monstrous."

### Didn't Realize Consequences

When Khrushchev exposed Stalin in Feb. 25, 1956, he probably didn't realize the consequences. In the last 12 months the speech has shaken the Soviet empire and undermined Khrushchev's own power. It exposed the faults and brutality not only of Stalin—but of the Soviet system as well.

A great spiritual ferment and unrest among all peoples under the Communist yoke was given a tremendous push. The subjects of communism, particularly young people, were shocked out of passivity and submission to authority.

### Python Eats at Last

HUGO, Okla. (AP)—A 23-foot python, a replacement for another snake that died, has eaten his first meal in a year, owner Frank Ellis said. Ellis paid \$1,000 for "Satan" after his other circus snake suffocated. The meal — a prairie chicken and five 6-pound leghorns.

Today people in Russia and other Communist countries are openly questioning the foundations of the Communist totalitarian system.

A blow was delivered at all Communist parties outside Communist-dominated countries, particularly in Western Europe, Moscow's leadership of the international Communist movement was jolted.

### Polish Unrest

As a result of the Khrushchev revelations, Poland went through a period of unrest and self-searching. The bloody Poznan bread-and-freedom riots followed in early summer. In late October came the establishment of a national Communist regime under Wladyslaw Gomulka free of direct Soviet domination in internal affairs.

In Hungary, unrest unseated the Soviet puppet, Stalinist Matyas Rakosi, and then mounted till it burst into open revolution in late October. The Kremlin put down the revolution with armed force, gained the eternal hate of all Hungarians and exposed to the world the brutality of Communist imperialism.

After the events in Poland and the revolution in Hungary, the Kremlin grew frightened. It slowed down the movement toward reforms in Soviet life. It brought successive delegations from its satellites to Moscow to repair the strained lines of control. Meanwhile developing economic problems have forced the Kremlin to attempt to reorganize Soviet economic life.

The consequences to Soviet imperialism of Khrushchev's attack a year ago on Stalin have only begun.

## 1st Killing Reported During India Voting

### Pope Approves Use of Drugs To Ease Pain

VATICAN CITY (AP)—Pope Pius XII says it is not immoral or un-Christian to use anesthetics or other drugs to ease pain when doctors approve. But he maintains the sale of tranquilizing pills must be curbed "to prevent grave physical and moral damages to society."

Addressing 500 doctors at a special audience Sunday, the pontiff approved the use of drugs to relieve pain even though they shorten life. But he said the drugs must not "prevent the carrying out of other moral and religious duties."

The Pope based his 45-minute address on questions posed last fall by the Italian Society of the Science of Anesthetics. He said "particular circumstances can impose another line of conduct, but the Christian's duty of renunciation and of interior purification is not an obstacle to the use of anesthetics."

Calling on public authorities to regulate the sale and use of tranquilizing drugs, he said that "a person who uses them improperly cannot complete his daily work if he remains continually submerged in a twilight state."

### Election Will Extend Over Two Weeks

NEW DELHI (AP)—The first killing of India's general election was reported Monday as Indians went to the polls in the nearly 600 districts in 10 states.

Press reports said one person was killed and 11 injured in a clash at Chintamani, in the southern Indian state of Mysore, Sunday when campaigners for Prime Minister Nehru's Congress Party clashed with Communist Party members.

The election extends over more than two weeks. The voting moved into full stride Monday. It is the heaviest day of the election period, which goes on until March 14. Prime Minister Nehru's Congress party is favored to continue in power. At stake are

495 seats in the lower house of Parliament plus control of 13 state assemblies.

Voting began in two states with 19 election districts yesterday. After today the pace tapers to about 400 districts a day. The nation has 2,354 districts, many of which allow voting on more than one day.

In all, about 100 million persons are expected to vote. Because many are illiterate, separate boxes were set up for each party marked with the party symbol. The voter dropped the unmarked ballot into the box of his choice.

### ELEANOR WILLS EYES

NEW YORK (AP)—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt has willed her eyes to an eye bank for use as corneal transplants.

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