

'Great leap' fails

Turncoat disillusioned by China

HONG KONG (UPI)—A former American Army corporal who chose communism and lived for nine years in Red China said today the experience disillusioned him.

Lowell D. Skinner of Akron, Ohio, who was captured during the Korean War and refused repatriation after the armistice 10 years ago, left Red China Thursday on his way back home at last.

The 32-year-old Skinner, one of 21 American soldiers captured by the Reds and who elected to stay behind, described conditions in China now as improved over the chaotic situation that prevailed

during the "great leap forward" that failed in 1959 and the withdrawal of Soviet help to Peking in 1960. But the life there is still far from good, he said.

"If you want to change your work, you can't," he said. "If you want to travel, you can't."

"In 1958 when the 'great leap' program started the people thought they were going to gain something. But then they got tired and tireder."

When the "great leap forward" of Communist China leader Mao Tse-tung started in 1958, "things got all mixed up," Skinner said,

especially in the field of agricultural production.

He said the Chinese at that time "didn't produce too much."

Skinner said that at the height of the "great leap" program he actually had a home steel furnace set up in his backyard in Tsinan.

"It didn't work," he said, reflecting the general opinion about the backyard steel production experiment, which dated from the Peking Communist party's directives about organizing people's communes in 1958.

He said that at the height of the "leap forward" program—in Sep-

tember 1958—it was common for people in Red China to work 21 hours a day. But now the work day is back to eight hours, he said.

Skinner said life inside Red China grew very difficult in 1959-60, with 1960 the worst year of hardship for the Chinese population.

That was the year the Russians withdrew, and a period which was further complicated by "droughts and floods, bad management, and lack of experience."

"If we had to live like ordinary people, no one would have survived," he said. Foreigners

were given better rations than the Chinese, he said.

He said that office workers with legs and arms swollen from malnutrition were a common sight in those days.

Skinner, who married a Chinese girl who remained behind when he left, said that in 1960 the Russians at one point demanded that the Chinese repay old debts—"mainly Korean War debts, but also (those) for the large industrial enterprises."

He said the Russian withdrawal principally had affected the construction of textile and fertilizer plants.

Life far from good Auto plows into column of soldiers

FT. DIX, N.J. (UPI)—An automobile plowed into a column of 150 marching soldiers on a wet dimly lit road here late Thursday night, injuring 21 of the troops, none seriously.

"There were men, rifles and helmets strewn all over the road," said Nick Grand, one of the first to reach the scene, near the post's southern boundary.

Fifteen casualties were admitted to Walter Army Hospital on the post with injuries that included broken legs, fractured ribs, lacerations and fractured arms. The others were treated for minor injuries and released.

An Army spokesman said none of the hospitalized was in serious condition.

The motorist, Pfc. Robert C. Keyers, 23, of Toms River, N.J., apparently failed to yield the right of way and bowled over the troops as they crossed Texas Avenue onto Range Road, the spokesman said.

The soldiers, all basic trainees, were returning to their barracks from a night training mission. The stretch of road was dark and the pavement still wet from an earlier rain.

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An Army spokesman said officers in the column were carrying flashlights with red reflectors and should have been visible from a distance.

More than 20 ambulances from the post and nearby communities converged on the scene to carry the injured to the hospital. The Army also searched Engineers Lake, adjacent to the roadway, on the theory that some of the soldiers may have been hurled into the shallow water. But none was found.

Keyers, who escaped injury, was taken into custody by military authorities for questioning.

Strike threat said causing 'scare buying'

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Under Secretary of Commerce Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. indicated today the public believes a railroad strike will occur in spite of efforts by the government to resolve the dispute. He said some "scare buying" already has started.

Roosevelt appealed for "prompt action" by Congress to deal with the situation even as reports circulated that there were prospects for a settlement without legislation.

Roosevelt appeared before the House Commerce Committee to describe the possible effects of a nationwide rail strike should Congress fail to act and the industry and the unions failed to reach agreement on their own.

Roosevelt said even a short strike, which could start Aug. 29, would hit the nation with hurricane impact. He said "minor scare buying" was occurring in grocery stores and meat markets because of the fear of a sudden shortage caused by lack of rail transportation.

"Only prompt action by the Congress can allay such consumer fears," said Roosevelt.

While Roosevelt appealed for passage of President Kennedy's proposed temporary solution to the work rules wrangle, a well-informed source — who declined use of his name — said there were faint signs of improvement in the outlook for an agreement by collective bargaining.

A spokesman suggested that such reports were part of an attempt to "mislead the public and Congress and frustrate President Kennedy and his advisers" in their proposal to let the ICC handle the controversy.

Roosevelt testified that it was imperative for Congress to approve Kennedy's plan for turning the four-year old dispute over to the Interstate Commerce Commission for binding determination.

Roosevelt painted a grim picture of what a rail shutdown would do to the nation's economy and its citizens. In a week's time, he indicated, coal mines and some steel plants would be out of operation. If the strike lasted a month, the damage would be irreparable, Roosevelt said.

Any agreement on the dispute, which has gone to the brink of a nationwide rail strike, might be built around a two-year plan for a substantial reduction in firemen's jobs and creation of a labor-management study group to make recommendations for future handling of the issue.

Labor Secretary W. Willard Wirtz has been meeting with both

sides in an effort to get collective bargaining moving again. He talked Thursday with J.E. Wolfe, chief negotiator for the carriers.

Earlier this week H. E. Gilbert, president of the firemen's union, said management had changed its position somewhat in an exchange of messages. Wolfe minimized the change, but conceded it had come about.

The Senate Commerce Committee wound up testimony Thursday on President Kennedy's proposal to let the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) settle the controversy. It is expected to act on Kennedy's plan by Aug. 15.

The House Commerce Committee has not yet completed its hearings. Congressional leaders have agreed that the Senate will act first on the railroad legislation.

Under Kennedy's plan the four and one-half year dispute would go to the ICC and any change in pay and other working conditions ordered by the ICC would be effective for two years. The ICC decisions would be subject to court review.

The carriers favor the bill. But the five railroad brotherhoods, representing about 195,000 train crewmen, oppose it as "compulsory arbitration."

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Kennedy has final session with Rusk

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Kennedy today held a final strategy conference with Secretary of State Dean Rusk on the East-West security pact set with Russian leaders in Moscow next week.

Kennedy, who appears to favor Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's proposed non-aggression pact if it includes increased security guarantees for Berlin, met for almost an hour with Rusk, disarmament chief William C. Foster, Undersecretary of State W. Averell Harriman and Llewellyn Thompson, Rusk's adviser.

The president, who said he was confident the Senate would approve the limited test ban treaty, declared that a non-aggression pact might also be a good idea if it contained provisions giving stronger guarantees on Berlin.

Kennedy told a news conference he thought it "advisable" for the NATO powers to discuss Khrushchev's proposal to see whether it would serve the interests of the West.

Rusk leaves tonight for Moscow where on Monday he will formally sign the limited test ban treaty which was initiated there last week by Harriman.

While this is the formal reason for the trip, on which Rusk will be accompanied by a six-man congressional group, greater importance is attached to the talks he will have later next week with Khrushchev and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

In these talks Rusk hopes to get a clearer idea of just what Khrushchev has in mind in the way of a non-aggression pact and related measures to make it work. High officials said the secretary will do no "negotiating," since the United States first must come to terms with its NATO allies, but is authorized to undertake far-ranging discussions in an effort to determine just what is on Khrushchev's mind.

Kennedy also said he was ready to give France nuclear weapons and know-how if President Charles de Gaulle reversed his field and agreed to sign the limited test ban treaty and cooperate in "integration" of NATO forces — possibilities generally considered dim.

Altercation puts man in hospital, second arrested

One man is hospitalized with head and arm injuries and another is in city jail today following an alleged altercation last night in the vicinity of the railroad crossing near Greenwood Avenue.

Booked by police on vagrancy charges is Roosevelt Hughes, 54, of San Francisco, Calif. In a written statement Hughes admitted he beat a fellow transient with a .22-caliber rifle because the man had shot at him. Hughes said the friction arose following an argument over money.

Hospitalized is Leon Summers, 41, of Elko, Nev. Word of his condition was unavailable at press time, but police were able to question him this morning.

An officer said Hughes phoned police about 10:30 last night to report the incident. The stock of the rifle in his possession when police arrived was broken, and the magazine shaft was bent.

Weather

High yesterday, 76 degrees. Low last night, 36 degrees. Sunset today, 8:28. Sunrise tomorrow, 5:55. POT. Fair in Central Oregon through Friday, but chance of thunderstorms developing. Highs, 77-78; lows, 41-48.

Near normal temperatures seen in area

Temperatures in the five days that will extend over the weekend will average near normal, with highs mostly in the 80s and lows in the 50s in Central Oregon, the forecast indicates.

In western Oregon, there is a chance of a few showers in the north portion Monday and again Wednesday, the forecast adds. Showers east of the Cascades are not likely, the forecast adds.

However, special fire weather forecasts prepared for the national forests of this area say there is a 60 per cent chance of lightning this afternoon, in the Deschutes woods.

Cool weather yesterday ushered in August, with Bend recording a high of a mere 76 degrees. From that midday temperature, the mercury dropped to 36 degrees in Bend last night. Redmond reported 40 degrees.

Marsch girl not able to give statement yet

City police said today that they have been unable to obtain a statement from 15-year-old Vickie Marsch, operator of a runaway auto that demolished a residence on Hastings Place Thursday morning. She is reportedly in no condition to be questioned.

The car smashed into the dwelling occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Martin and family, after striking two parked cars and moving down two fences and a guard rail.

City officers said that when information is obtained from the Department of Motor Vehicles, probably the Marsch girl will be cited for operating a vehicle without a driver's permit.

The Marsch girl is reported in satisfactory condition at St. Charles Memorial Hospital, where she was taken yesterday following the accident for treatment of shock. The attending physician said that no report has been made on x-rays taken this morning, but that no broken bones have been detected.

The dwelling occupied by the Martin family was rendered uninhabitable by the crash, and Mr. and Mrs. Martin and their three children spent last night at a local motel. Martin said he is seeking another house, and does not plan to return to the Hastings Place address.

The impact smashed the living room of the house, buckled floors and pushed walls out of shape. Martin's car, which was struck before the Marsch vehicle entered the house, is a total wreck, he said he has been advised.

In yesterday's confusion, Martin stepped on a nail, and was given a tetanus shot today. His wife, partly in shock yesterday, was to have another examination by a physician today.

The Scott Street - Hastings Place roadway has been the scene of several accidents, including fatalities, in the past 10 years. It was formerly part of The Dallas-California Highway.

California deer season to open

SACRAMENTO (UPI)—California's coastal deer season opens Saturday with prospects ranging from "poor" to "excellent" depending on the area.

North of San Francisco Bay it's rated as "excellent," but to the south the picture is less optimistic.

The early season continues through Sept. 22, with a limit of two bucks, forked-horn or better.

Ward hovers near death, still in coma

LONDON (UPI)—Dr. Stephen Ward hovers near death today, still in a coma 48 hours after he took an overdose of sleeping pills in an apparent suicide attempt.

The 50-year-old society osteopath, convicted of vice charges by a Criminal Court jury Wednesday, was being kept alive only by an electronic lung in St. Stephen's Hospital.

A hospital spokesman said Ward, who tried to kill himself just a few hours before the jury found him guilty, is "critically ill."

As Ward moved toward death, the last of his many girl friends vowed to make public the names of his many former friends who deserted him at his trial.

Ward's 22-year-old girl friend, singer Julia Gulliver, charged in a London newspaper interview that many of Ward's former friends would like to see him die. She said she will name a "whole crowd" of these people, who she said let Ward down when he needed them. She did not identify any of them.

W. Mayne Butcher, spokesman for the hospital where Ward lies in a guarded room, said at 10:30 a.m. (5:30 a.m. EDT):

"We are not providing you with a bulletin this morning because once more the patient's condition is quite unchanged, exactly the same as last night at 10 o'clock."

At that time, doctors were despairing for Ward's life.

"He is very critically ill," Butcher added. "I would say that we can conclude that anxiety increases as he remains in this deep coma."

Ward has been unconscious since he was discovered in the apartment of a friend Wednesday morning, blue-faced and with saliva flecking his mouth.

That was a few hours before the court convened and the jury of 11 men and one woman found him guilty of vice charges that could bring him 14 years in prison if he survives.

Ward does not know of his conviction. He is being kept alive by means of a Barnett ventilator, a so-called electronic lung, which does his breathing for him. It was put on after Ward was found to have bronchial pneumonia Thursday.

U.S., German defense chiefs ending talks

BONN (UPI)—Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara and West German Defense Minister Kai Uwe Von Hassel planned to wind up discussions today on the future strength of West Germany's armed forces and other strategic questions.

The two defense ministers have been meeting for three days. Today their schedule called for rides on a German minesweeper, a coastal patrol boat, and the West German naval training vessel Gorch Fock.

The Gorch Fock is one of the few multi-masted sailing ships still in service.

McNamara scheduled a trip to Stuttgart after his day on the Baltic Sea. He planned to confer with American commanders in Europe Saturday.

Dow Jones Averages

By United Press International
Dow Jones final stock averages:
30 industrials 697.85, up 2.96; 20 railroads 168.00, up 0.97; 15 utilities 149.18, up 0.43; 65 stocks 251.68, up 1.10.

Sales today were about 2.94 million shares compared with 3.41 million shares Thursday.



BUFFALO GAL—Gun belts are lower this year, at least for little Natalie Bull. All dressed up, she is ready for the rodeo at the Deschutes County Fair. Arena shows will be held Saturday and Sunday, starting at 1:15 p.m. each day.

'Whopper' fair parade due at Redmond on Saturday

Special to The Bulletin
REDMOND — The spotlight of Deschutes County's 44th annual fair will be directed on downtown Redmond at 11 a.m. Saturday.

The occasion will be a civic parade calling attention of Central Oregonians to the fact that big events, including two rodeo performances, a livestock sale and a buckaroo breakfast, are on the program for the busy weekend.

This year's parade will be a "whopper," committees in charge predict, and will swing into motion promptly at 11. It is noted that this is a change in time from that which appears in the Premium List program.

The 11 a.m. starting time will make it possible for spectators to watch this colorful event, take time out for lunch, and get to the rodeo grounds at 1:15 p.m., hour set for the grand entry that will mark the opening of the Saturday rodeo and races.

Finals of the rodeo program and racing events will be Sunday afternoon, also at 1:30 p.m. There will also be cutting horse events, in both the open and novice classes.

The 4-H and FFA market stock auction sale will be Saturday at 7:30, in front of the grandstand at the fairgrounds.

Sunday's program will get under way about the time the early August sun peeks above distant Ochoco rims, when services of the buckaroo breakfast will start. Breakfast will be served Sunday from 5:30 to 9:30 a.m. in charge will be the veteran breakfast crew, with the morning meal to be prepared in rangeland style.

Ideal weather greeted visitors to the fair since its opening Wednesday, with large crowds present. All judging was completed this afternoon.

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Tite Knot loss mostly covered by insurance

Special to The Bulletin
REDMOND — Residents of this city turned their full attention to the Deschutes County Fair today, but they were finding it difficult to forget even temporarily the fire which destroyed the Tite Knot Pine Mill Wednesday evening with a loss estimated at a million dollars.

There was some smoke in the embers this morning, as owners of the plant made plans for reconstruction of the mill just as soon as possible. There must be considerable preliminary planning, but once work is started the new plant will be ready for operation in about five months.

The Tite Knot Pine Mill complex, including the units lost in the fire, was modernized over the past year and a half at a cost of half a million dollars. The figure was erroneously listed Thursday as a million and a half dollars.

The loss, mill officials said, was about 90 per cent covered by insurance. This was the first major fire suffered by Tite Knot in its Redmond operation since the plant was started in the early 1940s. However, earlier this season fire destroyed the firm's plant on the Warm Springs Reservation.

One of the problems facing the company is that of stockpiling logs still in the woods. It is expected that the logs will be hauled to Redmond and cold decked on the mill grounds.

The Wednesday afternoon fire was one of the worst mill fires ever known in Central Oregon. The Tite Knot Pine Mill represented Redmond's second largest industry.

The condition of Vern A. McGowan, president of the Redmond Chamber of Commerce who suffered a heart attack while fighting the mill fire, was reported good today. He was hospitalized after collapsing while battling the flames. He is a member of the Redmond Volunteer Fire Department.

The grand jury heard 22 witnesses Thursday and then adjourned at 7:15 p.m. EDT. The previous day it heard 26 witnesses, including Eugene Kramon, a survivor of the May 19 crash. Kramon testified from a wheelchair.

The panel of 22 men and one woman will announce its findings at noon. Bronx District Attorney Isadore DOLLINGER said.

Conviction on vehicular homicide charges would require proof of criminal negligence. If convicted, the 23-year-old Martinis, who is married and the father of a child, could be sentenced to five years in jail and fined \$1,000.

Public attention focused on the crash when a three-judge panel acquitted Martinis July 1 on charges of drunken and reckless driving and leaving the scene of an accident, all misdemeanors. Vehicular homicide is a felony.

The three-judge panel took five minutes to return its verdict, leading a relative of the crash victims to remark: "That was only one minute a life." It also was noted that the three judges were associates of Martinis' father, Bronx Criminal Court Justice Joseph A. Martinis.

However, the Bronx Criminal Court Bar Association which investigated the case, said any judge who appropriately might have considered the case would have been associates of the elder Martinis.

Mikoyan may be in hospital

MOSCOW (UPI)—First Vice Premier Anastas Mikoyan was rumored today to have been hospitalized with a kidney ailment.

The rumor could not be officially confirmed.

The 69-year-old Mikoyan has been in and out of the hospital since early May, when he caught cold at arrival ceremonies for Cuban Premier Fidel Castro in Murmansk.

A combination of pulmonary complications and kidney trouble kept him in hospital till mid-June. He was dismissed from the hospital looking feeble and considerably underweight.

Rescue team plucks youth from ledge

TILLAMOOK (UPI)—A 17-year-old Portland youth who spent more than 17 hours on a foot-wide ledge 100 feet above the Pacific Ocean was hoisted to safety today by a mountain rescue team.

James McGovern became stranded on the windy face of Mt. Neahkahmie above Falcon Cove some 25 miles north of here about 4 p.m. Thursday.

He was lifted to safety on ropes about 9 a.m. today — cold and hungry but otherwise in good condition.

The Oregon Mountain Rescue Council was called from Portland to assist in the rescue after efforts by the Tillamook County sheriff's deputies, the Coast Guard and an Air Force helicopter failed.

The climbers lowered lines from the top of the 600-foot high bluff to where McGovern crouched on a narrow ledge against the rocky face of the cliff. The rescue team began at daybreak and worked for about three hours before the boy was safe.

The helicopter was called from Portland Air Base during the night when earlier efforts failed, but strong winds which roared along the Northern Oregon coast prevented the craft from getting close enough to the cliff to help.

McGovern and a companion, Larry Miller, also of Portland, left a camp Thursday about 2 p.m. Miller said he became separated from McGovern and about 4 p.m. found him stranded behind a rocky prominence on the bluff and ran for help.

The rescue efforts began immediately. McGovern was kept awake and alert through the cold night by shouted conversation from deputies and by beams from searchlights which played along the face of the cliff.

Kidney switch is successful

CHICAGO (UPI)—A history-making medical team reported Thursday they have successfully transplanted a kidney from a deceased donor to a young man.

The patient, a 24-year-old full-time accountant, is alive and well.

Drs. J. P. Merrill, J. E. Murray, F. J. Takaes, E. B. Hager, R. E. Wilson and G. J. Darmin, of Peter Bent Brigham Hospital and Harvard Medical School, are the same group which in 1960 reported the first successful kidney transplant between persons other than identical twins.

The medical team made their report in the current issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Husband held in wife's death

PORTLAND (UPI) — Susannah Hale, 31, was killed here Thursday night and police were holding her husband for questioning today.

Detective Sgt. David B. Busch of the city police said the woman had received what appeared to be bullet wounds in her back. No weapon was found, however. Her husband, Bossie Hale, 37, is being held.