

## Soviets free priest who disappeared in 1940's

## U.S. convoy allowed to pass after being held up 54 hours

### West Berlin cold war tension eases

BERLIN (UPI) — The Soviets gave in to American determination today and allowed a 61-man U.S. Army convoy to roll into West Berlin after holding it for 54 hours at checkpoints inside Communist East Germany.

The troops in their 18 trucks and jeeps crossed the West Berlin border at the Dreilinden checkpoint at 12:50 p.m. (7:50 a.m. EDT), four minutes after they began to roll out of the Soviet control point at Babelsberg one mile away in East Germany.

Twenty-four minutes later, a convoy of 164 men in 25 vehicles which had stayed in Babelsberg to support the trapped convoy began to drive on to West Germany. It still had to face Soviet controls at Marienborn 110 miles away on the western border of East Germany.

**In West Berlin**

The other convoy already was in West Berlin.

A U.S. Army spokesman said: "The U.S. soldiers did not dismount from their vehicles for a head count by the Soviets. This clearance procedure is the same as that which had been followed at the Marienborn end of the autobahn for this convoy early in the morning on October 11."

The end of the Russian blockade of the American convoy apparently ended the undeclared "war of nerves" incident caused by the Soviet decision to halt U.S. military traffic between Berlin and the West.

The Russians had been playing a cat and mouse game with the 18-vehicle U.S. convoy in Communist-run East Germany for 48 hours. Friday a dozen Soviet armored cars blocking the American convoy completely closed one lane of the principal superhighway to the West at the Berlin border.

There was no immediate indication as to what conditions caused the Soviets to withdraw armored vehicles and troops which had been blocking the highway lifeline from West Germany to West Berlin.

**Technicality Blamed**

The United States had vigorously protested the action—which apparently started over somewhat of a technicality—a Russian insistence that American troops get out of trucks to be counted. American officers refused this demand and the Russians refused to let them pass.

Many administration officials here were gravely concerned even though the word they got from the Kremlin through various contacts was that the Soviets had not intended this as a major Berlin clash and wanted to reach a settlement.

### Help summoned by injured man after accident

Intelligent action of a telephone repairman may have saved him from serious injury last night when a company truck he was operating plunged over an embankment on the South Twin Lakes Highway.

Resting in St. Charles Memorial Hospital following treatment for a head injury is William McGinnis, 43, of 246 Jefferson. An attending physician this morning called his injury minor.

A member of the family said McGinnis was en route to Bend from Twin Lakes when he swerved to miss a deer and lost control of the truck. The shock of the impact left him unable to speak, but he managed to communicate with the Bend telephone office by continually flipping his mobile switch. The local office radioed the LaPine REA station and a crew was sent out after the injured man.

A Bend police ambulance met the REA truck and brought McGinnis to Bend.



COACHES OF YESTERYEAR—Men who coached Bend High School teams long ago were in the spotlight Friday when the Bend Shrine Club sponsored a dinner, as a salute to the old time gridmen. Here, in reminiscent moods, are Ted Sexton, coach in the war-year of 1918; Elmer V. Ward, who coached the Bend Railroad Day team of 1911 that defeated The Dalles, and B. A. Stover, who assisted with high school coaching here when not playing with the adult town team.

## Curtain of time rolled back

### Early days of Bend football recalled at special luncheon

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Early-day gridmen rolled back the curtain of time here Friday to describe football as it was played by Bend High School's first team, and those that followed it.

The occasion was a luncheon program sponsored by the Bend Shrine Club, with Alfred Hunnell in charge and Charles Davis presiding. Those present included two school officials — Superintendent R. E. Jewell and Principal Ray Talbert.

Carrying the ball in the program, largely devoted to reminiscences by old timers, was Claude H. Kelley, a member of the first team that represented Bend High School, without the sanction of school officials.

Kelley, who illustrated his talk with photos of early-day teams, said Bend's first high school game was with Prineville, on Thanksgiving Day, 1910. It took

three days to make the trip to Prineville and back, aboard a vehicle drawn by four horses. The young players, who had bought their own football gear and tossed 50 cents each into a kitty to buy a football, found it necessary to start for Prineville on Wednesday. School officials, with J. C. F. Harrington as principal, threatened to suspend the entire team if they took the day off.

**Principal Defied**

The team defied the principal, made the drive to Prineville, got up next morning to find three inches of snow on the ground — then faced the Cowboys of yesterday. Bend lost, with the score somewhere around 30 to 0. The players returned to school, but were not suspended; such action would have cut the student body in about half.

Sharing the spotlight were "evilian" coaches of long ago — Elmer V. Ward, who came to

Bend from the University of Washington in 1910; B. A. Stover, of Ohio State, and T. D. Sexton, who was coach in the influenza epidemic fall of 1918. Ward had played brilliant ball with the University of Washington as right halfback, and was graduated in 1909. Stover is an ex-Ohio State football player. Sexton saw service with The Dalles teams of early days. The three touched on the progress and defeats of teams of other years.

Long before Notre Dame ever used the "T" formation to give it national attention, the Bend high school team of 1910 used that play, Kelley said. But the Bend players were not acquainted with passes, and when Prineville unleashed an aerial barrage, the "prehistoric Bears" were caught flat-footed.

Speakers recalled that in one of the first Bend High School games, after the team got acquainted with passing, John Steid completed 11 out of 12 tosses to Howard Young.

Early day games with The Dalles were recalled. Mostly, they were defeats, until Bend's Railroad Day in 1911. Bend won that game from the Indians 8 to 0.

**Attentive Audience**

Included in the attentive audience were two Bend High School football players of the present, Jerry Wetle and Mike Clark. Speakers were Bend stars of more recent years — among them Orval May and Pat Metke.

Frequently the name of Byron Haines, considered one of the greatest of all Bend High players of yesteryear, was heard.

The Shrine luncheon primarily was a salute to the men of yesterday who gave their time and talents to the training of Bend High football players.

### AOI opposing fish measure

PORTLAND (UPI) — Associated Oregon Industries has gone on record against passage of an initiative measure that would forbid commercial fishing in the Columbia River.

The statewide employers' organization based its opposition on the contention that the bill would not more than 100 licensed fishermen and 1,200 cannery workers out of work.

### Troops loyal to Ben Bella take Michelet

ALGIERS (UPI) — Troops loyal to President Ahmed Ben Bella today occupied the Berber stronghold of Michelet, from which rebel forces withdrew Friday, a government spokesman announced.

He said the government forces moved in without firing a shot. Earlier reports spoke of firing along the road towards Michelet. There was no confirmation of the reports, but if they were correct it was assumed that guerrillas in the hills overlooking the road were harassing the government forces.

The reports said a government column including tanks and recoilless cannon was moving on Michelet from Fort National, which the army occupied Friday.

The spokesman said that government forces occupied Michelet "in the same conditions as yesterday at Fort National, Zazarga and Tirurda, without firing a shot."

Reliable sources said fighting between rebels and a government armored column broke out in the Ouadhis - Ichri Meriden area, about 60 miles east of Algiers.

Hocine Ali Ahmed and Col. Mohamed El Hadj, the principal rebel leaders, had left Michelet for a hideout in the hills in apparent preparation for guerrilla warfare, but the reports said some of their Berber supporters remained in the town.

Lookouts on nearby hillsides warned them of the approach of the government column.

A government advance brought the simmering revolt close to all-out civil war Friday but the rebels withdrew, creating the possibility of a long, drawn-out guerrilla war.

Ben Bella was faced with a task that the French army could never accomplish — subduing the tough Berbers of the Kabylia mountains.

There were conflicting reports on what happened Friday. The government said its troops captured three rebel-held towns without a shot. The rebels said "blood flowed anew" in fighting around seven towns.

### Two treated after accident

**Special To The Bulletin**

REDMOND — Two Portland men were brought to Central Oregon District Hospital at 1:25 a.m. today from a one-car accident at the Bear Springs junction on Highway 26.

They are Sam Scott, 49, 6333 SW Barbour Boulevard, Portland, and Patrick Anderson, 20, 6625 SE 44th Street, Portland. The men said they were headed south when their car struck black ice and rolled off the road about 11 p.m. They were brought to the local hospital in the Madras ambulance.

Scott received treatment for cuts and bruises. Anderson received treatment for multiple bruises and abrasions.

The two men remained in the hospital this morning. They said they were headed for Texas.

### Jaycee-sponsored

## Portland Symphony here Monday night

The 70-piece Portland Symphony Orchestra directed by Jacques Singer, a conductor who has won international acclaim, will move into Bend Monday about 4 p.m. for its Central Oregon concert.

The concert, expected to attract a capacity audience, will be in the Bend Senior High School auditorium and will start promptly at 8 p.m. The Portland Symphony is being brought to Bend by the Jaycees, in one of their most ambitious undertakings since organization in this city.

Ivan Thompson is in charge for the Jaycees, assisted by all members of the group.

Thompson said the Portland musicians will come here in one large Greyhound bus, with their instruments to be in a second vehicle. Headquarters will be at the Pilot Butte Inn.

### U.S. reveals earlier swap of prisoners

WASHINGTON (UPI) — U.S. officials have revealed for the first time that the return of two captured RB47 pilots by the Russians in January 1961 was an exchange for two accused Soviet spies.

The disclosure of the deal for the RB47 fliers came Friday after the announcement that the United States and Russia had concurred another prisoner exchange, involving two accused Soviet spies and two Americans, one a Roman Catholic priest, charged with espionage.

President Kennedy made the dramatic announcement of the return of the RB47 fliers at his first formal news conference Jan. 25, 1961.

The two men, Air Force Capt. Freeman B. Olmstead, 25, of Elmira, N. Y., and John R. McKone, 23, of Tonganoxie, Kan., were the only survivors of the six-man crew of a jet reconnaissance plane shot down over the Barents Sea inside the Arctic Circle, just north of Russia's Kola Peninsula, on July 1, 1960.

A Justice Department spokesman said Friday that two accused spies, Igor Yakovlevich Melekh and Willie Hirsch, were returned to the Russians the next month as part of the deal for the release of the fliers.

### Soldiers comb disaster area for more bodies

BELLUNO, Italy (UPI) — Italian soldiers combed through a mass of muck and debris today, trying to avert the threat of an epidemic by recovering the bodies of shallowly-buried victims of the Vajont dam disaster.

An official spokesman said there was danger that polluted water from the area stricken in Wednesday night's flash flood might filter into the reservoirs of Belluno and other nearby towns.

The spokesman said no attempt would be made to recover the bodies of all of the 3,000 to 4,000 victims of the disaster. He said earth will be bulldozed over the bodies of deeply-buried victims in a day or two as an anti-epidemic measure.

More than 1,000 bodies have been recovered, but many still lie buried in the earth and rubble piled up by the flood.

Resentment mounted among survivors of the disaster, many of whom believe they might have been warned in advance of the huge landslide that thundered into Vajont Lake Wednesday night, splashing out a surge of floodwaters that wiped out eight villages in the Piave Valley.

Newspapers representing every shade of political opinion were demanding an official investigation to determine whether the landslide could have been foreseen.

The Communist organ Unita, strongest supporter of the theory that the disaster might have been averted, said in its headline today "It Was Murder!"

### Swap for spy team also includes U.S. student held by Reds

NEW YORK (UPI) — Two Americans who had been held prisoner in Russia — a Roman Catholic priest and a sprightly step and sparkling eyes and a young graduate student who looked as though he might be ill — returned to freedom today and a joyous reunion with their families and friends.

The Rev. Walter Ciszek, 38, who vanished in Russia about 1940, and Marvin W. Makinen, 24, arrested while touring the Soviet Union in 1961, landed here at 6:56 a.m. EDT on a flight from London. They had been exchanged for two accused Soviet spies.

Their physical appearance contrasted sharply. Father Ciszek appeared to be in good health. His eyes sparkled and he walked with a sprightly step. He was quick to answer all questions.

Makinen's complexion was sallow. He walked slowly, with a slight stoop and was hesitant in answering questions. When asked about his health, he said merely, "I'm all right."

Father Ciszek, of Shenandoah, Pa., and Makinen, of Ashburnham, Mass., walked quickly past a crowd of newsmen into the terminal at Idlewild Airport to meet relatives and friends, many of whom feared they would never see them again.

The former prisoners expressed little emotion upon first leaving the four-engine turbo-prop plane, and went directly to the terminal, keeping their eyes straight ahead.

They were swapped Friday for Ivan Egorov, a Soviet employe of the United Nations, and his wife, Aleksandra, who were arrested in their apartment in Queens and charged with espionage.

**Speaks in Russian**

The Egorovs arrived in Copenhagen today aboard a Scandinavian airliner. They were scheduled to leave for Moscow later in the day aboard a Soviet plane.

Both Father Ciszek and Makinen refused to discuss the circumstances of their arrests and details about their imprisonment.

Makinen, however, when pressed about his imprisonment, replied in a low voice, "I suppose it was my confession." He did not elaborate.

Father Ciszek had returned from the "dead." He had been declared legally dead in Schuylkill County, Pa., several years ago.

The stocky, grey-haired priest spoke in Russian, but appeared to understand the questions asked him in English.

Of his release, he said, "I got the first hint of it last Monday afternoon." The priest was bombarded with questions as he stood on a raised platform used for television interviews in an airport press room.

He was composed and expressed little emotion beyond an occasional smile. Among the persons present were a group of fellow priests and two of his sisters — Mrs. Helen Gearhart, 40, Washington, D.C., and Sister Mary Evangeline, provincial head of Bernadine Sisters at Reading, Pa.

"I haven't been able to sleep since I found out about his release," Mrs. Gearhart said.

As in the case of Makinen, the priest's family and associates declined to say what his immediate destination would be after leaving the airport.

"His plans have not been arranged yet," Father McCawley said.

### Burst into Tears

At the reunion, both his father and stepmother, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Makinen, burst into tears. His father was so overcome he had to sit down. Young Makinen, however, remained calm and somewhat placid in appearance throughout the reunion and a subsequent news conference.

But when he met his 8-year-old stepister, Kathy, outside at the family car, he broke down. Sobbing, he hugged and kissed her repeatedly.

Shortly before, while still composed, Makinen said the first thing he wanted to do was "get a good rest and a sauna (steam-bath)."

family attorney, Oliver S. Allen, of Boston, who acted for the Makinens in their efforts to bring about their son's freedom, said, however, "much of the information is already public...we cannot reveal any more."

### Gets Frequent Letters

Allen said Makinen had been confined in Vladimir, about 100 miles from Moscow, and that the family had been able to write him regularly and "freely until recently, when we were only allowed to write one letter a month."

Makinen's parents described their son's return "like a dream come true." His mother added, "I always knew he'd come back — sooner or later."

Father Ciszek was the first off the London-to-New York plane.

### Family once thought that priest dead

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The return from Russia of the Rev. Walter Ciszek, a 38-year-old Roman Catholic priest from Shenandoah, Pa., today climaxed State Department efforts in his behalf that spanned two administrations and more than eight years.

Father Ciszek and another American prisoner of the Russians, Marvin Makinen, 24, a student from Ashburnham, Mass., were exchanged for two accused Soviet spies Friday. Makinen had been imprisoned in the Soviet Union on spy charges since the summer of 1961, but the priest was believed to have been a prisoner of the Russians since about 1940.

According to his sister, Mrs. Helen C. Gearhart of Washington, Father Ciszek's family had not seen or heard from him since the outbreak of World War II in 1939, except for a brief message in 1955.

Father Ciszek was born in Shenandoah on Nov. 4, 1904.

A member of the Jesuit order, he went to Rome in 1934 after attending the order's seminary at Woodstock, Md. He was ordained at the Vatican in 1937 and a year later was assigned to a Jesuit seminary in Poland, near the Russian frontier.

Mrs. Gearhart said that in 1940 the family was told by one of the priests superiors that "the Bolsheviks" had taken him, apparently when the Russians invaded Poland during the period of the short-lived Nazi-Soviet non-aggression pact.

She said he was believed dead until 1955 when one of his sisters, a nun in Reading, Pa., received a cryptic note, apparently smuggled out of Siberia where he was imprisoned on spy charges.

The note said: "You may have forgotten me or you may have taken me for dead. I am alive. If you write to this address, I'll reply." The envelope bore an address in the Soviet Union.

Since then, she said, the State Department "has worked very hard trying to get him out." Mrs. Gearhart said that she had planned to visit her brother in August and that Soviet authorities had agreed to let him travel to Moscow to meet her.

### Couple rescued in store blaze

PORTLAND (UPI) — Firemen pulled two persons from the roof of a grocery store early today after a fire gutted their home and badly damaged the store at the front of the building.

Bartel and Mary Petrich, owners and operators of the Better Grocery and Market (of 1708 Southwest 14th Avenue) were awakened about 2 a.m. by the smell of smoke.

They said they were unable to get down the stairs so they crawled onto the roof of the grocery store and began shouting for help.

The alarm was turned in by a passer-by.

Damage to the building and contents was estimated at \$16,000. Cause of the blaze was being investigated.