

Algeria claims disputed Sahara outposts taken

ALGIERS (UPI)—The Algerian government said today Algerian forces have driven Moroccan troops from two disputed Sahara outposts in a two-day battle.

A bulletin, broadcast at 1 p.m. (9 a.m. EDT) by the government-controlled Algiers Radio, said:

"Troops of the Algerian National and Popular Army (ANP) have cleared out the Hassi Beida and Tinjoub sectors."

The announcement followed official reports in both Algiers and the Moroccan capital of Rabat that fighting had resumed today.

The posts are in a border area claimed by both nations. Radio Algiers said that "thousands of Algerians" are besieging barracks to ask for arms "to defend the threatened western frontier."

Extent Unknown
There was no immediate indication of the numbers of men involved in today's fighting nor the extent to which the combat zone had spread.

But reports of Monday's recapture of the two posts by the Moroccans said 1,000 men were engaged on each side.

Today King Hassan awaited the arrival in Marrakech of two Algerian emissaries to discuss the border dispute.

King Hassan said in a television speech Monday night he was willing to settle the dispute through talks.

The Algerian government claimed Monday night that thousands of Moroccan troops supported by planes and tanks invaded Algeria Sunday night and Monday morning and penetrated 20 miles into Algerian territory before being contained.

A government communique said Algerian troops were holding their ground against Moroccan attacks at the desert outposts of Hassi Beida and Tinjoub, which were occupied by Algerian troops last week in fighting in which 10 to 20 Moroccans were reported killed.

There was no mention of Hassi Mouni, a third oasis taken by Algeria last week.

Claims Fighting Violent

"The fighting is extremely violent," Foreign Minister Abdel Hasi Bouteflika said. He said the Algerian air force would go into action if necessary to repulse the Moroccans.

In Paris, the newspaper Figaro reported from Tagounite in extreme southern Morocco that at least 10 Algerians were killed in a two-hour battle over Hassi Beida and Tinjoub.

(The Moroccan government said in Marrakech that its troops had recaptured the border posts but did not specify whether there had been any fighting or casualties.)

(King Hassan II of Morocco said in Marrakech Monday night that his nation was ready to defend its dignity and "impose respect for our national territory and the integrity of its frontiers.")

(Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy, visiting Marrakech on vacation, was reported to be aware of the situation but "not alarmed" by it. She planned to continue her stay until Wednesday or Thursday, it was reported. Marrakech is about 200 miles from the scene of the fighting.)

Said Crisis "Vague"

(John Ferguson, U.S. ambassador to Morocco, said in Marrakech Monday night that the crisis was a "vague affair" in which "the Algerians occupied the villages along the border and the Moroccans have reoccupied them.")

("There has been some movement of forces but on a smaller scale than thought," Ferguson said.)

Hassi Beida, Tinjoub and Hassi Mouni lie along the poorly defined desert frontier area southwest of the Algerian caravan junction of Colomb-Bochar. The area is about 200 miles southeast of Marrakech and 550 miles south of Algiers.

Both nations agree on the location of the fighting but each claims the territory as its own. Morocco, which achieved independence from France first and then harbored Algerian rebel troops, charges that France created the problem by its inclusion of Moroccan territory within Algeria.

Children tour PI Exposition

PORTLAND (UPI)—More than 4,000 school children toured the Pacific International Livestock Exposition here Monday, and officials say they expect to handle about 30,000 more before the week is up.

The children, from Portland area schools, were guided by Future Farmers of America members.

The exhibition runs through Oct. 20.



THE REV. THOMAS A. BEECH

Installation of pastor planned at church here

The Rev. Thomas A. Beech will be installed as the new pastor of Westminster Orthodox Presbyterian Church in a service tonight at 7:30. Preceding the service, the annual church birthday dinner will be held at 5:30. The public is invited to both.

The Rev. Albert G. Edwards III, pastor of First Orthodox Presbyterian Church of Portland, will conduct the service. The Rev. Glenn Black, home missionary in Eugene, will preach the sermon. Also taking part will be the Rev. Herbert Butt, home missionary in Newberg, and possibly the Rev. LeRoy Oliver, Philadelphia, Pa., denomination home missions secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Beech and his family came to Bend in September, after a 3½-year pastorate in North Dakota, with the Reformed Churches of Ashley and Ventura. He was licensed to preach by the Philadelphia Presbytery of OPC in 1959, and ordained by the Reformed Church in the United States, sister denomination made up of German-Russian immigrants and their descendants, in 1960.

He received his A.B. degree from Westminster College, New Wilmington, Pa., and his B.D. degree from Westminster Theological Seminary, Philadelphia.

While in North Dakota the Beeches adopted four children of American Indian blood. They are Rebecca, 6; Deborah, 5; Timothy, 4, and John, 9 months.

Admiral Kirk dies at age 75

NEW YORK (UPI)—Adm. Alan G. Kirk, former ambassador to Russia and chief of staff of American naval forces in Europe during World War II, died in Columbia Presbyterian Hospital today after a brief illness.

Adm. Kirk, who would have celebrated his 75th birthday on Oct. 30, served as ambassador to Russia from 1949 to 1952. He retired from the Navy in 1946 to enter government diplomatic service. In recent years, he has been in private industry.

Kirk was born in Philadelphia in 1888. He was graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1909 and became an admiral in 1941.

He directed U.S. naval intelligence in 1941 and served as chief of staff in Europe in 1942 and 1943. He then was named commander of American amphibious forces in the Atlantic and was appointed vice admiral in 1944.

Considered a brilliant naval strategist, Adm. Kirk directed the invasion of Sicily in July, 1943 and commanded the U.S. naval task force in the Normandy invasion in June, 1944.

Cub Scout pack is organized

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PRINEVILLE — The Cub Scout Pack 28 has organized, with more than 50 boys in the pack under the supervision and guidance of a number of adults.

Dick Rose is Cubmaster with Fred Banta as chairman, Mrs. Marie Smith as treasurer and Kenneth Scholz as secretary. Joe Mohan will be the Outdoor chairman, Webelos leader is Al Sherrer and Eldred Breese will represent the sponsor, St. Andrews' Episcopal Church.

Den mothers are Mrs. Peter Petrov and Mrs. W. W. Winitzky, den 1; Mrs. Fred Banta and Mrs. Pat Conley, den 2; Mrs. Doran Coonse and Mrs. Homer Williams, den 3; Mrs. Mohan and Mrs. Scholz, den 4; Mrs. Pat Paroz, den 5, and Mrs. Ole Lien, den 6.

BENTSON PAROLED

MEDFORD (UPI)—Former Medford lawyer O.H. Bengtson, 58, has been paroled from the state penitentiary after serving about 17 months on two convictions of larceny by embezzlement.

Bengtson told prison officials upon his release that he intends to live in San Francisco.

Point-by-point indictment of China is drafted

LONDON (UPI)—The Moscow-led Communist nations have drafted a point-by-point indictment of Communist China for next month's meeting which may lead to Peking's expulsion from their ranks, it was learned today.

Communist sources said in Moscow over the weekend that the major Communist parties in the Soviet camp would gather there during the celebrations of the 46th anniversary of the Russian revolution.

China and its Asian Communist allies were not expected to attend the meeting, which was seen as a possible prelude to the expulsion of the Chinese from the Moscow-dominated bloc.

The official organ of that bloc, the World Marxist Review, set out key points of the indictment prepared against Peking in its current issue.

China Isn't Conforming

The Moscow group's overall charge is that Peking, with its hard line foreign policy and bitter attacks on Russia, is out of line with the world Communist movement "on many issues of policy, strategy, and tactics."

The indictment leaves no room for compromise and implies that if a settlement is to be achieved, Peking must make all the concessions.

The indictment charges that the Chinese leaders:

—"Deny the pressing need for a jointly elaborated policy of peaceful co-existence," a reference to the Peking line that war is inevitable in advancing the cause of communism.

—"Violate the standards of behavior between fraternal parties," which refers to the repeated propaganda attacks on Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev and his policies, some of them launched by Chinese in the Soviet Union itself.

"Out Of Joint"

—"Are out of joint" on the nuclear test ban treaty, which Moscow concluded with the West and which Communist parties outside the Peking orbit support unanimously.

—"Support splitters and renegades" who have been expelled from Communist parties. This refers to Chinese attempts to line up Communist dissidents throughout the world to oppose Khrushchev.

—"Extend ideological differences to state relations, pursue racist policies, and are out to create 'self-contained national economies.'" These are general charges referring to China's independence from Moscow in domestic and foreign affairs.

TWA to buy 6 U.S.-built supersonics

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Trans World Airlines (TWA) Monday advised the federal government that it would buy six American-built supersonic airliners.

TWA thus became the first U.S. carrier to commit itself to the purchase of the American Supersonic Transport (SST), which is not even off the drawing boards yet. Pan American World Airways and Continental Airlines have ordered the British-French supersonic airliner to be known as the Concorde.

TWA President Charles Tillinghast Jr. deposited a check for \$600,000 with Gordon M. Bain, director of the Federal Aviation Agency's (FAA) supersonic airliner program.

Tillinghast said the money represented "an initial order with the manufacturing consortium or corporation selected to build the supersonic transport... for the first and, thereafter, every second plane to a total of six."

Tillinghast, in a letter to Bain, said TWA preferred to wait for the American SST for three reasons—U.S. prestige, the balance of payments problem and the necessity for continuing development of this country's aeronautical engineering skills.

TWA's order was contingent on several conditions, including a delivery price that would permit profitable operations on transatlantic routes and would be no higher than the amount other airlines pay.

It also stipulated that the craft have a cruising speed of no less than mach 2.2 (the speed of the Concorde or slightly more than twice the speed of sound) and that delivery of the first production model come no later than Jan. 1, 1971. This would be about one year after introduction of the Concorde into passenger service.

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Storms dump nearly inch of rain in N. California

By United Press International
Rain washed the Pacific Coast and Great Plains today but failed to touch tinder-dry forests and fields from New England to the Southwest.

Thunderstorms dumped nearly an inch of rain on northern California during the night, and a third of an inch fell at Lemon, S.D.

Scattered fires ate through prairie and woodland in New York State, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Missouri. Foresters feared the blazes would flare into infernos because of the dry conditions.

Agriculture experts and weather observers started to total up the economic loss and fire danger wrought by the long drought across the Midwest and Great Lakes states.

An area-by-area look at the situation:

Northeast: Most of New York's woodlands and forests closed to public because of fires. Rangers reported 63 new fires Monday, 204 so far this month—a record number. Woodlands also closed to public in New Hampshire and Vermont. More than 100 new fires Monday in Massachusetts.

MEETING SET

SALEM (UPI)—The October meeting of the state board of Aeronautics will be held Saturday at Brookings.

Great Lakes: Pennsylvania reports 68 fires this month. One has been burning for seven days. No open fires permitted in Ohio state parks. Burning permits in many fire protection districts cancelled Monday. Columbus reports 32 days without appreciable rain.

Midwest: Wabash Valley Association reports 63-day drought causes up to \$50 million damage in Indiana, southeastern Illinois. Damage includes pastures, soybean fields, canning industry employment, livestock water. About 60 prairie and forest fires in Iowa have destroyed more than 11,000 acres. Fire danger on rise because of dry weather.

Midlands: Topeka, Kan., reports driest September since Dust Bowl days of '37. Above normal temperature causing crops to mature early, resulting in box car shortage. Ponds drying up, farmers hauling water for livestock. About 17 fires destroyed 9,000 acres in Arkansas since Oct. 9.

It was Rudolf Bing's most opulent venture in his 14-year tenure as general manager of the Met, which has performed "Aida" an unrivaled 473 times since 1887. The production, conducted with freshness by Georg Solli, was planned as a tribute to the 150th anniversary of Giuseppe Verdi's birth.

Thanks to the generosity of the American Export and Isbrandtsen Shipping Lines, designer Robert O'Hearn had \$150,000 to spend on sets and costumes. The results were just as beautiful and far more authentic than those of a certain \$40 million movie about ancient Egypt playing farther north on Broadway.

The only feature of the production which drew a scattering of boos and intermission criticism was the two big ballets choreographed by famed Negro dancer Katherine Dunham, a new Met recruit.

She interpreted the dance of the Temple priestesses as an orgy and featured Turkish-type belly dancers doing very un-

Illness of star fails to halt opening at Met

NEW YORK (UPI)—The Metropolitan Opera inaugurated its 79th season Monday night with a knockout production of Verdi's "Aida" that was threatened until the last few hours by the illness of its starring soprano.

The classiest audience in years, spiced by a generous helping of Astors, Vanderbilts, Rockefellers and Du Ponts, never suspected that Birgit Nilsson had suffered a gallstone attack the night before and was under doctor's care. The Swedish diva sang her first Aida at the Met as surely and sumptuously as any prima donna with memory.

California-born mezzo Irene Dalis also brought down the house with her fiery, vocally rich impersonation of Amneris although she had missed the dress rehearsal because of a sore throat. Even social ringmaster Elsa Maxwell rose to the occasion from her sickbed and attended in a wheel chair, pushed by an oil-rich Texan, Sam LeTulle.

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pharaonic grinds in the triumphal scene. She had better luck with a fearsome troupe of Ethiopian dancers, led by a feather-caped giant with the real life name of Khemfoia Tol Padu.

Sharing the applause and bravos of the conservatively dressed audience, which had put a record \$101,018 into the Met's till, were tenor Carlo Bergonzi, a stalwart and sometimes stolid Radames, Mario Sereni as Amonasro, and Giorgio Tozzi as Ramfis. The enthusiastic first nighters included President Kennedy's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Smith.

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