

Giant aerial armada winging troops to Europe

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FT. HOOD, Tex. (UPI)—Sleek military jetliners and barrel-bellied transports streaked from Texas to West Germany across the turbulent Atlantic today in an aerial ferry for 16,000 G.I.s, including an entire armored division, that was working "like clockwork."

Eight hours after the first jet thundered off a runway at Bergstrom Air Force Base at Austin, Tex., there were 71 planes aloft moving the vanguard of troops from the 2nd

Armored (Hell on Wheels) Division on their way to Frankfurt in "Operation Big Lift." It was the biggest transatlantic aerial armada of troops ever attempted.

Six C135 jet transports, four C130 prop-driven transports and 18 C124 Globemasters were in the vanguard. Platoons of planes were leaving every hour from four bases in Texas.

Each plane carried an average of 84 persons including 72 soldiers, 9 crewmembers and 3 newsmen.

The start of the 72-hour operation "went like clockwork," a spokesman at Ft. Hood command headquarters said.

"We are very well pleased with the way things are going right now, everything is on schedule," he said.

The 13,000 men of the 2nd Armored (Hell on Wheels) Division from Ft. Hood, Tex., and 3,000 supporting troops from Ft. Sill, Okla., Ft. Benning, Ga., and Ft. Campbell, Ky., began flying out from four Texas air bases at 1:57 a.m. EDT as part of Exercise Big Lift. Planes took off hourly through the

night and into the day. Destination: Frankfurt, Germany, 5,600 miles away.

G.I.s wearing winter uniforms against the chill of October in West Germany despite the summer-like temperatures in central Texas piled aboard planes with duffle bags, rifles and helmets.

An Air Force band tooted a farewell at Bergstrom AFB in Austin as the lead plane, a military version of the 707 Boeing jetliner, thundered off the runway with division commander Edwin H. Burba and Gen. Paul

D. Adams of MacDill AFB, Fla., the "strike force" over-all commander.

The entire operation was to take 73 hours, with planes leaving from Connally AFB at Waco, Tex., Sheppard AFB at Wichita Falls, Tex., and Gray Army Airfield near Ft. Hood.

It seemed like an endless stream and the swiftness and efficiency with which the troops boarded and the planes taxied out to the runways reflected weeks of arduous planning.

The exercise is a test of the U.S. military concept of global

combat readiness and was a test of America's ability to hurl troops to foreign trouble spots in time of crisis.

(West German officials in Frankfurt showed concern about the maneuver and wondered whether it meant the United States is planning to reduce the size of forces stationed permanently there.)

(They referred to Deputy Secretary of Defense Roswell Gilpatric's speech to United Press International editors and publishers at a meeting in Chicago last Saturday. Gilpatric

said the airlift would enable the United States "to make useful reductions in its heavy overseas military expenditures." He said it also would realign American forces overseas.)

Adams said before takeoff that the only aim of "Big Lift" was to demonstrate to friend and foe the ability of the United States to meet any military situation with troops.

He would not comment on German questions about possible troop reduction.

It was the biggest aerial trans-Atlantic shipment of

troops in history.

The 2nd Armored Division will maneuver in Germany with the 3rd Armored Division stationed there, using artillery. Tanks and other heavy gear were already on hand there. No heavy equipment was being brought by the armada of some 220 planes.

The C135 jets were making the run in 8½ hours. Lumbering C124 Globemaster propeller-driven planes were taking 31¼ hours for the trip.

The operation was costing \$20 million.

Forecast

Mostly cloudy with some showers in Central Oregon. High temperature, about 60; low, around 35 degrees.

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W. Germans fear U.S. may trim troops

FRANKFURT, Germany (UPI)—West German officials expressed concern today that Exercise Big Lift could be the start of new U.S. military strategy that would reduce the size of forces permanently stationed here.

Roswell L. Gilpatric, deputy secretary of defense, in a speech to United Press International publishers and editors Saturday, said the new versatility demonstrated in the airlift of 16,000 combat troops would enable the United States "to make useful reductions in its heavy overseas military expenditures" and to realign U.S. forces overseas.

A government spokesman in Bonn said West Germany has asked the United States if this means it plans to withdraw any of the six divisions stationed in Germany.

The spokesman said West Germany has received assurances that Big Lift will not mean such a troop reduction. West German officials are continuing their talks with the United States and hope the U.S. will not make any decisions detrimental to the North Atlantic alliance.

NATO Secretary General Dirk Stikker, who is visiting Berlin, said President Kennedy and Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara had assured him Big Lift will not mean troop withdrawals.

But West German editorials reflected the concern of the nation that its NATO shield against Communist aggression be maintained at present strength.

Linking troop cuts to the exercise would be "premature," the Sueddeutsche Zeitung of Munich said.

But the airlift was intended to "indicate an alternative to previous Washington policy," it added.

"Gilpatric set up a thumb-screw for Europeans—performance for performance. America is not willing to bear the military load it has borne in Europe if the Europeans themselves do not assume the load they should," it said.

West Germany welcomed the Defense Department decision to increase U.S. tactical nuclear power in Europe with deployment of better missiles and atomic artillery.

U.S. ship shot at near Cuba

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The State Department said today that an unidentified aircraft fired on an American-owned ship near the coast of Cuba early today. It said the plane was "presumed to be Cuban."

A U.S. spokesman called the incident an "unprovoked attack on a vessel navigating on the high seas," flagrant violation of the freedom of the seas. He said the American government was investigating to determine whether a formal protest should be made.

State Department press officer Robert J. McCloskey told newsmen that the J. Louis, "a Liberian flag bulk ore carrier, was under gunfire attack from an unidentified aircraft presumed to be Cuban early this morning, according to messages received from the ship by the Coast Guard."

The ship was proceeding at 16½ knots for its home port, Corpus Christi, Tex., on its scheduled course. There was a marine telephone aboard but the captain was not answering calls.



CAKE, AFTER 33 YEARS—Allen Ryman, who has been in the U.S. Postal Service in Bend for more than 33 years, found a big cake awaiting him when he showed up for work this morning, on the eve of his retirement. Ryman, long adjutant of the American Legion Post in Bend, has been a rural carrier during most of his long service here. He is pictured with Mrs. W. D. Mayer, member of the local postal staff, who baked the cake. The entire staff gathered around as Ryman accepted the first piece cut.

Haile Selassie seeks to arrange truce in Algerian-Moroccan fuss

ALGIERS (UPI)—New fighting was reported today on the Algerian-Moroccan border as Ethiopian Emperor Haile Selassie met with President Ahmed Ben Bella in an attempt to arrange a truce.

(Official Moroccan sources reported in Marrakech that Moroccan troops repulsed two new Algerian attacks. One was launched before dawn today at the post of Hassi Taghouch, about 55 miles from the Moroccan city of Taouda.)

(They said 150 Algerian troops attacked 20 Moroccans defending the post but were beaten back. In another area, Algerians attacked the post of Oussada, but Morocco said they too were forced to retreat.)

Selassie, the 72-year old "Lion of Judah," met Ben Bella in the second stage of his attempt to mediate the undeclared border war.

Seeks Summit Talks (Diplomatic sources in Paris said the Emperor is seeking to bring Algerian and Moroccan leaders together for a summit conference, perhaps somewhere along the border area.)

The Ethiopian monarch flew to Algiers Monday from Rabat, Morocco, after talking with Moroccan King Hassan III in Marrakech, where Hassan was directing his armed forces. Outcome of the talks with Hassan was not known.

Diplomats said Selassie faced one of the toughest jobs in his 50-year career in attempting to mediate the dispute, which now threatens to involve another nation, the United Arab Republic.

(Reports from Marrakech said Moroccan Information Minister Abdelhadi Boutaleb repeated charges Monday night that five Egyptians captured in an Algerian helicopter in the disputed region were U.A.R. army officers. He said the men were carrying submachineguns and were under direct orders from Gen. Ali Amer, U.A.R. army chief of staff. Their capture constitutes "proof" that U.A.R. President Gamal Abdel Nasser is aiding Ben Bella in the border dispute, Boutaleb said.)

(In Cairo, a U.A.R. government statement said the Moroccan

can ambassador had been called in and presented with a demand for the "immediate release of the officers" and told that "Morocco has no right to detain them.")

There was no immediate indication that Ben Bella would back down from his position that the disputed border posts are on Algerian territory and that no truce talks can begin until Moroccan troops withdraw to their positions before the fighting began last week.

Morocco, which holds Tinnjoub and Hassi Beida, also claims the territory and maintains troop positions should be frozen at their present locations until a border commission investigates the rival claims.

Truce talks between the two countries broke down last Thursday over this disagreement.

Houk promoted, Yogi Berra may be new manager

NEW YORK (UPI)—General Manager Roy Hamer of the New York Yankees retired today and was succeeded in that position by Ralph Houk under a four-year contract.

Club President Dan Topping, who made the announcement, said that the Yankees' new field manager to succeed Houk would be named Thursday at noon. There was speculation that Yogi Berra, long-time catcher and during the past season a coach for the Yankees, would be appointed field manager.

Topping said Hamer will remain with the Yankee organization on a full-time basis until the close of spring training in 1964. He then will continue with the Yankees in a consulting and advisory capacity for five more years.

Houk's duties as general manager will start Nov. 1, Topping said. "I want to say that this is a sad day for the Yankees and also a happy day," Topping said in making the announcement.

Allen Ryman honored at P.O. party

When Allen M. Ryman showed up at the Bend Post Office this morning he found a big, frosted cake, bearing his name, spread out on a desk. In a few minutes the entire staff gathered around.

The occasion was an impromptu party wishing Ryman many happy days of retirement, after some 33½ years with the U.S. Postal Service, virtually all of it in Bend. He will end his long service mostly as a rural carrier, on October 31.

A native of Goldendale, Wash., Ryman came to Bend in 1926, working in the George Michaelson and N. R. Gilbert grocery stores before accepting a position in the Bend Post Office. In earlier years, he served for a short time as a member of The Dalles postal staff, entering service there in 1919.

Ryman for many years was adjutant of the Stevens-Chute Post of the American Legion. He served in that post from 1944 to 1950, when he stepped out to accept the position of commander. Later, he returned to his old adjutant post and held it until this past year.

Ryman and his wife, Irene, live at 415 East Lafayette. They have four children, Mrs. Robert Burleigh, Mrs. Carol Boylan, Mrs. Verl Mitchell and Allen, who is now a medical technician at the University of Oregon Medical School, in Portland.

Cutting the big cake this morning, and offering Ryman the first morsel was Mrs. William D. Mayer, member of the Bend Post Office staff.

Blaze destroys barn, baled hay

SPECIAL TO THE BULLETIN
REDMOND — A fire on the Pearl Weiland ranch west of Terrebonne destroyed a barn and some 250 tons of baled hay during the night, representing an estimated loss of \$7,500.

Firemen received the alarm at 8:53 p.m. Monday. They battled the blaze until 4 o'clock this morning.

The barn, located on a feed lot, held about 100 tons of hay. The remainder was stacked nearby.

Ginny still drifting off U.S. coast

CAPE HATTERAS, N.C. (UPI)—Hurricane Ginny drifted sluggishly off the North Carolina coast today battering a disabled Navy ship with its 80-mile-per-hour winds and causing beach erosion as far north as New Jersey.

"Ginny appears to be drifting very slowly towards the south or southwest," the Washington Weather Bureau said in an 8 a.m. EST advisory which placed the storm about 165 miles southeast of Cape Hatteras.

This was roughly the same position the hurricane, seventh of the season, had held since Sunday night when it sprang up as a menace to the eastern coast of the United States.

A turn to the north was indicated for tonight, the Weather Bureau said.

Warn Of Erosion
The storm's center was about 15 miles southwest of its location at 5 a.m. EST.

"Rough seas and heavy pounding surf will cause erosion to continue along the outer beaches of North Carolina to New Jersey," the Weather Bureau said.

Two rescue vessels reached the decommissioned Navy destroyer escort Fogg, heaving on 40-foot swells, at about 9 o'clock Monday night to end a two-day air-sea search for the drifting vessel and its 10-man caretaker crew.

The Fogg was en route to a mothball fleet in Texas when its tow line snapped and it drifted near the center of the hurricane. It was located off Point Lookout, N.C., to the south of the turbulent center of the storm which sent gale winds 450 miles to the north and 170 miles in other directions.

Ships Stand By
The Fogg's crew blinked out a signal saying "everything's okay" and "watertight integrity is good." Assisting ships stood by to try to take her in tow when the heavy seas subsided.

A Coast Guard plane bucked 60 mile an hour winds to fly to the scene and direct the attempt to hook the Fogg to a tow vessel.

"Hurricane Ginny is expected to remain relatively stationary or drift slowly southwestward today and then probably turn and drift slowly northward tonight," the Weather Bureau said. "No important change in intensity is indicated."

Fire claims three lives

NORWAY, Ore. (UPI)—Three persons, including two children, died today when fire swept through a two-story house at this community between Myrtle Point and Coquille in southwest Oregon.

The dead were tentatively identified as Mrs. Tinnie Morton, 54, Stayton; Linda Weekly, 4, and her brother, Darrell, 2, both of Norway.

Mrs. Jennie Weekly, 38, was taken to Mast Hospital in Myrtle Point with burns on the arms, face and head.

Reports indicated the fire broke out between 6 and 6:30 a.m.

Also escaping the blaze were Jack Morton, 19; Lester Lee Morton, 14, and Dennis Murphy, in his early 20's.

Authorities said Mrs. Weekly and Jack Morton jumped from the second story to escape.

The bodies were taken to a Myrtle Point mortuary. Cause of the fire was unknown.

Musicians plan pop concert on Friday, Nov. 1

Bend Senior High School musicians on Friday, November 1, in the school cafeteria are to present an informal concert featuring popular music, leaders have announced. Music groups participating will include the orchestra, band, chorus, dance band, folk singers and the Melodiers.

The concert will be open to the public, without charge. Dave Paustian, president of the Bend Senior High band, has announced. Assisting with arrangements are Norman Whitney and Donald Goodwin, of the school's music staff.

"Triple Pops" will be the theme of this year's concert. Popular music will be featured. Popcorn will be available, as will soda pop.

The November 1 concert will start at 8 p.m. Bear Antics chorus girls will serve refreshments.

Board abandons junior college building plans

SALEM (UPI)—The State Board of Education today juked the planned \$1.3 million community college building program, adopted a curriculum guide for community colleges, and approved two school district reorganization plans.

Acting on orders from the governor after last week's tax election defeat, the board indefinitely postponed allocation of the following community college construction funds:

Blue Mountain \$248,270, Central Oregon \$206,890, Clatsop County \$90,370, South Western Oregon \$331,030, Treasure Valley \$206,890, Eugene Technical-Vocational \$124,000, Portland Community \$69,230, and Salem Technical-Vocational \$73,200.

Approval of the curriculum and course eligibility guide for community colleges came after board members expressed the hope that the Board of Higher Education would adopt a similar guide for programs and lower division courses.

Coordination Asked
Public Instruction Supt. Leon P. Minear said while the state board laid specific outlines for courses, higher education traditionally avoided specific outlines. Board members felt there should be more coordination in setting guides for community college programs.

Two administrative school district reorganization plans, one covering parts of Washington and Yamhill counties, the other Clackamas county, were approved and now go to a vote of district residents.

Action on a third proposed district, including parts of Polk and Yamhill counties, was postponed.

The board announced it would hold another public hearing early next year, probably at Hood River, on boundaries for the proposed Mid-Columbia area education district. Proposed boundaries for the new community college district were changed after objections were voiced at a hearing Aug. 27 at The Dalles.

SELECTION DUE

EUGENE (UPI)—Oregon Democrats will meet here Sunday to try again to elect a national committeeman to succeed C. Girard Davidson who has resigned.

DOW JONES AVERAGES
By United Press International
Dow Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 747.21, off 5.10; 20 railroads 172.09, off 0.18; 15 utilities 138.62, off 0.02; and 65 stocks 282.59, off 1.09. Sales today were about 6.42 million shares compared with 5.45 million shares Monday.

World stands at crossroads, Tito tells UN

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (UPI)—Yugoslavia's Marshal Tito said today the world stands at an atomic age crossroad which demands "a radical change in our outlook on international relations."

The Yugoslav president called upon the United Nations to "further elaborate and to codify the principles of coexistence."

"The Moscow agreement (on a partial nuclear test ban) and the other steps that have recently been taken are vivid evidence of the existing trends towards the overcoming of the division which has hitherto split the world into military and political groupings," Tito said in a state speech to the General Assembly.

Strong security measures were enforced to safeguard Tito whose entourage was plagued Monday night by incidents that stemmed from an anti-Tito demonstration outside the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel where the Yugoslav leader was staying.

Two young Yugoslav refugees worked their way to Tito's hotel floor. Earlier five emigre demonstrators scuffled with three members of the president's party, including one man said to be head of the Yugoslav secret police and Tito's personal bodyguard.

U.N. Ambassador Adlai Stevenson said he was telephoning President Kennedy to reassure him every security measure was being taken to insure Tito's safety.

"We stand on historical crossroads branching out towards new, more constructive and more humane international relations which should make it possible for mankind to live without fear for its fate to develop and to harness towards peaceful ends all the achievements of the human mind so far," Tito told the U.N. assembly.

Tito met with President Kennedy in Washington last week, and has been in Williamsburg, Va., and New York since that time. Monday he took a side trip to Princeton, N. J.

His visit to the United States, following a tour of Latin America, came just a few months after he entertained Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev in Yugoslavia. It underscored

Tito's role as an "independent" Communist who maintains good relations with the West.

Khrushchev's 15-day visit to Yugoslavia last summer was designed as a "bury the hatchet" mission to get Tito's support in the Moscow-Peking quarrel. It was reported to have ended the Kremlin's dispute with Yugoslavia, which began in 1948 when Stalin kicked Tito out of the international Communist movement for his independent ideas.

Steel firms subpoenaed by U.S. jury

NEW YORK (UPI)—Steel prices and pricing policy were tossed back into the national spotlight by the barrage of subpoenas fired at most major steel companies by a federal grand jury here.

Industry observers indicated the grand jury action was taken in connection with the spate of price increases on a broad line of steel products this year, but suggested that the inquiry might broaden itself into an investigation of so-called "administered prices."

Prominent among the companies which reported Monday and today that they were subpoenaed were U.S. Steel Corp., Bethlehem Steel Corp., Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., Republic Steel Corp., Wheeling Steel Corp., Pittsburgh Steel Co., Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co., National Steel Corp., Kaiser Steel Corp., and Armco Steel Corp.

Industry officials generally declined to discuss the situation, other than to confirm receipt of the subpoenas.

Approximately 75 per cent of all steel products have been affected by these piecemeal price increases and only a few weeks ago President Kennedy told a news conference he was watching "with concern" the recent round of increases put into effect by major producers.

The action apparently caught the steel makers by surprise and comment was withheld by all the companies except Republic where a spokesman said his company had been asked to present some records to the federal panel.

This latest legal move by the government came at a time when it appeared relations between the steel industry and the Kennedy administration had almost if not completely recovered from their clash in April, 1962.

At that time U.S. Steel ordered an across-the-board increase of \$6 a ton in a market where the demand for steel had been on the decline.

Area receives light showers

Light showers were passing over parts of Central Oregon today, especially in the mountainous areas, and the damp weather, with gusty winds will continue through the afternoon, forecasts indicate.

Partly cloudy weather is forecast for tonight and Wednesday, with temperatures to remain mild. Highs will be in the 53 to 60 bracket, with lows ranging from 35 to 48 degrees.