

RELATIONS WITH BULGARIA CUT

VOGELER GIVEN 15-YEAR TERM

Budapest, Hungary, Feb. 21—(UP)—Robert A. Vogeler, 39, American business man who pleaded guilty to sabotage and spying against Hungary for the United States, was sentenced to 15 years in prison today.

The prosecution appealed at once, as is its privilege in Hungarian courts, on grounds that the court had been "too lenient."

A British associate, Edward Sanders, was sentenced to 13 years imprisonment. Two Hungarian co-defendants were given death sentences. Three other Hungarians were sentenced to prison terms of five to 10 years.

The court ordered the confiscation of all of Vogeler's and Sanders' assets in Hungary. It ordered them expelled forever from Hungary after their sentences are served. The political rights of the Hungarian defendants were suspended and their property confiscated.

Mistakenly Counted In Vogeler Testimony

(In Vienna) Morris L. Ernst, New York attorney who was refused permission to represent Vogeler, said he counted 85 misstatements of fact in the testimony Vogeler read, and "torture or drugs apparently were used."

(In London, a foreign office spokesman said it was fair to speculate that "threats, inducements and pressure" had been applied to cause Sanders to incriminate himself.)

Judge Vilmos Olthy of the Budapest people's court pronounced sentences after a trial that lasted only three days. All seven defendants pleaded guilty to operating and taking part in a spy ring which functioned for eight years.

Designed As Cover

Vogeler, assistant vice president and eastern European manager of the International Telephone and Telegraph company, said in court that his business connections in Hungary were designed merely as a cover for his spying on behalf of the U. S. army intelligence.

The sentence of the Hungarians, handed down in the brick criminal court building where Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty was convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment, follows:

Imre Geiger, manager of the Standard Electric company, Hungarian subsidiary of the I.T.&T. death.

Soltan Rado, former section chief in a government ministry, 10 years.

Kelemen Domokos, factory director, 10 years.

Edina Doery, a baroness turned barmaid, five years.

Faced Death

Five of the defendants, including Vogeler and Sanders, who is a cousin of Actor George Sanders, had faced possible death sentences under the law.

Vogeler was white of face but firmly in control of himself when he and his six co-defendants marched from their jail cells with police escort just before 1 p.m. (7 a.m., EST).

TO ADDRESS GRADS

Grants Pass, Ore., Feb. 21—(UP)—Dean Paul M. Dunn of the Oregon State college forestry school and Athletic Director Roy S. (Spec) Keene will address a meeting of Oregon State alumni here tonight.

Majority Rights Suffering At Hands of Minorities, Louisiana Judge Believes

This nation has reached the point where we constantly protect the minority to the detriment of the majority, according to Judge George W. Hardy Jr., Shreveport, La., who addressed a meeting of the Rogue River Valley Knife and Fork club last night. Judge Hardy is judge of the second circuit court of appeals of Louisiana and former mayor of Shreveport.

"We have forgotten that the needs of the individual must be subordinated to the needs of the majority," the judge said in developing his topic, "God, the Supreme Court and Us," and declared that "welfare and freedom are assured only by protection of the majority."

Nation Is 'Partnership'

The speaker opened his talk by saying that this nation is fundamentally a partnership between God, used in the sense of God the Creator, and the people of America, but that in recent years we had tended to confuse denominationalism and sectarianism with true devotion to God.

As a background for his contention that individual and minority desires are being placed ahead of the good of the majority, he reviewed the case of the woman who sued under no obligation to attend the religious classes. The judge declared this



ROBERT A. VOGELER
Given 15-Year Sentence

Closed Hearing Set In Railroad Disaster

Rockville Centre, N. Y., Feb. 21—(UP)—The public service commission will hold a closed hearing today to determine whether the bankrupt Long Island railroad should be forced to install safety devices which could have prevented the train wreck which killed 29 persons and injured 115.

The emergency hearing was called last night after Jacob Kiefer, 55-year-old Long Island motorman, was arraigned on a second degree manslaughter charge growing out of the collision of two trains last Saturday. Kiefer was released in \$10,000 bond supplied by two railroad police officers.

Kiefer seemed shocked and confused as he heard himself accused of "recklessness and gross negligence" for running his train through a red stop signal shortly before it crashed head-on into another train on a gantlett track.

Judge Cyril J. Brown of the Nassau district court ordered a hearing on the charges March 6. Kiefer faces a penalty of 15 years and a fine of \$1,000 if found guilty.

There was a clear case of where the wishes of the minority, in this case an individual who declared she was an atheist, were forced upon the majority in a nation where devotion to God is the desire of the majority. The speaker said this trend could continue to the point where references to God could be barred from public buildings and public gatherings and asked, "Do we want to delete all mention of God from public education?"

Minorities Work

"Who is it that works in the legislatures and in the congress for passage of bills? The minority interests," he emphasized, and added that "no one represents the majority, which is really America. Everyone is in the minority on some point or believe," he stressed. "Our failure lies in our devotion to the selfish interests of the minority rather than in the greater interests of the majority."

This trend of deferring to the wishes of minorities and pressure groups has resulted in the growing belief that we are all equal and that we are all entitled to security at the hands of the government, the speaker said. Judge Hardy declared that even if the constitution of the United States says all men are "created equal" we should be wise enough to realize that they do not remain so under the patterns of nature. "Do we want to be equal; do we want to be all alike?" he asked, and added that the achievement of equality could be disappointing.

'Easy Road'

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AID RENEWAL REQUESTED

Congress Asked For Third Year Of European Help

Acheson Issues Warning On Russia

Washington, Feb. 21—(UP)—Warning that Russia is driving for world domination with "increasing boldness," Secretary of State Dean Acheson and ECA Administrator Paul G. Hoffman asked congress today for a third year, \$3,100,000,000 renewal of the Marshall plan.

They told a joint session of the senate foreign relations and house foreign affairs committee that the European recovery program will require \$2,950,000,000 of new money for the 12 months beginning next July 1, plus \$150,000,000 cash left over from this year's appropriations.

Basic Element

Acheson said the aid program is a "basic element" of a national policy that calls for increasingly close cooperation with "our European friends."

"It is in the carrying out of such a policy, in our determination and our will to do it however long it takes and whatever it requires of us, that the frustration of the Kremlin's design for world domination lies," he said.

Progress Made

In solemn tones, Acheson told the joint committee that great progress has been made toward rebuilding western Europe's wartime economy. But, he said,

"The Kremlin can and is pursuing its course with efficiency and with signs of increasing boldness, using whatever means seem appropriate to it in a given situation... in the context of the present world crisis the task is doubly acute, doubly urgent."

Sewer Hearings Set By Council Tonight

Hearings on five sewer installation projects are scheduled at the regular meeting of the Medford city council at 7:30 p.m. today at the city hall.

The eight-inch sewers are proposed in an alley of block 3, Rose Park addition between Plum and Hamilton streets; on Eastwood drive between Keene Way and Wilson Place; on Wilson Place between Keene Way and Eastwood drives; in an alley of block 4, Walnut Park addition between Ninth and the city limits; and on South Newtown between Belmont and Stewart avenues and north side of Stewart between Newtown and Peace street.

Among matters being considered by the council are an ordinance banning street sales of vehicles, a garbage rules and regulations ordinance and a petition for meat inspection. Both proposed ordinances have passed first readings.

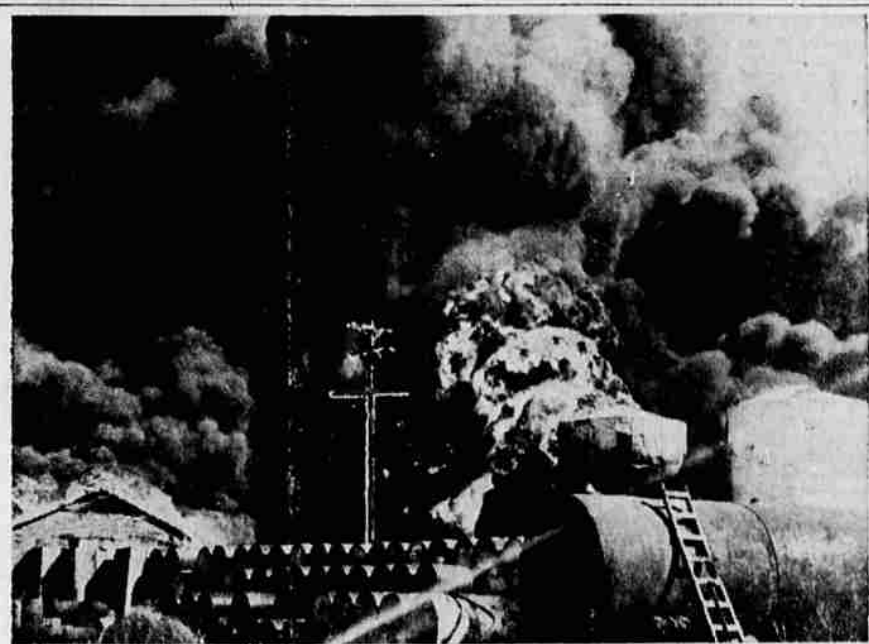
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collectivism, Judge Hardy said the road to socialism is an easy one; that first accept, then expect, and then enjoy the benefits offered by a paternalistic government with supposedly inexhaustible coffers. "Are we children," he asked, "that we actually believe the coffers are inexhaustible? We pay the promises to the minorities from exactions made on the majority."

The judge closed his speech by saying that he was tired of the spirit of hopelessness among those who actually believe this nation is "on the road to the pit which we fear," but refuse to take any action. He declared he was "tired of sectionalism which votes party rather than principles," and said "America must forget creed, class, section and party and exert ourselves to insure the perpetuation of those truths in which we believe. This is not a land of equality of benefits, but it is a land where men of good will, courage, vision and faith can find one equality—that of opportunity."

In the question period which followed Judge Hardy was asked to give his opinion of the Tennessee valley authority, and replied that "from the standpoint of the common welfare and improvement, the development of these authorities is justified in our political philosophies if they add to the comfort and happiness of the majority." Asked concerning federal subsidies, Judge Hardy said, "I think it is all wrong; man-made economies will not stand up."

He was introduced by Rawles Moore, Medford attorney and member of the club.



SMOKY INFERNO—Huge clouds of smoke, visible for miles around, billow from burning warehouse of the Airline Oil and Grease Co. at Lubbock, Tex. The \$400,000 place destroyed 50,000 gallons of oil product and was still burning some 24 hours after the fire started. Note burning power pole (center).

Bridges Rambles During Testimony In Conspiracy Case

San Francisco, Feb. 21—(UP)—Harry Bridges, sounding more like he was making a speech in a union hall than testifying as his own witness in his perjury-conspiracy trial, gave a federal court jury his views today on Russian expansion, U.S. "military brass," Attorney General Howard McGrath and quoted liberally from Mark Twain's "Connecticut Yankee."

On the stand for the ninth consecutive day, Bridges spoke until he was hoarse, with only a little prompting from Prosecutor F. Joseph Donohue. Donohue is seeking to convict the CIO Longshore union president of committing perjury at his naturalization hearing when he denied he was or ever had been a communist.

Bridges Rambles

Donohue's courtroom technique has been to ask Bridges a brief question, then let the union leader ramble on in near speeches which have taken as long as 16 minutes.

Donohue asked the Australian-born longshoreman if it were true that in May 1947 he wrote that "military brass" in the United States is stirring a feeling toward war. Bridges confirmed it. Then, in a rambling answer characteristic of his other testimony, he went on to say:

Anti-Labor Feeling

"Too many people in the army have an anti-labor feeling... they get labor union men in the army and tell them to 'take orders or else.'"

"I don't want to join the reactionary clique that wants to 'attack.' We are against expansion of any nation, including Russia, if it's going to lead to transgression of rights of the people. We are against expansion if it leads to war. That goes for England, Russia, and even this country."

"Am I on trial for thinking this way?" he asked Donohue.

Police Investigating Burglary, Watch Theft

City police today said they were investigating the theft last night of \$120 from Leever Motor company, and of a 17-jewel Hamilton watch from Brophy's jewelers yesterday.

The money reportedly was taken from a locked safe file at the motor firm. The burglary was discovered at 8 a.m. today by Everett D. Bennett. It was not learned how the building was entered.

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BOND ISSUE APPROVED

Salem, Ore., Feb. 21—(UP)—Voters of the Dayton school district approved a \$249,000 bond issue for a new grade school building at an election Monday. The new building will include 16 classrooms, a gymnasium and offices.

Robert Root Seeks Representative Job

Robert W. Root, 33, well known Rogue valley fruit grower and packer, announced today that he will be a candidate for

the republican nomination for a seat in the Oregon house of representatives at the May 19 primary election. He was to file his statement of candidacy late today.

Root, a native of Medford, has lived here all his life, and attended Medford public schools. He attended Southern Oregon college, graduating from the latter. He and his wife, the former Betty Fowler, are parents of two daughters, one and a half and three years of age. The family residence is at 229 Bradford way.

Manages Company

The candidate is the son of Myron Root, who has been prominent in fruit growing and packing circles in the valley for many years. The younger man is general manager of Crater Lake orchards, president of the Jackson County Fruitgrowers league, and vice-president of the Rogue Valley Irrigation association, which has been active in promoting preliminary work on the proposed Rogue basin project.

A four-year army veteran during World War II, Root served in the Caribbean area for three years.

Second Announcement

Root's announcement of candidacy is only the second in the county for a seat in the state house of representatives. E. H. Mann, Medford manufacturer, said recently he would also seek one of the two representative posts from this county. No democrats have as yet said they would stand for election.

Only announced candidate for the county's senate seat so far is Ben Day, Gold Hill rancher and incumbent representative.

Accused Car Thief Who Escaped From Hospital Arrested At Roseburg

An accused car thief, who started police in June, 1948, by escaping from an unguarded room in the Community hospital with a broken pelvis, has been arrested by Douglas county authorities and is being held in Roseburg to face grand larceny charges here.

Paul Norman Smallwood was being treated in the Community hospital for a broken pelvis before he was brought into court to face the car theft charges. Sheriff Howard Gault said that Smallwood was not placed under guard because he was confined with a heavy plaster cast around his waist and one leg was considered well immobilized. An accomplice apparently brought him a knife, according to Gault, and the injured suspect cut off the cast and left the hospital without being detected. He had not been heard of until this morning when Gault was notified that Smallwood had been arrested in Roseburg on a warrant issued from here more than a year and a half ago.

CONFERENCE OPENS

La Grande, Ore., Feb. 21—(UP)—The ninth annual religion in life conference opens a three-day meeting at Eastern Oregon College of Education here tomorrow.

A meeting of Phoenix residents for the purpose of assisting the volunteer fire department, and taking steps toward lowering the fire insurance rates of the community, will be held at the Phoenix Grange hall at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, it was announced today.

The meeting, under the sponsorship of the fire department and the city council, will feature a talk by Eldon Winkley, deputy state fire marshal, from Salem, and a motion picture dealing with the problems faced by small communities in fire protection.

Motion picture equipment is being furnished by the L. C. Taylor company.

Phoenix Residents To Aid Fire Department

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CONSPIRACY CHARGE AGAINST U.S. ENVOY REASON FOR ACTION

Washington, Feb. 21—(UP)—The state department announced today that it has broken diplomatic relations with Bulgaria.

State Department Press Spokesman Michael J. McDermott said the United States informed the Bulgarian office of the break in a note delivered in Sofia yesterday.

The Bulgarian charge d'affaires in Washington, Peter Voutov, was informed today and was asked to make immediate preparations to withdraw the Bulgarian diplomatic mission from Washington.

The United States broke off relations because Bulgaria had accused Donald R. Heath, the United States minister in Sofia, of conspiring against the Bulgarian government. Bulgaria declared him persona non grata and asked his recall.

The United States warned Bulgaria at the time that this country would break relations unless Bulgaria withdrew the charges. Bulgaria ignored the United States warning.

Smiles Nervously

Voutov was at the state department for only five minutes. As he emerged from the office of Llewellyn Thompson, deputy assistant secretary of state, the diplomat smiled nervously at reporters.

"It is just that the state department wants to break relations with Bulgaria," he said.

"Soon we are all going home—maybe at the beginning of March."

Voutov said there are 12 Bulgarians attached to his staff, only two of them—Voutov and his attaché, Constantin Grigorov—have diplomatic status.

First Since War

The state department listed 38 official personnel attached to the U. S. legation at Sofia. This does not include dependents. Of the 38, the department said, 23 are political officers and 15 are attached to the military attaché's office.

The break was the first since the war for the United States.

Voutov submitted to Thompson details for getting the Bulgarian mission here out of the country. Thompson replied that he expected the Bulgarian government to facilitate the departure of the U. S. mission from Sofia. Voutov promised that his government will do that.

Controversy Reviewed

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Juror Dismissed From Mercy Death Trial Of Doctor

Manchester, N. H., Feb. 21—(UP)—Dr. Herman N. Sander's mercy murder trial adjourned for lunch today with one fewer jurors on the panel than there were at the end of yesterday's opening session.

The second day of the 41-year-old general practitioner's first-degree murder trial opened with a one hour 15-minute conference in Superior Judge Harold E. Wescott's chambers. This resulted in the removal of the ninth juror, who had been selected just before a forenoon adjournment yesterday.

The elimination was made on a motion of Attorney General William L. Phinney.

During the luncheon recess, Phinney said:

"The state received information which caused it to believe that Juror Alfred Baines should not sit and the matter was taken up with the court and he was challenged."

When Phinney was pressed for the exact reason for seeking removal of the 72-year-old retired Manchester Gas company worker, he said:

"No, I don't feel I can give it either off or on the record."

Dr. Sander is charged with murdering Mrs. Abbie C. Borroto, 59, a Manchester housewife, as she lay dying of cancer in a hospital last December 4.

State Highway Funds Distributed

Salem, Ore., Feb. 21—(UP)—Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry today announced apportionment of \$1,607,787.80 to the cities of Oregon.

The money, distributed on a basis of population out of the state highway fund, represents 10 per cent of the revenues to the state highway fund in the last half of 1949 from motor vehicle license fees, gasoline taxes, motor carrier fees and fines for violation of the motor vehicle and transportation laws.

In addition, \$125,000 is kept by the state highway commission which was set aside for repair of streets within cities which are not a part of the state highway system but receiving excessive wear from heavy industrial traffic.

Cities participating in today's apportionment include: Ashland — \$13,402.47; Grants Pass — \$17,029.95; Jacksonville — \$2,856.22; Klamath Falls — \$46,606.35; Medford — \$31,870.41.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Fair tonight, few showers over mountains Wednesday. Slightly warmer.

Highest yesterday — 53
Lowest this morning — 28

3 Salem Students Testify ABC Society Not Secret

Salem, Ore., Feb. 21—(UP)—Three Salem high school students testified Monday that their organization variously known as Alpha Beta Chi and American Boys' club was not a secret society.

They were among 18 students expelled from high school last fall after the school board charged their ABC group was a secret society, banned by state law. The 18 are seeking a permanent injunction in circuit court here to prevent the school board from carrying out the expulsion. They have been attending school under a temporary injunction.

Circuit Judge Dal M. King of Coos county, who is hearing the case, served notice Monday that he expects the attorneys to stick to issues involved in the proceedings.

Jim Kroepflin, Gene Lebold and Eugene Wegner, the students who were witnesses yesterday, said they had planned to seek school board approval of the

out-of-school organization. They said the parents of all members knew about the group, formed here last July as an offshoot of a Portland high school group. Kroepflin, president, said the object of the ABC was fellowship and promotion of social activities. He said its rules included bans against drinking and profanity.

Under cross-examination the students said they had planned to get a faculty adviser when better organized, but hadn't told school officials about the club when school opened because "we weren't ready yet." They said their parents had planned to meet with school officials to seek approval for the group.

Lawrence Osterman and Reginald Williams, attorneys for the student plaintiffs, said they do not intend to question the constitutionality of the Oregon law banning secret societies among high school students. They said the contention of the youths and their parents is that the ABC is not a secret society.