

Have Russians Copied Sperry Plane Sights?

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Washington (U.P.)—Airmen are wondering when the first MIG-15 jet will show up with a Russian copy of the U. S. Air Force's radar aircraft sight.

An expert just back from Korea said Friday if and when that happens, American F-86 Sabre losses probably will rise. So far the rate of Sabre loss is only one for every eight MIGs downed.

Slow Firing Blamed
But many a Sabre pilot is flying today who would not be, except for the MIGs slow-firing cannon and inaccurate optical gunsight, according to this observer.

How much progress Russia may have made in copying the Air Force's electronic computing sight is not known. Nor is it known whether Russia actually has possession of one of the sights, which control gunfire, rocket fire and bomb drops from Sabre and F-84 Thunderjet fighters.

Sight Examined
But it is established that Russians or their agents have examined and probably photographed the Sperry-built sight, called the A-10.

The sight on at least one of two F-84s which made forced landings in Czechoslovakia in June, 1951, was dismantled. It was intact when the planes were returned to the Air Force, however.

There also is the possibility that the Reds may have salvaged a sight from a downed plane in Korea. There is no way of knowing whether they were destroyed in all such cases.

The A-10 automatically solves fire control problems. A pilot in line with his target sees a circular pattern of light on his windshield and presses the firing switch. The sight computes range, altitude and dive angle. In dive bombing against ground targets, not even a switch has to be pressed. At the proper point in the dive, the sight automatically releases the bomb.

Copying the Sperry sight would be tough going even

with a model, industry and military sources say. Originally, as one source puts it, "it took a P. H. D. to maintain it." The sight has developed under direction of Dr. Stark Draper at the confidential instrument development laboratory, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Strike Slows Work At Hanford Plant

Richland, Wash.—(U.P.)—Construction work at the Hanford atomic works was choked to a near standstill Friday in the tightening grip of a strike by 500 members of the AFL Teamsters' union.

W. N. Rushing, project manager for the Atkinson-Jones Construction company, said refusal of teamsters to drive buses prevented 3,500 workers from reaching their jobs. He said the number idled by the strike would reach 5,500 by Saturday if no settlement was reached.

The teamsters went on strike to protest the assignment by the company of loading and unloading work to Local 598 of the Plumbers' and Steamfitters' union, AFL.

The walkout affected only the \$185,000,000 expansion program begun at the plant about two years ago.

News of 4-H CLUBS

Eagle Point Joy Club
The 4-H girls of the Eagle Point Joy club met at the home of Mrs. Tom Shearin on March 10. Refreshments were brought by Suzanne and Diane Palm. After the 4-H pledge we sang songs and Randy Kahn played the piano. Then we did our sewing, making pin cushions.

Patty Clave played the accordion and Sharon Denny tap danced at the Eagle Point Grange meeting, March 4.

Eagle Point Community Church recognized the local 4-H clubs at its regular worship service Sunday, March 9. A group of 4-H members sang a special number directed by Mrs. Chloe Palm and accompanied by Mrs. Searin.

Sharon Denny, Acting Reporter.

Exhibitor To Fight Movie Censorship

Austin, Tex.—(U.P.)—A city's right to censor motion pictures may be tested in the U. S. Supreme Court on a Marshall, Tex., theater owner's defiance of censorship of the movie "Pinky."

The film about a light-skinned Negro girl who wanted to marry a white man was shown at W. I. Gelling's theater in Marshall over protest of the city censorship board which based its ruling on an old city ordinance.

Gelling was convicted on two counts under the ordinance and was fined \$200. The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals upheld the conviction.

Presiding Judge Harry N. Graves Thursday signed an order of the Texas Court of Civil Appeals permitting Gelling's appeal to go to the U. S. Supreme Court.

Business Conditions Above Last Year

Portland—(U.P.)—The Federal Reserve system said Thursday that February business conditions in Portland, Salem and Eugene—as gauged by bank debits—were well above last year.

Salem and Eugene each registered three per cent gains for the month while Portland's gain was 12 per cent.

In Eugene, last month's debits totaled \$57,400,000 against \$68,700,000 in January and \$55,500,000 a year ago.

Court Records

POLICE COURT
Bart DeHass Quackenbush, Gold Hill, reckless driving, \$25.
Goldie Beers Haver, expired motor vehicle license, \$5.
Donald L. Waldron, expired motor vehicle license, \$5.

CIRCUIT COURT
Elizabeth Marie Richey vs. Jack Raven Richey, divorce complaint.
John A. Steller vs. Phyllis A. Steller, divorce complaint.
Probate Department.
Estate of Ray E. Wright, petition.
Estate of Marvel Canfield Kopasz, petition.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS
Darrell Warren Smith, 19, United States navy, San Francisco, and Shirley June Colbeth, 17, Medford.

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BASHFUL—Salvatore (Tar Baby) Terrano shields his face in San Francisco police station as detective attempts to remove his hat for inspection. Terrano was one of 23 persons rounded up in the United States attack on narcotics ring.

Emmanuel Freed On Pacific County Bribery Charges

South Bend, Wash.—(U.P.)—Samuel Emmanuel, resigned state land board secretary who was convicted on a bribery charge in Thurston county last week, was free of similar charges in Pacific county Friday.

But he still faces trial in Chehalis on three counts of asking and receiving a bribe.

Short Deliberation
A Pacific county jury of seven men and five women returned a verdict of innocent at 5:45 p. m. Thursday after less than three hours of deliberation. Emmanuel had been charged with asking a bribe of Erwin Anderson, Naselle logger, in return for influencing state timber sales.

Emmanuel's face lit up with obvious relief when the verdict was read. He spoke briefly to Judge John J. Langenbach and left the courtroom with his wife, friends and attorneys Tracy Griffin and Lee O'Neil. He did not speak to the jurors.

Emmanuel goes on trial again April 22 in Chehalis where he is accused of receiving bribes on three different occasions from J. H. England, Winlock lumberman, in return for extending the deadline for cutting timber on state lands in the Toledo-Winlock area of Lewis county. The alleged bribes, totaling \$1,500, took place Oct. 6, 1949; March 30, 1950, and April 13, 1951.

Miss Truman To Play Violinist's Daughter

Hollywood—(U.P.)—Margaret Truman will play the role of a violinist's daughter in the Hungarian gypsy operetta "Sari" Monday on a National Broadcasting company radio program.

The President's daughter selected the operetta from among scripts given her by NBC. "Quite a switch," said Miss Truman, whose father has quite a talent for the piano.

French Tighten Indo-China Ring

Saigon, Indo-China—(U.P.)—French forces tightened their ring around a Communist rebel pocket in northern Indo-China Friday and a headquarters communiqué said about 500 enemy troops had been captured.

The encirclement operation was being carried out between the northern city of Hanoi and Nam Dinh, some 50 miles to the southeast along the Red river.

Doomed Boy Gets Answer to Wish

Centralia, Wash.—(U.P.)—A little boy whom doctors say has only eight months to live was a happy lad Friday because his greatest wish has been answered.

Patrick Kaech, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kaech of Klaber, Wash., has the cocker spaniel puppy he has been asking for.

Radio Station KELA broadcast an appeal for a dog for the boy, who is bedridden with cancer.

Within minutes, Mrs. Larry Serot of Centralia called to say she had a thoroughbred cocker spaniel puppy for Pat.

"I shall marry a beautiful woman; I shall be one of the wealthiest men in the land; I shall lead the army of my colony; I shall rule the nation which I help to create," George Washington wrote in a letter when he was only 12 years old.

English-Speaking World Has Regard for Canines

Cleveland, O.—(U.P.)—Capt. Will Jody, editor of Dog World Magazine, believes there is a direct connection between the degree of freedom in a nation and the care it gives its pets—particularly its dogs.

"The English-speaking people of the world have a deeper regard for . . . dogs than any others," he said. "Totalitarian societies never have. For them, an

Kyle, Tex.—(U.P.)—The Kyle First Methodist church turned to classified advertising to boost attendance when other methods failed. The notice under the heading "sitters wanted," said: "Wanted—Men, women and children to sit in slightly used pews on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, Kyle First Methodist Church."

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