

SWEDE-SOVIET RELATIONS AT NEW LOW

Non-Red Prisoners Flee To UN Guards During Transfer

Compounds Broken Into Smaller Groups

Koje Island, Korea — (U.P.) — Three hundred and four non-Communist prisoners bolted from their Red comrades during the breakup of two more prison compounds Wednesday.

U. S. 2nd Division guards with fixed bayonets herded 5,600 war prisoners from once unruly Compound 85 and 5,400 others from Compound 605 into small, more manageable 800-man enclosures without resistance.

All 304 prisoners who dashed for freedom from Red rule had been in Compound 85. They fled from the Communist ranks and flung their red-starred caps in the dirt to enthusiastic cries of "Attaboy!" and "Come on, Joe!" from the American guards.

One of the prisoners displayed wounds apparently received in a recent beating by Communist "goon" squads.

The latest movement brought to 61,000 the number of prisoners shifted to smaller enclosures or whose compounds had been searched for tunnels, weapons and Red propaganda.

In Washington, acting Defense Secretary William C. Foster said that diplomatic approaches are now being made to "certain nations" to arrange for a team of neutral military observers to inspect the riot-torn prisoner-of-war camp.

Man, Four Boys Face Theft Charge

Orville Ray Boyard, 20, of 1310 Sweet road, Medford, was arrested yesterday and charged with the theft of cable valued at about \$100 from the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company storage lot at Summit avenue and McAndrews road, according to city police.

Officers said they had a signed statement from the man admitting the theft. He also admitted committing to Woodburn boys school on four previous occasions, Boyard was lodged in the county jail and was expected to be arraigned today or tomorrow, police said.

Arrested with Boyard were four youths, three 14 years of age and the fourth 16. One of the 14-year-olds was from Phoenix and the others were from Medford. All admitted taking part in theft of the cable, according to investigating officers. The teenagers were turned over to juvenile authorities and were also lodged in the county jail.

Anti-Hail Pilots Seed Clouds Today

Cloud-seeding planes were in the air today, as threatening thunder showers were reported over the valley. The cumulus clouds are the type which frequently bring hail, and the fliers are under contract to the Rogue Valley Traffic association to seed clouds in an attempt to prevent hail from forming. They maintain their activities have no effect one way or the other on rain.

Planes were in the air yesterday, also, although the pilots reported they were for observation only, and that no seeding was performed.

The weather forecast for today was for scattered light showers, with thunderstorms in the mountains.

Harriman Beats Kefauver For Washington Delegates

Washington — (U.P.) — W. Averell Harriman Wednesday pocketed the District of Columbia's six Democratic National Convention votes with a runaway primary victory over Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee.

First for Harriman It was Harriman's first venture into primary election competition, and Kefauver's second setback in the 16 primaries which he has entered. The Tennesseean lost to Sen. Richard B. Russell of Georgia in the Florida race.

Complete returns — except for write-in votes — from the District of Columbia's 45 polling places gave Harriman 14,075 votes to 3,377 for Kefauver. Har-

Taft Favors National Committee Ruling on Convention Delegates

Washington — (U.P.) — The Republican National committee announced Wednesday it will seek to settle the fight between Sen. Robert A. Taft and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower over the 38-member Texas Republican convention delegation.

The national committee will open hearings on the Texas wrangle and other contested delegations in Chicago on July 1.

Washington — (U.P.) — Sen. Robert A. Taft said Wednesday the Republican National Committee should settle all contests in his bitter dispute with Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower over Texas' 38 delegates to the GOP convention.

Taft said in a statement that national committee to decide the

Astorian Admits Slaying Elderly Woman at Salem

Salem — (U.P.) — Albert Williams Karnes, 24, will be charged with first degree murder in connection with the slaying of 82-year-old Mrs. Susan Litchfield when he is returned to Salem from The Dalles, District Attorney E. O. Stadler Jr., said Wednesday.

The Dalles, Ore. — (U.P.) — Police said Wednesday that Albert Williams Karnes, 23, of Astoria, has admitted the ax-slaying June 7 of Mrs. Susan Litchfield, 82-year-old Salem woman.

Mrs. Litchfield's body was found early June 8 in the woodshed of her home.

Robbery Said Motive Salem Police Chief Clyde Warren, who came here with other officers to question Karnes, said motive for the crime was robbery. He said between \$25 and \$30 had been taken from Mrs. Litchfield's purse.

Karnes was being held here in connection with the beating of another woman, Mrs. Ben Callaway, The Dalles, Warren became interested in Karnes because of the similarity of the attacks on the two women.

According to the confession Karnes dictated to Wasco county circuit court reporter Richard Crane and then signed, this is what happened: Karnes arrived in Salem June 6 from Newport and that night went to Mrs. Litchfield's house to look for his former wife, The Karneses had lived there at one time. After staying a short time, he left. He came back Saturday afternoon, discovered Mrs. Litchfield in the woodshed and killed her with an ax.

Karnes then went to a room and cleaned up and went to The Dalles.

Sen. Dirksen May Make Speech for Taft

Washington — (U.P.) — Sen. Everett Dirksen, R-Ill., probably will make the nominating speech for Sen. Robert A. Taft at next month's Republican National Convention, informed sources said Wednesday.

The Ohio Republican regards Dirksen as the "most likely" man to place his name in nomination for the presidency, these GOP insiders said.

Russian Charge Of Plane Attack Brings Rejection

Stockholm, Sweden — (U.P.) — The Swedish Air force rejected Wednesday a Russian charge that one of its planes fired on Soviet jet fighters.

Relations between Sweden and Russia plunged to a new post-war low.

Cabinet in Meeting The cabinet held its third emergency meeting in three days to consider the shooting down of a Swedish air force plane by Soviet jet fighters and the Russian charge that the Swedish plane fired when challenged after violating Soviet territory.

The Swedish air force said the plane could not have fired because it was completely unarmed.

Minesweepers Armed Swedish armed minesweepers stood by the spot in the Baltic where wreckage of a second air force plane, which disappeared last Friday, has been spotted 60 feet under the surface.

The government partly reactivated the World War II air observer corps and issued live ammunition to jet fighters and warships in the Baltic with orders to shoot back if attacked.

It was disclosed in Copenhagen that Danish planes and warships also have orders to shoot back if attacked in international or territorial waters.

This was the chain of events in an increasingly complicated situation.

Bullet Holes Found 1—A Swedish air force "flying classroom" plane disappeared on a training flight over the Baltic last Friday. Swedes believe it was shot down by Russian fighters. This belief was hardened when bullet holes were found in one of the plane's liferats.

2—A Swedish air force plane seeking the "flying classroom" was shot down Monday by MIG-15 jet fighter planes. A German freighter picked up its crew.

3—The Swedish government sent Russia a stern protest over this attack, demanding punishment of the attackers.

4—Russia alleged in a note Tuesday night that the Swedish plane had violated Soviet-held territory and fired on Soviet fighters which challenged it.

5—Sweden's reply was expected to be that the search plane was shot down without warning over the open Baltic and that it had no guns with which to return the fire.

6—The Swedish government made it known a Swedish plane accidentally flew over Russian-held territory last Friday and that a formal apology was given Russia for this violation. This plane returned safely.

Civil Service for Postmasters Killed

Washington — (U.P.) — The senate Wednesday killed President Truman's plan to take 21,000 postmasters out of the political patronage system and put them under civil service.

The vote was 56 to 29 in favor of killing the plan.

Mr. Truman's reorganization plan, originally a bi-partisan recommendation of the Hoover commission, would have abolished the present system of having first, second, and third class postmasters appointed by the president on recommendation of a majority party member of congress or leader and confirmed by the senate.

High Temperatures Bring Out Damage In Frost-Hit Pears

High temperatures yesterday brought out some frost injuries in pears and peaches, according to C. B. Cordy, county agent in horticulture. The extent of the damage is unknown, the agent explained, due to its spottiness and the fact "that none of us have ever seen injuries such as this so late in the season."

The injury to the pears is more evident if they were exposed by being on the outside or top of the trees. Damage was highest in the Comice, followed by Bartlett, Anjou and Bosc varieties, Cordy said.

Can Detect Injuries Anyone thinning should make a close examination of the pears. Severe injury can be detected by cutting the pear, and looking for browning of the flesh. Slight injury can be found by peeling the pear where it was exposed and looking for a thin brown layer. Where this has occurred it is likely the pear will be deformed and show a blemish on the skin later. Where the pear is brown in cross section, it may fall after a deformed stage.

Peach damage can be detected in the same manner, Cordy said. Heating Prevents Damage He pointed out that where heating was done there was no frost damage.

In truck gardens, Cordy said that injury now is quite evident and the grower can determine if the crop is worth keeping. He added that most tomatoes were in the warmer elevations and less subject to the frost.

Frost injury to common vetch was reported by Earle Jossy, county agent, who said that in at least two cases the crop was made unprofitable for seed. If 30 per cent of the pods have turned dark, it "will probably pay them to cut it for hay." He also noted the possibility of grain injury, and said it should be watched.

Blood Donation Visit Under Way Here Today

The blood donation program was under way at the Medford Elks temple today, and volunteers who are running the operation hoped to fill the quota of blood for armed forces and civilian use by the 6 p.m. closing time.

One 10-year-old youngster, anxious to help the program, called the appointment office this morning, and was disappointed to learn that the minimum donation age is 18.

He agreed to wait for eight more years, but only reluctantly.

JAIL PRISONERS ESCAPE

Portland — (U.P.) — Police searched Wednesday for four Multnomah county jail prisoners who escaped from the Rocky Butte jail during the past three days. Two trustees were the latest prisoners to join in the exodus from the jail.

Weather

FORECAST: Thunderstorms in mountains, scattered showers in valleys, tonight and Thursday. Low tonight 56. High Thursday 80-85.

Highest Yesterday 51. Lowest This Morning 54.

City Councilmen Set Hearing Date For Annexations

The Medford city council last night set hearing dates on the annexation to two areas at opposite ends of the city. Both annexations will come up for hearing August 5.

The areas proposed for inclusion in the city limits are Westside Heights addition, west of the Washington school area, and a tract southeast of the present city limits adjoining Verde Hills No. 1, which was recently brought into the city.

Both areas would be annexed through petition, signed by 100 per cent of the property owners, and a vote of the council. An election would not be necessary in either case.

The vote on setting the hearing date was unanimous for Westside Heights addition. Councilman Paul Selby voted "no" on setting a date for hearing on the east Medford tract.

In other business, the council deferred action, at least temporarily, on renewing card table licenses in six Medford taverns and clubs. Councilman Stanley Jones called for a recess after a motion for renewal had been made by Selby and had been seconded. After more than half an hour the council reconvened and the motion and second were withdrawn.

Card table licenses call for a fee of \$50 for the first table, \$25 for the second table and are further graduated for additional tables. Income from card table licenses last year amounted to about \$1,700.

Election Set July 14 On CP Fire District

The election to approve the proposed Central Point rural fire district has been set by the Jackson county court for July 14, with polling places at the Howard, West Side and Table Rock schools, according to County Judge J. B. Coleman.

The county clerk approved the proposed boundaries at a public hearing held Tuesday morning.

The county clerk's office reported this morning that five names have been submitted to be placed on the ballot for the five director positions. They are Claude W. Hoover, Albert C. Thompson, John Wheeler, Dr. Alvin Roberts and A. W. Lindgren.

1952 Shakespearean Festival Play Casts Announced This Morning; Veterans Back

Ashland — Following two days of tryouts and an all-night session by the men who will direct plays for the 1952 Oregon Shakespearean festival, casts for the four plays were announced this morning.

Leading roles for men have been assigned to newcomers, as well as to players with previous festival experience. Bill Ball, young actor from New Rochelle, N.Y., and student at Carnegie Technical institute who was considered outstanding in the festival last year, was cast in three major roles. He will play Antony in "Caesar," Ariel in "The Tempest" and Claudio in "Much Ado About Nothing."

Paul Kliss, actor from Buhl, Ida, who was also a favorite with festival audiences last year, was cast as Caesar in "Julius Caesar" and as Prospero in "The Tempest." Dick Graham, New York, veteran actor-director of several seasons, will play Benedict in "Much Ado About Nothing" and Producing Director Angus Bowmer was cast as Casca in "Caesar" and Charles VI in "Henry V."

The roles of Cassius in "Caesar" and Dogberry in "Much Ado" were assigned to Phil Han-

son, Ashland, another actor-director and veteran of many festival plays. William Oyster, Stanford university graduate who will be remembered for his work last season as Pistol in "Henry IV," was again assigned that role and will also play Brutus in "Caesar."

Paul Reinhart, student actor from Oklahoma in his second season, was cast as Bedford in "Henry" and Sebastian in "The Tempest." Douglas Russell, Californian who both acts and directs the costume department, will play Cinna, the poet, in "Caesar" and Jack Taylor, another Californian who was with the festival company for the 1950 season, will play Stephano in "The Tempest."

Price Consideration Assured Steel Makers If Strike Concluded

Washington — (U.P.) — Economic Stabilizer Roger L. Putnam said Wednesday the steel industry has been promised "friendly and sympathetic" consideration of a price increase beyond \$3 a ton if it negotiates a wage contract with striking steelworkers.

Higher Prices Discussed Putnam told a new conference that he and acting Defense Mobilizer John R. Steelman discussed a \$4.50 per ton price hike "among other things" during the latest steel wage negotiations but that no figure was decided on.

Putnam said Steelman has "let them (the steel industry) know it will get a friendly and sympathetic hearing" on prices if they settle the wage dispute.

Putnam's statement was made as House members got a chance to tell President Truman how to handle the strike of 650,000 steel workers. The senate has voted to request Mr. Truman to use the Taft-Hartley act.

Assurance Given Putnam indicated that the assurance was given the industry

of "another day in court" on the price issue by Steelman during the last negotiations session that broke down.

Putnam reiterated the government's position that \$3 per ton is all the price increase the industry is entitled to under stabilization rules.

Increased Production Aim But, he said, one of the purposes of the Defense Production act is to get "increased production." He pointed out that the government had granted price increases on East Coast fuel oil and to the machine tool industry in order to get greater production. Those increases were not warranted by price rules, he added.

He said the steel industry, if it settles the wage dispute, may be able to give the government some "compelling reasons" for a further price increase.

Washington — (U.P.) — President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers set up a \$10,000,000 fund Wednesday to support the CIO united Steelworkers strike against what he called the "rapacious and predatory steel industry."

Lewis announced his action in a telegram to Philip Murray, president of the CIO and of the Steelworkers union.

The telegram pledged the UMW's full support to the Steelworkers, who went on strike June 2, after the Supreme Court voided President Truman's April 8 seizure of the steel mills.

Lewis told Murray the steel strikers may draw on all or any part of the \$10,000,000 strike fund and repay it "when you have achieved victory and convenience permits."

DOW JONES AVERAGES New York — (U.P.) — Dow Jones closing stock averages: 30 industrials 269.09 up 1.06; 20 railroads 100.14 up 0.20; 15 utilities 49.77 up 0.14; and 65 stocks 104.33 up 0.33.

Sales Wednesday approximated 1,270,000 shares compared with 920,000 shares traded Tuesday.



CLOSE CALL — Well-digger Ralph Seekamp, Onalaska, Wis., is offered his first nourishment after his rescue from a 20-foot sand hole in which he was buried for four hours. The first caverin covered him to his armpits, after which he was equipped with an oxygen mask and telephone. A second caverin covered his head and with the phone he pleaded with his rescuers to "hurry." He was taken to hospital suffering from shock and a bruised leg.

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They said the camp, when completed, will have a large mess hall, a swimming pool, a baseball diamond and tennis courts.

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