

Convicted Reds Given Jail Terms and Fines

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Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Olea O'Connor Yates, one of 14 Communist Party leaders sentenced to prison for conspiring to teach and advocate the violent overthrow of the government, today was sentenced to an additional year in jail for contempt of court.

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — The protracted six-month trial of 14 "second string" Communists draws to a close Friday when Federal Judge William C. Mathes pronounces sentence on one of the party leaders for contempt of court.

Mathes called the West Coast Communists before the bench Thursday and handed each of them the maximum sentence — five years in jail and a \$10,000 fine — for violation of the Smith Act.

Defendants Denied Bail

The defendants were denied bail and taken to County Jail to await transportation to federal prisons.

The Communists were convicted of conspiring to teach and advocate the violent overthrow of the government.

Mathes handed down the sentences after refusing to set aside the jury's guilty verdict as defense attorneys had asked. He then announced he would sentence Olea O'Connor Yates, one of the 14, on 10 contempt of court convictions.

Mrs. Yates was found in contempt during the long trial for refusing to answer questions at the direction of the judge.

Appeal Notices Filed

Defense attorneys said they have already filed written notice of appeal to the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals and will demand release of the 14 on bail pending a decision from the higher court.

In refusing to vacate the verdict, Mathes commented, "The jury's guilty verdict is apparently beyond reasonable doubt. I therefore deny the defense motion for a judgment of acquittal."

Under federal law, the judge considers such motions for directed verdicts of acquittal after the jury returns its decision.

Mathes also denied a motion for a new trial, which the defense sought on grounds that the release of an FBI report may have prejudiced the jury.

Overthrow Plot Told

The report was released in Washington before the jury began deliberations. It said Josef Stalin plotted to overthrow the U. S. government through the agency of the American Communist party.

The judge, calling the Communists before him one by one, allowed each defendant to express his defiance, protest his innocence and reaffirm his belief in the Communist party.

Mathes then refused to set bail, and ruled that the prisoners must remain in jail until their fines are paid.

Walter Pearson Named in Divorce Suit

Portland — (U.P.) — Walter J. Pearson, Oregon state treasurer, is being sued for divorce in a suit filed in circuit court here by his wife, Dorothea L. Pearson, charging cruel and inhuman treatment.

The suit also alleged that Pearson inflicted personal indignities on Mrs. Pearson, making her life burdensome and unbearable.

She asked custody of their infant son, born in May.

The Pearsons were married May 29, 1951. His first two marriages also ended in divorce.

Many Tales of Heroism Told of Men Who Saved Carrier Boxer From Destruction

Tokyo — (U.P.) — The Navy told Friday how officers and enlisted men heroically risked their lives to save the American carrier Boxer from destruction when a jet plane exploded and set fire to the hangar deck.

Three of the nine men who were killed in the accident Wednesday died bravely fighting and exploding ammunition to treat injured crew members.

32 Men Injured

Thirty-two men were injured and 50 others were treated for smoke exhaustion. Twelve other planes were destroyed. The accident took place while the Boxer was about 90 miles east of Wonsan off North Korea.

The jet plane had just returned from a mission over North Korea when it exploded. A spokesman said the fire, fed by gasoline, bombs and ammunition,

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CONCLUDE PACIFIC DEFENSE PARLEY—New Zealand Foreign Minister T. Clifton Webb (left), U. S. Secy. of State Dean Acheson (center) and Australian Minister for External Affairs Richard G. Casey leave the conference house in Honolulu after concluding their talks on the Pacific Mutual Defense Treaty. Acheson, referring to the campaign to halt aggression in the Pacific, called the conference a "good start."

Eisenhower, Nixon Confer With Dulles On Foreign Issues

Denver — (U.P.) — John Foster Dulles, Republican foreign policy expert, arrived here Friday for a series of conferences with Dwight D. Eisenhower and Sen. Richard M. Nixon, Republican presidential and vice presidential candidates.

Dulles, who drafted the foreign policy plank of the GOP's 1952 platform, planned to spend several days here talking with

Eisenhower, Nixon and the Republican top command about the stand the party will take on foreign issues during the campaign.

Final Plans Prepared
Nixon arrived a few hours ahead of Dulles. He expected to remain for at least 10 days and perhaps longer while final campaign plans are being whipped into shape.

Meanwhile, an unannounced visitor into Eisenhower's private sanctuary late Thursday created something of a stir around the GOP nominee's headquarters.

The visitor was Davis Merwin, who identified himself as a cousin of Gov. Adlai Stevenson of Illinois, Democratic nominee for president.

Merwin and his brother, Loring, own the Bloomington, Ill., newspaper, the Pantagraph, along with Stevenson and Stevenson's sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Ives.

Military Views Talked
Merwin, en route to Korea as a correspondent for the Pantagraph and other newspapers, said he talked with Eisenhower concerning the Republican nominee's views on military policies—particularly in regard to matters of air-sea power.

He said he wanted to learn whether Eisenhower had changed his views from certain opinions he had expressed previously.

Eisenhower had a light schedule of visitors today, saving most of his time for foreign policy discussions with Dulles and Nixon.

Pee Wee, Cub Players Will Picnic Saturday

All boys who participated in Southern Oregon Junior Baseball league pee wee and cub activity this season may attend the picnic and swim starting Saturday at 2:30 p.m. at Jackson Hot Springs, Lee Ragsdale, Medford school athletic director, said today.

Families of the boys may also attend. All persons going are to take their lunches. Boys from eight southern Oregon towns took part in league play.

One bomb exploded, spreading the flames and inflicting casualties on the fire and rescue parties," the spokesman said. "Emergency communications and portable pumps were rigged and the fight continued."

"Plane crewmen rushed in among the fire fighters and stripped bombs and ammunition from the Corsairs, Skyraiders and jets."

"Many men were trapped briefly in spaces above and below the hangar deck by the

dense smoke. Rescue workers in oxygen masks guided many of them to safety. Far below the water line, engines were forced to don masks to remain in their places."

Lt. James E. Schropshire, Birmingham, Ala., a medical officer for Carrier Air Group Two, was killed by a fragment of an exploding shell while treating patients only 100 feet from the flames.

Men Leap Into Sea
Bomb fragments also killed Hospitalmen Richard Smith Taylor, Kendallville, Ind., and James Verville Wark, El Monte, Calif.

Sixty-three men were forced to leap into the sea when the flames and smoke became unbearable. All but one were rescued.

The 27,000-ton carrier is now en route to Yokosuka Naval Base near Tokyo for repairs.

Wayne Long Dies In Prison Chamber For Rucker Murder

Long Tells Newsmen Trial Wasn't Fair

(Editor's note: Bill Force, author of the following article on the execution of Wayne Long at Oregon State prison today, formerly was a reporter for The Medford Mail Tribune and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Force, Gold Hill. He joined the United Press about a year ago.)

By BILL FORCE
Salem — (U.P.) — Wayne Leroy Long died in the state's lethal gas chamber at 7:17 a.m. (PST), Friday for the June 14, 1950, murder of Walter L. Rucker in Clackamas county.

The calm, gum-chewing 28-year-old Long, one of the state prison's most notorious inmates, strode unassisted into the state's new death house just outside the prison wall a few minutes before 7 a.m. He was accompanied by the Rev. William McClory, Catholic chaplain at the penitentiary, who was Long's constant companion in the hours just before the execution.

Long was the 14th person to be executed since Oregon established gas as the state's form of capital punishment.

Door Clanks Shut
At 7:02 a.m. the heavy steel door of the gas chamber clanked shut and moments later the deadly white cyanide fumes curled like smoke through the chamber.

At 7:17 a.m. the final heart impulse was recorded on instruments outside the chamber, just 14½ minutes after the first fumes struck Long's face.

Some 50 witnesses and newsmen attended the execution in addition to prison guards and officials. Dr. Emil Muhs, prison physician, and Dr. W. Ray Poindester, state hospital physician, acted in a supervisory capacity at the execution.

Unfair Trial Claimed
A few minutes before Long was taken from the guard captain's office he was interviewed by newsmen. He continued to maintain that he had not received a fair trial but he ignored a reporter who asked if he still claimed he was innocent of the Rucker murder.

Long ate no breakfast. "Where I'm going I'm not going to need any breakfast," he said.

During the night he played pinocle with Father McClory and prison guards. Long and the priest won.

Women inmates clustered around their cell windows on the top floor of the prison administration building as Long was taken to a car and driven the short distance to the death house.

There was no disturbance among the convicts as the execution hour drew near.

Convicted of Murder
Long was convicted by a Clackamas county circuit court jury of fatally shooting Rucker in order to use the Portland carpenter's pickup truck in an abortive attempt to hold up a branch bank on Portland's eastside.

Long went to his death still maintaining the jury which convicted him was not impartial since all the jurors had said they were not opposed to capital punishment.

Long, who was first arrested when he was 12 for stealing a bicycle, had been one of the prison's most unruly inmates. He made several escape attempts and was a leader in many of the prison disturbances.

Sheriff's Deputy To Return Morgan

An agent from the sheriff's office has been dispatched to Indianapolis, Ind., to return Milton E. Morgan to Medford, according to Sheriff Howard Gault. Morgan, 25, is wanted by local authorities in connection with the 1948 robbery of Christian's market, 1135 Lozier lane.

He is charged with assault with a deadly weapon and attempted robbery. He was arrested in Indiana for another offense and Gov. Henry F. Schricker signed papers to extradite him to Medford.

Washington — (U.P.) — The Defense Department said Friday it has asked Selective Service to draft 371 physicians and 200 dentists in October.

'We'll Shoot Again,' Greeks Tell Bulgars

Allies Continue Slaughter of MIGs; Sinchon Blasted

Civilians Warned Of Pending Raid

Seoul, Korea — (U.P.) — United Nations jet planes shot down three Communist MIG-15 jets Friday while B-26 Invaders blasted Red troop concentrations and supply areas at Sinchon after warning the Communists they were coming.

In Friday's jet battles, Capt. Clifford D. Jolley, Salt Lake City, became history's 18th jet ace. He made his fifth kill in an afternoon fight between 12 Sabrejets and 15 MIGs.

Civilians Warned

Sinchon, about 45 miles southwest of Pyongyang, the North Korean capital, is one of the 78 cities and towns marked for attack by U.N. warplanes. Before the B-26s appeared overhead, Radio Seoul warned civilians to clear out.

The warning was given in accordance with the Allied policy of trying to avoid needless destruction of civilian lives.

Town Attacked Twice

The B-26s attacked Sinchon twice, dropping more than 50 bomb loads. Pilots could not give a detailed description of the damage because of darkness and smoke.

Elsewhere the ground war came to an almost complete halt in 108-degree heat.

Communist troops tried again Thursday night to dislodge tough South Korean troops from Capitol Hill west of the Pukhan river on the Central Front, but were driven off in a 50-minute fight.

The Communists hit the South Koreans with 500 rounds of artillery before sending a company of infantry against them. The hill has changed hands six times since August 5.

Stafford Elected Red Cross Head; Secretary Resigns

Col. Ben Stafford, former Jackson county Civilian Defense director, "was elected chairman of the Jackson County Red Cross chapter at a board of directors meeting yesterday, according to Edward Branchfield, retiring county chairman."

At the board of directors meeting, Mrs. Enid Rankin submitted her resignation as executive secretary for "personal reasons," according to Branchfield. The board "regretfully accepted" the resignation, effective August 31. He said the board is drawing up an official resolution commending Mrs. Rankin for her public service.

Board Officers

Board officers elected at the meeting, which was the first board meeting following the annual election on July 26, were, besides Col. Stafford, Mrs. Frank Fairweather, first vice chairman; Dr. Elmo Stevenson, second vice chairman; Elwood Hedberg, treasurer; and Mrs. Lester Adams, secretary.

Members named to the executive committee of the board were Branchfield, Hedberg, Mrs. C. L. Pierce, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Sam McNair, Mrs. Howell Murphy, Mrs. John Day, Mrs. C. Reese Bradley, Mrs. Fairweather and Dr. Stevenson.

Mrs. Katherine Hall Chambers, disaster field representative, Pacific area, National Red Cross, was the principal speaker this morning at a county-wide organizational meeting for natural and war-caused disasters. The meeting was held in the Lincoln school gymnasium.

Over 55 representatives from county Granges and school groups attended the session which saw the setting up of community heads to organize local groups to be in charge of the mass care services of lodging, feeding and clothing during a disaster.

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GREEKS SHELL DISPUTED ISLAND—Cross marks spot where the Greek Army shelled disputed Sinchon Island in an attempt to drive off Bulgarian Reds who seized it July 23. The island, always considered Greek territory, lies in the Evros River, which for 10 miles forms the frontier between Bulgaria and Greece. The Greek press said the bombardment was a prelude to reoccupation of the island.

Stevenson's Aides Discuss Itinerary For Southern Jaunt

Springfield, Ill. — (U.P.) — Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson's aides are mapping out a campaign itinerary which tentatively calls for taking the presidential nominee's train into the South, it was learned Friday.

Although the Democratic presidential nominee's headquarters has heard generally favorable news from the once-safely Democratic South, his campaign aides have decided that the campaign train should go there.

The threat of any large-scale Southern walkout from the Democratic Party this year has just about evaporated.

With the assurances received this week from Sen. Richard B. Russell of Georgia, the Stevenson headquarters appeared fairly confident that the entire South would give its electoral votes to the Democratic nominee. Russell conceded, however, that Dwight D. Eisenhower, the Republican nominee, would probably poll more Southern votes than any GOP candidate in recent years.

Concerned About Texas
Among the southern states, the Stevenson camp seemed most concerned about Texas, Eisen-

hower's native state, which normally produces a larger Republican vote than other Southern states.

Stevenson's first speech outside of Illinois is now scheduled for the American Legion Convention at New York August 27. This is not billed as a campaign speech.

Two letters addressed to County Coroner Carlos Morris were found in the room, police stated. One told Morris where to find a suitcase containing clothes for burial purposes and the other requested that the coroner contact his brother, H. M. Shutt, Grand hotel, Medford, according to investigating officers.

The second letter contained \$405, with the request that the money be used for burial purposes, officers stated. They said a total of \$3,455, including the burial money, was found in the room. The remainder of the cash was in a paper sack addressed to Shutt's brother.

Shutt's body was discovered by a hotel maid, police said. They added that he had apparently taken his life with a .45 caliber pistol, aided by a mirror.

H. M. Shutt told police his brother had talked of killing himself since being released from a mental institution about 11 years ago.

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Medford Boy Loses Toes in Accident

Eleven-year-old George Bemis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Bemis, 1808 Spring street, had several toes amputated at Community hospital this morning after an accident at his home, attendants reported.

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Mrs. O. A. Eden, vice-chairman of the Red Cross disaster committee, was in charge of recruiting volunteers for the various local units at the meeting, and Mrs. Rankin spoke briefly on the chapter's organization.

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Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney, D-

Warning Issued To Stay Off Isle; 'Calm' Prevails

Evacuation of Civilians Denied

Athens — (U.P.) — The Greek Army warned Bulgarians Friday they would be fired on without warning if they landed again on the disputed border island of Gamma in the Evros river.

The Greek general staff announced, however, there was "absolute calm" in the Evros river area following Thursday's rout of Bulgarian troops who had seized Gamma July 23. The Reds fled back to their own side of the Evros under a Greek mortar barrage.

Return Fire Denied
The general staff communique denied press reports that the Bulgarians had both returned the fire and concentrated large numbers of troops on the north bank of the river opposite Gamma.

"Bulgarian peasants are busy with their fields like ours," the communique said.

It also denied reports that Greek inhabitants were being evacuated from the frontier area. One report had said civilians began moving from the village of Dikaia, opposite Gamma, Thursday night.

Warning Backed
Dispatches from the area indicated the Greek Army had backed up its warning to Bulgaria against any renewed attempt to take Gamma by sending large infantry forces, along with artillery, tanks and planes, to the scene.

Although they insisted Gamma historically is Greek, the Greeks said they would not attempt to occupy the island until the U. N. Peace Commission formally decides its ownership.

The Greeks said they would not permit the Bulgarians to occupy the island while the U. N. is considering the dispute.

Elliott To Address Young GOP Meeting

Robert A. Elliott, state Republican chairman from Medford, will speak on the GOP national convention highlights tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the Pioneer room of the Jackson hotel, according to Robert Dickey, chairman of the county Young Republicans.

Elliott will replace William McAllister, convention delegate, who was slated to speak but was called unexpectedly out of town on business. Phil Hitchcock, Klamath Falls state senator, a convention alternate, is also expected at the meeting to which all Young Republicans in Jackson county are invited.

Salem — (U.P.) — The name of Russell H. Nichols, Cascade Locks, was on file Friday in the State Elections Bureau here as an independent candidate for state representative from Hood River county.

Wyo., chairman of the Senate House Economic Committee, told a reporter that if Congress is called back before election day "it is highly improbable that it will discuss anything except the presidential campaign."

Election Necessary First
"We have an inflationary problem, but in my opinion it can be constructively settled only after the arguments of the campaign have been silenced by the votes of the people on election day," he said.

Mr. Truman's news conference disclosure Thursday that he is considering a special session was prompted at least in part by stern warnings from Price Stabilizer Ellis Arnall that a 1½ per cent food price jump from mid-June to mid-July may mean that inflation is about to "get out of hand."

HST's Special Session Plan Brings Cries of 'Politics'

Washington — (U.P.) — President Truman's disclosure that he may call a special session of Congress to strengthen price controls drew hoots of "politics" from Republicans Friday.

Some key Democratic lawmakers endorsed the idea, but most of them fervently hoped that Mr. Truman at least would wait until after the election. They pointed out that all members of the House, and one third of the senators, currently are up to their ears in reelection campaigns.

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