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Hvasta Feared Killed by Communists

Washington — (U.P.) — John Hvasta, former cellmate in a Czechoslovakian Communist prison said Saturday he feared secret police somehow "got rid" of the young American.

This view was given to the United Press by a Czech refugee who became a friend of Hvasta while occupying the same cell with the Hillside, N.J. youth in 1949 and 1950.

Views Shared by Others

That view is shared by American and other non-Communist Czech sources despite announcement by the Czech government

that Hvasta "escaped" last Jan. 2 and his whereabouts now is not known.

Some Czech exile sources believe Hvasta did escape from Leopoldov jail in Bratislava, got to the Czech underground, but for some reason has not been heard of for several months.

Now Lives in Canada

However, the Czech refugee who was a friend of Hvasta did not entirely share this view. The refugee, who wished to remain anonymous, is visiting the United States on vacation from a job in a Canadian hotel.

He escaped from Russian-controlled uranium mines at Gachymov, Czechoslovakia, last year following a "labor" transfer from Leopoldov prison.

"Sinister Plot"

The United Press was put in contact with the refugee by another Czech exile who resides in Washington. A telephone interview was arranged.

"This must be a sinister plot by the Communists who got rid of John somehow and now they are telling that he escaped," the refugee said on the international mystery. "Otherwise there

should be some information about him by now. Since there is none, it must be that he has met with foul play."

Returned as Student

Hvasta, who became an American citizen in 1944 after coming to the United States from Czechoslovakia in 1939, had returned there as a student. He also worked briefly for American consular authorities at Bratislava.

He was arrested in October, 1948, on spy charges, and eventually sentenced at a secret trial to 10 years imprisonment.

Hoover Says Nation Mired in Swamp of Inflation, Taxes

Ex-President Speaks At Engineers Meeting

Portland, Ore. — (U.P.) — Former President Herbert Hoover said Saturday night that both political party platforms were in agreement "that the nation is mired down in a swamp of spending, inflation and taxes."

Mr. Hoover, who received an "Engineer of the Century" award from the Northwest Engineering Centennial, said in an address which he termed "non-political" that Republicans and Democrats alike disagree on "who-done-it."

Suggested Method

As an engineer, he suggested "a partial method of relief."

"That partial remedy for our ill is with all our might to stimulate scientific discovery, invention and their application by our engineers," he said.

"That would increase productivity per capita and thereby mitigate these burdens. I do not guarantee it can work fast enough to save the American way of life — but it could help."

Hope In Experience

"The basis of this hope lies in our experience from three great wars. By increased productivity after these wars, the credit of our nation was restored and the prosperity of our people moved into high levels."

The former president saw two obstructions to such a solution of economic problems, including "unintelligent taxation" and "a coming national famine in technology." He cited a decline in development of the non-ferrous metal industry in the west as an example of "what ill-considered taxation can do to our economy."

US, Britain Slate Big Atomic 'First' In Next Two Months

Washington — (U.P.) — Big atomic "firsts," both British and American, are just around the corner.

Before another two months pass the United States may have exploded the world's first H-bomb.

Apparently more imminent are Britain's first atomic weapons tests, scheduled for the Monte Bello islands area of the Indian ocean some 50 miles off the northwest coast of Australia.

The American tests will be carried out at Eniwetok atoll in the mid-Pacific. Congressional sources have hinted that the feature show at Eniwetok will be the first test of a hydrogen super bomb—a weapon which theory says could be hundreds or thousands of times more powerful than the A-bombs of World War II.

The Eniwetok demonstrations will be conducted by joint task force 132, formation of which was announced last February. They will be secret. The Atomic Energy commission will not say what kinds of weapons or "nuclear devices" will be tested, or when.

Informed sources have suggested however, that the tests will get underway in September and may be climaxed—on or around October 1—by detonation of an H-bomb. This cannot be confirmed officially.

Hail Clouds Reported North of Rogue Valley

The Rogue Valley cloud seeders' BF-13 plane seeded heavy clouds at 15,000 feet for 5 minutes north of the valley late yesterday afternoon.

The seeders, under contract to the Jackson County Fruit Growers Traffic association, reported a "good reaction" from the seeding.



CONVICTED OF CONSPIRACY to overthrow United States, these Communist leaders are led into Federal Court, Los Angeles, to hear arguments for new trial. From left: Ernest Otto Fox (back to camera); Philip Connelly (glasses); Albert Lima (background); Henry Steinberg; Frank E. Spector; Frank Carlson; William Schneiderman and Carl Lambert. They face prison terms of up to five years and fines of \$10,000. Four convicted women are not shown. (International Soundphoto)

Bulgarians Charge Greece With Aggressive and Warlike Plans

Two Nations File Protests With UN In Island Dispute

Dangerous Situation Seen by Commission

United Nations, N. Y. — (U.P.) The Greco-Bulgarian frontier dispute over tiny Gamma Island threatened Saturday to become a major United Nations issue after Bulgaria charged formally Greece had displayed an "openly aggressive and bellicose policy."

Both sides now have filed protests with the U. N. Secretariat and U. N. Peace Observation Commission members on the scene have warned a "very dangerous situation" might result from the incident.

Bulgarian Protest Ignored

Greece ignored Bulgaria's protest. Officials in Athens termed the Bulgarian message "more Communist insolence."

Bulgarian Foreign Minister Mincho Neychev told the UN Secretariat the Greeks "provocatively" sent aircraft to the frontier area and opened a bombardment of Gamma Island after "all sorts of warnings and menaces to the Bulgarian frontier patrol."

The Bulgarian note did not mention whether Bulgarian forces had occupied Gamma Island, as the Greeks charged. Instead the Bulgarians stressed that their frontier guards had maintained "iron calm" in the face of "provocative acts of the Greek government."

Greece charged earlier this week in a protest to the UN that Bulgaria had occupied Gamma Island. The Bulgarians withdrew Friday, according to an Athens communique, after the Greek bombardment.

Gamma island is one of three sand bars in the Evros river which forms 10 miles of the Greco-Bulgarian border in Thrace.

Eagle Point Man Found Dead at Home

Earl P. Udkie, 61, of route 1, box 15, Eagle Point, was found dead at his home about 1:30 p.m. Saturday, according to Coroner Carlos Morris.

The coroner said that Udkie died from a gunshot wound that was probably accidentally self-inflicted. Udkie's body was found by his wife.

Survivors in addition to his wife, Edith, include two small children. Peril Funeral home is in charge of funeral arrangements.

Rogue Valley 'Saucer' Is Weather Balloon

Rogue valley residents, a little lef out of all the "flying saucer" reports which are cropping up throughout the world thought they had a saucer of their own for a few minutes here Saturday evening.

The object, emitting a golden glow, hovered over Medford for several minutes and then moved slowly away to the north. Earlier several residents had seen it move over Medford from the north.

After calls had started coming in to The Mail Tribune, a check with the weather bureau disclosed that the object was a weather balloon on a routine flight. Weather bureau officials report several calls after each balloon is sent aloft.

Young Demos Elect Pete C. Soderlund

Pete C. Soderlund was elected president of the Jackson County Young Democrats at a reorganization meeting held at the Edward C. Kelly home, 906 West Fourth street, Friday. Mrs. Kenneth R. Corliss was named vice-president, James J. Boyle, secretary and Norman Matteson, treasurer.

"We have a winner" was the subject of a talk given by Pete Soderlund, who was one of the delegation of local Democrats who met Governor Adlai E. Stevenson when he stopped over here for an hour between planes following his appearance in Portland earlier this year.

Secretary of State Returns from Hawaii

Washington — (U.P.) — Secretary of State Dean Acheson returned to Washington in a driving rainstorm Saturday to receive the congratulations of President Truman for his work at the recent "Anzus" Pacific defense conference in Honolulu.

The big Air Force Constellation bringing Acheson back to the capital landed at National airport at 9:07 p.m., EDT. Despite the heavy rain, Mr. Truman and Undersecretary of State David K. E. Bruce were on hand to welcome him.

"I'm certainly glad to see you back," Mr. Truman told Acheson. "Congratulations. You did a fine job."

Acheson may join Mr. Truman and Gov. Adlai Stevenson of Illinois at their conference next week in drafting campaign strategy on foreign policy issues.

Emergency Work Starts in Regions Stricken by Drouth

Hay Supplies Sent To Southern States

Washington — (U.P.) — The government got its multi-million dollar drouth emergency program rolling Saturday with an announcement that \$28 to \$36 a ton would be considered a fair price for hay in stricken Tennessee and Kentucky.

Supplies of hay will be diverted to the two states from the midwest and will begin arriving within a few days. All costs over the \$28 to \$36 range will be borne by the government.

The Agriculture department announced details for Kentucky and Tennessee along with five midwestern "supply states" from which the hay will be shipped—Indiana, Wisconsin, Michigan, Iowa and Illinois.

The hay subsidy program was outlined first for Tennessee and Kentucky because their officials were first to appeal for federal aid in the agricultural emergency. Other drouth-stricken states will be given the same assistance when they ask for it.

The program puts the government into the hay business as buyer, shipper and seller. To begin with, it has a \$3 million fund allocated by President Truman.

Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan asked railroads serving both the midwest and the drouth-stricken states to lend assistance by slashing their rates in half for the emergency feed shipments.

Department spokesmen said Brannan has not received a reply from the carriers who last week turned down a plea to make emergency rate reductions for the entire stricken southland.

Sports Bulletins

Portland, Ore. — (U.P.) — Portland's Don Eggert hit a homerun in the second inning of Saturday night's ball game here, but it wasn't enough to stave off a 5 to 2 defeat by the league leading Oakland Oaks.

Grants Pass 3 to 2 here last night in the third and deciding game of a two-out-of-three series for the District No. 8 softball championship. Grants Pass Pitcher Bob Smith walked in the winning run in the extra eighth inning.

Local Chamber Asks Right To Intervene In Flight Hearings

Medford-Klamath Service Involved

The Jackson County Chamber of Commerce this week petitioned the Civil Aeronautics board for permission to intervene in the application of three airlines for service between Medford and Klamath Falls. Applications have been filed by Southwest Airways, United Air Lines and West Coast Airlines.

The chamber requests to intervene "because it has a substantial interest in the proceeding and believes such interest may not be adequately represented by existing parties," the petition states.

The petition also points out that the chamber has a membership of more than 600, including many corporations, firms and individuals who regularly use air transportation and are directly interested in air service being established between the two cities.

In addition, the petition draws attention to the fact that Medford is served directly by the three airlines which have applied for the service.

The petition seeks, specifically, that the chamber be given the right to have notice of and to appear at the hearings and to participate in the examination of witnesses. The chamber also seeks to be heard orally or to submit briefs.

In past statements, the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce has pointed out that it is not backing any of the three airlines' application for establishing service between Medford and Klamath Falls. The chamber is chiefly interested, representatives have stated, in having such service established. The petition also requests that the hearing on the matter be held in either Medford or Klamath Falls. It points out that, inasmuch as the only communities directly affected by the hearing are located in Oregon, and as the business firms and individuals represented by the chamber could not be heard if the hearings were held in Washington, D. C., it is highly desirable from a local standpoint that they be held in this area.

However, a letter from the office of Sen. Guy Cordon, received this week by the chamber, states that the outlook for holding the hearings in this area is not favorable. It quotes another letter, from the CAB, stating that because of the board's "considerable doubt as to whether a further session on the west coast would be justified."

The letter quoted by Senator Cordon's office, however, adds the chamber's interest in locating the hearing outside of Washington "will be given consideration when the matter is finally set for hearing."

Don Lane, secretary-manager of the chamber, and other chamber officials, have stated that, if the hearings are held in Washington, it will probably be possible to send only one representative to the hearing. It is felt that one man would not be able to handle the many phases of the question, they state.

Denver — (U.P.) — Dwight D. Eisenhower got a briefing on corruption in government from three Republican congressmen Saturday and told them he was "disturbed" by what he heard.

BRITISH, FRENCH PLANS DEMANDED



WOUNDED IN BATTLE for possession of "Old Baldy" hill, Allied soldier receives first aid from corpsmen before being sent to rear during Korea fighting. Victim's arm is clenched as wound is cleaned before he is carried to ambulance. (International)

Angry Iranian Premier Threatens Resignation If All Demands Not Met

Tehran, Iran — (U.P.) — Iran's emotional Premier Mohammed Mossadegh, angered by Senate resistance to his demands for dictatorial powers, threatened Saturday to resign his post.

Mossadegh, whose resignation last month touched off a violent outbreak of riots in which hundreds were killed and wounded, refused to trim his demands to meet Senate objections.

Key senators, in a stormy session, Saturday protested Mossadegh's demands for blanket authority to run the country as he pleased on grounds it would contravene the Iranian constitution and strip Parliament of its powers.

Mossadegh met with a 10-man

senatorial delegation later and threatened to walk out on the premiership if his demands were not met.

The Senate committee will report to a closed Senate session, scheduled for Monday, when the chamber will chart its next move.

If the Senate rejects Mossadegh's demands for a six months dictatorship, political observers said Shah Reza Pahlavi will face a most difficult problem.

Last Appointee Red

The last man he appointed to form a new government after Mossadegh's earlier resignation, Ahmen Ghavam, fled Tehran as mobs sought to lynch him after three days in office.

The Majlis (lower house) readily acceded to Mossadegh's demands for the dictatorial powers he said are necessary to put through his economic and defense program.

The Senate opposition boiled up suddenly during Saturday's session.

Senators challenged the measure on grounds that it violated the constitution of Iran.

They presented arguments by Mossadegh himself when he was a deputy 26 years ago opposing full powers for any one minister.

Medford Man Returns From Korean Fighting

Sgt. Lawrence W. Vernon, 229 Berrydale avenue, Medford, will be among 60 Oregonians in San Francisco Monday from Korea and Japan under the Army's rotation system, according to United Press.

He enlisted on April 17, 1950 and received his basic training at Ft. Ord, Calif., and was later transferred to Ft. Lewis, Wash. He shipped out from San Francisco in January of 1951, and would have been returned on rotation in January, 1952, but he signed up for another six months.

Two New Surgery Units Planned In Hospital Expansion Program

Plans for two new surgery wings, at a contemplated cost of \$50,000 are the latest development in the over all remodeling program now in progress at Sacred Heart hospital. The new step was given impetus by a donation of \$20,000 from Mrs. T. E. Daniels in memory of her late husband T. E. Daniels, and the late Dr. J. J. Emmens, both benefactors of the hospital since its establishment in 1911.

The changes also included an enlarged and modernized maternity department which now includes four labor rooms, two delivery rooms, a doctor's lounge, supply room, nursery with 14 bassinets, four incubators, a new isolation unit for infants and a remodeled accommodations for mothers. There has also been a cafeteria added, equipped to accommodate employees and relatives of sick patients who remain in the building during mealtime.

Many Donated

Responsible for many of the modern improvements in equipment are Junior Service league which donated explosion proof incubators for the delivery rooms; Mrs. T. E. Daniels who gave 14 modern bassinets; Providence Guild, four labor beds, and the surgery nurses, contributions towards nursery bed spreads.

Sister Rose, superior, who has supervised the expansion program during the past two years has been transferred to St. Elizabeth's hospital, Yakima, Wash. She will be succeeded by Sister Reine who will arrive here Monday to take over her duties. Sister Reine is well known locally, having served as superior at Sacred Heart hospital six years ago.

Two Nations Alarm NATO Members By Cutback Proposals

Council Fears Others May Follow Precedent

Paris — (U.P.) — The North Atlantic council Saturday bluntly called upon Britain and France to lay their rearmament cards on the table by August 20.

The council, and the other members of the Atlantic community, want to know in frank and unequivocal terms whether Britain and France plan to scuttle their 1952 defense goals. If so, they want to know just how drastic the cut-back is to be.

Council Alarmed

A NATO source said the council was alarmed by reports that the two nations, which promised to supply the bulk of Europe's defensive aircraft and manpower this year, were planning severe "cutbacks."

Britain has publicly announced her intentions to "stretch out" her rearmament efforts. France has hinted broadly at a similar move.

The council fears that other NATO members may follow "this potentially dangerous precedent."

Answers to the council's direct inquiries have been requested in time for discussion at the next council meeting in Paris, August 20.

Reflects Dissatisfaction

Council sources said the request for detailed information reflected the growing dissatisfaction of the other 12 allies with Britain's action, which was taken without prior consultation with other North Atlantic powers. It also was inspired, they said, by the threat of France to topple the carefully trimmed "minimum" defense schemes hammered out at the Lisbon conference in February.

The object of the Lisbon decisions, it was pointed out, was to create a military balance of power in Europe before the "year of decision"—1954.

Blood Appointments Coming In Slowly

Appointments for the visit of the bloodmobile unit here Wednesday are coming in very slowly, officials of the Jackson county blood collection reported Saturday.

Only 75 appointments had been made by Saturday morning, they said. However, they added, there is hope that the drive may still be a success. Last month blood donors were very slow to make appointments but many came in between Sunday and Wednesday, the day the unit was here.

The bloodmobile will be here from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Elks temple. The lines are expected to run faster and the entire operation more smoothly than in the July visit.

1,057 Sign Petitions To Save Two Wilsons

Portland, Ore. — (U.P.) — Petitions urging commutation to life imprisonment of the sentences of Turman and Utah Wilson, sentenced to die on the gallows August 15th for the kidnap-slaying of a teen-age girl, have been signed by 1,057 residents of Oregon and southwest Washington.

The Rev. Allen C. Lambert of Portland, chairman of a citizens' committee which hopes to save the lives of the convicted slayers, said a sworn statement about the petitions would be mailed Monday to Governor Arthur B. Langlie of Washington.

Lambert also is seeking an appointment with the governor, although Langlie has refused in the past to act in the case.

Former G-Man Named To Head Investigation

Washington — (U.P.) — Chairman Frank L. Clegg Saturday tapped a former FBI agent to boss his subcommittee's investigation of the justice department, and said hearings on a code of ethics for government attorneys will be the subcommittee's next move.