



SHORT EXILE — Wearing dark glasses, Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi of Iran and his wife, Soraya, arrive in Rome, Italy, after forced exile by Iran's dictatorial Premier Mohammed Mossadegh. In Rome the shah received the news of an Army coup by loyal Army and police that overthrew Mossadegh. If ouster of the premier can be made to stick, Shah Pahlavi will return to power.

Four of Biggest Guns of Battleship Tirpitz Raised

Tromsø, Norway — (U.P.) — After an unprecedented hard winter one of the world's most peculiar salvage works was resumed here.

The salvage company, Høevding Skipsopphugging A/S, began by bringing to the surface four of the biggest guns from the former German battleship Tirpitz. The guns, each weighing 150 tons, had been buried in six meters of mud on the bottom of Tromsø Fjord off the island of Kvaløya (Whale Island).

By using a German floating crane—the only one in Scandinavia capable of taking up to 200 tons — they were moved to a rock-bottomed part of the fjord, where they will remain till it has been decided what to do with them.

Sunk by RAF

The Tirpitz was sunk in the fjord Nov. 12, 1944, by British planes after an earlier attempt by two British midget submarines in the Alta Fjord, farther north, had failed.

The huge battleship lay upside down off Kvaløya for three years, with its hull sticking 12 meters out of the water. It was marked as a separate island on Norwegian maps, and after the war became a big attraction for tourists who came to walk on the bottom of former German man-of-war.

In 1947 the hull was bought by Høevding Skipsopphugging A/S, and the work of salvage began early in 1948, with the assistance of German experts. Twelve of the 32 men now working on the hull are Germans, and much of the equipment has been brought from Hamburg.

So far 16,000 tons of steel have been broken up and sold to Norwegian iron works, to plants in the Ruhr district, and to the Swedish Bofors company. Electric pumps, 60,000 meters of electric cable and other equip-

ment have also been taken from the hull and sold.

1956 Goal

A painting of the Tirpitz which was found was given to the Royal Norwegian air force, which presented it to the RAF as a tribute to the British pilots who bombed and sank the ship.

The salvage company estimates that 40,000 tons of steel plates are still left, and they do not expect work to be concluded before 1956. Huge quantities of ammunition still left in the wreck have been a great problem, although only minor mishaps have occurred so far.

One of the most difficult operations was to bring the guns to the surface. When the Tirpitz sank the cannon towers were flung deep into the mud. The steel-plated towers were built to withstand great explosions, and the divers had much difficulty in blowing them up to get the guns free.

Serving as a lighter to bring the scrap steel from the wreck to nearby Tromsø is another former man-of-war, the Norwegian frigate Aalesund. When salvage operations are completed, the Aalesund will be scrapped.

Tickle in Bobby's Hat Cause for Rapid Action

Porthleven, England — (U.P.) Police constable Frank Sandercock, 48, was peddling his bicycle along a road near here when he had a flat tire.

He took off his heavy bobby's helmet, fixed the flat, and was rolling along again when something tickled his head.

Sandercock removed his helmet again and looked inside. He found a 15-inch Adder, Britain's only poisonous snake.

"I have a good crop of hair," Sandercock said later. "I suppose that's what saved me."

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Joe Poggi Indicted Burglary Charge

Salem — (U.P.) — The Marion county grand jury has indicted Joe Poggi, recently released from the Oregon state penitentiary after serving what proved to be an illegal sentence, on a charge of burglary not in a dwelling.

Poggi is charged with entering the Cottage Street grocery here recently after the store had been closed for the night.

Poggi was recently released from the prison after the courts held he had served nearly 20 years on an illegal sentence as a habitual criminal.



LEARNING OF HOPE by Paul Henry Haley, 6, Denver, victim of incurable cancer, that he might see President in person, Mr. Eisenhower calls on lad who wears cowboy clothes as he plays with new set of trains received later in the day. (International)

'Open Highway' Leads In Traffic Deaths

Salem — (U.P.) — The "Open Highway" is the scene of four times more Oregon traffic deaths than the congestion of city streets, traffic records showed today.

The State Traffic Safety division said 80 per cent of the 480 victims of fatal accidents last year died in mishaps that took place outside the limits of any incorporated city or town. More than three-fourths of the death-dealing smash-ups were traceable to driver error, a factor also noted most frequently in city fatalities.

Excessive speed is listed as the most common driver mistake in rural crashes.

Communist Official Said Attack Victim

Panmunjom, Korea — (U.P.) — Among the 50 Americans The Communists freed 450 Al- freed was a Congressional Med- lied war prisoners yesterday to al of Honor winner, Japanese- push "Operation Big Switch" past American Sgt. Hiroshi Miya- the halfway mark, and then- mura, Gallup, N.M., who killed charged that a Communist Red 40 Communists single handedly Cross official was "insulted and in a heroic lone stand before he attacked" in South Korea. was captured.

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Boot Hill Competition For Eisenhower Museum

Abilene, Kan. — (U.P.) — Eisenhower Museum may eventually be Abilene's biggest attraction for the tourist trade. But it has competition from Boot Hill.

A committee has gone to work to restore Boot Hill, famed in history and fiction as the burial ground of gunmen who fell in outlaw battles when Abilene was the northern terminal for Texas cattle trails.

A monument is planned to the memory of Wild Bill Hickok, the early marshal of Abilene who was credited with having restored order to the Kansas community.

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