

2 Yanks Sentenced by Red China Vanished Dec. 2, 1952, FEAF Says

Tokyo — (U.P.) — A Far East Air Force spokesman revealed today that two of the 13 Americans imprisoned as "spies" by Red China disappeared the night President Eisenhower landed in Seoul on his post-election "end the war" mission.

The spokesman said the two men hitched a ride on a Civil Air Transport plane that disappeared mysteriously Dec. 2, 1952, between Seoul and Tokyo.

Their plane never was heard from after it crossed the Korean east coast, the spokesman said. Communist China claimed, however, the plane was shot down over northeast China and that the pilot and co-pilot were killed.

The two passengers were identified by the Tokyo spokesman as John T. Downey, 24, and Richard G. Fecteau, 27.

Although the Air Force said it did not know the two hitchhikers, they apparently were traveling on high military priorities.

Seoul's military airports were

White Russian Survivors Reach North Bend Port

North Bend, Ore.—(U.P.)—Five White Russians who survived a death march and a Communist prison camp in North Korea passed through the Port of North Bend this week en route to new homes in the United States.

The five arrived here aboard the SS Young America, which docked here from Tokyo Tuesday. They are Evan Kilin, 40; his wife, Maria, 30, and their three children, Olga, 12; Nikolai, 9, and Giorgi, 6.

The family was exchanged in March of this year and stayed in an American refugee camp while trying to find a place to live. Mrs. Kilin said Major Gomer James an American soldier, suggested that the Kilins come to the United States.

Maj. James became the family's sponsor, and the Kilins are now headed for his home town of Falls Church, Va., where the major's wife "is going to help us get settled." Maj. James is still in Korea.

The Kilins were taken prisoners at Seoul, Korea shortly after the start of the Korean conflict. With 900 other prisoners, the family was forced to walk north to the Communist prison camp near the Yalu river. Giorgi, the youngest child, was one year and nine months old at the time.

under the heaviest guards of the war at the time the CAT plane left because of Mr. Eisenhower's visit. Only authorized persons with proper orders or credentials were allowed on the airfields that night.

If the Communist report is true, the plane carrying Downey and Fecteau turned 90 degrees off course after reaching the Sea of Japan and flew north toward Manchuria rather than east toward Tokyo.

The Air Force spokesman said he could give "no explanation" for what happened to the cargo plane after it vanished from radar screens over the Eastern Korean coast.

Air and sea rescue teams scoured the Sea of Japan for two days after the plane disappeared but found no trace of wreckage.

The plane was flown by Capt. Bob Snoddy and Norman Swartz, who both lived in Tokyo.

It was flying at night and may have been ordered onto an unfamiliar course because of special security measures in force.

Mysterious Passengers
"The plane had flown Air Force cargo to Seoul and discharged it," the FEAF spokesman said. "The passengers asked permission to board the plane and fly back to Tokyo."

At the time the plane vanished, CAT officials revealed only the names of the pilot and co-pilot and for some still-unex-

plained reason did not say the craft was carrying passengers.

Defense officials in Washington said Downey and Fecteau were civilian employees of the U. S. Army in Japan, but the Far East command headquarters said it had no record of the men in its current or retired civilian employees' files.

Radio Peiping charged the two men were agents of America's super-secret counter-intelligence agency.

Downey, accused by the Reds as the "chief criminal" among the captured Americans, received a life sentence and Fecteau was sentenced to 20 years in jail.

Britain Denounces Red China's Act Of Imprisonment

London — (U.P.) — Britain officially denounced today Red China's imprisonment of 13 Americans on trumped up spy charges.

Red China's Peiping Radio, meanwhile, trumpeted new "charges" about "American spies." It quoted the Peiping Peoples' Daily as declaring editorially:

"The fact so many air-dropped spies have been caught on China's mainland is a severe blow to the schemes of the American aggressive clique."

"The depositions of the captured American spies and the material evidence have fully exposed the criminal schemes of the U. S. aggressive clique against the Chinese people."

Defend Sentences
"The depositions . . . prove that it is not China but the reactionary ruling clique of the United States that is conducting subversive activities against other countries."

The newspaper said conviction of the Americans was "absolutely necessary and correct," and said that American denials of the charges are "futile" against the "iron clad proof."

A British Foreign Office spokesman said Britain regards Red China's action as a violation of the Geneva convention on treatment of war prisoners.

"The arguments put forward by the Chinese government to justify different treatment for these men is nothing more than a legal quibble."

Request Ignored
"Our future course of action will naturally depend on what request if any is made by the U. S. Government."

In Geneva, Red Chinese Consul General Shun Ting continued to ignore U. S. Consul General Franklin C. Gowen's request for a meeting on neutral ground so Gowen could deliver a verbal U. S. protest. Gowen asked for the meeting yesterday.

SPORTS

Support Reported For Buff Donelli For Beaver Post

Portland — (U.P.) — The Oregonian, in a story from Boston, Mass., said today that Buff Donelli, Boston University football coach, is being supported for the head coaching job at Oregon State, vacated this week by Kip Taylor.

The newspaper quoted the Boston Traveler as saying Donelli was being boosted by an unnamed Los Angeles real estate broker described as "a leading member of the southern California alumni club of the Oregon institution."

However, Aaron Funk, president of the Southern California group of the OSC alumni association, told the Oregonian last night he had "no idea of who the mysterious OSC booster for Boston's Buff Donelli could be."

UCLA Dominates OSC Foe Team

Corvallis — (U.P.) — UCLA, the powerful football team which gave Oregon State the worst licking in the school's grid history, landed six players on the Beavers' all-opponent team.

California placed two men and Oregon, Minnesota and Washington each had one player named.

Jack Ellena, UCLA's great tackle, was chosen on 41 of the 42 Beaver ballots to become the strongest selection. End Rommie Loudd, Guards Sam Boghosian and Jim Salsbury, center Jon Peterson, and back Primo Villanueva were the other UCLA choices.

Other members of the squad were end Jim Hanifran, California; tackle Fred Robinson, Washington; and backs George Shaw, Oregon; Bob McNamara, Minnesota; and Jerry Drew, California.

Dead line Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday; 10 a.m. Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

VA To Pay Dividends On Service Insurance

The Veterans Administration today announced it will pay regular dividends next year on National Service Life Insurance, which originated in World War I.

The NSLI dividend will amount to \$2,000,000,000, and will be payable to holders of approximately 5,000,000 participating term and permanent plan policies. The USGLI dividend will amount to \$26,000,000, and will be payable to holders of approximately 380,000 permanent plan policies only.

In both the NSLI and USGLI payments, eligible policy holders will receive a dividend for each month the insurance is on a premium paying basis during the policy year ending 1955, with a single check covering the total payment due policy.

Payment will be made shortly after the anniversary date of each policy beginning in January and ending in December, 1955.

The VA announced changes will be made in several thousand individual NSLI dividend rates for the 1955 payment. On term, the dividend scale will be approximately 10 per cent higher at ages through 40 than for the 1954 dividend. For ages above 40, the increase will be somewhat greater except at age 55 for which the rate will remain unchanged.

On permanent plans of NSLI, the total amount to be distributed in 1955 will be about the same as for 1954, but there will be small increases at some points and small decreases at others.

The VA said these increases

and decreases are due in large part to recent changes in the mortality and disability experience.

For USGLI permanent plan policies, a nominal increase generally will be made for those policy-holders who presently are under age 60 and a slightly larger increase generally will be made for those policy-holders who presently are over age.

Reflect Changes

The VA said the USGLI increases also reflect recent changes in mortality and disability experience. VA officials emphasized that the 1955 dividends will be payable only to eligible participating policies. They will not be payable to the non-participating post-Korea policies issued under the indemnity and insurance acts of 1951, nor will they be payable to the 900,000 NSLI and USGLI participating policies for the months for which premiums were waived during the 1955 policy

Soviet Citizens Pay Respects To Andrei Vishinsky

Moscow — (U.P.) — Soviet citizens of all groups gathered today to pay their final respects to Andrei Vishinsky, a flower-decked bier in the Hall of Columns.

The hall, where the late Josef Stalin had lain in state in March of 1953, was decorated inside and outside with black-bordered red banners and massive flags of the Soviet Union and the 16 Soviet republics.

Citizens began forming outside the House of Trade Unions at 7 a.m., seven hours after Vishinsky's body arrived in Moscow from New York. They stood four abreast in a line which reached a length of more than half a mile when the hall was opened at noon.

Portrait Flanked
A huge portrait of the late chief Soviet delegate to the United Nations was placed between the two central columns outside the hall. It was flanked by red banners bordered at the bottom by broad black bands.

Autumn flowers almost hit the heavy copper-lined coffin which was open, showing the silver-haired Vishinsky in an attitude of peaceful sleep.

Mrs. Vishinsky and her daughter, Zinaida, sat weeping nearby. A symphony orchestra continuously played dirges.

year under the same acts.

Term USGLI policies also are excluded from the 1955 dividend declaration, as in the past. No dividends have been paid on these policies for many years because the mortality and disability experience among this group has been such as not to provide any margin for dividends.

In both the NSLI and USGLI programs, the dividend pay-

ments depend on the plan or insurance, the age and year of

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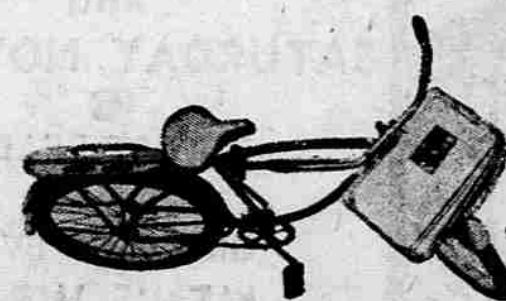
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