

The region known as Death Valley has an average of only one-half inch of rainfall from April through September in each calendar year.

A commercial laundry uses from 8,500 to 11,400 gallons of water to wash a ton of clothes, the volume depending upon the amount of re-circulation.

Communism Suffers Big Defeat in Italy As Union Ousts Reds

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Communism has just suffered a big defeat in Italy — a defeat which is a personal victory for Premier Mario Scelba.

As the result of a labor union election, the Communists have lost control of the workers of the Fiat Motor Co., in Turin.

That may not sound like much. But Fiat is Italy's biggest industrial enterprise. Fiat mechanics are regarded as the cream of Italian industrial workers. But the Reds had controlled them for years.

Communism has not been doing so well in Italy for quite a while. Although the Reds fought desperately to win the Fiat annual election, they lost out by better than a two-to-one majority. The defeat is expected to have its effect all over Italy.

Ambassador Luce Helps
The Red defeat is a victory for Scelba, now visiting in America, because he is Communist enemy No. 1 in Italy.

Scelba's victory in the election is Clare Boothe Luce, the beautiful, brilliant United States ambassador to Rome.

Mrs. Luce cannot, of course, interfere in Italy's domestic affairs. What she has done is to let it be known that factories in which the Communists have union control will get no contracts for American military aid production.

still the largest in Western Europe, with a membership of just over 2,000,000.

Back in 1948 it was a serious threat. It had come out of World War II strong in membership and prestige because of its partisan activities against the Fascists and the Nazis.

The whole world watched the 1948 Italian parliamentary election. Had the Communists won — and many feared they would — it would have been a serious business for the West.

Created Riot Squads
Scelba, stocky, bald, deceptively smiling, played a big part in their defeat.

Scelba declared war on the Communists. He reorganized the police, motorized them and formed the now famous "Celere" riot squads.

The Communists were fomenting disorders all over the country. Scelba's men moved in. It was not before Scelba's riot police were waiting wherever the Communists started anything.

When in July, 1948, a student tried to assassinate Communist Leader Palmiro Togliatti, the Reds threatened a national revolt. Scelba packed the streets of big cities with police. Red demonstrations were broken up by force, and the threat petered out.

Since then, Scelba has fought the bandits of his native Sicily, the Monarchists and the Neo-Fascists. But the Communists remain his favorite enemies.

About 40 per cent of the total volume of export goods produced in the United States is made up of industrial machines, automobiles, many grains, and cottons, raw or processed.



Charles M. McCann

STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLAN

Your Daily Activity Guide
According to the Stars
To develop message for Friday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

ARIES	1 Your	31 Mate	61 Your
APR 22	2 A	32 The	62 Disturbing
APR 20	3 Avoid	33 Game	63 Extra
18-19-24-31	4 People	34 Your	64 Rest
37-52-79-86	5 Personality	35 Dealing	65 If
TAURUS	6 It's	36 Hunches	66 Helpful
APR 21	7 Lot	37 Can	67 Bolster
MAY 21	8 Of	38 Are	68 Today
34-36-38-40	9 Study	39 Of	69 Income
46-49-50	10 Felt	40 Good	70 Heart
GEMINI	11 You	41 There's	71 You
MAY 22	12 Turn	42 Top	72 Affairs
JUNE 22	13 You	43 Or	73 Feel
2-8-21-26	14 Tend	44 People	74 Put
53-67-69	15 In	45 Annoying	75 You
CANCER	16 Should	46 Try	76 In
JUNE 23	17 Find	47 Is	77 Depressed
JULY 23	18 Actions	48 An	78 To
32-33-47-56	19 Of	49 Them	79 Very
58-60-82-85	20 To	50 Out	80 Be
LEO	21 Is	51 Improvement	81 Generous
JULY 24	22 Interests	52 Be	82 Go
AUG 23	23 Others	53 Bod	83 Bod
41-48-51-55	24 Your	54 That	84 Get
61-70-72	25 To	55 In	85 Ahead
VIRGO	26 Accomplished	56 Worth	86 Disruptive
AUG 24	27 Unusually	57 And	87 With
SEPT 22	28 Moves	58 The	88 Light
3-28-54-74	29 Spend	59 Get	89 Ahead
75-76-83-88	30 Be	60 Candle	90 Individuals
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Airman Due for Mental Check After Sabotage

Nellis AFB, Nev. — (U.P.) — A young airman responsible for the grounding of 300 planes at this jet fighter base was held for mental observation today after confessing he emptied 24 jet fuel trucks because of "an uncontrollable urge to destroy."

The Air Force said Airman 3C James E. Igoe, Brewer, Maine, confessed after an officer smelled jet fuel on his clothing. Igoe insisted he was a "loyal citizen" and did not deliberately sabotage the fuel.

Some 11,600 gallons of fuel were emptied from the trucks yesterday and base officers ordered all planes grounded pending tests on fuel in 45 other trucks. The base is the closest

'Shangri La' To Arrive At San Diego Station

Alameda, Calif. — (U.P.) — The aircraft carrier Shangri-La will arrive at the U. S. Naval Air station in Alameda tomorrow en route to San Diego.

The huge carrier was recommissioned in Bremerton, Wash., on Jan. 10 after a 26-month modernization at Puget Sound Naval shipyard. She received the first structurally angled flight deck in the Navy as well as modern, heavy-duty steam catapults and an enclosed hurricane bow.

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Actress Pier Angeli Moved for Treatment

Hollywood — (U.P.) — Actress Pier Angeli, who suffered a broken pelvis during a rough airplane trip to Palm Springs last month, was scheduled to arrive here by ambulance today.

Miss Angeli, an expectant mother, married singer Vic Damone last November. Doctors said the accident would not cause her to lose her baby. She was hospitalized for more than a month before moving to the Racquet club in Palm Springs.

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