

## Russian Bombers Affect American Defense Planning

Washington — (U.P.)—The United States today announced major new Soviet air power developments affecting North American defenses and ability to carry out an air attack.

A cryptic statement issued by the Defense Department disclosed that Russia now is flying at least one type of heavy jet bomber comparable to the American 650-mile an hour B-52. The Russian craft previously had been considered a prototype bomber in the development stage.

**Improved Defenses**  
The two-paragraph statement also gave the first official American disclosure that Russia now has an "all-weather fighter" plane. That could cause drastic new estimates on the ability of U.S. bombers to penetrate Russia defenses, since much of current planning is based on attacking at night and in bad weather.

The statement, approved by the "highest level" of this government, stated:  
"The Soviets have recently elected to expose some new aircraft developments in air parade formations over Moscow. These observations establish a new basis of our estimate of Soviet bomber and of the medium bomber."

**Soviet Progress**  
"There has also been an appearance of a turboprop bomber and a new all-weather fighter has appeared, as expected. This knowledge is evidence of the modern technology of the Soviet aircraft industry and the advances which are being made by them."

It was learned that two rehearsal flights were made over Moscow with the heavy jet bomber prior to May Day. The first flight had eight planes and the second had 10. The bombers are comparable to the B52 which this nation designed to carry the hydrogen bomb and which can fly about 6000 miles, with its range extended indefinitely by air refueling.

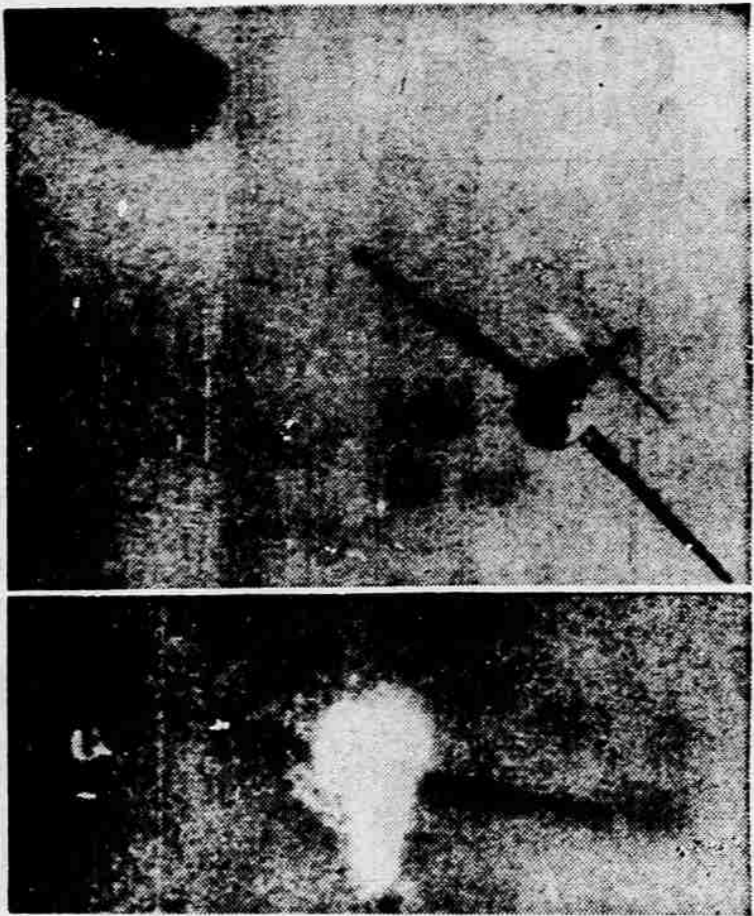
## Attorneys Frown on New Sheppard Trial

Cleveland — (U.P.)—Prosecuting attorneys said today that only Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard had the "exclusive opportunity" to kill his wife, Marilyn, and he therefore should not be allowed another trial.

The statement was made in a 90-page brief filed with the Court of Appeals, which on May 23 will hear oral arguments on defense pleas for a second trial. Defense attorneys already have submitted a 12-volume transcript of the nine-week trial that ended with Dr. Sheppard's conviction of second-degree murder, and filed a 366-page brief outlining their arguments.

The prosecution rebuttal may be answered within 10 days by the defense.

The latest action is separate from an earlier appeal, based on "new evidence," which was turned down earlier this week.



**ON TARGET!**—Photos above are from gun camera in nose of 5th Air Force F-86 Sabrejet which shot down Red Chinese MIG jet over international waters off Korea May 10. MIG (top) is lined up in gunsight. Black mark in upper left indicates that gun camera is operating but guns are not firing as pilot lines up on target. MIG (bottom) bursts into flame as Sabrejet's cannon scores direct hit.

## Gold Treasure Said Buried Beneath Mississippi Sands

Beaumont, Miss. — (U.P.)—A chest laden with gold, legend has it, lies somewhere beneath the restless sands of Beaumont's storied "Money Hole."

Thus far, numerous costly salvage attempts have been futile.

The treasure chest, the story goes, was buried by a wounded bandit before the turn of the century. He shared his secret with a Negro family near Beaumont after the family nursed him back to health.

One woman in the rural farming region vows "there's a ton" of gold in the chest somewhere in the hole, now chewed into a ragged, circular cavity in a dry creekbed. The creek has long been diverted by the fortune-hunters.

Another native recalls with a sigh that he had his hands on the chest only to see it sink back in the quick sand.

The woman, Lennie Rhodes, maintains that "someone with enough money" for the proper type of salvages job can snare the chest that's been sought both by amateurs and salvage experts.

Miss Rhodes purchased the land for a cousin. She stands watch on the spot when she agrees to let treasure-seekers set up camp to probe the shifting sands of the hole that now measures 100 feet across and about 80 feet deep.

She discounts the claim of Emmett Williams of San Pedro, Calif., an expert deep sea diver and salvage man, who spent three weeks last August digging through more than 50 feet of the tricky sands.

Williams said his work and rental of equipment and pay for laborers cost his two backers \$29,000.

"We picked that hole as clean as a chicken bone and there's nothing there," he said.

"I pumped 5,000 gallons of sand and millions of gallons of water. It's a complete waste unless a man figures he needs experience pumping sand and water."

Miss Rhodes replied that Williams refused her advice to shore up the constantly crumbling sand banks.

"I'm just a woman," she said, "and none of them will listen to me."

One Hattiesburg, Miss., man, she added, spent \$17,500 in an unsuccessful search.

Oscar Fillingame, a justice of the peace, said he and his father and a cousin spent \$3,000 on the search many years ago and saw the chest, touched it, but failed to haul it to high ground.

"I had my hands on the chest, but it slipped back in the sand," Fillingame recalled.

## Kiwanis Official Due For Spring Conclave

Fred G. Rounds, Pacific Northwest district governor, will be the top official her Sunday for the spring conference of Kiwanis clubs in Division 15 of the district.

Also taking part will be W. P. Riddlesbarger, Eugene, division lieutenant-governor, and C. E. Thompson, Redmond, past district governor.

The conference will open at 9:30 a.m. in the Pioneer room of the Jackson hotel. A noon luncheon for Kiwanians and their wives will follow.

## 4-H Club News

**Central Point Club**  
Central Point Swine club met at the home of Willie Debrick. Then all went to Floyd Charlie's to judge some young steers. Patsy Charlie and Rose Marie Legler gave reasons why they placed them like they did.

Floyd Charlie and Dale Smith showed us the good and bad points and why. We plan to do more judging on sheep, dairy and hogs. This will help us to do a better job at the fair this year.

After the judging we went back to Willie Debrick's, finished our meeting and had refreshments.

Next meeting will be at Judy Gebheart's home, May 23 at 8 p.m.

Willie Debrick,

**Reese Creek Club**

Regular meeting of the Reese Creek Renegades was held May 10 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Esp. Cliff Moore, leader of the club, showed the members how to make rope halters.

Next meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnston on May 24.

Janet Johnston, Reporter.

## Girl Scouts

**Group To Meet**

The senior scout training group will meet Saturday, May 14, from 10 a.m. until 12 noon at the Scout house for a training session. Plans for an overnight camping trip in June will be made.

All girls interested in being an aide at Camp Low Echo or at day camp are invited to attend.

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## Friday the 13th Just Another Day To Superstitious-Ridden Japanese People

Tokyo — (U.P.)— So today is Friday the 13th. You think it's unlucky? Come to Japan and you'd feel lucky if Friday the 13th was all you had to worry about.

In Japan every day is unlucky if you're facing northeast, for instance. The ancient land of Nippon is as full of superstitions as it is of people.

Northeast is the direction of the "Devil's Gate."

**Special Prayer**

It's such a bad direction that for 1200 years a special prayer has been uttered every year by 100 priests in Kyoto to pacify the northeast.

A husband told his wife they needed an extra room on their tiny house for their two growing daughters.

The mother consulted the "Fox God" and was told not to build for six months or risk disaster. So the family went on living like sardines.

**Wild Women**

Girls born in the year of the "fire horse" are doomed to spin-

sterhood. Such women, ancient sages say, are as wild as horses and very likely to kill any man who marries them.

Fortunately, the "fire horse" year comes up only once every 60 years.

For a man to beat his bride guarantees the best of luck. It promises her many children.

Four is the unlucky number. It's pronounced "she" in Japanese, the same way the word for "death" is pronounced.

A bullfinch brings good luck to its owner. Bullfinches are sold once a year in a special Tokyo shrine. If the bird tricks its owner and brings bad luck instead of good, he can return it to the altar and get a new one free.

**Dangerous Age**  
The dangerous age for men is 42, for women 33. Those are years of calamity. Some people, when they reach those ages, spend most of the year in a temple praying for survival.

Priests in one ancient temple own more than 200 fans measuring six and a half feet in length. In case of fire, each priest grabs

a fan and waves it madly shouting "confusion to the sparks!"

They claim they extinguished fires that way in 1876 and 1926.

Japanese children once held a special ceremony in memory of departed insects. They felt sorry for the butterflies they had captured and impaled in their collections. After the ceremony, the children said they slept better.

And geisha girls go to temples once a year to pray for the souls of departed cats that furnished the catgut for the strings of their musical instruments.

## Yreka Plans Suit Against Hospital

Yreka — A damage suit seeking \$25,000 against the Siskiyou County General hospital will be filed here soon, according to Paul R. Dunham, Yreka, who has notified the county board of supervisors that he will sue for injuries allegedly sustained last February.

He claims his injuries were the result of negligence of certain hospital employees, and consisted of damage to internal organs and his nervous system.

The \$25,000 figure includes loss of wages and profits, he said in his notification. He has one year in which to file the case in superior court.

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