

Greek Underground Executes Two Britishers

Palestine Peace Said Up To Israel, Arab Neighbors

Hammarskjold Tells Need for Support
United Nations, N. Y.—(U.P.)—Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold said today that Palestine peace rests now with Israel and her Arab neighbors. He expressed confidence that they will "continue in cooperation" with each other.

Hammarskjold also told a news conference that the "chain reaction for peace" he envisaged in a formal report on his four-week Palestine peace mission cannot become a reality without the support of "all the major powers."

To Continue Diplomacy
He indicated that his next step in securing a lasting Holy Land peace will be to continue his "quiet diplomacy" in talks with the major powers. But he said he had not yet discussed with any of them whether they would restrain their action in the Middle East.

Hammarskjold published last night at 7,500-word report on his mission to the Middle East, undertaken at the direction of the U.N. Security Council. He reported that he had obtained unconditional agreement from Israel, Egypt, Syria, Lebanon and Jordan to maintain a Palestine cease fire, except for self defense.

At a crowded news conference this morning, Hammarskjold amplified his report with these points:
Survey Digest Urged
1. The next step is for all governments and U.N. delegations to digest his personal survey and "not rush on without having formed a balanced and considered opinion."

2. It is up to the U.N. Security Council to decide "whether and when" it wants to debate his report and decide what should be done next.

3. He is "not willing" to recommend any next step. "I feel strongly," he said, "that more than ever it is in the hands of the governments of the region, and I have a strong feeling that what has begun in cooperation will continue in cooperation."

Deetz To Tell Cost Of Campaign Early

Salem—(U.P.)—Elmer Deetz, candidate for the Republican nomination for U. S. senator, said today he will file his statement of campaign contributions and expenses early next week—before the May 18 primary election.

Deetz challenged candidates Douglas McKay, Phil Hitchcock and George Altwater to do the same.

"I think the people are entitled to know before they vote exactly how much has been spent to influence their opinions, and especially who has contributed to the campaigns," Deetz said.

Bulletin

London—(U.P.)—Radio Moscow revealed tonight that Russia has asked Britain to explain the presence of a "frogman" near the Soviet warships which carried Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin and Communist Party Boss Nikita S. Khrushchev to Britain last month.

Final Discussion Subject To Be Presented Next Week

The eighth and final discussion topic in the 1956 Great Decisions program will be presented during the coming week. It is "What Should the U. S. Do in the New United Nations," and deals with recent changes in membership in the U.N., with the problems the U. S. faces as a result, and discussion questions as to what the U. S. role could or should be.

As during the past seven weeks, discussion material will be available from four sources. Fact sheets listing the background are available at the Chamber of Commerce office on South Central ave. A condensed version of the fact sheet material will be published in the Mail Tribune Sunday.



POINTS TO MONROVIA—Charles Roberts (right) assistant secretary of the Liberian public works and utilities department, points out to City Manager Robert Duff (left) the location of Monrovia, capital city of Liberia. Mrs. Roberts is looking on. Roberts, recipient of an Eisenhower exchange fellowship, and his wife are spending a few days in Medford while touring the United States.

Liberian Official Visiting in Medford

Tribal influence has been among the more serious problems facing the Liberian government, according to Charles Roberts, assistant secretary in the department of public works and utilities for Liberia.

Roberts and his wife are on a tour of the United States on an Eisenhower exchange fellowship, and arrived in Medford Wednesday night. They will remain here until Saturday.

Fellowship Program
The fellowship program, named in honor of President Eisenhower, is sponsored by a group of American businessmen and other individuals. The seven to ten month fellowships are awarded to promising business leaders on a non-governmental, non-political basis.

During his tour, Roberts has primarily been interested in the study of governmental services, personnel problems and housing problems. He has been studying these in Medford with City Manager Robert Duff.

Roberts explained that great strides have been made in Liberia in uniting the 28 different tribal groups. These strides have largely been the result of compulsory public education from kindergarten through the eighth grade, he said.

Official Language
The visitor said that each tribe has its own language, culture and traditions. English, however, is the official language in Liberia. He credited missionaries to his country for pioneering education, the major factor in overcoming the tribal diversity problem. Some of the tribes now have representatives in the legislature.

Roberts pointed out that the typical foreigner's impression of his country and the rest of Africa as a land of savages and wild animals running through the streets is indeed wrong. In fact, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts claim to have seen for the first time in an American zoo some of the wild animals that many think run wild in their country.

The two visitors emphasized the tremendous appreciation in their country for American aid.

American Capital
Roberts said the influence of American capital has been quite strong. The bank of Monrovia, capital city of Liberia, is a branch of the National City

Bank of New York. Another major American company with operations in Liberia is the Firestone Plantations company, which sponsors development of rubber.

German companies are also active in sponsoring development of fruit and vegetable industries. Sponsorship of economic enterprises by other countries, he said, has worked to mutual economic benefits.

The Robertses left their home in Monrovia in December. They spent a month in New York, visited Chicago, spent six weeks in Puerto Rico, returned to New York for three weeks, spent one week in Washington, D.C., and before arriving in Medford, visited in Palo Alto, Calif. Their next stop will be Eugene.

During their tour they are attempting to utilize as many types of transportation as possible. They made the trip from Monrovia to New York by plane, have traveled by car, train and bus, and are hoping to arrange a boat trip before the end of their tour.

The visitors said they have great admiration and appreciation for the American democratic way of life and particularly for freedom of expression.

"Our country is a young one," Roberts explained. "And we are trying to copy all the good we can." He also commented that foreigners are welcome in Liberia and their suggestions for improvements are appreciated.

Citizenship in Liberia
A sidelight Roberts pointed out was that only Negroes are entitled to citizenship in Liberia. The country was originally established for free Negroes from America.

Roberts, 37, is a graduate of the College of Liberia and also studied liberal arts at the University of Liberia. He has worked for the department of public works and utilities since its establishment in 1945. He first held a typist position, then climbed step-by-step to his present capacity.

He is now in charge of administration, organization, planning and supervision of the department personnel. He is also assistant to the chief minister of state for public works undertakings. The public works and utilities department, he explained, is a centralized agency for the whole country similar to the federal departments of the United States.

Mrs. Roberts is owner of a combination beauty shop and gift shop in Monrovia and employs three operators.

The couple has four children, three girls and one boy, ranging in age from 1 to 12 years. Two are in school in Newberg, N.Y., one at home and one with a friend.

President in Hospital For Complete Check
Washington—(U.P.)—A battery of doctors today prepared to give President Eisenhower his first major medical examination since he announced he will run for a second term.

The President entered Walter Reed Army hospital Thursday afternoon for what he called the "head to toe" routine checkup he likes to have at least once a year.

Mr. Eisenhower will remain at the hospital until about noon Saturday. The White House hoped to issue a medical report on the checkup early Saturday afternoon.

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PGE Chairman Challenges Dam Rule by Thornton Declared Legal

Portland—(U.P.)—The chairman of the board of Portland General Electric Company today challenged an opinion by Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton that PGE is proceeding illegally in constructing Pelton dam on the Deschutes river.

Chairman Thomas W. Delzell said in a statement that "it is our firm belief—backed up by our own legal counsel, by the opinion of leading attorneys not in our employ, and by no less a legal authority than the Supreme Court of the United States—that Mr. Thornton is wrong."

Laws Held Violated
Thornton told Gov. Elmo Smith this week that it was his opinion that PGE was violating Oregon water laws by proceeding with the dam without a state permit.

Delzell indicated that PGE management has a high regard for the office of Oregon's attorney general, but until otherwise directed must rely upon the advice of its own general counsel based on the decision of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Waived Six Years
Said Delzell: "We believe Pelton dam is a legal undertaking. We are a law-abiding concern. In fact we waited six years after receiving a Federal Power Commission license for Pelton dam before starting construction. We waited until validity of the license was thoroughly tested in the courts. Construction was not commenced until the company was properly and fully within the applicable laws of both the state and nation."

He said the attorney general already argued the matter before the U. S. Supreme Court and lost his case.

Rainfall Above Normal for May
Fruit and field crops in Jackson county are improving under above normal May rainfall, according to W. B. Tucker and Don Berry, Jackson county agricultural extension agents.

The Medford weather bureau recorded .77 of an inch of rain yesterday, bringing to 30.50 inches the total precipitation since the agricultural year started September 1.

Thursday's storm brought to 2.08 inches the total precipitation so far this month. Normal for the month of May is 1.22 inches. Precipitation for the season is 14.48 more than normal.

Prospects for fruit and field crops appear good, county agents said. Tucker commented there has been slight indication of cutworm damage to small seed plantings. Rain has improved field crops, especially in the dry land areas, he said.

Berry reported little scab and blight damage has been evident in local orchards. He added that rain could increase fruit disease, but tends to slow down insect activity.

The weather bureau foresaw rainy weather tapering off this afternoon and predicted partly cloudy skies tonight and Saturday.

Circuit Court Bailiff Undergoes Surgery
Fred Kelly, 89, of 725 Pennsylvania ave., Jackson county circuit court bailiff since 1940, underwent throat surgery this morning at Sacred Heart hospital.

Kelly was active until going to the hospital today and served in court Wednesday.

Weather

FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday. Low tonight 36. High Saturday 62.
Temp.
Highest Yesterday 57
Lowest this Morning 39
Prec. to 4:30 a.m. Today .74

Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise 4:54 a.m.
Sunset 8:04 p.m.
Moonset 3:07 p.m.
First Quarter May 16
PROMINENT STAR
Procyon, low in west 10:04 p.m.
VISIBLE PLANETS
Jupiter, high in south 8:04 p.m.
Saturn, rises 8:26 p.m.
Venus, sets 10:33 p.m.
Mars, in southeast 3:10 a.m.

\$2 Billion Requested For Agriculture Use

Washington—(U.P.)—The House Appropriations Committee recommended today that Congress hand the Agriculture Department almost \$2,000,000,000 in cash.

Congress promptly put two and two together and discovered it is being asked to put up almost \$4,000,000,000 this year to meet the growing cost of the farm program.

The new money bill, scheduled for debate next week, calls for cash appropriations of \$1,983,000,000 for the fiscal year starting July 1. That is \$1,100,000,000 more than Congress appropriated in cash last year and \$3,800,000,000 less than the administration requested.

In addition, the administration has requested, and Congress is almost certain to approve, an increase of \$2,000,000,000 in funds for Commodity Credit Corp. to finance farm price support operations. That will be handled later in separate legislation.

The big increase in the cash appropriations this year is due largely to the \$1,200,000,000 carried in the bill for CCC to make up for past losses on farm price support and surplus disposal operations.

By paying for previous losses, these funds will restore the CCC's price support fund to \$12,000,000,000, including its current multi-billion dollar investment in farm surpluses.

The second bill would raise to \$14,000,000,000 the maximum funds which CCC can "borrow" from the Treasury at any one time to finance farm programs. The administration feels that the \$12,000,000,000 ceiling is too low to finance price support opera-

DeVoe Appointed To Welfare Group
E. B. DeVoe, 12 Glen Oak court, Medford, has been appointed to the Jackson County Welfare commission. Gov. Elmo Smith announced today.

He fills a vacancy created when Alfred S. V. Carpenter resigned recently as chairman of the commission. H. D. Christensen was appointed chairman to succeed him.

DeVoe, president of DeVoe Lumber sales, formerly the DeVoe Lumber company, has been a member of the local Salvation Army board, and is a member of the board of directors for Rogue Valley Memorial hospital. He is a member of the Rogue Valley Country club board of directors.

He has been active in Community Chest work in Medford for several years.

The DeVoes moved to Medford 16 years ago from Baker, where they lived for about four years. They have two daughters, Mrs. Sheridan W. Cavitt, whose husband is in the Air Force in Athens, Greece, and Mrs. D. C. McGarry, whose husband is a Navy chief petty officer in Seattle.

Republicans Schedule Pre-Election Meeting
A pre-election meeting of the Jackson County Republican Central committee will be held at 8 p.m., Monday, according to Dewey Wilson, vice-chairman of the committee. The meeting will be held in the cafeteria of Hedrick Junior High school.

All Republican candidates for office have been invited to discuss their candidacies briefly, Wilson said. Precinct committeemen and candidates for committeemen are also urged to attend.

Complete registration lists will be available at the meetings, and election day procedures will be discussed.

All interested Republicans are invited, Wilson said.

Oregon Caves Road Opens for Traffic
The road to Oregon Caves National monument, closed by heavy snow and fallen trees, has been opened by the state highway department. More than 50 trees blocked the highway after heavy winds and rains during the winter.

Facilities operating at the Caves are restricted to guide service, according to the national park service here.

tions on 1956 crops and the cost of the administration proposed soil bank.

The committee-approved money bill also includes \$783,000,000 for the Agriculture Department's "regular activities." This is an increase of \$78,000,000 over last year but \$3,800,000 less than President Eisenhower's sharply increased budget requests.

The committee noted that in the three previous years Congress has voted bigger farm funds than requested by the Eisenhower administration. It said

the administration in previous years had sought to make "drastic reductions" in the farm budget.

It concluded that Mr. Eisenhower in asking for more money this year "apparently recognized the serious situation facing American agriculture."

In addition to the cash appropriations, the measure would grant the administration's request for power to make \$359,000,000 in loans to help farmers get electricity, telephone service and to meet their credit needs.

Expenditure Increase
The capital expenditure increase is partly due to a change in the use of the water system construction fund, Lee said. In the 1956-57 budget, all capital expenditures, including those formerly budgeted in the water system construction fund, are now included in the general expenses for the commission.

An increase of about 5 per cent in cost of waterworks materials, such as pipe and valves, accounts for some of the increase in capital expenditures, Lee said.

Another increase, Lee noted, is in operating expenses, including maintenance. A total of \$150,475 has been proposed for operating expenses, which includes \$16,000 for maintenance of Willow Creek dam, where additional rock rip-rap will be placed on the face of the dam next year. Lee said normal maintenance cost of Willow Creek dam is \$200 annually.

Other Expenditures
Other expenditures include

Copco Gets Access To Atomic Data
Washington—(U.P.)—Two Oregon power firms today were issued permits granting them access to restricted data of the Atomic Energy Commission for use in studying civilian generation of power with atomic energy.

Granted permits were Pacific Power & Light of Portland and California Oregon Power Company of Medford, as well as Washington Water Power of Spokane.

Personnel of the three firms, after passing security clearance, will be permitted to use restricted and classified material relating to atomic power plant development.

Merrifield Plans Visit to Medford
John Merrifield, state senator from Multnomah county and candidate for Republican National committee, will be guest at a coffee hour between noon and 2 p.m. Saturday, May 12, in the Rogue room of the Medford hotel, Winston Carl, county campaign chairman, said today.

Carl said Merrifield's visit here will be the last one before the May 18 primary. He has been active in Republican party for several years, Carl said.

Saturday night, Merrifield plans to attend the Oregon Consumer Finance association state convention here, and return to Portland Sunday.

Merrifield has been a state senator for four years.

franchise taxes, paid to the city in the form of free water service, \$3,950; interest on bonds, \$55,673; labor and material for customers' service connections, \$9,000; labor and material for servicing customers' installations, \$25,000; and transfer of funds, \$42,400.

Lee said the estimated balance of \$27,479.35 on June 30, 1957, will cover the long term debt interest of \$27,387.50 which will be due on July 1, 1957.

Increased expenditures, Lee said, are caused by an accelerated rate of growth and new annexations.

Accounting System
The water commission accounting system will change with the start of the new fiscal year, Lee said. The department proposes to adopt the American Water Works association's recommended system.

The new accounting system, he said, will provide more complete records of physical property, more accurate distribution of costs including overhead items, simplification of procedures, comparison of costs with other water utilities throughout the country, and more accurate information will be available for computation of rates.

Grand Jury Convenes To Hear Evidence
The Jackson county grand jury went into session this morning to consider evidence and testimony concerning the April 19 murder of Alvin William Eacret, 14, Klamath Falls, and murder charges against Billy Junior Nunn, 28, Klamath Falls millworker.

A district attorney's information charging Nunn with first degree murder was filed last Saturday. Nunn stated in writing last week that he had strangled the boy after sexually attacking him at Tub Springs park on April 19.

Eacret's body was found at the park on April 29 by two teenage girls. Nunn was arrested in Alturas, Calif., on May 2 and wrote the confession there the following day. Preliminary hearing was held in Medford Monday, when Nunn was bound over to the grand jury.

The grand jury was expected to remain in session at least for the rest of the day.

Charles Porter to Speak Here Saturday
Charles O. Porter, Eugene attorney seeking the Democratic nomination for congressman from this district, will speak at 8 p.m. Saturday in the auditorium of the Medford Labor Temple, South Grape st.

Among his discussion topics will be proposed economic and political solutions to the freight car shortage problem, according to Bruce J. Manley, Porter's campaign manager here.

Security Curtain Surrounds Russian Clerk in Capital
Washington—(U.P.)—The Russian Embassy today drew an iron curtain around Vladimir Mikheev, the Soviet clerk who tried to pick military secrets from U. S. government employees.

Mikheev slipped mysteriously from his residence a few hours before the House Committee on Un-American Activities disclosed a third case in which Mikheev sought to get information from government secrets.

Expulsion Demanded
His activities have brought demands that he be expelled from the country.

Mikheev moved out of his home in Washington last night loaded down with belongings and accompanied by his wife and small son. He refused to tell a reporter where he was going.

Previously, the committee had reported that Mikheev contacted Sidney Hatkin, suspended Air Force statistician, and Richard Cutter, librarian of the Armed Forces Medical Library.

Mikheev failed to get any information in all three cases.

Leaflets Tell of Reprisal Against Cypriot Hangings

Governor of Cyprus Disbelieves Claim

Nicosia, Cyprus—(U.P.)—The pro-Greek underground announced today it had hanged two British soldiers in a life for a life reprisal against the British execution of two Cypriot gunmen.

Shortly afterwards, a Cypriot youth, handing out leaflets announcing the executions, was shot and killed in Nicosia's main square. Violence also flared elsewhere.

Field Marshal Sir John Harding, the British governor of Cyprus, issued an official statement indicating he did not believe the underground claim. His statement said the leaflets contained inaccuracies. It said the leaflets were "patently an attempt to make propaganda capital from the fact that the two men are known to be missing."

British Shocked
The British were shocked and angered by the reported hanging of Cpls. Gordon Hill and Ronnie Shilton. They swiftly tightened security measures on this troubled Mediterranean island.

The news electrified British headquarters from Nicosia to London despite threats by the pro-Greek underground Eoka to extract Biblical vengeance for the hangings, an eye for an eye.

A British military spokesman in Nicosia said, "There is not one shred of evidence that Lance Corporal Gordon Hill was held as a hostage by Eoka or any other organization." There was no official word on Lance Corporal Shilton, the other man the underground claimed it had hanged.

Bitter Struggle
The circulars were signed "Dighenis," the code name of the Eoka leader who has been reported to be a British-trained Greek colonel named George Grivas.

The announcement by the rebels against British authority in this Mediterranean NATO base was expected to intensify the bitter struggle that has torn Cyprus for the last 13 months when the union with Greece movement started.

Shops throughout Cyprus already were closed or closing as a general strike crept from one end of the island to the other. But until the rebel announcement the British were believed to be in firm control.

Blow to British
There had been scattered cases of bombings yesterday, during the night and this morning but the widespread rioting expected did not appear. Today's announcement was almost sure to revive the fighting spirit of the pro-Greek Cypriots.

Should the announcement be confirmed, it would be one of the heaviest guerrilla blows against British Army prestige since Israeli partisans hanged two British Tommies in a Palestine orange orchard during the mandate days in the Holy land.

That incident provoked Britain to a stormy height of indignation.

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