

UP's Russell Jones Saw Revolt In Hungary From Victory to Defeat

Editor's note: One American reporter stayed in Budapest throughout the Hungarian revolt and its bloody suppression by Russian troops and tanks. This is a story about him.

By UNITED PRESS

"What happens if I stay?" the sandy-haired American asked. "Please, Mr. Jones," he said. "Don't try to stay."

But reporter Russell Jones of the United Press did stay in Budapest. He has stuck there for five weeks during the unbelievable days when revolution was winning and the horror-filled ones when it was crushed. He has been ordered to get out tonight.

Jones didn't even have a visa when he drove into the battered capital Oct. 29 in a German Ford which flew the American flag. Hungarian freedom fighters shouted their welcome. Flags flew from every house, stripped of the red star.

He had passed through Western Hungary, then held by the rebels, and through a ring of Soviet tanks that circled Budapest but did not stop him. With him was Ilona Nyilas, the UP's resident correspondent in Budapest. She had been vacationing in London and recuperating from months in a Hungarian Communist prison.

There were no communications between Hungary and the outside world. Plane and train service had stopped. Telephone and cable links were down.

Somehow, Jones got through by telephone to Vienna. In a quiet voice he dictated: "It is 10 minutes past 2 a.m. in Budapest. The roar of tanks on the move thunders across this aching city. But in the darkness before dawn only Russian commanders know if the rumbling of armor means more death or peace at last."

This was just before the second massive Russian intervention when the Soviet army returned in mass to Budapest, pulverized the city and its freedom fighters. More than 3,000 persons already had been killed, bodies lay in the streets like autumn leaves.

"Is the Soviet army withdrawing?" Jones went on. "Here in the Hotel Duna—the word means Danube—you can't tell the direction of the grinding gears and the roaring engines."

By daybreak Jones knew the answer. The Russians were back with an overpowering Sunday morning attack. Jones and the other Western newsmen made their way to the United States legation and took shelter there for the next few days of furious battle. When it slackened Jones returned to the Duna. He found his bedroom shattered and the hotel kitchen extinct.

There was no heat, little food. It was risking your life to go out in the streets. Most reporters decided it was senseless to stay in groups they pulled out for Vienna—more than 100 in all. Jones was the only American who stayed.

At the outset there had been cheers and smiles at the sight of an American. But now that changed.

"They kept asking me," said Jones, "why didn't you come and help us... we thought you were our friends. Then I felt my complete inadequacy both as a reporter and an American."

His voice in the bitter and bloody days that followed rarely

retrayed emotion except when he reported on the children who died alongside their parents. Jones has a boy of his own, Joseph, 14, and a daughter, Elizabeth, 12.

On one of his telephone calls in Frankfurt, Jones broke off from him calm dictation and suddenly said: "Listen to this!" Over the line from Budapest came a sound like the ripping

of stiff paper. The machinegun was punctuated with the heavy thump of shells. "Are you okay, Russ?" the UP correspondent in Frankfurt

asked anxiously. "Sure. That's down the street." He mentioned before ringing off that "It's getting pretty cold here at nights." It was, in fact,

the coldest November in 10 years. Jones has with him only a raincoat. He had ignored his wife's counsel to take a heavy winter overcoat "because I won't be gone long anyway."



ASKS AID FOR HUNGARIAN REFUGEES—Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, incoming president of the American Red Cross, is shown at a press conference in Washington as he urged Americans to help Hungarian refugees by contributing to a five million dollar Red Cross relief program.

Kellys File Appeal Against State Over Income Tax Dispute

Edward C. and Mary Greiner Kelly, 906 West 4th st., Medford, have filed an appeal in circuit court here against the state of Oregon and through the state tax commission as the result of a dispute over income tax assessments in 1950 and 1951.

In their first cause of action, the Kellys claim they filed a joint income tax return for 1950, reporting net income of \$7,694 and tax indebtedness of \$101.94, which they say they paid. They also claimed dependency credits for their daughter, Noreen, who was then 18 years old, and their son, Edward James, then 15 years old.

According to the appeal, the tax commission later claimed the Kellys should have reported \$455 earnings by their daughter and claimed the plaintiffs were indebted in the sum of \$38.48. Following hearing

On Oct. 4, 1956, following a hearing on the matter, the state claimed the Kellys owned \$35.94 tax with \$11.86 interest, or a total amount of \$47.80.

In their second cause of action, the plaintiffs claim they filed an income tax return for 1951, reporting net income of \$11,456 with tax indebtedness of \$242.02, which they said they paid. They again claimed dependency credits for their daughter, then 19, and son, then 16.

According to the appeal, the commission claimed the Kellys were not entitled to claim dependency credits for their daughter in the sum of \$300 and should have reported \$16.15 earnings of their son.

The commission also claimed the Kellys owned taxes amounting to \$57.68. Following a protest by the plaintiffs, a hearing was held and the commission accepted the Kellys owned \$57.68 tax and \$15.27 interest, or a total of \$72.95 for the year 1951.

The Kellys are asking the court to set aside the determination of the tax commission and award such other relief to the plaintiffs as the court deems equitable.

Kelly, a Medford attorney, is representing his wife and himself in the case.

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DURLING ON VACATION
E. V. Durling, whose column "On the Side," appears regularly in the Mail Tribune, is on vacation. His column will be resumed on Dec. 17.

Love at First Sight
GEO. N. TAYLOR
Civil War Days: The young cavalryman of the Northern Army, turned his horse into the farm yard on

the Tennessee pick. A young girl came out and pumped him a drink of cold water. Then they visited and out of it the fellow vowed he would return and marry the girl. "And she has been my wife ever since," said he. And right now, Christ is here winning His bride—even all who believe down in their heart. Christ died for every last sin. "The blood of Jesus Christ cleanses from all sin. Having believed, God gives you eternal life. Then grow up. By daily Bible and prayer, grow up. "Casting all your care upon Him, for He careth for you."—1st Peter 5:7.

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HUNGRY after trek to freedom, Hungarian refugee girl munches bread after arriving in Austria. (International)

Suit Against Local Firm Seeks \$35,665 Damages for Injury

Joe Britton Berriman, an employee of Viking Sprinkler company, has filed a \$35,665 complaint in circuit court against Timber Products company.

The suit is the result of an injury Berriman claims he received Nov. 30, 1955, while working at the Timber Products company plant near Medford.

Berriman claims he was installing a fire prevention sprinkling system at the plant and during the course of his task was required to ascend a step ladder. The complaint states that adjacent to the ladder, the Timber Products company had placed a machine for application of an oily, greasy liquid and drums for storage of the liquid.

Splashed, Tracked
The complaint also states that the substance was splashed and tracked on the floor in the vicinity of his ladder and, as a result, either the plaintiff or the ladder slipped. He claims he was thus caused to grab and cling to an overhead pipe to avoid falling to the floor and in so doing suffered injuries.

Berriman charges Timber Products company with negligence on 11 counts, including failure to provide a safe place for him to work, allowing a slippery substance to remain on the floor and violating state safety codes.

He claims the accident resulted in an aggravation of a congenital anomaly of the back, considerable loss of motion in his left arm, pain, mental anguish, considerable expense for medical treatment and loss of earnings.

He asks \$30,000 general damages, \$3,665 special damages and costs and disbursements. He is represented by Duncan, Brophy, Wilson and Duhaime, Medford law firm.

Dying Boy's Wish Comes True Four Fold

Menomonee Falls, Wis.—A dying 6-year-old boy's fondest Christmas dream came true today, four times over.

Little Dale Nadwocki, suffering from incurable cancer, wanted a live baby pig for Christmas his last. Well wishers responded by sending him four baby porkers, one of which boasts a pedigree.

The thin but cheerful youngster is celebrating Christmas tonight because he may not live until Dec. 25.

Lella Nadwocki, the boy's mother, said the public response of kindness for Dale has been "overwhelming." She said Dale had received about 250 cards, some with money and others with prayers and good wishes.

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