

# Russia Declared Temporarily Reverting To Former Tactics

Washington—(U.P.)—Russia is temporarily reverting to her old cold war tactics in a desperate attempt to hold the Communist world together in a working bloc, diplomatic sources said today.

The State Department said the two were ousted on "false" spy charges. Spokesman Lincoln White noted that their expulsion followed by only eight days the Moscow ouster of two other assistant military attaches "on equally spurious espionage charges."

White said the department presumed the Russians kicked out the four in retaliation for "reveals of actual Soviet espionage activities in the United States." He referred to the recent espionage indictment against New Yorkers Jack and Myra Sobel and Jacob Albam, who were accused of conspiring with Russian intelligence agents.

White also noted that the latest espionage followed closely on Moscow's "television spectacular" in which four Russians were paraded before TV cameras and...

White said, "falsely presented as U.S. spies." White said this all added up to a "revival of old propaganda charges and the fabrication of new incidents." He said the action apparently is aimed at supporting Russia's claims that the United States is interfering in Eastern European affairs.

Diplomatic sources said the Soviets, mindful of the uprisings in Hungary and Poland and other disturbing events behind the Iron Curtain, are engaged in an all out campaign to convince the Communist world the United States is trying to stir up trouble.

These sources said this drive also was behind a recent bitter Soviet statement complaining of U.S. plans to station atomic task forces at various spots around the world.



## Millage Rate Rises To 93.2 in Area of Lone Pine Annexed

City officials said today the millage rate in the Lone Pine area of the recently annexed Grandview - Kenwood district will increase to an estimated 93.2 mills next fiscal year.

City Manager Robert Duff estimated the levy for 1957-58 in tax district 10-3 if it still were outside the city would be 83.9 mills, and for the same taxing district now will be about 93.2 mills.

## Ammonia Tank Blast Fatal To 1, 3 Hurt

Kennewick, Wash. — (U.P.)—One man was critically injured and three others sustained minor injuries yesterday when an anhydrous ammonia tank exploded at the Phillips Pacific Chemical company plant near here.

## 80 Donors Make Appointments

Red Cross Bloodmobile officials today reminded residents a total of 350 donors will be needed to meet the 290-pint quota at the Feb. 13 Bloodmobile visit in Medford.

## Air Base Lease Agreement, U.S. Arms For Saudi Arabia Told in Communique

Washington — (U.P.)—President Eisenhower and Saudi Arabian King Saud announced agreement today on a new five-year lease for the Dhahran Air base and U.S. arms deliveries to Saudi Arabia.

"Such actions should be opposed in accordance with the purposes and principles of the United Nations," the President and the King declared.

## Legislature Moves To Bar Property Tax at State Level

Measure Would Leave Source To Counties

Salem—(U.P.)—The Oregon Legislature moved on two fronts today to bar a property tax at the state level, leaving that source of revenue exclusively to the county and local levels of government.

Up for second reading in the Senate today was a bill by Sens. Harry D. Boivin of Klamath Falls, Warren Gill of Lebanon and G. D. Gleason of Portland that would amend the present law concerning a state property tax by limiting it to payment of bonded indebtedness for the interest thereon.

Earlier, Reps. Robert L. Elfstrom of Salem and Eddie Ahrens of Turner introduced a bill in the House to prevent collection of a state property tax unless authorized by the legislature.

## Two Fined on Charges Of Operating Games

Bernard W. Parton, operator of Butte Falls tavern, and Philip T. Stewart, operator of the Valley View Inn, Ashland, were each fined \$50 in district court yesterday after pleading guilty to charge of possessing, displaying and operating games of chance.

## Bill Would Abolish Development Group

Salem—(U.P.)—Abolishing the Oregon Development commission and establishing a new department of planning and development under the governor was called for in a bill introduced in the Oregon House today.

## Israel Rejects Ike's Plea

Premier's Letter Discards Request For Withdrawal

United Nations, N. Y.—(U.P.)—Premier David Ben Gurion today rejected President Eisenhower's plea for an Israeli withdrawal from all Egyptian territory, an Israeli government spokesman announced in Tel Aviv.

## Beck in London; Denies Dodging Senate Probers

London — (U.P.)—Teamsters Union President Dave Beck arrived here by air from Nassau tonight and angrily denied he is dodging a Senate subcommittee investigating labor racketeering.

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## Wilderness Designated

Acting Secretary of Agriculture True D. Morse designated as the Three Sister wilderness 197,000 acres of land surrounding the Three Sisters peaks in the Cascades. All but 3,000 acres has been in a protected "primitive area" status.

## Names Confusion Brings Clarification Request

There are at least five young men in the county named Jerry Stewart, it was reported today by the mother of one of them, and some embarrassment has been caused to four of them by this fact.

## Weather

FORECAST: Increasing cloudiness tonight with rain late tonight or early Saturday. Low tonight 35. High Saturday 45.

## Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise 7:18 a.m. Sunset 5:34 p.m. The Moon, seen tonight between Aldebaran and the Pleiades, sets Saturday at 3:40 a.m. and will be full on Feb. 14.

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