

Rudolf Hess, Still In Jail, Continues To Worship Hitler

Berlin —(U.P.)— Aged, haggard Rudolf Hess probably is the only German alive today who still openly acknowledges the leadership of Adolf Hitler.

In his cell at four-power Spandau prison, Hess harangues himself on the glories of the dead Fuehrer and his own role as Hitler's deputy.

Sometimes, carried away by emotion, he sings the Horst Wessel song and attempts to goose-step in a cell 10 feet long and six feet wide.

Prisoner Since 1941
He has been a prisoner since May, 1941, when he made his mysterious flight to Scotland without Hitler's knowledge to give Britain peace terms.

Now 62, he will end his days in a prison or in a madhouse. The four-power Nurnberg military tribunal sentenced him to life for crimes against world peace and planning and starting a war of aggression.

Hess has aged far beyond his years. His features are haggard, his eyes sunken under beetle brows. In his grey prison uniform he has the appearance of a bony-looking scarecrow.

Of the four prisoners still left in the West Berlin prison, Hess is by far the most difficult.

Complains Bitterly
He complains bitterly of poor health, alleging heart, stomach and kidney ailments.

Once he worked regularly in the prison laundry, but now the four-power guards can get him to do little work.

Of all the garden patches in the prison courtyard, his is the most untidy, although once he took pride in his cabbages.

Some think Hess is insane, but most observers at Spandau think he probably only is eccentric.

Except for his Nazi outbursts and occasional shouts of "Heil Hitler," Hess speaks little to anyone. He appears to live in a world of his own.

He steadfastly refuses to attend religious services — in a cell converted into a chapel — and he does not allow his family to visit him.

Of the seven top Nazis sentenced to serve their terms in Spandau in 1946, only four are left.

All Alone
They are all alone in a prison built for 550 prisoners. Their guard ranges from about 100 soldiers when the Americans have the rotating prison chairmanship, to some 180 when the Soviets have the chair. The United States, Britain, France and Soviets take turns providing the guard.

The Soviets have put out feelers on closing down the prison, and putting Hess in a hospital and the others in another jail.

But such a step does not appear to be imminent. In the prison along with Hess are Nazi youth leader Baldur Von Schirach, who is serving a 20-year term; munitions boss Albert Speer, 20 years; and Finance Minister Walther Funk, life.

Admiral Karl Doenitz was released last year after serving a 10-year term. Earlier, Admiral Erich Raeder and Foreign Minister Konstantin von Neurath were released because of age and poor health.

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Briefs From State Legislature

Salem —(U.P.)— The Senate passed Senate bills 192 and 193, to enable individuals and corporations to spread a loss in income in any one year over the next five years, rather than requiring them, as under present law, to take the loss in one year.

Sen. Lee Ohmart, Salem Republican, said the measure might cost the state \$1 million in revenues at first but would bring about equity for the tax payers and benefit the state as a whole in the long run.

Salem —(U.P.)— By a vote of 4 to 3, the Senate Elections Committee approved a resolution calling for a Legislature composed of 31 senators and 61 representatives.

Republicans favored the proposal and Democrats opposed it. If passed and signed by the governor, voters would decide on it.

Such a Legislature would avoid deadlocks such as the present 15-15 tie in the Senate between Republicans and Democrats.

Salem —(U.P.)— A bill to allow boat fishing on reservoirs formed by power projects in the North Umpqua river above Winchester dam has been passed by the Senate and sent to the House.

Present law bans boat fishing there. Under the measure, the State Game Commission would be allowed to regulate boat fishing in the area.

Science Prodigy Wins Another \$64,000 on TV

New York —(U.P.)— Science prodigy Robert Strom won his second \$64,000 on a TV quiz show Tuesday night and will start out after a third next week.

The 10-year-old television quiz whiz brought his winnings to \$128,000 by putting his knowledge of physics, math, electricity and astronomical spectroscopy to use in answering a four-part question.

Since program rules allow a contestant to try for four jackpots, Strom can win as much as \$256,000 on CBS-TV's "The \$64,000 Question." Each time he wins \$64,000, the win is outright and can not be prejudiced by future answers.

Cmdr. Edward Peary Stafford, a Navy pilot from Washington, D.C., appeared briefly on the program to announce that he will try to answer his \$64,000 question on the show next week. Stafford, who did not participate this week because of time limitations, is competing in the field of "American literature."

On the musical quiz, "Name That Tune," also over CBS-TV, another boy, Albert Strangler, 14, and former welterweight boxer Billy Graham won \$10,000. Graham, West Islip, N.Y., and Strangler, New York City, appearing as a team, return next week to move on to the third round of the \$25,000 "golden medley marathon."

Portland Meeting Honors Oregonians; 'Flag Flies High'

Portland —(U.P.)— Portland, "Boston of the West," pointed with pride at its illustrious citizens yesterday and viewed with alarm the charges of certain congressmen that it is a city of sin and iniquity.

Some 850 persons gathered at a luncheon in the Hollywood district to honor Portlanders and Oregonians who have brought national distinction, of an honorable sort, to their motherland.

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Grange Notes

Sams Valley Grange
Sams Valley Grange held the last regular meeting Saturday night, March 23. Master Albert Strauss complimented the agriculture and legislative committees on their reports. Lester James reported the Sams Valley Area Soil Conservation district had acquired a dump truck for the use of the farmers of the district. The truck is quartered at his farm and anyone wishing to use it should contact him. A small rental fee is charged.

During the lecturer's program Miss Doreen Straus discussed her trip through Mexico.

Miss Colleen Hope of Medford is giving a series of dance instruction classes at Sams Valley Grange hall. Most basic steps are being taught. The second in the series of six lessons will be held Saturday night, April 6. There is no age limit and a small fee is charged per family unit.

The next regular Grange meeting will be Saturday night, April 27.

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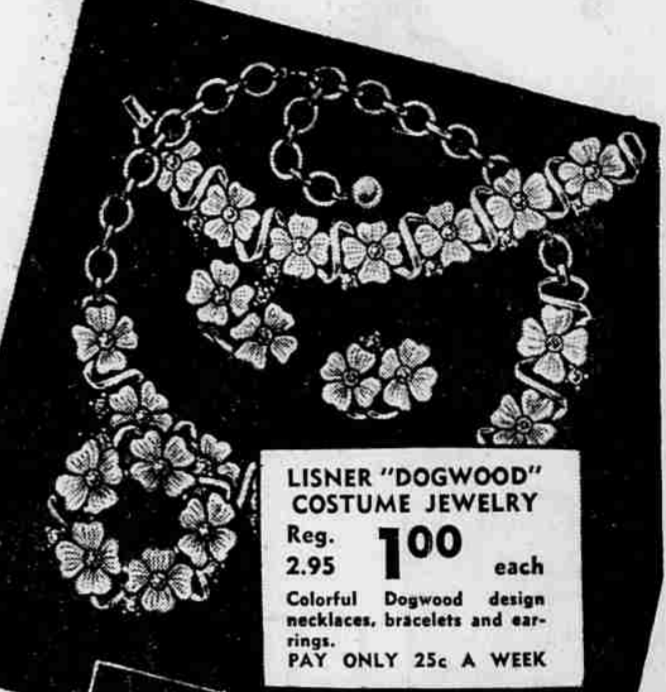
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