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South Viet Nam Denies Charges Of Kidnaping 82

Communist Chinese Claims Arouse Fear

Saigon, South Viet Nam - (UPI) - The South Viet Nam government yesterday denied Communist Chinese charges that a Vietnamese Navy gunboat kidnaped 82 fishermen from the Parcels Islands in the South China sea.

The Communist charges aroused fears of a new Red-inspired crisis in Asia. The Parcels Islands, which lie 280 miles off the Viet Nam coast, are claimed by Communist and Nationalist China, South Viet Nam and the Philippines.

Officials in Saigon said yesterday that 50 Chinese who landed on Duncan Island in the Parcels in two junks were held briefly for investigation. Allowed to Leave

After the fishermen had been identified and questioned, the officials said, they were given food and drinking water and allowed to leave for their homeland. The arrest took place Feb. 22, the officials said.

The Chinese Reds said Friday the incident took place Feb. 26. They accused the Saigon government of Premier Ngo Dinh Diem of invading the islands, tearing down Communist flags, "kidnaping" 82 fishermen and seizing five fishing boats.

Earlier this month the Peiping Regime reported it was colonizing the island group, which it calls Hsisha - West Sands.

Will Investigate Government spokesman in Saigon said last week South Viet Nam, a staunchly anti-Communist ally of the United States, would investigate the Chinese reports.

Peiping made the charges in a foreign Ministry statement issued through the official New China News Agency.

The Communist charges and threats aroused fears in some parts of Asia that Peiping now planned to stir up a new crisis over the Parcels to succeed current tension over Quemoy and other offshore islands.

Sports Bulletins

Central Point - Grants high kept in contention for a state A-1 basketball tournament berth by trimming Crater 41 to 38 here last night. The Cavemen overcame a five-point fourth-quarter deficit to get the triumph. Chuch Turner had 15 points for Crater and Rick Sabin 13 for Grants Pass.

Klamath Falls - Klamath Falls claimed its third straight Southern Oregon conference basketball title by downing Medford high 71 to 57 here last night. The Pelicans of Klamath had quarter leads of 16 to 11, 36 to 33 and 50 to 41. Medford's Jerry Anderson put in 29 points.

New County-Library Contract Offers Specific Provisions for Responsibility

A contract for continued extension of services to Jackson county by the Medford Public Library was signed Friday afternoon.

Signers were Mrs. Leland Mentzer, president, and H. Dewey Wilson, representing the library board, and Judge Earl Miller and Commissioners Ralph James and Chester Wendt of the county court.

The new contract is the latest of a series starting in 1920 when the county court first contracted with the Medford Public Library board for extension of its services as a county library. The contract has been modified and improved through the years, with the revision of 1954 in force up until the present time.

The new version, recently completed in conferences between the county court and the library board, was undertaken in order to achieve an agreement more specific in several respects and thus more practicable in operation, according to library officials.

Certain provisions strengthen the administrative duties and responsibilities of the library board, while others ensure a measure of local con-



CENTENNIAL THEME - Students and teachers of Lincoln school, to stimulate interest in the school carnival, attended classes Friday in old-fashioned costumes. The carnival theme was "pioneer days."

Red Trawler Deliberately Cut Cable, Official States

New York - (UPI) - An official of the American Telephone and Telegraph company said last night a fishing trawler apparently had deliberately cut the trans-Atlantic cable that has sparked a new cold war incident between the United States and Russia.

John A. Bowman, general manager of special projects for AT&T's long lines department, said the repair ship Lord Kelvin had located the cable break about noon some 195 miles off Clarenceville, Nfld.

Bowman said the Kelvin had raised the cable to the surface and found it to be "badly frayed," indicating it had been dragged aboard a vessel previously.

"From the looks of the cable," Bowman said, "it appears that it had become fouled in trawling gear, was hauled aboard a trawler and cut to free the gear."

The leader of a U. S. Navy party that boarded a Russian trawler in the area said in Washington yesterday he believed the Soviet fishing vessel cut the cable accidentally.

The officer, Lt. Donald M. Sheely, said there was no evidence to indicate that the cable had been cut on purpose but "I am not convinced they didn't cut it deliberately."

Bowman said the cable, one-and-a-half inches in diameter and placed in service in September, 1956. He said it never had been broken previously.

Asked at a news conference whether there appeared Spring, Summer Hours At Museum Announced

Jacksonville - Spring and summer hours at the Jacksonville museum have been announced by Miss Mary L. Hanley, curator.

The museum will be open between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on weekdays, and between noon and 5 p.m. on Sundays and holidays, she said. The spring and summer hours start today.

control by communities served with branch libraries, according to Wilson, who, with District Attorney Tom Reeder and former Medford City Attorney Roy Bashaw, drew up the document.

In general, the headquarters library is responsible for provision of books and other reading materials and supplies, and for the staffing and supervision of personnel. Communities served by branches remain responsible for housing and equipment. This is the general pattern of county library service, throughout the United States, according to library authorities.

The responsibility of the library board for employing and compensating branch librarians, thus freeing local community funds for library improvements and needed equipment, has been spelled out in the new agreement. Selection of such personnel will be made "with the advice of and subject to the approval of the council of the city furnishing the facilities."

A new provision permits the local librarian to spend money received as fines and

Khrushchev Plans Junket This Week To East Germany

Macmillan Continues 'Understanding' Plea

Moscow - (UPI) - Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev will fly to East Germany, apparently to press ahead for a Berlin showdown, at the conclusion of his chilly summit talks with Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, it was announced yesterday.

(There was immediate speculation in the West that the Soviet premier would negotiate a separate peace treaty with the East German government, paving the way for the Soviets to turn over control of the West Berlin allied lifelines to East Germany on May 27.)

Mikoyan As Host As Macmillan toured historic Leningrad with Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas I. Mikoyan as his unexpected host, the official Tass News Agency disclosed that Khrushchev would fly to the East German Leipzig International fair which opens this weekend and runs to March 10.

He was expected to leave soon after Macmillan ends his Russian tour on Tuesday. Tass said the Soviet statesman accepted an invitation from the East German government to visit the fair.

Time was running out for Macmillan and his "reconnaissance" mission which began in an aura of goodwill last Saturday and quickly degenerated into a diplomatic freeze when Khrushchev rejected the Western call for a big four foreign ministers' conference on Berlin.

One more formal summit meeting was scheduled on Monday between Khrushchev and Macmillan.

The British prime minister continued to appeal for mutual understanding and further East-West negotiations because "hopes for peace are not enough." Macmillan again warned that governments "must work for peace and avoid actions which lead to dangerous situations."

Annexation Ballot Scheduled Monday

Central Point - A special election to annex an area about a block wide and a half a mile long will be held in the Central Point Rural Fire Protection district tomorrow.

The area to be annexed extends about 80 feet south of G. St. in the Camp White industrial area. The election is necessary to correct an error in the description of the property which was annexed last December, board members pointed out.

The board of directors of the district recommended that voters approve the annexation since it will add materially to the assessed valuation of the district at no expense to the operation of the district.

Board members pointed out also that fires in the section of land proposed to be annexed would be fought by the department to protect property within the district at the present time. The White City fire hall of the district is only a block from the area to be annexed, members noted.

"It goes without saying the American search party found nothing on the Soviet ship that could have harmed the sea cables," the radio said.

"Did They Say This Was A Balanced Budget Or A Juggled One?"



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Tanganyika Sends Invading Police Into Nyasaland

Zomba, Nyasaland - (UPI) - The British trust territory of Tanganyika sent an invading police force into Nyasaland to wrest control of the strategic Fort Hill airfield from African hands, it was announced officially last night.

The announcement said a police unit crossed the border into the Nyasaland British protectorate, "occupied Fort Hill and cleared the airfield." There was no violent resistance, the announcement said.

African rioters, in a nationalist outbreak earlier last week, seized the field from a handful of European officials and blocked the air strip with boulders and oil drums to head off troop and police landings.

British authorities have sent army and police reinforcements into southern and northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland to check spreading "independence" demonstrations by Africans. The three territories are linked in a central African federation.

Last night's announcement said Tanganyika took the action "by arrangement" with Nyasaland Governor Sir Robert Armitage and to prevent African bands roaming across the border into Tanganyika's southern highlands. The action was part of the government program to protect the lives of law-abiding citizens endangered by rioters, it said.

The latest outbreak occurred Friday at Chigarus, Nyasaland, when 250 rioters tried to attack the courthouse to free two African national congress officials. One African was killed and two were wounded when British-led African troops fired into the mob to halt the riot.

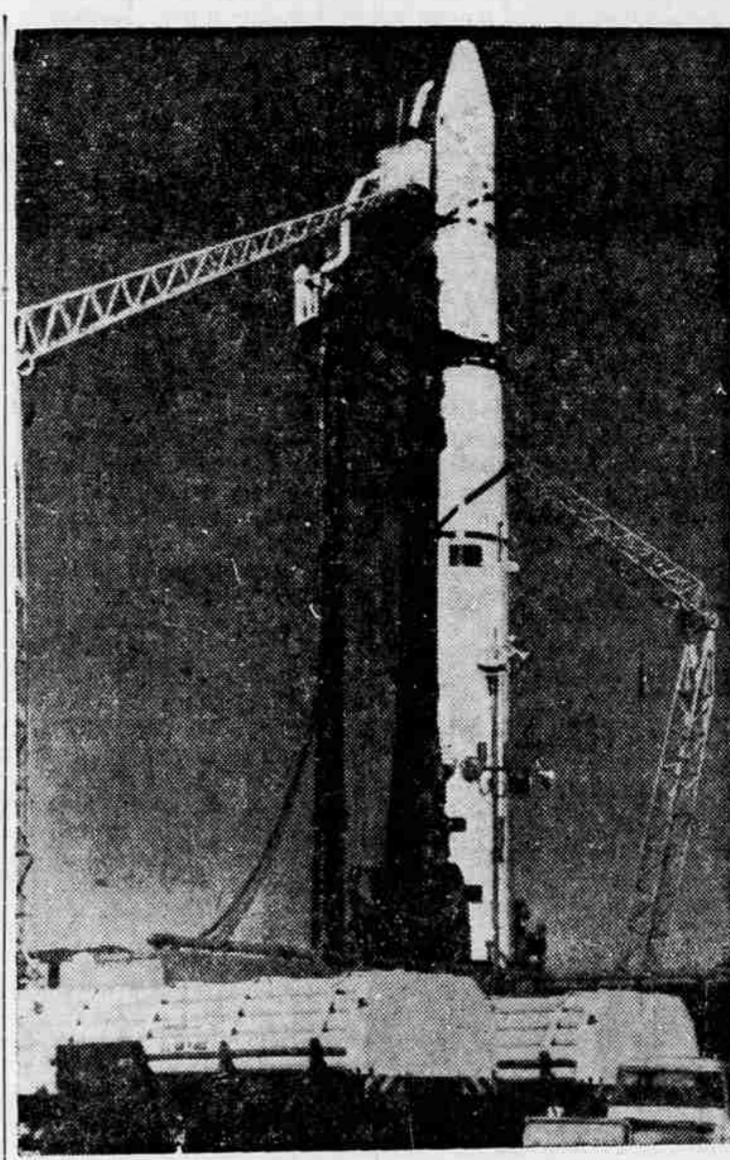
Tri-State Power Tie Parley Set March 4

Salem - (UPI) - Gov. Hatfield said March 4 for a conference of representatives from California, Washington and Oregon on a power inter-tie that would unite the three Pacific Coast states.

The first meeting will be between government agency heads from the three states, Hatfield said.

Hatfield has named Public Utilities Commissioner Jonel Hill, Water Resources Director Don Lane, State Engineer Lewis Stanley, and Natural Resources Secretary Dan Allen to attend the conference.

The three chief executives will meet to name representatives of both public and private power for further study of a power inter-tie after the agency heads have agreed on a framework for the study.



SATELLITE VEHICLE - This 78-foot-tall rocket was used to carry the Discoverer I satellite up toward its north-south orbit over the polar regions. The missile, shown standing on its launching pad at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., is composed of a first-stage Thor IRBM and a Lockheed-designed second stage housing the Discoverer.

Neuberger Says U.S. Won't Enter Draft Head Dispute

Washington - (UPI) - Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) said yesterday he has been informed that the selective service system does not intend to enter the controversy over the appointment of a new service director in Oregon.

Neuberger said the selective service here told him that it is the policy of the system "to approve any nomination for state director made by a governor."

The senator said he had received requests from Oregon to determine whether Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, the national director, has ratified Gov. Mark Hatfield's appointment of Sprague Carter of Pendleton as Oregon director. Neuberger said Carter's selection by Hatfield has been "under fire as politically motivated by various draft-board members in Oregon."

Neuberger said he does not plan to ask Hershey to resign in the selection because "I think Governor Hatfield ought to assume the responsibility which was his."

Air Engineers' Visit Scheduled

Preparations for a full-scale study of air conditions in the Medford area should begin within the next two weeks, according to Ted Gerow, engineer with the state air pollution authority.

Gerow, who lives in Grants Pass, said yesterday he and an engineer from Portland are scheduled to bring air sampling equipment to Medford "the first part of March."

The two engineers, under an agreement made early in January, are to provide the equipment and train a city employee in its operation. Under the joint city-state program, the city employee will do the field work and the state will analyze the samples he collects. The study is expected to take "about a year."

Its purpose is to determine whether the Medford area has a serious air pollution problem. Token sampling last fall disclosed the presence of "nuisance conditions," on the basis of which the state authority recommended a full study.

Mental Health Group Would Provide Permanent Family Counseling Agency

The Jackson County Mental Health committee has agreed to set about establishing a permanent, countywide family counseling agency.

This agreement was reached at a committee meeting Thursday night. Miss Celia Walker was named chairman of a steering committee to take charge of the agency's formation.

Two immediate objectives of the steering committee are to draw up a constitution and name a board of directors. Both these steps are required for incorporation. Then, money must be found.

Annual Requirement Miss Walker told some 55 persons at a luncheon Friday that at least \$10,000 or \$12,000 would be required annually to operate the agency.

The principal expense, she said would be the salary of a properly qualified professional counselor. This, she explained, could be anywhere from \$6,000 to \$8,000.

Other expenses Miss Walker listed include office facilities, office help and consultation

fees for the necessary services of a psychiatrist. She said that from 10 to 40 per cent of the agency's budget would be reimbursed by those receiving its assistance.

She said it is a tradition in marriage counseling that those able to pay for the help they receive, do so. But no set fees are exacted.

Primary Support Mrs. Freida Burnside, representing the Family Service of America, told her luncheon audience that united funds or community chests have provided primary support for agencies in other communities.

But, she explained, such support is permissible only after the agency has operated on its own for one year and proved its worth and stability.

For the first year the agency must seek support elsewhere. Mrs. Burnside mentioned local foundations, legacies, endowments and individual contributions from a fund-raising drive as possible sources. She said any fund campaign should avoid conflict with other community drives.

She also urged integration of the agency with other social services in the community, for maximum mutual benefit.

A pilot project in marriage counseling has been under way here since last September. Ten voluntary counselors met Thursday night. They agreed that in nearly every instance those who came to them received a better understanding of themselves and their relationships as a result of the counseling.

22 Couples Helped Tom Goff reported at Friday's luncheon that 22 couples have received counseling. He said that a total of 102 interviews lasting about an hour and a half each have been held, with some couples having as many as 12 interviews. He said the counselors held 16 weekly staff meetings.

They were assisted by Dr. Harry Davidson, Medford psychiatrist.

Interviews with some of these couples are still being held, it is understood, although no new cases have been accepted since Feb. 1.

Officials Report Satellite's Voice Remaining Silent

Moon's Orbit Entry Not Confirmed as Yet

Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif. - (UPI) - The U. S. launched the first Discoverer Satellite yesterday but the voice of the artificial moon remained silent and the Air Force could not confirm the 1300-pound artificial moon had been put in Polar orbit.

There was no trace of the satellite by 10:30 p.m. (PST) and none of the various tracking stations had picked up any signal. There was no visual observations reported.

Officials refused to be disheartened. They still held hope that sometime during the night a tracking station would pick up the first radio signal from the blunted-pencil shaped artificial moon.

Sluggish at First It was lofted from its pad on the Sandy Beach range some 160 miles northwest of Los Angeles at 1:49 p.m. PST. It was slow, almost sluggish, at first. Then, given a boost by the first stage Thor missile, it shot almost straight up before arching into a horizontal, southerly flight.

In less than four minutes it was out of sight. Only a wide, yellowish white vapor trail was left in its wake as it disappeared high in the skies in the general direction of Los Angeles.

At 1:54 p.m., right on schedule, the second stage - the 18.8 foot long satellite - was cut loose from its booster. The tracking station at nearby Point Mugu Naval Station picked up its signal for six minutes.

Then Silence The downrange tracking ship, some 950 miles at sea south of here, received the signal briefly. Then silence. There was no signal when it was scheduled for its first pass over Alaska. None, either, nearly two hours later at 5 p.m. PST when it should have zoomed over Hawaii.

But diehard launch officials were hopeful. Adm. John E. Clark, deputy director of the Advance Research Projects agency which worked with the Air Force on today's test, told a press briefing that "we have not confirmed the orbit."

Then he qualified his statement. "I would like to think it was in orbit," he said. He pointed out that all conditions were perfect for orbit. "If we didn't make it, it was very, very close."

Pressed for an explanation of the silent radio, Adm. Clark noted the Discoverer's radio antennas were located in its nose cone. At a certain height a covering was to have been jettisoned and the antennas ejected. He theorized that the covering failed to jettison.

Lithia Lumber Co. Ruled in Violation

Portland - (UPI) - James R. Hemingway, trial examiner of the National Labor Relations board, ruled yesterday that Lithia Lumber company, Ashland, violated the Taft-Hartley law by refusing to bargain with a local of the AFL-CIO Woodworkers of America.

Hemingway recommended to the board that it order the company, upon request of the union, to bargain with the woodworkers union.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Variable high cloudiness today. Lowering cloudiness tonight. Mostly cloudy Monday. High today 64. Low tonight 38. High Monday 58.

TEMP. Highest Saturday 67. Lowest Saturday 33.

Our Skies Tonight Sunset today 6:00 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 6:47 a.m. Moonrise tomorrow 1:39 a.m. Last Quarter tonight 6:51 p.m. JUPITER, the largest planet, will remain nearly stationary among the stars for the next 5 weeks and GRAFFIAS in the constellation Scorpio, is the second magnitude star seen quite near Jupiter during this period.