

CIVIL WAR RAGES IN NORTH IRAQ



FILL ROCK—Above, a truck dumps its load of huge boulders, removed from the Rogue Valley manor site on Barneburg hill, which will form the base support for the Eighth st. extension fill near the Scout office on East Main st. A reinforced concrete bridge will span Bear creek from where the fill ends. Sidewalks will be built along both sides of

extension and access roads will be constructed to Hawthorne park and the Scout office parking lot, according to Public Works Director Vernon Thorpe. The road under the East Main st. bridge will be closed off temporarily, while work is being done on the fill, Thorpe said. F. L. Somers, Medford, is general contractor for the job.

Hatfield's Naming Of Acting Guard Adjutant Illegal

Salem —(UPI)— Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton said today that Gov. Mark Hatfield had not complied with the Oregon National Guard law in naming an "acting adjutant general" of the Oregon Guard.

The governor's appointment of Col. Robert Irving to the post had drawn some criticism from Sen. William Grenfell (D-Portland) and others.

No Provision
The attorney general said the attempted appointment was invalid, since the Oregon constitution and laws provide only for an "adjutant general" with no provision for an acting adjutant general.

Thornton said that while temporary appointments may be made to some specific offices "Oregon has no broad statutes authorizing the appointment of temporary officers."

There was no question as to the governor's power to appoint a full-time adjutant general, Thornton said.

Irving is entitled to payment for his services to date as a "de facto" officer, that is, one who has possession of an office and performs the duties of the office but who is not qualified in law to fill the position, Thornton said.

"The governor would be obliged to appoint an individual who meets the eligibility requirements of the Oregon National Guard law, if as stated in Sen. Grenfell's letter, Col. Irving does not meet those requirements," he said.

The opinion was requested by State Treasurer Sig Unander who was not sure whether he could pay Irving.

British Mopping Up In Nyasaland Riots

Blantyre Nyasaland —(UPI)— British-led troops began mopping up operations today against native saboteurs and arsonists who are prolonging the violence which has killed 41 Africans in the past week.

Salem —(UPI)— The House Public Health Committee has recommended today to pass a bill setting up minimum standards of housing and sanitation.

Kennedy Report Sought On Offers To Aid Brother

Washington —(UPI)— Three Republican members of the Senate Rackets committee demanded today that chief counsel Robert F. Kennedy make a full report on what he called attempts to influence him with offers of political help for his brother.

The 32-year-old counsel said Friday that he had been approached with offers of support for his brother, Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.) if he would go easy on certain witnesses.

Kennedy said he ignored the offers but Sen. Karl E. Mundt (R-S.D.) was unwilling to let the matter rest at that. Mundt, co-chairman of the committee, said he would demand that the counsel reveal names of the witnesses.

Early Copco Trial Due on Operation Of Klamath Dams

Sacramento —(UPI)— Attorney General Stanley Mosk announced today he would bring to trial "without delay" a suit against the California Oregon Power Co. over alleged abnormal fluctuation of Klamath river flows caused by dams in extreme Northern California.

Mosk said it was a move to protect fish life on the Klamath.

The suit was filed in Siskiyou County Superior Court by the state in 1950 to halt fluctuations along the Klamath apparently caused by operation of Copco power plants.

Authority Challenged
The power company challenged authority of the Superior Court to act and claimed only the Federal Power Commission could order changes in its method of operation. The case finally went to the U. S. Supreme Court which refused in October, 1956, to review a decision of

Bids Invited for Highway Projects

Bids will be opened March 24 by the Oregon State Highway commission on six highway projects in Jackson County.

The contracts will be awarded in Salem April 16 at the commission's meeting, it was reported.

Projects listed for Jackson county include the paving of 2.41 miles of the Cobbleigh rd., Butte Falls section of Butte Falls rd.; the grading and paving of .09 of a mile of North G st. in Eagle Point and 2 of a mile of Oak st. in Central Point.

Two rock production projects, on Pacific highway south of Ashland to the California state line and on Sams Valley and Crater Lake highways for Antioch rd.-Trail, are listed among the projects.

Bids also have been invited for the installation of traffic signals on Helman and Morse sts. in Ashland.

All of the projects are state with the exception of Eagle Point and Central Point grading and paving, which are city projects.

Mundt Is Joined by Sens. Homer E. Capehart (R-Ind.) and Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.)

Goldwater said that if Kennedy "had anything to divulge, he was wrong in not doing it."

Wants Explanation
But Goldwater said that he would not judge the matter until he had heard the counsel's explanation. He noted that Kennedy was speaking off the cuff in response to questions when he disclosed the offers at a Democratic meeting in Milwaukee.

Sen. Kennedy, now regarded as one of the leading contenders for the 1960 Democratic presidential nomination, apparently knew about the reported offers. He was out of town today and unavailable for comment.

Phoenix Debate Team Wins Title

Phoenix —(UPI)— The Phoenix High school debate team won the Southern Oregon district championship in Ashland last week end, it was reported.

The debate team, which took second place in a statewide tournament at Linfield college in McMinnville recently, will represent its district in the state debate tournament April 17 and 18 in Corvallis, according to Bob Myrick, Phoenix High school debate coach. This is the school's first year in competitive speaking and marks its first entry in a district tournament, Myrick explained.

The debate team consists of Jack Hoffhuhr, Joyce Hunter, Susan Walker and Tom Troxel. They debated the national question, "Resolved: The United States Should Adopt the Essential Features of the British Education System."

To win the district title the team had to defeat Illinois Valley and Eagle Point. The team defeated Illinois Valley twice, split with Eagle Point, then Susan Walker and Tom Troxel, representing the negative side went on to defeat Eagle Point again in the finals.

Military Draft Extension Approved

Washington —(UPI)— The Senate Armed Services committee unanimously approved today a four-year extension of the military draft law.

Mamie Takes Off Aboard Columbine

Denver —(UPI)— Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower, accompanied by her husband, left for Washington today aboard the presidential plane Columbine III after a quiet week end with her mother here.

West Troops in Berlin OK, Khrushchev Declares

Soviet Proposals Said To Guarantee Independence

Major Concession Voiced at Rally

Berlin —(UPI)— Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev said today Russia has no objections to the western powers "and perhaps some neutral states" maintaining a minimum of troops in West Berlin.

The Soviet Premier made this major concession today in a speech to a mass Communist rally in East Berlin.

Complete Independence
He said that West Berlin would be guaranteed complete independence if the West accepts Russia's proposal that it should be transformed into a free city.

"There is no threat to the freedom or independence of Berlin if the western powers accept our proposals," Khrushchev said. "We have proposed that the big states should guarantee it."

"We also have no objections to the United Nations joining in this guarantee. He also would agree that the United States, Britain, France or neutral states should maintain a minimum of troops in West Berlin."

Peaceful Solution
It was the first time Khrushchev had indicated the West might keep troops in Berlin. In the past he had adamantly insisted the western allied garrison must leave Berlin after conclusion of a German peace treaty.

Earlier today, Khrushchev talked for two hours with West German Socialist opposition leader Erich Ollenhauer. He told Ollenhauer the Berlin problem could be solved through negotiation "in a peaceful manner."

He also invited West Berlin Mayor Willy Brandt to meet with him Tuesday.

"The western powers say they are not going to yield an inch on the Berlin question," Khrushchev told the mass rally in Werner Seelenbinder Hall. "But... our proposal does not require anyone to give an inch or even a millimeter."

"We see the existing social and political forms shall remain unchanged in West Berlin. We want just one thing: to eliminate a danger spot in Europe and to ensure peaceful conditions for the population of West Berlin."

'Nothing To Fear'
Khrushchev said West Berlin had nothing to fear from the Communist East German regime surrounding the city.

"The East German Democratic Republic has agreed that it will honor the agreement that West Berlin should be a free city and to guarantee its connections with the outside world," Khrushchev said.

Opinion Poll Held By Talent District

Talent —(UPI)— Talent school district residents favor an attempt to consolidate with the Phoenix school district, according to an opinion poll conducted here Friday evening by the school board.

Of the 153 persons who expressed their opinions at the school, 107 favored the consolidation attempt, 45 favored keeping the present school district arrangement until forced to reorganize, and 11 favored reorganization with the Ashland school district.

The county school district reorganization committee had recommended that Talent and Pinehurst districts be joined with Ashland. The committee had previously tentatively recommended that Talent be combined with Phoenix.

The Talent school district board has not made a clear-cut statement on its attitude, but it was said that it originally contacted the Phoenix board to propose a voluntary consolidation.

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Appling Accused Of Trying To 'Rig' Job Qualifications

Salem —(UPI)— Sen. Monroe Sweetland (D-Milwaukee) accused Secretary of State Howell Appling today of trying to "rig" civil service qualifications downward to fit a personal candidate for the job of supervisor of elections.

Appling replied immediately that Sweetland's charge was "cheap political poppycock." He said he wasn't acquainted previously with his candidate, Salem Businessman Jack Thompson, and that anyway job descriptions were

"not some absolute standard handed down from scriptures." **Withdrawal Asked**
Sweetland called on Appling to withdraw both his nominee and his request to downgrade the job. The secretary had asked that the word "some" be substituted for "extensive" in the knowledge, skill and ability sections of the regulations. He also wants to delete the word "comprehensive" in connection with technical experience and insert the word "preferably" before the phrase, "including experience."

"Appling's demand upon the Civil Service Commission threatens public confidence both in civil service and the elections office," Sweetland said.

He said Oregon long had enjoyed honest election administration by men "with genuine qualifications and a sense of neutrality in this sensitive office."

Appling said Sweetland reminded him of "the neighborhood busybody who, skirts and wild hair flying in the wind, tries to run everybody's business but her own."

"I suggest that he devote more time to the Education Committee on which the taxpayers are paying him to serve, a committee, incidentally, which has produced hardly a bill since the legislature convened," the secretary said.

Fewer Pipe Dreams
"He would then find less time to conjure up these pipe dreams designed solely to promote his campaign for the office of secretary of state and to obstruct those of us who are trying to get some work done."

Appling said regulations provide for provisional appointments and he had decided to take such a step because Thompson's was the only name on the list of applicants for the election post.

Canvass Checks On Dog Licenses

A house-to-house check on dog licenses should be completed in Medford by April 1, according to Chris Hagler, Jackson county dog control officer.

The Medford canvass is part of an overall county canvass being conducted by the dog control officer and his seven-man crew. So far over 6,000 dog licenses have been purchased. The deadline for this year's license purchase without penalty was Monday, March 2.

Hagler said since his crew started the door-to-door canvass last Thursday over 100 delinquent licenses have been checked. Approximately 40 additional new licenses have been sold.

A six-cylinder motor, scheduled to arrive at the county dog pound this afternoon, will be connected with the new lethal chamber, Hagler added.

The new chamber, which will use carbon monoxide gas, will be put into operation this week, he said.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES	
New York —(UPI)— Dow-Jones final stock averages:	
30 industrials 609.96, up 0.44;	20 railroads 163.29, off 0.45;
15 utilities 93.02, off 0.03;	and 65 stocks 210.29, off 0.04.
Sales today were about 3,530,000 shares compared with 3,930,000 share Friday.	

WEATHER	
FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday. Low tonight 35. High Tuesday 58.	TEMP.
Highest Yesterday 60	
Lowest This Morning 33	

The Good Earth



Police Rush To Kentucky Mines as Violence Feared

Harlan, Ky. —(UPI)— State police authorities rushed reinforcements to Harlan county today with the deadline near for a miner's strike that threatened to make a famed bullet-ridden walkout of the 1930s seem "like Christmas."

The strike of 3,100 miners, members of the United Mine Workers of America, was expected to begin this morning if 24 coal mine firms and about 200 small truck-miner operators continue to refuse to renew contracts which expired Saturday midnight.

The UMW deposited \$1 million in banks in the area as a war chest when the operators refused to sign agreements calling for a \$2 per day basic wage increase. Both sides were reported prepared for a long fight, and perhaps a bloody one.

Await Orders Today
Albert E. Pass, secretary of UMW's District 19, told cheering miners Saturday to line up outside the mines the first thing today to await orders. He promised that "the other time (the 1930s) will be like Christmas compared to this."

Pass referred to a bitter dispute during the depression days when National Guardsmen were sent to Harlan county to restore order after several miners were killed in pitched gun battles.

State police Maj. Charles Crutchfield said additional troops were being posted in the mines area to watch for violence and keep roads open.

The operators said the wage boost would force them out of business. They also objected to union demands that they

sign contracts calling for a protective wage or boycott clause which would restrain coal firms from buying non-union mined coal.

No Negotiations Scheduled
District President James E. Ridings said no negotiations were scheduled but he was "very hopeful the operators will sign." He said two companies have signed but the others refused.

Coal is the main source of income for the economically depressed area, recently designated by Gov. A. B. (Happy) Chandler to receive surplus food due to unemployment caused by the recession.

The three biggest coal firms involved are the Harlan-Fuel, Mary-Helen and Perkins-Harlan coal companies.

The situation was being closely watched by operators in the nearby Hazard coal fields because the contract with the UMW expires there March 16.

Porter Invited To Europe Conferences
Washington —(UPI)— Rep. Charles O. Porter (D-Ore.) said today he had been invited by the Air Force to participate in a series of conferences in Europe March 14-31 to complete plans for the exchange of reserve officers of the NATO countries.

Porter is a reserve major with 12 years service. The congressman said he was "inclined to accept," but added that it will depend on advice he receives from other congressmen and federal officials.

Baghdad Radio Says Capital of Rebels Bombed

Uprising Due for Bloody Showdown

Beirut, Lebanon —(UPI)— The north Iraq revolt exploded into civil war today.

A government radio broadcast from Baghdad said Iraq air force planes bombed the rebel capital at Mosul. A rebel broadcast from Mosul claimed an insurgent victory over government ground forces and said that revolutionary troops were marching on Baghdad.

No details were available on either the bombing or the reported ground battle. Outsiders were totally dependent on rival radio broadcasts and sparse diplomatic dispatches.

But these made it appear that the uprising in Iraq's rich northeastern oilfield area led by Arab nationalist sympathizer Col. Abdel Wahag Shafaw against the regime of leftist Premier Abdel Karim Kassem was headed for a bloody showdown.

The Baghdad radio said loyalist fighter-bombers attacked Mosul at mid-day. But a broadcast from Shafaw's rebels declared that "the bombardment will only make us stand firmer with the revolution."

The rebels also announced over an insurgent "revolutionary radio" said to be in Mosul that their troops were marching on Baghdad.

A later rebel broadcast called Kassem, who led the coup last July that overthrew King Faisal, a "tyrant dictator." It said he had dispatched a "small force" to Mosul, and added that it "has been wiped completely out."

One of Shafaw's first acts after claiming complete control of Mosul, Iraq's third largest city, was to warn against the "grave complications" of any foreign intervention.

A broadcast proclamation termed the rebellion "purely internal" and pledged the rebels to neutrality.

Mosul, with a population of 250,000, is 250 miles north of Baghdad.

The rival radio broadcasts made it appear that Shafaw's attempt to unseat Kassem, accused of pro-Communist sympathies, had survived the first 24 hours. The Baghdad government had claimed earlier that the revolt was put down and that Shafaw was killed by his own men. Later, a man whose voice was identified as that of Shafaw came on the rebel Mosul radio to broadcast a denial of what he called the "lies" put out by Baghdad.

The key to the struggle at this point was the army. Kassem had a strong armored force centered around Baghdad, while Shafaw had a force equipped with armor and light artillery ideally suited for fighting in the mountainous terrain around Mosul.

Shafaw has emerged as an anti-Communist sympathetic to the Arab nationalism of United Arab Republic President Gamal Abdel Nasser.

The 35-year-old career soldier, although a Kurdish tribesman from the militant north of his country, did not appear to have injected the question of Kurdish nationalism into the fight.

The Soviet Union has sought to stir up Kurdish feelings for freedom in recent months throughout the Middle East. But Shafaw appears to have spurned any involvement with Russia and instead has assailed Kassem as a "Red leader" accepting aid from the Communists.

Washington —(UPI)— The Supreme Court has refused to intervene in two cases involving racial segregation complaints brought by Negroes.

State Department Waits More Details From Iraq
Washington —(UPI)— The State Department today waited more details of the new revolutionary attempt in Iraq before determining if it means a serious threat to the uneasy peace in the Middle East.

Nothing Added To Reports
Officials said their information from the embassy in Baghdad so far added nothing to news reports based on radio broadcasts from the Iraqi capital and from Mosul, the city in the oil section of Northern Iraq where the revolt is reported to have begun.

American officials appeared to have had no specific advance warning of this particular rebellion. However, there has been general uneasiness in official quarters here for the past several months over tensions building up in Iraq.

Nationalist Elements
The belief in diplomatic quarters here was that the revolutionists, led by Col. Abdel Wahab Shafaw, consisted of nationalist elements opposed to what they view as the drift of Premier Abdel Karim Kassem's government toward the Communist camp.