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U.S. May Be Asked To Share Atomic Secrets With Russia



DEFECTS TO WEST—North Korean pilot ROK Air Force Chief of Staff Lt. Gen Kim 2nd Lt. Chung Nak Hyun, 24, left, who had been shot down in the Korean war, was the first time since the end of the war that a MIG had willingly flown into the hands of the UN command. He is shown with his captor, a U.S. Air Force pilot, in a photograph taken in Seoul, South Korea today. He is shown with his captor. (UPI Radioteletype photo)

Young North Korea Pilot Guns Plane To 'Freedom'

Seoul, South Korea—UPI—A young Communist North Korean air cadet who was "yearning for freedom" gunned his Soviet-built MIG-15 jet across the Bamboo Curtain to South Korea today. The defection was accomplished in a matter of minutes. Anti-aircraft batteries on either side of the demilitarized zone did not fire a single shot at the speeding fighter. Its pilot was 2nd Lt. Chung Nak Hyun, 24, of the North Korean air force.

He left North Korea's Wonsan airfield on a training flight shortly before noon, circled the city a few minutes and then streaked southward to a rarely used ROK army air strip at Taepori, about 35 miles below the 38th parallel. The strip was poorly paved but the landing was made without mishap. Chung, rushed to Seoul for interrogation, was reluctant to talk to newsmen about his adventure because he said he was worried about his family still in North Korea. But when asked why he had defected, the slim, young officer broke into a grin and replied: "Because I was yearning for freedom."

Barn, Hay Are Destroyed By Fire

Talent—A barn owned by R. S. Zapell on Holt Gulch rd. west of Talent was destroyed by fire last night, Talent Police Chief William Young reported. Destroyed with the barn were 20 tons of hay, a milking machine, 4-H equipment and various other farming equipment, the police chief said.

Car Hit By Rock On Crater Highway

A large boulder, loosened by construction work on Crater Lake highway, extensively damaged the side of a new car about noon yesterday, state police reported. The car driven by Larry Bennett Smith, 20, of 4758 South Pacific highway, Phoenix, had stopped at a flagman's signal at the construction area.

"I Haven't Got The Other Details Worked Out Yet?"



Baseball NATIONAL LEAGUE Cincinnati 7 9 Chicago 3 6 O'Toole, Brosnan (7) and Bailey; Hobbie, Freeman (6), Morehead (8) and Tapp, S. Taylor (8). WEATHER FORECAST: Fair through Tuesday. Low tonight 52. High Thursday 90. Our Skies Tonight Sunset today 7:25 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 5:07 a.m. Moonset tomorrow 2:27 a.m. Full Moon Aug. 4 Riding low, the Moon is tonight seen near the planet, Jupiter. Actually Jupiter is now 1900 times as far away from the earth as the Moon.

Request Hinted To Help Obtain Test Agreement Secrecy Act Would Have To Be Altered

Geneva—UPI—Western atom ban negotiators may ask the U.S. Congress as early as next week to declassify certain nuclear secrets for Russia, informed sources said today.

Officials admitted any request for a revision of the MacMahon Atomic Security Act—coming just before the U.S. presidential election—was likely to become a hot domestic political issue.

They suggested, however, that unless the controversial changes were accomplished, the United States would lose its chance to get Russia to agree on a resumption of underground nuclear testing for control development purposes.

U.S. delegation sources said both Vice President Richard M. Nixon and his Democratic rival, Sen. John F. Kennedy, might be asked to help keep the matter from erupting into a partisan debate.

Particularly feared was any political charge that the Eisenhower administration was capitulating to unreasonable Soviet demands in the hopes of landing a nuclear test ban treaty before the elections.

The Soviet Union has agreed in principle to the resumption of underground tests aimed at perfecting detection methods. Its one condition, however, is that Russian experts be allowed to examine the internal mechanisms of the explosive devices used, so as to make sure the tests actually are not contributing to the development of new weapons.

Ashland Council Passes Ordinances

Ashland—The Ashland city council last night passed one ordinance which places firemen under civil service and another which rezones the old junior high school property from a residential to a business district.

The ordinance pertaining to firemen was enacted to comply with state law. A civil service commission also was created and the council approved Mayor Richard Neill's appointments of Robert Reinholdt, Jean Eberhart and Robert Ingle as members.

Siskiyou County Judge, Wife Killed

Yreka, Calif.—UPI—Siskiyou County Superior Court Judge James Michael Allen, 77, and his wife, Linnie Mae, 72, were killed Tuesday night when their car struck the rear of a truck on U.S. Highway 99 about 10 miles north of Weed.

The California Highway Patrol said they were dead on arrival at Siskiyou General hospital. The truck was driven by Paul Henris, 53, a Klamath Falls, Ore., roofing contractor. He suffered slight injuries.

Katanga Minister Mobilizes Forces

Leopoldville, The Congo—UPI—Katanga Prime Minister Moise Tshombe announced the general mobilization of the "Katanga armed forces" today, shortly after he announced that United Nations units would have to "fight their way" if they enter his Congo province this week.

Tshombe's defiant move followed an announcement that U.N. troops would be sent into mineral-rich Katanga by the end of the week. His own troop strength is unknown. Katanga has announced its secession from the rest of the Congo and wants to be recognized as a separate nation. Belgian troops have been there at the invitation of Tshombe to preserve order. He has declared repeatedly that he does not want U.N. forces to intervene.

Marine Said Killed By Shark While Escaping Cruelty

Concord, N.H.—UPI—The parents of an AWOL Marine Corps recruit said today he had told them one of his buddies was "devoured by a shark" while trying to swim from Parris Island, S.C., to escape cruel treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Snell of Nashua made the statement to United Press International after a conference with Sen. Styles Bridges (R-N.H.) at his office here.

Bridges said he already had talked by telephone with Marine Corps Commandant Gen. David M. Shoup and Parris Island authorities who were undertaking a full investigation. At Parris Island, Marine officials said Snell's charges were "completely without foundation."

Nixon Takes Election Bid To Hawaiian Islands

Los Angeles—UPI—Vice President Richard M. Nixon flew to Hawaii today to press his presidential campaign in the land of the lei and the luau with the tireless fervor of a local candidate running for constable.

Nixon and his wife, Pat, appeared chipper and smiling after only a few hours sleep following Tuesday's 21-hour campaigning day when they boarded a chartered plane that took off from International Airport at 4 a.m. (p.s.t.) heading for the nation's newest state.

Only about 10 persons showed up in the early morning hours to see Nixon off on his rigorous two-day campaigning tour in four of the far-flung islands.

They were to have arrived in Honolulu at 1:30 p.m. (p.s.t.) and start off on a full day's program after a big airport welcome.

In his first long day of campaigning Tuesday, Nixon hung the charge of "low road" campaigning on his Democratic opponent, Sen. John F. Kennedy, and went on to say Kennedy had "paid the price" for support of big labor leaders through Democratic platform enacted in Los Angeles only three weeks ago.

First Letters To Alba Said Ready

The first official packet of letters to Medford's sister city, Alba, Italy, is scheduled to be sent sometime Monday, Councilman Robert L. Baccus said today.

Twenty-seven townspeople have contributed letters. Baccus encouraged other interested residents to bring their letters to the mayor's office at the city hall.

The People to People steering committee will meet this morning to make final plans to send the letter pouch, Baccus said.

Girl Scouts Spend Night on Mountain

Four Girl Scouts and their counselor walked into Camp Low Echo at the Lake of the Woods this morning after spending the night on Mt. McLoughlin. Girl Scout officials reported today.

The girls, all from The Pioneer unit at the camp were Jancele Playle, Kay Jones, Arlene Moulton, all Grants Pass, and Louise Hoover, Medford. With them was Miss Sherril Mason, Portland, counselor. Officials stated that the girls were part of a group of more than 25 girls who left camp Tuesday to hike up Mt. McLoughlin. They are from a special unit of girls from the ninth grade and up who do primitive camping while at camp and are considered experienced campers and hikers. It is believed by Girl Scout officials in Medford that the party of five decided to climb to the top of Mt. McLoughlin. While there it became dark, and rather than to risk a hike down the mountain during the night, remained at the top over night.

School-Park Unit Suggested for Basis of System

Report Prepared Langford, Ivey

The preliminary park study report released today strongly suggests that Medford should revise its park plans to make the "school-park" the "basic unit for the Medford park system."

The report, prepared by Ned M. Langford and Richard S. Ivey of the University of Oregon bureau of municipal research, is intended to provide background information relating to the development of a plan for parks and recreation facilities.

The information may now be used to work out the official plan for the development of park and recreation facilities in Medford. One acre for 295.

The report states that there is one acre of park and recreation area (not counting undeveloped park areas but counting one-half of the developed school areas) for every 295 persons in the Medford urban area.

The standard set by the National Recreation Association recommends one acre of park for every 100 persons. If Medford were to provide public parks at this recommended standard, the report said, it would need at least 470 acres of park land by 1975 and 560 acres by 1980.

"At the present time there is general agreement between the city planning commission, the park and recreation commission, the city council and the Medford school district that parks should be located adjacent to school sites where possible and that a large part of the city's requirements for recreation space can be met in this way," the report said.

General Policies submitted for consideration include: "A plan for parks and recreation facilities should provide for a program suited to the needs of the different age groups and interest groups in the community."

"Parks should be centrally located and easily accessible to all parts of the area they are intended to serve. "Because of programming and maintenance considerations, parks should generally be at least five acres in size. Smaller parks—public plazas, squares, and so forth—may be desirable under special circumstances."

Newport, R.I.—President Eisenhower decided today to wind up his vacation and return to Washington Sunday.

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When the girls failed to return to camp last evening with the remainder of the party a search was conducted throughout the night. Assisting were the radio-communications staff of Elk Lumber company, Roxy radio, and U.S. forest service personnel.

Salem—UPI—Dal Ferry of Salem has been named Oregon Fryer commission chairman.

Timber Tax Ruling OK'd In Decision

Verdict Overrides State Tax Commission

Salem—UPI—The Oregon Supreme Court today upheld a Douglas county circuit court decree which set aside an Oregon Tax commission order hiking assessed values of all timber land in Douglas county by 50 per cent.

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimbely of Roseburg was affirmed. Justice Alfred T. Goodwin wrote that the trial court had found that the commission's action in ordering the flat increase was "ostly and arbitrary" and that evidence did not sustain the commission's attempt to show that the result reached by the 50 per cent increase was not grossly out of harmony with the other assessed values within Douglas county.

The high court agreed that the commission "saw that time did not permit an application of the statutory methods which it was preparing to follow in other counties, so it attempted to achieve approximate tax equality." The specific statute which provides a method for the assessment of the timber requires the commission to "do more than to recite in its order that inequalities exist and that substantial modification in timber values may be necessary."

Following the commission's action, Roseburg Lumber Company brought the action against the state agency, and the commission appealed the trial court's decision.

In another case, the Tax Commission's order prescribing for the Coos county assessor the method of appraising merchantable timber for ad valorem tax assessment was affirmed by the court in an opinion by Justice Goodwin.

Coos County Circuit Judge Dal M. King had sustained the commission order and Weyerhaeuser Timber company appealed. The commission used a depletion factor in appraising roughly approximating a holding period of 30 years. The timber company claimed it was being penalized.

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CHECKS BUS—Ralph Mundland, mechanic with the Medford school district, checks one of the district's 22 busses before opening of school. Schools in most districts of Jackson county start late this month and early next month. Stories relating to school openings, and other aspects of school operation appear in a special section today.