

SPY SUSPECTS GET VISA

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Agency Says Red Leaders Given Permit

WASHINGTON, July 16 (AP)—The central intelligence agency reported to congress today that 22 representatives of foreign governments given visas to enter this country have records of spy work abroad.

These 22 are among 190 foreign representatives about whom a senate judiciary subcommittee questioned the CIA.

In the same group, the intelligence agency reported, are 29 persons listed as high-ranking communist party officials.

Rear Adm. Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter, CIA director, wrote the committee that 21 of the individuals involved "have reportedly or allegedly been engaged in active communist organizational work of an underground or subversive nature outside their homelands."

Hillenkoetter made it plain that he was reporting only on activities of the 109 in countries outside the United States. He noted that the CIA has no police or enforcement powers within this country. Records of activities here would have to come from the FBI and other agencies, he said.

The subcommittee, headed by Senator McCarran (D-Nev.), heard also today that the state department has permitted about 10 aliens to enter this country despite recommendations by its visa division that their admission would be against the security interests of the United States.

Given Information
John E. Purifoy, deputy undersecretary of state, gave this information.

"In how many instances, if at all," the subcommittee asked, "has the state department insisted upon the entry to this country of an alien concerning whom recommendation has been made by the visa division of the department that the entry of such alien is against the security interests of the United States?"

In reply, Purifoy said:

"The visa division states that it does not recall more than approximately 10 cases in which its original recommendation that visas be refused on a security grounds have not been accepted by the superior officers of the department within the last three years."

Purifoy went before the subcommittee in its study of legislation to bar subversive aliens from this country. His views were presented in writing in reply to questions asked the state department.

Herve J. L'Heureux, chief of the department's visa division, testified in reply to questions that he does not recall a single case in which the division made an adverse recommendation on security grounds that "higher echelons" did not overrule it.

Classified Aliens
He was talking about aliens classified as (1) "affiliates of international organizations," such as the United Nations, and (2) "affiliates of foreign governments."

Attorney General Tom Clark revealed yesterday that more than a score of foreigners attached to the United Nations headquarters in New York are under investigation by the justice department.

His disclosure came in answer to questions by the senate judiciary subcommittee.

Board Will Look Into Wage Issue

WASHINGTON, July 16 (AP)—A presidential fact-finding board in the steel labor dispute took over one of the nation's biggest economic questions today—should there be a "fourth round" of postwar wage increases?

The three-man board was appointed last night by President Truman to end a tense 72 hours' speculation over whether the steel industry, or a big part of it, would be shut down indefinitely today.

The board's first get-together was arranged today for 10 a. m. Monday. At that time the members will confer informally with Presidential Assistant John R. Steelman at the White House.

The board's recommendations on wages, pensions and insurance issues in the steel dispute won't be binding on either the industry or Philip Murray's CIO-steelworkers. But the White House hopes it will point the way to a settlement.

And how the steelworkers fare on their fourth round demands may well become a pattern for all industry. It has happened that way before.

Called Off Plans
A million steelworkers called off plans for a walkout to begin last night when the industry's giants, including U. S. Steel, reluctantly gave in to the administration's 60-day strike truce plan.

Mr. Truman appointed Carroll R. Daugherty, Northwestern university professor of business economics, as chairman of the impartial panel. Serving with him will be Judge Samuel I. Roseman, former White House adviser, and David L. Cole, Paterson, N. J., labor relations expert who has served on other Truman labor fact-finding boards.

The president, relieved by acceptance of his peace plan by big and little steel firms, won something in his exchange with the industrial giants. He was able to by-pass the Taft-Hartley act in dealing with a major labor crisis.

The three-man board has until August 30 to make its settlement recommendations to the White House. The truce is to continue to September 14.

Pensions Asked
The board will have to weigh Murray's wage demands, reported to be a suggested 20-cent hike. On top of that, however, Murray wants \$150 monthly pensions for retired steelworkers, and a group insurance plan.

Some companies say Murray can't talk about pensions until contracts expire next April. So Murray and CIO General Counsel Arthur J. Goldberg will have their toughest job trying to prove to the fact-finding board that the union has a legal right to demand a pension plan now.

What steel does this summer on the wage question most likely will influence pay demands in the auto and coal industries, and eventually scores of other major production lines.

DA Will Ask Murder Charge Against Rice

An indictment for first degree murder will be asked against William Howard Rice, accused in the torso slaying of his red-haired wife, Jennie.

The district attorney's office reported this morning it was prepared to ask the county grand jury—which comes into active session Monday—to return an indictment charging Rice with "purposely, and of deliberate and premeditated malice" killing his wife.

Rice has been held in the county jail since May 28 when he came to the courthouse and admitted his wife was dead.

The torso of a woman had been found in the tules along the Klamath river bank the day before but had not been identified at that time. The headless, armless and legless body was clad only in a brassiere and wrapped in a bedspread, but was so decomposed identification would have been very difficult.

Rice, accompanied by Attorney E. E. Driscoll, surrendered to Sheriff Jack Franey and claimed the body as that of his wife. He told the sheriff that the missing parts of the body should be found in the river vicinity where the torso was located and that the dismemberment was not the cause of death.

After giving out that much information, Rice adopted the advice of his attorney and said nothing more about the death of his wife.

He still has said nothing, unless to Driscoll.

The head, arms and legs of Mrs. Rice have not been found.

Rice was booked at the county jail for first degree murder and arraigned on that count in justice court.

At the jail, Rice has no visitors, plays cards and talks to other prisoners and reportedly is tractable enough, although he will not talk about the reasons for his being locked up.

Considerable investigation has been done and the district attorney's office believes it has a strong case built up against the 46-year-old contractor. Much of it will necessarily be circumstantial, such as crime laboratory reports of analysis of bits of physical evidence picked up at the Rice home on South Rogers.

The district attorney's office is going on the assumption that Mrs. Rice was killed the night of April 9 at the family home, and in the absence of evidence of gunshot, strangulation or stabbing, that the dismemberment was cause of death.

Although the body was not found until late in May, city police have information that Mrs. Rice was reported missing on April 9 or the next day. Rice told an officer following up that report his wife simply left home. On April 10 he received an old divorce proceeding and received a divorce decree May 19, eight days before the torso was discovered in the river.

Army Joins Generals In Graft Probe

WASHINGTON, July 16 (AP)—The army today announced temporary suspension of Maj. Gen. Alden H. Waitt, chief of the chemical corps, and Herman Feldman, in connection with investigations of alleged influence in the award of army contracts.

Both men are army career veterans.

An announcement issued by the national military establishment said:

"Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray announced today that he had temporarily relieved from their duties Major General Alden Harry Waitt, chief of the chemical corps, and Major General Herman Feldman, the quartermaster general.

"Following published reports, certain information concerning persons who claimed that they were able to exert influence in procuring army contracts was secured by the subcommittee of the senate committee on expenditures in the executive departments. This information was further developed by the inspector general of the army and a complete investigation is now being made.

Furnished Data
"The senate subcommittee has evidence which indicates that General Waitt improperly furnished personnel data to an individual not in the military service who was not entitled to receive such data; and that General Feldman furnished to a contractor's representative procurement information under circumstances which appear irregular.

"Secretary Gray said that, while not attempting to draw conclusions on the basis of an incomplete investigation, he had decided to relieve General Waitt and General Feldman from their duties pending the outcome of the investigation because evidence secured to date indicates that each officer had exhibited a lack of that judgment and sense of propriety which must be expected of persons in their positions. He emphasized that the investigation was still in progress and that each officer would be given ample opportunities for a full hearing.

"The suspension of the generals was first reported, without names, by Chairman Hoey (D-N.C.) of the senate subcommittee.

"Hoey emphasized that the army had given 'most helpful cooperation.' He said the committee will pursue the matter vigorously.

"He said the action was taken by Army Secretary Gordon Gray and the army inspector general on the basis of evidence accumulated by senate investigators.

Probe Going On
The senate agents, Hoey said, have been inquiring into charges involving 'activities of certain persons in connection with government procurement.'

A story in the New York Herald Tribune on activities of 'five percenters' collecting fees for influence in award of government contracts touched off the investigation.



HOPEFUL—Arnee Kohn (top) 22, seeks to visit the U. S. as James P. Eilers, 25, of Washington, D. C. (below), urged him to do when both were stationed in Germany three years ago. Kohn has deserted from the red army and now is in Munich, Germany. Eilers is a former U. S. army lieutenant whose parents live in Washington.



TOT HURT BY FLYING GLASS—Little Dennis Fleming, 5-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fleming of Dorris, Calif., was paying for an innocent childish whim today at Hillside hospital. Dennis underwent surgery Friday for removal of glass from his eye after he smashed a window of the Fleming home with a hammer.

Former KKK Member On Hoods Probe

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 16 (AP)—A grand jury investigating hooded terrorism has asked for a close check of its own members after learning that one juror is a former Ku Klux Klansman.

The jury asked that each member be examined for possible disqualification. The request was made to Circuit Judge George Lewis Bailes, who told the grand jury yesterday that former klansman was among the jurors.

Judge Bailes said the juror, Alexander Brewis of Gardendale, Ala., has been excused from considering any case which might affect the Klan.

Brewis declined to discuss whether he is a member of the Klan with newsmen. "I just don't want to talk about it," he said.

Judge Bailes charged the jury Monday to look into "this business of night riders taking people out... and whipping them."

Hooded night riders have been active in the Birmingham area recently.

The judge did not mention the Klan, by name, but a top-ranking klansman was among the first witnesses called before the jury. He is William Hugh Morris, Birmingham roofing contractor, who is director of the Federated Ku Klux Klans, incorporated.

Surgery May Save Sight

A small Dorris, Calif., boy was bewildered and still a little frightened yet today after a childish prank Friday which sent him to Hillside hospital for removal of glass particles from his right eye.

Two-and-a-half-year-old Dennis Fleming was playing at his home in Dorris when he smashed a window with a hammer. Splinters of flying glass hit him in one eye.

His mother, Mrs. Jack Fleming, rushed the child to Klamath Falls in the family car.

At Hillside, surgery was performed to remove the glass, and as yet the extent to which Dennis' sight in his right eye will be damaged is not determined.

The tot was resting better today and will probably be kept in the hospital until early next week.

Delay Almost Certainty In Rail Walkout

SAN FRANCISCO, July 16 (AP)—A seven-state strike against Southern Pacific has been called for next Friday, but persons close to the issue expect a delay.

These observers, who chose anonymity, predicted President Truman would exercise his authority under the national railway act to delay the strike 60 days by appointing an emergency board to hear the dispute.

The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen yesterday set the strike on the railroad's Pacific lines for 6 p. m. July 22.

The action resulted from a dispute about the number of brakemen to be employed.

California last fall amended its so-called full crew law to require only two brakemen and one conductor on any train in road service.

The Brotherhood has objected to subsequent reduction in the size of train crews and asked that the number be increased.

The union said Southern Pacific regarded the objections merely as protests against the amendment to the California full crew law.

"There is no basis for this propaganda in view of the fact that our request covers the manning of trains in road service and crews in switching service in all western states in which the Southern Pacific operates," the union said.

Mediation was attempted but failed. Both sides refused the services of the national mediation board, which offered to arbitrate.

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Douglas' Trip To Iran Mused

MOSCOW, July 16 (AP)—The newspaper Red Fleet said today that U. S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas' vacation in Iran could hardly be called a "mountain climbing expedition."

"Such things have a very different name," said the paper, organ of the Soviet navy.

It declared that the members of Douglas' party "having changed military uniform for tourist costumes clearly feel uncomfortable in unaccustomed garb."

The newspaper quoted Iranian sources to the effect that the real purpose of the Douglas trip was to investigate Iran for President Truman.

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Pork Prices Best In Year

CHICAGO, July 16 (AP)—Hogs were quoted nominally steady at the best prices of the year today, ranging from \$14.75 to \$23.50. Cattle also were notably steady. There were no sheep for sale.

A substantially higher wholesale pork market, a drop in receipts and an expanded outlet from order buyers combined to support the hog price uptick this week. Prices advanced 75 cents to \$1.50. The price level, however, remained under this period in 1948 and 1947.

Despite heavy receipts, slaughter steers closed the week only around 50 cents lower. Arrival in the cattle section of 40,000 head came within a few hundred head of being the largest run for any week this year. Top price for high choice steers was \$28.75.

High good to choice lambs closed 80 cents to 75 cents higher. Native lambs topped at \$28.50.

Horned Mummy Watches Derby

EASTLAND, Texas, July 16 (AP)—Old Rip came out of retirement today to cast a baleful and mummified eye over lesser toads.

Old Rip is the horned load which is supposed to have lived 39 years in the cornerstone of the old Eastland county courthouse. His mummified body has been on display in the courthouse lobby.

The annual horned toad derby was held today, with more than 100 entries in ten different heats and a sweepstakes event. Old Rip's glass-covered case was placed in a prominent spot.

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Seaman Tosses Life For Dollar

MANILA, July 16 (AP)—A seaman threw his life away for a dollar.

The marine board told the story: On a boat in Southern Philippine waters, a two peso (41) bill blew off the deck. The seaman dived in after it.

When they hooked him out, drowned, they found the bill gripped tightly in his fist.

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Gravel Pit Is Condemned

Tests by the Klamath county health department of the most popular swimming areas in the county reveal that many are entirely safe for swimming, but a few have been condemned.

Areas found to be contaminated and which are condemned for swimming are the Ft. Klamath gravel pit, Neptune park, Sprague river at Chillico, including government dam and the canal, and all irrigation ditches.

Tested and found safe were Lake

Car Workers Ante Up For Prospective Ford Strike

MILWAUKEE, Wis., July 16 (AP)—The CIO Auto Workers carried a big financial stick today as they turned from convention proceedings to a threatened Ford strike.

Union representatives of 106,000 Ford workers gathered in the wake of the union's 12th convention, which forged the powerful, \$10,000,000 strike weapon shortly before adjourning last night.

The Ford representatives, most of them convention delegates, went over final bargaining strategy in a secret session. What effect the lack of a threatened steel strike had on that strategy was not known. The prevailing belief here, however, seemed to be that the 60-day strike postponement made a Ford strike more likely.

The theory behind this belief is that the UAW in the past has not held its hand for long after a major contract expires. The Ford-UAW pact would have expired last midnight except for the first day-to-day extension previously agreed upon.

Presumably the auto workers would have been willing to continue such extensions for up to two weeks if fellow steelworkers were striking to lead the pension and wage drive this year. But it's doubtful they would hold off for two months if Ford does not meet their demands.

The UAW has been counting on setting an industry-wide pattern at Ford as the union's program of \$100-a-month pensions, health and welfare plans and fourth round wage increases. Negotiations under way since June 2, resume Monday in Detroit. Little progress has been reported so far.

A strike vote among locals carried by a 7-1 margin, according to union leaders.

Hawaii Might Run Docks By Special Laws

HONOLULU, July 16 (AP)—Hawaii's governor turned today toward government operation of docks as a solution for the longshore strike that has paralyzed ports in these islands for 77 days.

Governor Ingram M. Stainback expects to call the territorial legislature Tuesday into a special session to enact a dock seizure bill. It will be the main measure in a legislative program being drafted to end the tie-up.

Government operation, said the governor yesterday, may be considered as "union busting" by some and "free enterprise busting" by others. He added:

"Perhaps it may be both, but it certainly would be citizen-saving."

Jack Hall, leader of the 2000 striking CIO stevedores, immediately asserted the proposed legislation "follows the employer line. There was no comment from employers.

The stevedores, members of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union, struck May 1 to boost their hourly pay from \$1.40 to \$1.72. Employers once offered to go as high as 14 cents an hour, then withdrew their offer. Negotiations have been broken off.

Wheat Hard Hit By Severe Hail

PINE BLUFF, Wyo., July 16 (AP)—Reports coming in today indicated the hailstorm which raked southern Laramie county Thursday caused a million dollars damage to the wheat crop.

C. C. Cross Jr. of the Farmers State bank here said the loss would exceed a million dollars. He added that a minority of the storm victims were covered by hail insurance.

The hail struck less than two weeks before the scheduled start of the harvest in that area. In some instances, crops of wheat and other small grains were wiped out.

Baseball Scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
CLEVELAND, July 16 (AP)—With Satchel Paige twirling his self-styled "outcuttin'" pitches in the late innings, the Indians beat the Philadelphia Athletics, 7 to 3, today. Catcher Jim Hegan's three-run homer into the left field lower stands put the Tribe ahead in the fourth inning for good. Paige retired seven men in order after entering the game with the bases loaded in the seventh inning with two out.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE
NEW YORK, July 16 (AP)—The Pittsburgh Pirates lashed six home runs today, two by Wally Westlake, to humble the New York Giants, 9-0, in the first game of a doubleheader. Right-hander Bob Cheshnes hurled the shutout, doling out six hits for his fifth victory, three against the Giants. Ralph Kiner, Dino Restelli, Ed Fitzgerald and Cheshnes also hit homers.

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Monument Fire Being Watched

Last of the mopping-up operations was being finished today at the Lava Beds National monument but forestry men were still patrolling the area in case the three-day fire which burned out 20,000 acres of the heart of the monument country should flare up again.

Everything from the main road to the Lyons road was burned. Monument Custodian Don Fisher said. At the peak of the blaze 60 fire fighters were on the job.

Fisher added that he wishes to express gratitude to the government agencies, Winema farms, Jack Almetter and the Oregon state employment office for recruiting fire fighters, and all who helped.

Crazed Negro Not Subdued By Tear Gas

TAPT, Okla., July 16 (AP)—A Negro mental patient held off hospital attendants today after he refused to carry out his promise to surrender.

Rosenfelt James, 51, barricaded himself in a ward of the state Negro mental hospital yesterday and fired wildly at attendants and deputy sheriffs.

Tear gas was ineffective as cross ventilation kept the gas from both Rosenfelt James. He apparently was disturbed when his ward privileges were taken away.

Dr. E. P. Henry, hospital superintendent, said 60 other patients who normally live in the ward were returned there last night for sleeping after James had calmed down. He did not bother the patients but continued to defy officials.

Eddie Warrior, an official at the hospital, said James today was sitting on his bed but continued to hold the gun.

"He has a much better attitude. Things will straighten themselves out. It is just a matter of time."

Where James got the pistol was a mystery.

Grouse Hunting Costs Plenty

Hunting sage grouse was expensive for Shelby Bailey, 44-year-old Lakeview oil distributor, who paid off \$230 in fines in the Lakeview justice court Wednesday.

Justice of the Peace Tom Farrell also suspended a 30-day jail sentence on the charge.

State police found 11 sage grouse in a gunny sack at Bailey's residence after the man had been apprehended at Drake's point.

Baby—It's Cooler Outside

A let-up in this week's sweltering heat is on the week-end weather docket with Sunday's estimated high temperature between 83 and 85.

Yesterday there was a comparatively cool 87-degree maximum. The minimum early this morning was 51.

At 12:30 this afternoon, CAA reported 77.

It was another story in other sections of the country with 120 degrees in the desert near Silver Lake, Calif.; 107 at Phoenix, Ariz.; 104 at Boise, Ida.; 101 at Fresno, Calif.; and 100 at Spokane, Wash.

CEMETERY SEGREGATION ISSUE WILL GO BEFORE CITY COUNCIL AS COMMITTEE PASSES PROBLEM

The Klamath Memorial park cemetery committee agreed unanimously Friday night to leave the controversial Negro burial issue up to the city council for a final decision.

Even though the cemetery committee can make a recommendation, members chose to leave untangling of the problem to the city.

The decision by the committee followed an hour-long verbal blast by members of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People who gathered in the city hall to object to the recent segregation proposal.

Those who have indicated favor of segregation failed to make an appearance.

The controversy bobbed up several weeks ago when burial of a Negro war veteran was refused when it was found that a clause in the city's deeds in sale of individual interment lots excluded the burial of all but members of the white race.

This clause was stricken from the deed recently when City Attorney Henry Perkins handed down a decision that it was "unconstitutional."

All but committee members were excluded from the closed session following the statements from the audience. Committee Chairman William Canton felt that inasmuch as city councilmen hand down the final ruling on the matter, "they should be first to hear" of the committee's recommendation.

Canton later called The Herald and News and asked the reporter to return to "hear their decision."

There complete statement, given to The Herald and News, was: "We unanimously agree that the Klamath Memorial park cemetery committee was appointed as an operating instead of a policy-making committee, subject to orders of the city council. Therefore, if the city council deems it necessary to make a segregation between Caucasian and non-Caucasian races, the committee will cooperate in selecting desirable area in which equal services will be granted to all."

Two white women, Mrs. Irene Kronert and Kathleen Vaughn, were verbal supporters for the NAACP.

Mrs. Kronert, in going on record as "bitterly opposing" segregation labeled the proposal "undemocratic and un-American."

The segregation proposal was recently made by Canton as a "possible solution to the problem" but, he said, "not necessarily reflecting my personal feeling on the matter."

Miss Vaughn, although raising her voice against segregation, said that, in keeping with democratic ideals, if the powers that be decide to segregate within the interment grounds, "we must abide by their decision."

Mrs. Ben Peters, NAACP president, said that she was of the opinion that there was no such segregation "40 years ago" and that "it looks to me like we're going backward."

NAACP Secretary Mrs. William Barnett asked Canton why he took exception to the recent headline in The Herald and News, labeling the refusal of Negro burials "Jim Crowism."

"Whether north or south," Mrs. Barnett said, "it is still Jim Crow."

Canton said he felt that undue publicity was given the matter, thus arousing an aggravation of the case.

The cemetery committee felt that since "only one side of the argument was heard," the matter should be turned over to the city desks without a recommendation.

Mrs. C. M. Timms, elderly Negro woman and pastor of the Union Gospel mission, quietly but firmly disagreed with a recent letter printed in The Herald and News in which scripture was used purportedly to uphold race segregation. Mrs. Timms also turned to the Bible in refuting the letter's arguments.

The "hot potato" is expected to go to the city council in the near future.

None of the committee members stated whether they personally were for or against segregation in the interment grounds.