



INVESTIGATES COMMUNIST CHARGES— Making an on-the-spot investigation of Communist charges that Allied planes dropped flares and strafed in the neutral zone near Kaeson, Korea, Col. Andrew J. Kinney, US Air Force, UNC liaison officer, holds a parachute flare casing. Communists (left), UN personnel and correspondents at right. Communists made no mention of property damage or casualties.

Aiken Says Manipulators Forced Grain Price Cut

By JOE HALL

WASHINGTON (AP)— Sen. Aiken (R-Vt.) charged Wednesday that political manipulators forced grain prices down a billion dollars in 1948 and declared "they're not going to do it again this year if I can stop it."

Aiken was carrying along his attack on Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, as the cabinet officer began testifying before the Senate Agriculture Committee to reply to criticism of his department.

Brannan brought on Aiken's outburst by charging that some of the difficulties of his department with grain storage were caused by limitations which he said Congress put in the Commodity Credit (CCC) charter act in 1948.

He said there prevented his department from taking effective action to expand storage facilities for huge 1948 crops; it had to buy up under the farm price support laws.

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Aiken, who headed the Senate Agriculture group in 1948 in the Republican-controlled 80th Congress, immediately declared Brannan had given an entirely erroneous view of the 1948 law.

He said that actually the Agriculture Department agreed with what was done and helped to draft the law.

"But then," he said, "some one got the idea to spread it around the country that there was a lack of storage space. The price of grain was forced down a billion

Oregon Supreme Court Upholds Death Decree

BALEM (AP)— The Oregon Supreme Court ruled on two first-degree murder cases Wednesday by affirming the death sentence of Wayne Leftoy Long of Portland.

Merrill Holds Baccalaureate

MERRILL— Baccalaureate services of Merrill High were held Sunday evening at St. Augustine's church in Merrill.

Reverend John F. Phelan, pastor, delivered the baccalaureate address, and held the benediction service which followed. The church choir sang "Come Holy Ghost, Creator Bless"; "Ave Maria"; "O Salutaris Hostia"; and "Tantum Ergo."

Mrs. Ellis Wilson was the organist playing the processional and recessional and the accompaniment for the choir.

Members of the graduating class are Patricia Noonan, Roberta Kirtley, Billy Barber, Evelyn Ocha, Freida Schlicht, Billy Welshans, Bruce Sanders, Alice Swafford, Wilma Paul, Wesley Harkins, Carol Winter, Betty Kolthoff and Dick Reeves.

Ketch Overdue At Seattle

SEATTLE (AP)— The Coast Guard disclosed Tuesday the Ketch No. Name is nearly a month overdue on a cruise from Honolulu to Seattle. Three persons are aboard.

Coast Guard headquarters here said the 48-foot Ketch left Honolulu April 7 with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wolbert and a crewman, Gus Olson, all of Seattle. It was due here April 26.

Ships and shore stations in Washington and Oregon were alerted to watch for the vessel.

him with their car in their garage. All seven members of the high court voted to uphold Long's conviction.

They all agreed there was insufficient evidence to convict Mrs. Hansen. Four of the judges voted for a new trial, while the other three wanted to dismiss the entire case.

Justice Hall B. Lusk, in the majority opinion, said that the district attorney told the jury that Mrs. Hansen intended to kill her husband by poisoning him from the exhaust of the automobile. But, Justice Lusk pointed out, there was no evidence to support the theory.

In a dissenting opinion Justice Earl C. Latourette wrote that there is no reason to plant the stigma of guilt on the defendant in the absence of substantial evidence of guilt. I would reverse with directions to dismiss.

Justice George Rossmann, also wanting to dismiss the case, said the state failed to prove its case. Supporting Justice Lusk in his opinion in favor of the new trial were Chief Justice James T. Brand and Justices Arthur D. Hay and Harold Warner.

Mrs. Hansen was sentenced to life in the state penitentiary.

Pond Yields Money Hoard

PORTLAND (AP)— Three boys saw a strange looking object floating on a shallow pool here Tuesday. They fished it out and found it contained \$2,380 in currency.

The money had been wrapped in paper, sealed in a glass jar and then wrapped in a water-tight container made of an old inner tube.

The boys, Lynn Hill, 7; Myron Whitcomb, 9; and Melvin Weaver, 11, divided the money and went home. The mother of one of the boys reported the find to the sheriff's office.

The money was thought to have belonged to James Stevens, 71, who died three months ago in a nearby shack. Stevens, a recluse, had told neighbors before he died that he had saved enough money to return to his native Russia. A search of his house shortly after his death turned up \$327 hidden in envelopes and a tobacco can.

The money was taken by the sheriff's office to be turned over to Stevens' estate.

Fern Park in Clackamas County. There was a bullet hole in his head.

Long now is in the prison, and has been involved in two escape attempts.

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