

### French Release Captives Taken In Indochina War

**By LARRY ALLEN**  
**HANOI, Indochina** — The French Union forces have taken more than 200,000 captives from the Communist-led Vietminh in the six-year war in Indochina, but most of them are now free.

A check disclosed there are now only 63,115 Vietminh in concentration camps scattered in North, Central and South Viet Nam and Cambodia and Laos.

Of these, 7,899 are listed as regular prisoners of war—men taken in combat with the French troops. A total of 55,216 are numbered as "internees."

Since Moscow-trained Ho Chi Minh started his rebellion in 1946, the French from time to time have released hundreds or thousands of imprisoned Vietminh.

Tens of thousands seized in Vietminh zones of fighting as suspected of or actively aiding or carrying arms for the Vietminh, have been, and are being separated, from the "die-hard" regular Vietminh soldiers. Most of the latter likely will remain prisoners of war until the

conflict in Indochina is ended.

The French carefully screen all Vietminh internees. Where it is proven they were impressed into Vietminh military service or forced to otherwise aid the Vietminh, action is taken to arrange their eventual liberation.

Thousands of these once-suspect Vietminh return to villages in French-held sectors of North Indochina and cause no further trouble for the Franco-Vietnamese authorities. Some go back to Vietminh-held territory. Much depends on where they last saw their families or relatives.

With 63,115 prisoners of war and Vietminh internees still held by Franco-Vietnamese authorities, the record shows about 137,000 have been turned loose since 1946.

The Viet Namense count heavily upon mass amnesty as a means of rallying former suspected or outright adherents of the Vietminh to the government of Viet Nam.

In the last six weeks Viet Nam authorities have released 4,000 Vietminh prisoners of war and military internees.

Although there never has been an official agreement for the exchange of prisoners between the French and the Vietminh, batches of French Union captives are liberated from time to time by the Vietminh.

Available figures show the Vietminh have as captives 446 Frenchmen; 735 foreign legionnaires; 146 North Africans and 11 Africans. There is no estimate of the number of Viet Namense soldiers in Vietminh prison camps.

### Wife Charged With Murder

**TOKYO** — Mrs. Dorothy Smith, daughter of Gen. Walter Krueger, has been charged with murder in the fatal stabbing Saturday of her husband, Col. Aubrey D. Smith, Gen. Mark Clark's headquarters announced tonight.

The attractive woman, mother of two children, is held under observation in a Tokyo Army hospital.

A spokesman in Clark's headquarters said, "This case will be handled in accordance with normal procedure. The charge is now being investigated as required by statute—namely Article 32 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Should the investigation establish that trial is warranted, the charge would be referred to an appropriate military court for trial."

The spokesman said, "A charge of murder has been preferred."

It was reported unofficially that under Army regulations, should Mrs. Smith be brought to trial it would be held in Tokyo.

The Army previously reported: A maid found Smith, 45, of San Antonio, Tex., on his bed vainly trying to stem the flow of blood from a wound in his right side. His dazed wife sat on an adjoining bed clutching a knife.

Mrs. Smith was taken to an Army hospital for observation. She has not been permitted to see any outsiders, including members of her family.

The hospital commander reported today that she is in good condition. A previous report said she was becoming "more lucid."

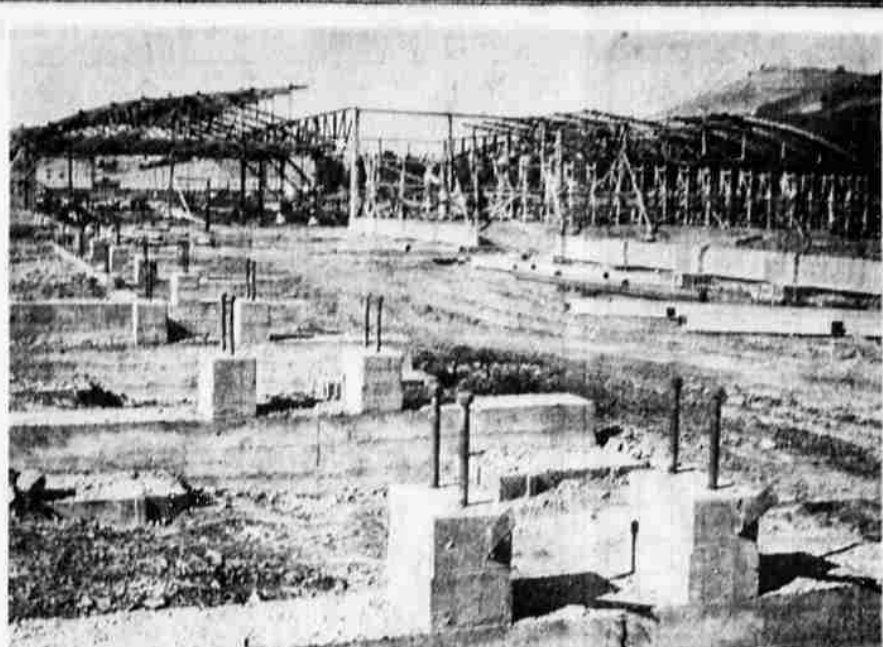
### Vote Purchase Rap Denied

**WASHINGTON** — Comptroller General Lindsay C. Warren denies a Republican accusation that his office was playing politics by deciding at this time to distribute four million dollars in back holiday pay to government workers.

Rep. Charles A. Halleck (R-Ind.) said Friday in a statement distributed by the GOP National Committee that the payments were authorized by a Supreme Court decision early this year, and Warren's decision to pay could have been made public at any time.

He said the "timings" of the decision is "an obvious and outright attempt to buy votes."

Warren in a letter to Halleck yesterday denied the accusation, and said the delay in payment was caused mainly by the detail work involved. He said 75,000 claims for back pay had to be examined, and that it took time to reduce these to the 8,000 which will be paid.



**ABOVE THE GROUND**—The framework for Weyerhaeuser Timber Company's new fibreboard plant here rises above ground. The building will be "L" shaped, 463 feet long and 80 feet wide, with the lower end of the "L" 254 feet long, and it will rise 49 feet high at the highest point. Much of the material going into the structure was prefabricated by Weyerhaeuser at Longview and shipped here to be put together. The picture is looking from the front end of the plant, and three 36x70-foot silos are to be built out in front to store the chips and wood waste which will be converted into pulp and finally into fibreboard.

### Italian Troops Want Feather

**ROME** — The "battle of the feather" is turning into one of the bitterest fights Italy's crack Alpine troops ever put up.

The Defense Ministry recently banned the Tyrolean green hat with its jutting feather which the Alpini have worn in every campaign from the Alps to Africa.

Substituted was a skiers type hat which the Alpini troops call scornfully "the dunce cap."

In two world wars the Italian Alpini refused to wear steel helmets and took as their motto: "Basta la Piuma"—the feather is enough.

So far the outcome is in doubt. The Defense Ministry has proposed a substitute order: The new cap for service wear, but the Tyrol feathered hat for off duty or on leave.

The Alpini are still wearing the old hat—or going bareheaded.

### BURROWS APPOINTED

**WASHINGTON** — Don S. Burrows, former controller of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, Tuesday was appointed controller of the Atomic Energy Commission.

### Fisherman Sees Saucer

**GOTEBORO, Sweden** — On a night walk in the small town of Munkedal, here, a young Swedish fisherman saw what he thought was a "flying saucer" moving up and down in the sky.

Happening to have his camera along, he took a picture.

The Swedish defense staff studied the photo and conferred with leading astronomers.

They concluded that the fisherman had taken an excellent shot of the planet Jupiter.

**ATOMS INTEREST STUDENTS**  
**WINNIPEG, Canada** — Dr. W. A. Mackintosh, principal of Queen's University, said here that students nowadays attach more importance to Geiger counters than to great works of literature. He said he is confident the stress on "the practical aspects of life" is only a passing phase.

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### GOP Truth Team Accuses Harry of Ward Politics

**SALT LAKE CITY** — Sen. Bourke Hickenlooper, a member of the Republican "Truth Squad," said today of the Democrats' new "Truth Sayer" Bulletin, "Truth is catching up with them and it hurts."

Hickenlooper said the Democratic National Committee's "Truth Sayer" Bulletin issued in Washington yesterday "dealt in generalities—the same way they are conducting their campaign."

The bulletin commented on the voting records on public power of Hickenlooper and three other GOP senators who comprise the "Truth Squad." Homer Ferguson of Michigan, Eugene Millikan of Colorado and Francis Case of South Dakota. Case left the team last night and flew home.

The GOP squad planned a news conference late today to challenge Truman in his whistle-stop tour of Utah yesterday.

On his arrival here last night, Ferguson told reporters, "I agree with the President that the administration has provided jobs for our young people—in the Army."

Earlier, in Sacramento, Calif., the three accused the administration of a "soft attitude of patience" toward communism.

They said that attitude caused the loss of China to the Communists, the outbreak of the Korean

chronies in government the president's military aide, Maj. Gen. Harry Vaughn, and John Maragon, the ex-bootblack accused as a Washington influence peddler.

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