

TRIBAL LEADERS SEE COMMITTEE

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

There's a new spy scare over Russian freighters that are putting into Italian ports for prolonged repairs. There have been five of them so far, and their repair periods have varied from four to six months. Obviously, in that length of time, their crews can do a lot of snooping.

Adding to the flurry is the fact that two of the Russian vessels put in at a Sicilian port at a time when it was being used as a base for NATO naval maneuvers in the Eastern Mediterranean. They were pulled out as soon as the maneuvers were ended.

Italian security police, this morning's dispatches report, have been keeping close watch on all the Soviet ships, but so far nothing has been uncovered upon which any complaint could be based.

Should we be frightened out of our boots over these disclosures? I doubt it. There is a Soviet embassy in Rome. There is a Soviet embassy in Washington. There is one in Paris. There are Soviet embassies in practically all the capitals of Western Europe. In addition, there is a large Russian delegation at United Nations in New York.

It is more or less generally assumed that all Soviet embassies are centers for Soviet intelligence (spying) operations. So why worry ourselves into a tizzy over half a dozen Russian freighters in Italian ports? If we get to seeing bogymen with cloaks and daggers every time we turn around, we'll lose our nerve.

Along somewhat the same line, there is the story of the Palm Springs pair who followed a sudden urge to call on the President, and got jugged for vagrancy as a result. The tale first went out that they were desperadoes armed with rifles, but later it was explained that they were just a couple of befuddled citizens to whom calling on the President seemed a good idea at the moment.

It appears this morning that one of them is a part Indian from San Bernardino and the other is a Mission Indian from a Palm Springs reservation. As such, they are citizens and of course have a right to WANT to see their President. I presume they have learned by this time that when you call on the President of the United States, who is a VERY busy man, you must send in your card along with your credentials. You can't just breeze in on him like you'd go over to the next door neighbor's to borrow a couple of eggs for breakfast.

It would be wonderful if it COULD be that way, but it can't.

I'll risk a personal guess that Ike got a good laugh out of the incident when he heard of it and another guess that if he'd had time, he'd have called the pair in for a quickie handshake accompanied by one of his famous grins.

Along more or less the same line, I suppose you remember the dispatch about Queen Elizabeth in Tasmania a few days ago. She and the duke were taking part in a big parade when she spotted a little Tasmanian girl who was crying bitterly because she thought the queen wasn't going to see her and the flowers she had brought.

Elizabeth STOPPED THE PARADE and comforted the disconsolate girl and thanked her for the ploy.

It's a golden touch, and those in high places who possess it are fortunate indeed.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair and cooler through Thursday. High Thursday 58; low Wednesday night 27.

High yesterday 53
Low last night 26
Precip last 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 10.61
Same period last year 10.49
Normal for period 7.99



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Underground Explosions Rock City

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (AP)—The second series of earth tremors in three days damaged hundreds of homes and broke up streets last night in a five-block area where anthracite mines honeycomb the earth.

The shock sent hundreds of persons, many of them in nightclothes, fleeing to the streets shortly before midnight in this tremor-conscious city of 88,000. Police reported no one was injured.

Several residents reported hearing underground explosions at the time of the disturbance. The Woodward colliery of the Glen Alden Coal Co. has had coal workings 400 feet under the surface of the area. The mines were closed after similar tremors Sunday.

The upheaval cracked foundations, walls and windows of homes and raised some sections of pavements as high as a foot or more. Fences were pushed over. One garage attached to a home was pulled away several inches.

There was no estimate of the total damage.

W. J. Clements, state mines secretary, blamed Sunday's tremors, which damaged 300 homes in a nearby area, on cave-ins in the underground workings. However, President Francis O. Case of the coal company said they "were not due to mining activities under that area."

The state, city and coal company have launched separate investigations but little is expected to be learned until the mines clear of gas caused by the earth movements.

Many residential areas in this northeastern Pennsylvania coal-mining area are built over active or abandoned coal mines.

William Hughes, who lives in the area, described the tremors as "rather gentle. I didn't realize what was happening until I heard the people running outside."

By coincidence, similar earth movements rocked a residential area of Allentown, 76 miles to the south, several hours earlier. Allentown has no coal workings under the city.

Roseburg Cops Catch Suspect

ROSEBURG, Ore. (AP)—Roseburg police Wednesday were holding Artell Farley, 25, charged with the slaying in Tacoma Sunday of Flora E. McFarland.

Her nude body, which had been run over several times by a car, was found in a lonely gravel pit near Tacoma Monday.

Farley was arrested by city police here Tuesday night after the dead woman's car was sighted parked in front of a bowling alley. Police found Farley inside watching a bowling match.

He readily admitted his identity. Police Chief Stan Olson said Farley told him this story:

He had driven the 30-year-old woman to the gravel pit where he became angry with her and struck her. After that his mind went blank until he arrived home in her car. He discovered he had blood on his clothing. He said he became frightened, hid the clothing and then fled south.



LAW AND ORDER with emphasis on gambling curbs was discussed at a peace officers meeting called by District Attorney Frank Alderson, who hopes to end "vice at any price" in Klamath Falls. The officers who heard the district attorney's views were (seated left to right) Deputy Sheriffs Alvin Youngblood, Walt Wentz and Willis Pankey and Lewis Jones, Chilcoquin chief of police. Standing, C. L. Chipman, Chilcoquin policeman; Deputy Sheriff Don Hammond, Deputy Sheriff Dal Reed, Frank Alderson, Sheriff Murray Britton, Justice of the Peace Walter Zimmerman, Chilcoquin; Deputy Sheriff Dale Smith (behind Zimmerman) and Deputy Sheriff Dal Smith.

Oregon Solons Speak In East

WASHINGTON (AP)—Members of Oregon's congressional delegation made statements Tuesday on topics ranging from dams to headlines.

Rep. Homer Angell told the House Appropriations subcommittee that it wouldn't be good business to delay construction of the Dalles and Chief Joseph dams on the Columbia River. He said reduced appropriations recommended by the Budget Bureau would result in a loss of "over 21 million dollars from power revenues."

Angell also asked Secretary of the Air Force Talbot to establish the proposed Air Force Academy in Multnomah County.

Local Club Honors Woman

A surprise announcement at the Monday night dinner meeting of Quota Club in the Winema Hotel, named Mrs. George (Ellen) Clark as this year's choice for the "Woman of Achievement" award in Klamath County for outstanding community service.

Mrs. Clark is an active member of Sororist Club, and a number of sister Sororistists witnessed the presentation of the award by Alice Vitus, past governor of Quota's 14th district.

Quota's choice of a woman each year is based on interest in youth groups and Mrs. Clark has freely donated her time for years to scouting and parents organizations.

The long and impressive list of her active participation and contributions to bettering the community include serving as president of the executive council of Girl Scouts; heading the residential division of the Community Chest drive; serving in the same capacity the following year for the Red Cross drive; also serving as member of the board for the Klamath County Chapter of Red Cross. She spends hours of work on the Red Cross Blood Bank each time the Bloodmobile comes to Klamath Falls.

She is now serving her second

Mau Mau Grows In Kenya; Police Shakeup Advised

LONDON (AP)—A spell that anti-white Mau Mau terrorists cast on Kenya in 1952 with knife, torch and witch doctor ritual is growing despite a bomber-bus campaign to crush the rebellion, a British parliamentary delegation reports.

A drastic shakeup of the East African crown colony's police was proposed by the six-man, all-party delegation Tuesday to help cope with the bloody uprising that some British parliamentary delegation reports.

Fresh from an 18-day survey of the fertile land where British security forces each month are killing off about 300 of the terrorists and capturing 150, the delegation said there was danger the movement to drive out the whites and kill loyal tribesmen would spread beyond the Kikuyu area where it was born.

The 14 million Kikuyus number almost a fourth of Kenya's African crown colony's police was those tribesmen who till the fields around Nairobi, the capital, and work as laborers and servants for the whites that the Mau Mau has done its recruiting by a combination of persuasion and violence.

"The influence of the Mau Mau in the Kikuyu area, except in certain localities, has not declined," the parliamentary delegation said. "It has, on the contrary, increased. In this respect the situation has deteriorated and the danger of infection outside the Kikuyu area is now greater, not less, than at the beginning of the emergency."

Cases of brutality and corruption were cited among the colonial civil forces allied with British troops in the fight against the Mau Mau, and the report said:

"Reorganization of the police, from the highest level downwards, should be accompanied by stern action to enforce discipline."

Publication of the report appears certain to touch off a hot debate in the House of Commons on the colony, a country of 224,960 square miles which lists coffee, tea, cotton and grain among its principal exports.

Colonial Secretary Oliver Lyttelton arranged to fly to Kenya Saturday for another review of the political and military strategy.

Field Marshal Sir John Harding, chief of the imperial general staff and Britain's top soldier, will accompany him.

WHO: Toketee Lion's Club.

WHAT: Carvalcade.

WHEN: Saturday and Sunday 12 noon to 10 p.m.

WHERE: Klamath Falls Armory.

WHY: To show new cars to the public.

HOW: Free.

French Tanks Blast Rebels

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Indian Delegates Disagree On Proposed Legislation

WASHINGTON (AP)—A joint House-Senate subcommittee on Indian affairs heard opposing views Tuesday on legislation which would terminate government supervision of the Klamath Indians in Oregon.

Wade Crawford of Chilcoquin, a

member of the Klamath Tribal Council, urged immediate liquidation of tribal holdings and a division of the proceeds among members of the tribe.

But Boyd J. Jackson and Jess Lee Kirk, also members of the council, urged that action on the legislation be delayed.

Jackson and the Bureau of Indian Affairs were accused by Crawford of using the general council of the tribe "for 30 years or more to block legislation to free the Indians."

Jackson was expected to reply at Wednesday's session.

Both Jackson and Kirk were asked by Sen. Watkins (R-Utah) to explain why they voted against an unsuccessful proposal to have all members of the tribe vote on the issue of ending government control.

Kirk replied that the decision against a referendum was because the present congressional hearings were scheduled too soon after the election. Jackson said the general council already had rejected the proposal.

When Watkins asked if Jackson felt votes of 135 persons, largest number to vote on the legislation at a general council session, was representative of the tribe's 2,000 members, Jackson replied:

"That's something we've taken from you people here. You (Congress) act for 150 million people."

Watkins replied that Congress does not act on matters "denying" property rights.

The Utah senator and Jackson clashed several times during the Indian's testimony over the question of further delay in ending federal supervision of the tribe.

At one point, Watkins cited a Japanese proverb regarding the man who is carried never learning to use his legs.

Jackson said he wasn't familiar with that one but came up with the Biblical scripture: "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he grows up he shall not depart therefrom."

In urging delay in terminating federal control over the tribe, Jackson said that in 1917 when the Klamaths were given title to more than 100,000 acres of the tribe's best river bottom land it soon went out of Indian ownership.

He said the tribe now has 137,029 acres of allotted lands which will be needed to build the future economy of the tribe.

"If it is in your mind to issue fee patents (individual title), how are we to keep those lands," he asked. "Our economy is pulled out from under us."

Jackson conceded that he and others sharing his view might be "over-anxious" as a result of what occurred in 1917, but declared: "We're dealing with the last we've got."

Watkins pointed out that Jackson was standing up to Congress against the bill and asked if the Indians wouldn't have the "nerve" to say no to anyone who might come along wanting to buy their lands.

"We didn't have the guts in 1917," Jackson replied.

Airmen Said Instructed To Confess

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Marine officer testified Wednesday the great majority of American airmen he met in Korea War prisoner camps had been told by their superiors before their capture to tell the Communists anything the Reds wanted to know.

Maj. Walter R. Harris, recently decorated for courageously resisting pressure while a prisoner, told a Marine Court of Inquiry the Americans' instructions did not mean, however, they should give false information such as germ warfare "confessions."

The four-member court is investigating the conduct of another Marine officer, Col. Frank Schwable, who did make a false confession to taking part in germ warfare.

Harris, a former Birmingham, Ala., policeman, testified he himself was instructed at El Toro, Calif., in April 1952 before going to Korea, to give information freely in the event of his capture.

He said a captain whose name he didn't remember told an indoctrination class this was a new kind of war and the old idea that a prisoner should give only his name, rank and serial number was out the window.

Harris said the captain told the Korea-bound fliers in effect: "They're going to find out anyway—go ahead and tell them the truth right off."

Later, in POW camps where he wound up, Harris said he found 75 to 80 per cent of all air personnel had been instructed to "tell 'em anything they ask—it can't hurt us."

The question for the court to decide is whether Schwable should face formal charges in connection with the confession he signed and later repudiated.

Harris said that 10 or 15 per cent of the POW-airmen he met had been told to use their own discretion on what to tell the Reds if captured, and the remainder either had been given no briefing or told to give no information beyond name, rank and serial number.

Speaking forcefully and at times with obvious emotion, Harris said he had "nothing in the world but profound sympathy" for Schwable.

"I had a small amount of the same thing he had," Harris said. "I don't think I had as much."

The dark haired airman went on to tell of mistreatment and "mental torture" so great that he would rather be shot than go through it again.

"The Chinese are masters at mental torture," Harris said. "They don't have to lay a hand on you to make you the most miserable person in all the world."

"I don't know how much longer I could have held out before I cracked—or if I would have cracked."

And he stressed that Schwable, as a higher ranking officer, was subjected to even worse treatment than he was.



CAUGHT THIS MORNING by the 9 o'clock photographer doing some tree trimming was Owen West, in the tree, Jack Thedy with axe and Jan Gippo at 617 High Street.