

Army Slates Trial For Former POW

PORT LEWIS (AP) — The court martial of Lt. Col. Paul V. Liles, a West Point graduate, opens here Monday before a 12-man court of Army officers.

In a pre-trial interview Saturday, the Birmingham, Ala., career soldier said he will plead innocent to Army charges that he collaborated with the enemy while a prisoner of war in Korea.

Liles is the first graduate of the Military Academy to face such charges. An Army lawyer has been sent here from the Pentagon to help try him. Approximately 80 witnesses are standing by. Some will appear for the Army, some in Liles' behalf. The trial is expected to last four weeks.

Released from a North Korean prisoner of war camp more than two years ago, Liles said he was "glad to see the trial come finally" so he would have a chance to explain incidents that happened five years ago.

"I'm quite sure I'll be able to do it," the Fort Lewis special service officer added.

Liles, who wears the Legion of Merit, the bronze star with oak leaf and the soldier's medal, was captured by Chinese Communists Oct. 28, 1950. He was serving as military adviser to the Republic of Korea's 2nd Regiment when the Chinese entered the war, swarmed southward and overran the ROKs.

He regained his freedom Sept. 1, 1953 in operation big switch. One of the Army charges accuses Liles of trying to promote disloyalty among American POWs at P'yokong and P'yongyang camps by publicly saying:

"I want you prisoners to tell the Chinese anything they want to know of a military nature at interrogations, as cooperation is best and to not do so would cause us to be starved to death."

Liles said the Chinese employed a method of mass starvation to force American prisoners into submission. Witnesses at a previous court martial here testified that hundreds of prisoners at P'yokong died of starvation and disease.

At another time, the Army charged, Liles said: "I would compose letters to the United Nations to end the war by establishing the 38th parallel as a boundary and withdraw all United Nations troops from Korea."

Liles also is accused of aiding the enemy by participating in the Communist indoctrination and propaganda programs, voluntarily becoming a member of the so-called POW Peace Committee sponsored by the enemy, preparing surrender leaflets, writing articles, making recordings, refusing to take charge of POWs when he was the senior officer, and attending parties given by the Reds.

In the final charge, the Army accuses Liles of making disloyal statements in December of 1951 by telling a group of American prisoners:

"You prisoners are going home, but continue to fight for peace. The United States was the aggressor in Korea, and the Communists were defending helpless nations against aggression."

New KF Sorority Holds Meeting

The first meeting of Beta Phi, the new chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, was held at the home of Joyce Dickinson, on Tuesday, November 15, at 8 p.m. There were 16 present, 13 who belong to the new chapter; Florence Lundgren, director; Alice Badley, member adviser; and Joyce Dickinson from Tau chapter, who acted as hostess for the evening. The following committees were appointed: program, Ellen Murphy, Wanda Farr; membership, Connie Pierce; social, Meredie Alter, Hazel Turner, Sally Gandy; publicity, Pat Mesinger; ways and means, Donna Hall, Bev Nelson; service committee, Frances Whitney, Lois Berry; calling committee, Sally Gandy, Lois Berry.

The officers of Beta Phi are Pat Miller, president; Connie Pierce, vice president; Patty Brown, corresponding secretary; Bev Magallanes, recording secretary; Lillian Hayden, treasurer; Florence Lundgren, director; Alice Badley, member adviser. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by Joyce Dickinson and Alice Badley. The next meeting will be held December 6 at the home of Lillian Hayden. Meredie Alter will be co-hostess. Patty Brown will be in charge of the program.

Home Extension

"Making Cakes Attractive," was the subject for the project of the Langell Valley Home Extension unit which met November 2 at the home of Esther Keyser. Edith Walsh and Mary Noble were leaders. They demonstrated several prettily decorated cakes.

Mariam Potuczek demonstrated making rose and sweet peas for trimming.

Those present were Lela Scott, Willie Mae Schmidt, Dorothy Smith, Charlotte Grols, Doris Schmidt, Mariam Potuczek, Maxine Brown, Mary Noble, Edith Walsh, Evelyn Seater. Hattie Walker took care of children of the members at her home.

The next meeting will be at the home of Carolyn Dearborn on December 7. The subject for study will be "Picture Framing and Selection." There will be a Christmas gift exchange, gifts not to exceed 50 cents.

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E. S. ROBINSON, vice president of the board of directors of the Klamath Falls Scottish Rite Building Association posed in the lobby of the new Temple for the Herald and News photographer. The dedication of the Temple will be open to the public at 2 p.m. today.

India Offered Atomic 'Share'

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin and party boss Nikita S. Khrushchev sought Saturday to bring their country still closer to this land of Gandhi with an offer to "share" Russian experience in atomic energy, industry and electric power. The offer came during the first full day of their visit to India, taken up with sightseeing and a public meeting attended by more than 150,000 persons.

The two leaders used the occasion to seek strengthening of Soviet-Indian ties, but Prime Minister Nehru gave no hint whether he is ready to convert already cordial relations into a firm embrace.

Nehru did, however, drop a veiled warning in his guests' hearing that he would never permit India's 307 millions to fall under Communist rule.

Nevertheless, the general opinion here was that this had been a good day for the Russians. Westerners here expressed belief Saturday night that no country in the world stood closer to India than Russia.

The sightseeing tour gave the Russians a chance to be seen by thousands of Indians. The visitors were at their smiling best, waving straw hats, signing autographs for children and gazing with tourist-like awe at the city's sights.

When they placed a floral wreath on the site of the cremation of Indian independence leader Mahatma K. Gandhi, the significance of their action was not lost on Indians—for the Russians were paying homage to a man once described by the Kremlin as "reactionary."

At the same time, Helzel announced a hearing would be held in Portland Dec. 7 to deal with speeds of Union Pacific, Spokane, Portland & Seattle; and Oregon Trunk trains.

Until recently, all cities regulated train speeds within their limits, but the Supreme Court ruled that Helzel is the only person who can set limits outside of Portland.

Helzel said all of the speed limits ordered Friday are the same as those previously set by the cities. These limits include: Albany, 30 miles per hour; Ashland, 20; Eugene, 30 and 50; Grants Pass, 25 and 35; Klamath Falls, 55; Medford, 10 and 35; Oregon City, 40; Roseburg, 25; Salem, 20 and 35; Springfield, 40 and 55.

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Priest Tells Red Chinese Death Plan

HONG KONG (AP) — Two American Roman Catholic priests crossed the border to freedom Saturday and described their ordeals in tiny Red Chinese prison cells. One said his captors once told him to pick from five bullets one which would be used to kill him.

The priests, Fathers Justin Garvey, 40, of Union City, N. J., and Marcellus White, 47, of Waltham, Mass., appeared to be in good health despite their long confinement and threats of death and torture.

The Red Chinese announced Thursday they were releasing the two priests and Mrs. Homer B. Bradshaw, a Presbyterian medical missionary with headquarters in New York.

Mrs. Bradshaw did not arrive on the train from Canton Saturday, but is expected Sunday. Her husband, in bad health, is still held by the Chinese.

Father Garvey was imprisoned in December 1951, and Father White in February 1952. They told reporters they had been held in Changsha since July 1953, but never saw each other before last Thursday. Both are missionaries of the Passionist Order.

Father White said he was sentenced to five years on charges of spying and passing on economic information, but was released early for "good behavior."

Breaking down in describing his trial and confinement, Father White said he often was threatened with pistols. Once a questioner showed him five bullets and told him to select one for his execution.

In the nearly 2½ years spent in prison, Father White said he ate meat only twice. His 6 by 12-foot cell was not heated.

Father Garvey said he was tried on charges of cooperating with Nationalist Chinese "bandits" and spying for the U. S. FBI. He was sentenced to four years' imprisonment last Oct. 29, but he too, was released early for "good behavior."

The Reds told him the crimes of which he was accused were so serious he could be executed. He was warned that unless he confessed he would be taken to Peiping "where instruments will be applied to you." Father Garvey said that although he never confessed, the threat never was carried out.

When he refused to confess, the priest said he was thrown into a punishment cell, 15 by 15 feet, which also was occupied by 20 other persons. Father Garvey said he saw four men die in the cell, in which there was not room enough to stand. It was necessary to get his jailors' permission to kill a flea, he said.

NEW FIREMEN

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Louisville's fire department may start hiring 18 year-olds soon. The department yesterday received tentative approval from the Louisville Civil Service Board to lower the age requirement from 21 to 18. Officials said the purpose of the move would be to speed recruiting and overcome a manpower shortage.

CANAL CLOSED

BERLIN (AP) — West Berlin officials say Communist East Germany has closed the main ship canal leading to West Germany and the Ruhr area.

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TWO VETERAN members of the Klamath Falls Scottish Rite Lodge congratulate each other on the opening of their new Temple on Walnut Street, between Sixth and Seventh. Arthur W. Schaupp, left, Klamath Falls attorney and president of the board of directors of the Scottish Rite Building Association, is shown with Mayr Paul Landry. Schaupp and Landry are the only 33rd degree Masons in the Klamath Basin and with the other members of the lodge have worked many years towards the building of the new temple.

Harriman Says He Won't Run

NEW YORK (AP) — Gov. Averell Harriman says his hat is not in the Presidential ring, but predicts the 1956 Democratic candidate "will be the next president of the United States."

The New York Governor, before boarding a plane Friday for Chicago, was asked by newsmen if, or when, he would announce his candidacy and Harriman replied: "I am not a candidate."

Harriman, however, gave no indication he intended to give pre-convention support to Adlai Stevenson, who announced his candidacy Tuesday. Stevenson, former governor of Illinois, was the Democratic standard-bearer in 1952.

Harriman shares the speaking platform at a Democratic rally in Chicago Saturday night with Stevenson and former President Truman.

After Saturday night's rally Harriman embarks on a speaking tour of the Far West. His schedule: Monday night—Seattle; Washington State Democratic dinner, Tuesday—Eugene, Ore., luncheon with county Democratic leaders; Eugene, convocation of University of Oregon; press reception in Portland; Tuesday night—Oregon City; Democratic political meeting; Wednesday night—Lewiston, Idaho; Idaho State Democratic dinner.

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STREAMLINED

BONN, Germany (AP) — Western intelligence sources say Red army divisions in East Germany have been streamlined for atomic warfare. The 22 divisions in the Soviet zone have been trimmed to an average strength of 7,000 instead of 10,000 men, these sources said, with the excess troops kept as reserves. They said the forces also have been modernized with new equipment from Russia.

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