

Few Changes Seen Despite New Government in Iraq

TEHRAN (AP)—Few of the developments since July 14 — when the new Iraq regime came to power — had a completely new sound for Iraqis.

They had been telling American officials for some time that Iraq, an Arab country, was the weak link in the Baghdad Pact.

The Soviet Union, oil, Kurds, monarchy and Communists have been jumbled in Iran's affairs since World War II.

There were Soviet-Iranian Communist republics in Iranian Azerbaijan, bordering the Soviet Union, and in the adjoining area of the Kurd tribes. These are gone.

There was a strong nationwide Communist party, the Tudeh. It is virtually nothing now.

Under an emotional, sometimes weeping Prime Minister, Iran nationalized the oil industry and brought the nation near bankruptcy. Oil is thriving now under a new regime.

The same man — Mohammed Mossadegh — tried to displace the monarchy in 1953, but the mobs he had taught to storm through the streets helped to throw him out of office instead. After three years in prison, he quietly runs a big farm, with politics forbidden.

Iran's monarchy seems more stable than ever. Even so the government hesitated three days before allowing newspapers to report the assassination of King Reza of Iran.

On the heels of the Iraqi coup and the landing of American Marines in Lebanon, the Soviet Union

announced it was holding large-scale maneuvers in the Caucasus region bordering Iran and Turkey.

Iraqis seemed to accept the statement as one pressure play in a larger game. Soviet forces usually hold maneuvers in the area about this time of year, although the Soviets normally haven't made public and prominent announcements of them.

Just south of the Soviet border lies Iranian Azerbaijan. In the same area is the homeland of the Kurds, a sometime violent tribe that spreads into adjoining parts of Iraq and Turkey.

After World War II, these two areas declared themselves autonomous republics, led by the Tudeh party and backed by Soviet troops.

United Nations debates, support from the West and Iranian-Soviet negotiations brought the withdrawal of Soviet troops.

Today the Cairo radio calls on the Kurds of Iran, Iraq and Turkey to unite. These broadcasts have not upset the situation in Kurdistan, Iranian officials say, but the government has promised to spend more development money in the backward area.

After Mossadegh was ousted, Iran cracked down on the Tudeh party with a rough hand. Firing squads executed 34 Communists, mostly army and police officers. Several thousand reds are still in jail.

Observers say the party was virtually annihilated in the drive led by Gen. Teimour Bakhtiar, head of the Security Information Department.



SURPRISE ENTERTAINMENT is in store for members of Reames Golf and Country Club and their guests Saturday night, August 9, at a Hawaiian Luau, when these seven behind the sheet, left to right, Lyle Kellstrom, George Dugan, Jack Robbins, Jimmy Valentine, T. G. Jeffcoat, Bob Veatch and R. L. Siegle, come out in the open. Lady in the lei is Mrs. R. L. Siegle. Co-chairmen are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Parnell, and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Prock. Dancing from 10 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Jury Frees Killer Daily, Dakota Town Approves

By MURRAY M. MOLEK

DEADWOOD, S.D. (UPI) — A man branded as a "known killer" roams the streets of historic Deadwood every day.

Five times a week, he is "captured," "tried" by an improvised court and jury, found not guilty and ordered to leave town.

But he never does.

If Jack McCall, alias "Crooked Nose Jack," did leave, it would spoil much of the summer fun for the 4,000 residents of Deadwood.

It would spoil things for the thousands of tourists who visit the Black Hills mining district every summer and join in re-creating the legendary events that followed McCall's shooting of Wild Bill Hickok on August 2, 1876.

Admittedly, the re-enactment is pretty much "hammed" up. But it's all in fun and proceeds from admissions paid to see the "trial" go to the Deadwood Chamber of Commerce for civic purposes.

The roles of Jack McCall, C. Calamity Jane, Alkali Ike, and Judge Kuykendall have been played during the 20 years of the drama by residents of Deadwood. Seven regulars serve on the jury, but the other five jurors are picked from the audience. One day, they included this reporter.

The basic story is that Hickok came to Deadwood, a rip-roaring mining camp, from Abilene, Kansas, where he had served as marshal and reportedly killed 21 men in the line of duty.

Deadwood was so disorderly, the story goes, that Hickok was about to be named marshal here. Lawless elements supposedly bribed McCall to kill Wild Bill.

McCall found Hickok playing poker in Saloon No. 10 on Deadwood's Main Street, his back to the door, contrary to his usual practice. In his hand were a pair of aces and a pair of eights and a fifth card whose value has never been satisfactorily established.

The assassin came behind Hickok, shot him through the head and then ran out, only to be captured a block away.

At the trial, the story of the killing is related by witnesses, including Calamity Jane. A "defense attorney" argues for McCall's acquittal on grounds that the court—in 1876 there were no regular courts yet established here—had no legal status.

The jury retires and returns an acquittal verdict. The judge acts incensed at this "miscarriage of justice," and orders McCall to leave town.

In real life, McCall did leave town, only to be arrested by a federal marshal later in Cheyenne, Wyoming. He was tried in Yankton, then capital of Dakota Territory, and found guilty on December 6, 1876. He was hanged at Yankton on March 1, 1877.

The Kischie National Forest, which is north and west of Alexandria, Louisiana, occupies 538,000 acres.

Solon Offers Research Aid

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.) undertook today a personal assignment to provide the State Department with policy ammunition for the United Nations session on the Middle East.

He said that Republicans threw cold water yesterday on his proposal that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee itself provide the material — a resume of suggestions made over the past few years for meeting problems of that crisis-ridden area.

"Some of my Republican friends felt that such a course might be construed as criticism of the State Department or an effort to dictate foreign policy," Humphrey told a reporter.

"That is not my thought at all. Some very valuable suggestions have been made by various members of the committee in speeches in the Senate and elsewhere, and others have come from nongovernmental people.

"I have asked the committee staff to continue work on a resume of all such suggestions and I plan to forward them to Secretary Dulles personally — not with the idea of telling the department what to do, but to be sure our people have the benefit of all the thinking that has been done on this very complicated subject."

The committee questioned Gerald C. Smith, assistant secretary of state for policy planning, at the lengthy session behind closed doors yesterday.

Venezuela Political Party Strives For Richer Nation

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Accion Democratica, Venezuela's biggest political party, wants to see the nation get more profits from its oil and iron riches.

That is one of its chief platform planks in the national elections to be held in November.

The government share is running over 24 million dollars daily. A year ago, before the United States restricted imports of oil from Venezuela, it was around three millions.

Accion Democratica, with over 600,000 members, is almost bigger than all the other political parties combined. Its leader is stocky, graying Romulo Betancourt, an economist who was provisional president from 1945 to 1947.

The policies and philosophy of his party are left of center. But Betancourt emphasizes: "We are not Communists and we do not want the help of the Communists."

Betancourt feels more benefits should come from oil and iron to improve living standards of the people.

Venezuela today is ruled by a civilian-military junta. Despite inroads the Communists have made since the January revolution, Betancourt said he is confident no "popular front" government will ever be established here.

He told The Associated Press: "The fundamental problem of Latin America, at the moment, is not communism. It is the low standard of living, the hunger and misery, the underdevelopment, and in some countries the presence of dictators."

"But to allow these conditions to go on and worsen will mean the presence of communism."

Betancourt pointed out that Venezuela as a nation is the richest in Latin America, but there are widespread poverty and unemployment.

CITY BRIEFS

Picnic — The picnic scheduled by the Klamath County Democratic Club for Sunday, August 10, has been postponed until the month of September.

Food Sale — St. Monica Circle of St. Pius X Parish is having a baked food and fancywork sale on Saturday, August 9, at the Oregon Food Store and Bon Bazaar on South Sixth Street.

Kansas Picnic — The annual Southern Oregon Kansas picnic will be held at Lathia Park at Ashland Sunday, August 10, starting at 11 a.m. Please bring a picnic lunch. Coffee and ice cream will be furnished. Everyone from the state of Kansas is invited to attend.

Rummage Sale — There will be a rummage sale Saturday at the Pelican Building, Ninth Street and Klamath Avenue, from 9 to 5, sponsored by the Ladies Letter Carriers Auxiliary.

Altamont—Home Extension Unit will have its picnic at the home of Mrs. Wallace Uerling, 4540 Shasta Way, Tuesday, August 12, at noon. Potluck. Please bring your own table service.

Boys Whoop It Up In Yukon Beauty Salon

WHITEHORSE, Yukon (AP) — A bunch of the boys were whooping it up in the Modern Beauty Salon.

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The Modern Beauty Salon announced that "in answer to many requests" Friday evenings from now on will be men-only nights.

First Space Plane Completion Forecast

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP)—The first plane designed to carry man into outer space — North American's X15 — is expected to be completed in December and flown two months later.

Walter C. Williams, member of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics at Edwards Air Force Base near Los Angeles, told a space exploration conference: "After a series of ground and captive flight tests under the B32 mother ship, the first X15 flight is scheduled for February 1959."

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WED HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Gene Nelson, 38, film actor and dancer, and Marilyn Morgan, 26, a secretary, were married at the home of friends in nearby Sherman Oaks.

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