

Korea Commies Collective Farm System Nearing End

Editors Note: In the five years since the end of the Korean War, the Northern Korean Communists have almost completed their farm collectivization program. But there are reports of increasing unrest among farmers in the northern portion of this rugged peninsula. In the following dispatch, based on information obtained from official Communist reports and South Korean intelligence sources, Smith of the United Press International — the only American news agency correspondent stationed permanently in Korea — writes of the Communist progress in the farm collectivization program and the causes of the farmer unrest.

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CITY BRIEFS

By CHARLES R. SMITH
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SEOUL (UPI) — The North Korean Communists' postwar farm collectivization program is nearing completion. But it is meeting more and more opposition from the farmers, according to information received here.

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"The quick lunch around the corner is selling 'coffee for a nickel, so now we can take twice as many coffee breaks!'"

Hitchhiking Easy, But Not Safe In Eastern Algeria

CONSTANTINE, Algeria (AP) — A rickety truck created to do a French road control post at Biskra about 120 miles south of here. Its Muslim driver lazily stepped out to give his name.

"That's your safest ride," whispered a French sentry to an Algerian hitchhiker. "It's a rebel supply truck. We have to let some of them go. In this way the rebels don't mine the roads and our own trucks can travel in safety too."

Hitchhiking through rebel-infested eastern Algeria is easy but not necessarily safe.

All you have to do is wait at road-control posts where every vehicle—civilian or military—has to register.

Along the road north—past the famous El Kantara Canyon—lie remnants of trucks burned by the rebels. Broken telephone poles clutter the roadside.

Homes along the road are battered, destroyed by the rebels. On the ruins, the French have painted huge signs saying, "The rebellion means death and destruction. Rally to victorious France."

Here and there, new villages have been erected by the French. Muslims live in them under military guard.

"The rebels kill everybody," the French and Muslims alike, "they don't care who travels here. They shoot without asking."

"This war will continue," said another. "We can fight for a long time. Independence must come."

And a Muslim truck driver told about the woman he saw.

"She just looked out of her window after a grenade blew up and they shot her between the eyes. Mother of five children."

"Who shot the woman, the French or the rebels?" the American asked.

"The French don't shoot civilians, monsieur."

"The French come and get you at night," said another Muslim motorist. "Then they attach these electric wires to your wrist and ask questions. This does not leave any marks."

"There were two grenades here today," said a Muslim taxi driver in Constantine, the end of the hitchhiking journey. "All victims were Muslims. There is reason for killing French soldiers. It's war. But why do they kill our women and children, monsieur?"

PEACE OFFICERS MEET
—The Siskiyou County Peace Officers Association will meet Thursday night, August 14, in Mount Shasta at Mike and Tony's Cafe. A dinner at 7:30 p.m. will precede the business session. Harold Barnum, first vice president, and Mount Shasta police chief, will preside in the absence of association president C. W. Champlin, Dunsmuir.

DIES AT AGE 107
LISIEUX, France (UPI)—Officials said today Mrs. Marie Langlois, who died Tuesday at the age of 107, may have set a longevity record for modern-day France.

The weeklong convention begins September 8. Borthick said the civil service merit system, retirement, promotions and other subjects would be convention topics.

Borthick is president of Local 704, whose other officers are Wilber A. Dow, vice president; Goldie Erickson, secretary-treasurer, and Dorothy Sack, Burt Mitchell and Frank S. Stennett, directors.

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Swim Team Wins Honors

LAKEVIEW — The Lakeview swimming team again brought home honors from the Southern Oregon Invitational Swimming Championship meet at Roseburg on August 9 and 10.

Lakeview placed second to Eugene for the entire contest, but the Lakeview girls team won the swim meet girls championship and the boys were runner-up. One of the trophies presented was brought home by the local girls. Although 76 swimmers qualified in the preliminaries, several of the local group's top swimmers were unable to attend because of other commitments.

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Arab Intellectuals Talk Of Coming Western Rout

By WILLIAM L. RYAN
AP Foreign News Analyst
Scholarly young Arab intellectuals speak in clear, clipped British accents of the coming rout of the Western foreigner.

Well-heeled young sheiks in immaculate white robes and kuffiyahs mutter sullen protests against the feudalism which is the source of their wealth.

Tutor Visits With Friends

One of Klamath Falls best known teachers came back to town recently to visit old friends and former students.

Mrs. Ebba Reno, now living in Bremerton, Washington, said she had so many wonderful people to see that she just took a hotel room and spent the past week visiting.

Mrs. Reno taught in city elementary schools for more than 20 years. She taught in every elementary school but Pelican, and was principal at Fairview School for seven years. She left Klamath Falls seven years ago, after retiring from teaching.

She is the widow of J. K. Reno, a Southern Pacific engineer who worked out of Klamath Falls for years.

Still active and obviously interested in life, Mrs. Reno said she was stopped many times this past week by boys—men, now—who shook her hand and asked, "Remember when you did such and such to me long ago? I was pretty bad, wasn't I?"

As well as a teacher, she is remembered as a Girl Scout leader during the war.

Mrs. Reno planned to leave Klamath Falls for Bremerton Tuesday. She had been spending a month visiting in Southern California.

Island Blamed In Divorce Suit

LOS ANGELES (AP)—An island—Cyprus to be exact—came between actress Barbara Payton and her fourth husband, says her attorney.

Miss Payton, 31, sued yesterday, charging cruelty. They married in 1955.

Her attorney Milton M. Golden explained: "You see, Barbara has an English background, while Provis is of Greek descent. They just couldn't reconcile their diverging viewpoints on how the Greek-Turkish-English dispute should be settled."

Palestine refugees cling to their tin-roofed shacks and dream of revenge.

And all look speculatively toward Cairo. For the present, at any rate, Gamal Abdel Nasser is their hero.

This is not because he is Gamal Abdel Nasser. It is because they are in search of a hero. Nasser will do until a better one comes along. Nasserism is something which grew out of international events, inexorably pushing the Arabs East. The United Arab Republic's President still has enormous potential for good or mischief. But developments this year have cooled the ardor of some of his followers.

It is for the West now to recognize that Nasser is only a symbol to most nationalists. His appeal is to a small but powerful intellectual class which blames the West for its woes. It sees Nasser as a symbol of reviving Arab power which one day will crush imperialism and colonialism. It blames these for its sense of inferiority and backwardness in a modern world.

The peasants of Egypt, the lonely Bedouin nomads of the Arab deserts, the heavily burdened laborers of Iraq know little of politics. If they respond to Nasser, it is because Arab intellectuals have persuaded them to do so with the poetically cadenced violence of emotional propaganda. The masses will not make the Arabs' future. The intellectuals will.

Nasser was a spur to revolution in Iraq. But this did not necessarily mean Iraqis in the future would follow him blindly. They won't, if they have something more promising to follow.

Some told me they were not so sure as they were two years ago that all Nasser stands for is right. The swiftness with which Egypt swallowed Syria shook their faith in their hero. This was not the sort of Arab unity they had envisioned.

Nasser is a goad to revenge among Palestine refugees. But even these will not follow Nasser blindly. They follow him so long as he represents their hopes for revenge.

The sleek young sheiks admire Nasser for the moment. Their admiration stems from fury at the spectacle of their own countries still mired in centuries-old feudal backwardness in the midst of oil riches.

I talked with representatives of all these groups—in Iraq, in Saudi Arabia, in fabulously wealthy Kuwait, in Egypt. Everywhere it was Nasser the symbol rather than Nasser the man—the solitary beacon in what to the young intellectual was a sea of darkness.

In the sun-scorched British protectorate of Kuwait, these young

men live in a luxury unheard of in other Arab areas. They are assured of jobs, housing, education for their children, everything Kuwait's oil-made cornucopia can pour out to them. Yet they are unhappy. More than anything, they told me, they want Arab national self-respect. If Nasser represented that, they would follow him.

In baffling Saudi Arabia, Western-educated and rich young Bedouins are affected by Egyptian propaganda and have persuaded themselves some of their oil riches might better be used for Arabism than for perpetuating the royal house and its innumerable princes.

In Egypt, the little middle class concentrated in the cities is unhappy. Egypt's economy is in woe. Many in the middle class, which makes and breaks regimes in Arab countries, feel disillusion.

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Cohen's Friend To Pay Taxes

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Liz Ryan, girl friend of ex-gambler Mickey Cohen, is going to pay back income taxes on the installment plan.

The green-eyed beauty, who was quizzed by a New York grand jury investigating the slaying of mobster Albert Anastasia, said she had agreed to pay \$1,002 due on her 1954 income tax.

And her real name, it turns out, is Pearl O'Leary. She said she is still dating Cohen, who once had a bit of income tax trouble himself and served five years in prison as a result.

GATE SPAN PLUNGE
SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Elliott Johnson, 70, plunged to his death from the Golden Gate Bridge yesterday. He was the 179th person to commit suicide from the mile-long span.

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