

Red Deadline On Berlin Passes Sans Incident

BERLIN (AP)—The day the Soviets once set for the Western Allies to get out of West Berlin dawned today with no trouble likely.

Premier Nikita Khrushchev has postponed the deadline indefinitely. The Soviet Embassy in East Berlin assured the West that the Kremlin wouldn't renege.

The U.S. Army said it planned no special alert for American troops in West Berlin.

But all the talk of May 27 apparently acted as a magnet for tourists. West Berlin was thronged with a record number of foreign visitors.

"I must disappoint those who expect to get bravery medals," said Mayor Willy Brandt smilingly. "May 27 will be like any other day."

Six months ago today—on Nov. 27—the Soviet premier called for an end to the World War II occupation of Berlin and withdrawal of the Allied military garrisons from West Berlin. He said that in six months the Soviets would give East Germany's Communist regime control over Allied military traffic between West Germany and the Communist-ruled Western half of the city.

The Western Allies, who refuse to recognize or deal with the East German government, rejected Khrushchev's demand. There was talk of an armed convoy or a new airlift to challenge any transfer of traffic control to the East Germans. Fear of war was widespread.

The fears subsided when the West and the Soviets agreed to negotiate. Khrushchev said he wouldn't try to alter Berlin's status while negotiations were in progress.

The foreign ministers of the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain and France began talks on Berlin and Germany in Geneva last week. Any permanent settlement apparently must wait for the summit conference expected in August.

Despite the Soviet assurance that May 27 was no longer D-Day, some suspicion lingered that the Communists might try something today just to remind that they still want an end to the Western Allies' protection of the 2,300,000 West Berliners.

But post-midnight inspections showed the Soviets still manning the checkpoints on the rail and road routes to West Berlin.

"All's quiet on the Eastern front," said one of the American soldiers on duty at Helmstedt, western end of the 110-mile highway between West Germany and the divided city.

Local BPW Club Given Award

The Klamath Falls chapter of the Business and Professional Women's Club has received a state award for its help in getting a woman elected to public office.

The woman in this case is county treasurer, Iva Cook, reelected last fall, and the award is the Florence Barton Award, named for a former state BPW president. The award is sponsored by the Coquille BPW Club and amounts to a trophy rotated to the winning club in the state each year, plus a \$50 cash prize.

Mrs. Elsie Downing, state BPW president, presented the award to Mrs. Alice Gallup, Klamath Falls president, at a meeting in Medford.

"DENNIS THE MENACE"



"HEY QUIET! MY DAD'S GONNA PUTT! HEY, YOU GUYS! QUIET!"

Japan Ballet Performance Strange To Yankee Eyes

NEW YORK (AP)—The oddest of all the dance spectacles which veteran balletomanes here have seen—and they know companies from Bali to Moscow—was presented Tuesday night by the Japanese Imperial Household troupe.

It was the company's formal American debut in City Center, where it appeared as guest of the New York City Ballet.

Wearing fantastic costumes and masks, the visitors imitated the crane, the warrior joining battle, and the Mongol hunting a snake, devouring it to cure his illness and then rejoicing at his recovery.

An orchestral interlude was played by a dozen kneeling men, also elaborately costumed. The entire performance was called "Gagaku," a millennium-old art form associated exclusively now with court ceremony and deriving from imported as well as native musical forms.

This is essentially a religious expression, if not actually a kind of worship, and in Japan it is to be seen only in the royal household or at important shrines.

For a performance that was only a few blocks off Broadway, this had no theatrical appeal at all. The contrast with the American ballets on the same bill, among them such sterling secular works as "Serenade" and "Stars and Stripes," was even more drastic.

The dancers' movements are painfully slow—a hitch, a squat, a hop, a shuffle, a deliberate turn, an arm raised and later, much later, lowered. The music, matching it perfectly, is painfully thin, pure and also slow. The ensemble is something the Western ear will take a heap of getting used to before it ever learns to enjoy it.

But this is not to deny the awesome solemnity of the visitors' curious offering. They pray, perhaps, rather than dance. If we can't like, at our first experience, something so alien, we can like very much the chance to see it.

The company will be here two weeks, and also tour to Washington, Boston, Seattle, San Francisco and Los Angeles. It was brought here under the sponsorship of the City Ballet and the Japan Society.

Californians: Looks Bad; Tax Boosts Seem Certain

By JAMES C. ANDERSON SACRAMENTO (UPI)—Californians were assured today they soon will start paying 122 million dollars more in cigarette and income taxes—and other state tax increases are coming.

The Senate Tuesday followed the lead of the Assembly and approved two key measures in Gov. Edmund G. Brown's \$252,750,000 tax program. Both bills have to go back to the Assembly for a vote on Senate amendments but it was a foregone conclusion they will become law.

One bill approved by the upper house on a 26-10 roll call will levy a new tax starting July 1 on cigarette smokers of three cents a package and the state will net \$60,750,000 for a full year.

The other bill, endorsed by the Senate 26-11 with Republicans once again casting all the "no" votes, increases personal income taxes by \$71,400,000 a year.

The new income tax rates will be in effect on 1959 earnings and the brunt of the increase will be borne by taxpayers earning \$25,000 a year or more.

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SILVER LAKE — Awards to members of the eighth grade graduating class were presented by Earl Rice, teacher, on May 21. Dell Swearingen was valedictorian and Karen Kimsey, salutatorian. Bobby Rosebrook received the leadership award. Judy DuBois, citizenship, and Joy Emery as cheer leader. Graduation speaker was George M. Larimer, manager of Midstate Electric Cooperative. LaPine. Diplomats were presented by Ted Emery, school board chairman, Bud Parks, Fort Rock, presented the diplomas to Donna Hergert, Fort Rock graduate.

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Denver Police Seek Thieves Who Looted Armored Car

DENVER (AP)—A \$5,000 reward offer spurred officers searching today for two swift thieves who looted an unattended armored car of \$185,340 Tuesday.

The theft took less than a minute. One man—described by the lone woman witness as about 45 and short and fat—opened the locked car with a key. He pitched four sacks of currency into a stolen car driven by an accomplice.

They sped away before Maudie Moore, the only witness, could get a good description. The car was found abandoned in a shopping center a few blocks away.

The Armored Motors Service car was raided in a parking lot outside the Jefferson County Bank in suburban Lakewood. The reward for recovery of the money, covered by insurance, was posted by Armored Motors Service.

John Jeffery, 34, driver of the armored car, has been with the firm 15 years and R. K. Peterson, 49, guard assigned to the car, has 12 years with the company.

Leonard Delue, president of Armored Motors Service, said the two men were following proper procedure. "They had about 20 sacks of silver to take into the bank," Delue said. "The truck was locked—the door locks automatically—and they were only a few yards away for just a very few minutes."

Officers said they were convinced the thieves used a key because of the speed of the raid and the recovery of a broken key chain at the scene.

The \$185,340 was the biggest theft in Denver since five armed men stole \$200,000 from a Federal Reserve bank truck near the Denver Mint Dec. 18, 1922.

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Accident Group Listed In Cases

The State Industrial Accident Commission is both complainant and defendant in civil suits on file in the county clerk's office.

The commission has sued Pete Gale for \$149 it claims Gale owes the compensation fund to cover employees between July 1956 and December 1957.

Wilbur Clinton seeks from the commission a permanent partial disability rating of 100 per cent for one arm as a result of a truck accident while employed by Ned Putnam last September 25.

Surgery Set For Keno Girl

A little Keno girl, victim of poliomyelitis, will undergo surgery at the Shriners Crippled Children's Hospital, Portland, today, May 27.

She is 5-year-old Lillian Sue LeFever, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey LeFever. The child has spent most of her life in the hospital and with the excellent care she has received through the work of the Shrine, she can now walk without crutches for the first time in her short life.

She is wearing leg braces but surgery is expected to help correct present weaknesses.

Fire Regulations Effective June 1

According to fire control officer, Harold Stratton, campfire and smoking regulations will go into effect on the Modoc National Forest June 1.

Campfire permits, which are free, are required for open campfires and wood or gas stoves when used within the forest area. They may be obtained at any of the six ranger stations or at the supervisor's office in Alturas.

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Last Meeting Held By PTA

CRESCENT — The Gilchrist PTA held its last meeting of the school year Friday, May 22, in the school. Arlo Harris, outgoing president, installed the following officers for next year: Henry DeBruin, president; Mrs. Thomas Collier, vice president; Mrs. Lattimore Freeman, treasurer, and Richard Jessup, secretary.

Bruce F. Jones, program chairman, introduced Dorothy Houston, home economics instructor, in charge of the evening's program. A style show narrated by Sharon Hitt with girls of the sewing classes modeling their dresses was the highlight of the evening. Models were Shirley Edgar, Sharon Mount, Joe Ellen Freeman, Wanda Hight, Mary Sue Koski, Eileen Jordan, Alia Wilkinson, Elizabeth Howey and Linda Stumbaugh.

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