



Oregon GI Feared POW Of Commies

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP)—Cpl. Victor W. Rue, 33, the son of Mrs. Edith H. Rue of Seaside, Ore., has been missing from his unit since Sept. 1 and is feared to be a prisoner of the Communist East Germans, the Army announced Tuesday.

It quoted another soldier who said he saw the incident and whose identity is being withheld pending completion of an investigation. The soldier said Rue was seized by eight East German soldiers.

The Army quoted the unidentified soldier as saying this is what happened:

Rue and he were drinking the morning of Sept. 1. About mid-afternoon they drove their car past the Iron Curtain at Hable, near Fulda.

As they turned around Rue got out. The East Germans approached the barrier separating East and West Germany and pointed their guns at Rue, who raised his hands and walked toward the soldiers.

The companion drove back to his unit and reported the incident. An investigation was begun.

U. S. Army European headquarters at Heidelberg said Soviet military authorities at Frankfurt and Potsdam have sent no confirmation of Rue's presence in East Germany. They said he had no access to classified information.

Officials at Fulda said one of the East Germans who captured Rue has fled to West Germany, bringing with him an official commendation from Soviet authorities praising him for taking part in the incident.

The officials said the soldier, known as Steffen, also was rewarded by superiors with 100 East German marks (\$5 at unofficial rate, \$20 at official). He is being investigated by West German authorities.

The East German commendation said, in part, to other East German border troops: "Carry on in Steffen's manner. Be tough and firm."

At Seaside there is no Mrs. Edith H. Rue listed in the telephone book. Officials there believe she may have lived there only during the summer.



MARINE P.V.T. FRANKIE L. BAKER, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Baker of 1553 Dayton Street, completed four weeks of individual combat training September 19 at the Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton. The course included the latest infantry tactics, first aid, demolitions, field fortifications and advanced schooling on weapons.

Cuba Visit May Be Off

NEW YORK (AP)—Soviet Premier Khrushchev is reported canceling a planned visit to Cuba—at this time—mainly because he fears it would backfire against the Soviet Union everywhere in Latin America.

Soviet security chiefs are also understood to have warned Khrushchev that mounting unrest and anti-Communist plotting in Cuba might imperil his personal safety.

This information comes from Iron Curtain officials who are in a position to know something about the Kremlin leader's decisions and moods.

He had tentatively scheduled a three-day goodwill visit to Cuba at the end of his United Nations appearance, they reported. Castro was under the impression he would come when he left New York to return to Havana 10 days ago.

But Khrushchev changed his mind, these informants said, when told his much-publicized meetings with Castro in New York already had badly hurt Soviet prestige in Latin America.

Pictures of Khrushchev, a delighted grin on his face, hugging Castro are reported to have aroused anti-Communist and anti-Castro opposition even in countries which had sympathized with the Cuban leader's social reform programs.

Rather than risk a massive setback to his campaign to woo other Latin American nations, Khrushchev decided to pass up the Cuban visit now.

The security problem is understood to have been a secondary consideration in Khrushchev's mind, but a major one to his bodyguards.

Soviet and Cuban security agents got involved in a pushing and shoving contest in New York three weeks ago when Khrushchev paid an impromptu visit on Castro.

It was on this occasion that a New York police captain grabbed Khrushchev's security chief, Nicolai Zaharov, lifted him bodily from the sidewalk, and insisted he stop shoving Cubans out of Khrushchev's path.

Apparently the incident was enough to cause Zaharov to wonder what kind of orderly security protection Khrushchev would get during any visit to Cuba.

India Girl Is Charming

By W. G. ROGERS
Associated Press Arts Editor

NEW YORK (AP)—A beautiful dancer from India, with jewels on her fingers, scarlet tint on her palms and the soles of her feet, and bells on her ankles, headed a dance company which charmed an international audience Tuesday night in the small Barbizon Plaza Theater.

She was the dancer Indrani in a generous dozen numbers from the ancient temples, the religion and the formal rhythmic lore of her country.

She and her male partners, notably Narasimha Rao and Balaram, were accompanied by flute, percussion, string and vocal music. The sound could get monotonous, but visually there was a wonderful variety, with great subtlety in facial expression and the play of fingers and a fine evocative sweep in the larger motions of arms, legs and sinuous bodies.

They were most effective in the simpler things. A too complicated story could get in the way, as in the number never before performed outside India, it was said, the "Daksha Yagnya." Here the magic of these dancers was somewhat lost in the literal rendering of the story of Shiva, his consort Sati and her father Daksha.

The company, which has played in numerous cities and dance centers in this country, Canada and abroad, stays here a week.

Proposal To Increase Size Of Supreme Court Has Become Dead Issue

SALEM (AP)—The seven-member Oregon Supreme Court plus two temporary justices have been working so hard that the proposal to permanently increase the size of the court to nine has become a dead issue.

The justices, who have been working nights and weekends, have almost got their docket current.

In the 1957 and 1959 legislatures, the proposed nine-member court was a subject of bitter political controversy. Now, nobody is proposing it because the court has almost caught up with its work.

Two years ago, the court was 21 months behind. That meant that after briefs were filed it took 21 months before the hearing could be held. A few months before that,

there was a delay of 26 months. The 1959 Legislature authorized the high court to add two temporary justices at a time by elevating them from the circuit courts.

These pro tem justices have done a big share of the work. The driving force of Chief Justice William McAllister has been a strong factor, too.

McAllister says that by Jan. 1, cases will be heard within 60 to 90 days after filing of briefs. And a few months after that, the delay will be down to a minimum—only a few weeks.

Not only will there be no need for two additional permanent justices, but there also won't be a need for the pro tem justices after the first of the year. McAllister says pro tem justices might be appointed for short periods if the work load should suddenly increase.

The court wants Sen. Hall S. Lusk to come back as a pro tem justice. He resigned from the court last March to accept his U. S. Senate appointment, which ends on election day next month.

Lusk, who had served on the Supreme Court since 1937, hasn't said if he wants to come back to the court.

The Oregon State Bar, which in the past has supported the nine-justice proposal, is not doing so now. It says it will adopt a wait-and-see attitude. There are some signs that the number of appeals will increase greatly, but these signs are somewhat confused.

Last week, the court heard 15 cases, and is hearing 15 more this week. It opens its fall term at Pendleton Oct. 31 with 18 on the docket.

That is a huge work load. The court is divided into two departments. A case normally is heard by one department, but often the whole court sits. McAllister sits with both departments, so he hears every case.

It's a big job to hear so many cases, study the briefs on each, then write the opinions. McAllister's two-year term as

chief justice ends in January, but he will continue on the high court. The last Legislature provided that from now on the chief justice shall serve six years. The justices and their employees are doing a lot of wondering who will be chosen as chief in December for the next six years. The justices choose their own chief. It could be any one of the seven.

Truck Plunge Kills Driver

OAKRIDGE (AP)—A truck plunged over the edge of Hills Creek Dam 200 feet down to the river bed near here Tuesday, killing the driver.

The victim was Jerry Englewood, about 35, of nearby Willamette City.

Fellow workmen said the edge of the earthen dam collapsed and Englewood's truck slid over the side. He was hurled out and hit by the truck as it fell.

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NO BEEF COMING

CAMBRIDGE, Minn. (UPI)—There are two new hams and a bacon at Memorial Hospital, but they're not in the kitchen. Mrs. Glen Ham gave birth to twins, a boy and a girl, and Mrs. Kenneth Bacon was the recent mother of a boy.

Actor Held For Rioting

ROME (AP)—John Barrymore Jr., 28, bearded as his father's famous profile never was, came to court today on charges of insulting a police officer, brawling, and trying to cause a jail break.

His beard was the cause of it all—a flamboyant, blazing brown growth that the actor cultivated for a film role as Italy's bewhiskered patriot, Giuseppe Garibaldi.

Barrymore added to the startling quality of his beard a luxuriant growth of curly, bleached blond hair that flowed across his head and over the back of his collar.

Contrary to prison rules, beard and hair were intact today when Barrymore was brought to court from Queen of Heaven jail on the banks of the Tiber. The actor had been there since Friday because the Italian penal code has no provision for bail.

With Barrymore came Italian starlet Gabriella Palazzoli, 23, his latest fiancée; her father and two brothers; and three Italian youths—all involved in the brawling that resulted in their arrest last Friday.

Barrymore and his fiancée were parked in his car Friday.

Youths in another car halted and taunted Barrymore about his beard. A fight began and tied up traffic. Gabriella's two brothers took part. Police grabbed all of them, except Barrymore and Gabriella.

Barrymore, his fiancée and her father went to the police station where the brothers were held. Another quarrel developed with police and Barrymore suddenly ran to the cells in an apparent effort to release the brothers.

At that point, police arrested Barrymore, Gabriella and her father.

Stage Play Misses Goal

By WILLIAM GLOVER
Associated Press Drama Critic

NEW YORK (AP)—"The Wall," a new Broadway play based on a best-seller novel, attempts the formidable task of distilling the horror of one of World War II's most savage episodes into the dramatic confines of stage action.

The production, which premiered Tuesday night at the Billy Rose Theater, is dedicated in earnest sincerity but only partially successful in achievement.

The events, but not the essence, of human terror emerge in this recreation of the three years during which Nazi might annihilated a half-million people from the Warsaw ghetto.

Millard Lampell, a screen writer essaying his first stage project, includes many of the episodes and individuals that crowd the pages of John Hersey's book.

A dozen men, women and children are centrally focused in the large cast, and director Morton Da Costa weaves the clash of their characters without much opportunity for subtle coloration. The rabbi, the collaborator, the fighter, the turncoat are types rather than individuals.

Only after an act and a half of careful preparation does "The Wall" reach a level of dynamic development.

George C. Scott, gruff-voiced and intense, is co-starred as the cold opportunist who tries to isolate himself from disaster. Yvonne Mitchell, an English actress making her first Broadway appearance, is the spinster teacher who leads the underground into rebellion and brings love to Scott.

The Kermit Bloomgarden-Billy Rose production is mounted by designer Howard Bay in a stage-crowding representation of the tenements and caves within the ghetto walls. For the finale, stage machinery works mightily in transforming the scene into a smoking rubble.

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RETURN PILOT'S BODY

AMMAN, Jordan (UPI)—Jordan returned the body of a United Arab Republic fighter pilot to U.A.R. authorities Wednesday but the Syrian press rejected Jordan's statement that he committed suicide after asking political asylum.

FIRE SWEEPS BUILDINGS

BEPPU, Japan (UPI)—An early morning fire sweeping through old wooden structures burned 60 buildings to the ground in this hot springs spa town. There were no reports of casualties.



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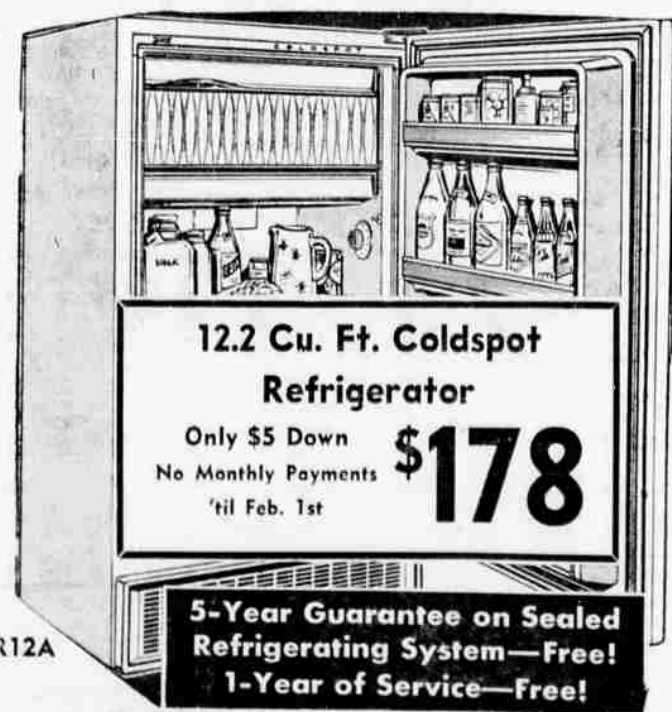


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