

## Terrorists Offer Trade Of Colonel's Life For Convicted Red Plotter

CARACAS, Venezuela (UPI) — Terrorists offered today to exchange the life of a kidnaped American lieutenant colonel for that of a convicted Communist plotter in far-off South Vietnam.

In Saigon, the United States asked the South Vietnamese government to delay the execution until the American officer's fate is determined.

The hostage is U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Michael Smolen, deputy chief of the U.S. air mission in Venezuela, was kidnaped in front of his home Friday morning. His abductors were believed to be Communist terrorist supporters of Cuba's Premier Fidel Castro.

**Conduct Massive Search**  
Police were conducting a massive search for Smolen, who is believed being held in Caracas. More than 100 suspects were rounded up for questioning and dozens of leads were checked out. But there was no trace of Smolen.

**Suspected chief of the kidnap gang is "Major" Maximino Canales**, youthful terrorist killer who has been involved in previous Red propaganda kidnappings.

**Anonymous telephone callers** told newspapers and radio stations that Smolen is being held hostage for Nguyen Van Troi, a Communist terrorist sentenced to death in Viet Nam for trying to kill Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara, with a bomb.

"One hour after we learn of Troi's execution, Smolen gets a bullet in the head," the callers said.

Informed sources said a public execution by firing squad had been planned for Troi by next weekend.

**"Concerned About Reports"**  
But when word reached Saigon about Smolen's kidnaping, it was brought directly to U.S. Ambassador Maxwell D. Taylor.

A spokesman said then that "we are obviously concerned about the reports from Caracas."

Then the embassy in Saigon received a message from Washington this morning, asking it to try to delay Troi's execution until Smolen is out of his kidnaper's hands.

An official of the Saigon U.S. Embassy who went to the Vietnamese Foreign Office this afternoon, was informed that no definite date had been set for Troi's execution. The American official told the Vietnamese the United States hoped that Troi would not be executed while Smolen's life was in the balance.

The 45-year-old airman, deputy chief of the U.S. Air Mission here, was seized as he left his home with Col. Henry L. Choate, the mission chief, and a civilian driver. None of the three was armed.

One bandit thrust his submachine gun into Smolen's abdomen and the other pushed him into a waiting car.

Neither Choate, who apparently was not recognized by the kidnappers, nor the driver was molested.

In Washington, the State Department said Choate called for Smolen Friday because of "recent rumors" that the Communists were planning to kidnap an American official.

"Our embassy came to the conclusion that Col. Smolen might be one of several likely victims of a kidnapping plot," a State Department spokesman said. He did not explain why Choate and Smolen were not armed.

Kidnapping for propaganda purposes is a favorite tactic of the Communists in Venezuela. In the past 14 months, they have abducted Col. James K. Chennault, former deputy chief of the U.S. military mission here, and Spanish soccer star Alfredo De Stefano.



**SIGN CHURCH CONTRACTS**—Contracts for construction of the new sanctuary of the First Methodist church were formally signed Wednesday. Actual construction work was started Sept. 30 by Wer-muth, Inc., Fort Wayne, general contractor. The Haug Plumbing & Heating Co., Decatur is the contractor on heating, ventilating, plumbing and air conditioning; and Reynolds Electric, Decatur, has the electrical installation contract. Formal ground breaking services will be held Sunday morning.

### Arthur Kleinhenz Dies Last Evening

Arthur B. Kleinhenz, 71, of 317 Line street, a lifelong resident of Decatur, died at 5:45 p.m. Friday at the Adams county memorial hospital, where he had been a patient since suffering a broken hip in a fall at his home Monday evening.

Although he had been in failing health for some time, his death was unexpected.

Born in Decatur Sept. 23, 1893, he was a son of John W. and Mary Kleinhenz, and had never married. He had been an employee of the Holthouse Drug Co. for more than 50 years.

Mr. Kleinhenz was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church, the Knights of Columbus, American Legion and the Elks lodge. He was a veteran of World War I.

Surviving are a sister-in-law Mrs. Lawrence Kleinhenz of Decatur; three nieces, Miss Ethel and Miss Jane Kleinhenz, both of Decatur, and Mrs. Hubert O. Ferle of Fort Wayne, and two nephews, Robert Kleinhenz of South Holland, Ill., and Arthur W. Krick of Lima, O. Four brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be conducted at 9:15 a.m. Monday at St. Mary's Catholic church, with the Rev. Msgr. Simeon Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in the Catholic cemetery. The body was removed to the Gillig, Doan & Sefton funeral home, where friends may call after 12 noon Sunday. The rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. Sunday. Pallbearers will be Robert Holthouse, Louis Jacobs, William Gass, Joe Murphy, Harold Niblick and Charles Weber.

### NOON EDITION

### Robert Rock Visits In County Tuesday

Dr. Harry Hebble, chairman of the Adams county Democratic central committee, received word late Friday afternoon that Robert Rock, Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor, will pay a visit to Adams county Tuesday morning.

Rock, a native of Anderson, is a former Democratic minority leader of the general assembly. Further details of Rock's visit will be announced later.

## Coexistence With Imperialism Out

CAIRO, U.A.R. (UPI) — The political committee of the "non-aligned" nations summit conference has adopted a resolution declaring that peaceful coexistence with imperialism is impossible, informed sources said today.

The move was a sharp setback for moderate forces at the meeting and seemed to put the conference in Peking's corner in the ideological battle between Communist China and the Soviet Union.

The 47 nations winding up their sessions here also showed a definite policy of alignment

### Stuckey Funeral Is Held This Morning

Funeral services were held this morning at Fremont for Homer Stuckey, 73, of Fremont route 2, and a native of Adams county, who died Wednesday night at the Cameron hospital in Angola following a brief illness.

He was born in Adams county but lived in Fort Wayne most of his life, moving to Fremont eight years ago.

Mr. Stuckey, a veteran of World War I, was employed by the Pennsylvania railroad until his retirement.

Survivors include three brothers, the Rev. W. J. Stuckey of New Glarus, Wis., Leslie Stuckey of Berne, and Carl Stuckey of Decatur; and four sisters, Miss Estella Stuckey and Mrs. Calvin Sprunger of Berne, Mrs. Homer Winteregg of Monroe, and Mrs. A. C. Ferber of Fort Wayne.

Services were held at the Beams funeral home, with burial in the Fremont cemetery.

### INDIANA WEATHER

Fair to partly cloudy and not quite so cold today and tonight. Fair and a little warmer Sunday. Low tonight low 30s north, upper 30s south. High Sunday mid to upper 50s north, low to mid 60s south. Outlook for Monday: Fair to partly cloudy and a little warmer.

## Pupils Check Fire Hazards In Homes

Piles of rubbish in attics and basements, frayed electrical cords, too many electrical appliances on one circuit, paints, varnishes and other flammable liquids stored in open or loosely-capped containers.

These were some of the potential fire hazards that students of the fourth grade in Decatur and the area were looking for during this national fire prevention week, which opened Monday and concludes today.

The boys and girls took part in the national junior fire marshal program, a special year-long activity sponsored by the Hartford Insurance group to teach fire prevention and safety to school children.

The first project was an inspection of their own homes for conditions that could cause a fire.

**Make Inspections**  
With the help of their parents, the youngsters made inspections using a check list of common fire hazards carried in the fall issue of the Junior Fire Marshal magazine, according to Joe Rash of the Leland Smith Insurance Agency, which sponsors the program locally in cooperation with the schools and fire department officials.

Rash explained today that the inspections made by the children "were very successful," and that nearly all the children responded.

During the week some 520 students in the fourth grades of the following schools were contacted and issued inspection sheets: Lincoln school, Southeast, Northwest, St. Joseph, Pleasant Mills, Monmouth, Immanuel Lutheran, Zion Lutheran of Decatur, St. Paul's Lutheran, Friedheim Lutheran, St. John's Lutheran, St. Peter's Lutheran, the Adams Central grade school, and the Vera Cruz opportunity school.

**Become Marshals**  
When the boys and girls returned their completed home reports to their teachers, they became full-fledged junior fire marshals and received official badges.

As another project this fall, the boys and girls will learn how to hold home fire drills and how to plan escape routes from their homes in case of fire.

"Many lives have been lost simply because people didn't consider ahead of time what they should do if fire broke out," local fire chief Cedric Fisher said. "Without pre-planning, people become panicky when obvious ways of escape are cut off by smoke and flames. The junior fire marshals will learn how to devise more than one way to get out of any part of their homes if the need arises," Fisher added.

During the rest of the year, the pupils will receive training in other aspect of safety in addition to fire prevention. A special project this fall, for instance, is learning safety rules for riding bicycles. Special Christmas and spring safety campaigns will also be included in the program.

Initiated by Hartford in 1947 as a public service, the program provides each child taking part with copies of the Junior Fire Marshal magazine. The schools here are among 15,000 across the country that are participating in this year's program.

**Gives Tips**  
As a guide for parents who have youngsters who are riding bicycles or soon will be, chief of police Grover Odle offers some simple rules for safe riding. The rules, which are appearing in the latest issue of the Junior Fire Marshal program, are:

1. Check tires and brakes regularly to make sure they are in good condition. Keep sprocket, chain and other moving parts well oiled.
2. Observe local ordinances covering riding on sidewalks. Bicycles should be ridden on the right side of the road, close to the curb or shoulder. Don't ride on the left side of the road against traffic.
3. Obey traffic signals and signs just as motorists do. Never try to "jump" a traffic light.
4. Never ride two on a bicycle.

### Satellite Relays TV Of Olympics

NEW YORK (UPI) — The space age today gave millions of Americans a front row seat at the Olympic games half a world away in Tokyo.

Live television on pictures of the official opening ceremonies of the 18th Olympiad were received here with crystal clarity via Syncom III, the communications satellite hovering over the Pacific Ocean.

5. Don't weave in and out of traffic. Keep to one lane as much as possible.
6. Always keep both feet on the pedals. Don't show off by putting feet up on handlebars and don't coast downhill without being ready to put on the brakes at all times.
7. Stop at all intersections and look both ways for autos before crossing. Always watch parked cars; one may pull away from the curb suddenly.
8. Use hand signals to indicate right or left turns or stops.

9. Don't hitch rides by hanging onto autos or trucks or other vehicles.
10. Equip bicycle with horn or bell. Never ride at night unless the bicycle has a rear reflector and a headlamp.
11. Check the state motor vehicle laws for specific regulations pertaining to bicycles.

"If parents make sure that their boys and girls learn these rules and abide by them, they will eliminate many of the common causes of bicycle accidents," Odle stated.

### REDDY FEATHER SAYS:

"TODAY'S DECATUR COMMUNITY FUND TOTAL IS \$7,159.84 The Goal Is \$29,834 YOUR Community Fund Still Needs \$22,674.16"



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## World Series To New York

NEW YORK (UPI)—Back in the winning groove and their home park, the New York Yankees send bulldog Jim Bouton to the mound against the St. Louis Cardinals today hoping to take the lead in the 1964 World Series for the first time.

All even after the first two games in St. Louis, the Cardinals countered with veteran left hander Curt Simmons, who will be making the first start of his career in series competition. Simmons was a member of the National League pennant-winning Philadelphia Phillies in 1950 but was in the Army when the World Series rolled around.

The weather was expected to be clear and warm and the crowd was expected to be about 60,000, including Lynda Bird Johnson, daughter of the President.

Although many teams have seen their World Series hopes disappear because of the problems created by playing in Yankee Stadium, Manager Johnny Keane likes the more expansive playing area than Busch Stadium afforded.

**Have Speedy Fielders**  
"If anything, this park will help us," he said. "We have outfielders who can go and get the ball."

The Cardinal manager also is hoping that Bill White and Lou Brock, the two hot-left-handed hitting sluggers of the late St. Louis flag drive, will zero in on the "short right field porch" of the stadium. Right-handed hitters such as Ken Boyer have

a much more difficult target because the left field fence slopes rapidly away to 461 feet. The Yankees usually play better at the stadium than anywhere else because their pitching is tailored to the park. Manager Yogi Berra's pitchers keep the ball away from left-handed pull-hitting strength and induce rival hitters to hit into the deeper areas of the park.

**Berra's president** w—"Any kind of a split on the road, that's all right," said Berra, "turning up the Yankees' view of the division in St. Louis. 'We're in a good spot with three games coming up at home.'"

Bouton is a smallish, boyish-featured right-hander who won 18 games and lost 13 for the Yankees this season. He throws a variety of pitches and moves the ball around a lot but does not have an exceptional fast ball.

A former \$65,000 bonus speed-baller, Simmons was regarded as washed up in 1960 when he was unconditionally released by the Phillies. He was given a chance by the Cardinals, however, and in the last four and a half seasons has won 59 games.

Now 35, Simmons has lost the big fast ball of his youth and has substituted curves, sliders, changeups and razor-edge control. He won 18 games and lost nine this season.

Second baseman Julian Javier's bruised left hip creates the only doubtful starter in either lineup.

## Claim 16,000 Defect To Viet Nam

SAIGON, Viet Nam (UPI)—More than 16,000 Communist Viet Cong guerrillas have deserted to the Vietnamese government in the past 20 months, the government announced today.

In another development anti-Communist Buddhist leader Thich (reverend) Tam Chau, promising amnesty to rebel defectors.

A total of 13,618 of these defected in the Communist-dominated Mekong River delta around Saigon, the agency said.

Authoritative American military sources said today that Vietnamese Air Force fighter-bombers mistakenly killed 30 civilians and wounded 20 in an air strike in nearby Bien Hoa Province two weeks ago.

Communist North Viet Nam's radio Hanoi had broadcast a similar story at the time, but it was ignored in Saigon until today.

Word of the massacre followed by two days a claim by Vietnamese military sources that a U.S. helicopter mistakenly strafed friendly Vietnamese troops on Wednesday and killed 25 of them before the survivors fired on it in despair bringing it down.

A U.S. military investigation report said the U.S. helicopter might have killed three Vietnamese soldiers by accident, not 25.

## President At Texas Ranch

JOHNSON CITY, Tex. (UPI) — President Johnson took a short breather today from campaign barnstorming after giving a frank talk to a southern audience about civil rights.

The President flew to the LBJ Ranch early today from New Orleans, where he ended a three-day campaign swing in the Midwest and South. He was pleased with the results of the trip which saw him attract big crowds in several cities.

It was to be a short breather. A schedule announced Friday will take the President to Phoenix, Long Beach, San Francisco and Las Vegas on Sunday, and see him campaign in Reno and Butte, Mont., Casper, Wyo., Denver, and Boise, Idaho, on Monday before returning to Washington.

The stop in Phoenix will put Johnson in the home city of Republican presidential nominee Barry Goldwater shortly after Goldwater returns from a campaign trip of his own.

**Stops in Phoenix**  
Johnson was understood to have scheduled the stop, on the home grounds of his opponent, at the request of Sen. Carl Hayden, D-Ariz.

Hayden, president pro-tempore and seniority dean of the Senate, is supporting a former office aide, Roy Elson, against Arizona's Republican Gov. Paul Fannin, in the race for a U.S. Senate seat. Fannin is a long-time Goldwater ally, and the Senate seat at stake is the one now held by Goldwater.

The President's stop in New Orleans allowed him to rendezvous with his wife, Lady Bird, after her four-day, eight-state

whistle stop tour through the heart of the South. Johnson boarded the "Lady Bird Special" shortly after it backed into the depot and greeted his wife with a hug and a friendly kiss.

Then they moved through pandemonium in the station—a cheering crowd which included many Negroes—to a rally at which Mrs. Johnson delivered her 46th speech of an "unforgettable" week. Johnson told the cheering crowd that he had "given the South the best I have for the last four days."

**Adds Impromptu Comments**  
Later, Johnson delivered a speech at a \$100-a-plate dinner, adding some impromptu comments on the damage which can be done by those who seek to divide the nation by playing on animosities.

"Whatever your views are, we have a Constitution and we have a Bill of Rights and we have the law of the land, and two-thirds of the Democrats in the Senate voted for it and three-fourths of the Republicans."

"I signed it, and I am going to enforce it, and I am going to observe it, and I think any man that is worthy of the high office of President is going to do the same thing," Johnson said.

"But I am not going to let them build up hate and try to buy my people by appealing to their prejudice," Johnson said.

Johnson's prepared speech in New Orleans coupled a confident prediction of victory in November with statements calling for a non-partisan drive by Americans to swamp Goldwater at the polls on November 3rd.