

Protest Considered On U.S. Citizens' 'Slavery' In Russia

NOTE ALREADY SENT TO TITO; CHARGE DENIED

State Department Reveals
Forced Labor of 165,
Death of 10.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19 (U.P.)—The United States today was considering a formal protest to Russia over allegations that scores of American citizens are held in slave labor there.

This was disclosed by official sources after the state department sent a sharply-worded protest to Yugoslavia.

That note charged many Americans are being held in Yugoslav prisons without charge, that some are being held under slave labor conditions and that some have died as result of brutal treatment.

These sources reported that up to 10 American citizens—all civilians—have died in Yugoslav prison camps and that 165 others are engaged in forced labor.

Denied by Yugoslavia

The state department's charges brought an immediate and emphatic denial from Dr. S. Makiedo, temporary charge d'affaires of the Yugoslav embassy.

"The Yugoslav government," he said in a statement, "has always scrupulously respected the rights and privileges of all American citizens. I most emphatically deny that any Americans are being subjected to slave labor in Yugoslavia or that slave labor conditions exist in my country."

Officials said most of the Americans allegedly held in Russia were U. S. citizens sent to the U. S. S. R. in 1944 and 1945 by the advancing Red army. They were taken from Romania, Yugoslavia, Poland and Hungary, where they had been living for some years. Many since have been returned to Poland and the Balkans.

At present, the cases are being handled on an individual basis but, officials said, a blanket protest will be made soon unless Russia gives a satisfactory explanation.

Official sources said that at least 40 U. S. citizens were taken to Russia from Romania, "Quite a number" from Poland, and some from Yugoslavia and Hungary. It was not clear how many were naturalized American citizens who had returned to the countries of their birth, and how many were born in this country.

Mr. Makiedo's statement, however, said that there are approximately 110,000 people of the German minority in Yugoslavia and that among them are some who claim American citizenship. Investigation has disclosed, Mr. Makiedo said, that these persons were born in Yugoslavia; they came to America and became U. S. citizens without relinquishing their Yugoslav citizenship, and then returned to Yugoslavia during the depression years in this country.

Reported Adding Nazis

Those held in prison camps, Mr. Makiedo said, were found to have helped the Germans during Nazi occupation of Yugoslavia. It seems likely that the Russians also are holding American citizens on the grounds that they helped the Nazis.

The protest note cited as typical the case of Kristian Hegel, an aged American who lived for many years in Yugoslavia and who was jailed by the Tito government on Nov. 26, 1944.

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Receives Medal

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Reward Is Offered

The duke's theory was that local thieves surveyed the Windsor's temporary residence at Ednam Lodge, Sunningdale, guessed the couple had considerable jewelry with them and decided the loot was worth the risk.

Portion of the jewels discarded by the thieves, the duke theorized, was abandoned because it seemed too difficult to pass on in the underworld.

Mrs. Yodon was the wife of Opl.

John Yodon, stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Va. He is a regular army enlisted with 28 years service. They were married about two years ago.

Funeral services were planned tomorrow afternoon in Noblesville.

Rejects Best Seller

He also rejected Thomas B. Costain's best-seller "The Black Rose," and turned thumbs down on "Garland Roark's "Wake of the Red Witch."

But if thousands of Americans read these books, wouldn't the British?

"Perhaps," Mr. Collins admitted, "but we buy only what we like. We like to choose authors that can be built up through the years."

He said his firm would publish Kenneth Roberts' new novel "Lydia Bedill" and also planned to publish 50,000 copies of Taylor Caldwell's "This Side of Innocence."

"There'll be no gamble for us in either," he said. "They'll sell out on publication."

FORGING FIRM HEAD DIES AT NOBLESVILLE

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Oct. 19 (U.P.)—C. C. Chamberlain, 73, president of the board of directors of the Blakesley Forging Co., Derby, Conn., died in his home last night. The body will be taken to Derby for burial.

Mr. Chamberlain had retired from active participation in the affairs of the company.

\$300 STOLEN FROM FRATERNITY HOUSES

Times State Service

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Oct. 19—Burglars who visited two Washington college fraternity houses Thursday obtained approximately \$300.

The Delta Tau Delta house reported \$200 was stolen from clothing and desks of members. Beta Theta Pi, located directly across the street, reported a loss of \$100.

KILLED BY CAR

SCOTTSBURG, Ind., Oct. 19 (U.P.)—Melvin H. Hubbard, 67, was killed last night when struck by an automobile driven by Edgar S. Williams, Scottsburg, south of here on U. S. 31.

Organizations

Prospect chapter 482, O. E. S., will meet at its temple, Prospect and State st., at 4 p.m. Monday.

Dec. 7, 1942—Stole merchandise from the Western Auto Co., 363 N.

March 27, 1944—Sentenced to the Indiana Boys' School, to be held at the juvenile detention home until transferred.

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