

8 Russians Sealed Off In House by MP's In U. S. German Zone

Soviet Repatriation Group Refuses To Leave Frankfurt on Clay's Order

American military police today set up a water-tight blockade around the house occupied by eight Russian members of a Soviet repatriation commission who said they couldn't leave the American zone as ordered until they heard from Moscow.

The Russians apparently settled down for a long siege in the luxurious red sandstone mansion that has served as their residence and office. Strains of accordion music were heard floating from the blockade house.

German workmen shut off all water, gas electricity and telephone service to the house by disconnecting wires and digging up mains.

Eight American military police, each armed with a .45 caliber automatic pistol and a police club, patrolled the house under orders to let no one in or out.

Ordered Out By Clay The siege sealed the eight Russians in even more effectively than the western powers have been sealed in Berlin, for the Russians have no airfield.

The Russians, four enlisted men and four officers, are members of an eight-man Soviet repatriation mission which was ordered out of the American zone of Germany by Gen. Lucius D. Clay.

The mission's accreditation to the American zone expired at midnight Monday. The Russians refused to leave, Col. S. A. Wood, Frankfurt provost marshal, extended the deadline another 32 hours, until 8 a. m. today (1 a. m. Indianapolis time).

The Russians still were there when the deadline passed, refusing to leave on grounds that they could be charged with treason if they abandoned their post without orders from Moscow.

Bulgaria A WITNESS at the espionage-trial of 15 Protestant clergymen testified today that an American official asked him to collect Russian military information because "America is getting ready for war against the Soviet Union."

The witness was Christo Stratev, closest friend of the late Nikola Peikov, executed Bulgarian anti-Communist leader. Mr. Stratev was brought from jail to testify against the clergymen.

Mr. Stratev quoted Cyril Black, secretary of the American peace treaty mission to Sofia, as saying that information on Russian activities was needed.

France INTERIOR MINISTER Jules Moch announced today that a total of eight persons have been arrested and handed over to the army for trial in the alleged Communist spy activity.

Twenty other persons now are under investigation, Mr. Moch announced in a formal statement after a cabinet meeting.

In one phase of the crackdown, a military judge issued a warrant for the arrest of Paul Moret, an official in the ministry of commerce and industry.

Munich A SULTRY German blond sobbingly pleaded innocent today to charges that she used "her very evident charms" to gather information about U. S. occupation troops for an unidentified foreign power.

Gertie Doerre, 26, dabbed constantly at her eyes as she and six German co-defendants in espionage charges in the U. S. military court.

Holy Land TWO SENIOR Israeli army officers were killed and three wounded when they struck a mine in the Faluja area, a report received by United Nations headquarters at Tel Aviv said today.

Big Four RUSSIA supported Yugoslavia's latest demands on Austria today at the Big Four meeting in London, where deputies of foreign ministers were trying to work out an Austrian settlement.

The Soviet backing dimmed but did not kill Western hopes that Russia might sell out Yugoslavia because of Marshal Tito's split with the Communist International Information Bureau.

Assure 'Full Scale' Hospital Probe (Continued From Page One)

celain cup serves the needs of all inmates on the ward.

There is no obvious no system of segregation. Patients suffering from cancer, syphilis and other communicable diseases are permitted to make daily use of the "community" drinking cup.

But aside from the obvious neglect of the patients' welfare, there was an undercurrent of resentment at the recent "importation" of a physician from Florida who is carried on the payroll as assistant to the superintendent.

Dr. Bahr, the lawmakers learned, is paid \$707 per month. Out of this he must pay \$150 for "room and board."

The newcomer, Dr. Jesse V. Cohn, receives a monthly salary of \$666.66. He is not charged for quarters and rations for either himself or his family, the legislators were told.

In the opinion of the investigators, there are enough competent doctors in Indiana, thoroughly trained in the care and treatment of mental patients, without "importation" of physicians from other states.

Praise Dr. Bahr "The conditions we have found thus far," Mr. Churilla said, "are dismal and deplorable." But both Mr. Bahr and his staff are doing a good job with meager funds.

Dr. Bahr has been at the institution 51 years. He has been superintendent for the last 26 years.

Senate Turns Route of Historic Flight Into Car Tax

Vehicle Valuation Measure Comes Up For Decision Today

An interesting bit of legislative maneuvering by Indiana Senators has turned an ordinary House bill dealing with judicial circuits into a measure which would strike home to every motorist.

The measure as introduced in the House Jan. 18, would have created the fifth, seventh and 85th judicial circuits in the state. In that form it passed the House unanimously 92 to 0.

But when Senators got hold of it they changed its whole complexion. The measure as it comes up for a decision today is a bill for a tax on motor vehicles to replace the present personal property assessment tax.

A receipt for the tax will be required before new license plates can be obtained. The valuation for each year, make and model of car and truck will be decided by the State Tax Board and a copy of the new assessment will be sent each county treasurer.

Need Papers Vehicle owners will be required to present their title, certificate or bill of sale at the time of paying their tax. The treasurers shall then collect taxes on each one hundred dollars of valuation at the established tax rate in that taxing unit in which the vehicle is kept.

The valuation of each vehicle will be determined from the schedule furnished by the State Tax Board.

If the bill in its present form passes the Senate it will be returned to the House for concurrence in the amendment. It is not likely the lower assembly will be particularly receptive to the change.

Police Hold Two Men As Slugging Suspects Police today were holding two men as suspects in the slugging and attempted robbery of a 33-year-old South Side man early today.

Jesse David Regan, 411 E. South St., reported to police he was slugged in the mouth and knocked down by two men who demanded his money as he was walking in the 300 block of W. 11th St. at 1 a. m. The men disappeared when he attempted to get up, he said.

Three hours later two men answering the descriptions of Mr. Regan's assailants were arrested on vagrancy charges in the 500 block W. Washington St. They denied the attack and said they were hitch-hiking from Springfield, O.

Legislative Calendar . . .

March 1 Bills Passed House

HB 46 (McBride)—Social Security: Raises minimum old age assistance payment to \$40 weekly and repeals provision of Old Age Assistance Act. (76 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 47 (Hix)—Personal Appropriation: Appropriates \$15,000 to sons of Roy Maxson as compensation for his accidental death in 1939 while on duty with Indiana National Guard. (68 ayes, 2 noes.)

HB 48 (Cemba)—Special Appropriation: Appropriates \$10,000 to sons of Roy Maxson as compensation for his accidental death while on duty with Indiana National Guard. (71 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 49 (Barnes)—School Physicians: Requires two or more school physicians to serve school operating under agreement; also municipal physicians may serve both as school physician and city health officer. (71 ayes, 1 no.)

HB 50 (McConkey)—Sewer Assessment: Gives Board of Works of Indianapolis power to assess property holders for sewer projects. (61 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 51 (Eckman)—Criminal Law: Authorizes Supreme Court to appoint a committee of three to complete the reorganization of criminal law started by the State Penal and Correctional Survey Commission. (71 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 52 (Hix)—Police Chief Experience: Extends to third and fourth cities the law under which police chiefs of first and second class cities shall have had at least five years continuous service on the force; also amends law to require that the service period must be immediately prior to appointment. (60 ayes, 10 noes.)

HB 53 (Kramer)—County Clerk's Salary: Allows clerk in counties having population of 15,000 or less, \$500 a year reimbursement for expenditures made in discharge of his duties. (71 ayes, 3 noes.)

HB 54 (Makowski)—Sanitation Tax Limit: Removes the two-cent tax limit on boards of sanitary commissioners and second class cities for general expense. (70 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 55 (Kelly)—Fire Protection: Permits cities and towns to contract with private industries to provide fire protection outside the city or town limits. (68 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 56 (Gardner-Makowski)—Court Practice: Provides that unpaid court costs in a change of venue case shall be certified from the county where trial is held to the county to which venue is changed. (75 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 57 (Hix)—Corporation Procedure: Amends Non-Profit Corporation Act to read three sections; provides for voting which was omitted in 1947 when act was amended. (71 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 58 (Hix)—County Office: Amends law referring to State Department of Inspection of Public Office to read State Board of Accounts; provides that county treasurers, clerks, and other officials shall attend school or conferences called by Accounts Board. (68 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 59 (Smith-McFarland)—Rental Schoolbooks: Extends to township trustees and joint or consolidated school boards the right to rent school textbooks to pupils. (73 ayes, 1 no.)

HB 60 (Lane-McFarland)—Swine Exhibition: Requires exhibitors to provide an official health certificate which complies with interstate requirements relative to hog cholera vaccinations. (71 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 61 (Gardner-Moss)—Farm Diseases: Creates the Indiana Commission on Domestic Animals and Poultry Diseases of 17 members to study livestock and poultry diseases; the commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor by Nov. 1, 1950. (74 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 62 (Hix)—Tax Refund: Provides that in five years the time in which refunds or excess tax payments may be made by county treasurers. (73 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 63 (Hix)—Intoxication Tax: Permits recovery from State Tax Board on promissory notes secured by mortgage where courts have ruled these notes are not subject to tax. (72 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 64 (Edgerton-Beck)—Bang's Disease: Tests: Authorizes establishment of Bang's disease testing laboratories at licensed swine barns and by county Bang's disease examiners. (73 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 65 (Smith-McFarland)—Agriculture Co-operative Act: Corrects errors and discrepancies in language of the Indiana Agriculture Co-operative Act. (75 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 66 (Matthews)—Burglar School Buildings: Authorizes school corporations to acquire and use prefabricated and other types of buildings from the Federal Government surplus commodities; validates such acquisitions previously made. (73 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 67 (Edgerton-Eckman)—School Attendance: Revises school attendance law to conform to conditions brought about by consolidations and transfers. (73 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 68 (Stevens)—Township Board Salaries: Fixes salary of Township Advisory Board members at \$25 a year. Present law fixes compensation at \$15 a year, not to exceed \$25 a year. (72 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 69 (Hix)—County and Superior Courts to adjudge persons chronic alcoholics upon testimony of physicians and commit them to private or public institutions for periods up to 90 days. Provides that cure has been effected in necessary manner for commitment. (75 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 70 (Hix)—County Proceedings: Sets a limitation on the time in which to re-open judgments foreclosing mortgages on real estate of private and public owners. (75 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 71 (Hix)—Sanitary Districts: Authorizes the State Board of Health to organize under a 1913 law, when the districts are imperative and without outstanding liabilities. (75 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 72 (Hix)—City Finances: Permits cities to establish a sinking fund charged with collections to establish cash funds of not to exceed \$500. (75 ayes, 0 noes.)

HB 73 (Hix)—Mortgage Release: Authorizes release of mortgages of trust companies and savings banks on order. The rate of delivery is secret. (75 ayes, 0 noes.)

Tested in Alaska Plans for the B-50 were laid down in design in 1944 and production began in 1947.

Last October a group was sent to Alaska for operational tests in Arctic conditions. On Dec. 7, 1948, a B-50, testing techniques of refueling in the air, flew 9400 miles non-stop in slightly more than 40 hours between Carswell Field, Ft. Worth, Tex., and Hawaii. It was refueled three times in air by B-29 Superfortresses converted to aerial tankers and dropped what the Air Force described officially only as a "useful" bomb load about midway in the flight.

The B-50 looks almost exactly like the B-29. The only difference in size is that the B-50 has a tail 33 feet high, which is 30 feet, three inches above the B-29.

It is powered with four Pratt & Whitney engines rated at 3000 to 3500 horsepower each. The B-29 is powered by four Wright Cyclone engines of 2200 horsepower each.

The B-50 range is listed as 8000 miles carrying 10,000 pounds of bombs, and has an altitude rating like the B-29, of "above 30,000 feet."

Charge Governor Blocks Repeal Of Utility Act

Indiana's rebel Republican State Senators today charged Gov. Schriever personally "sabotaged" outright repeal of the utilities compulsory arbitration law.

Four GOP Senators, self-styled labor liberals, accused the Governor of blocking passage of the repeal yesterday afternoon by forcing several Senate Democrats to vote against the measure.

The rebellious Republican Senators Harold Handley of LaPorte, Edwin Beaman of Princeton, William Bates of New Albany and Roy Conrad of Monticello voted for the arbitration repeal, a Democrat platform pledge.

Meanwhile, House Democrats began a new tactical move to push a "voluntary" version of the utilities arbitration law.

Rep. Harry Latham (D., Indianapolis) inserted a new voluntary arbitration law in an old bill. It comes up for action today.

Charges Flying Immediately, Rep. W. O. Hughes, Republican House leader, charged that Gov. Schriever was making a political plaything out of labor with an on-again, off-again attitude toward compulsory arbitration legislation.

Sen. Handley charged on the Senate floor that Gov. Schriever campaigned on a promise of outright repeal solely to get labor's votes. He claimed that some Republican senators sincerely worked for the repeal on the grounds that it was against basic principles of "free labor."

"Out to Pass" "We have not broken faith," Sen. Handley shouted. "But the Democratic party has."

Sen. Conrad informed senate colleagues that "we ought to pass the full repeal—just to see what the hell Gov. Schriever really wants to do."

He blasted the Chamber of Commerce as a bunch of "spineless, political jellyfish" who need a "slap in the face" to wake them up. He indicated that the repeal might be the "slap" the Chamber and Indiana industry needs.

Opposing repeal, Sen. Samuel Johnson (R., Anderson) declared: "The utilities arbitration repeal is a stain on blood. It's premeditated murder permitting powerful labor groups to commit mass murder on helpless women and children by striking."

Scoring the union lobby as a "fierce and unscrupulous pressure group," Sen. Johnson told his colleagues: "Let's give them hell. If they keep this pressure up, that's where they're going."

City officials today faced the problem of distributing \$275,000 in funds to two departments charged with the upkeep of city streets and requiring an estimated \$4,046,000 to do the job in 1949.

Street Commissioner Tony Malo, who has jurisdiction over 314 miles of unimproved streets, has estimated his requirements would be about \$271,000.

Repair of some 557 miles of improved streets falls under the direction of M. G. Johnson, city engineer.

Although a tentative figure of \$50,000 has been allocated for the street commissioner's use, the Board of Works has reached no decision as to the amount to be marked for the city engineer.

Monies From 1948 Phillip L. Bayt Jr., city controller, said there are some funds available from the 1948 budget, but he doesn't know how much.

He said there are \$100,000 in civil city funds and \$175,000 in gas tax funds included in the street repair budget.

Officials estimated that 14 miles of curbs need repair as well as 10 miles of sidewalks. Light resurfacing is needed on about 55 miles of improved streets and an additional 50 miles of the improved streets are in "bad shape."

IN INDIANAPOLIS

MARRIAGE LICENSES

At St. Francis-Cecil, Ruth Clark; Lebert, Margaret Laine.

At Home-Gilbert, Girls: Ann Kaye; George Johnson, 156 W. 27th; William, Virginia Stenker, 1324 N. 10th.

At St. Francis-Earl, Mildred Michael; At Coleman—William, Betty Jordan; At Methodist—Eliel Scott.

At Methodist—David, Helen Curd; Marion, Delores Reedy; Irvin, Marjorie Gram; William, Jane Reedy; At St. Vincent—Betty Vehnig; Jack, Lou Alice Hall; At St. Vincent—Frank, Selma Hunsford; Thomas, Elizabeth Pierce.

DEATHS

Thomas C. Overman, 89, at Methodist, coronary occlusion.

Bess M. Shumaker, 64, at 3540 N. Penn; pneumonia, myocardial infarction.

Lucy Hinkley, 83, at 1229 Brookside, carcinoma.

Allen Pace, 64, at Methodist, arterio-sclerosis.

Dorothy J. Alcott, 27, of General, glomerulonephritis.

Bertha M. Jones, 66, at 2221 Broadway, myocardial degeneration.

Leonard Little, 49, at General, pancreatitis.

Laura J. Pike, 83, at 2207 E. 38th, arterio-sclerosis.

Vivienne Cass, 64, at Methodist, cerebral hemorrhage.

Mary A. King, 94, at 4125 College, myocardial degeneration.

Clarence C. Johnson, 67, at 1412 N. Holmes.

Ann Ellice Aiman, 9 days, at St. Vincent.

Walter C. Cox, at 1551 W. New York, carcinoma.

Christie Bell Doster, 40, at General, diabetes mellitus.

Patrick Joseph Gearis, 94, at 239 N. Walnut, cirrhosis of liver.

Edna E. Hale, 67, at 717 Lexington, coronary occlusion.

Rose Layton, 68, at 1396 N. Delaware, arterio-sclerosis.

Elva McCrackin, 101, at 452 W. 10th, arterio-sclerosis.

Melvin H. Mitchell, 60, at Methodist, cardio-vascular failure.

Flora Murphy, 58, at Methodist, carcinoma.

Charles Steinhauer, 87, at General, cerebral thrombosis.

Elizabeth Don't Tins, 83, at Methodist, cerebral hemorrhage.

Emma Willis, 85, at 6879 E. Washington, arterio-sclerosis.

Mary E. Alexander, 78, at 3130 N. Capitol, myocardial degeneration.

Ralph M. Finkhouser, 64, at Methodist, cancer.

Ade May Good, 40, at Long, pyelonephritis.

Veteran Hit by Deputy's Car Dies as Officers Plan Help

Word of Death Reaches Sheriff's Office As Blood Donors Gather for Transfusions

A 29-year-old veteran who was struck by a deputy sheriff's car on Holt Rd. near Morris St. Monday night died last night in General Hospital.

As word of the death of Leonard Eugene Jackson, 139 Gardner St., Tyndall Towne, was received at the Marion County sheriff's office, a group of deputies was preparing to go to the hospital to offer blood transfusions to the accident victim.

The group was headed by Deputy Sheriff Gerald Goodwin, driver of the car which struck Mr. Jackson. Earlier yesterday Deputy Goodwin and Sheriff James Cunningham called at the hospital. Learning that Mr. Jackson was in critical condition and in need of transfusions, Deputy Goodwin returned to the sheriff's office and posted a notice asking for donors.

The deputies who responded were scheduled to go to the hospital at 8 p. m. Word of Mr. Jackson's death was received at 7:10 p. m.

Served In Marines Deputies Goodwin and William Rusie were on road patrol when the accident happened. "Both reported that Mr. Jackson 'lunged' in front of the car as it passed the spot where he had been standing by the roadside.

They reported that his wife, Lois Jackson, had stated her husband had been off work a month because of a nervous ailment.

A member of the Marine Corps, he served three years and was on duty in Japan. He formerly was a machinist at J. D. Adams Manufacturing Co. two years. A native of Peru, he attended Franklin College before joining the Marines. He was a member of Tyndall Towne VFW Post and First Baptist Church of Peru.

Military funeral services will be held in Peru. He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Rita and Karen; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Jackson; Peru; a brother, Howard Jackson, student in Ball State College and a sister, Mrs. Edith Williams, Indianapolis.

6 Policemen Join In Subduing Man In Street Brawl

IT TOOK SIX policemen to arrest Harold Parker, 24, of 605 Eddy St., late yesterday, after he had already knocked out one man in a street brawl in the 100 block of W. McCarty St.

Police arrived to find J. C. Wilson, 26, of 924 Michael St., lying unconscious on the sidewalk and Parker standing over him. Wilson was sent to General Hospital and charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

When Parker slugged Patrolman Joel Sanders in resisting arrest, two more squads of police were summoned to put the fighting man into the patrol wagon.

Parker was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct and resisting an officer and sent to General Hospital for treatment of a bruised leg and possible broken wrist. He was treated but not admitted.

Superfort Missing In Philippines

MANILA, Mar. 2 (UP)—An American B-29 Superfortress en route to Clark Field has been missing since late yesterday and is presumed lost, 18th Fighter Wing headquarters announced today.

The last report from the plane indicated that it was 90 miles northeast of Clark, the announcement said.

Names of crew members were withheld. A Superfortress ordinarily carries a crew of about 15.

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