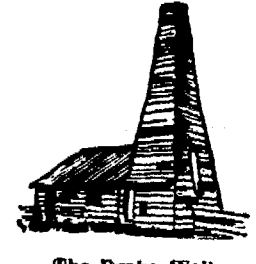


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Importer of Reds? Secret testimony given to Senate crime probes by Miami, Fla., immigration officials describes Russian-born Gregorio Simonovich (above) as a main link in a ring allegedly smuggling hundreds of Communists into the United States from Cuba. He is under Federal indictment in Miami for mass smuggling of aliens into the United States.

Cabinet of Bidault Falls on Relatively Unimportant Issue

By The Associated Press
 PARIS, June 25.—Rene Pleven, Defense Minister in the retiring Bidault Government, became the most discussed candidate today to lead a new Cabinet. The old one, under Georges Bidault, was thrown out of office by a negative vote in Parliament yesterday.

Picket Fellow Union Workers

PITTSBURGH, June 25.—(AP)—Production workers at Westinghouse Electric's East Pittsburgh plant were picketed by fellow union members yesterday.

4,000 AFL Switchmen On Strike

WALKOUT STOPS 4 LINES' TRAINS, FIFTH OPERATES

By The Associated Press
 CHICAGO, June 25.—Four thousand AFL switchmen went on strike today against five large western and mid-western railroads.

Stern Measures Indicated If Council Order Is Ignored

By The Associated Press
 LAKE SUCCESS, June 25.—The United Nations Security Council today ordered a cease-fire in Korea. It also demanded a rollback by invasion forces plunging from the Communist North into the South Korean peninsula.

Reds Within 20 Miles of Capital City

U. S. Arms Aid From Japan Reported Enroute To South Korea

By The Associated Press
 SEOUL, Monday, June 26.—Communist North Korean invaders today slashed to within 20 miles of Seoul, but a high South Korean military official said the rush apparently had been stopped and thrown back.

By The Associated Press
 ST. JOSEPH, Mich., June 25.—Storm and the deep waters of Lake Michigan combined to doom the missing Northwest Airlines plane.

Traces of a Northwest plane—and parts of human bodies—were found tonight off St. Joseph.

If all 58 persons aboard had died, it was the United States' worst airline disaster in history.

Early in the search tonight there was no evidence to indicate that anyone had lived. Hours after the first discoveries officials had not yet definitely declared the identity of the wreckage.

It was assumed, however, that the bits of plane and plane property could have been from none other than the loaded airliner missing since Saturday midnight on a New York-to-Minneapolis flight.

The ship was last heard from during an electrical storm which was lashing western Michigan.

Explosion Reported
 One theory, a result of reports from residents of the area, was that the craft might have been struck by lightning. At least two persons reported an explosion in the sky as the storm was raging.

A great armada of airplanes and water craft had swept Lake Michigan in a vast search of nearly 48 hours. Pleasure craft had joined with Coast Guard and Air Force planes and ships.

A Coast Guard patrol boat found the plane wreckage tonight, 12 miles northwest of here and six to eight miles off shore. Blankets on the markings "N. W.," a plane log, and an airplane maintenance report were picked from the water.

The patrol boat, from the South Haven, Mich., Coast Guard station, also reported finding a piece of a woman's skull and part of what appeared to be a man's back. In addition, the guardsmen said they came upon a piece of human stomach flesh.

Chief Boatwain's Mate Frank R. Ydelwicz, in charge of the South Haven station, said there was no oil slick at the scene.

At Least Three Die in Crash Of Lake Ships

By The Associated Press
 DETROIT, June 25.—Three passengers aboard the Great Lakes excursion liner City of Cleveland III lost their lives in a ship crash in a heavy fog on Lake Huron today.

Another is missing and presumed to have been killed. The passenger ship collided with the Norwegian freighter Ravnefell at 6:20 a. m. about five miles off Harbor Beach in Michigan's "Thumb" area. The bow of the freighter ripped through ten staterooms on the upper structure of the liner extending out from the hull.

Both ships, after picking up victims floating in the debris, proceeded under their own power.

The liner carried 85 passengers and a crew of 160. Most of the passengers were Benton Harbor, Mich., businessmen who had planned to see the double-header baseball game between Detroit and New York here this afternoon.

Pittsburgh Suffers Two Heavy Storms

By The Associated Press
 PITTSBURGH, June 25.—Two rainstorms of near-doubling proportions lashed the Pittsburgh district during the week-end.

Ten passengers were injured as lightning struck two trolleys last night. The electrical storm which accompanied a rainfall of nearly two inches in less than an hour was of the worst to hit the Steel City in many years.

Only three of the injured were hospitalized and all are in good condition. They were treated for burns and shock.

Today nearly an inch of rain fell within 30 minutes. Trolley and other utility services were disrupted.

Traffic through the Liberty Tubes vehicular tunnel was halted for three hours Saturday night and again for five hours today when torrents of muddy water from Saw Mill run and West Liberty avenue flooded the tunnel's south approaches.

Several homes in low-lying areas were flooded. Many motorists were marooned and others abandoned their machines temporarily.

In last night's storm trolley service was badly disrupted, hundreds of automobiles were tied up, a 30-foot bridge in the West End was washed out by a raging run and some homes in low-lying areas were flooded.

DOING QUITE WELL!

PHILADELPHIA, June 25.—(P)—The Presbyterian hospital reported today that Dr. Charles C. Ellis, president emeritus of Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa., is doing "quite well." Dr. Ellis, 75, is suffering from leukemia. He has been ill for more than eight months.

Atoms May Help in Detection Of Heart Disease Years Ahead

By The Associated Press
 WASHINGTON, June 25.—The nation's atomic chief said today a method has been developed which may detect oncoming heart disease as much as 15 years before the usual symptoms appear.

Sumner T. Pike, acting chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, said researchers also have done experiments on cancer "which seem to give us a clue to the location of some cancers which couldn't previously have been found."

Plane Smashed, Pilot Injured At Union City

UNION CITY, June 25.—Paul C. Lyons, 38, was injured when a plane he was piloting crashed on takeoff from the Union City airport at 3 p. m. today.

Lyons, manager of the H. B. Lyons Manufacturing Co. of Union City, was accompanied by his two sons, William, 12, and Cress, 11. The boys were discharged after treatment.

Lyons is in fair condition in St. Mary's Memorial Hospital, suffering from cuts, shock, bruises and possible fractured ankle.

In his takeoff he was unable to gain sufficient elevation, rising only to 40 feet. When the plane undercarriage began clipping off the tops of trees, he cut his ignition and thus prevented the plane from catching fire when it hit earth.

Heads Bard College

ANNANDALE-ON-HUDSON, N. Y., June 25.—(P)—James Herbert Case, Jr., 43, has been elected president of Bard College, Edward M. Sweeney, chairman of the college board of trustees, announced today.

Case, who will assume his post July 1, succeeds Dr. Edward C. Fuller, president of Bard since 1946.

Case formerly was president of Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pa., and secretary of Brown University, Providence, R. I.

Damage High In W. Virginia Fire, Flood

At Least Four Dead, 16 Persons Missing In Six-County Area

By The Associated Press
 WEST UNION, W. Va., June 25.—Fire and flood struck a six-county area in north-central West Virginia last night, leaving at least four dead, 16 missing and property damage estimated in the millions.

Four bodies were recovered from the receding waters of Middle Island creek five miles from West Union. State Trooper G. S. Knight said at least 16 others were missing in the little community of Smithburg, a rural community of 300 about four miles east.

A newsman who flew over the scene today said that creeks in an area 60 to 100 miles wide "were roaring from their banks."

Dallas Higbee, news editor of the Charleston Gazette, said that all of the city of Weston, 25 miles southeast of West Union, was under water except on the hillsides. "In the town's lowest sections," he added, "the water appeared to be almost to the second floors."

Near Weston, the sudden high waters ruptured a 450,000-gallon gasoline tank. The gasoline ignited as it spread out over the muddy waters of the West Fork river, and a barn burned down. The rushing water soon dispersed the gasoline, however.

In the path of new flood threats were inhabitants of Cairo (pop. 500) and Best (pop. 100) in Ritchie county southeast of West Union.

Sheriff H. A. Britton of Ritchie county informed State Police there had been "several drownings" in his area.

Water reached a height of 35 feet in West Union, but was receding, and Trooper Knight said roads would be open into the town late today.

At least 200 homes were washed away here and about 1,000 made homeless. The community was without safe water, gas or electricity.

Bread was flown into the community by planes from Elkins, and a milk plant at Clarksburg dispatched tanks of pure water. The homeless were cared for in the West Union school building.

The skies remained overcast throughout the stricken area today. There was more rain.

Construction Strike Plan Is Abandoned

By The Associated Press
 PITTSBURGH, June 25.—A threatened strike of AFL cement finishers which would have halted operations on millions of dollars worth of building construction here was called off today.

AFL Local 526, Cement Finishers, had set the strike for Monday morning.

W. Europe Healthier

GENEVA, Switzerland, June 25.—(P)—The world health organization reported today a reduction of 42 percent in the death rate in Western Europe in the past 50 years.

The organization estimated, on the basis of a study of mortality, that 1,752,000 Western Europeans of all ages and sexes who 50 years ago would have died are now being saved each year.

The study was based on 13 European countries with a total population of about 203,000,000. On the basis of the 1900 death rates, 4,178,000 persons would have died in these countries in one year. Instead, the figure has been cut by 1,752,000—a reduction of 42 percent.

Link Young Earl With Princess

London reports indicate that Princess Margaret Rose's engagement to the 26-year-old Earl of Dalkhite will be announced on her 20th birthday, Aug. 21. They are pictured facing each other in the royal carriage as they visited the races at Ascot recently.

Extraordinary Conference On Korea Called by Truman

Talks With Leaders On New Steps To Aid Southern Koreans

By The Associated Press
 WASHINGTON, June 25.—President Truman and his top diplomatic and military leaders conferred for more than three hours tonight on how to help Communist threatened South Korea, but announced no decision.

Already, Mr. Truman and his top-level aides had ordered rush shipments of arms urgently needed by the South Korean Army, fighting back against an invasion by North Korean Communists.

The President will discuss the situation again tomorrow with Secretary of State Acheson and Secretary of Defense Johnson.

Even before the session began, U. S. Officials had taken two positive steps:

1—They ordered a speedup in deliveries of arms aid to the South Korean Army, which has U. S. sponsorship.

2—They won a diplomatic victory by persuading the United Nations Security Council to issue a cease-fire order and to demand that North Korean forces withdraw to the border between the two countries.

Mr. Truman had hurried back to Washington from a holiday week-end in Missouri to discuss the situation with a dozen of his top officials, including Acheson and Johnson.

But after the lengthy conference the White House said there would be no announcement. So did the State Department.

It was learned from responsible officials, who declined to be quoted by name, that the entire situation had been reviewed from all angles. These sources said the discussion touched on steps which might be taken in the future, but that no decisions were made.

Little Time Left To Seek Bonuses

HARRISBURG, June 25.—(P)—Some 59,500 World War II veterans will become ineligible to receive a State bonus unless they make application in the next six days.

The State Bonus Bureau said today that July 1 is the final legal deadline for receiving applications for the \$500,000,000 bonus. It added that any applications coming in after that date will be rejected.

So far, the Bonus Bureau has received and opened 1,155,500 bonus applications of a potential 1,213,000.

Shoe-Fit X-Rays Are Being Studied

HARRISBURG, June 25.—(P)—The question of whether shoe-fitting machines using X-ray beams constitute a health hazard is under study by the State and the city of Pittsburgh.

Lawmakers Apparently Surprised

By The Associated Press
 WASHINGTON, June 25.—The sudden invasion of South Korea by the Communist-dominated North apparently caught best informed Congress members completely by surprise, but some immediately insisted that the United States stand by Korea.

There were suggestions for United Nations pressure and action on arms.

Republicans at the Capitol were quick to declare the Communist action resulted from U. S. policies in the Orient which they have been criticizing for months.

It was evident that neither the Armed Services Committee nor the Foreign Relations Committee in the Senate, the two congressional groups in the best position to know of a threat, had any inkling that the invasion was imminent.

The attack came on the heels of comments from highly placed Congress members and other officials expressing cautious optimism on the prospects for peace, at least for the moment.

President Truman has been talking recently about improvement in the chances for peace. John Foster Dulles, Republican adviser to Secretary of State Acheson, has been reassuring in statements in the Far East where he is on tour. Chairman Tydings (D-Md.) of the Senate Armed Services Committee has said in comment on the foreign arms aid bill that this "seemed to be a quiet period." And only yesterday Chairman Connally (D-Tex.) of the Foreign Relations Committee said that apparently tensions were less.

See Attack Bogging

Observers said it appeared that the whole attack along the valley had bogged down after yesterday's initial successes, which carried as much as ten miles south of the border.

The South Korean Air Force, made up of trainer planes, committed three planes to the valley battle. The returning pilots asserted they had knocked out four northern tanks.

Approximately 1,000 American women and children were evacuated from Seoul to Ascom, a mile outside the port of Inchon southwest of Seoul.

They were boarding ships to leave the civil war-torn country. It was understood U. S. planes would provide an air cover for them until destroyers at sea take over. They will go to Japan.

Russian-Made Plane Chased By U. S. Craft

By The Associated Press
 SEOUL, Monday, June 26.—A U. S. fighter plane today was seen to engage in an aerial duel with a Russian-made plane over Seoul.

The exchange was observed by about ten persons who were having lunch in the U. S. Embassy. They said an American Mustang drove off a Yak-3 fighter from North Korea, dropped two bombs within the city limits.

Korean police said six civilians were killed by the North Korean bombs. Police said three bombs in all were dropped. It was the first aerial attack on this capital of the South Korean Republic since the Communist north began an invasion yesterday.

Some observers said two U. S. planes were flying over the city. They previously had been reported sent here from Japan to safeguard the evacuation of American women and children.

The observers reported the Yak got on the tail of one Mustang and fired before it was driven off. Its fire was presumed to have missed. There was no comment from official sources.

To Honor McGuffey

OXFORD, O., June 25.—(P)—The 150th anniversary of the birth of the man who compiled the famed McGuffey Reader will be commemorated here next week-end when hundreds of elderly members of the Federation of McGuffey Societies hold their annual reunion.

William Holmes McGuffey was born in West Alexander, Pa. However, the celebration will be held here because McGuffey was primarily identified with Ohio and Virginia during his educational career.



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