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REBUKES

Radio War Protest Carried To Stalin

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON — (AP) — U. S. Ambassador Alan Kirk asked Premier Stalin to speed action on American protests against jamming of the Voice of America radio broadcasts, Secretary of State Acheson disclosed today.

Kirk called on the Soviet leader Monday night. Acheson told a news conference that it was a courtesy visit and was limited almost entirely to an exchange of courtesies between the new American Ambassador and the Russian Premier.

However, he added, Kirk mentioned to Stalin two points currently at issue in Soviet-American relations. These, Acheson said, are the Russian jamming of American radio broadcasts and the long drawn out negotiations on a final settlement for wartime Lend-Lease.

EXPRESSED HOPE

On both points, Acheson said, Kirk simply expressed hope to Stalin that the Foreign Office would consider the two issues so that the two governments can get on with the business of solving the problems involved.

Asked what Stalin's reaction was, Acheson said that the matters were referred to the Soviet Foreign Office.

His disclosure of Kirk's approach to Stalin on the two issues comes in response to reporters' inquiries and after he had read a statement accusing

Psychiatrist Is Summoned To Testify

Believes Young Wife Unbalanced

By RALPH GIBSON
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Defense lawyers sought to prove today that Mrs. Mildred Ross Wallace was insane when she shot her husband after they quarreled over another woman.

Dr. Vernon Kinross-Wright, psychiatrist of the Charlotte Mental Hygiene Clinic, today testified that, in his opinion, she is mentally unbalanced.

The psychiatrist said he based his belief on examinations he made of the 22-year-old woman while she was in jail for the murder of Marvin Frank Wallace with a .22 caliber rifle.

He described her condition as "paranoid schizophrenia" — psychosis in which such reactions as persecution complex and hallucinations.

Her condition, he said, prevents her from getting a clear picture in her mind of what she wants to do or what she is doing.

When she sees anger and hears them talking to her, he illustrated, she believes they are real.

Asked if he thought she was capable of knowing the difference between right and wrong, he testified she did not.

He added, however, that 50 percent of his psychiatric colleagues would subscribe to such reasoning.

He replied in a question by defense counsel that "such emotional stress as was subjected to immediately before the shooting might bring on an attack of the form of epilepsy from which she suffers."

He testified in a question by defense lawyer Richard A. Welling and Warren C. Stock that he believed the argument of another woman, Mrs. Wallace had with her husband just before the shooting.

He testified yesterday that she had gone in search of him when he left home the night before the shooting.

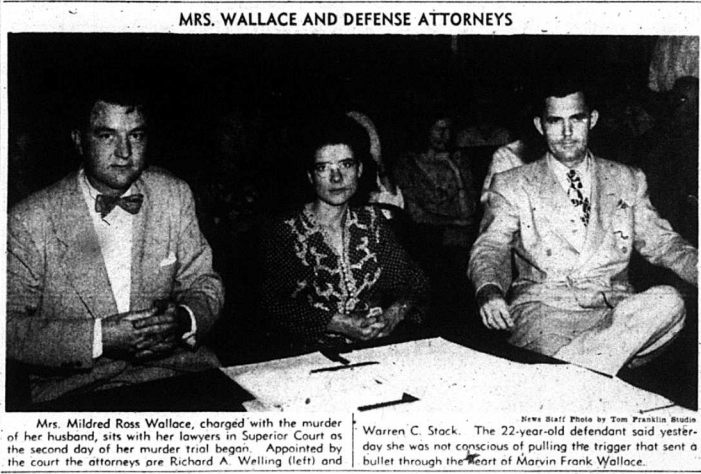
She said she argued about his relations with another woman, Mrs. Wallace, and she said she was not conscious of pulling the trigger.

He testified that she had been told by a truck driver who was found on the bed, about the heart.

He testified in his conclusions as a packed courtroom listened intently to his testimony.

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More Rental Areas To Be Decontrolled

CLEVELAND — (AP) — A budget cut will bring his office to decontrol one-third of the areas where rent control is now in force. Federal Housing Administrator Hugh S. Lee said today.

The lists for decontrol now being prepared in Washington are to be announced in a week or ten days, he said. Decontrol will come effective upon the announcement of the final rent control and the ceilings.

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Acheson sounded the warning in a news conference statement on Sunday's elections in Western Germany. He hailed the results as a "victory for moderation and common sense."

He noted there had been sharp criticism of the occupation powers during the election campaign. He said he was not worried about that.

"Abuse of such freedoms may alienate the Western peoples and threaten to serve the best interests of the German people," he said.

The Germans "may well be reminded," he added, "that they are exercising these freedoms only because they are privileged to live in a free society."

Acheson simultaneously expressed himself as favoring the acceptance of the new West German republic by the council of Europe.

The United States, he said, believes this would be a constructive step toward the integration of a peaceful, free Germany into the community of Western Europe.

The secretary emphasized any such invitation to the Germans must come from the European governments themselves that he would presume to advise them to accept an invitation unless they wanted to.

Once Over Lightly

By WALTER BRIDGMAN

Niagara and my wife went up to Niagara Falls on our honeymoon. It is like a book but you can't see the Falls. ... Mother-in-law must be improving, you don't hear much about them nowadays.

Channel Swim Delayed

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France will not attempt to swim the English Channel tonight, her spokesman announced today.

Sig had planned to plunge into the sea at Cap Gris Nez, France, sometime around midnight, but unfavorable weather conditions caused rescheduling.

Disarmament Effort Urged

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Socialist Norman Thomas urged Congress today to take the lead in one attempt at world disarmament before voting to send military support to Europe.

Thomas testified before the combined Senate Foreign Relations and Administration Committees on the House proposed to open debate on the Administration's \$1,450,000,000 foreign arms bill.

House leaders said they are content the measure will be approved, possibly by Friday, without substantial change in its terms.

Thomas, many times a candidate for President, told Senators he thinks any arms shipments under the bill should be delayed until a co-ordinated defense of the North Atlantic community is worked out.

"I am concerned agreement for defense would have a practical and moral backing now lacking, if efforts are made by the United States and by the nations in the Atlantic Pact through the United Nations to bring about universal disarmament under effective international control and with international provision for security," he said.

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LOUISVILLE, Ky. — (AP) — Police dug deeper today into the record of an FBI probe of a notorious public enemy charged here with the murder of a postman, after they came up with a \$7,516 cache.

Mrs. June Bircham, 26, wife of the accused slayer-bank robber, last night led officers to the highway — and the money — after telling of a series of holdups in several states.

Officers said the former Tennessee farm girl told them money was part of the loot taken from the Centennial Bank, Nashville, Aug. 1.

Police said Mrs. Bircham admitted driving one of the getaway cars used in the robbery.

SUIT FILED

Suit was filed here by the bank against the accused robber, Earl D. Bircham, 45. The suit charges he robbed the bank of \$25,600.34. He denied it and other accusations.

An attachment order against \$15,000 and an automobile he was driving in had before his capture here Sunday night, also was filed. This \$15,000 was found in a car he was driving in the high-powered auto.

Bircham is charged with fatally shooting Patrolman Johnny Trotter and seriously wounding Patrolman John A. Ross here Sunday night.

After lengthy questioning, Mrs. Bircham told detectives the Nashville bank loot was hidden near West Point, Ky. She then led police to L. Ellis Joseph, three detectives and an FBI agent to the farm, 4.500 feet.

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Weird World 4,500 Feet Under Sea Described

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LIGHTS GO OUT

At 4000 feet he said, "There was anything like that before. It's a little spot of light with a circle around it. ... I am amazed to see so many luminous things at this depth. The water is beautiful, unacceptably clear, as clear as it was at Bermuda."

Barton returned to the surface without incident, and announced he would not attempt any further deep dives for some time. Originally he had planned to descend to 6000 feet. He twice sent a mile deep unannounced by a derrick.

He made the 4500 foot drop in 55 minutes and hung there seven minutes. He said he could see no sense in going deeper because the failure of the lights would prevent his taking pictures.

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Mundt's bitter criticism of Vaughn, President Truman's military aide in charge of the investigation of Senator Hoey (D-NC) chairman of the Senate special investigations subcommittee.

Hoey said that if Mundt had made such remarks at a court trial, the case would be "blown out of court. But Mundt demanded that his name stay in the news.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

The sharp exchanges between Mundt and Hoey at the first presser inquiry came after these other developments:

1. Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) demanded that John Maragon, key figure in the investigation, be indicted for perjury.

2. Milton R. Pollard, a Milwaukee insurance man, testified he paid \$1,000 to Maragon for trying to get a sugar rationing suspension order lifted against the Allied Machine Co. of Perth Amboy, N. J., in 1946.

3. Robert C. Hathorn, a former Agriculture Department employee, testified that Vaughn was a "little man" who was trying to get him to grant an allocation of sugar to the firm.

4. The committee also testimony that Maragon, in trying to get a sugar rationing for the same firm, resented himself as a White House man when he went to the Agriculture Department.

McCarthy made his demand that Maragon be indicted for perjury after he had seen a picture of Maragon in the former Kansas City hotel which once held a White House pass.

In private testimony to Senate investigators last July 28 Maragon denied that he had any business with anyone by anyone for negotiating business with the Government. This was the only evidence in the record today.

Hathorn testified that Maragon had been in the Agriculture Department and made an appeal for the New Jersey firm in connection with a discussion of its difficulties.

He said Maragon "implored" him to help Maragon and that he was an emissary of the "Generals" — asked "are less a liaison man?"

"A leg man, yes, sir," Hathorn said.

"LITTLE ROUGH"

Hathorn told of a telephone conversation with Vaughn about the "fumbling matter" of Maragon's request. He said "the General was a little man" and that Maragon had a "preliminary he could not 'conscientiously' grant a suspension to the company."

He said Vaughn closed the conversation by saying "he was very close to the President and a man in the White House could mean an awful lot, to a man in one of the lower echelons."

He added that Vaughn also told him: "don't say get Hathorn's job."

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