



FBI Arrests 3 In Soviet Espy Charges

Agency Says Roundup Is In Progress

NEW YORK (AP)—The FBI today cracked down on another alleged Russian spy ring, arresting a woman and two men. The agency hinted the roundup may involve others—including "Soviet officials."

Those taken into custody were identified as:

Jack Sobel, 53, a native of Lithuania who entered the United States in 1941 and became a naturalized citizen in 1947. He was termed a one-time boss of other FBI agents, but was believed trying to flee the country.

BROOKLYN FOREMAN

Myra Sobel, 32, wife of Jack Sobel, a native of Russia who came to the United States a few days before her husband and also became a naturalized citizen.

James Albam, 64, Lithuanian-born foreman of a Brooklyn tea and spice company, who entered the country in 1947 on a visitor's visa, married an American woman and has been seeking citizenship.

The three were taken to FBI headquarters here shortly before 8 a.m., the men in handcuffs.

FBI agents carried a quantity of paper boxes, contents of which were not disclosed, and a quantity of material described only as "papers."

Also brought in was a metal box, about a foot square and four inches high.

FBI men said the three would be arraigned later today.

ARRESTS DISCLOSED

The arrests were first disclosed in Washington by FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover.

The announcement of the arrests hints that others may be involved, "including Soviet officials." Evidence against all will be presented to a New York grand jury.

Each of the trio in custody was charged with conspiracy to commit espionage, and also with conspiring to act as a Soviet agent without registering with the Secretary of State.

Jack Sobel's home, a six-room, well furnished apartment renting for \$180 a month, the FBI men said, was searched and his parents' arrest. He said he could not recall what prompted the FBI action.

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Driver Just Didn't Want To Pull Over

GRAPEVINE, Tex. (AP)—A couple of Fort Worth brothers who were driving south on Highway 101, were stopped by police on a 100 m.p.h. car chase yesterday. It ended when the driver, a 19-year-old boy, 9 and 13 years old, were driving quit running.

"It's a miracle someone wasn't killed or hurt," said Highway Patrolman Dan Nowlin, who took part in the chase.

He said the boys covered a 45-mile stretch of busy road in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. They traveled at "fantastic speeds" through small towns, he said.

He said the boys, Donald, 9, and Ronnie Walden, ran away from home in Fort Worth in their dad's car.

He said he and McKinney policeman Jack Sullivan were cruising three miles south of McKinney, 50 miles from Fort Worth, when they saw a "drives" car speeding southward.

"A little sandy-red head raised up over the steering wheel and looked at us as it passed," Nowlin said.

The officers gave chase and were hitting 100 miles an hour when the driver slowed down. The sedan which Ronnie was driving.

"He ran us up the road and kept going," Nowlin said. "The 19-year-old was navigating for his big brother. We could see his head bob up and down. He would call the driver how close we were and which way to swerve to drive us out. The big one drove like a professional race driver."

They said officers, "We just didn't want to be stopped."

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(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin-Hunter)
Award Winners Kuralt (left) and Prince

News Writers Win 2 Firsts In State Press Competition

The Charlotte News is the only North Carolina daily newspaper to win more than one first place award in the Carolina Press Association's annual competition, it was announced last night.

Cecil Prince, Charlotte News editor, won first and second place in editorial writing and Charles Kuralt, News reporter, won first and third place in feature writing.

They were among the award winners honored by the North Carolina Press Association at Chapel Hill last night.

The two awards gave The News the lead over all other newspapers in the state. Announcement of the awards was made at a banquet session at the Carolina Inn and Gov. Luther H. Hodges presented cash prizes and award certificates to the winners.

Editorial entries were judged by Edward J. Meenan, editor of the Memphis, Tenn., Press-Scimitar. Prince's first place award was his entry entitled "Legislative Turmoil-General Assembly's 1956."

It was a series of editorials concerning the special session of the 1956 General Assembly which drafted the Pearsall school plan.

ITS UNDERSTANDING

The judge commented, "First choice because of its high intellectual quality, its understanding, its sympathy and its excellent writing."

Mr. Prince's second place winner was an editorial written at graduation time last spring. It was entitled, "The Goodliest Land Under the Sun." It was a 10-year-old editorial was "notable for its inspirational quality with optimism balanced by realism," the judge said.

Mr. Kuralt won his first place prize in feature writing for his entry, "1946-56: A decade of progress." The entry was judged by William M. Hines Jr., national editor, Washington Star. It was a 10-year-old feature on the progress, 1946 to 1956, and written for the News' annual Business Review and Progress Edition.

Mr. Hines wrote, "This entry was chosen for the top award because it took what could have been a dead-end statistical study of a city's growth and turned it into a fascinating reading. It was that rare thing: A long feature that remained readable throughout."

EXHAUSTIVE JOB

The entry which won Kuralt a third place prize in feature writing was a three-part series on the Park and Recreation Commission. Roy Covington won an honorable mention in spot news for a series of articles entitled "Reporter Goes to Church Missions."

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"Daddy" Grace, well known evangelist.

The judge's comment was, "The writer (whose hand I'd like to shake some day) must have done an exhaustive job of digging it up, which, combined with a superb job of writing, gave readers of his newspaper far more than their five cents worth on the days when the series ran."

Maurie Rosen of the Charlotte Observer scored first in photography in the state contest.

Other Observer prizewinners included Bunny Harris and Hoke May, second place in spot news for a series on the discovery of a surplus of funds in the audit of the Park and Recreation Commission. Roy Covington won an honorable mention in spot news for a series of articles entitled "Reporter Goes to Church Missions."

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Many Honors Accorded Charlotte News Staff

Many honors came to members of the staff of The News during the past 12 months.

Today two members of the staff, Editor Cecil Prince and reporter Charles Kuralt, are in Chapel Hill as winners of the Award for writing during 1956.

Here is a breakdown of some of the other honors given to News staff members:

Publisher Thomas L. Robinson was elected president of the North Carolina Press Association.

Sports Editor Bob Quincy was named North Carolina's outstanding sports writer and given the Lee Kirby trophy.

Reporter-Columist Julian A. Scheer was elected chairman of the North Carolina News and Feature Writers Conference.

Reporter Charles Kuralt won the \$1,000 Ernie Pyle Award.

Evening Prayer

Almighty God, Thou art ever calling to us to set our lives in order with Thy will. Help us to accept Thy call, seek forgiveness for our sins, and submit our lives to Thee in service. Teach us to love and honor Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Word On Airmen Awaited

The family of Air Force Capt. James H. Parker of Rock Hill, S. C., including a sister who lives in Charlotte, anxiously awaited word today on the fate of the flyer following the mid-air collision of two U. S. Air Force Stratofortjet bombers off Cuba last night.

Another South Carolinian, 1st Lt. Earl S. Christman Jr., is among those still missing. He is Mr. and Mrs. Earl S. Christman, live at 32 Carolina Rd., Sumter, S. C.

Capt. Parker's sister, Miss Wilie Parker of Charlotte, a beauty operator, is among many relatives of the flyer living in the Carolinas.

FAMILY GATHERS

His brother, Horace Parker of Rock Hill, told The News that members of the family were gathering there to await word of the flyer's fate.

Parker's mother, Mrs. R. B. Parker, also of Rock Hill, is at the captain's home in Homestead, Fla., where she is stationed at the Homestead Air Force Base. Parker's wife, the former Betty Lou Stover of Rock Hill, is also in Homestead. They have no children.

Parker has six brothers and three sisters.

The family had hope today that Parker would be picked up in the South Atlantic.

The two B47 Stratofortjet bombers, believed to have collided in flight, had six men aboard.

GOOD CONDITION

Three men were picked up from a life raft in "good condition" following the accident last night. Air Force officials said the collision apparently took place off Cuba's southwestern side of Pines.

The six-jet intercontinental bombers were on a refueling mission following the flight from Homestead based planes when they apparently figured in a destructive explosion.

The plane was identified by a Homestead Air Force Base spokesman as Maj. James McFarland Jr., 37, of Wallingford, Pa.; Maj. Winfred E. Lynn, 33, of Paducah, Ky.; and 1st Lt. Edward Rose Jr., 28, of Dallas, Tex.

Those unaccounted for were Capt. Parker, Lt. Christman and Maj. W. E. Norris of Lansing, Mich.

McFarland and Lynn were command pilots in the intercontinental bombers which crashed last night off Cuba's southwest coast.

Rose was copilot in McFarland's plane.

Maj. Ralph Bryant, spokesman for the Homestead AFB, said the three men were being taken to a hospital as yet undesignated.

The U. S. Coast Guard sighted the wreckage of the plane today and an Air Force amphibian picked them up.

The Cuban navy reported finding the wreckage of one plane. It was located four miles from the little town of Santa Barbara, on the northwest side of the Isle of Pines. Residents of the town reported seeing parachutes after the two planes fell.

Surface craft of the Cuban navy were participating in search near the town.

Maj. James G. Cary and Capt. John N. Latham, aboard another plane in the mass refueling exercise, radioed last night they had seen what appeared to be a collision.

They told Homestead AFB investigators later they saw "a ball of fire with wreckage separating and falling." They said they saw three men airdrop had crashed into each other.

Political Seeking School Deal At 14

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)—As a baby-sitting agency for those students who are forced to go to school and are not willing to settle down in the service. Teach us to love and honor Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Another uproar broke when prosecutor Cesare Palminteri read a letter from a self-described occult scientist who wrote that Wilma, Piccioni, Montagna and Anna Maria Carlo, Montagna's former mistress, came together to his office in Milan in April, 1953.

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key for a short time and wanted it so that he would not have to disturb the warden.

"Montagna is a liar," Lilli replied. "He had the key for more than a year."

The session was the most violent since the trial opened here Monday. Montagna is charged with aiding jazz pianist Gianpiero Piccioni, principal defendant, by writing that Wilma, Piccioni, Montagna and Anna Maria Carlo, Montagna's former mistress, came together to his office in Milan in April, 1953.

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CHANGED LOCK

Lilli testified also that Montagna had one of the game preserve locks changed and obtained a key so he could come and go at will.

At mention of the key Montagna stood up and declared he had a



(AP Photo)
WIDE-EYED, 10-year-old Barry Bullington looks at one million dollars stacked up at the opening in Montgomery, Ala., of a new suburban bank. Armed guards hovered near the bubble gum-chewing fifth grader and the pile of money.

Lake Lure Man Is Sought In Beating Of Young Sons

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

LAKE LURE — A four-man search party had not returned early this morning from an all-night search for a 35-year-old man charged with the beating of two of his smart sons.

Bloodhounds were being used in the search for D. J. Neeland, a contract hunter and pulp wood worker.

The man is accused of beating 6-year-old Terry and 3-year-old Bruce when he became enraged after one of his sons broke a windowpane in the house.

News of the Sunday midnight beatings leaked out Wednesday when the oldest boy, 7-year-old Jerry Dale, told a friend at Lake Lure Elementary School,

and the latter informed school officials, who contacted police.

The children were taken to Valley Clinic at East Cave, where hospital authorities reported they had suffered severe beatings, but apparently no permanent injuries.

When Lake Lure police began an investigation late Wednesday night they discovered that Neeland had fled. They offered protection for the family, but it was refused.

According to Cal Wilson, superintendent of the Town of Lake Lure, the oldest boy told police that his father had beaten his wife and sons before and they feared him.

Mr. Wilson said when police

went to see the family yesterday they were met by Neeland's mother, father and sister who told them to go away. Neeland's wife told officers, Wilson related, this was a family quarrel and she didn't want protection.

Young Jerry Dale's story, as related by authorities, was that in the Sunday midnight beating the father tied the hands of Terry and Bruce with a dog chain and suspended them by their hands from the rafters in the room. He then took a heavy leather belt and beat both of the children and left them hanging by the chain for more than an hour.

Officers said they are endeavoring to make an early arrest as they fear Neeland may return and harm his family.

3 More Arrested In KKK Shooting

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.

—Three more persons were arrested last night by officers investigating a Ku Klux Klan shooting in which Citizens Council leader Asa E. Carter already was charged.

Booked on charges of assault with intent to murder—the same count faced Carter—were Ira Evans, 38, and Louey Curry, 27. Police said Mrs. Marry Nell Tatum, 32, was charged with being an accessory after the fact.

The arrests came on the second day of an intensive inquiry into the shooting of two men during a Ku Klux Klan meeting at the headquarters of Carter's Citizens Council group.

Warden's Testimony Puts Trial In Uproar

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INTIMIDATED?

Detectives conducting the investigation were checking reports that witnesses were being intimidated.

An officer who asked that his name not be used said information about the suit came to police anonymously, but he added that about 12 men believed to have attended the meeting have been questioned.

"They will admit nothing," he said. "They will not even admit that they are Klansmen."

Carter, 32, is charged on two counts of assault with intent to murder in the shooting of J. P.

Our Weather

Cloudy and cold with occasional rain or drizzle today, tonight, and tomorrow.

Low tomorrow morning—32

Low tomorrow morning—35

High today—42

High yesterday—46

High tomorrow—45

Sunrise today, 7:27 a.m.; sunset today, 5:44 p.m.

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