

The plight of thousands of "slave laborers" in Russia is described by Igor Gouzenko in today's installment of "The Iron Curtain" which you'll find on page 11-A.

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Republicans Accept Truman Challenge On Red Hunt

SAFETY WELDER INSURE

Red Flag Hauled Down

East-West Berlin Split Completed

BERLIN — (AP) — The Russians evacuated the Allied four-power Kommandatura building in Berlin today and hauled down their flag. This action appeared to complete the division of Berlin between the East and West—at least as far as the Russians are concerned.

The Russians withdrew July 1 from the Allied Kommandatura, which had provided four-power administration for this city for three years. They pulled out with the comment that "the Kommandatura no longer exists."

They then announced they would retain their garrison and flag at the building until their archives have been removed. The Kommandatura is situated in the American sector of the city.

Although they walked out on the Allied control council for Germany on Monday, the Russians said they will retain their colors and maintain sentries at the Allied control authority building.

LITTLE TO JO

They also maintain a representative in the permanent Allied secretariat there, which now has little to do but exchange information.

New Mexico Tragedy

12 Reported Dead In Bomber Crash

ROSWELL, N. M. — (AP) — Twelve crewmen were killed and eight others were injured dangerously last night in the crash of a B-29 Superfortress. The Roswell Record

Canada Lifts Meat Ban

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Canada on Monday was able to lift its ban on shipments of beef cattle and dressed beef to the United States.

The action, announced jointly by the Canadian Government in Ottawa and by the U. S. Agriculture Department, will have little if any immediate effect on American meat supply and prices, officials here said. Canada has no great numbers of cattle available for immediate export.

Summer Standard

90-Degree Weather On Hand Again

The weather was back on Sunday standards again today as the temperature crossed the 90-degree mark for the first time since Aug. 1.

At 1:15 P. M. the thermometer registered 90 degrees, with every indication a high of 92 or 93 will be reached today.

Partly cloudy and continued hot weather is forecast through tomorrow, the Weather Bureau predicted that only mountain areas will receive the benefit of cooling showers.

Gen. Cates Says Marines Ready

SANTA ANA, Calif. — (AP) — "We are ready to go," the commander of the U. S. Marine Corps, four-star Gen. Clifton B. Cates, yesterday said in a statement from the Western part of the country.

General Cates also witnessed a rehearsal of the Marines' amphibious landing on the beach at Iwo Jima, the nucleus of a West Coast jet fighter squadron.

Greeks Shelled From Albania

ATHENS — (AP) — The government announced today that Greek troops on the northern border with Albania have been shelled from inside Albania.

Greek troops have clearly heard orders to fire being given in the Albanian language, a general staff spokesman said.

Newspapers here reported guerrilla columns have been seen retreating into Albania despite a resolution by the United Nations Security Council on the Balkans calling for their intervention by Albania, Greece and Yugoslavia.

The Greek Army narrowed the ring of steel around the semi-circular Greek enclave of Corfu, driving westward from Albania, and within 24 hours a half million of guerrillas last Monday. A spokesman said the road is now being closed.

The guerrillas apparently are trying to draw some of the pressure from their beleaguered troops in the Goumenos Mountains by sabotage and violence elsewhere in Greece.

Convicted War Criminal Embraces Christianity

MANILA, P. I. — (AP) — Japanese Army captain, called the "Butcher of Manila Bay," shed his Shinto faith and embraced Christianity before his execution today for war crimes.

Captain Chuzo Kudo was hanged at New Bilibid prison. Captain A. Dipano, Philippine Army chaplain, prayed with Kudo and prepared him for mounting the gallows. Dipano said Kudo had been a Buddhist.

Half an hour after the trial was over, a priest in a white robe, buried by the chaplain in a war criminal's plot. A cross marked the grave.

GOP Willing To Make Issue Of Investigation

'Red Herring' Charge Repeated

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Republicans gave every indication today of accepting President Truman's challenge to make a political issue of the Congressional hunt for Communists in the Government.

Mr. Truman's second declaration that the Senate and House investigators are not hunting for a red herring, but for the Communist Party, was the strongest type of answer brought a burst of answering fire from GOP ranks.

In Detroit, Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.) hit back at President Truman's fresh description of the spy hearings as a "red herring." Ferguson said the President's attitude "in seeming to cover up" information bearing on Communist activities.

Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's campaign manager declared at Albany that the people are "shocked" at what he called the President's attitude "in seeming to cover up" information bearing on Communist activities.

Herbert Brownell Jr., campaign chief for the Republican nominee, added to reporters that nothing else that has happened in Washington in the last three weeks could make the "intense" interest shown by the spy investigations.

COUNTER-DARE

Rep. Mundt (R-S.D.), who has been acting chairman for many of the hearings before the House Un-American Activities Committee, shaped his acceptance in the form of a counter-dare.

"I challenge the President," Mundt said, "to authorize the FBI and other Government agencies to make available the evidence substantiating or disproving the existence of these espionage activities."

Mr. Truman indicated by his second jab at the Congressional hearing that he expects the Republicans to dwell on testimony that some Government officials gave away secrets to Moscow agents.

His vigorous assertion that these inquiries are not hunting for a red herring left little doubt he will continue in rebuttal that the hearings were stage-managed to take the public mind off his cost-of-living battle with Congress.

A week ago the President said nothing had been disclosed that was alien to known facts. He had added that a grand jury also had looked into the charges.

The question came up at a White House news conference Monday when a crowd of reporters asked Rep. Mundt (R-S.D.) whether he charged the President with a cover-up.

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Steinhardt Named Envoy To Canada

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Truman today named Laurence A. Steinhardt to be Ambassador to Canada.

Steinhardt, a veteran career diplomat, succeeded Ray Atherton, who was named as alternate delegate to the forthcoming United Nations meeting in London.

The White House announced that the President is giving Steinhardt a three-year appointment, subject to confirmation by the Senate at the end of the President's term.

Steinhardt's last assignment was as Ambassador to Czechoslovakia.

Tobin Becomes Labor Secretary

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Teacher Plunges From Russian Consulate

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Russian Official Visits Hospital

NEW YORK — (AP) — Mrs. Oksana Stepanovna Kosenkina today rejected the suggestion of a Soviet vice-consul that she be moved to another hospital, saying, "You kept me a prisoner, you would not let me go."

The suggestion was made by Vice-Consul Zolt J. Chepurynsk who visited the police-guarded hospital room of the Russian teacher, seriously injured yesterday when she jumped three stories from the Soviet consulate building.

Detective William Dycko, a Russian-speaking officer who was in the hospital room, said Mrs. Kosenkina said, "No," when Chepurynsk advanced the suggestion.

The vice-consul, the detective said, after the vice-consul's secretary arrived at the hospital and asked for permission to arrange for a visit from the consul general, he and Inspector Michael E. J. Ladden went upstairs to the teacher's room.

They told Mrs. Kosenkina there were two persons from the Soviet consulate who wanted to speak to her.

"We told her, 'We are going to bring them in and see if you can identify them.'"

A few minutes later they escorted Chepurynsk and the secretary into the room.

"The injured woman's eyes were open," Dycko said. "She looked up earlier had said her eyes were closed."

"Do you know this man?" the detective said he asked Mrs. Kosenkina in Russian.

"No," she answered as answering.

"Who is he?" the detective said he asked. The woman identified the vice-consul.

The vice-consul, the detective added, then told her in Russian that she was a prisoner. General Yakov Lomakin went to see her. Mrs. Kosenkina said she did not want to talk to anyone. I do not want to see anyone.

The detective said, came the vice-consul's suggestion that she be moved to another hospital, and her refusal with the accusation that "you kept me a prisoner, you would not let me go."

The interview was terminated then by Inspector Ladden.

The vice-consul previously had said the heavy police guard was stationed at the hospital room station. He said, however, that if possible, the Consul General might have moved to another hospital so a Russian-trained nurse or observer could be on hand.

REQUEST REFUSED

The vice-consul previously had asked a hospital attaché—apparently the institution's administrative officer—for permission to place a Russian-trained nurse in Mrs. Kosenkina's room.

"I don't think that's possible," was the reply. "You know we are short of nurses."

Mrs. Kosenkina—pwn in a cloakroom, said she had been in the Red anti-Red Russians—suffered from a fractured right leg and a few signs of physical back injuries. She was placed on the critical at midnight.

CRITICISM

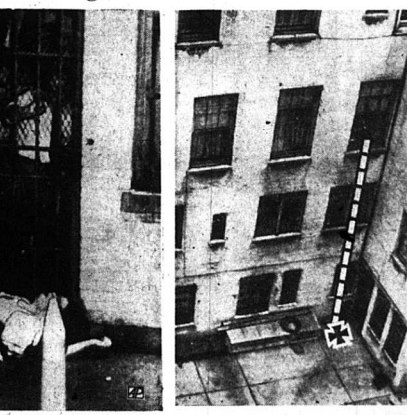
Hospital attachés said she "rested fairly comfortably" last night and at times was cheerful. She slept very little, they said.

Dr. Grant P. Penneyer, her physician, said she was in a "fairly good but not critical condition." He said she seemed to be a patient in the hospital for weeks and that it would be several months before she would be fully recovered.

Excitement ran through the fashionable "Red" hospital when the teacher leaped at 3:20 P. M. (EST) yesterday from the ornate consulate on E. 81st St. a few steps off Fifth Avenue. The building had been a center of attraction all week as scores of policemen and newsreel men were posted outside during the teacher's confinement. The controversy over Mrs. Kosenkina.

Chepurynsk said, "The whole incident is being taken to the highest level," as the 32-year-old woman's dramatic leap heightened the U. S. See WOMAN SAYS ON PAGE 8-A

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Soviet Protest Denied

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