Belgium recalls troops

BRUSSELS (Reuters) — More Belgian troops were recalled from NATO duty in West Germany today as a crippling Socialist-led strike entered its fourth week with no sign of a break.

The troop movement began as more trouble threatened in the port city of Antwerp, where a crowd of some 15,000 marched through the streets protesting against the government's proposed new austerity measures that call for higher taxes and lower social security benefits.

The strikers wedged stones and iron bars into streetcar tracks and scattered nails over roads leading into the town.

Reinforcements were moved in to bolster the city's 2,000-man police force.

Police, acting under new orders to "get tough" arrested pickets in Liege and at nearby Huy early today. Liege strikers had tried to stop the town's municipal orchestra from attending a rehearsal.

The known death toll rose to three Monday night when one person was killed and two injured in Charleroi in what the government described as "accidents" at strikers' road barricades.

Prime Minister Gaston Eyskens told a press conference Monday that several other deaths were directly attributable to the strike, either from acts of sabotage by the strikers or through accidents at roadblocks.

None blamed in carrier disaster

NEW YORK (AP)— The United States navy ended its public hearings Monday in the December 19 fire aboard the aircraft carrier Constellation. The ship's officials said no one could be blamed for the disaster in which 50 civilian workers perished.

A statement by "interested parties" attributed a dispute between the navy and New York Ciy fire officials to "erroneous interpretations of photographs made after the fire."

Fire officials testified during the 11-session hearing that the navy's housekeeping aboard the ship was shabby. Navy officials testified that it wasn't

"Get off pot", says Gaglardi

VANCOUVER (CP)— Highways minister Gaglardi suggested here Monday businessmen should have more confidence in the country's economic future.

Speaking to a meeting of the Board of Trade, Mr. Gaglardi said there was no recession in 1960, just an economic slowdown.

"There was a solidifying of the situation," the minister said "which augurs well for the future."

Speaking of power development in B.C., Mr. Gaglardi said: "What do we care if it's Peace or Columbia as long as it's power. We shall need all the resources of both by 1975 anyway."

"If those fellows don't get off the pot soon . . . we'll all be walking around with candles in our hands," he said.

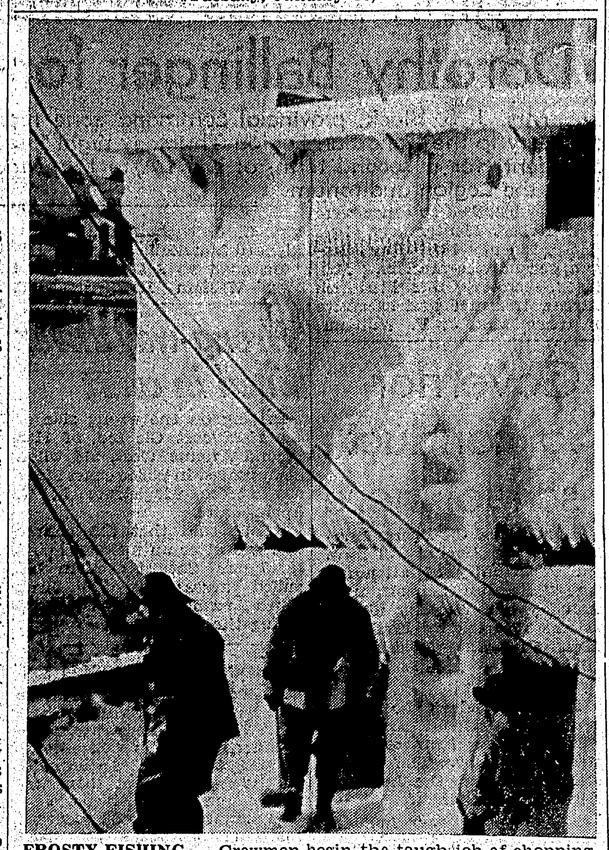
Minor given seven days

Being under the age of 21 and in possession of liquor resulted in 19-year-old Harvey Wesley Wing, of Port Edward being sentenced to seven days in jail, when he appeared in police court Monday before Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite.

RCMP told the court that the charge was laid about 12:30 a.m. Saturday when Wing was found with a gallon of wine near the Moose Hall.

Witness slain

HARRISON, N.J. (AP)—Pasquale Ferrante, a small-time hoodlum who was a witness to a shooting, was found shot to death in the back seat of a car Monday. Ferrante had been free on $5,000 bail as a material witness in a tavern shooting incident in Newark, in which three men were wounded last September 23.



FROSTY FISHING — Crewmen begin the tough job of chopping ice from the decks of the dragger Cape LaHave at Lunenberg, N.S. after its return from a North Atlantic trip. Only one pane of glass in the ship's wheelhouse has been kept clear of ice during the voyage. — CP Wirephoto

British security men still checking spies

By DAVE OANCIA
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LONDON (CP)—The fingerprints of two men and a woman charged under Britain's Official Secrets Act were flown to Canada during the night for a check by the RCMP in Ottawa.

This was the latest in a series of Scotland Yard investigations that culminated in the appearance Monday of five persons on espionage charges in Bow Street magistrate's court.

Three of the accused — Gordon Arnold Lonsdale, 37-year-old company director, bookseller John Kroger, 50, and his wife Helen, 47—are believed to be Canadians.

The other two—Henry Houghton, 55, and Miss Elizabeth Gee, 46—are civil servants in the pay office of the research station at Portland, Dorset.

All had refused to have their fingerprints taken before police obtained a magistrate's order. The order was granted despite protests from the three presumed Canadians.

REMANDED ONE WEEK

All five were remanded for a week and ordered held in custody until their next court appearance.

Detective Superintendent George Smith and a team of detectives today were examining documents and books taken from the homes of the accused.

The charge against all five is that between last June and this month, in the London area and elsewhere, they did "with other persons unknown, unlawfully conspire to commit breaches of section one of the Official Secrets Act, 1911."

Offences under this section range from approaching prohibited places to sketching, photographing or obtaining information which might be useful to an enemy and to communicating that information.

NEW WARRANTS OUT

Early today, new search warrants were issued to senior Scotland Yard special branch officers. The warrants give them the authority to search more premises in their investigations involving the country's south coast naval base.

During the night, the special officers kept a close watch on a number of people both in London and in west-coast seaports.

The five were arrested during the weekend following more than six months of intensive inquiries by British security teams.

The section of the secrets act under which the five were charged provides for a sentence of from three to seven years.

The naval research station at Portland is the centre of British underwater research. A Canadian - developed anti-submarine device said to be capable of detecting a submarine 50 miles away has been undergoing tests at the station.

$2,500 damage in house fire

Fire ripped through the basement-garage of a house at 619 Seventh Avenue West, Saturday, heavily damaging a car parked inside and causing more than $2,000 damage to the house and more than $500 damage to the car.

Firemen were called to the house about 6:20 p.m. Saturday.

Fire Chief E. W. Becker said that Joseph Tutinka, who rents the house, was working on his car when the fire started.

The fire was mainly confined to the lower reaches of the house.

It is believed that the fire started from the heat caused by an extension lamp which had fallen to a mattress on the floor.

Firemen were called out to Fraser Street and Seventh St. at 9:27 a.m. yesterday but it was a false alarm.

A child caught at the location admitted to pulling the alarm. He was lectured by firemen and sent home.

Vehicle recovered

A vehicle stolen sometime Saturday night was recovered undamaged by RCMP at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, in the Shop-Easy parking lot.

Police said that Patrick Ratchford, of 737 First Avenue West, owner of the vehicle, reported the car missing at 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

Red troops join fight with Laos guerillas

VIENTIANE (Reuters) — The right-wing Laotian government claimed today that Russian troops have entered Laos and are fighting alongside North Vietnamese and pro-Communist guerrillas in the strategic central province of Xieng Khouang.

This was announced at a press conference by Information Minister Bouavan Norasingh. He said he had these reports from Col. Khamkhone, commander of right wing government operations in the province.

The news came as a complete surprise and drew incredulous reactions from Western observers here.

Bouavan said it was reported that there were three battalions composed of Russians, Vietminh (Communist) North Vietnomese and pro-Communist Laotian Pathet Lao guerrillas in the eastern part of Xieng Khouang province at Ban Na Le.

The government says it is planning to launch an offensive to retake the strategic area, captured by pro - Communist forces January 1.

HELD BY RED FORCES

The government claims were contradicted by French military mission officials who returned from the Plain of Jars region this morning.

They said only leftist forces of the rebel paratrooper Capt. Kong Le were seen in the plains region.

Bouavan said one division of Vietminh also was marching towards Ban Ban in the eastern part of the province. He was unable to say how many men were in the division.

Another 2,000 Pathet Lao troops and Vietminh were on the Plain of Jars itself, he said.

State law poses federal conflict in segregation

ATLANTA (AP)— The doors of the University of Georgia were slammed shut today in the faces of two young Negroes—and 7,500 white students—while state officials wrestled with the dilemma of state segregation laws versus federal court integration orders.

Governor Ernest Vandiver cut off funds to the school under a state segregation law, then asked the state legislature to repeal the law so as not to wreck Georgia's program of higher learning.

State Attorney-General Eugene Cook in Washington sought to win from the U.S. Supreme Court a last-minute delay, which Vandiver said would exhaust the state's legal remedies in a 10-year batle to maintain segregated classrooms in Georgia.

Vandiver, who has frequently pledged no Negro would attend classes with white students as long as he was governor, called the closing of the 175-year-old institution "the saddest day of my life."

FOUR ARRESTED

After Vandiver conferred by phone with university President O. C. Aderhold at the campus in Athens, some 70 miles from Atlanta, university officials announced a one-week "holiday" in which all classes would be cancelled. Four persons were arrested in student demonstrations following the midnight announcement.

The Negroes, Charlayne Hunter, 18, and Hamilton Holmes, 19, both of Atlanta, were to have begun classes at 9 a.m. today as the first Negroes to break the color barrier at any school in Georgia.

Vandiver speculated the doors of the university could be reopened within a week—apparently on an integrated basis — if the segregation law is repealed without delay.

The four-year-old law, calling for immediate cutting off of funds to any branch of the state university system the moment a Negro is enrolled under federal court order, now is "an albatross" around Georgia's neck, the governor said.

WON'T DEFY LAW

"I will not be a party to defiance of the law as many would wish," Vandiver said in referring to U.S. District Judge W. A. Bootle's order to admit the Negroes.

About 2,000 white students trailed Holmes and Miss Hunter around the campus as they completed registration Monday, booing and yelling but offering them no violence.

Youth charged after gunfight

LETHBRIDGE (CP)—Blair Bothwell, an orphan staying with foster parents, was charged with attempted murder Monday in connection with the shooting of a hunting companion Sunday.

Bothwell, 18, eluded an intensive manhunt for 17 hours before being wounded and captured in a wild exchange of gunfire Monday morning. About 50 shots were fired as police closed in on the youth.

One policeman had a bullet hole in his hat and Bothwell was hit in the shoulder. He was reported in good condition in hospital.

His hunting companion, Patrick Masson, 15, was shot six times, in both legs, both arms, his back and neck. His condition was termed satisfactory.

Bothwell was arrested about 10 blocks from his home. A single - shot .22 - calibre was seized by police.

Bothwell's foster mother, Mrs. Peter George, said Monday the youth had been "most quiet and caused no trouble" since coming to live with the Georges late in 1960.

Mrs. George said Bothwell is an orphan and had lived with them twice, once in 1958 and again for two and a half months before his arrest.

RCMP talks

The increase of RCMP in Prince Rupert Monday and Tuesday can be attributed to the conference of members in charge of detachments in the Prince Rupert Sub-Division area, RCMP at Sub-Division said today.

Car stolen

A 1956 station wagon with a roof rack, stolen from Terrace, may turn up in Prince Rupert, RCMP said Monday.

Police said that the vehicle, owned by Harry Plantenga of Terrace, was stolen Sunday night.

WATCHING THE HORNS carefully as she feeds a winter-tamed deer is little Thera Ann Peterson of Burns Lake. It was Christmas morning and Thera shared some of Christmas goodies with the hungry animal which followed the Prince Rupert train into the station at Jasper, Alta. Thera, with her mother, Mrs. David Peterson, was on her way to visit relations at Fort William, Ont.

Rebrin writ to be served

VANCOUVER (CP)—An application by Ottawa Journal reporter Richard Jackson to have the courts set aside service of Irene Rebrin's libel writ was refused today by Mr. Justice Norman Whittaker in British Columbia Supreme Court.

Miss Rebrin, 34-year-old language lecturer at the University of B.C., last November had Jackson joined as a defendant in her libel suit against the Toronto Telegram, publisher John Bassett and Telegram reporter Peter Dempson.

Miss Rebrin claims Jackson supplied Dempson with material on which the Telegram reporter based an article published last March 21, which is the subject of her suit for libel damages.

Whaling restart proposal studied

VANCOUVER (CP)— British Columbia's whaling fleet may return to the high seas again — joined by ships from Japan.

The industry ceased operations last year because of high costs.

Under the proposed agreement, a large Japanese fishing and whaling firm would join in the operation with B.C. boats and would purchase the whale meat for sale in Japan.

Negotiations have started between B.C. Packers Limited and the United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union (Ind.)

Plans call for the installation of quick freezing machinery and re-development of the whaling station at Coal Harbor on the west coast of Vancouver Island.

KKK burns cross

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — A band of nearly 100 Ku Klux Klansmen burned a 15-foot high cross on a highway while calling for a united front against integration in South Carolina.

POLISH TREASURES GO THROUGH—A truckload of Poland's national treasures is cleared through Canadian Customs at Rock Island, Que. They are going to the Wawel Museum in Cracow after 20 years storage in this country. Driver Phil Boivan talks with Customs official John Sylvester and Polish cultural ministry officer Bahdan Marconi. — CP Wirephoto

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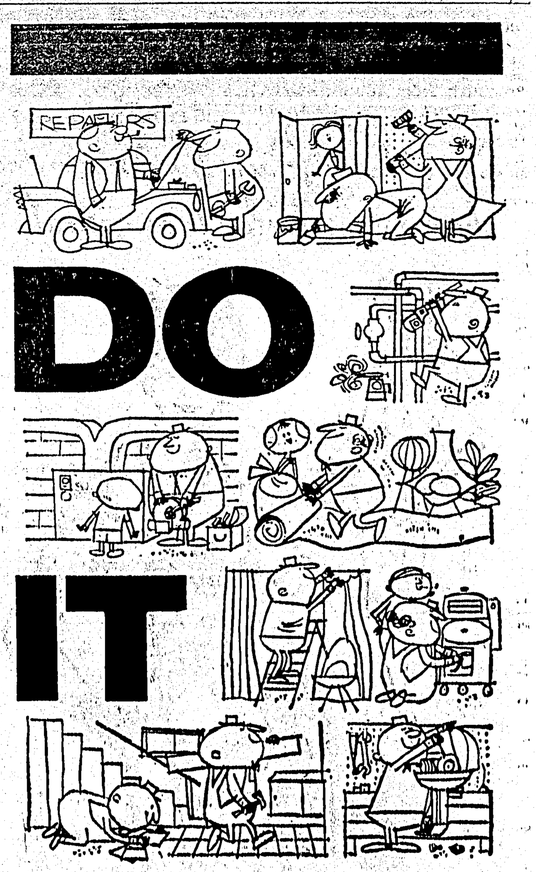

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