

U.S. Demands POW Release

WASHINGTON, March 1 (AP)—The State Department announced today the United States has presented a new demand to Communist China for release of 41 American civilians.

The action was taken in a meeting of American and Red Chinese consular representatives at Geneva, Switzerland.

The U.S. consul general, Franklin C. Gowen, told Acting Consul General Shen Ping that the American government asked the freedom of the 41 on the grounds of their "unwarranted detention."

The Communist official, the State department said, "reiterated the Communist position that no Americans are being unjustly detained."

However, the announcement said that since contacts between the U.S. and Red Chinese representatives started last June at Geneva, 18 Americans who had been imprisoned or otherwise denied permission to leave Red China have been released.

Press Officer Henry Suydam said that "these negotiations have not been unproductive and we naturally hope more will be released."

The announcement said that among the 41 civilians are two employees of the Army Department included by the Reds in spy charges along with 11 U.S. Air Force men.

The negotiations for the civilians are apart from those for the release of 15 U.S. airmen.

Suydam said that the United States requested the meeting and that it regards the negotiations as continuing even though the Chinese representatives met the demand for freedom from "unwarranted detention" by restating the Communist position that no Americans are being "unjustly detained."

Chase Tours Quemoy Island

TIPEI, Formosa, March 1 (AP)—Maj. Gen. William C. Chase toured tense Quemoy Island today gathering information for high-level talks this week with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and top U.S. Navy officers.

The Defense Ministry said Communist batteries lobbed three shells onto Quemoy but that presumably was before the arrival of the head of the U.S. Military Assistance Advisory Group on Formosa.

Chase on Saturday visited the Matsus, 100 miles northwest of Formosa. By his visit to Quemoy, across the strait from Formosa, he completed the circuit of the major Nationalist offshore islands.

He listened to reports from garrison commanders and inspected Quemoy's stout defenses.

Sutherland to Speak

Selections from Canadian literature, will be read by Dr. A. Bruce Sutherland, professor of English literature, at 4:15 p.m. today in 105 Pattee Library.

Dr. Sutherland will include selections from the works of Stephen Leacock, Canadian humorist and former professor of economics at McGill University.

Air Force Shows Radiation Held To Safe Limits

LAS VEGAS, Nev., March 1 (AP)—The Air Force today took advantage of a brilliant atomic explosion visible in six states to demonstrate that radiation can be held to safe limits under good weather conditions.

It allowed a group of newsmen to penetrate for the first time the edges of the cloud of a nuclear explosion.

The third test of the 1955 series, a 300-foot tower shot on Yucca Flat flashed at 5:30 a.m. It was seen within a radius of 500 miles encompassing Pocatelle, Idaho, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Salt Lake City, Klamath Falls, Ore., and Phoenix, Ariz.

The comparatively light shot, in the absence of clouds and high winds, bore out the AEC announcement that this was a smaller device in the baby A-bomb class.

Approximately 600 soldiers and 25 Marines maneuvered in the first major operation of Exercise Desert Rock, but they had to yield center stage to the atomic cloud today.

The AEC and the Department of Defense relaxed restrictions after four years to permit five reporters to make a radiological safety flight in a B25, one of the Air Force's score of cloud-sampling planes.

Firearms Credit Asked For Courses in Schools

HARRISBURG, March 1 (AP)—Proposed legislation to allow schools to grant credit for courses in conservation and the handling of firearms was submitted to the House today.

A bill offered by Rep. Edwin W. Tompkins (R-Cameron) would authorize "scholastic credit at least equal to scholastic credit received for any course in physical education" for conservation and firearms classes.

Churchill Says Reds Wouldn't Win H-War

LONDON, March 1 (AP)—Prime Minister Winston Churchill said today Soviet leaders realize they never can win a hydrogen bomb war against the West.

The United States has overwhelming superiority in thermo-nuclear weapons that may be cut by the Russians within four years, but cannot be nullified, Churchill said.

He told a hushed House of Commons the United States is "the only country which is able to deliver today a full-scale attack with hydrogen bombs."

The 80-year-old Prime Minister predicted it will take Russia another two to four years to achieve the power to mount such an attack against North America and even then the free world, with Britain now starting H-bomb production, would have greater retaliatory power.

Reasoning that Russia has lost the hydrogen bomb race, Churchill said: "In three or four years time, it may even be less, the scene will be changed."

"The Soviets will probably stand possessed of hydrogen bombs and the means of delivering them not only on the United Kingdom but also on North American targets."

"They may have reached a stage—not indeed of parity with the United States and Britain—but what is called saturation."

"Saturation in this connection means the point where—although one power is stronger than the other, perhaps much stronger—both are capable of inflicting crippling or quasi-mortal injuries on the other with what they have got."

Volcano Erupts

PAHOA, Hawaii, March 1 (AP)—A reawakened volcano today spread a lake of lava 1½ miles long over Eastern Hawaii. It shot molten rock 100 feet into the air.

Matusow Swears Former Wife Gave McCarthy \$70,000

WASHINGTON, March 1 (AP)—Harvey Matusow, self-proclaimed false witness, swore today his former wife told him she gave \$70,000 to Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis) rather than the \$7000 turned up in a Senate investigation of McCarthy's affairs in 1952.

Capping an eventful day before the Senate Internal Security subcommittee, Matusow said his former wife didn't want the investigators to know about her gift, and he spirited her off to the Bahamas so she wouldn't have to testify.

He agreed with senators that probably he had obstructed justice by taking the woman out of the country at that time. But so did McCarthy, he added, and other individuals he said had a hand in it.

Peron Unseats Three

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, March 1 (AP)—President Juan D. Peron today took control of three Argentine provinces, superseding elected Peronista officials. They had come under criticism previously for failing to cooperate with other officials of the Peron administration.

Reds Released, But Not Free

NEW YORK, March 1 (AP)—Six of the nation's top Communists came out of prison today. But all of them were ticketed for renewed prosecution or deportation in Uncle Sam's "Operation Re-Trap."

The six completed five-year prison terms—less one-third off for good behavior—for conspiring to teach and advocate the violent overthrow of the U.S. government.

They went behind bars in 1951 and served three years and eight months. They were among 11 top Reds convicted in a celebrated 1949 trial, the first big government attack on the hierarchy of American communism.

In New York, a knot of women friends and relatives, festooned with orchids, awaited two of the returning Reds. The ex-convicts broke into broad grins at the reception.

As the six emerged from four different federal prisons, U.S. marshals were waiting to take them into renewed custody. Later,

five were freed on bonds of \$5000 each to await trial on new subversive charges. The other still owes 60 days in a county jail.

The original 11 were indicted on two different counts in 1948. They were tried on the conspiracy count and convicted Oct. 14, 1949, after a riotous nine-months New York trial.

Appeals consumed 1½ years and seven of the Reds surrendered to begin their sentences on July 2, 1951. Four others jumped bond. Two were recaptured and are imprisoned but Henry Winston, 40, and Gilbert Green, 48, never have been found.

The second count in the original indictment accuses the 11 of knowingly being members of a party dedicated to revolution. Conviction could mean an additional five years in prison.

Not all of the 11 top Reds face retrial.

Irving Potash, 55, freed from prison Dec. 9, is scheduled to leave for Communist Poland on Friday by agreement with the government. The Russian-born,

one-time union official is leaving the country rather than stand trial anew.

Deportation proceedings are pending against John Williamson, 52 and Scottish-born, and Jacob Stachel, 55, another native of Russia.

They were released from Danbury, Conn., federal correctional institution today and brought in handcuffs to New York.

Eugene Dennis, 49, the party's general secretary, and John Gates, 41, editor of the Daily Worker, were released from the Atlanta, Ga., federal penitentiary today.

At Leavenworth, Kan., another top Red, Carl D. Winter, 49, was released.

The sixth Communist to finish his prison sentence was Benjamin J. Davis Jr., former New York City councilman. However, from the Terre Haute, Ind., federal prison, he was taken to Pittsburgh to serve an added 60 days for contempt of court during the trial.

DAVE BRUBECK QUARTET

Sponsored by Jazz Club

Friday, March 18

9:00 p.m.

Rec Hall

\$1.50

Tickets at Old Main

fly to

DETROIT

via

ALLEGHENY AIRLINES

Confirmed reservations with

Capital AIRLINES

Non-Stop from Pittsburgh

For reservations, call Philipsburg 25, or your travel agent