

# N. Korea Frees Plane Captives

PANMUNJOM, Korea, March 6 (AP)—Red North Korea freed two American pilots and 24 other persons from a detained airliner today. Passengers said Communist agents wielding guns, grenades and hammers, seized the plane high over Korea Feb. 16.

The two Americans, both appearing tired, begged off from telling their stories. They are Willis R. Hobbs, Vallejo, Calif., the civilian pilot; and Air Force Lt. Col. Howard McClellan of Buchanan, Mich., who acted as copilot.

The passengers said the agents threatened them, shot the lock off the control cabin door of the Korean airliner and forced the American pilots to fly to a field near Pyongyang, the North Korean capital.

North Korea originally claimed the northward flight was made voluntarily. Later the Communists scheduled a meeting at Panmunjom truce headquarters to return all who wished to go back to South Korea. Of the 34 aboard the plane, 26 passengers and crew members were released.

The UN Command said the eight who remained in the North apparently were seven Communist agents and a child of one of them.

The passengers said at least five Communist agents seized the plane as it flew from Pusan toward Seoul.

## U.S. to Avoid Summit 'Spectacle'

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP)—The United States challenged Russia today to demonstrate it wants a decision-making summit conference instead of a "spectacle."

It called on the Soviets to do this by agreeing to an adequate foreign ministers' meeting to pave the way for the session of top leaders.

# Congress Heads Off Benson Plan

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP)—A series of bills designed to head off the Eisenhower administration's lower price support programs emerged today from Senate and House farm committees.

The Senate Agriculture Committee approved these three bills: • Preventing Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson from cutting price supports or acreage allotments below 1957 levels on any of the basic crops—wheat, corn, cotton, rice, tobacco and peanuts.

• Increasing from about 38 million to 54 million acres the commercial corn area eligible for price supports this year.

• Freezing dairy price supports at last year's levels.

A separate House bill blocking Benson's announced intention of reducing dairy price supports effective April 1 was approved unanimously by a house Agriculture subcommittee.

Benson announced several weeks ago he would cut price supports on milk and dairy products to the legal minimum of 75 per cent of parity starting next month. The present level is about 83 per cent. Parity is a fluctuating figure defined by law as one which would give farmers a fair return in relation to their costs.

## Reserve Board Eases Credit

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP)—The Federal Reserve Board approved new, credit-easing, reductions in discount rates today, while moves multiplied in Congress to combat the current business recession.

The board gave its approval to a reduction in the discount rates of the New York, Philadelphia and Chicago Federal Reserve banks from 2 and three fourths to 2 and one fourth per cent.

The discount rate is the interest charge that member banks pay to borrow from the Federal Reserve system. A board spokesman said the reduction was approved "to make credit conditions still more favorable to recovery."

A cut in the Federal Reserve rate has a tendency to reduce interest rates generally. This was the second cut in the discount rate this year and the third since November when the recession became apparent.

## Wall Street Optimism Up As Market Advances

NEW YORK, March 6 (AP)—Renewed optimism came to Wall Street today and the stock market enjoyed its biggest advance since Jan. 2.

Today's rise capped a series of five straight daily moves to the upside and did it on the best volume since Feb. 5.

## State Construction To Aid Employment

PHILADELPHIA, March 6 (AP)—Pennsylvania has 200 million dollars worth of new construction projects under way to combat rising unemployment, Gov. Leader said here today.

Some of the construction projects, the governor said, have been moved up six months to a year ahead of schedule.

# Tunis May Break With Cairo

TUNIS, March 6 (AP)—President Habib Bourguiba today threatened to break off relations with Egypt because a plot allegedly was masterminded in Cairo to kill him.

He asserted his independence of eastern Arab leadership, and declared his own plan to unite the western Arabs of Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco was making progress.

He said he believed his own troubles with France over the rebellion in Algeria would be clarified within a week.

Egyptians and Syrians also aired charges of another assassination plot against President Nasser of their United Arab Republic.

Nasser said "oil money" from Saudi Arabia had been passed to assassinate him and prevent formation of the U.A.R. The charges appeared to some observers in the Middle East to be part of a campaign to unseat regimes opposing expansion of the U.A.R.

Bourguiba declared that unless Nasser gave a serious explanation of the plot, "We no longer have any need of diplomatic relations with Egypt."

The Tunisian government announced Wednesday that it had caught an agent from Cairo crossing the border from Libya with a pistol, grenade and letters urging the assassination of Bourguiba as an act of holy war.

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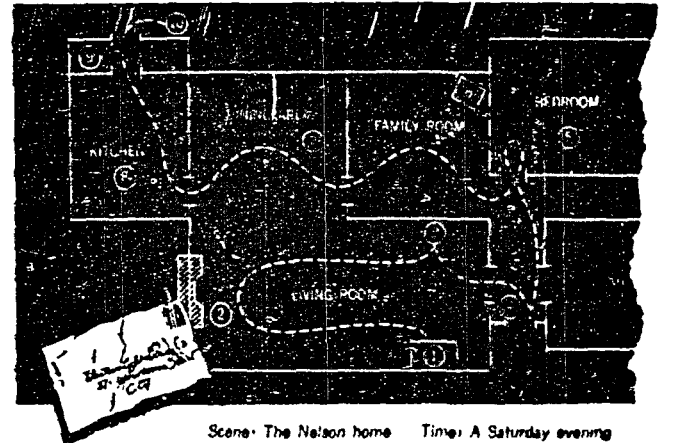
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Scene: The Nelson home Time: A Saturday evening

## The case of the crumpled letter!

1 The desk where Mr. Nelson opened his bills and wrote a letter to the electric company, protesting against their advertising that electricity gives more value for every dollar than any other item in the family budget.

2 Where Mr. Nelson looked at the electric clock to see if he had time to mail his letter before dinner.

3 The hi-fi set he turned off as he left the room.

4 Where Mr. N. paused to check the furnace thermostat and turn on the porch light to guide the dinner guests.

5 His daughter's bedroom where he watched her drying her hair with the electric hair dryer and admired the dress she had just ironed for her date.

6 The TV, with Junior riding herd.

7 The electric coffeemaker and the toaster, ready to do dinner duty.

8 The all-electric kitchen, where dinner was cooking and Mrs. Nelson was taking ice cubes from the refrigerator—and where the electric dishwasher and clotheswasher and dryer were waiting to do the chores ahead.

9 The back porch, where Mr. N. paused to think—realizing that his family was putting electricity to work in dozens of ways all over the house... ways he often forget. So maybe the electric company was right about the value of his service.

10 The trash can into which he tossed his crumpled letter.

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