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TWO RED THRUSTS AGAINST TAEGU SMASHED

Ex-Navy Worker Here Seized On Mexican Border as Red Spy; Ninth Named as Conspirator

Sealed Complaint Is Filed Against Morton Sobell, 33

Morton Sobell, an electrical engineer who worked in the Navy Department and married a Washington girl, was arrested today as a conspirator in the Soviet atom bomb spy ring.

Thirty-three years old, New York-born of Russian parents, he fled to Mexico last June after the roundup of Soviet spies in this country began, the FBI said. He is the ninth alleged member of the ring to be named.

The Mexican government deported him and FBI agents were waiting on the border at Laredo, Tex., to arrest him on espionage charges.

Following his arrest, Sobell was taken to the Webb County jail at Laredo. He is scheduled to be arraigned before a United States Commissioner in Laredo later today.

A sealed complaint was filed with the United States commissioner in New York August 3 charging Sobell with conspiring with Julius Rosenberg and others in sending national defense information to Russia.

Came Here in 1938. Sobell came to Washington in 1938 after being graduated from the City College of New York as a bachelor of engineering.

In January, 1939, he got a job as an electrical engineer with the Navy Ordnance Bureau and worked there until September, 1941, when he resigned to attend the University of Michigan. At that time, according to the Justice Department, he lived at 4925 Seventh street N.W.

After obtaining his master's degree in electrical engineering, Sobell returned to Washington and lived for a time in apartment 303 at 2225 N street N.W.

In June, 1942, he got a job with the General Electric Co., which was working on radar and other restricted war contracts. He worked in both the electrical control unit and the metallurgical radar section and the marine and aeronautics sections of GE.

Two Children Born. While in Washington Sobell met Helen Levitt Gurewitz, whose mother and brother live at 2135 Lee highway, Arlington. She was born in Washington in 1918.

On March 10, 1945, Sobell left on leave from his job at General Electric, came to Arlington and married Miss Gurewitz. They now have two children.

Before fleeing to Mexico, Sobell resided with his family at 164-17 73d avenue, Flushing, N. Y.

Sobell left his job at General Electric in mid-1947 to go to work as an engineer with the Reeves Instrument Co., 215 East 91st street, New York City.

On June 16, the FBI said, Sobell learned of the arrest of David Greenglass, who had been stationed at the Atom Bomb project at Los Alamos, while he was a soldier in 1945.

Never Returned, FBI Says. Sobell never returned to his job at the Reeves Instrument Co. He left by plane for Mexico on June 22, the Justice Department said.

"Sobell lived for a year or two" with another man at the Seventh street address.

Mrs. Sol Aron said the two occupied an apartment on the second floor of her home, but that she saw little of Sobell since they had only a speaking acquaintance.

Mrs. Aron, whose husband is a liquor dealer, said the two men gave no reason for leaving.

Records of the Henry J. Robb real estate company reveal that Sobell lived at the apartment at 2225 N street N.W. from November, 1947, to January, 1948.

Quite apart from this consideration, State Department officials said, Mrs. Sampson is well qualified to serve as a result of her legal training and interest in social and political problems.

Officials said that Secretary of State Acheson will head the delegation which will be named by Mr. Truman next week.



MORTON SOBELL.

Government Freezes Surplus for Check on Defense Requirements

Larson Order Leaves No Agency Exempt, but Officials Disagree

The Government today placed a freeze on disposal of all Government-held surplus property pending a check to see what the defense needs are in the light of the Korean War.

The order, issued by Administrator Jess Larson of General Services Administration, covers war plants, supplies, equipment and material, both civilian and military, regardless of previous authority for disposal.

No Government agency is exempt under the order, not even General Services itself.

Chiefly affected by the order is personal property. The Government now holds only a handful of war plants and previously had liquidated all of its World War II surplus material. GSA estimated that during the past 12 months it has approved the disposal of around \$200 million worth of property (valuation based on original cost), ranging from typewriters to bulldozers.

The order therefore would have no effect on private firms operating war surplus stores here and in other cities, according to officials.

An official said it would be impossible to estimate in dollars the total surplus holdings of all Government agencies.

Screening Necessary. Mr. Larson said the order remains in effect until further notice, but other officials indicated that once a new survey has been made and the military and other agencies have decided on what they need, the order might be lifted.

Mr. Larson explained that GSA regulations require that any property earmarked for disposal must be screened with all other Federal agencies before it can be declared surplus.

The agency's action comes just a day after President Truman said.

(See **SURPLUS**, Page A-3.)

Marines to Accept Men For Duration of War

By the Associated Press. NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—The Marine Corps has authorized enlistments for the duration of the emergency only, recruiting officials said today.

Previously recruits had to sign up for four years.

Maj. Louis H. Wilson, chief recruiting officer here, said the new policy, similar to one adopted for World War II, was expected to bring in more men.

Fierce-Looking but Palsy Dog Holds Up Due Process of Law

He was only a nice, shredded wheat-eating dog, but how were the cops to know?

Buddy, a great big Great Dane, unwittingly stood off a squad of police for an hour last night before the truth came out that he was, indeed, a buddy to everybody.

The squad then served a warrant on Mrs. Marjorie Hughes, 52, of the 1200 block of Allison street N.E., who today pleaded guilty to charges of failing to pay board bills totaling \$655 at three hotels—the Roger Smith, Carlton and Lee House.

Municipal Court Judge George D. Nelson frowned.

"Understand you've been feeding that dog turkey and chicken dinners," he said.

"No, your honor," Mrs. Hughes replied. "All he will eat is wheat cakes and shredded wheat."

Judge Nelson had no rejoinder.

Crime Probers Urge Tighter Tax, Alien Laws

Miami 'Stranglehold' Described in Report Of Kefauver Group

By Miriam Ottenberg

The Senate subcommittee investigating crime today proposed tighter income tax and immigration laws to strike at the full purses of racketeers or get the foreign-born ones out of the country.

In a 10,000-word progress report, the investigators told the Senate they have found that criminal organizations are monopolizing certain channels of interstate commerce by means of "violence, bribery, corruption and intimidation."

To complete its coast-to-coast inquiry before the February, 1951, deadline, the committee asked for more money. So far the five-member committee, headed by Senator Kefauver, Democrat, of Tennessee, has got \$150,000.

The investigators reported specifically on the results of their Miami investigation where, they found, known gangsters have gained a "very strong stranglehold on the community."

Measures Suggested. The committee asked the Senate to consider these measures:

1. Tightening of immigration laws to remove notorious criminals who are not citizens.

2. Mandatory severe prison terms for narcotics violators and for second and third offenders.

3. Tightening of income tax laws under which racketeers can now report huge sums in cash income and disbursements without supporting details from their books.

4. Requiring persons who get their income from illegal activities to submit a complete financial statement annually showing any increase or decrease in net worth.

5. Using anti-trust laws where there is a monopoly in sending gambling information across State lines.

6. Using mail fraud statutes to prevent the use of the mails in crime.

(See **CRIME**, Page A-4.)

Steamer Catches Fire While Battling Storm

By the Associated Press

MIAMI, Fla., Aug. 18.—A 7,247-ton steamship caught fire 400 miles off Fort Pierce, Fla., while battling the fringe winds of the Atlantic hurricane today.

The Coast Guard said the freighter Russell R. Jones, bound from Norfolk for Los Angeles, flashed an SOS but later reported "don't need immediate assistance."

Her messages reported she was afloat in the No. 1 and No. 2 holds.

The hurricane was passing between the ship and the Florida coast at the time.

Finletter in London

LONDON, Aug. 18. (P)—Air Secretary Finletter flew here from Washington today for conferences with Maj. Gen. Leon W. Johnson, commanding the United States Air Force 3d Division in Britain.

Ousted Florida Sheriff And Brother Indicted

By the Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., Aug. 18.—Walter Clark, ousted as sheriff of Broward County, and his brother and chief deputy, Robert Clark, were indicted by a grand jury and surrendered last night on charges of operating a lottery and possession of slot machines.

Gordon Williams, third partner with the Clarks in ownership of the Broward Novelty Co., also was indicted, as were two employees, James Johnson and Truman Lytle.

All five posted bonds of \$1,000 each and were freed.

Senator Kefauver, Democrat, of Tennessee, chairman of a Senate committee investigating crime, disclosed during a hearing at Miami in July that the Clarks were partners in the novelty company, which paid taxes on \$750,000 in Bolita lottery operations in three years.

Gov. Fuller Warren suspended Clark and appointed Amos Hall to the sheriff's post.

Shimon Admits 8 Instances of Wire-Tapping

Income Tax and FBI Data Requested by Pepper at Hearing

By Don S. Warren

The Senate subcommittee investigating wire-tapping today called on Treasury and Justice Department officials for their information on Police Lt. Joseph W. Shimon as he appeared before the Senate investigators and admitted eavesdropping activities.

The hearing was a closed one but what happened was described to reporters by Chairman Pepper.

Lt. Shimon admitted he had made wire-tappings in eight specific instances, according to Senator Pepper. In one of these, the Senator said, the officer admitted he had done wire-tapping at the time of the 1947 Senate investigation of the war contracts of plane-builder Howard Hughes.

Looking for Brewster Shadow. "He said he made taps in connection with that Hughes investigation," Senator Pepper told reporters. "He intimated that he was making the tap in that instance to see if anybody had been shadowing Senator Brewster, Republican, of Maine."

Senator Brewster at the time was chairman of the Senate War Investigating Committee. The inquiry into the contracts of Mr. Hughes was conducted by a subcommittee headed by Senator Ferguson, Republican, of Michigan.

Lt. Shimon's alleged wire-tapping activities in the Hughes inquiry have been the most widely publicized of all the accusations against him.

Separate Tappings Listed. The lieutenant, said Senator Pepper, listed the following as some of the other instances of his wire-tapping:

1. At the Occidental Hotel at a time not specified.

2. At the Carlton Hotel, where Mr. Hughes had resided while here for the 1947 inquiry.

3. At a place in the 2500 block of Q street N.W.

4. At a place in the 2000 or 2100 block of Connecticut avenue N.W., where he installed some of his equipment on a telephone pole.

5. At some place where he listened in and got information which led to his solution of missing antique jewels, reportedly taken from Otis Kent.

The O street job has been mentioned in connection with reports that the wires of the late Senator Bailey, Democrat, of North Carolina, were tapped in an aviation bill dispute in 1945.

First Chance to Tell Story. Lt. Shimon's appearance today was his first chance to tell his side of the accusations that have been made against him and to answer before the Senate group questions raised by the testimony of numerous other witnesses, including five police officers formerly under his command.

In the Kent jewel case, Mrs. Frances had been tried on a charge of stealing the jewels and acquitted of that charge. But Mr. Kent had protested he had not got all of the jewels back.

Senator Pepper said Lt. Shimon had used wire-tapping which enabled him to go to Mexico City, where he found Mrs. Dolmage and jewels. That was in connection with a perjury case.

Done at Police Request. In numerous instances, Lt. Shimon said that his wire-tapping was done at the request of police authorities of other cities who wanted aid in finding fugitives from justice.

In one instance, as Senator Pepper said, Lt. Shimon was used to help find a missing man.

Late News Bulletin

Turkey to Send Troops

The United States today accepted Turkey's offer to send a combat force of 4,500 men to Korea. The Turkish offer is the third to be formally accepted by the United States.

Thailand's offer to send 4,000 officers and men was accepted earlier this week as was a Philippine offer to send a regimental combat team of about 5,000 men.



Byrd Says U. S. Would Pull Out Of Korea if Russia Declares War

Senator Asserts He Has Seen Plans for Move; Avers Peninsula Has No Military Value

By Robert C. Rollings

If Russia declares war on the United States, our troops will evacuate Korea because it has no military value, Senator Byrd, Democrat, of Virginia, told the Virginia American Legion convention today.

Senator Byrd said he has seen plans prepared for this eventuality and did not think he was revealing any secrets in making his statement.

Senator Byrd said the Korean fighting has done nothing to settle the situation that confronts us.

He said the war may develop into "sideline wars" and that the country is faced with "dangerous inflation at home." He charged that Congress is mystified by the complete breakdown of the United States intelligence.

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Collins and Sherman Leave Tomorrow for Visit With MacArthur

Quick Trip Will Give Chiefs Chance to See 'What Is Going On'

By John A. Giles

The military heads of the Army and Navy will leave for Tokyo tomorrow for conferences with Gen. MacArthur on the progress of the Korean War.

A Pentagon spokesman, making this announcement today, said it was not known whether Gen. J. Lawton Collins, Army Chief of Staff, and Admiral Forrest P. Sherman, Chief of Naval Operations, would make an inspection of the Korean battle zone. He added, however, that they will "see what is going on for themselves."

Gen. Collins and Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Air Force Chief of Staff, made a hurried trip to the Far East on July 10 and returned five days later. Asked why Gen. Vandenberg was not going with Gen. Collins and Admiral Sherman, an Air Force spokesman pointed out that Lt. Gen. Lauris Norstad, the vice chief of staff, had only recently returned from the area after talks with Gen. MacArthur.

Trip "Short as Can Be." The two chiefs will leave National Airport at 8 a.m. tomorrow. The spokesman said their trip will be "as short as it can be."

The spokesman said that it was the policy of the military chiefs to make trips to the battle area as frequently as possible and that there had been no special call for the Collins-Sherman trip by Gen. MacArthur.

Meanwhile, defense officials expressed concern over the heavy buildup of Korean Communist forces and what appeared to be a lack of any appreciable results from the massive B-29 raids west of the Nakdong River Wednesday.

The Reds were reported to be moving large numbers of troops into an area slightly north of the sector plastered by the Super Fortresses. And though battlefront dispatches tend to make the loud sound as though the entire area had been smothered, routing massive Reds, the Air Force here was more reserved.

An Air Force briefing officer (See **DEFENSE**, Page A-6.)

Bodies of 36 Tortured GIs Recovered From Bloody Hill

By the Associated Press

WITH UNITED STATES 1ST CAVALRY, KOREA, Aug. 18.—Bodies of 36 American soldier victims of Red battlefield torture killings were recovered today from bloody Hill 303. Their hands and feet were bound with rope, wire and shoestrings.

Three American soldiers who survived the mass execution identified two Red Korean prisoners as having been among the group that bound and executed 32 American mortar men. They tentatively identified a third Red captive as having taken part in the slaughter.

Army officials said the accused slayers would be tried as war criminals.

Seven tankmen and the 32 mortar men—39 in all—were executed by the Korean Reds on the hill before United States cavalrymen recaptured it.

Bodies of the seven tankmen were found on the road near their two wrecked machines.

"Their faces were blackened as if gasoline had been thrown on them and set afire," said Pfc. Robert S. Mauro of Revere, Mass., a stretcher jeep driver.

Pfc. Ellis R. Barner of Paris, Tex., a survivor of the 10 men in the two tanks, told how one tankman was killed as he pleaded for his life.

He said: "They found him in a culvert with their flashlights. He begged them not to kill him. They took off his clothes, all except his shorts. Then they kicked him a couple of times and hit him with the butt end of his rifle and then they shot him with a (Russian automatic) burp gun while he was moaning and begging for his life."

"Indications are the hurricane will move on a broad curve northward today and tonight at continued rather slow rate of 8 to 12 miles per hour and should pass east of Cape Hatteras late Saturday or Sunday night," the advisory said.

South Koreans Stop Foe North Of Periled City

Enemy Division Given 'Hell of a Licking' By Marines and GIs

By Reiman Morin

Associated Press Foreign Correspondent

TOKYO, Saturday, Aug. 19.—Allied troops, tanks, artillery and air bombs turned two Red Korean thrusts—42,000 men—away from threatened Taegu city yesterday.

South of Taegu a crack Red Korean division took what an American general called a "hell of a licking" at the hands of United States Marines and infantrymen.

The city itself was turned into a steel-rimmed fortress by an Allied evacuation order sending more than a half million civilians trekking away as refugees.

The South Korean government also was sent away to establish its new refugee capital somewhere.

The war-swollen populace was removed mainly so it would not get underfoot in military operations—and to reduce the possibility of uprisings by infiltrated Communists among the refugees.

Stopped by South Koreans. A thrust by 30,000 North Koreans was stopped 12 miles north of Taegu by South Koreans. Then American and South

North Korean Dead Pictured as Wearing Chinese Red Uniforms

By the Associated Press

WITH UNITED STATES 25TH DIVISION IN KOREA, Aug. 18.—Photos showing them in Chinese Red army uniforms were found tonight on the sprawled bodies of North Korean soldiers on three peaks retaken by the United States 35th Regiment near Masan in the southern sector.

Evidence indicated the homes of some of the dead were in Manchuria.

Battalion Comdr. Bernard G. Teeters ordered bodies of North Koreans brought back for examination by experts to see if they were Chinese or Koreans.

Communist prisoners said a Russian officer was seen before a battalion attacked the 35th. An American intelligence officer said one Russian is known to be with the Red's 6th Division.

Korean troops lunged at the big Red force last night with a blazing counter-attack.

At Changnyong, where 12,000 North Koreans had bulged eastward on the Allied bank of the Nakdong River 23 miles southwest of Taegu, American Marines and Doughboys whipped the Communists in a bitter battle. Many Reds retreated back across the river, abandoning their weapons in panic.

Maj. Gen. John H. Church, commanding the joint Marine-Infantry attack at Changnyong, was jubilant.

Two South Korean divisions stalled the 30,000 Communists north of mountain-walled Taegu (Continued on Page A-3, Col. 1.)

Hurricane's Danger To Florida Passes

By the Associated Press

MIAMI, Fla., Aug. 18.—Florida was given the "all clear" signal on the Atlantic hurricane today.

The alert, sounded yesterday as the violent tropical disturbance containing 140 mile winds inched toward the coast, was lifted by Chief Forecaster Grady Norton of the Miami Weather Bureau.

"Barring some totally unexpected development, the storm will swing clear of Florida," said Mr. Norton. "I am hopeful I may have the same good word for Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina later."

He said the high pressure area which blocked the storm's northern turn for a week is collapsing.

A Navy hurricane hunter at 11:15 a.m. today located the center of the storm at Latitude 28.2 north, longitude 75.1 west, or about 350 miles east from Melbourne, Fla.

An advisory said the hurricane is moving north-northwestward about 8 to 10 miles per hour and tending to curve more northward.

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